

THE NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL HEALTH FOUNDATION.

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL HEALTH FOUNDATION HELD IN THE SUPPER ROOM OF THE PRETORIA CITY HALL ON THE 29TH APRIL, 1946, at 10.30 A.M.

PRESENT: The President the Rt. Hon. N.J. de Wet, National Appeal Organiser, Maj. Gen. H. S. Wakefield,
See attached list of Organisation Representatives, Personal Members and Provisional Committee Members.

In opening the Conference, the President, the Rt. Hon. N.J. de Wet welcomed the delegates to the Council Meeting, and expressed satisfaction at the progress made. He warned the meeting, however, that the appeal for funds would be uphill work, as there were so many other appeals being launched at the present time, and suggested that we must rely on the active help of the returned soldiers, with whom the proposals for the War Memorial originated. He stressed that it was essential to submit to the public a concrete programme of action.

REPORT OF PROVISIONAL COMMITTEE.

Col. Sayer, acting chairman of the Provisional Committee, presented a report of the activities undertaken since the National Conference in Cape Town on March 5th, 1946. Three tasks had been allotted to the Provisional Committee at the National Conference, namely, (1) the completion and registration of the Constitution, (2) the convening of the first meeting of the Council, and (3) the establishment of a representative appeal committee, and the carrying out of interim publicity.

- (1) The Constitution had been completed, but it was decided to postpone registration until after this meeting, in order to give delegates an opportunity of expressing their views on the final draft.
- (2) The second task of the Provisional Committee, that of convening the first meeting of the Council had proceeded smoothly. With a view to assisting the Council, a sub-committee under the chairmanship of Col. Anning, had collated all the different suggestions made in regard to Programme of Work, Publicity, etc., and framed recommendations for the guidance of members.
- (3) In regard to the final task of the Committee, it had not been able to set up a representative Appeal Committee, as there were difficulties, not yet surmounted, in securing the services of a National Chairman. There had been considerable interim publicity in the way of Press Items, Articles for Periodicals, Radio talks, and, more especially, the holding of an exhibition at the Rand Easter Show.

MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

The Memorandum and Articles of Association as framed were approved subject to certain minor amendments recommended/

recommended by the Constitution sub-committee, and subject to the following further amendments:

- (a) On a motion of Sir William Campbell it was agreed that the Foundation be granted power to invite patronage, and that His Excellency, the Governor General, and Her Excellency, be asked to act as Patrons in Chief.
- (b) That the period of office of the President and Vice-President should be three years.

NATIONAL APPEAL ORGANISER.

The appointment of Major General H.S. Wakefield as National Appeal Organiser was warmly welcomed by delegates.

IMMEDIATE PROGRAMME OF THE FOUNDATION.

Col. Anning summarised the proposals for an immediate programme of work, which had been submitted to the Technical Advisory Sub-Committee, and this committee's own recommendations (copies of the proposals and recommendations handed to all delegates). He moved certain resolutions defining immediate tasks for the Foundation, and these resolutions, after discussion and amendment, were unanimously approved in the following terms:

"That, without relieving the Union Government, any Provincial Administration or Local Authority of expenditure which is its responsibility, the immediate programme of the National War Memorial Health Foundation shall be:

- (1) To plan and initiate the establishment in every needy locality, rural and urban, of a people's centre or agricultural settlement where health promotive work will be undertaken. To proceed as early as possible with the establishment of centres for the different racial groups of the population as pilot models on which others can be based. The National War Memorial will thus be effective over the whole country.
- (2) To co-operate with Organisations, official and voluntary, which undertake health promotive work, such as:
 - (a) health education of the people;
 - (b) food clubs for cheaper foods;
 - (c) physical education of youths, adults; etc. etc.
- (3) To educate and organise public opinion on health and welfare matters.
- (4) To work with Central, Provincial and Local Authorities and press them to deal with fundamental causes of ill health and to carry out schemes for health and welfare services.
- (5) To help men and women of all races to obtain training to serve the Nation's health."

POINTS ARISING FROM DISCUSSION ON THE ABOVE RESOLUTIONS.

(a) General.

Mr. Rheinallt Jones. "My Committee felt it should be the tasks of the Foundation more to initiate than to undertake the full responsibility, or even the very great responsibility for local centres. The aim is to plan and initiate for every needy locality."

Dr. T. Osborne. "Apart from supplementing other activities, this Foundation must have something of its own. If we want to strike the imagination of the public we must come forward very quickly, with something very concrete, something very definite."

Mr. C.G. Williams. "I am perfectly certain that the ex-service man whilst having the comparatively dormant sympathy with the form the war memorial is to take, would be roused a hundred times more if he could read of, and perhaps see, practical projects underway."

