



THE ASSOCIATED COUNTRY WOMEN OF THE WORLD 2010 Resolutions and Recommendations

Resolution 1

Be it resolved that Article IX – Council of the ACWW Constitution (June 2001) be deleted, and the Board, Executive and/or the Triennial Conference assume the duties and responsibilities formerly carried out by the Council.

Resolution 2

Be it resolved that the Board are hereby authorized to approve such other amendments to the Constitution of ACWW, June 2001 (including the Byelaws, Standing Orders and Terms of Reference) as are in the reasonable opinion of the Board necessary for the following purpose:

1. Adoption of changes and amendments of a non-substantive nature which are consequential upon the changes and amendments pursuant to deletion of Article IX – Council.
2. Correction and updating of cross references.
3. Correction of any anomalies and/or ambiguities
4. Correction of grammatical errors. Proposed by Women's Institutes of Nova Scotia (Canada)

Resolution 3 – Women need access to credit

In view of the United Nations first Millennium Development goal calling for the eradication of extreme poverty and hunger, and to improve employment for women, be it resolved that the ACWW member societies call on their governments to make available access to credit for women.

Amended Resolution 4: Stop the use of plastic bags and reduce use of packaging.

Be it resolved that all ACWW member societies urge their communities to restrict the use of plastic bags and to reduce excess packaging. Consumers need to be informed and governments need to offer incentives for voluntary recycling and use of biodegradable bags and packaging.

Resolution 5 – Financial Management

Be it resolved that ACWW member societies encourage their members to:

- ensure that women have sufficient knowledge about financial management in their households,
- educate women to draw up a spending plan or budget to ensure financial security within the household.

Proposed amendment to Resolution 6:

Be it resolved that ACWW member societies urge their governments to support scientific research and education and encourage all participants in the agricultural industry to produce, process and distribute safe food, feed, fiber and fuel in a manner that is economically viable and enhances the quality of life for present and future generations.

Resolution 7

Margaret McMillen of Northern Ireland has withdrawn Resolution 7 in order to save time, and added that delegates already are talking about change.

URGENCY RESOLUTON

Be it resolved that the membership subscription for categories I, II, III and 4a (excluding category 4b) be increased by 5% for the 2011-2013 triennium.

Category 1 - 90.00 increased to 94.50 pounds.

Category II – 55.00 increased to 58.75 pounds;

Category III 45.00 increased to 47.25 pounds;

Category 4a 20.00 increased to 21.00 pounds.

Recommendation 1 – tree planting project,

Be it recommended that Associated Country Women of the World urge all ACWW member societies worldwide where possible to plant trees as a contribution towards combating climate change. This could be an individual or group project.

Recommendation 2 - ACWW Board and Committee members to hold ACWW individual membership

Be it recommended that it is a prerequisite for any candidate seeking office as a member of the Board of ACWW or a member of a Specified Committee to hold individual membership of ACWW.