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AUCKLAND HOME BIRTH ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at Joan's on June 19, 1990

PRESENT: Joan Donley, Sue Frost, Kate Jaunay, Sarah Macleod, Linda McKay, Marjet Pot, Cheryl Robertson, Carolyn Young.

APOLOGIES: Barbara Harvey, Jose Kakebeeka.

CLOSING TIME set at 9:30.

MATTERS ARISING:

- 1) Regional Conference is not on; not enough enthusiasm/money. Any money available from AHBA for this will be spent on tollcalls, instead of transport, etc. to and from Taupo.
- 1)a) Newsletter will go out as usual to everyone this issue, Wgtn will have to organise the next National Newsletter.
- 2) COGS money should be asked for for Linda's expenses, collation of questionnaire, and to pay Alex for Stats. CHIFFS allows a maximum of \$5000, but as they only have \$30,000 to grant, we should ask for \$2000 towards printing the questionnaire & paying Jeff for good wording of it.
- 3) Joan's report on Conference would not help Whangarei to read it, so we will not endorse it & send it on.
- 4) Consumer questionnaire needs more work from committee before final drafting.

CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS:

- 1) Helen Clark speech notes, acknowledges letter re Nurses Bill.
- 2) Don McKinnon supports principle of Bill, questions additional clauses, lack of time for comments.
- 3) AAHB report on Task Force Strategic Directions. (need full report for commenting on. Kate to ring for one).
- 4) Ministry of Women's Affairs discussion paper: Women & Smoking.
- 5) Coalition against Tobacco Adverts: proposed amendments to Bill.
- 6) AIDS Foundation requests us to send letter to PM.
- 7) Dept of Health reply to letter re Nurses Amendment Bill.
- 8) Diane McAllister reports on progress of home help scheme: COGS applied for, John Ilot Charitable Trust will give \$1000 in Dec.
- 9) NZ College of Complementary Medicine, Dunedin, offers a short course paper towards Naturopathy Cert.: "Caring for Yourself during pregnancy, a holistic approach" \$36 to Naturopathy students.
- 10) NZ Parents Centres Ch-ch & Hamilton revising their antenatal booklet, request permission to use section on Sexuality from Blue Booklet. Brenda must be acknowledged by name.
- 11) North Shore City Council community directory update; ref. Barbara G.
- 12) Bunny Cummings (Caesarean support) offers info on VBAC, & running antenatal classes: 3 Beach Rd. Hobsonville, 416-7299.
- 13) Carmen McRae returning recycling labels, redesigned baby's face.
- 14) Carita Evatt letter of praise for Sian, Heather & Di, offer of support, \$50 donation as well as registration fee.
- 15) Laura Keller-Rust birth story.
- 16) General Enquiries from Nicola Miller-Clendon, Vanessa Luane.
- 17) Publications: Advisory Committee on Women's Health, Birth Issues, California Assn. of Midwives, Home Birth Access Sydney, MAMA Melbourne, Midwifery Today, Save the Midwives, HBA's: Ch-ch, Darwin, Manawatu, Wellington, Whangarei.
- 18) Registrations: 43 Subscriptions: 23.

CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARDS:

- 1) Helen Clark, Don McKinnon, George Salmond, Richard Prebble: letter of support for Nurses Amendment Bill.
- 2) Kali Judd: Alice Scholes' letter.
- 3) Wellington HBA: Issues we feel need discussion at regional Conf.
- 4) Nicola Miller-Clendon and Vanessa Luane: answered queries.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Balance as per Bank Statement	2663.99
Cheque for Approval (N.Shore S.G.)	83.80
Additional Banking	2318.50
total	4898.69

Additional Banking consists of:

Subs -	125.00
Sales -	126.00
Booklets -	544.50
Newsletters -	35.00
Reg & Subs -	1488.00

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1) Laboratories: at present only give blood results to gp.s; need to make clear the changes when the Nurses amendment goes through. They are obstructive at present, so we need to be sure that if only gps are given the info, then receptionists/ assistants are not given this info" but be willing to divulge to 'unauthorised' people.
- 2) Unpaid Registrations: should they be chased up before baby is born or after notice comes out in newsletter? for ease/tact, after. Midwives are getting more conscientious about checking, too.
- 3) West Harbour delay for claims: after 'administrative errors' some West Ak midwives had up to 6 weeks delay in payment for claims. Also breach of confidentiality with clients' charts being sent to accounts dept. & nearly 3 month delay in getting them back. Carolyn to draft out letter to come from AHBA expressing disapproval of this, as she has all facts.
- 4) Seminar with Colin Mantell where a paediatrician supposedly supportive of HB denigrated/insulted HB midwives in general, Jenny Woodley in particular. Is there anything we should be doing about this?
- 5) Sth Ak getting 'heavy' on unpaid registrations; Brenda to contact them re this.

MEETING CLOSED 9:25 pm.

NEXT MEETING is at Marjet's: 10 Wairiki Rd. Mt. Eden.