

23 June 2025

Nicole Calnan Acting Federal Secretary Australian Education Union

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Dear Nicole Calnan

Australian Education Union Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2024 – FR2024/248

I acknowledge receipt of the financial report for the year ended 31 December 2024 for the Australian Education Union (the reporting unit). The documents were lodged with the Fair Work Commission (the Commission) on 16 June 2025.

The financial report has now been filed. You are not required to take any further action in respect of the report lodged.

The financial report was filed based on a primary review. This involved confirming that the financial reporting timelines required under sections 253, 265, 266 and 268 of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (**RO Act**) have been satisfied, all documents required under section 268 of the RO Act were lodged and that various disclosure requirements under the Australian Accounting Standards, RO Act and reporting guidelines have been complied with. A primary review does not examine all disclosure requirements.

Please note that next year's financial report may be subject to an advanced compliance review.

Reporting Requirements

The Commission's website provides a number of factsheets in relation to the financial reporting process and associated timelines. The website also contains the section 253 reporting guidelines and a model set of financial statements.

The Commission recommends that reporting units use these model financial statements to assist in complying with the RO Act, the section 253 reporting guidelines and Australian Accounting Standards. Access to this information is available via this link.

If you have any queries regarding this letter, please call 1300 341 665 or email regorgs@fwc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Fair Work Commission



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16 June 2025

Mr Murray Furlong General Manager Fair Work Commission GPO Box 1994 Melbourne VIC 3001

Email: regorgs@fwc.gov.au

Dear Mr. Furlong,

Re: Financial Documents for the Australian Education Union for financial period ended 31 December 2024

In accordance with s268 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, I hereby lodge:

- (a) A copy of the AEU Financial Report for the financial period ending 31 December 2024 (Attachment A).
- (b) Secretary's Certificate that the document lodged is a copy of the document provided to members and presented to the meeting of the Federal Executive of the Australian Education Union on 4 June 2025 (Attachment B).

Yours sincerely,



Nicole Calnan

<u>Acting Federal</u>

<u>Secretary</u>

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FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2024

Australian Education Union - Federal Office Operating report 31 December 2024

The Federal Executive presents their report on the Australian Education Union - Federal Office (The AEU-Federal Office) for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

Member of executive

The Federal Executive is elected for a two-year term commencing on 1 March and ending two years later at the end of February. The current two-year term ends on 28 February 2026. The name of each person who has been a member of the Federal Executive at any time during the 2024 financial year is as follows:

Name	Position
Correna Haythorpe**	Federal President
Meredith Peace	Deputy Federal President
Erin Aulich**	General Division
Marino D'Ortenzio (until 29 February 2024)	General Division
Briley Stokes	General Division
Justin Mullaly	General Division
Matthew Jarman**	General Division
Mary Franklyn	General Division
Angela Burroughs	General Division
Andrew Gohl (until 29 February 2024)	General Division
Jennie-Marie Gorman	General Division
Henry Rajendra	General Division
Mel Smith**	General Division
Angelo Gavrielatos (until 29 February 2024)	General Division
Amber Flohm	General Division
Natasha Watt (from 1 March 2024)	General Division
Leeanda Smith (until 29 February 2024)	General Division
Kevin Bates**	Federal Secretary
Nicole Calnan	Deputy Federal Secretary
Michelle Purdy	Federal TAFE President
Michelle Ayres	General Division
Leah Olsson	General Division
Cresta Richardson**	General Division
Kate Ruttiman	General Division
David Genford	General Division
Russell Honnery (until 29 February 2024)	General Division
Micheal Beale (from 6 November 2024)	Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Representative
Cara Nightingale	Early Childhood Representative

^{**} members of AEU Federal Finance Financial Committee

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Review of principal activities

The AEU is a professional and industrial organisation, registered under the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations Act)* 2009, representing teachers and other education workers in public early childhood education centres, schools and TAFE colleges across Australia. The AEU is a democratic, federated structure, with a Federal Office, based in Melbourne, and branches in every state and territory of Australia.

The primary object of the AEU is to represent the professional and industrial interests of its members and to promote and defend Australia's high quality public education system and the right of every child to a quality public education. We do this by enacting campaigns and strategies which enhance the working conditions, living standards, trade union and professional rights of members and the learning environment of students attending public early childhood education centres, schools and TAFE institutes.

The AEU is a democratic, membership-focused organisation, always aiming to act in the best interests of members and the public education system. The union at all levels operates on principles of effective transparent governance and strong leadership, providing an effective voice for the education profession in Australia and internationally.

The AEU Federal Executive has set the following strategic objectives:

- To achieve equitable, sustainable, recurrent Government funding of public education across early childhood, schools and TAFE.
- To protect and promote quality teaching and learning.
- To protect and promote quality teaching and learning environments.
- To ensure that the AEU is a growing, active campaigning, democratic union.
- To promote, defend and advocate for human rights and social justice.

The principal activities of the AEU-Federal Office during the financial year have focussed on the achievement of these strategic objectives.

Significant changes in the financial affairs

No significant change in the financial affairs occurred during the year.

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Right of members to resign

Members may resign from the union in accordance with rule 17, which reads as follows: "17 - Resignation from membership and termination of eligibility

- (1) Subject to sub-rule 17(1A) a member becomes ineligible for membership of the Union when he/she no longer meets the conditions of eligibility for membership of the Union.
- (1A) The following persons shall after the date referred to in sub-rule 5(12) be eligible to retain membership of the Union notwithstanding the fact that they are no longer eligible for membership within the conditions of eligibility for membership set out in rule 5:
 - (a) members who are eligible for membership pursuant to paragraphs 5(3)(a), (b) or (c) and are -
 - (i) seconded by their employer to non-teaching duties, or
 - (ii) appointed by the Minister for Education to any Board, Committee or statutory authority;
 - (b) members who were formerly eligible for membership pursuant to paragraph 5(4)(a), (b) or
 - (c) and have commenced to be employed elsewhere in the Victorian Education Department or in a technical and further education institution or by the Technical and Further Education Board or are seconded by their employer to perform professional duties requiring teacher qualifications;
 - (d) persons who become members of the Union prior to the date referred to in sub-rule 5(12) pursuant to paragraphs 5(3)(d) or 5(4)(d);
 - provided that persons who are entitled to retain membership pursuant to this sub-rule should not be entitled to retain membership after the expiration of the secondment or appointment.
- (2) A member who becomes ineligible for membership of the Union shall within seven days thereof give written notice of the fact and the reason therefore to the Secretary of the Branch to which he/she is attached.
- (3) A member may resign from membership of the Union by written notice addressed to and delivered to the Secretary of the Branch to which the member is attached.
- (4) A notice of resignation from membership takes effect:-
 - (a) here the member ceases to be eligible to become a member of the Union -
 - (i) on the day on which the notice is received at the office of the relevant Branch Secretary; or
 - (ii) on the day specified in the notice, which is a day not earlier than the day when the member ceases to be eligible to become a member;

whichever is later; or

- (b) in any other case -
 - (i) at the end of 2 weeks after the notice is received at the office of the relevant Branch Secretary; or
 - (ii) on the day specified in the notice; whichever is later
- (5) Any subscriptions, levies or fines which are due and payable but have not been paid by a former member in relation to a year before the member's resignation took effect, may be sued for and recovered in the name of the Union, in a court of competent jurisdiction, as a debt due to the Union.
- (6) A notice delivered to the relevant Branch Secretary shall be taken to have been received by the Union when it was delivered.
- (7) A notice of resignation that has been received at the office of the relevant Branch Secretary is not invalid because it was not addressed and delivered in accordance with sub-rule (1).
- (8) (A resignation from membership is valid even if it is not effected in accordance with this section if the member is informed in writing by or on behalf of the Union that the resignation has been accepted.
- (9) A relevant Branch Secretary may accept a resignation from membership which is not effected in accordance with this Rule.
- (10) Where the relevant Branch Secretary accepts a resignation in accordance with the previous sub-rule the relevant Branch Secretary shall inform the member in writing that his/her resignation has been accepted.
- (11) On receipt of a written notice from a member that he/she has become ineligible for membership of the Union or a notice of resignation or on acceptance of a resignation which is not effected in accordance with this Rule, the Branch Secretary shall, as soon as possible notify the Federal Secretary that the member has become ineligible for membership or that the member has resigned."

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Number of members

In accordance with Section 230 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, the union had 184,962 members (comprised of 182,981 financial members and 1,981 unfinancial members) at the end of the reporting period.

Number of employees

The number of employees includes both full-time employees and part-time employees measured on a full-time equivalent basis at 31 December 2024 was 19 (2023:24)

Superannuation trustees

To the best of the Federal Executive's belief and knowledge, no officer or member of the organisation, by virtue of their office or membership of the Australian Education Union is:

- (i) a trustee of a superannuation entity or exempt public sector superannuation scheme: or
- (ii) a director of a company that is a trustee of a superannuation entity or exempt public sector superannuation scheme: and
- (iii) where the criterion for the officer or member being a trustee or director is that the officer or member is an officer or member of a registered organisation.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Federal Executive:

Signature of designated officer:

Name of designated officer: Nicole Calnan

Title of designated officer: Deputy Federal Secretary

Date: 12 May 2025



AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION UNION FEDERAL ABN 16 006 296 647

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION TO THE EXECUTIVE OF AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION UNION FEDERAL

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit of Australian Education Union Federal for the year ended 31 December 2024 there have been:

- (i) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out by our professional bodies CPA Australia and Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand; and
- (ii) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Hall Chadwick Melbourne Audit Chartered Accountants Level 14, 440 Collins Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000



Partner: Anh (Steven) Nguyen

Dated: 13 May 2025



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General information

The financial statements cover Australian Education Union - Federal Office as an individual entity. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Australian Education Union - Federal Office's functional and presentation currency.

