

Antigonish Women's Association

MINUTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

May 24, 1985

The Annual General Meeting of the Antigonish Women's Association was held on May 24 at 6:00 p.m. in the Tin Room of the Coady International Institute.

Approximately 20 people were present.

President Barbara MacDonald welcomed everyone and then asked each person to introduce herself. When this had been done Barbara gave the President's Report. Following the President's Report, Barbara gave an explanation of the Secretary of State grant for the Antigonish Women's Resource Centre.

Vicki MacLean explained to those present how the new structure for AWA Board meetings would work.

Avon Burkholder gave the Treasurer's Report.
Revenue - \$4,973.33; Expenses - \$6,103.78

Avon moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. Grace MacKinnon seconded. Accepted.

The Nominating Committee, represented by Vicky MacLean reported on old and new Board members. Board members who will remain are: Barbara MacDonald, Avon Burkholder, Janice Landry, Grace MacKinnon, Diane MacKinnon, Janet Tremblay, Madeline McGowan. New Board members are: Joan Corsten, Pat Alpert, Peggy MacNeil, Helen Sinnett and Star LeVatte. Vicki MacLean moved that the new Board members be accepted. Seconded by Avon Burkholder. Accepted.

Grace MacKinnon reported on behalf of the Social Action Committee. During the past year the Committee did a brief on pornography. Members went to Halifax and presented it to the Fraser Commission. In conjunction with this NFB film "Not a Love Story" was shown to different organizations and to the public, with discussions following. Both were accepted very well. A letter regarding pornography was supported by many local organizations and was sent to the Casket for publication. During the election, candidates were at the Resource Centre to answer questions; and the Committee went to Port Hawkesbury to hear the debate between candidates. Also, a women in poverty brochure was drawn up. Grace also reported that Lawrence O'Neill, M.P. sent a letter to Secretary of State endorsing the aims and objectives of the Association.

Pat Alpert reported on behalf of the Newsletter Committee. Each newsletter will have a different theme which will be publicized in advance so that people can send in contributions. The newsletter is a source of information and communication re concerns and educational opportunities.

Meeting adjourned. Moved by Avon Burkholder, seconded by Barb Hayes.