Prof. van Roojen. "I am very anxious that an immediate start should be made on an agricultural settlement, or a small settlement amongst the Coloured people of the Western Province. Here you have people, whole communities, who are in urgent need of the kind of help which the organisation could give."

Rev. C.H.S. Runge. "The idea of the Foundation is to make the whole country health conscience. We want to let people in different localities know what is going to be done and what we think ought to be done in order to promote health everywhere."

(b) Government and the Foundation.

Mr. Rheinallt Jones. "From the beginning we must inform the public that we are not undertaking any task that properly belongs to the Central or Provincial Government or any local authority."

Sir William Campbell. "I am perfectly certain from what I have heard discussed, that unless you treat this thing on very brave and bold lines you are not getting help from the citizen. If you are going to take your courage in your hands and issue a press statement and say we are stepping in and doing the work which the Government should do the public will realise that the Government has failed, is failing to some extent, and give you financial support."

Dr. T. Osborne. "The People's Centres should be complementary to the Health Schemenot something that will cut across the Health Scheme, not something that will save the Government money at all, but something which will act as a model on which the Government can then found their own centres."

Dr. F.W. Gale. "The Government itself can only do those things for which it has authority, either by statute or authority applying in the provision of funds..... The Government Health centres are not intended to provide a complete range of health services necessary for the health of the people. The Health Centres are primarily diagnostic the responsibility is not on the Government to correct all the faults and difficulties in the environment of the individual".

(c) People's Centres and Food Production.

Discussion centred around increase of food production in poor rural areas, where improved nutrition is a necessary prerequisite to better health.

Dr. T. Osborne. "It is common knowledge that the two principal causes of ill health are malnutrition and disorders in social medicine. The co-operative farm-cum people's centre, would aim at getting right to the roots of your social disorders".

Dr. Gordon Laing. "I would like to see some scheme in this Foundation to establish an Urban Centre and a Rural Centre which might mutually benefit each other. You can produce food-stuffs in the Rural Centre for the Urban Centre".

Sir William Campbell. "I realise from a health point of view that increased production is absolutely essential..... but we do want to be able to assure the public that we are not taking over a task which I very much doubt we will be capable of fulfilling..... I am frightened myself when I think of increased production. It seems to me that we had better stick to the health point of view and allow other bodies to deal with increased production."

The Rt. Honourable N.J. de Wet. "We are not going in for a general scheme of providing the food of the country; we only want to make each community self-supporting if possible, and by that means to increase their health. The whole object is not to increase the food of the country but to improve the health of the people".

PUBLICITY.

Dr. Sonnabend in commenting on his written report (copies of which were handed to delegates), stressed five general considerations:

- (1) That our proposals to the public must be concrete, so that the public knows "what kind of goods" are being offered.
- (2) That early action is essential - "enthusiasm cannot be pickled".
- (3) That our approach to the public should not be only on a factual basis, but that the sentiments linked with the commemorative aspect of the Memorial should be emphasised.
- (4) That we must establish ourselves in the minds of the public as a very big scheme, the bigness of which must catch the imagination of the public at once. We must not give the impression that this is one of the many Organisations which, from time to time, appeals for funds, but that it is something special on a very vast and national scale.
- (5) And finally, that we must secure a full-time publicity director.

Mr. Vic Clapham/

Mr. Vic Clapham then outlined his suggestions for the use of Visual Media, in terms of the Memorandum submitted by him.

ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE.

It was agreed that the Council should elect 20 members to the first Executive, which would hold office until the next meeting of the Council in about 3 months' time. The Executive would appoint, from amongst its own members, a Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Hon. Treasurer.

As a result of a ballot in respect of all names for the Transvaal the following were elected:-

Dr. C.C.P. Anning	-	Medical Officer of Health, Benoni.
Col. H. O. Sayer	-	Director of Companies, Johannesburg.
Dr. L. I. Braun	-	Consulting Physician, Johannesburg.
Dr. E. H. Cluver	-	Director of S.A. Institute for Medical Research, Johannesburg.
Mr. J.D.Rheinallt Jones	-	Director of S.A. Institute of Race Relations, Johannesburg.
Mr. C.G. Williams	-	Journalist, Johannesburg.
Dr. V.C.J. McPherson	-	Medical Practitioner, Johannesburg.
Mr. J.R. Rathebe	-	Executive Secretary Y.M.C.A. Services N.M.C., Johannesburg.
Dr. A.B. Xuma	-	Medical Practitioner, Johannesburg.

The remaining members of the Executive were approved as follows:-

Representing the Orange Free State:

Sir William Campbell, Bart. M.C. - National Vice-President
S.A. Legion of the B.E.S.L., P.O.
Likplong, O.F.S.