Australian Education Union - Federal Office is a registered body under the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act* 2009 and is domiciled in Australia.

Principal place of business

Australian Education Union — Federal Office G/F, 120 Clarendon Street SOUTH BANK VIC 3006

A description of the nature of the organisation's operations and its principal activities are included in the operating report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Committee of Management on 12 May 2025.

Australian Education Union - Federal Office Statement of comprehensive income For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue from contracts with customers	4	10,286,671	10,579,270
Other revenue	4	1,329,899	919,295
Expenses			
Administration and other expenses	5	(856,845)	(985,821)
Capitation, affiliation fees and levies	6	(1,820,643)	(1,811,136)
Campaign and project expenses	7	(2,365,112)	(3,745,563)
Depreciation and amortisation	8	(47,656)	(29,626)
Employee expenses	9	(4,003,119)	(3,355,832)
ITF allocation		(100,000)	(88,000)
Property expenses - Market Street	10	(108,885)	-
Legal and professional fees	11	(143,067)	(61,805)
Meeting and conference expenses	12	(1,008,062)	(779,226)
Publications	13	(899,005)	(832,790)
Finance costs	14	(161,061)	(1,743)
		(11,513,455)	(11,691,542)
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	26	103,115	(192,977)
Other comprehensive income			
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
- Revaluation of investment			156,750
Other comprehensive income for the year			156,750
Total comprehensive income for the year attributable to the members		103,115	(36,227)

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The above statement of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Australian Education Union - Federal Office Statement of financial position As at 31 December 2024

1	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	15	5,016,986	6,201,115
Trade and other receivables	16	722,950	594,012
Prepayments		355,005	222,517
Other financial assets	17	5,767,694	18,306,493
Total current assets		11,862,635	25,324,137
Non-current assets			
Other financial assets	17	5,206,701	5,230,389
Plant and equipment	18	230,063	112,246
Investment property	19	21,411,894	-
Right-of-use assets	20	27,561	36,264
Total non-current assets		26,876,219	5,378,899
Total assets		38,738,854	30,703,036
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	21	335,261	490,543
Lease liabilities	23	8,690	8,355
Provision for employee benefits	24	1,134,549	1,042,365
Total current liabilities		1,478,500	1,541,263
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	22	8,000,000	-
Lease liabilities	23	20,015	28,705
Provision for employee benefits	24	9,101	4,945
Total non-current liabilities		8,029,116	33,650
Total liabilities		9,507,616	1,574,913
Net assets		29,231,238	29,128,123
Equity			
Reserves	25	10,610,704	10,558,064
General fund	26	18,620,534	18,570,059
Total equity		29,231,238	29,128,123

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The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Australian Education Union - Federal Office Statement of changes in equity For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Reserves \$	General fund \$	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2023	10,732,540	18,431,810	29,164,350
Deficit for the year Revaluation of investment	156,750	(192,977)	(192,977) 156,750
Total comprehensive income for the year	156,750	(192,977)	(36,227)
Transfer to/from general fund	(331,226)	331,226	
Balance at 31 December 2023	10,558,064	18,570,059	29,128,123
	Reserves \$	General fund \$	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2024		fund	
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The above statement of changes in equ	uity should be read in conjunction	with the accompanying notes
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Australian Education Union - Federal Office Statement of cash flows For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts of affiliation, capitation fees and levies	32(a)	10,289,829	10,567,298
Receipts from controlled entities		-	-
Receipts of campaign contributions from branches	32(b)	826,488	867,319
Receipts of other income from branches & other reporting units	32(c)	299,950	260,168
Sundry receipts		109,707	112,718
Payments to suppliers and employees		(12,114,493)	(12,002,086)
Payment to controlled entities		-	-
Payments to branches another reporting units	32(d)	(478,219)	(194,143)
Interest received		1,010,233	399,813
Interest paid – lease liabilities		(1,485)	, ,
Interest paid CBA - Market Street		(86,938)	
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities	32(e)	(144,928)	9,344
Cash flows from investing activities			
Capital contribution to investment		-	(83,600)
Purchase of plant and equipment	18	(157,750)	(61,400)
Purchase of land and building - Market Street	19	(21,411,894)	-
Re-investment of interest		(545,481)	(323,961)
New term deposits		-	(12,500,000)
Redemption of term deposits		13,084,279	
Net cash used in investing activities		(9,030,846)	(12,968,961)
Cash flows from financing activities			
Proceeds from borrowings	22	8,000,000	-
Repayment of lease liabilities		(8,355)	(6,457)
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities		7,991,645	(6,457)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents		(1,184,129)	(12,966,074)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		6,201,115	19,167,189
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	15	5,016,986	6,201,115

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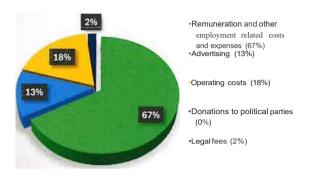
The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

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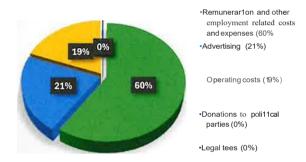
Australian Education Union - Federal Office Report required under subsection 255(2A) 31 December 2024

The Committee of Management presents the expenditure report as required under subsection 255(2A) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 on the Reporting Unit for the year ended 31 December 2024.

2024 Expenditure as required under s255(2A)ROAct



2023 Expenditure as required undeer s255(2A) ROAct



Due to the specific requirements under subsection 255(2A) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, there will likely be some other costs incurred by the reporting unit which do not fall within the above categories. Accordingly the expenditure reported in this report may not represent 100% of the expenditure actually incurred by the reporting unit.

Signature of designated officer:

Name of designated officer:

Nicole Calnan

Title of designated officer:

Deputy Federal Secretary

Date: 12 May 2025

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

The accounting policies that are material to the organisation are set out below. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year, unless otherwise stated.

New and amended standards adopted by the AEU-Federal Office

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year except for the following amendments to accounting standards and other changes in accounting policy, which have been adopted for the first time this financial year.

Title of Standard	AASB 2023-1 – Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current
Nature of change	This Standard amends AASB 101 to clarify requirements for the presentation of liabilities in the statement of financial position as current or non-current. For example, the amendments clarify that a liability is classified as non-current if an entity has the right at the end of the reporting period to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period.
Application date	This Standard applies to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024.

The newly adopted standard does not have any material impact on the presentation and disclosure of AEU-Federal Office's financial information for the reporting period. There are no other standards that are not yet effective and that are expected to have a material impact on the entity in the current or future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements and have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that apply for the reporting period, and the Fair Work (Registered Organisation) Act 2009 (RO Act). For the purpose of preparing the general purpose financial statements, The AEU-Federal Office is a not-for-profit entity.

The financial statements except for cash flow information have been prepared on an accrual basis and in accordance with the historical cost, except for certain assets and liabilities measured at fair value, as explained in the accounting policies below. Historical cost is generally based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets. Except where stated, no allowance is made for the effect of changing prices on the results or the financial position. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars.

Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards Australian Accounting

Standards include Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (AIFRS). Compliance with AIFRS ensures that the financial statements and notes comply with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). A statement of compliance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) cannot be made due to the AEU-Federal Office applying not-for- profit specific requirements contained in the Australian Accounting Standards.

Historical cost convention

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for the following:

- certain financial assets and liabilities (including derivative instruments), certain classes of plant and equipment,
 and investment property measured at fair value or revalued amount
- assets held for sale measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell, and
- defined benefit pension plans plan assets measured at fair value.

(b) Taxation

AEU-Federal Office is exempt from income tax under section 50.1 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 however still has obligation for Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of GST except:

- where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office; and
- for receivables and payables.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is included as part of receivables or payables.

Cash flows are included in the cash flow statement on a gross basis. The GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the Australian Taxation Office is classified within operating cash flows.

(c) Revenue recognition

The AEU-Federal Office enters into various arrangements where it receives consideration from another party. These arrangements include consideration in the form of capitation fees, levies, grants, and donations.

The timing of recognition of these amounts as either revenue or income depends on the rights and obligations in those arrangements.

Revenue from contracts with customers

Where the AEU-Federal Office has a contract with a customer, the AEU-Federal Office recognises revenue when or as it transfers control of goods or services to the customer. The AEU-Federal Office accounts for an arrangement as a contract with a customer if the following criteria are met:

- the arrangement is enforceable; and
- the arrangement contains promises (that are also known as performance obligations) to transfer goods or services to the customer (or to other parties on behalf of the customer) that are sufficiently specific so that it can be determined when the performance obligation has been satisfied.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

Affiliation and capitation fees and levies

Where the entity arrangement with a branch or another reporting unit meets the criteria to be a contract with a customer, the entity recognises the capitation fees promised under that arrangement when or as it transfers the entity to specify the goods or services that will transfer as part of its sufficiently specific promise to the branch/other reporting unit.

Campaign contributions from branches

Campaign contributions from branches are recognised on an accruals basis when the right to receive the fee or levy has been established.

Income of the AEU-Federal Office as a Not-for-Profit Entity

Consideration is received by the AEU-Federal Office to enable the entity to further its objectives. The AEU-Federal Office recognises each of these amounts of consideration as income when the consideration is received (which is when the organisation obtains control of the cash because, based on the rights and obligations in each arrangement:

- the arrangements do not meet the criteria to be contracts with customers because either the arrangement is unenforceable or lacks sufficiently specific promises to transfer goods or services to the customer; and
- the AEU-Federal Office's recognition of the cash contribution does not give rise to any related liabilities.

Gains from sale of assets

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal (which is at the date the recipient obtains control) or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in the statement of comprehensive income when the asset is derecognised.

