

AUCKLAND HOMEBIRTH ASSOCIATION A.G.M., Sandringham Community Centre,
Kitchener Rd, 1 May 1988, 1:30

About 30 people present. Since it was such a beautiful day we took our chairs out under the tress. Brenda Hinton, Spokesperson, was in the chair.

Apologies: Linda Ivory.

Branch Report was read by outgoing secretary, Nicholette Emerson

Newsletter Report was read by Brenda Hinton.

Treasurer's Report was distributed & discussed by Ian Johnson.

Negotiation Fund Report prepared by Ian was read by Joan Donley -
Auckland Branch has subsidised this fund by \$1078.

DMWs Report was given by Joan Donley.

DMWS Support Report was given by Therese Robertson.

Discussion arising from reports:

A deficit of \$2745 on producing the National Newsletter - either we raise our sub or obtain funding from foundations or advertising. Barbara Lodge volunteered to take on the job of fund raising; Liz Gilbert-Grant is prepared to solicit advertising.

It was also agreed that we should draft a letter to go to all members suggesting that they involve their mothers, aunts, etc to become HBA members. Not only would this increase our membership, it would also give us a pool of people not hampered by child care who would have time for volunteer work.

It was agreed that we increase our membership fee to a minimum of \$10 and our registration fee for a home birth from \$25 to \$40. The registration fee provides free access to the antenatal support group classes and a one-year subscription to the Newsletter.

Approximately one-third of those having a home birth do not pay this registration fee. There was much discussion about how we are going to monitor/collect this fee., with the following procedure being agreed upon:

- 1) When a woman books the DMW should advise her about the \$40 booking fee, and when she sends out the Information Booklet she should also include a registration form;
- 2) Every two or three months DMWs should give Ian a list of her bookings inclusive of addresses & phone numbers. Ian will xerox these and forward copies to the various & relevant Support Groups. This will ensure that Support Groups have the bookings of all DMWs and will save ringing them to obtain the names;
- 3) When Support Group convenors phone the women to advise them of the calsses they will ask them to bring their registration form and their \$40 to the first class. This will be sent to Ian. The Support Groups will also provide Ian with a list of those attending, who will, at about six months into their pregnancies, send a reminder to those who have not paid.

It will be necessary to send a copy of this procedure to each DMW and each Support Group.

Election of Officers:

Spokesperson	Brenda Hinton)	
Secretary	Linda Ivory)	by acclamation
Recording Secy	Marjet Pot)	
Treasurer	Ian Johnson)	

A vote of thanks for the work performed by the officers for 1986/87

It was agreed to pay \$147 return air fare for the two consumer delegates attending Conference- Glenda Southey & Liz Gilbert-Grant. They will take with them a supply of our A/N booklet, posters, immunisation papers, bumper stickers, recycling labels for sale.

Linda McKay reported on the xerox: 2.8¢ per copy plus \$50 quarterly service charge (which they forgot to tell us about initially). Linda will enquire if this service charge is on a diminishing scale or if it has a time limit.

Members were asked to send letters to the editor, NZH, re John Ross' letter on home births.

Sian Burgess gave an interesting report from the International Homebirth Conference in London. She has tapes of all the speeches.

Meeting adjourned at 3 p.m.