Mrs. M.E. Pfeiffer - Chief Commandant of the Nursing
Division of the S.A. Voluntary Aid
Corps., Bloemfontein.

Representing the Western Province:

Rev. C.H.S. Runge - Clerk in Holy Orders, Cape Town.
Dr. F.R. Luke - Medical Practitioner, Cape Town.
Dr. J. van Roojen - Professor of Radiology, Cape Town.

Representing Natal Province:

Dr. E. G. Malherbe - Professor, Natal University College,
Pietermaritzburg.
Dr. C.J. Albertyn - Medical Officer of Health, Pieter-
maritzburg.
Mr. C.E. James - Director of Companies, Durban.

Representing Eastern Province:

Dr. Alexander Kerr - Principle, Native College, Fort
Hare.

(Note: The undermentioned members elected to the
Executive are unable to accept office -

Mr. Charles Edward James and
Mrs. M. E. Pfeiffer.)

General H.S. Wakefield, National Appeal Organiser,
and Mr. L. Kuper, Acting Secretary, are members of the first
Executive, ex officio.

POWERS DELEGATED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee was empowered -

- (1) To re-establish a Technical Advisory Committee and a Publicity Committee.
- (2) To make arrangements in regard to a National Chairman of the Appeal, and a National Appeal Organisation.
- (3) To take steps to appoint a Director and Secretary, subject to confirmation by the Council, if the Executive Committee should deem it necessary, and to engage necessary staff.
- (4) To consider which further organisations are to be invited to membership.

MATTERS REFERRED TO THE EXECUTIVE FOR DECISION.

The undermentioned items on the agenda, or which arose out of discussion, were referred to the Executive Committee for its consideration.

- (1) The name to be given to the People's Centres, Dr. Sonnabend having suggested in this connection that they be called "Springbok People's Centres".
- (2) The re-drafting of the amended programme of work, to make for better reading, to express the commemorative aspects of the Foundation, and to stress that the Foundation intends to establish itself as "a campaigning body for health".

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. W.E. Marsh, submitted a statement showing a deficit of £155, against which there was a credit of some £10,000 collected in the army.

The Council resolved that upon registration of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the National War Memorial Health Foundation, the Trustees, namely, Maj. Gen. F.H. Theron, C.B., C.B.E., Maj. Gen. W.H.E. Poole, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., Rev. C.H.S. Runge and Mr. L. Kuper, be requested to authorise the transfer of all funds held by them in trust with the Chief Paymaster, Union Defence Force, to the Foundation.

NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL HEALTH FOUNDATION.

ORGANISATIONS, WHICH HAVE ACCEPTED MEMBERSHIP, AND WHOSE REPRESENTATIVES WERE PRESENT AT THE COUNCIL MEETING ON 29th APRIL, 1946.

Organisation.	Official Representative.	Alternate, when present in place of official representative.
Assn. of Scientific Workers of S.A.	Mrs. P. Epstein	
Bantu Welfare Trust	Dr. A.B. Xuma	
Health Officials Assn. of S.A.	Mr. J. Liston	Mr. Blauwich
Medical Assn of S.A.	Dr. L. I. Braun	Dr. C.C.P. Anning
S.A.W.A.S.	Mrs. E. O'Connor	
S.A. Native College	Dr. A. Kerr	
S.A. Nat. Council for the Blind	Mr. S.K. Wentworth	
S.A. Nat. Council of Women	Dr. V.C.J. McPherson	
S.A. Nat. Council for Mental Hygiene	Dr. Gordon Laing	
S.A. Nat. Council for Child Welfare	Mrs. Murray	
S.A. Nat. Council for care of Cripples	Dr. F. P. Fouche	
S.A. Institute for Medical Research	Dr. E.H. Cluver	Dr. Sutherland Strachan
S.A. Institute of Race Relations	Mr. J.D. Rheinallt Jones	
S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies	Dr. Ellen Hellman	
S.A. Nursing Assn.	Miss A.W. Simpson	
S.A. Soc. of Medical Officers of Health	Dr. Gordon Laing	
S.A. Red Cross	Dr. P. A. Peall	Dr. A. Miller
S.A. Legion of the B.E.S.L.	Sir Wm. Campbell, Bart.	
S.A. Trades & Labour Council	Capt. S.H. Kemp	
Springbok Legion	Mr. C. Williams	
Soc. of the Friends of Africa	Mr. W.G. Ballinger	Dr. Hilda Kuper
Toc H	Mr. R.P.T. Anderson	
University of Pretoria	Prof. F.E. Plummer	
University of the Witwatersrand	Mr. H. R. Raikes	
Ven. Order of St. John	Brig. C.M. Hoffe	
Assn. of Scientific & Technical Societies	Dr. Kanthack	Mr. Raikes
Dental Assn. of S.A.	Dr. Jean Laing	
S.A. Nat. Council for the Deaf	Mr. Blaxall	Mr. P.J. Sherur
Nat. Cancer Assn. of S.A.	Prof. Oosthuyzen	
Royal Sanitary Inst. Coloured Advisory Council	Sir Edward Thornton	
	Mr. Crowe	Mr. Koopman
Y.M.C.A. Nat. Council	Mr. McCallum	

NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL HEALTH FOUNDATION

AGENDA OF CONFERENCE

TIME: 10-30 a.m. on TUESDAY, 5th MARCH, 1946.