Interest income

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis using the effective interest method.

Rental income

Leases in which the AEU-Federal Office, as a lessor, does not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership of an asset are classified as operating leases. Rental income arising is accounted for on a straight-line basis over the relevant lease term. Initial direct costs incurred in negotiating and arranging an operating lease are added to the carrying amount of the leased asset and recognised over the lease term on the same basis as rental income. Contingent rents are recognised as income in the period in which they are earned.

Other revenue

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established. All revenue is stated net of

the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST).

(d) Borrowing costs

All borrowing costs are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

(f) Financial assets

Contract assets and receivables

A contract asset is recognised when the entity's right to consideration in exchange goods or services that has transferred to the customer when that right is conditioned on the entity's future performance or some other condition.

A receivable is recognised if an amount of consideration that is unconditional is due from the customer (i.e., only the passage of time is required before payment of the consideration is due).

Contract assets and receivables are subject to impairment assessment. Refer to accounting policies on impairment of financial assets below.

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets are classified, at initial recognition, and subsequently measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income (OCI), or fair value through profit or loss.

The classification of financial assets at initial recognition depends on the financial asset's contractual cash flow characteristics and the entity's business model for managing them. With the exception of trade receivables that do not contain a significant financing component, the entity initially measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs.

In order for a financial asset to be classified and measured at amortised cost or fair value through OCI, it needs to give rise to cash flows that are 'solely payments of principal and interest' (SPPI) on the principal amount outstanding. This assessment is referred to as the SPPI test and is performed at an instrument level.

The entity's business model for managing financial assets refers to how it manages its financial assets in order to generate cash flows. The business model determines whether cash flows will result from collecting contractual cash flows, selling the financial assets, or both. Purchases or sales of financial assets that require delivery of assets within a time frame established by regulation or convention in the market place (regular way trades) are recognised on the trade date, i.e., the date that the entity commits to purchase or sell the asset.

Subsequent measurement

For purposes of subsequent measurement, financial assets are classified in five categories:

- (Other) financial assets at amortised cost.
- (Other) financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income.
- Investments in equity instruments designated at fair value through other comprehensive income.
- (Other) financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.
- (Other) financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss.

The entity only has the following financial assets: Financial assets at amortised cost and FVTPL.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income include equity investments which the organisation intends to hold for the foreseeable future and has irrevocably elected to classify them as such upon initial recognition.

Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets are measured at amortised cost only if both of the following criteria are met:

- The asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows
- The contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

These financial assets are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The amortised cost is reduced by impairment losses. Interest income, foreign exchange gains and losses and impairment are recognised in statement of comprehensive income. Any gain or loss on derecognition is recognised in statement of comprehensive income.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVTPL)

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss include financial assets held for trading, financial assets designated upon initial recognition at fair value through profit or loss, or financial assets mandatorily required to be measured at fair value. Financial assets are classified as held for trading if they are acquired for the purpose of selling or repurchasing in the near term. Derivatives, including separated embedded derivatives, are also classified as held for trading unless they are designated as effective hedging instruments. Financial assets with cash flows that are not solely payments of principal and interest are classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, irrespective of the business model. Notwithstanding the criteria for debt instruments to be classified at amortised cost or at fair value through OCI, as described above, debt instruments may be designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition if doing so eliminates, or significantly reduces, an accounting mismatch.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are carried in the statement of financial position at fair value with net changes in fair value recognised in statement of comprehensive income.

Offsetting

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statement of financial position if there is a currently enforceable legal right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

Derecognition

A financial asset is derecognised when:

- The rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired or
- The entity has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from the asset or has assumed an obligation to pay
 the received cash flows in full without material delay to a third party under a 'pass-through' arrangement; and
 either:
 - a) the entity has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, or
 - b) the entity has neither transferred nor retained substantially all the risks and rewards of the asset, but has transferred control of the asset.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

When the entity has transferred its rights to receive cash flows from an asset or has entered into a pass-through arrangement, it evaluates if, and to what extent, it has retained the risks and rewards of ownership. When it has neither transferred nor retained substantially all of the risks and rewards of the asset, nor transferred control of the asset, the entity continues to recognise the transferred asset to the extent of its continuing involvement together with associated liability.

Impairment

(i) Trade receivables

For trade receivables that do not have a significant financing component, the entity applies a simplified approach in calculating expected credit losses (ECLs) which requires lifetime expected credit losses to be recognised from initial recognition of the receivables. Therefore, the entity does not track changes in credit risk, but instead recognises a loss allowance based on lifetime ECLs at each reporting date. The entity has established a provision matrix that is based on its historical credit loss experience, adjusted for forward-looking factors specific to the debtors and the economic environment.

(ii) Debt instruments other than trade receivables

For all debt instruments other than trade receivables and debt instruments not held at fair value through profit or loss, the entity recognises an allowance for expected credit losses using the general approach. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the entity expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate.

ECLs are recognised in two stages:

- Where there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, ECLs are provided for credit losses from possible default events within the next 12-months (a 12-month ECL).
- Where there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is required for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the debt, irrespective of the timing of the default (a lifetime ECL). The entity considers a financial asset in default when contractual payments are 90 days past due. However, in certain cases, the entity may also consider a financial asset to be in default when internal or external information indicates that the entity is unlikely to receive the outstanding contractual amounts in full. A financial asset is written off when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

(g) Impairment of assets

Other assets are tested for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash inflows which are largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets other than goodwill that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at the end of each reporting period.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(h) Plant and equipment

Each class of plant and equipment is carried at historical cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of items.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives to the AEU-Federal Office commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

Class of fixed asset	Depreciation rate	Depreciation basis
Office and computer equipment	20 -33%	diminishing value
Furniture and fittings	10%	straight line
Motor vehicle	20%	straight line

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount. Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are included in the statement of comprehensive income.

(i) Right-of-use assets

A right-of-use asset is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for, as applicable, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date net of any lease incentives received, any initial direct costs incurred, and, except where included in the cost of inventories, an estimate of costs expected to be incurred for dismantling and removing the underlying asset, and restoring the site or asset.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the asset, whichever is the shorter. Where the organisation expects to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the depreciation is over its estimated useful life. Right-of use assets are subject to impairment or adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

Class of ROU asset	Lease term	Depreciation basis
Office equipment	5 years	straight line

(j) Investment property

Investment properties are properties held to earn rentals and/or for capital appreciation (including property under construction for such purposes). Investment properties are measured initially at cost, including transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition, investment properties are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of investment properties are included in profit or loss in the period in which they arise.

An investment property is derecognised upon disposal or when the investment property is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic benefits are expected from the disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the property (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the period in which the property is derecognised.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(k) Financial liabilities

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial liabilities are classified, at initial recognition, at amortised cost unless or at fair value through profit or loss. All financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value and, in the case of financial liabilities at amortised cost, net of directly attributable transaction costs. The entity's financial liabilities include trade and other payables and borrowing.

Financial liabilities at amortised cost

After initial recognition, trade payables and interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the EIR method. Gains and losses are recognised in statement of comprehensive income when the liabilities are derecognised as well as through the EIR amortisation process.

Amortised cost is calculated by taking into account any discount or premium on acquisition and fees or costs that are an integral part of the EIR. The EIR amortisation is included as finance costs in statement of comprehensive income.

Derecognition

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged or cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in statement of comprehensive income.

(I) Liabilities relating to contracts with customers

Contract liabilities

A contract liability is recognised if a payment is received or a payment is due (whichever is earlier) from a customer before the entity transfers the related goods or services. Contract liabilities include deferred income. Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue when the entity performs under the contract (i.e., transfers control of the related goods or services to the customer).

Refund liabilities

A refund liability is recognised for the obligation to refund some or all of the consideration received (or receivable) from a customer. The entity's refund liabilities arise from customers' right of return. The liability is measured at the amount the entity's ultimately expects it will have to return to the customer. The entity updates its estimates of refund liabilities (and the corresponding change in the transaction price) at the end of each reporting period.

(m) Borrowings

Loans and borrowings are initially recognised at the fair value of the consideration received, net of transaction costs.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(n) Lease liabilities

A lease liability is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments to be made over the term of the lease, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the organisation's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments comprise of fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees, exercise price of a purchase option when the exercise of the option is reasonably certain to occur, and any anticipated termination penalties. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

Lease liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The carrying amounts are remeasured if there is a change in the following: future lease payments arising from a change in an index or a rate used; residual guarantee; lease term; certainty of a purchase option and termination penalties. When a lease liability is remeasured, an adjustment is made to the corresponding right-of use asset, or to profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset is fully written down.

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets

The AEU-Federal Office has elected not to recognise right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for leases with a lease term of 12 months or less in line with AAASB 16. Periodic lease payments for these short-term leases are recognised as an expense over the lease term.

(o) Employee benefits

(i) Short-term employee benefits

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits and accumulating sick leave that are expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the end of the reporting period and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled. The liabilities are presented as current employee benefit obligations in the statement of financial position.

(ii) Other long-term employee benefits

The liabilities for long service leave and annual leave are not expected to be settled wholly within 12 months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service. They are therefore measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the end of the reporting period using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the end of the reporting period of government bonds with terms and currencies that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows. Remeasurements as a result of experience adjustments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognised in statement of comprehensive income.

The obligations are presented as current liabilities in the statement of financial position if the entity does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting period, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

(iii) Termination benefits

Termination benefits are payable when employment is terminated by the entity before the normal retirement date, or when an employee accepts voluntary redundancy in exchange for these benefits. The entity recognises termination benefits at the earlier of the following dates: (a) when the entity can no longer withdraw the offer of those benefits; and (b) when the entity recognises costs for a restructuring that is within the scope of AASB 137 and involves the payment of terminations benefits. In the case of an offer made to encourage voluntary redundancy, the termination benefits are measured based on the number of employees expected to accept the offer. Benefits falling due more than 12 months after the end of the reporting period are discounted to present value.

