



# *CAFWAA Annual Report*

## **2010-2011**

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# Chairperson's Report

I am pleased to present the Annual Report to members for 2010-2011.

This year highlighted some of the challenges of maintaining a peak organisation that has minimal resources and relies heavily on the volunteer contributions of its members. Activity was much less, with most effort focusing on the national issues generated through the COAG agenda.

CAFWAA is well represented on the committees and working groups that are working on the implementation planning for the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009 – 2020. Members are contributing through the National Framework Advisory Committee, National Implementation Working Group and various subgroups that are working on specific components.

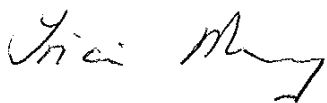
The National Standards for Foster Care have been introduced and are designed to work with existing state based standards to ensure children and young people receive quality services whilst in care. The additional reporting requirements may create further costs for agencies already dealing with increased compliance.

The continued need to recruit and retain foster carers is an ongoing struggle, with increased numbers of children entering the system with higher levels of need. This is unlikely to diminish in the short term and we need to be more creative in our endeavours to attract interested people to consider foster care as an option. Media has, during the year, run a number of feature articles on the value of caring but more needs to be done if we are to attract carers, train and support them appropriately, and ensure children have their needs met.

Various issues currently under review impact on our sector: the proposed National Disability Insurance Scheme; changes to Child Care Rebate payment; the Protecting Victoria's Vulnerable Children Inquiry. CAFWAA members have also participated in the Australian Institute of Family Studies' (AIFS) inquiry into Past Adoption Practices and responded to the Leaving Care Project.

I wish to acknowledge the contribution of Lisa Hillan, the past Chair of CAFWAA. Lisa resigned in November 2010 and has left a legacy of work that focused primarily on strengthening and supporting agencies working with Aboriginal children and families, particularly in the Northern Territory. Her efforts have resulted in stronger connections and formal commitments from these agencies in their support of CAFWAA.

It was a pleasure to lead the network following Lisa's resignation and I commend the work achieved during the past year.

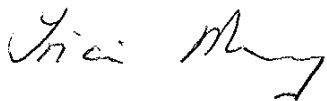


Tricia Murray  
Chairperson

# Treasurer's Report

CAFWAA made a small loss for the year, following little activity from expenditure items. Income is primarily from membership fees and this is based on the state based peaks member numbers, with only a few individual organisations joining separately.

I thank ACWA for its ongoing support of CAFWAA through the maintenance of accounts and preparation of the reports. I acknowledge particularly Igor Likhovitch and Sylvia Ghaly for the work they do in maintaining the day to day operations for the association.



Tricia Murray  
Treasurer

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## Balance Sheet

**As of June 2011**

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Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash On Hand		
Cheque Account	\$57,367.11	
Total Cash On Hand	\$57,367.11	
Total Current Assets		\$57,367.11
Total Assets		\$57,367.11
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
A.C.W.A. Clearing Account		\$30.00
GST Liabilities		
GST Collected	\$484.98	
GST Paid	-\$939.71	
Total GST Liabilities	-\$454.73	
Total Current Liabilities		-\$424.73
Total Liabilities		-\$424.73
Net Assets		\$57,791.84
Equity		
Retained Earnings		\$53,752.26
Current Year Surplus/Deficit		\$4,039.58
Total Equity		\$57,791.84

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## Profit & Loss Statement

### July 2010 through June 2011

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Income		
Membership Fees		\$8,766.00
Interest Earned		\$112.79
Miscellaneous Income		-\$55.73
Total Income		\$8,823.06
Cost of Sales		
Gross Profit		\$8,823.06
Expenses		
Supplies		\$339.48
Dues & Subscriptions		\$109.09
Legal & Accounting		\$41.80
Administration Fees		\$3,750.00
Bank Charges		\$45.40
Donation		\$50.00
Telephone		\$419.65
Subscriptions		\$127.27
Total Expenses		\$4,882.69
Operating Profit		\$3,940.37
Other Income		
Interest Income		\$99.21
Total Other Income		\$99.21
Other Expenses		
Net Surplus / (Deficit)		\$4,039.58



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