

NACCW 14TH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE 2003 – RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION ONE

In as much as this conference has demonstrated that:

- SA youth have the capacity, experience and insight to speak on the issues that affect their lives in this country,
- and that they have the courage and potential to identify these areas of concern,
- which in turn, outlines for us, what is it that we should be dealing with and working towards,

This conference resolves that future conferences of the NACCW carry a youth conference as well as the voice of SA youth in the organization and planning processes.

RESOLUTION TWO

It is resolved that the NACCW establish a working partnership with Labour Unions, to ensure that such organizations have a clear understanding of the field of Child and Youth Care and all it entails.

RESOLUTION THREE

- Whereas different presentations at conference showed that Community Child and Youth Care is growing quickly;
- and the current situation due to HIV/AIDS demands that Community Child and Youth Care be looked at as part of the response to child-headed households;
- and we have been challenged in terms of the extent of Child and Youth Care programs needed in communities;

this conference resolves that Community Based Child and Youth Care and Community Based Child and Youth Care Workers be a focus of training and support by NACCW and that partnerships for CBCYC work be formed with the Department of Social Development.

RESOLUTION FOUR

Conference resolves that the NACCW embark on establishing support-groups both at regional and institutional levels specifically for child and youth care workers and students affected and infected by HIV/AIDS, the purpose of which would be to create an environment where people can talk freely about emotions, relating to this pandemic/disease and the impact that this has had on their personal and work lives.

RESOLUTION FIVE

Conference resolves that the NEC:

- Develop criteria for the conformation of the status of elder upon an individual.
- Be tasked to (in conjunction with elders appointed), establish a council of elders.

RESOLUTION SIX

Conference resolves to establish a working relationship with the Education Department as a way of making them aware of the existence, purpose and functions of Child and Youth Care Work thereby strengthening inter-sectoral collaboration and work at all levels.