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NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL HEALTH FOUNDATION.

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Minutes of the meeting of the National Executive Committee held in the offices of the Foundation, Hut No. 8, Union Grounds, Johannesburg, on Tuesday, 28th September, 1948, at 4.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Dr. C.C.P. Anning (in the Chair).  
Dr. F.A. Donnolly.  
Commander C.E.D. Enoch.  
Col. L.E.C. Price.  
Mr. C. Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE.

Mr. A. Norton (National Secretary).  
Mr. J.C.D. Orr (National Accountant).  
Mrs. P. Scarnell Lean (Public Relations Officer).

APOLOGIES.

Dr. E. H. Ashton.  
Mr. Max Greenberg.  
Dr. Gordon Laing.  
Col. H.A. Olsen.  
Maj-Gen. H. S. Wakefield.  
Mr. Quintin Whyte.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

The minutes of meeting held on 1st September, 1948, which had been circulated, were CONFIRMED.

2. NATIONAL VICE-PRESIDENT.

It was noted with pleasure that Maj-Gen. W.H.E. Poole, now in Berlin, had agreed to continue as Vice-President in absentia.

3. COMMITTEE.

The resignation of Mr. S. Brenner, for personal reasons, was NOTED WITH REGRET.

The Committee DIRECTED that an expression of thanks and appreciation be conveyed to him for his services in the past. It was decided not to fill the vacancy for the time being.

4. APPEAL.

(a) Government Grant.

The Chairman reported that the Government grant of £25,000 to the Foundation was passed by Parliament in September, 1948. According to the Press, the Minister of Education, of Health and of Social Welfare, said on 15th September, 1948 :-

"He was prepared to continue the State contribution to the National War Memorial Health Foundation. If the sponsors were prepared to use their savings to establish a living memorial to their fallen comrades, he regarded that as a noble purpose and therefore supported the proposal with his party's approval; but he could not accept the Foundation as the body responsible for social welfare matters; and where these objects could better be discharged by his department, he would support the department."

(b) Status of Foundation vis-a-vis National Appeal.

Report, ANNEXURE "A" to agenda, was NOTED. The action of the Chairman in arranging for Dr. Donnolly to proceed to Cape Town in an endeavour to obtain official recognition of the Foundation as the National War Memorial for the 1939/45 war as a vital factor affecting the proposed National Appeal, was CONFIRMED. As a result of this visit, and for reasons given in the report, a letter dated 23rd September, 1948, had been addressed to the Prime Minister by the Chairman, asking if he would receive a deputation from the Foundation at an early date. The letter, which represents that the Foundation be accorded the required official recognition, was laid on the table and APPROVED.

It was also reported that a letter had been addressed to Sir Ernest Oppenheimer by the Chairman, on the same date, asking if he would now be prepared to serve as leader of the proposed National Appeal Committee. This letter was also tabled and APPROVED.

5. INTEGRATION REPORT TO NATIONAL HEALTH COUNCIL.

The Integration Report to the National Health Council, as per ANNEXURE "B" to agenda, was NOTED WITH APPROVAL.

6. HEALTH TRIANGLE REPORTS.

(a) To Standing Committee of National Health Council.

(b) To Executive Committee of Social Welfare Organizations Board.

Report sent to these bodies, as per ANNEXURE "C" to agenda, with the terms of reference suitably adapted in the case of the Social Welfare Organizations Board, was NOTED WITH APPROVAL.

7. FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Report of the Finance Committee, as contained in minutes of meeting held on 24th September, 1948, was ADOPTED - EXCEPT for elaboration or variation in respect of certain items as follows :-

Item 2(c): Auditors. The Chairman reported that, as the auditor (Mr. Marsh) had been away, he had not yet interviewed him but would do so within the next few days.

Item 5(a): Cape Northern Region. The Regional Executive Committee of the Cape Northern Region had decided, in view of the paucity of local interest in general, and for the sake of economy, that the Kimberley office should close on 31st October, 1948, the services of the present staff (Regional Secretary and Native Messenger) being dispensed with simultaneously. It had been hoped that, despite the closing of the office, the Regional Executive Committee would be prepared to carry on but, according to a further letter now received from the Region, this is unfortunately not the case. In the circumstances, the decision to close the Region was endorsed and must now be submitted to a full meeting of the Cape Northern Regional Council.

