

**MINUTES OF THE GLEN WAVERLEY AND DISTRICT INTER-CHURCH  
COUNCIL, Held at Francisco Disilvestro Home  
158 Whites Lane, Wheelers Hill  
Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 at 7.30 pm**

**Present:** Jan Clear, Joe Persico, Agnes De Roza, John Hurst, Francisco Disilvestro.

**Apologies:** Tony & Pat Hodges, Ray Lamerand

**Welcome:** Jan welcomed those present and opened the meeting with a prayer, followed by The Lord's Prayer

**Spiritual reading.** 1 John 3:11-4:6 . There was some discussion regarding the meaning of a few of the verses.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

**.Regular activities for 2016**

- Christian Unity Celebration. 14 Churches have confirmed their participation. The Mulgrave Church of Christ was late because the acceptance was not received on time. Information about the celebration was sent to St. John Vianney, hoping to increase the participation in following years.
- World Day of Prayer. Agnes – There were around 100 people attending the event. Jan proposed to Val Noble to change the hour to attract more people. The keynote, M Kristy McKenzie was good but could have developed the subject even further. Overall it was a good presentation.
- Way of the Cross: The common feeling of the council is that the event was a success! Tony Hodges sent a report of the event, including estimated participation and suggestion for the scripts, which was read and approved. Joe presented a proposal to include a car and driver for the hired sound next year. This option will cost \$500 instead of \$300. The proposal was accepted.
- Joint meeting with Mt Waverley-Chadstone ICC. Jan or Francisco to contact the secretary of Mt Waverley-Chadstone ICC. The meeting could be in September. The proposal is to come up with ideas for discussion. It was proposed to send an email enquiring about interests and asking if they have any tentative agenda or suggestions. Francisco will ask to the Mt Waverley secretary to send us their meeting minutes
- Continuing: Recruiting of new members & Leadership: Several items were submitted for consideration before our next meeting. Approach Ministers at Way of The Cross; perhaps change the model of the meeting; try to revive interest in the local Ministers Fraternal as it is the belief of delegates that without involvement of minister it will be extremely difficult to recruit more delegates.
- Continuing: Joe printed the list of services and churches in the Monash Council area and distributed them between the participants at the end of the meeting. They are intended to be sent out in May.
- Website: Joe will send the updated list of services in .pdf format to John to publish in the website..
- Information letter to Aged Care Facilities to be sent out in May.
- Advertising Christmas Services: we need to come up with a message for the Christmas sign for September.

**GWIC Member Churches happenings:**

John H:

- 20K running to raise money for School Chaplain of Glen Waverley Secondary School (Neil Peters). It was a great experience and set a good example

Joe P.

- Setting down to the new Parish Priest. Saturday Mass is now at 6:00 pm.

Francisco D.

- St. Leonard's priest is going on annual leave for two weeks.

Agnes D.

- Money raising activities for school feat

### **Interfaith activities**

Jan plans to attend the Monash Interfaith Gathering

### **Correspondence In**

### **Correspondence Out**

Send the Application to the Christmas Sign to the Council

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Checks to be signed for the sound system. Pending change of signatures. Jan, Francisco and John will go to the bank.
- Seven Churches responded to requests for funds

The Meeting concluded at 9 pm

***Next meeting will be held at St Justin's, 46-48 Whalley Dr, Wheelers Hill on Wednesday June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7.30pm***

***The following meeting will be at Holy Saviour on Wednesday 14 September.***