PLACE: Cathedral Hall, Cape Town.

1. Opening of Conference by
2. History of The National War Memorial:
 - (a) Soldiers' Proposals Col. Runge
 - (b) Civilian Developments Dr. Friedman
 - (c) Comradeship in Arms Col. Sayer
3. *Public Health - history & problems before us - M.M.*
National War Memorial Health Foundation:
 - (a) Its place in relation to the National Health Services Dr. Gluckman
 - (b) How The Foundation can operate (An immediate programme) Dr. Gale

LUNCH INTERVAL

4. Adoption of Health Foundation as outlined in the Government statement.
5. General Discussion and discussions of Immediate Programme. The Chairman.
6. Discussion of Draft Constitution, amendment, adoption. The Chairman.
7. Appointment of Officers: Campaign:
 - National President
 - National Chairman and Executive
 - National Organiser
 - Provincial ExecutivesHealth Foundation:
 - Trustees.
8. General

Delegates are asked to keep themselves available for an evening session, in case it should not be possible to complete the Agenda during the day.

(Dr. Gale to be approached. The object is to put forward some concrete programme. The principles of the Foundation are rather vague).

/SUGGESTION

SUGGESTION IN REGARD TO TRUSTEES

Military

<u>No.</u>	<u>In What Capacity</u>	<u>Notes</u>
4	Existing Trustees	These Trustees are not in any sense "representative" of the soldiers, but are at authority level.
1	Representing B.E.S.L.	} These should all be ex-servicemen of this war.
1	" Moths	
1	" Springbok Legion	
1	" Woman's Army Organisations	
1	" N.E.A.S.	
<u>2</u>	Action Committee	Preferably a Non-European These are more representative of rank and file.
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Civilian

4	Interim Committee	Paralleling Army Trustees (Perhaps Chairman and Mr. Kemp, on the more general aspects, and Mrs. Ballinger and Col. Sayer "with special regard to the Non-European").
1	National Council of Women	} To be appointed by the Conference & be appointed by the bodies represented other than those mentioned above
1	Red Cross, St. Johns and allied organisations	
1	Institute of Race Relations	
1	Native Representative Council	
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14		
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Total 25.

Further Notes

1. A Board of 25 does not seem excessive to me. Trustees will be scattered, and experience suggests that the regular workers will not exceed say twelve.
2. No provision has been made for technical experts on the Board. I think the experts should be kept quite separate, as a powerful Technical Advisory body to the Board and made up as follows:

National Research Council
 Institute of Medical Research
 National Health Advisory Committee
 Department of Health
 Universities
 (To be amplified)

Women's Council
of our side
Board Army Council

3. Most of the Trustees above represent organisations. Where this is not the case, their replacement in the event of death, etc., would be by the Board of Trustees.
4. No provision has been made for representation of Provinces, Rotaries, Toc H, Y.M.C.A., Jewish Board of Deputies, Chambers of Mines and Commerce, too many others to mention. The omnibus appointment of six trustees by Conference is intended to cover all these bodies. It is by no means satisfactory; on the other hand I find it impossible to weight all the organisations in any reasonable way.

5. Anderson suggests that -

- (a) Chambers of Commerce and Industry be represented on Board of Trustees.
- (b) Original appointment to be for a period of one year, when Trustees resign, and a general election is held to appoint new Trustees. Previous Trustees eligible.

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NATIONAL HEALTH WAR MEMORIAL FUND.

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 Recorded
 Acknowledged
 Answered

Minutes of the first meeting of interested individuals, and representatives of Organisations, held in the Board Room, Annan House at 11 a.m. on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20th, 1945.