(p) Fair value measurement

The entity measures financial instruments, such as, financial assets as at fair value through the profit and loss, financial assets at fair value through OCI, and non-financial assets, at fair value at each balance date. Also, fair value of financial instruments are disclosed in Note 17.

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value measurement is based on the presumption that the transaction to sell the asset or transfer the liability takes place either:

- In the principal market for the asset or liability, or
- In the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market for the asset or liability

The principal or the most advantageous market must be accessible by the entity. The fair value of an asset or a liability is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming that market participants act in their economic best interest.

A fair value measurement of a non-financial asset takes into account a market participant's ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use. The entity uses valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

All assets and liabilities for which fair value is measured or disclosed in the financial statements are categorised within the fair value hierarchy, described as follows, based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole:

- Level 1—Quoted (unadjusted) market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2—Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is directly or indirectly observable
- Level 3—Valuation techniques for which the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement is unobservable

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

For assets and liabilities that are recognised in the financial statements on a recurring basis, the entity determines whether transfers have occurred between levels in the hierarchy by re-assessing categorisation (based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement as a whole) at the end of each reporting period. External valuers are involved for valuation of significant assets. Selection criteria include market knowledge, reputation, independence and whether professional standards are maintained. For the purpose of fair value disclosures, the entity has determined classes of assets and liabilities on the basis of the nature, characteristics and risks of the asset or liability and the level of the fair value hierarchy.

(q) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial report are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency'). The financial report is presented in Australian dollars, which is the AEU-Federal Office's functional and presentation currency.

(r) Comparative figures

Where required by Accounting Standards comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

(s) New Accounting Standards and Interpretations not yet mandatory or early adopted

Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations that have recently been issued or amended but are not yet mandatory, have not been early adopted by the organisation for the annual reporting period ended 31 December 2024. The organisation has not yet assessed the impact of these new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations.

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AASB 18 Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements

This standard is applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027 and early adoption is permitted. The standard replaces IAS 1 'Presentation of Financial Statements', with many of the original disclosure requirements retained and there will be no impact on the recognition and measurement of items in the financial statements. But the standard will affect presentation and disclosure in the financial statements, including introducing five categories in the statement of comprehensive income: operating, investing, financing, income taxes and discontinued operations. The standard introduces two mandatory sub-totals in the statement: 'Operating profit' and 'Profit before financing and income taxes'. There are also new disclosure requirements for 'management-defined performance measures', such as earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation ('EBITDA') or 'adjusted profit'. The standard provides enhanced guidance on grouping of information (aggregation and disaggregation), including whether to present this information in the primary financial statements or in the notes. The organisation will adopt this standard from 1 July 2027 and it is expected that there will be a significant change to the layout of the statement of comprehensive income.

Note 1. Summary of material accounting policies (continued)

IFRS 19 Subsidiaries without Public Accountability: Disclosures

This standard is applicable to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027, assuming the AASB releases an equivalent standard, and early adoption is permitted. The standard is limited in its application, as it only allows subsidiaries without public accountability to apply the disclosure requirements in this standard and the recognition, measurement and presentation requirements in the International Financial Reporting Standards. The organisation will adopt this standard from 1 July 2027 but the impact of its adoption is yet to be assessed by the organisation.

Note 2. Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its judgements, estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on other various factors, including expectations of future events, management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. The resulting accounting judgements and estimates will seldom equal the related actual results. The judgements, estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities (refer to the respective notes) within the next financial year are discussed below.

Fair value of financial instruments

Management uses valuation techniques to determine the fair value of financial instruments (where active market quotes are not available) and non-financial assets. This involves developing estimates and assumptions consistent with how market participants would price the instrument. Management bases its assumptions on observable data as far as possible but this is not always available. In that case management uses the best information available. Estimated fair values may vary from the actual prices that would be achieved in an arm's length transaction at the reporting date

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The organisation determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment and finite life intangible assets. The useful lives could change significantly as a result of technical innovations or some other event. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or technically obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold will be written off or written down.

Note 2. Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions (continued)

Lease term

The lease term is a significant component in the measurement of both the right-of-use asset and lease liability. Judgement is exercised in determining whether there is reasonable certainty that an option to extend the lease or purchase the underlying asset will be exercised, or an option to terminate the lease will not be exercised, when ascertaining the periods to be included in the lease term. In determining the lease term, all facts and circumstances that create an economical incentive to exercise an extension option, or not to exercise a termination option, are considered at the lease commencement date. Factors considered may include the importance of the asset to the organisation's operations; comparison of terms and conditions to prevailing market rates; incurrence of significant penalties; existence of significant leasehold improvements; and the costs and disruption to replace the asset. The organisation reassesses whether it is reasonably certain to exercise an extension option, or not exercise a termination option, if there is a significant event or significant change in circumstances.

Employee benefits provision

Management judgements are applied in determining the following key assumptions in the calculation of long service leave at balance date:

- future increase in wages and salaries;
- future on-costs rates; and
- experience of employees departures and year of service.

Note 3. Section 272 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

In accordance with the requirements of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 the attention of members is drawn to the provisions of subsection (1) to (3) of sections 272, which read as follows:

Information to be provided to members or General Manager:

- (1) a member of a reporting unit, or the General Manager, may apply to the reporting unit for specified prescribed information in relation to the reporting unit to be made available to the person making the application.
- (2) the application must be in writing and must specify the period within which, and the manner in which, the information is to be made available. The period must not be less than 14 days after the application is given to the reporting unit.
- (3) a reporting unit must comply with an application made under subsection (1).

Note 4. Revenue from contracts with customers

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Affiliation fees and other levies	(a)	1,798,374	1,778,005
Campaign contributions from branches	(b)	751,352	788,472
Capitation fees	(c)	6,889,898	7,123,844
Periodic or membership subscriptions		-	-
Library income		96,863	88,546
Publication income	(d)	36,400	51,355
Publication levy	(e)	713,784	749,048
		10,286,671	10,579,270
Other revenue			
Distribution received		77,884	46,894
Grants and donations		-	-
Financial support from another reporting unit		-	-
Revenue from recovery of wages activity		-	-
Income recognised from volunteer services		-	-
Interest		904,112	746,071
ITF reimbursements		65,723	62,593
Funding - Federal Conference Airfares		-	61,760
Rental income		271,593	-
Other revenue		10,587	1,977
		1,329,899	919,295

Disaggregation of revenue from contracts with customers

The disaggregation of revenue by type of arrangement is provided on the face of the Statement of Comprehensive Income. The table below also sets out a disaggregation of revenue by type of customers:

Type of customer

10,153,408	10,439,369
133,263	139,901
-	
10,286,671	10,579,270
	133,263

Disaggregation of income for furthering activities

The disaggregation of income by type of arrangement is provided on the face of the Statement of Comprehensive Income. The table below also sets out a disaggregation of revenue by funding source:

Income funding source

Branches and associated bodies	-	-
Other parties	-	-
Total income for furthering activities	-	-

Note 4. Revenue (continued)

(a) Affiliation fees and other levies

	2024 \$	2023 \$
ACT branch	38,862	37,424
NSWTF branch	583,398	599,370
NT branch	16,236	15,307
QLD branch	417,776	387,959
SA branch	121,169	113,030
TAS branch	49,064	46,255
VIC branch	417,535	433,068
SSTUWA for the WA branch	154,334	145,592
	1,798,374	1,778,005

The affiliation fees income represents the funding received or receivable from the branches for the Australian Council of Trade Unions and Education International Affiliations.

(b) Campaign contributions from branches

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
ACT branch	16,452	16,596
NSWTF branch	243,612	265,796
NT branch	6,896	6,788
QLD branch	177,244	172,044
SA branch	47,540	50,124
TAS branch	20,396	20,512
VIC branch	175,076	192,048
SSTUWA for the WA branch	64,136	64,564
	751,352	788,472

These contribution from branches are for the campaigns run by the Federal Office.

Note 4. Revenue (continued)

(c) Capitation fees

	2024 \$	2023 \$
ACT branch	150,865	149,945
NSWTF branch	2,233,922	2,401,467
NT branch	63,236	61,329
QLD branch	1,625,328	1,554,417
SA branch	435,942	452,870
TAS branch	187,031	185,326
VIC branch	1,605,447	1,735,154
SSTUWA for the WA branch	588,127	583,336
	6,889,898	7,123,844
(d) Publication income		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Australian Educator	33,600	42,912
TAFE Teacher	2,800	8,443
	36,400	51,355
(e) Publication levy		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
ACT branch	15,630	15,766
NSWTF branch	231,431	252,506
NT branch	6,551	6,448
QLD branch	168,382	163,442
SA branch	45,163	47,618
TAS branch	19,376	19,486
VIC branch	166,322	182,446
SSTUWA for the WA branch	60,929	61,336
	713,784	749,048

This compulsory levy is for the publication of Australian Educator and TAFE Teacher.

