

17 June 2022

Post-election report

Police Federation of Australia (PFA)

Victoria Police Branch

Casual Vacancy election

E2021/200

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Election(s) Covered in this Report

Organisation: PFA - Victoria Police Branch
Election: Casual Vacancy
Election Decision No/s: E2021/200

Rules

Rules used for the election: 200V: Incorporates alterations of 13 July 2021 [R2021/31] Note: Also includes alterations certified on 11 April 2017 [R2017/2] and 8 May 2019 [R2019/26] which were not included in this rulebook when it was published on 13 July 2021.
(replaces rulebook dated 21 June 2021 [R2021/35])

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 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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Attachments

A. Declaration of Results for Contested Offices

Police Federation of Australia
Victoria Police Branch
DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2021/200
Contested Offices

Casual Vacancy 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:

Victoria Police Branch

VOTING MATERIAL ISSUED	
Total number of people on the roll of voters (a)	17,739
Number of voters issued with voting material	17,739
Total number of voters issued with replacement voting material	1
Total number of voting material packs issued	17,740
VOTING MATERIAL RETURNED	
Total number of envelopes returned for scrutiny by closing date of ballot (b)	3,506
Number of declaration envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny (minus)	27
Number of ballot papers returned outside declaration envelopes (minus)	8
COUNT	
Total ballot papers admitted to the count	3,471
LATE OR UNRETURNED VOTING MATERIAL	
Voting material returned as unclaimed mail by closing date of ballot	384
Voting material packs not returned by voters by closing date of the ballot	13,850
Percentage of voting material packs returned by voters to number of people on the roll of voters (b/a)	20 %

Branch Executive Member (1)

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>First Preference Votes</u>	<u>Final Votes</u>
FOLVIG, Alice	637	Excluded
GRIFFITHS, Peter (Griffo)	1,216	1,862
LAPPIN, Edward (Jim)	200	Excluded
BINNEY, Brendan	537	Excluded
LOBB, Emma	841	1,569

Total ballot papers admitted for this office	3,471
Formal Ballot papers	3,431
Informal Ballot papers	40

I declare the following elected:

- GRIFFITHS, Peter (Griffo)

Benjamin Murray / Returning Officer

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Registered Organisations Commission

DECISION

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

Police Federation of Australia
(E2021/200)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 10 NOVEMBER 2021

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 1 November 2021 the Victoria Police Branch of the Police Federation of Australia lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission (**Commission**) prescribed information for an election to fill a casual vacancy in the following office for the remainder of the term:

Branch Executive Member (1)

[2] Immediately prior to lodging the prescribed information, the organisation contacted this Commission and expressed a preference for the election for this office to be conducted, if possible, in conjunction with another upcoming election for the organisation, namely the scheduled election for one third of the Branch Committee of Management (**E2021/22**). However, in recent communications between Commission staff and the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC), it became apparent that this was unlikely to occur, given the steps required to be taken related to the opening of nominations in that election.¹

[3] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed office 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 AEC.



DELEGATE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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¹ That election (E2021/22) is now underway, with details currently available on the AEC's Industrial Elections webpage <https://aec.gov.au/ieb/>.

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, KARL MICHAEL DAVID, being the PRESIDENT of the POLICE FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA, VICTORIA POLICE BRANCH, make the following statement:

1. I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for POLICE FEDERATION OF AUSTRALIA, VICTORIA POLICE 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. No rule alterations are pending that will impact the election.
5. This statement **IS NOT** lodged at least 2 months before nominations open for the election below.

Signed: 
President

Dated: 01/11/2021.....

[PLEASE NOTE: This statement should be lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission at least 2 months prior to nominations opening. It can be submitted to regorgs@roc.gov.au.]

ANNEXURE A

- Elections that are required:

Branch	Name of Office	Number required	Voting System	Reason for Election	Electorate
			<i>Direct voting system; Collegiate electoral system</i>	<i>Scheduled; Casual vacancy; New office created; Insufficient nominations</i>	
<i>Victoria Police</i>	<i>Branch Executive Member</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Direct voting</i>	<i>Casual Vacancy</i>	<i>Victoria Police Branch Members (rule 52CF)</i>

- Important dates:

	Direct Voting System
Nominations OPEN	<i>To be determined by the returning officer</i>
Nominations CLOSE	<i>To be determined by the returning officer</i>
Roll of Voters cut off date	<i>To be determined by the returning officer</i>

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.