PRESENT: Dr. Bernard Friedman M.P. - Chairman.
 Lt.Col. H. Gluckman M.P. - Chairman National Council Health Services Advisory Committee.
 Dr. A.W. Gale M.P. - Member National Council Health Services Advisory Committee.
 Mr. R.P. Kromberg. - S.A. Red Cross Society (Transvaal Branch)
 Miss R.M. Neale - S.A. Red Cross Society.
 Mr. Stakesby-Lewis - S.A. Theosophical Service Group
 Rev. Michael Scott - Campaign for Right & Justice.
 Mr. A.L. Saffery - Campaign for Right & Justice.
 Mr. E. Wyatt-Sampson - Native Affairs Dept. (Observer)
 Senator J.D. Rheinallt-Jones - S.A. Institute of Race Relations.
 Mr. J.H. Hunt O.B.E. - Y.M.C.A. National Council.
 Mr. R.J. van Buuren - Y.M.C.A.
 Mr. R.P.T. Anderson - Toc H.
 Mr. E. Gilbert - S.A. Legion B.E.S.L.
 Mr. L.J. Venables - Manager, Non-European Affairs Dept. Johannesburg Municipality.
 Capt. S.H. Kemp - S.A. Trades & Labour Council.
 Mr. Isakowitz - Springbok Legion.

Dr. H. Kuper
 Capt. J.C. Knoetze
 Capt. D. Irwin.
 Mr. B. Osborg.
 Capt. D.H. Duncum - Acting Secretary.

Press Representatives of 'Sunday Times' & 'The Star'

1. The Chairman opened the meeting by reading out the names of those present.

2. PURPOSE OF MEETING:

(a) The Chairman explained the history of the project which originated as the outcome of lectures given by Information Officers in Florence concerning the conditions among Non-Europeans in the Union. From these discussions it was suggested that as Servicemen were only interested in war memorials of 'a living character', a National War Memorial might be inaugurated in the form of Health Services for Non-Europeans. The idea proved acceptable, a fund was opened and four trustees appointed: Maj.Gen Theron, Gen. Poole, Lt.Col. Runge and Lt. Kuper together with an Action Committee, pending the formation of a National Committee.

(b) At the request of the Chairman, Dr. H. Kuper also spoke on how the scheme started in CMF in May of this year when a letter was sent to Gen. Theron who was instrumental in setting up the Trustees. The speaker went on to say that the soldiers desired to create a living memorial and wish to give the Government a loan because it was realised that the Government would have to share part of the cost of such a vast undertaking as a National Health Service.

3. RESPONSE FROM SOLDIERS:

Captains Knoetze and Irwin both said what an excellent response there had been to the Appeal from among soldiers, and that one and all were anxious that there should be no money spent on stone memorials.

4. SUB-COMMITTEE:

Senator Rheinallt-Jones stated that Lt.Col. Runge had written to him some time ago for suggestions as to how surplus Regimental funds could be used, to which the Speaker had suggested that centres

for training personnel to partake in the Government National Health Scheme might be considered. Senator Rheinallt-Jones went on to say that when Maj. Gen Theron visited the Union recently, he had discussed the matter with the Prime Minister who asked Dr. P. Allen, Secretary for Public Health, to form a small sub-Committee to go into the matter of a National War Memorial in the form of Health Services, and that therefore whatever steps the meeting decided to take, they should bear in mind that such a Committee had already been set up at the request of the Prime Minister.

5. FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES:

The Chairman, in throwing the meeting open for general discussion, said the first point was to ascertain whether there was a unanimity of opinion that a 'living memorial' was required; and secondly, whether the National War Memorial be in the form of a Non-European Health Scheme. It was unanimously agreed that a 'living memorial' was required, but some of the members of the meeting thought that the Health Scheme should be open to all needy sections of the Community, including Europeans.

6. GOVERNMENT POLICY:

Dr. Gluckman then spoke and said that so far £150,000 had been voted by the Government towards the establishment of Health Centres throughout the country, and he outlined some of the difficulties that were being experienced in the running of this scheme, with particular reference to the need for Health Institutes for the training of personnel. He also expressed the opinion that the scheme should definitely include Europeans. As he saw the position, funds could be used for the establishment of Health Centres throughout the Union which would be maintained by the Government, or that a number of Training Centres would be established in the Union for the purpose of training personnel who would eventually work in connection with the Health Centres.

Dr. Gale supported Dr. Gluckman's proposal that the scheme should embrace all the Community, Europeans, Indians, Coloureds, and Natives, but emphasised that those in greatest need should first benefit, which would automatically be the Natives.

Captains Irwin and Knoetze then said they thought the men who sponsored the scheme would support the suggestion that the whole Community benefited, provided the scheme benefited where the need was greatest i.e. among the Non-Europeans.

7. RESOLUTION:

The Chairman then put a motion before the meeting, which after amendment, was adopted "That this meeting supports a scheme of a National War Memorial of a living character which will provide some form of Health Services for all the needy sections of the Community with special regard to the Non-European population". This resolution was unanimously adopted as representing the feelings of all present.