Note 5. Administration and other expenses

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Communication	37,399	28,576
Consideration to employers for payroll deductions	-	-
Donations:		
Total paid that were \$1,000 or less	636	1,136
Total paid that exceeded \$1,000	134,329	379,500
Grants:		
Total paid that were \$1,000 or less	-	-
Total paid that exceeded \$1,000	-	-
Insurance	9,057	7,145
Library	50,925	41,349
Occupancy costs	144,876	144,876
Penalty imposed under the RO Act for the Fair Work Act 2009	-	-
Postage, printing and stationery	20,069	40,439
Media support	201,411	197,416
IT support	33,782	21,429
Website	3,900	3,900
Staff recruitment	93,666	101,409
Deposits written off	-	208,521
Loss on disposal	24,669	-
Other expenses	102,126	60,125
	856,845	1,235,821
Costs allocated to campaigns		(250,000)
	856,845	985,821

Note 6. Capitation, affiliation fees & levies

	2024	2023
Capitation fees	\$ -	\$ -
Affiliation fees		
Australian Council of Social Service	8,458	4,695
Australian Council on Children & Media	255	254
Australian Council of Trade Unions	1,266,545	1,299,637
Australian People for Health Education & Development Abroad Ltd	12,807	10,796
Australian Teacher Education Association	-	170
Australian Fair Trade and Investment Network Ltd	300	300
Australian Institute Employment Right	3,000	2988
Australian Curriculum Studies Association Inc	264	264
First Nations Workers Alliance	909	909
Education International	524,328	487,648
The Friends of the Noel Butlin Archives Centre	50	50
Welcome to Australia	2,500	2,500
The Refugee Council of Australia	1,227	925
	1,820,643	1,811,136
Compulsory levies	-	-
	1,820,643	1,811,136
Note 7. Campaign and project expenses		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Public education campaign	2,348,712	2,649,698
Priority campaigns	-	958,192
Other campaigns	10,901	122,736
Research projects	5,499	14,937
	2,365,112	3,745,563

Note 9. Dapplesietien pentsesnortisation

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Depreciation of non-current assets		
Office equipment	23,061	15,944
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	7,766	6,429
Motor vehicles	8,126	-
	38,953	22,373
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	8,703	7,253
	47,656	29,626

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Holders of office:		
Wages and salaries	640,531	611,205
Superannuation	98,760	94,737
Leave and other entitlements	82,934	103,025
Separation and redundancies	<u> </u>	-
Other employee expenses	33,080	30,892
	855,305	839,859
Employees other than holders of office:		
Wages and salaries	2,393,095	2,046,924
Casual wages	57,380	370,600
Superannuation	349,639	310,592
Leave and other entitlements	11,016	152,692
Separation and redundancies	-	-
Other employee expenses	33,214	31,443
	2,844,344	2,912,251
Costs allocated to campaigns	(57,380)	(665,831)
	2,786,964	2,246,420
Others:		
Payroll tax	209,393	177,518
Insurance	11,175	14,195
Work cover	70,663	48,462
Fringe benefit tax	55,628	51,692
Staff amenities	13,991	10,842
Employees support and well being	-	955
	360,850	303,664
Cost allocated to campaigns	-	(34,111)
	360,850	269,553
	4,003,119	3,355,832

Note 90EPropage expenses - Market Street

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Council rate	12,740	_
Land tax	52,832	_
Congestion levy	10,364	_
Management fees	5,750	-
Other professional fees	6,700	-
Building insurance	8,612	-
Building maintenance	6,182	-
Other expenses	5,705	
	108,885	-
Note 11. Legal and professional fees		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Audit of the financial report	25,417	23,500
Accounting	3,100	8,500
Accounting – reversal of accruals	-	(4,995)
Other professional fees	330	16,714
	28,847	43,719
Legal fees		
- litigation	-	-
- other legal matters	118,084	18,086
	146,931	61,805
Cost allocated to campaigns	(3,864)	
	143,067	61,805

Additional legal fees have been capitalised as part of the cost of the land and building — Market Street, in accordance with AASB 140 Investment Property. Refer to Note 19 for further details.

Note 12. Meeting and conference expenses

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Allowances - meeting and conferences	63,527	66,956
Meetings - travel and other expenses	944,535	786,798
Costs allocated to campaigns	1,008,062	853,754 (74,528)
	1,008,062	779,226
Note 13. Publications		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Australian Educator	811,937	775,049
TAFE Teacher	87,068	57,741
	899,005	832,790
Note 14. Finance costs	2024 \$	2023 \$
Loan – CBA:		
Loan facility fees	43,397	-
Loan establishment fees	12,000	-
Interest expense on borrowing	104,179	-
Interest expense on lease liability	159,576 1,485	1,743
	161,061	1,743
Note 15. Cash and cash equivalents		
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash on hand	1,000	1,000
Cash at bank	279,892	1,364,396
Term deposits	4,736,094	4,835,719
	5,016,986	6,201,115

Note 15. Cash and cash equivalents (continued)

The above figures are reconciled to cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the cash flows as follows:

Balance as above	5,016,986	6,201,115
Balance as per cash flows	5,016,986	6,201,115
Note 16. Trade and other receivables		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Current assets		
Receivable from branches and other reporting units:		
AEU ACT branch	-	3,378
AEU NSWTF branch	587	12,926
AEU NT branch	-	7,223
AEU SA branch	-	8,834
AEU TAS branch	-	2,131
AEU VIC branch	-	14,967
Australian Manufacturing Workers' Union	-	3,300
Independent Education Union - Federal	-	140
Independent Education Union QLD and NT	-	322
Independent Education Union SA branch	-	130
Independent Education Union VIC/TAS branch	8,220	12,931
Independent Education Union WA branch	-	364
NTEU National Office	14,824	31,979
NTEU Victorian branch	6,181	11,449
Queensland Teachers Union	-	5,724
The State School Teachers Union of WA (SSTUWA)	-	5,167
	29,812	120,965
Less: Allowance for expected credit losses	-	-
	29,812	120,965
Others		
Amount due from ITF	3,436	17,561
Interest receivable	280,132	386,255
GST receivable	22,116	21,622
Rental receivables	266,664	-
Legal fees	22,543	-
Other receivables	98,247	47,609
	722,950	594,012

Note 16. Trade and other receivables (continued)

Classification as trade and other receivables

(i) Trade receivables

Trade receivables are amounts due from customers for goods sold or services performed in the ordinary course of business. Loans and other receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. If collection of the amounts is expected in one year or less they are classified as current assets. If not, they are presented as non-current assets. Trade receivables are generally due for settlement within 30 days and therefore are all classified as current.

(ii) Other receivables

These amounts generally arise from transactions during the usual operating activities of the entity. Interest may be charged at commercial rates where the terms of repayment exceed six months. Collateral is not normally obtained.

(iii) Fair values of trade and other receivables

Due to the short-term nature of the current receivables, their carrying amount is assumed to be the same as their fair value.

Note 17. Other financial assets

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current assets		
Deposits with original maturities between 91 days to 365 days	5,767,694	18,306,493
Non-current assets		
Unlisted investments in unit trusts	5,206,701	5,230,389
	10,974,395	23,536,882
Reconciliation Reconciliation of the fair values at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below:		
Opening balance	5,230,389	4,990,039
Capital contributions	-	83,600
Increase in investment revaluation reserve	-	156,750
Loss on disposals	(23,688)	
Closing balance	5,206,701	5,230,389

Following the deregistration of Australian Council of Trade Unions (ACTU) Trust on 08/02/2024, the investment in ACTU Trust has been written off.

Note 18. Plant and equipment

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Non-current assets		
Motor vehicles - at cost	46,216	-
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(8,126)	-
	38,090	-
Office equipment - at cost	176,471	134,729
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(94,136)	(74,507)
	82,335	60,222
Furniture, fixtures and fittings - at cost	179,622	114,306
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(69,984)	(62,282)
	109,638	52,024
	230,063	112,246

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below:

		Furniture,		
	Office	fittings and		
	equipment	fixtures	Motor vehicle	
				Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 2023	23,864	49,355	-	73,219
Additions	52,302	9,098	-	61,400
Depreciation expense	(15,944)	(6,429)	-	(22,373)
Balance at 31 December 2023	60,222	52,024	-	112,246
Additions	46,002	65,532	46,216	157,750
Disposals	(828)	(152)	-	(980)
Depreciation expense	(23,061)	(7,766	(8,126)	(38,953)
Balance at 31 December 2024	82,335	109,638	38,090	230,063

None of the plant and equipment are pledged as security.

Note 19. Investment property

	2024	2023 \$
	\$	
Non-current assets		
Investment property — Market Street	21,411,984	
Reconciliations		
Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current and previous f	inancial year are set out below:	
Opening balance as at 1 January 2024	-	-
Additions	21,411,984	-
Net gain from fair value adjustment	-	-
Closing balance as at 31 December 2024	21,411,984	

At the beginning of 2024, the Federal Executive approved the exploration of alternative investment strategies to optimize the use of the union's cash reserves. As part of this initiative, the Executive Committee approved and proceeded with the acquisition of a property comprising land and buildings located at 17-33 Market Street South Melbourne VIC 3205. The purchase was funded through a combination of existing cash reserves and additional borrowings of AUD 8,000,000 (refer to Note 22 for borrowing disclosure). The acquisition was completed on 13 September 2024 for a consideration of \$21,411,894. As part of the transaction, stamp duty was fully attributed to the land component. After deducting stamp duty, the remaining cost of \$20,131,984 was allocated between land and buildings in a 45% to 55% ratio, in accordance with an independent valuation. Based on this, the land has a value of \$10,341,337 and the building at \$11,070,557.

Below is the summary of how funds were applied:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Purchase price	20,000,000	-
Buyers advocate – deposit and balance	100,000	-
Pre-purchase valuation	3,000	-
Legal fees	24,910	-
Stamp duty	1,280,000	-
Registration fees	3,984	-
Land and building - Market Street	21,411,894	

Note 19. Investment property (continued)

The valuations were performed by JLL Australia, an accredited independent valuer with a recognised and relevant professional qualification and with recent experience in the location and category of the investment property being valued.

The fair value of completed investment property has been determined on a market value basis in accordance with International Valuation Standards, as set out by the International Valuation Standards Committee.