It was noted that the Region will be making a recommendation for the disposal of the balance of funds allocated to it in terms of the Revised Budgets, plus collections since 1st May, 1948, less a proportion of the Region's agreed contribution to national objectives and appeal expenses. This matter will in due

course be referred to the Committee through the National Technical Advisory Committee.

The Region had requested that consideration be given to a suitable Press release. It was DECIDED that this release should be made at a time considered opportune by the Director and should state amongst other matters the amounts made available by the Foundation to local projects and the amount collected locally for the Memorial.

The Region is holding a Street Collection on 23rd October, 1948. In the circumstances, it was DECIDED that the public should be told clearly for what project the money collected on 23rd October, 1948, will be used by the Foundation.

Item 6(b): Bursaries: The Committee CONFIRMED the recommendation of the Technical Advisory and Finance Committees that the unexpended balance of £894 from the Bursaries allocation for 1948 be carried forward for the provision of similar bursaries for 1949. Although the National Secretary questioned the soundness of doing so in view of the Foundation having disbursed approximately £6,000 more than it had received during the financial year ended June 30th, 1948, it was considered that the commitment should stand as forming a part of the Foundation's valuable bursary programme already agreed upon.

Item 8(a)(ii): Resignation of Mr. H. C. Leith, Regional Organiser of the Witwatersrand & Southern Transvaal Region, in order to take up another appointment on 16th September, 1948, was NOTED WITH REGRET. Mr. Leith was one of the original members of the Foundation's staff and had rendered very valuable service, particularly in the field of public relations.

The Committee DIRECTED that an expression of its thanks and appreciation be conveyed to Mr. Leith.

Item 11: Christmas Cards. The opinion of the Regions that Christmas and New Year greetings from the Foundation should be conveyed through the medium of the Bulletin, was NOTED WITH APPROVAL.

The Chairman expressed the opinion that next year the Foundation should endeavour to produce and dispose of Christmas cards on a commercial basis.

Item 12(b)(ii): Representation at Council Meeting of S.A. National Council for Child Welfare in Durban, 20th/22nd October, 1948.

With a view to avoiding unnecessary cost, the Committee did NOT ACCEPT the recommendation that the Foundation should be represented by Miss Horrell (of National Headquarters) at the Council Meeting of the S.A. National Council for Child Welfare in Durban during the period 20th/22nd October, 1948. Instead, it was DECIDED to ask the Natal Coast Regional Executive Committee to arrange, if possible, for Mrs. Broughton to represent the Foundation at this meeting, the necessary briefing being done by National Headquarters.

The Committee endorsed the opinion of the Finance Committee that, wherever practicable, arrangements should be made for local supporters of the Foundation

to represent the Foundation at Conferences held in different parts of the Union.

Item 12(c) :Witwatersrand & Southern Transvaal Region. A resolution from the Witwatersrand & Southern Transvaal Region to the effect that all direct expenditure incurred by it since 1st July, 1948, be charged against collections, was NOTED with much appreciation. The Region also indicated that, in the event of Headquarters being subsequently in a position to effect a refund of all or any part of such expenditure, it would be grateful for such refund.

The Committee DIRECTED that its thanks should be conveyed to the Region.

## 8. GENERAL.

### (a) United Party Fighting Fund.

Reference was made to a Press advertisement appealing for funds for the United Party Fighting Fund and in which use is made of the Foundation as an influencing factor. The Committee deplored the use of the Foundation as a political pawn. Mr. Williamson, Chairman of the Cape (South-Western) Region, had already written to the Cape Organising Secretary of the United Party (Dr. A. Jonker, M.P.) in the matter, at the same time correcting the mis-statement in the advertisement about the Foundation's origin; and it was RESOLVED that the matter should also be taken up with Mr. Oosthuizen, General Secretary of the United Party, with a view to the immediate withdrawal of the advertisement from publication.

