



MINUTES OF THE CEBS NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

Held at CEBS Camp Bindaree, Victoria on the weekend of
April 26th – 28th 2013.

Attendance list

National Officers	The Rt. Rev. Tom Wilmot [Chair] Chris Oliver (Secretary)	Lone CEBS leaders	Graeme Nichols Garry Prosser
Melbourne	Denis Wright	AMS Visitors	Neil McMullen Trevor Cowell Warren Cole
Western Australia	Kerry Lovejoy	Visitors	Mary Nichols [GFS] The Rt. Rev. Michael Challen The Rev. Daniel Bol [Arch. of Melb. Rep.] Doug Calvert

Session 1 Fri 26/4/2013 7.30pm to 9.15pm

The Rt. Rev. Tom Wilmot was commissioned and welcomed as the new Chairman of The National Council of CEBS Australia [Inc.]

The Chairman then welcomed delegates and visitors, and (after brief introductions) opened the meeting with prayer.

The Chairman invited delegates to submit other items of business.

Items to be added to Agenda:

'The National Royal Commission into Child Abuse' was listed as item 16b

Appointments: Item 18b

The nomination of an Anglican Men's Society representative on the CEBS National Council.

The nomination of a Public Officer [living in NSW].

APOLOGIES

Dr Ken Pidgeon. The Rev. Warren Rumble. Alan and Peter Victor.
Bruce Anderson. The Rev. Richard Bruce.
Moved that apologies be accepted. (Moved Kerry. Seconded Denis) Carried.

NATIONAL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman tabled his report and spoke on the historic content, the research project, the 100th anniversary, a national snapshot and the Royal Commission.

ACCEPTANCE OF 2012 MINUTES

It was moved that the Minutes be received as circulated. (Moved Denis. Seconded Kerry).
Carried. It was moved that the circulated Minutes be taken as a true and accurate record of the meeting. Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

National Secretary

Holy Trinity, Kew has close links with Trinity Grammar and looks promising to use the College facilities for the 100th anniversary.

[Trinity Grammar dining hall booked. Rev. Richard Bruce coordinating dinner arrangements](#)

Kerry moved that a letter of acceptance and thanks be sent to Bishop Bill for his service to CEBS and extend our prayers and good wishes of support for the Diocese

[Letter sent.](#)

Chris provided the meeting with the possible support of Bishop Michael Challen, from Diocese of Perth to help out CEBS in the role of Chairman. CEBS Australia. He is retired, but has good qualifications in the area of youth ministry. He can mentor the 100th anniversary celebrations. Ken asked if Bishop Tom would like to be Chairman. Bishop Tom thanked Ken for the nomination but has the AMS Chairman position to manage but would entertain the possibility if Bishop Michael cannot be chair. There may be synergies with AMS and CEBS that can be re-raised.

Other names for Chairman put forward were the Rev. Chris Whittall and Bishop John Parkes of Wangaratta.

[Done. Bishop Tom has accepted the nomination](#)

Motion moved by Bishop Tom, Seconded by Kerry:

That we enter a year of discernment and forward planning, and to engage a consultant or consultants to explore ways of professional advancement for the Society, in accordance with the terms of reference, before 30 Apr 2013. Bishop Michael Challen, Ian Lillico and Chris Martin to be contacted initially. and, if willing be asked to draw up a brief for this consultation.

[Done. Research project underway.](#)

Chris reported that there is a main contact, Peter McSeveny, who has indicated willingness to be involved with centenary celebrations. Ken mentioned that Adrian Sandwell would be a good person to ask to be involved with the Sydney activities and to be in contact with Peter. Ken volunteered to find Adrian Sandwell and ask him to help. Peter is going to pass on the contact information for the other 9 branches.

[Done.](#)

ONLINE LEADER DEVELOPMENT

Graeme mentioned that the only offerings were the previous old correspondence course from 1970-80 period and modernizing it. Removing and adding relevant material. The LD1 information and the former leader manual.

[In abeyance until the new directions are in place.](#)

15th NATIONAL CAMP TOUR

Moved Chris Seconded Kerry to hold over to Jan 2015 so that main effort is on the centenary. This will give more time to advertising and planning. Liaise with Alan Victor on his previous suggestions. Carried.

[In abeyance until the new directions are in place](#)

NEW INITIATIVES

Moved Bishop Tom, Seconded Dennis: that the three documents BMA Price list, Working with parishes and schools in the Diocese of Perth, and Anglican Children's Ministries in 2012 BMA support to parishes for boys ministry, presented by Chris, be linked onto the web site.