The highest and best use of the investment property is not considered to be different from its current use. Additions during the year relate

to the \$21,411,894.

Rental income earned and received from the investment property during the year was \$271,593 (2023: \$0).

Direct expenses incurred in relation to the investment property that generated rental income during the year was \$268,461 (2023: \$0) which includes the property expenses of \$108,885 (refer note 10) and finance costs of \$159,576 (refer note 14). During the year and as at the year-end, no restrictions on the realisation of investment property or the remittance of income and proceeds of disposal were present.

AEU-Federal Office does not have any contractual obligations to purchase, construct or develop investment property or for repairs, maintenance or enhancements.

The fair value of investment property is determined by JLL Australia using recognised valuation techniques. These techniques comprise both the income capitalisation (IC) direct comparison approach.

Under the IC method, a property's fair value is estimated based on the normalised net operating income generated by the property, which is divided by the capitalisation rate (the investor's rate of return).

The direct comparison approach compares the property to sales of similar properties analysed on a rate per square meter of net lettable area (NLA).

The fair value of investment property is included within Level 2.

Note 20: Right-of-use assets

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Non-current assets		
Office equipment - right-of-use at cost	43,517	43,517
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(15,956)	(7,253)
	27,561	36,264

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below:

	Office	
	equipment	
		Total
	\$	\$
Balance at 1 January 2023	-	-
Additions	43,517	43,517
Depreciation expense	(7,253)	(7,253)
Balance at 31 December 2023	36,264	36,264
Depreciation expense	(8,703)	(8,703)
Balance at 31 December 2024	27,561	27,561

Note 21. Trade and other payables

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current liabilities	Ψ	Ψ
Unsecured		
Trade payables	49,066	102,887
Legal cost	,	,
-other legal matter	2,952	11,498
-litigation	-	-
Amount payables to branches and other reporting units		
- Australian Education Union ACT Branch	-	28,219
- Australian Education Union NSWTF Branch	-	1,239
- Australian Education Union NT Branch	3,258	2,861
- Australian Education Union SA Branch	-	23,517
- Australian Education Union Tasmanian Branch	3,176	4,991
- Australian Education Union Victorian Branch	159	117,516
- Queensland Teachers Union (QTU)	6,793	48
- The State School Teachers Union of WA (SSTUWA)	6,147	107,113
Payable to an employer for that employer making payroll deductions of membership		
subscriptions	-	-
PAYG payable	117,569	-
FBT payable	33,539	-
Accrued finance costs	29,471	-
Other payables and accruals	83,131	90,654
	335,261	490,543

Trade payables are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition. The carrying amounts of trade and other payables are assumed to be the same as their fair values, due to their short-term nature.

Note 22. Borrowings

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Non-current liabilities		
Bank loans	8,000,000	-

AEU-Federal Office's loan from Commonwealth Bank is repayable on 13 September 2027. The contract includes a covenant that requires maintaining an Interest Coverage Ratio for each Reporting Period not less than 1.50x. and loan to valuation ratio will not be more than 50%. The loan is subject to a variable market interest rate of 4.45% and an additional facility fee of 1.8% per annum at the time of signing the contract. The borrower will provide the Bank with a Compliance Certificate signed by the borrower(s), director(s) or proprietor(s) within 180 days of the end of each reporting period. The reporting period is the twelve months ending the last day of each December each year.

Note 22. Borrowings (continued)

As part of the security arrangements for the bank loan facility entered into with Commonwealth Bank on 11th September 2024, the following security interests have been granted:

- General Security Interest comprising: first ranking charge over all present & after acquired property,
- First registered mortgage over non residential real property located at 17-33 Market Street South Melbourne VIC 3025.

Note 23. Lease liabilities

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Current liabilities		
Lease liability	8,690	8,355
Non-current liabilities		
Lease liability	20,015	28,705
	00.705	07.000
	28,705	37,060

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current and previous financial year are set out below:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
As at 1 January	37,060	-
New lease	-	43,517
Interest	1,485	1,743
Payments	(9,840)	(8,200)
	28,705	37,060

Note 24. Provision for employee benefits

	2024 ¢	2023 \$
	\$	Φ
Current liabilities		
Holders of office:		
Annual leave	215,585	190,256
Long service leave	384,859	328,201
Separations and redundancies	, -	-
Other	-	_
	600,444	518,457
Employees other than holders of office:		
Annual leave	281,138	216,748
Long service leave	252,967	307,160
Separations and redundancies	,	-
Other	-	_
	534,105	523,908
	1,134,549	1,042,365
Non-current liabilities		
Employees other than holders of office:		
Long service leave	9,101	4,945
	1,143,650	1,047,310

Employee benefits

Included in the employee benefits provision is a provision that has been recognised for future employee benefits relating to long service leave for employees. In calculating the present value of future cash flows in respect of long service leave, the probability of long service leave being taken is based on an assessment of the individual employee's circumstances. The measurement and recognition criteria for employee benefits have been included in Note 1.

	Employee benefit obligations
Balance at 1 January 2023	791,593
Charged to statement of comprehensive income	255,717
Balance at 31 December 2023	1,047,310
Charged to statement of comprehensive income	96,340
Balance at 31 December 2024	1,143,650

Note 25. Reserves

	Notes	2024 \$	2023 \$
Public education campaign reserve	(a)	6,876,079	6,873,439
Workers' rights campaign reserve	(b)	180,000	130,000
Revaluation reserve	(c)	3,554,625	3,554,625
		10,610,704	10,558,064
(a) Public education campaign reserve			
		2024	2023
		\$	\$
Opening balance		6,873,439	7,134,665
Fund received (note 4b)		751,352	788,472
Funds allocated from general fund		1,600,000	1,600,000
Funds spent (note 7)		(2,348,712)	(2,649,698)
Closing balance		6,876,079	6,873,439

The public education campaign fund reserve records funds set aside from the surplus for the purpose of funding future public education campaigns. Funds raised in a financial year that are not expended in that year are set aside in the reserve to be spent in future years.

(b) Workers rights campaign reserve

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Opening balance Fund received	130,000	200,000
Funds allocated from general fund	50,000	50,000
Funds spent	180,000	250,000 (120,000)
Closing balance	180,000	130,000

The worker rights campaign reserve records funds set aside from the surplus for the purpose of funding future worker rights campaigns.

Note 25. Reserves (continued)

(c) Revaluation reserve	2024 \$	2023 \$
Opening balance Revaluation reserve	3,554,625 -	3,397,875 156,750
Closing balance	3,554,625	3,554,625

Changes in fair value arising on translation of investments such as equities, classified as financial assets, are taken to the revaluation reserve, as described in note 1. Amounts are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income when the associated assets are disposed of or impaired.

Note 26. General funds

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Retained profits at the beginning of the financial year	18,570,059	18,431,810
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	103,115	(192,977)
Transfer (from)/to reserve	(52,640)	331,226
Retained profits at the end of the financial year	18,620,534	18,570,059

Apart from those recorded in the financial statements, no specific funds or accounts have been operated as part of the Federal Fund in respect of compulsory levies or voluntary contributions.

Note 27. Key management personnel disclosures

Members of executive

The Federal Executive is elected for a two-year term commencing on 1 March and ending two years later at the end of February. The name of each person who has been a member of the Federal Executive at any time during the 2024 financial year is as follows:

Correna Haythorpe ** Federal President

Meredith Peace Deputy Federal President

Erin Aulich** **General Division** Marino D'Ortenzio (until 29 February 2024) **General Division Briley Stokes General Division Justin Mullaly General Division** Matthew Jarman** General Division Mary Franklyn **General Division** Angela Burroughs General Division Andrew Gohl (until 29 February 2024) **General Division** Jennie-Marie Gorman **General Division General Division** Henry Rajendra Mel Smith** **General Division** Angelo Gavrielatos (until 29 February 2024) **General Division** Amber Flohm General Division **General Division** Natasha Watt (from 1 March 2024) Leeanda Smith (until 29 February 2024) **General Division** Kevin Bates** Federal Secretary

Nicole Calnan Deputy Federal Secretary
Michelle Purdy Federal TAFE President

Michelle Ayres
Leah Olsson
General Division
Cresta Richardson**
General Division
Kate Ruttiman
General Division
David Genford
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Micheal Beale (from 6 November 2024)

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Representative

Cara Nightingale Early Childhood Representative

^{**} members of AEU Federal Finance Committee

Note 27. Key management personnel disclosures (continued)

	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Short-term employee benefits		
Salary (including annual leave taken)	590,719	586,305
Annual leave	76,088	72,582
Relocation benefits	-	-
Accommodation benefit	33,080	30,892
Total short-term employee benefits	699,887	689,779
Post-employment benefits:		
Superannuation	98,760	94,737
Total post-employment benefits	98,760	94,737
Other long-term benefits:		
Long-service leave	56,658	55,343
Total other long-term benefits	56,658	55,343
Terminated benefits	-	-
	-	-
Total	855,305	839,859

There were no loans between the key management personnel or the committee of management and the AEU-Federal Office.

There were no transactions between key management personnel or the committee of management and the AEU- Federal Office other than those relating to their membership of the AEU-Federal Office and reimbursement by the AEU-Federal Office in respect of expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties. Such transactions have been on conditions no more favourable than those which is reasonable to expect would have been adopted by parties at arm's length.

There were no payments made to a former related party of the reporting unit.

Note 28. Contingencies

There are no known contingent assets or liabilities at 31 December 2024.

Note 29. Commitments

There are no commitments at 31 December 2024.

Note 30. Related party transactions

Key management personnel

Disclosures relating to key management personnel are set out in note 25.

Transactions with related parties

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

Sale of goods and services:

Capitation fees and levies received:

Some capitation fees and levies are paid by associated entities of the affiliated branches as followed by rule 11(7).