### (b) Rockefeller Foundation.

The Director reported that Dr. John Grant and Dr. Bruce Wilson, representing the Rockefeller Foundation, had arrived in Johannesburg last week-end. This follows correspondence between the Foundation and Dr. John Grant over a considerable period. The Director had met them on arrival. Dr. Grant and Dr. Wilson had now left for Durban, where they would meet representatives of the Foundation. Dr. Grant, and possibly Dr. Wilson, will return to Johannesburg on Friday, 1st October, and will be at the disposal of the Foundation on that day. It has been provisionally arranged for them to have discussions with Committee members and to pay a visit to Moroka Township. Thereafter, Drs. Grant and Wilson will proceed to Cape Town, where the Foundation will also arrange a programme for them. After a few days there they will return overseas via Johannesburg, Dr. Wilson leaving here on 5th October and Dr. Grant on 9th October, 1948.

Mr. John Rockefeller, III, is expected in Johannesburg on the 6th October for about 14 days. Every effort will be made to contact him through Dr. Grant (on his return from Cape Town) and Mr. J.G. Finlay, Chairman of the Johannesburg Appeal Committee, who has a connection with Mr. Rockefeller.

### (c) Natal Coast Regional Council Meeting.

The Director reported that, at the request of the Natal Coast Region, he had attended their Regional Council meeting on 22nd September, 1948. The meeting was attended by about 60 members and the Director was impressed with the spirit of the meeting.

(d) Special Health Stamps.

The Chairman reported that a letter had been received from the Private Secretary to the Minister of Posts & Telegraphs regretting that the Minister was unable to accede to the Foundation's request for Special Christmas Stamps on the grounds that any such permission would also have to be accorded "to other institutions and voluntary organisations".

As the Foundation is not just another voluntary organisation but the Union's National War Memorial and hopes to have this recognition re-affirmed shortly by the present Prime Minister, it was AGREED that the Minister of Posts & Telegraphs should be informed that, inter alia, we intend raising the matter of health stamps at our forthcoming interview with the Prime Minister and trust that he (the Minister of Posts & Telegraphs) will have no objection to our doing so.

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CHAIRMAN.

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NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL HEALTH FOUNDATION.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Minutes of the 21st Meeting, held at the Foundation's offices, Hut 8, Union Grounds, Johannesburg, on Friday, 24th September, 1948, at 5 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. G.C. Jennings (in the Chair).  
Col. H.A. Olsen (Hon. Treasurer).

IN ATTENDANCE:  
Dr. F.A. Donnolly (Director)  
Mr. A. Norton. (National Secretary).  
Mr. J.C.D. Orr. (Accountant).

APOLOGIES:  
Mr. R.E. Grieveson.  
Mr. H.E. van Santen.  
Commander C.E.D. Enoch.

1. MINUTES.

The minutes of the 20th meeting (4/8/48), which had been circulated, were CONFIRMED.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

(a) Government Negotiations.

The Director reported for noting, that in the Budget Estimates, the Government had confirmed the grant to the National War Memorial Health Foundation, of £25,000.

At the request of the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Dr. Donnolly had flown to Cape Town in an endeavour to obtain official recognition for the Foundation, as the National War Memorial to the 1939/45 War, as a vital factor affecting a National Appeal for funds.

(b) Recognition and Appeal.

It has now been accepted that a direct approach to the Prime Minister would be preferable, and suitable letters had been despatched by the Chairman of the Executive Committee to Dr. Malan, and also to Sir Ernest Oppenheimer.

(c) Auditors.

No further information was available concerning Dr. Anning's conversation with the Auditors, in the matter of future fees.

3. AMENDMENT TO BANKING RESOLUTION RE TRUST ACCOUNT.

It was APPROVED that the authority previously given to Major-General W.H.E. Poole, in his capacity as a member of the Board of Trustees, should now lapse, due to his resignation from that Board, and that in his stead authority be given to Brigadier C.M. Hoffe, newly elected.

RESOLVED that the above amendment be formally notified to Barclays Bank (D.C. & O.) in the prescribed "form 25".

4. GENERAL ACCOUNT.

It was APPROVED that the Trustees be requested to

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transfer a sum of £6,000 required for Administration and Working Expenses for the three months October/December, 1948. In addition the Accountant was instructed to enquire when receipt of the balance of £23,000 ex Treasury might be expected, this sum having been voted for the National objectives of the Foundation, including administrative expenditure.

5. REGIONAL REPORTS.

(a) Cape Northern.

The Committee noted with regret that, in spite of strenuous and sustained efforts particularly by the staff, there was a lack of interest locally, and this had forced the Regional Action Committee into a decision to close the office in Kimberley on 31st October, 1948. It was recorded that a saving of approximately £47 per month would result from this course.