[Done.](#)

2-3 Nov 2013 at Kew, Melbourne (Melbourne cup week)

Saturday 2nd Service in morning, Lunch, informal gatherings at night and "return to roots" on Sunday morning. Current CEBS to be involved in service.

[Done, but not successful.](#)

Contact all dioceses where CEBS have been existence, much discussion followed with Invitations also to be sent to those Bishops plus our overseas connections. May be an activity for current CEBS on Sunday afternoon

[Currently underway.](#)

The Chairman.

AMS National meeting in Tasmania in Sep 12 – Re-raising the support of CEBS – notional at the moment. Bishop Jonathan suggested that it might be worthwhile to liaise with the Catholic men's program. [Action: Bishop Tom to liaise with Catholic men's program to be investigated.](#)

All delegates

DIOCESAN CONSTITUTIONS: Motion: That affiliation with groups other than CEBS groups be considered as an amendment in each Diocesan constitution. **Moved: C. Oliver. Seconded. T.**

Wilmot. Carried [In abeyance until new directions are in place](#)

The 2013 Centenary. It was suggested that all diocese look through their archives to see what material might be available. [Underway](#)

How can we compile a list of prominent people that have been associated with CEBS? Can we create a publication on the profiles of these people?

[Underway](#)

2013 Centenary – Dioceses are asked to look through their archives for material to present.

[Underway.](#)

The Treasurer

NATIONAL AWARDS LIST An updated list of national awards has finally been received by the secretary. Rumble is to advise D. Wright if he needs him to go through records stored at Bindaree for more information.

[Denis Wright to investigate](#)

Postage stamp for 100 years of CEBS has been rejected by Australia Post. Ken Pidgeon requested info from Warren so that Chris Martin may be able to support the request.

[Investigated but not foreseeable.](#)

CORRESPONDENCE

- From Peter McSeveny [Springwood CEBS branch] advising of the parish's separate centenary celebrations, including a March and dinner. **Letter of thanks sent.**

- From the Primate requesting precautions taken against child abuse in CEBS.

Leaders Code of Conduct and Diocesan Child Abuse policy sent.

- From General Secretary, General Synod, advising of requirements for the Royal Commission. [\[See item 16b\]](#)

- From Julie Smith, GFS national Chair, advising Mary Nichols will be representing her at this NCM

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9.20PM

MEETING RESUMED 9:00AM, SATURDAY, 27th April, 2013

Session 2 Saturday 27/4/13 9.00am to 10.30am

The Chairman welcomed the Archbishop of Melbourne's representative, The Rev. Daniel Bol to the meeting.

INTERIM REPORT RESEARCH PROJECT by Bishop Michael Challen

This report was tabled and gone through with discussion. Bishop Challen took note of several points which were made throughout the discussion.

Bishop Michael reiterated the main feedback he was seeking which included:

1. To seek confirmation
2. To seek any reactions
3. To obtain further information
4. To identify any gaps and the general approach

A questionnaire; 'Effective Ministry to and with males', was handed out to be completed and returned to Bishop Michael.

Action: To be distributed to any council members not present.

Session 3 Sat. 27/4/13 10.45 to 12.30

Continuing discussion on the Interim report.

CENTENARY DECEMBER 2013

The following items were to be considered and to be followed up by the Centenary committee.
[Melbourne Council and Chris]

Arrangements so far:

- Dates to be Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th December.
- Saturday the 7th December: 11am Celebration Eucharist in Holy Trinity Kew, followed by a display and a light lunch. The Primate not able to come but Archbishop Freier considering.

Eucharist arrangements to be coordinated by Bishop Tom.

- Sunday 8th December all welcome to attend the 10am Eucharist at St. Paul's Cathedral.

Chris to liaise with the Dean to notify.

- A memorabilia area needs to be set aside for artefacts.
Dioceses, past and present to be asked to search for artefacts.
- There was an idea that there could be a site that could host a "Historical CEBS Banner" display. Does the diocese have a Historian?
These would be mostly Melbourne parish banners unless other dioceses can find space to bring them
- A Dinner **arrangements are to be coordinated by the Rev. Richard Bruce. 150 only with tickets and a cost to each attending.**
- Gatherings at prior CEBS locations, culminating with a gathering at The Cathedral.
Sydney already has had a celebration. Perth celebration to be at St. George's Cathedral on the 29th September.