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Administration fees received		
From the Australian Education Union International Trust Fund	65,723	62,593
Distribution received		
From the Federation of Education Unions Unit trust	77,884	45,509
Purchases of goods and services:		
Rent & Outgoings paid to the Federation of Education Unions Unit trust	144,876	144,876
Superannuation contributions		
Defined contribution superannuation contributions on behalf of employees	448,399	405,329

Outstanding balances arising from sales and purchases of goods and services:

These balances are disclosed in the "Trade receivables" and "Trade payables" notes to the accounts. No provision for impairment has been raised in relation to any of these outstanding balances and no expense has been recognised in respect of bad or doubtful debts due from related parties.

Terms and conditions of transactions with related parties

The sales to and purchases from related parties are made on terms equivalent to those that prevail in arm's length transactions. Outstanding balances for sales and purchases at the year end are unsecured and interest free and settlement occurs in cash. There have been no guarantees provided or received for any related party receivables or payables. For the year ended 31 December 2024, the entity has not recorded any impairment of receivables relating to amounts owed by related parties and declared person or body (2023: \$Nil). This assessment is undertaken each financial year through examining the financial position of the related party and the market in which the related party operates.

Note 31. Events after the reporting period

As per the decision of the Federal Executive, AEU Federal Secretary was authorised to accept the proposal from Hames Sharley to provide design and construction services for the AEU Federal Office Market Street fitout, at a total potential lump sum fee of \$100,400 (ex GST). AEU Federal Executive notes that the AEU Federal Finance Committee has nominated Erin Aulich as the Committee's key contact on the AEU Federal Office fitout working group.

Note 31. Events after the reporting period (continued)

No other matter or circumstance has arisen since 31 December 2024 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the organisation's operations, the results of those operations, or the organisation's state of affairs in future financial years

Note 32. Cash flow information

(a) Receipts of affiliation, capitation fees and levies (inclusive of GST)

	2024 \$	2023 \$
ACT branch	224,759	222,424
NSWTF branch	3,336,618	3,562,264
NT branch	94,153	90,974
QLD branch	2,420,453	2,305,776
SA branch	658,968	671,774
TAS branch	279,588	274,907
VIC branch	2,396,061	2,573,876
SSTUWA for the WA branch	879,229	865,303
	10,289,829	10,567,298
(b) Receipts of campaign contributions from branches (inclusive of GST)		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
ACT branch	18,097	18,256
NSWTF branch	267,973	292,376
NT branch	7,586	7,467
QLD branch	194,968	189,248
SA branch	52,294	55,136
TAS branch	22,436	22,563
VIC branch	192,584	211,253
SSTUWA for the WA branch	70,550	71,020
	826,488	867,319

Note 32. Cash flow information (continued)

(c) Receipts of other income f	from branches & other reportin	a units (inclusive of GST)
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(c) Receipts of other income from branches & other reporting units (inclusive of G	2024	2023
	\$	\$
ACT branch	7,519	5,786
NSWTF branch	45,807	31,740
NT branch	8,688	4,986
QLD branch	1,000	-
SA branch	18,261	6,734
TAS branch	4,452	6,477
VIC branch	26,907	29,648
SSTUWA for the WA branch	11,275	20,827
IEU QLD and NT	793	130
IEU SA branch	1,350	256
IEU Vic & Tas branch	35,143	15,862
IEU WA branch	2,701	10,910
IEU Federal	4,086	130
NTEU Victorian branch	28,864	10,121
NTEU National Office	87,070	31,740
Queensland Teachers Union	16,034	84,821
	299,950	260,168
(d) Payments to branches & other reporting units (inclusive of GST)		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
ACT branch	28,219	1,080
NSWTF branch	22,246	21,392
NT branch	15,802	13,941
SA branch	69,730	74,496
TAS branch	11,639	25,985
VIC branch	198,591	39,334
SSTUWA for the WA branch	16,332	8,050
Queensland Teachers Union	115,660	9,865
	478,219	194,143

Note 32. Cash flow information (continued)

(e) Reconciliation of (deficit)/surplus to net cash from operating activities

Surplus/(deficit) for the year 103,115 (192,97	7)
Adjustments for:	
Depreciation 47,656 29,62	6
Loss on disposal of assets 24,669	-
Change in operating assets and liabilities:	
(Increase) Decrease in trade and other receivables (261,426) (421,06	4)
Increase/(decrease) in payables (155,282) 338,04	2
Increase in provisions 96,340 255,71	7
Net cash from/(used in) operating activities (144,928) 9,34	4
(f) Liabilities from Financing Activities	
Transfer from non- 1 January Cash current to 31 E	
2024 Borrowing outflows current Others 20.	24
Current interest-bearing loans and	
borrowings 8,355 - (8,355) 8,690 - 8,	690
Non-current interest-bearing loans and	
borrowings 28,705 8,000,000 - (8,690) - 8,020,	015

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Note 33. Other Funds

In addition to the Federal Fund established under Rule 61 and to which these financial statements relate, the following separate funds have been established by the Rules:

- Branch Funds established by Rule 62(each branch prepares and lodges its own financial statements with FWC)
- International Trust Fund (ITF) established by Rule 67 (the ITF, being a fund separate from the Federal Fund prepares its own financial statements which are published on the AEU website)

In terms of Rule 67 (3), the objects of the International Trust Fund shall be:

- (a) To promote the exchange of information and understanding between teachers and their organisations in Australia and in other countries;
- (b) To promote the development of united and effective teachers' organisations throughout the world and to assist them in times of crisis;
- (c) To further the development of education and the professional development of teachers;
- (d) To seek the extension of educational opportunities to all children in the world; and
- (e) To promote peace, international co-operation and understanding and respect of human rights

A summary of the financial statements of the ITF is presented below:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Summarised statement of financial position		
Current assets	2,807,324	3,282,506
Total assets	2,807,324	3,282,506
Current liabilities	5,262	30,764
Total liabilities	5,262	30,764
Net assets	2,802,062	3,251,742
	2024	2023
Summarised statement of comprehensive income		
Revenue		
Contributions	867,780	843,327
Investment income	120,722	93,645
Total revenue	988,502	936,972
Total expenditure	(1,438,182)	(846,752)
Excess of (expenditure over revenue)/revenue over expenditure	(449,680)	90,220

Note 33. Other Funds (continued)

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Summarised statement of cash flows		
Net cash outflow from operating activities	(495,109)	(9,680)
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents	(591,760)	(25,868)
(a) Contributions		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
ACT branch	26,440	24,768
NSWTF branch	250,000	250,000
Federal Fund	100,000	88,000
NT branch	10,482	10,651
QLD branch	100,000	100,000
SA branch	65,300	59,420
TAS branch	27,000	26,000
VIC branch	182,250	183,700
SSTUWA for the WA branch	106,308	100,788
	867,780	843,327

Note 34. Other Information

(i) Going Concern

The AEU-Federal Office's ability to continue as a going concern is not reliant on financial support from another reporting unit.

(ii) Financial Support

No financial support has been provided to another reporting unit to ensure that it continues as a going concern.

(iii) Acquisition of assets and liability under specific sections:

The entity did not acquire any asset or a liability during the financial year as a result of:

- an amalgamation under part 2 of Chapter 3, of the RO Act;
- a restructure of the branches of the organisation;
- a determination or revocation by the General Manager of the Fair Work Commission under subsections 245(1) or 249(1) of the RO Act

(iv) Administration of financial affairs by a third party

No other entity administers the financial affairs of the reporting unit.

Note 35. Financial risk management

The entity's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (including fair value interest rate risk and price risk), credit risk, liquidity risk and cash flow interest rate risk. The entity's overall risk management program focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the financial performance of the entity. The entity uses different methods to measure different types of risk to which it is exposed. These methods include sensitivity analysis in the case of interest rate, other price risks and aging analysis for credit risk. Risk management is carried out by management under policies approved by Committee of Management. The Committee of Management identifies, evaluates and hedges financial risks as part of regular meetings. This identification and analysis include an analysis of interest rate exposure and the evaluation of strategies in the context of most recent economic conditions.

- (a) Market risk
 - (i) Foreign exchange risk

The entity is not exposed to foreign exchange risk.

(ii) Price risk

The entity is exposed to equity securities price and commodity price risk.

(iii) Cash flow and fair value interest risk

AEU – Federal Office has borrowings with a variable interest rate (refer to note 22 for details) and is therefore exposed to interest rate risk. Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The AEU-Federal Office exposure to the risk of changes in market interest rates relates primarily to its interest bearing loans.

Sensitivity analysis

As at 31 December 2024 the effect on the surplus as a result of changes in interest rates, with all other variables remaining constant, would be as follows:

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Tern deposits		
Increase of interest rates by 2%	215,674	490,132
Decrease of interest rates by 2%	(215,674)	(490,132)
Borrowing – CBA*		
Increase of interest rates by 2%	(160,000)	-
Decrease of interest rates by 2%	160,000	-
	<u> </u>	-

^{*}The sensitivity analysis for the CBA bank loan is based on the annual interest rate, despite the loan being obtained only in September 2024.

Asset held/pledged as collateral

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Assets pledged as collateral		
Registered mortgage over investment property	21,411,894	
Total assets pledged as collateral	21,411,894	-
Refer to Note 22 for more information on borrowing and details on security.		

(b) Credit risk

Credit risk arises from deposits with banks and financial institutions. Cash transactions are limited to high credit quality financial institutions. Currently the investments are held in Australian banks. The AEU-Federal Office has no significant concentrations of credit risk. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying amount of the financial assets. The credit quality of financial assets can be assessed by reference to external credit ratings as follows:

	2024	2023
Cash at bank		
AA- Rating	277,273	1,340,951
BBB Rating	2,619	23,445
Term deposits		
AA- Rating	2,708,805	15,673,925
BBB Rating	7,794,982	7,468,287
	10,783,679	24,506,608

(c) Liquidity risk

Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and marketable securities, the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed credit facilities and the ability to close-out market positions.