The Secretary reported that an obligation existed towards the Region in respect of the allocation of monies voted for specific purposes, and that it was probable that furniture and equipment held at this office, to the value of approximately £100, would in due course be sold in Kimberley.

In the hope of maintaining an active interest in Kimberley it was felt that in view of his close association with that town, Sir Ernest Oppenheimer should be acquainted with the decision of the Regional Committee, this to be dependent on Sir Ernest associating himself again with the National Appeal Committee.

(b) Natal Coast.

It was noted that this Region desired to retain the services of the Typiste/Clerk, for a further period of 2 months, i.e., to the end of November, 1948, the arrangement then to be reviewed.

6. TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

The following recommendations of the Technical Advisory Committee are APPROVED, and are forwarded to the National Executive for confirmation :-

(Ref. Minutes of 16th Meeting, 2/9/1948).

(a) Para. 4. Vegetable Club at Lady Selborne.

The appointment is recommended of Mr. Joseph Koma, at a salary of £10 per month, plus C.O.L.A. at minimum rates, rising by £1.5.0 (per month) after each completed year of service, to a maximum of £15.0.0 per month.

(b) Para. 5. Bursaries.

It was AGREED that the balance unexpended of the allocation for 1948, namely £894.0.0 be carried forward for provision of bursaries of similar type to those not taken up in the 1948 bursary period.

(c) Para. 6. Edendale Social Worker.

Terms of appointment NOTED and APPROVED.

7. AUTHORITY FOR EXPENDITURE.

(a) Addressing Service.

Tunleys (Pty) Ltd.'s account for Stencil Cutting at £5.10.0 per 1,000 (own stencils supplied) is APPROVED, the preparation of these being a matter of urgency, to ensure adequate distribution of the bulletin. It was noted that further charges on this account would be incurred.

(b) Foundation's Omnibus.

Purchase of a reconditioned engine NOT APPROVED until further quotations have been obtained.

(c) Publicity Film, Pretoria.

The purchase of 20 rolls of 8 m.m.film, at a cost of £17.12.6d is APPROVED.

(d) Pretoria Rest Centre: Purchase of Bricks.

The quotation for delivery of 14,000 bricks @ £4.5.0 per 1,000 was noted. Authority for expenditure covered in Budget Vote of £1,000 for this project.

8. STAFF MATTERS: (FOR NOTING AND CONFIRMATION).

(a) Resignations:

- (i) Mrs. J. A. Maritz, at 30/9/48. (WWRand)
- (ii) Mr. H. C. Leith, at 15/9/48. (Regional Organiser, Transvaal).
- (iii) Miss G.O. Phillips, at 30/9/48. (Natal).

RESIGNATIONS ACCEPTED.

APPROVAL given for payment to Mr. Leith of £48.11.3 in lieu of leave due and accrued at date of resignation.

APPROVAL given for release of Miss Phillips on 25/9/48, with payment of salary to that date.

(b) Retrenchment. (Ref. Item 5 above).

Cape Northern Region. RECOMMENDATIONS NOTED:

- (i) Miss D. Horn,
  - (ii) John Mothelesi,
- to terminate services at 31/10/48.

(c) Appointments.

The following are APPROVED and RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION, the usual Foundation conditions of employment, including leave and S. & T. allowances; to apply to these appointments :-

- (i) Mrs. P. Canning, as Secretary, Natal Coast Region, vice Miss G.O. Phillips, w.e.f. 13/9/48, at a salary of £420 per annum, plus C.O.L.A. at £46.16.0 p.a.
- (ii) Mrs. H. Joseph, as Supervisor, Goodwood Centre (Cape), w.e.f. 1/1/49, at a commencing salary of £570 p.a. (plus C.O.L.A.) in the grade £480 x £30 x £720 (plus C.O.L.A.)



(iii) Joseph Koma. (see Item (a) above).

(iv) Bantu Social Worker - Duncan Village. Offer of appointment to Mr. Eric D. Nomvete, w.e.f. 1/11/48, at a commencing salary of £300 p.a. plus C.O.L.A. in the grade £240 x £15 x £390 (plus C.O.L.A.) for this post.