8. FUTURE ACTION:

It was decided that an interim Committee should be formed, of representatives of two Soldiers Organisations, one from Defence, and representatives of the Organisations present together with other Organisations who would like to be associated with the scheme, such as the S.A.W.A.S., National Council of Women, etc. Further, it was decided that Messrs. Marsh, Greenwood & Co., would be appointed as interim Union Trustees for the funds which had been collected.

Until such time as a National Committee could be appointed, the Interim Committee's function would be:

- (a) To cable the resolution to Lt. Kuper in Cairo, and to keep in touch with him and members of the Action Committee.
- (b) To implement the resolution.
- (c) To communicate with other interested Organisations.
- (d) To work in co-operation with Dr. Allen and his sub-Committee.
- (e) To arrange for National publicity.

Date of next meeting - SATURDAY, 27th OCTOBER.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman and Secretary at 12.30 p.m.

D.H. Duncum. Capt.
HON. SECRETARY:

MINUTES OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE. HELD AT TOC H BOARD ROOM ON 10/11/45.

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Dr. B. Friedman, M.P.	Chairman
	Dr. H. Kuper	
	J.C. Knoetze	Ex Army
	Mrs. F. Mason Gordon	S.A.W.A.S. Command 10
	J.R. Altman	S.A. Institute of Race Relations
	J. Sacks	Ex Army
	W.E. Marsh	Hon. Treasurer
	D. Erwin	Ex Army
	A. Rudolph	Springbok Legion
	S.H. Kemp	P.A. Trades Labour Council
	Col. Sayer	N.E.A.S.
	Rev. Michael Scott	Right and Justice
	E. Wyatt Sampson	Native Affairs Dept.,
	S/Sgt. B. Osborg	
	R.P.T. Anderson	Toc H

MINUTES. Minutes of the previous meeting were confirmed.

RESIGNATION OF SECRETARY. The Chairman announced that Capt. Duncum had had to resign the position of Secretary as he was returning to civilian employment which would not permit of his taking part in any outside activities for a period. His resignation was accepted with regret.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING SECRETARY. Dr. Friedman proposed that Mr. R.P. T. Anderson should act as Secretary. AGREED.

ORGANISING SECRETARY. Dr. Friedman proposed that S/Sgt. B. Osborg should be appointed Organising Secretary for the Conference, working under the direction of the acting Secretary. AGREED.

CONFERENCE. S/Sgt Osborg reported that invitations were almost ready for the Conference, but had been held back owing to the doubt as to whether it could be held on 3rd. December. Invitations would be sent to all bodies likely to be interested in the scheme i.e. Rotary and so on, National and Provincial bodies of ex-service organisations, Churches, interested civilian bodies, Cabinet Ministers and Secretaries of Government Departments concerned with Health, demobilisation, native affairs and also to all Provincial, Municipal and local authorities.

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME. Mr. Anderson reported that the Conference Committee had met and recommended a programme along the following lines:

1. The background. (a) Birth of the idea up North.
(b) Work of Interim Committee.
2. Consideration of the principle of a living Memorial.
Adoption of Resolution passed at first meeting of Interim Committee.
3. Examination of needs. (a) Survey of present position by Dr. Gluckman
(b) Work of a Health Centre by, say, Dr. Sydney Kark.
4. Organisation of National Appeal Fund.
Discussion on set-up. Appointment of National and Regional Committee.

It was AGREED that discussion on this should be held over until other plans for the Conference were settled.

DISCUSSION WITH SECRETARY FOR HEALTH.
The Acting Secretary reported that Dr. Allen wished to have a round-table discussion with representatives of this Committee on Tuesday 13th. November.

./.. It was AGREED.....

It was AGREED that Dr. Friedman, Capt. Joubert, Mr. Erwin, Dr. Kuper S/Sgt Osborg and the Secretary should be the official representatives of the Committee, and that any other members would be welcome to attend.

DATE OF CONFERENCE.

It was AGREED that it would not be possible to hold the Conference on the 3rd. December and that the date should be fixed after discussions with Dr. Allen. Tentative suggestions were made that the Conference should be held in the second week of January in Johannesburg, or at the end of January in Cape Town.

POLICY

The Chairman suggested that the Committee should indicate to the representatives who were meeting Dr. Allen, the policy which they felt the Committee should adopt in regard to the National Memorial. Three suggestions were made:

1. Institute of Hygiene.
2. Buildings for Health Centres.
3. Training Colleges for Health personnel.

After discussion it was Agreed that all three propositions should be laid before Dr. Allen with the following observations:

1. Institute for Hygiene. In view of the Government's intention to establish such an Institute it might be unwise for the Committee to adopt this suggestion as this would be relieving the Government of some of its immediate responsibilities.
2. Buildings for Health Centres. It was realised that this would have a distinct value in view of the local appeal, that they would be more closely linked with the desire of the men up North, especially those placed in native areas. Further, that the Government could not possibly carry out its whole programme of 400 Health Centres for a long time and if the fund made itself responsible for a number of these, the national health programme would be speeded up accordingly.

