

Women of Action
Minutes of Annual General Meeting
29th April 2017

Opening Devotions The President Mrs Sandra Fall read from John 14 and spoke of how Almighty God is in us all the time, and because of that it should make a difference to how we live and speak and others should be able to see Jesus in us. There was also a question of whether we see the reality of Jesus words in v12 in our lives?

Present Pauline Downing, Muriel Stonehewer, Sandra Fall, Daphne Hodkinson, Meryl Griffiths, Beth Ely, Carol Parkinson, Sue Hartshorn, Margaret Dennison, Muriel Bruntlett, Grace Robinson, Ellie Minney.

Apologies Anne-Marie Wilcock, Judy Land, Jean Yates, Jan Shepherd, Gloria Wallis.

President's Report Sandra Fall thanked the ladies for the privilege of being the President both this year and in 2013/2014. The whole 4 years have been quite a journey. She has grown in her faith and knowledge of God immensely and God has done quite a work within her to which she gave testimony. Sandra also expressed appreciation for the support of the WA towards her year at bible school.

Obituary List Emma Wilcock

The Minutes of the last meeting held 23rd April 2016, were taken as read, accepted and signed.

Matters Arising None

Correspondence None

Review of Events

'Let's talk about Jesus' Ebenezer Church November 2016 was a great success. Antonia Mahmood spoke and shared her testimony. There was teaching about how to present our own testimony, time to write it down, then in 3's to share our testimony with each other. Some ladies also shared their testimony from the front. We were also issued with a challenge to share our story with someone before Christmas and give them the copy of the New Testament that were given out on the day. Some ladies were attending their first WA event and were thrilled to be a part of it.

Prayer morning 18.3.17 Griffydham Church. This was an amazing time together where we each heard from God and felt that we had made progress with regard to the year ahead.

Reports

Treasurer Daphne Hodkinson gave the report.

Balance at present time	Outreach Fund	£211
	General Fund	£1775

Daphne questioned whether it was right to be asking the groups/churches for money when funds were only being spent on conference fees. To be discussed later.

Magazine Secretary's Report Sandra Fall reported on behalf of Anne-Marie Wilcock that she had found it difficult to obtain articles for the Contact magazine and had relied a lot on Andy her husband. Anne-Marie wished to resign from this post. Role to be discussed later.

Women's World Day of Prayer Muriel Stonehewer encouraged the ladies to be a part of this yearly event. Churches/areas are able to have more than one service and all literature is provided free of charge. Speakers are no longer needed as a reflection is now included in the programme. Thanks were expressed to Muriel and she was elected to remain in this role.

The future progress of the Women of Action

Following on from the prayer and discussion it was agreed that 2017/2018 should be a year of fallow, no events as such but a time to restructure.

Roles to be considered and ladies appointed as appropriate.

The Constitution to be changed regarding representatives from churches/circuits.

Some ladies to be available to speak at those churches who still have a recognised annual WA special event.

Could there be some form of teaching during the year?

It was agreed that Sandra Fall should co-ordinate this period of change 2017/2018.

Pauline Downing to represent WA at Presidential Induction at conference.

Beth Ely to lead the WA devotion at conference.

Sandra Fall & Meryl Griffiths to be WA representatives on general committee.

The letter requesting donations not to be sent out during this year.

Election of Officers

Leader/Co-ordinator	Sandra Fall
Secretary	Sandra Fall
Treasurer	Daphne Hodkinson
Magazine Secretary	To be discussed
Prayer Co-ordinator	To be discussed
Representative WWDP	Muriel Stonehewer
Reps to General Committee	Sandra Fall & Meryl Griffiths
Conference - Induction Service	Pauline Downing
Devotions	Beth Ely

Future Events

Progress and prayer meetings

10th June Dodworth Church 10:30am Lunch provided

TBC 23rd or 30th September Bedworth Church

Letter Writers

Cynthia Nuttall	Margaret Dennison
Tracy Hamby	Pauline Downing
Anne-Marie Wilcock	Ellie Minney
Alina Taylor	Beth Ely
Gloria Wallis	Daphne Hodkinson
Daphne Hodkinson	Muriel Stonehewer

Date and place of next meeting

The next AGM will be at Coal Aston on Saturday 28th April 2018.

Any Other Business

Thanks were expressed to Muriel Stonehewer for the lovely lunch.

Greetings were received from Phil Hartshorn President Elect.