(d) Leave:

- (i) Mrs. A. D. Scholtz - 13/9/48 to 3/10/49.
- (ii) Miss B. V. Oshry - 20/9/48 to 10/10/48.
- (iii) Stephen Phera - 11/10/48 to 31/10/48.

The above are APPROVED.

9. SUNDRY PURCHASES ACCOUNTS:

CONFIRMATION AND APPROVAL is given in respect of -

- (a) July Accounts - £79.19.8, per Purchases, fol. 23,
- (b) August Accounts - £66.0.10 " " " 24,

(these being examined after the meeting, by the Acting Chairman, Mr. G.C. Jennings).

10. TRAVELLING EXPENSES.

The following are APPROVED:

- (a) Director's Visit to Natal - Regional Council Meeting 22nd September, 1948) - £14. 11. 7d
- (b) Director's Visit to Cape Town -(12th/15th Sept) reference Negotiations with Government, (see para. 2. above) - £33. 16. 0

In view of the importance and urgency of this matter, it was considered advisable that the Director should travel by air.

11. CHRISTMAS CARDS.

The Secretary reported for noting, that in consultation with the Regions, it was considered that Christmas and New Year greetings from the Foundation should be conveyed through the medium of the Bulletin.

12. GENERAL.

(a) Office Safe.

The Accountant reported that he had been notified that the safe, on loan from P.W.D., had been sold.

Authority was given, to a limit of £40, for the purchase of a suitable safe.

(b) Representation at Conferences.

The Director recommended that the Foundation be represented :-

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(i) at East London, on the S.A. National Council for the Blind, 9th/11th Nov. 1948,

by Mrs. P. S. Lean.

(ii) at Durban, on the S.A. National Council for Child Welfare, 20th/22nd October, 1948,

by Miss M. A. Horrell,

these two conferences being of special importance to the Foundation.

The financial commitment involved was APPROVED and it was noted that, wherever practicable, arrangements are made for Foundation's representation at Conferences by local supporters of the Foundation.

(c) Witwatersrand & Southern Transvaal Action Committee.

The following resolution of the above Committee (18/8/48) was NOTED with approval:-

"All direct expenditure incurred by the Region should be charged against collections but, in the event of Headquarters being subsequently in a position to effect a refund of all or any part of such expenditure, the Region would be grateful for such refund."

The Region had agreed that the above take effect from 1/7/48.

(d) Pretoria Rest Centre.

It was reported for noting that the re-opening of the Centre had been deferred. In the circumstances, Mrs. Hunt (Supervisor) had been paid for the month of July only, and had voluntarily declined payment for August. She had now been informed that she would be released to take another appointment should she so desire.

The Committee NOTED with satisfaction Mrs. Hunt's magnanimous gesture in regard to payment for August, 1948.

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NATIONAL WAR MEMORIAL HEALTH FOUNDATION 078

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Minutes of the meeting of the National Executive Committee held in the offices of the Foundation, Hut No. 8, Union Grounds, Johannesburg, on Wednesday, 1st September, 1948, at 4.30 p.m.

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PRESENT:

Dr. C.C.P. Anning (in the Chair)  
Mr. G.E. Williamson  
Dr. E.H. Ashton  
Dr. F.A. Donnolly  
Cmdr. C.E.D. Enoch  
Mr. Max Greenberg  
Dr. G.D. Laing  
Col. H.A. Olsen  
Mr. H.F. Pentz  
Mr. H.R. Rathebe  
Dr. H. Sonnabend  
Mr. Quintin Whyte  
Mr. C. Williams

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Norton (National Secretary)  
Mr. J.C.D. Orr (National Accountant)  
Miss M.A. Horrell (Technical Officer)  
Mrs. P. S. Lean (Public Relations Officer)  
Mr. A. Robinson (Senior Regional Organiser for the Cape).

APOLOGIES:

Mr. S. Brenner  
Col. L.E.C. Price  
Col. H.O. Sayer  
Major-General H.S. Wakefield.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.

Minutes of meeting held 6th August, 1948, which had been circulated, were confirmed.

2. CHAIRMANSHIP OF COMMITTEE.

Following up a suggestion that he had made some months ago, Dr. Anning gave it as his opinion that, having regard to appeal needs, he should stand down from the Chairmanship of the Committee and make way for a business man of good standing. The Committee, while appreciating the tremendous value of Dr. Anning's services to the Foundation as Chairman, accepted the soundness of this gesture in the circumstances, but decided to defer further consideration of the matter until the next meeting, an endeavour to be made in the meantime to obtain suitable business men to fill the two vacancies on the National Executive Committee. (The two vacancies include the expected resignation of Mr. S. Brenner, which had not yet reached the Foundation officially).

