

MINUTES OF AUCKLAND HOMEBIRTH ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT JOAN DONLEY'S ON APRIL 18, 1989.

RESENT: Linda McKay, Yvette Watson, Hazel Walton, Kate Jaunay, Glenda Aiken, Nicole Hayter, Tom Hartley, Sarah Macleod, Sarah Currier, Leonie Todd, Marjet Pot, Brenda Hinson, Sarah Hodgetts, Mary Hammonds, Barbara Lodge, Jenni Churton, Teresa Luxton.

APOLOGIES: Joan Donley, Ian Johnson, Nicholette Emerson.

MINUTES APPROVED.

MATTERS ARISING

- 1) NEW VIDEO: Marjet reports cost of professional (commercial) video is \$1000 per minute (completed). Nicole Hayter to contact her friend and report back.
- 2) RESEARCH IDEAS: Barbara Lodge coordinating meeting to discuss ideas for re-search and fund raising. Meeting will be Tuesday, 27 April, at 7:30 pm at Di Nash's house, 8 Scarborough Terrace, Parnell.
- 3) WELEDA LEAFLETS have come, to be distributed by midwives and at coffee mornings. We will get 50¢ per mail order they receive. Linda will distribute cover letters to West Auckland group, etc.
- 4) KEY RINGS cost \$1.61 and fridge magnets \$1.72 apiece to produce; retail at \$3.00. Can be sold at stalls, coffee mornings etc. Linda & Nicholette to co-ordinate sales.

CORRESPONDENCE INWARDS:

- 1) MEDICAL RESEARCH COUNCIL approached by Barbara; they will keep us informed.
- 2) CAMPAIGN FOR QUALITY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION has sent us a petition to distribute and return to their coordinator, Linda Mitchell.
- 3) WOMEN'S AFFAIRS will update our entry for listing of women's organisations.
- 4) 1990 COMMISSION: statement and events registration directory to be made. Barbara to coordinate information sent to them.
- 5) RANK XEROX has increased the service charge by 6%; now 3¢ a copy. Now \$53.00 per quarter.
- 6) ALEX GILLANDERS requests stats forms from midwives; Mary to contact midwives he has not heard from already.
- 7) CAESAREAN SUPPORT GROUP AGM is 19th April at Pakuranga Youth Centre, 10am
- 8) MEDICAL BOOK: Caroline Flint's book "Community Midwifery" is available for \$37.50.
- 9) GENERAL ENQUIRIES: Jacqui Barker, Jillian Caraney.
- 10) 18 REGISTRATIONS, 28 Subs, 6 Orders.
- 11) PUBLICATIONS: Ministry of Women's Affairs "Women's Health"; West Auckland Health Forum; Resume; Parents Centre; California Association of Midwives, Save the Midwife (sub due); HBA's: Canterbury, Taranaki, Tauranga, Waikato, Whangarei, Manawatu, Canberra, Darwin, South West Australia; "Birth Place" West Australia, "Homebirth Access" Sydney. Linda has made a folder for publications; interested people should add their names & phone nos. to the list on the cover.

CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARDS:

- 1) MENTAL HEALTH FOUNDATION updated list.
- 2) WOMEN'S AFFAIRS updated list.
- 3) ENQUIRIES: Jacqui Barker Jillian Caraney, Poullette Donaldson.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

GENERAL FUND: \$8082.45 MIDWIVES NEGOTIATING FUND: \$136.24 O/D.
 \$671.00 - EXPRESS YOURSELF PRODUCTIONS - Printing keyrings & magnets.
 \$40.00 - SUE STOVER - Typing magazine.
 (\$10.00 to SAVE THE MIDWIVES - sub)
 (\$20.00 to SUE MATHEWS - keyring/magnet artwork - plus samples)

CORRESPONDENCE OUTWARDS CONT'D:

4) LETTER TO MR. TITTER from Marjet and Brenda, advising him of cost-effectiveness of Homebirth.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1) POSTERS FOR DOCTORS' ROOMS: following an enquiry from a doctor it was decided to have posters made promoting Homebirth. Nicole to get quotes from her friend for A4 size, 2 or 4 colour poster.
- 2) CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE: some sponsorship available for official delegates from Auckland. Discussion on possibility of having it in Auckland next year. Enthusiasm expressed by: Mary, Hazel, Yvette, Jenni, Glenda, Linda, Kate, Sarah H., Sarah C., Nicole, & Teresa.
- 3) MOTHERHOOD OF MAN: Brenda suggests we apply to them for funding reprint of "Guide to Healthy Pregnancy". Suggested amendments to go to Sally Liggins. Need to get quotes from various printers & ascertain quality etc.
- 4) REPORT ON DOCTORS' SURVEY from Glenda: 38% of those surveyed responded; some interested expressed in a meeting with midwives and other doctors; articles appearing in several local newspapers and good response from those. CENTRAL group has had good reply rate: 10 in first week since mailing. SOUTH AUCKLAND still typing theirs at last report.
- 5) EASTERN COURIER ARTICLE quoted Professor Mantell, head of Auckland's O & G School saying he has no objection to homebirths, though baby breathing difficulties cause problems & are impossible to predict, and 'no great need for student training as only 400 homebirths/year out of 15,000. MARY wrote a letter responding to this. Linda typing. Copies to newspapers etc.
- 6) NICOLE'S IDEA: her contact with AHBA was difficult to arrange, would like to give us a higher profile in the city. 198 Queen Street has very cheap rent, would be suitable for a small office. She has made contact with caretaker, John Colima, and will investigate viability of central information clearing house, with possibility of sales of equipment, books, etc.
- 7) ACCESS TO WORD PROCESSOR through Sarah Macleod, phone 415 8518.

NEXT MEETING is at Jenny Churton's: 107 Kiwi Road, Pt. Chevalier (865 842)

MEETING CLOSED at 10:15 pm.

AGM Sunday 30 April 2pm

Arundale Baptist Church Hall

cnr. New North Rd. & Blockhouse Bay Rd

Creche available

Bring a plate

P.S. Linda, I left a message while Rob was there for you to be sure
✓ keep a copy of this, but obviously it got garbled.