3. Training Colleges for Health personnel.

This was to-day's great need, as the work in Health Centres might be held up for lack of trained personnel.

The Committee's representatives to Dr Allen's meeting were asked to bear in mind three points:

- (a) the National War Memorial must not lose its identity and the Government should only supplement our efforts.
- (b) The soldiers who envisaged this scheme wanted it to be a symbol of a better South Africa.
- (c) It might be suggested to the Secretary for Health that the services of non-European male nursing orderlies ex-army should be used in connection with Health Centres.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT. The Hon. Secretary submitted the following: Financial Statement which was adopted: Attached.

AUTHORITY TO OPEN BANKING ACCOUNT.

(Obtain necessary Resolution from Mr. W.E. Marsh.)

THE NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL FUND.

INTERIM COMMITTEE MEETING.

10th. November, 1945.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

A. <u>Capital Fund.</u>	£	s	d
Donations per Institute of Race Relations	55	9	0
" "Star"	3	1	0
" "Rand Daily Mail"	1	0	0
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	£59	10	0
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B. <u>Working Expenses Fund.</u>	£	s	d
S.A. Legion of the B.E.S.L.	105	0	0
Dr. B. Friedman	26	5	0
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	£131	5	0
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The expenditure on postages etc. to date is negligible.

Total Funds held in Trust.	£190	15	0
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The Secretary has budgetted for the following expenditure which relates mainly to the proposed Conference:-

5,000 Letterheads	9	5	0
Brochure - 2,500 copies (English)	13	12	6
Questionnaire - 2,000 copies	2	4	6
Costs of Addressing and despatch	13	0	0
2,000 Envelopes	3	15	0
4,000 Letters printed (bi-lingual)	4	9	6
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	£ 46	6	6
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The 5th Meeting of the National War Memorial Fund Interim Committee will be held at Toc H Headquarters, 7th Floor Balgownie House, Commissioner Street, at

5 p.m. WEDNESDAY 19th DECEMBER, 1945

The main business of the meeting will be to receive the Report of the deputation which will interview the Minister of Health and the Minister of Finance at 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday 18th idem, and to consider the future policy arising out of the result of the meeting.

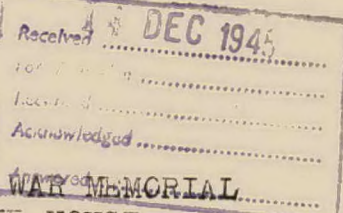
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R.P.T. ANDERSON

Acting Secretary

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MINUTES OF THE 4th MEETING OF THE NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL FUND HELD IN TOC H BOARD ROOM, BALGOWNIE HOUSE, JOHANNESBURG AT 11 a.m. ON SATURDAY 8th DECEMBER, 1945

PRESENT: Dr. B. Friedman, M.P., (Chair), Mrs. M. Ballinger M.P. (Friends of Africa), Mrs. H. Kuper (Publicity Committee) Dr. O.C.J. McPherson (N.C.W.), Mrs. F. Mason-Gordon (S.A.W.A.S. No.10), Rev. A.W. Blaxall (Nat. Council for Blind and N.E. Blind Society), Rev. Michael Scott, Major H. Leach, Lt. L. Kuper, (Action Committee), Bomb. B. Roscoe (Action Committee), Gunner I. Welsh (Action Committee), Lt. D. Lauch (C.C.D.D.), Col. H.O. Sayer (ex D.D.N.E.A.S.) Capt. S.H. Kemp (S.A. Trades Labour Council), J.C. Knoetze, J.S.D. Dey (Hon. Trustees), C.M. Langton (B.E.S.L.), J.D. Ramsay (Alt. E. Wyatt Sampson, Native Affairs), J.D. Rheinallt-Jones (Inst. Race Relations), B. Osborg (Acting Org. Secty.), R.P.T. Anderson (ToC H - Acting Secretary).

The Chairman extended a warm welcome to the members of the Action Committee who had just arrived ex North, Lt. Kuper, Bomb. Roscoe and Gunner Welsh.

MINUTES: Minutes of the meeting held on 10th November, 1945 were confirmed.

MEMORANDUM TO SECRETARY FOR HEALTH:

Memorandum on discussions with Dr. Peter Allen, which had been circulated, was tabled.

A letter received from Mr. Wyatt Sampson querying the wording of Clause 1(b) was also tabled. Mr. Sampson stated that in view of the fact that the Institute would not be more than 50% devoted to native health interests the balance of funds should be used purely for native or Non-European bursaries. It was AGREED that Mr. Sampson's views should be borne in mind when the final scheme was drawn up.