3. NATIONAL APPEAL.

In terms of the Committee's instructions at its meeting on 6th August, 1948, the Director submitted a report comprising an Appeal plan, financial statement as at 31st July, 1948, and suggested basis of a National Appeal. The report, which had been circulated to members of the Committee, was approved in principle, subject to minor amendments.

The Director stated that he envisaged the National Appeal as a personal approach by influential persons for "big money", and with the Regional Appeals continuing as at present, both operating under the stimulus of intensified publicity. No special appeal staff would be engaged as originally contemplated, it being hoped that the services of Mr. Arthur

Robinson, together with those of Mrs. Lean, would be available to conduct the necessary publicity.

It was reiterated that the National Appeal Committee should operate within the frame-work of the Foundation and with the Chairman as a member of the National Executive Committee.

The Chairman had reason to suppose that Sir Ernest Oppenheimer was favourably inclined to the Foundation but, even if he were willing, it seemed unlikely that his medical advisers would permit him to accept Chairmanship of the National Appeal Committee. In that case, the Committee considered that Sir Ernest should be furnished with a copy of the Appeal documents and asked if he would be good enough to induce a prominent person to accept office as Chairman of the National Appeal Committee with power to select his colleagues to serve on the Committee, covering, of course, all Regional headquarters towns.

#### 4. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Items 9/13 of the minutes of meeting of the Finance Committee on 4th August, 1948, outstanding from the previous meeting of the Executive Committee, were considered with the following results.

9. Regional Accounts. Noted with approval.

10. Sundry Creditors.

Payments involved under items (a) / (d) were confirmed. As regards (e) it was agreed that the account for 17 guineas for special professional services by W.E. Marsh & Co., the Foundation's auditors, should be accepted but that, in conformity with the Finance Committee's recommendation, Marsh & Co. be asked to give the Foundation special terms as a charitable organisation, with particular reference to the forthcoming audit. The Chairman offered to make the necessary representations.

11. Allocation of Funds.

Principles covering the allocation of National and Regional collections involving distribution, on the lines recommended by the Finance Committee, were accepted. In this connection it was decided, on the recommendation of Mr. Pentz (Chairman of the Northern Transvaal Region), that the proceeds of £1,050 from the sale of the McKenzie Hall, Sonderwater, which had been kindly donated to the Foundation, should accrue to National Headquarters.

12. Foundation Bus.

Expenditure of approximately £17. 4. 0d. on certain alterations and the purchase of necessary tools for the Foundation's omnibus was approved.

13. General.

(a) O.F.S. Appeal Chairman. Resignation of Mr. Louis Ellenberger, and acceptance of office by Colonel P.H. Ollemans, was noted.

(b) Budget. As Plan B. had not been accepted by the Committee for implementation, the financial implications that would have been involved in its application were noted for information.

- (c) Staff Leave Regulations: - It was decided that the proposed Staff Leave Regulations, approved in principle by the Finance Committee, and so far circulated to the members of the National Executive Committee and to the staff for comment, should now be submitted to the various Regional Executive Committees for consideration before being finally placed before the National Executive Committee.

5. REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE. Noted.

Special attention was drawn to the fact that the Christelik Maatskaplike Raad, after further consideration and because of its divergent activities, has decided not to accept the Foundation's offer of £150 towards extensions to its Community Centre in Bloemfontein. The Committee accepted a recommendation from the National Technical Advisory Committee that this sum be held in trust for the O.F.S. Region.

6. DIRECTOR'S TOUR NOTES.

(a) Visit to Port Elizabeth 22/27th July, 1948. Report, as per Annexure "D" to agenda for meeting on 6th August, 1948, was noted.

(b) Visit to Kimberley 15/17th July, 1948. Report, as per Annexure "D" to agenda for meeting on 6th August, 1948, was noted, and the Director reported on the later unfavourable report in the Diamond Fields Advertiser of 19th July, 1948.

7. COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN MEMBERS OF REGIONAL COMMITTEES AND HEADQUARTERS.

Recommendations contained in report, Annexure "A" to agenda for meeting on 30th August, 1948, were adopted.

