

Puteri Umno holds first meeting today

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KUALA LUMPUR: Puteri Umno which holds its inaugural pro tern committee meeting today will see the appointment of six committee members, a secretary, treasurer and information head.

Its pro tern chief Azalina Othman Said said the meeting to be held at Umno headquarters would be attended by 13 Puteri Umno pro tern chairmen at state level.

"They were appointed by Umno state liaison chiefs and I have been in touch with most of them in the past few days. Their names will be announced.

"Our committee members are of mixed background — housewives, grad-

uates, working mothers and others," she said here yesterday.

Azalina said that party secretary-general Tan Sri Khalil Yaakob was also invited for the meeting.

The meeting is expected to discuss a membership drive targeting women aged 35 years and below.

"Firstly, we have to get to know each other. State Puteri chiefs will also need to appoint exco members at state level when they return," she said.

She said the committee would call on party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, his deputy Datuk Seri **Abdullah Ahmad** Badawi, Wanita chief Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz and Umno Youth chief Datuk Hishammuddin Tun Hussein.