

MINUTES OF AUCKLAND HOME BIRTH ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING
Held March 19, 1991 at AHBA office, 40A Sussex St. Grey Lynn

PRESENT: Marjet Pot, Brenda Hinton, Kate Jaunay, Linda McKay, Sally Morison
 APOLOGIES: Joan Donley, Jackie Tyrrell, Rhonda Jackson. -- We assume that most of the absentees were celebrating Joan's 75th birthday.

Belated best wishes and many happy returns of the day, Joan!

MATTERS ARISING:

- 1) VIDEO: print has been seen, and final editing is done. Nicky says she can get prints, need quote for between 30 & 40 (some for other associations, one for each Auckland group, approx. 5 to hire out). Marjet to get quote from F&P. Suggested price to sell is \$50, to hire out \$10. (hirer to pay for return to AHBA).
- 2) COMPUTER: We have bought a Mac classic; price including software programme & 10 discs comes to \$4000. Jackie has investigated price of insurance & best deal is approx. \$290/year for \$10,000 worth of goods. We'll need computer table, etc. Linda to check on this.
- 3) CONFERENCE: programme has arrived; timetable needs revision: they have midwives' report + branch reports scheduled for Sunday, we think they should be Saturday. Linda and/or Brenda to write suggesting that written branch reports be given out on Friday, & that people should highlight what they feel their most important issues are so these can be discussed on Saturday.
 Airfares to Nelson are about \$145 each way.
 Registration for Conference is \$50, accommodation + meals is \$30.
- 4) CONSUMER QUESTIONNAIRE: needs a few changes in wording (Marjet/Brenda) and need to formulate 6 months one. Jackie will set it up in computer.

CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS:

- 1) C.O.G.S.: public accountability meeting March 20 7 pm Freemans Bay Community Centre. Minister is calling for submissions on COGS scheme. - should be more evenly spread throughout community, accountability of recipients, e.g. financial reports from them. Is it administered full-time? are administrators paid, etc. Same group should not get grant 2 years in a row, etc.
- 2) SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Acknowledges submission on Health Commissioner Bill.
- 3) A.C.E.: Michel Odent speaking in Auckland on 11 April.
- 4) AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY: more on cot death - a copout, suggesting that it is as important to lay baby on its side, not stomach as to not smoke or breastfeed- less threatening to the community.
- 5) POINT OF VIEW VIDEOS; videos for sale; waterbirths etc.
- 6) TAUPO HBA: wants videos, source of books. sends clipping of progress.
- 7) NELSON HBA: conference programme & registration forms.
- 8) PUBLICATIONS: Calif. Assn. of Midwives, HB Access Sydney, HB NZ Nat'l Newsletter, MAMA, MSCC, Mothering, Parents Centre; HBA's: Christchurch, Manawatu, Tauranga, Wellington, Whangarei.
- 9) REGISTRATIONS: 22 SUBS: 7

CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARDS:

- 1) SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE: Submission on Health Commissioner Bill.
- 2) WORKING PARTY ON STREAMING WOMEN AT NWH: submission.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Current Bank Balance \$4792.09 plus \$7000 invested.
 Less computer cost: \$4000.

Cheques for approval:

postage for newsletter	305.70
Stationery - Marjet	15.90
Video Production - Nicky	500.00
postage + typewriter ribbons - Brenda	24.00
Rent	150.00
Power	20.25

TREASURERS REPORT (cont'd)

Cheques for approval (March)

Newsletter production	1626.75
Rent	150.00

Treasurers report moved: Kate. Seconded: Brenda.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1) SWEATSHIRTS: need a source of 100% cotton sweatshirts to take to Conference & sell. Brenda has source, price \$18. stock arrives 5 April, she will inspect.
- 2) PORTABLE PHONES: proposed for Marjet & Linda, to be passed on to whoever's number is listed in the phone directory, to make it easier to field enquiry calls at all hours. Marjet to check in Trade & Exchange for them.
- 3) TELEPHONE TREE: seems to be a waste of energy to compile and keep up to date. When the computer is programmed all members will be able to be printed out, and if necessary contacted that way.

Meeting closed 9:45.

Next meeting is April 16, at the AHBA office, 40a Sussex St.