- The society started as a motion of Synod. Could CEBS make a presentation at the 2013 Synod and have the original motion recognized, along with a positive statement about CEBS in 2013. Could a past chairman be involved?
Being investigated by Melbourne CEBS.
- Could the Archbishop invite Bishop Tom and/or The Primate to Melbourne to be involved in the 2013 synod?
Still to be discussed.
- Could we present some of the significant historical publications (Surge of Youth) etc to the Archbishop for his reference and to allow him to see the significance CEBS has had in the life of the Anglican Church.
To be discussed by Melbourne committee.
- Basketball. The NBA basketball competition grew out of the Churches Basketball competition. How can the NRL be involved and acknowledge its origins in CEBS, Andrew Gaze?
The Melbourne Tigers to be approached re. Involvement in the celebrations.
- Decision to pass a motion at Synod to recognize 100 years of CEBS service in Australia. Dennis and Chris to facilitate communications with Melbourne and Parish of Kew.
Melbourne committee to follow up.
- Melbourne to offer accommodation at Bindaree.
Bindaree booked.
- Souvenirs discussed various suggestions. .
Glasses, mugs. Pens and jugs already available.

Session 4 Sat. 27/4/13 2.15pm to 5.30pm

CNET/YNET REPORT

No report available as the secretary could not attend the gathering.

Action: Secretary to enquire as to gathering for 2013.

WEBSITE REPORT

No report available, however web site still very popular.

NATIONAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

Chris Oliver had previously tabled his report. He spoke briefly to it.

DIOCESAN REPORTS

Perth - Kerry

Melbourne - Denis

Sydney - Chris [from Peter Mc Seveny]

GFS - Mary on behalf of the national Chair, Julie

All reports had been distributed earlier in the meeting.

Each report was given by the above mentioned and spoken to briefly.

Moved that the reports be received. Moved Denis. Seconded Kerry. Carried

NATIONAL TRADING ACCOUNTS

The national trading accounts were distributed and discussed.

The reports were received, and passed. Moved Denis. Seconded Chris

NATIONAL AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS

None received.

NEW INITIATIVES

Please refer to the separate Diocesan reports.

IN MEMORIAM

Alan Thomas, for many years, CEBS National Trading Officer [CEBS shop] in February 2012 RIP

Bill Stretton and Alan Stretton RIP

A time of prayer and thanksgiving for the life of these men was held.

“Eternal rest grant to them and let light perpetual shine on them’.

PRAYERS

The Venerable Conrad Patterson, past Chair of CEBS, recovering from pancreatitis

THE ROYAL COMMISSION INTO INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSES TO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

A letter from the General Secretary of General Synod addressed to Bishop Tom, was read out. The letter requested six information areas requested.

Each diocese of Melbourne and Perth were asked to address these items and to get back to the National secretary with their responses.

THE NATIONAL DIRECTORY

The NS to distribute copies of the amended directory.

APPOINTMENTS

1. **Public officer** - needs to be someone residing in NSW. Peter **Mc Seveny will be asked to take on this position. Need appointment by the 2nd July 2013.**
2. **Anglican Men’s Society representative** - Trevor Cowell was nominated and accepted the position. Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. **Support of current branches that don’t have diocesan support.**- the NS has already made contact with Springwood branch in the Diocese of Sydney. The National Treasurer has had contact from several other branches in Sydney for material.
The other lone branches in Sydney diocese will be contacted.
2. **Book for the last twenty years-** **Doug has volunteered to put this record together.**
3. **Boys versus mixed groups** - Bishop Tom and Bishop Michael outlined the reasons why CEBS should focus on separate boys groups because of the current research findings, which will be outlined in the Final Research Project report.

VENUE AND TIME FOR NEXT NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

The date fixed to be from 18th to the 20th April 2014 in Perth

EXPRESSION OF THANKS

Sincere thanks go to CEBS Melbourne for hosting the NCM at Camp Bindaree, free of charge.

Sincere thanks go to Jenny and Denis Wright for the catering for the weekend.

Sincere thanks to Bishop Michael for his time with us in presenting his Interim Report for the National Research project.

Sincere thanks to Bishop Tom for his chairmanship over the weekend.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5.15pm on Sat.26/4/13.

Confirmed as a true and correct record:

Date: _____:

Signed: _____:
National Chairman