8. APPEAL.

(a) Johannesburg City Council - The Director reported, for the confidential information of the Committee, that while the £1,500 grant by the Johannesburg City Council for the Moroka Community Centre was duly provided for in the Council's printed estimates, consideration was still being given to the manner in which the £15,000 grant would be made.

(b) Collection "Bells" and Membership Certificate Books - Report, as per Annexure "B" to the agenda for the meeting on 30th August, 1948, was considered. After the National Secretary had elaborated upon the report, the Committee accepted recommendations from the Northern Transvaal Region to the effect that the use of Collection "Bells" and Membership booklets (which had been temporarily withdrawn from general circulation) should in future be selective and not indiscriminate. It was emphasised that such use must conform with the Regulations under the Welfare Organisations Act and that every endeavour must be made to ensure as great a measure of security as possible in the use of these articles.

9. WITWATERSRAND & SOUTHERN TRANSVAAL REGION: STAFF.

Resolutions adopted at meetings of the Witwatersrand & Southern Transvaal Regional Executive Committee on 16th and 24th June, 1948, dealing with the Region's staff arrangements following the resignation of Miss Joyce (Regional Secretary) as at 30th June, 1948, were noted. The National Secretary explained that, by apportioning the Region's work amongst the present

Regional and National Headquarters staff, it had been unnecessary to engage any replacement for Miss Joyce. The Witwatersrand & Southern Transvaal Region had felt that they should have the services of an independent Secretary, but the arrangement is so far working satisfactorily and Commander Enoch, Chairman of the Region, had indicated that his Region was prepared to give the present arrangement a trial. There was, therefore, no need for any action to be taken at this stage. Noted.

10. O.F.S. REGION. Report of National Secretary noted.

11. VISIT OF DR. JOHN GRANT, ROCKEFELLER FOUNDATION.

The Director reported that Dr. John Grant and Dr. Bruce Wilson, of the Rockefeller Foundation, will be in Cape Town and Johannesburg between 26th September and 8th October, 1948. It was agreed that the Foundation should make arrangements to receive these gentlemen and show them places of interest.

12. S.A. NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR MATERNAL & FAMILY WELFARE.

Transfer from Ordinary to Organisation membership was confirmed.

13. 36TH S.A. MEDICAL CONGRESS, PRETORIA, 26th/31st JULY, 1948.

The Director reported that it had been impossible for him to attend this Congress.

14. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NON-EUROPEAN BOYS CLUBS.

It was agreed that Miss M.A. Horrell (Technical Officer) be appointed to represent the Foundation on the Shadow Executive of the newly-formed National Association of Non-European Boys Clubs.

15. NATAL UNIVERSITY CAMPAIGN : APPEAL FOR FUNDS.

The Director reported that he had received a letter from Dr. E.G. Malherbe, Principal of the Natal University College, expressing disappointment that the Foundation does not wish to be associated officially with the campaign of the Natal University to raise funds for the proposed Medical Faculty for the training of Non-European medical practitioners. Dr. Malherbe had "thought that the health of the Non-Europeans was the primary consideration of the Foundation". This is, of course, the case, and the Director was requested again to draw Dr. Malherbe's attention to the Foundation's bursary programme and other activities directed at the improvement of the health of Non-Europeans. At the same time, while the committee solidly supports the scheme, it cannot officially associate itself with the fund-raising campaign because of the implications as regards other Universities and their appeal activities.

16. TOC H. - BURSARIES.

The Director reported that the Foundation's application to Toc H. for a grant for bursaries from the Y.M.C.A. - Toc H. War Funds Trust, although recommended by Toc H, had unfortunately been refused by the Trust. Noted with regret.

17. BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Chairman reported that Brig. C.M. Hoffe had accepted membership of the Board of Trustees in place of Major General W.H.E. Poole, who recently resigned owing to overseas assignment.

18. CAPE SOUTH WESTERN REGION: FÊTE.

The Chairman reported that a fête organised by the Cape South Western Region on 25th August, 1948, had realised a net profit of about £2,000 according to present estimates. The Committee expressed its appreciation of this very fine effort and directed that its congratulations be conveyed to the Cape South Western Region and to the convenors and all others concerned in making the function such an outstanding success.

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