Note 35. Financial risk management((continued))

Maturity profile of financial instruments

The maturity profile of financial assets and liabilities held are detailed below:

2024

	Weighted							
	Average	Floating					Non-	
	Interest	Interest	1 year or	1 to 2	2 to 5	Over 5	Interest	
	rate	rate	less	years	years	years	bearing	Total
	%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial								
Assets								
Cash and cash								
equivalent	2.25%	279,892	4,736,094	-	-	-	1,000	5,016,986
Trade and other								
receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	722,950	722,950
Other financial								
assets	4.08%	-	5,767,694	-	-	-	5,206,701	10,974,395
		279,892 1	0,503,788	-	-	-	5,930,651	16,714,331
Financial								
Liabilities								
Trade & other								
payables	-	-	-	-	-	-	335,261	335,261 Lease
liability	4.00%	-	8,690 9,03	38 10,977	-	-		28,705
Borrowing	4.45%	-	-	-	8,000,000	-		- 8,000,000
		-	8,690	9,038	8,010,977	-	335,261	8,363,966

2023

	Weighted Average Interest rate	Floating Interest rate	1 year or less	1 to 2 years	2 to 5 years	Over 5 years	Non- Interest bearing	Total
	%	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Financial Assets Cash and cash equivalent Trade and other receivables Other financial assets	3.61% - 4.66%	1,364,396 - - 1,364,396 2	4,835,719 - 	- - - -	- - - -		1,000 594,012 5,230,389 5,825,401	594,012 23,536,882
Financial Liabilities Trade & other payables liability	- 4.006%	-	8,355 8,690 8,355	20,015 8,690	20,015		490,543	490,543 Lease 37,060 527,603

(d) Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The AEU-Federal Office does not presently have such arrangement in place.

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(a) Financial assets and liabilities

Management of the reporting unit assessed that cash, trade receivables, trade payables, and other current liabilities approximate their carrying amounts largely due to the short term maturities of these instruments.

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities is included at the amount which the instrument could be exchanged in a current transaction between willing parties. The following methods and assumptions were used to estimate the fair values:

- Fair values of the reporting unit's interest-bearing borrowings and loans are determined by using a discounted
 cash flow method. The discount rate used reflects the issuer's borrowing rate as at the end of the reporting
 period. The own performance risk as at 31 December 2024 was assessed to be insignificant.
- Fair value of financial assets is derived from quoted market prices in active markets.
- Long-term fixed-rate and variable-rate receivables/borrowings are evaluated by the entity based on parameters
 such as interest rates and individual credit worthiness of the customer. Based on this evaluation, allowances are
 taken into account for the expected losses of these receivables. As at 31 December 2024 the carrying amounts
 of such receivables, net of allowances, were not materially different from their calculated fair values.

The following table contains the carrying amounts and related fair values for the entity financial assets and liabilities:

	Carrying amount 2024 \$	Fair value 2024 \$	Carrying amount 2023 \$	Fair value 2023 \$
Financial Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	5,016,986	5,016,986	6,201,115	6,201,115
Other financial assets – term deposit	5,767,694	5,767,694	18,306,493	18,306,493
Trade and other receivables	722,950	722,950	594,012	594,012
Other financial assets	5,206,701	5,206,701	5,230,389	5,230,389
Total	16,714,331	16,714,331	30,332,009	30,332,009
Financial Liabilities				
Trade and other payables	335,261	335,261	490,543	490,543
Lease liability	28,705	28,705	37,060	37,060
Borrowing	8,000,000	8,000,000	-	-
	8,363,966	8,363,966	527,603	527,603

The entity measures and recognises the following assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring basis:

The entity has also measured assets and liabilities at fair value on a non-recurring basis as a result of the reclassification of assets as held for sale.

⁻ other financial assets

Note 36. Fair value measurement (continued)

(b) Fair value hierarchy

AASB 13 requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

- a) quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1)
- b) inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (level 2), and
- c) inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).

(i) Recognised fair value measurements

The following table presents the entity's assets and liabilities measured and recognised at fair value at 31 December 2024:

2024	Level 1 \$	Level 2 \$	Level 3 \$	Total \$
Assets Other financial assets Investment property Financial assets through profit and loss	- - -	5,206,701 21,411,894 -	- - -	5,206,701 21,411,894 -
Total assets	-	26,618,595	-	26,618,595
2023	Level 1 \$	Level 2 \$	Level 3	Total \$
Assets				
Other financial assets	-	5,230,389	-	5,230,389
Financial assets through profit and loss	-	-	-	-
Total assets	-	5,230,389	-	5,230,389

There were no transfers between Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 in 2024 or 2023.

The entity also has a number of assets and liabilities which are not measured at fair value, but for which fair values are disclosed in the notes.

The carrying amounts of trade receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values due to their short-term nature.

Note 36. Fair value measurement (continued)

- (c) Valuation techniques used to derive level 2 and level 3 fair values
- (i) Recurring fair value measurements

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market (for example, over-the-counter derivatives) is determined using valuation techniques. These valuation techniques maximise the use of observable market data where it is available and rely as little as possible on entity specific estimates. If all significant inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

If one or more of the significant inputs is not based on observable market data, the instrument is included in level 3. This is the case for unlisted equity securities.

Specific valuation techniques used to value financial instruments include:

- The use of quoted market prices or dealer quotes for similar instruments.
- The fair value of interest rate swaps is calculated as the present value of the estimated future cash flows based on observable yield curves.
- The fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts is determined using forward exchange rates at the balance date.
- Other techniques, such as discounted cash flow analysis, are used to determine fair value for the remaining financial instruments.
- (ii) Non-recurring fair value measurements

The entity does not have assets in this category.

31 December 2024 cation Union - Federal Office

Committee of Management Statement

31 December 2024

On 12 May 2025 the Committee of Management of the Australian Education – Federal Office passed the following resolution in relation to the general purpose financial report (GPFR) for the year ended 31 December 2024:

The Committee of Management declares that in its opinion:

- a. the financial statements and notes comply with the Australian Accounting Standards;
- b. the financial statements and notes comply with any other requirements imposed by the Reporting Guidelines or Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act);
- c. the financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the reporting unit for the financial year to which they relate;
- d. there are reasonable grounds to believe that the reporting unit will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- e. during the financial year to which the GPFR relates and since the end of that year:
 - i. meetings of the committee of management were held in accordance with the rules of the organisation including the rules of a branch concerned; and
 - ii. the financial affairs of the reporting unit have been managed in accordance with the rules of the organisation including the rules of a branch concerned; and
 - iii. the financial records of the reporting unit have been kept and maintained in accordance with the RO Act; and
 - iv. where the organisation consists of two or more reporting units, the financial records of the reporting unit have been kept, as far as practicable, in a consistent manner with each of the other reporting units of the organisation; and
 - v. where information has been sought in any request by a member of the reporting unit or the General Manager duly made under section 272 of the RO Act, that information has been provided to the member or the General Manager; and
 - vi. where any order for inspection of financial records has been made by the *Fair Work Commission* under section 273 of the RO Act, there has been compliance.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee of management.

Designated officer:		
Name of designated officer:	Nicole Calnan - Deputy Federal Secretary	

Date: 12 May 2025



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INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION UNION FEDERAL

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Australian Education Union Federal (the reporting unit), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended 31 December 2024, notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, Committee of Management statement and the subsection 255(2A) report.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of Australian Education Union Federal as at 31 December 2024, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended on that date in accordance with:

- (a) the Australian Accounting Standards; and
- (b) any other requirements imposed by the reporting guidelines or Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act).

We declare that management's use of the going concern basis in the preparation of the financial statements of the reporting unit is appropriate.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the reporting unit in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Committee of Management is responsible for the other information. The other information obtained at the date of this auditor's report is in the operating report accompanying the financial report.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



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Responsibilities of Committee of Management for the Financial Report

The Committee of Management of the reporting unit is responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the RO Act, and for such internal control as the Committee of Management determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Committee of Management is responsible for assessing the reporting unit's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Committee of Management either intend to liquidate the reporting unit or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the reporting unit's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Committee of Management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Committee of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the reporting unit's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the reporting unit to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the financial information of the entities or business activities within the reporting unit to express an opinion on the financial report. We are responsible for the direction, supervision and performance of the reporting unit audit. We remain solely responsible for our audit opinion.

We communicate with the Committee of Management regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

I declare that I am an auditor registered under the RO Act.

In accordance with the requirements of section 257(7) of the RO Act, we are required to describe any deficiency, failure or shortcoming in respect of the matters referred to in section 252 and 257(2) of the RO Act. In relation to this matter, we have nothing to report.

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Partner: Anh

(Steven) Nguyen

Date: 13 May 2025

Registration number (as registered under the RO Act): AA2023/7

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, NICOLE CALNAN, Acting Federal Secretary, Australian Education Union (AEU), do certify that:

- 1. I am an Officer authorised by the AEU Rules to lodge these documents.
- 2. The Federal Executive of the AEU held a meeting in accordance with the rules on 4 June 2025 at which the Executive passed a resolution concerning the accounts as presented.
 - The copy of the AEU Financial Report being lodged is the document that was provided to members on the AEU website www.aeufederal.org.au on and from 14 May 2025.
- 3. The copy of the full report being lodged is the document presented to the meeting of the Federal Executive of the AEU on 4 June 2025.

Nicole Calnan
Acting Federal
Secretary
16 June 2025