A letter was also received from the B.E.S.L. suggesting that the Memorial Fund could be used as part endowment for a Non-European Medical School. This letter was NOTED and it was AGREED to bear this in mind when formulating the final plans.

CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter was received from Mrs. Roscoe enclosing a cheque for £5.5.- towards the Administration Fund. The Committee expressed its sincere appreciation of this donation.

INTERVIEW WITH MINISTER FOR HEALTH:

The Chairman reported that he had been in touch with Dr. Gluckman, who had informed him that the memorandum forwarded by this Committee had received his consideration and he was now approaching the Ministers of Finance and the Prime Minister in this connection. Dr. Gluckman stated that as soon as these interviews were over he would receive a deputation from the War Memorial Committee.

REPORT BY ACTION COMMITTEE.

Lt. Kuper spoke on behalf of the Action Committee and stated that he held a letter from Maj-Gen. Poole to the C.G.A. authorising the Committee to operate in the Union. He stated that originally the emphasis when creating the fund up North had been concerned primarily with the new attitude to the Non-European rather than the institution of health services. The original reports from the South had indicated that the civilian committee envisaged an all-embracing health service, which would serve the Non-Europeans as a needy section of the community. The Action Committee had however agreed to be guided by their representatives in the South. Right from the start the Action Committee had been anxious that Civilian Committees should be formed in the Union in the different centres. Members of Action Committee realised that the future work would rest very largely on the shoulders of the civilian committees; they had, therefore, welcomed the formation of an Interim Committee in Johannesburg and regarded this Committee as their natural successors. Lt. Cooper stated that £7,300 had already been subscribed by the soldiers and £1,700 had been donated but not received. Most Units had given to the Fund; the Churches in Helwan were making collections on behalf of the Fund, and he estimated that the Army should produce between £1,5000 and £20,000.

In concluding Lt. Kuper stated that he had approached the Trustees in regard to;

- (1) The Resolution which broadened the scope of the scheme;
- (2) Recognition of the status of the Interim Committee in Johannesburg;
- (3) The suggestion of an Institute for Social Medicine as the Memorial.

Maj.-Gen. Theron and Maj.-Gen. Poole had both agreed on all three points. No word had been received from Father Runge, though Lt. Cooper had heard unofficially that Father Runge was in agreement with the other Trustees.

Bomb. Roscoe and Gunner Welsh spoke briefly and laid emphasis on the fact that the European Servicemen wished to make a gesture to the Non-European population.

The Chairman thanked the Action Committee for their report and stated that it was pleasing to know that the Trustees had now approved of the Resolution upon which the work of the Interim Committee had been based; that the Interim Committee was now vested with authority, and the suggestion of an Institute for Social Medicine had met with the approval of the Trustees.

It was AGREED that the Action Committee should remain in being to act jointly with the Interim Committee. The Action Committee to concentrate its efforts on propaganda in the Military Camps. It was further AGREED that a link should be maintained up North and contact letters should be sent to G.O.Admin. U.D.F, M.E.F.

INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL MEDICINE.

In view of the forthcoming interview with the Minister, discussion took place on the suggestions arising out of the interview with Dr. Allen that the Memorial should take the form of an Institute for Social Medicine. Emphasis was laid on the need for Research and the need for training of personnel. Both these jobs must go on together. It was felt that the Government should be asked

to reveal its plans in regard to training of personnel for Health Centres. The concensus of opinion in regard to the location of the Institute was that this should not be regarded as an issue at present, the Committee should be guided by the medical authorities. Stress was laid on the fact that the Committee must ultimately be in the financial position to launch a Trust Fund for the training of Non-European personnel. The question of whether or not the War Memorial Committee would have an adequate say in the future policy of the Institute depended upon whether it provided sufficient funds so that it was not dependent in the initial stages on Government Assistance.

DEPUTATION TO MINISTER FOR HEALTH.

It was AGREED that the deputation should consist of Dr. Friedman, Mrs. Ballinger, Mr. Rheinallt-Jones and members of the Action Committee.

FINANCE.

The representative of Mr. Marsh reported that he was unable to produce a Financial Statement. The Organising Secretary stated that approximately £100 was in hand for administrative expenses. Members of the Action Committee were asked in their work amongst the Military in the Union to give special attention to securing donations from the various messes in the base Camps.

NEXT MEETING:

It was AGREED provisionally that the next meeting should take place on 19th December at 5 p.m. in The H Board Room, Balgownie House, Johannesburg. The Secretary stated that he would confirm this date when he knew whether the deputation to the Minister would be in a position to report.

The meeting closed at 12.10 p.m.

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