# **Post-election report**

# **Police Federation of Australia**

PFA - Northern Territory Police Branch Scheduled election E2020/211



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# Election(s) Covered in this Report

Organisation: PFA - Northern Territory Police Branch Election: Scheduled Election Decision No/s: E2020/211

# Rules

Rules used for the election: 200V: Incorporates alterations of 14 September 2020 [R2020/90]

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: N/A

Model Rule reference (if any): N/A

For more details see the Model Rules on the AEC website: www.aec.gov.au/ieb/

# Other Matters

Returning Officer actions required (Section 193): Yes

Details:

Rules regarding the timetable of the election were set aside as the AEC held concerns that the coronavirus pandemic may impact on the ability for stakeholders to fully participate in the election. A timetable for the conduct of the ballot which varied from the rules was set when the AEC was satisfied that stakeholders would be able to fully participate.

Rules specifying the method of lodgement of nominations were set aside as the AEC held concerns that the coronavirus pandemic would impact on the ability for potential candidates to nominate. Instead nominations were received electronically, via email/the AEC's portal.

# Signed

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Michelle Carmody Returning Officer Australian Electoral Commission E: IEBevents@aec.gov.au P: 03 9285 7131 11 August 2021

# Attachments

- A. Declaration of Results for Uncontested Offices
- B. Declaration of Results for Contested Offices

### Police Federation of Australia PFA - Northern Territory Police Branch DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2020/211 Contested Offices

#### **Scheduled Election**

The results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* and the rules of the organisation are:

#### **Northern Territory Policy Branch**

VOTING MATERIAL ISSUED	
Total number of people on the roll of voters (a)	1,630
Number of voters issued with voting material	1,630
Total number of voters issued with replacement voting material	0
Total number of voting material packs issued	1,630
VOTING MATERIAL RETURNED	
Total number of envelopes returned for scrutiny by closing date of ballot (b)	372
Number of declaration envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny (minus)	
Number of empty declaration envelopes (minus)	
COUNT	
Total ballot papers admitted to the count	364
LATE OR UNRETURNED VOTING MATERIAL	
Voting material returned as unclaimed mail by closing date of ballot	50
Voting material packs not returned by voters by closing date of the ballot	
Percentage of voting material packs returned by voters to number of people on the roll of voters (b/a)	

#### Treasurer (1)

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Final Votes</u>
SEEARS, Suzanne Debra	133
BLACKWELL, Owen	226
Total ballot papers admitted for this office	364
Formal Ballot papers	359
Informal Ballot papers	5

I declare the following elected:

• BLACKWELL, Owen

Michelle Carmody Returning Officer Telephone: 03 9285 7131 Email: IEBevents@aec.gov.au 03/08/2021



#### Police Federation of Australia PFA - Northern Territory Police Branch DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2020/211 Uncontested Offices

#### **Scheduled Election**

The results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* and the rules of the organisation are:

#### **Northern Territory Police Branch**

#### **Senior Vice President (1)**

Candidates BAYLISS Lisa Michelle

#### **Branch Executive Member (5)**

<u>Candidates</u> BURKENHAGEN Lisa SEEARS Suzanne Debra SWIFT Adam

As the number of nominations accepted did not exceed the number of positions to be filled, I declare the above candidates elected.

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Australian Government

**Registered Organisations Commission** 

# DECISION

*Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* s.189—Arrangement for conduct of an election

#### **Police Federation of Australia**

(E2020/211)

#### MR STEENSON

#### MELBOURNE, 20 JANUARY 2021

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 1 December 2020 the Northern Territory Police Branch of the Police Federation of Australia lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices:

Branch Senior Vice President	(1)
Branch Treasurer	(1)
Branch Executive Members	(5)

[2] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed offices is required to be held under the rules of the organisation and, under subsection 189(3) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009*, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the election by the Australian Electoral Commission.



DELEGATE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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1 December 2020

Our Ref: 0003/21

#### PRESCRIBED INFORMATION FOR ELECTIONS in accordance with Section 189 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and Regulation 138 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009

I, PAUL DAMIEN MCCUE, being the President of the Police Federation of Australia, Northern Territory Branch of Suite 209, 12 Salonika Street Parap in the Northern Territory of Australia make the following statement:

- 1. I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for the Police Federation of Australia Northern Territory Branch.
- 2. The following information is lodged under subsection 189(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act).
- 3. The elections that are required are set out in the table in Annexure A.
- 4. This statement **IS** lodged at least 2 months before nominations open for the election(s) in Annexure A.

Please note that the Police Federation of Australian Northern Territory Branch is currently in the process of investigating applications for exemptions with the Fair Work Commission under subsection 144(2) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (Postal Ballot Exemption) and the Registered Organisations Commission under subsection 183(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (AEC Exemption) in relation to this election.

If the Police Federation of Australia Northern Territory Branch is successful in these applications, the Branch will make application to withdraw the current Prescribed Information.

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Yours Sincerely

Paul McCue President

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#### ANNEXURE A

• Elections that are required

Branch	Name of Office	Number required	Voting System Direct voting system; Collegiate electoral system	Reason for Election Scheduled; Casual vacancy; New office created; Insufficient nominations	Electorate
NT	Senior Vice President	1	Direct voting system	Scheduled	Financial members of Police Federation of Australia, Northern Territory Branch
NT	Treasurer	1	Direct voting system	Scheduled	Financial members of Police Federation of Australia, Northern Territory Branch
NT	Branch Executive Members	5	Direct voting system	Scheduled	Financial members of Police Federation of Australia, Northern Territory Branch

• Important dates:

	Direct Voting System	Collegiate Electoral System
Nominations OPEN	Monday 1 March 2021 (Rule 52DO (11)(b)(ii))	n/a
Nominations CLOSE	Wednesday 31 March 2021 (Rule 52DO (11)(c)(i))	n/a
Roll of Voters cut-off date	Monday 22 February 2021 (Rule 52DO (11)(b)(iii))	n/a

Please note: that for insufficient nominations and casual vacancies, the date nominations open and close, unless specified in the rules, should be listed as 'to be determined by the returning officer'. Casual vacancies must be accompanied by proof of resignation and attached to this statement.