

Australian Electoral Commission / AEC

Workplace Relations Act 1996 – Schedule 1B

RETURNING OFFICER - POST ELECTION REPORT

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ELECTIONS COVERED IN THIS REPORT

Election Decision No/s: E2005/133
Election: Branch Secretary and Executive Councillors
Returning Officer: Chris Roper

RULES

Rules used for elections Rule ID:	[284V: Incorporates alterations of 18/05/2005 – R2005/168] (Replaces 20/04/2005 version)
Rules re eligibility to vote:	Federal Rules: 12(5); Federal Branch Rules – NT Branch: 105(a)(ii), 108, 110(b); 122.
Action taken under section 193 of RAO Schedule:	<u>Federal Branch Rule 109(a)</u> : This rule requires that nominations open not later than 22 July. Because of the late receipt of the Decision (18 July), nominations were opened on 3 August. <u>Federal Branch Rule 109(c)</u> : This rule requires that election notice to be sent to all Sub-Branche s calling for nominations. To ensure that all members were adequately informed of the election, in the event that election notices were not displayed as requested, ads were placed in 2 newspapers covering all of the NT electorate.

ROLL OF VOTERS – Arnhem Region

Total number of voters on the roll	217	
Number of private addresses	110	51%
Number of apparent workplace addresses	106	49%
Number of non-current addresses	Nil	

ROLL OF VOTERS – Barkly Region

Total number of voters on the roll	65	
Number of private addresses	47	72%
Number of apparent workplace addresses	18	28%
Number of non-current addresses	Nil	

ROLL OF VOTERS – Palmerston and Rural Region

Total number of voters on the roll	316	
Number of private addresses	264	84%
Number of apparent workplace addresses	52	16%
Number of non-current addresses	Nil	

ALLEGATIONS OF IRREGULARITIES RECEIVED

There were no written complaints or allegations of irregularities

ATTACHMENT

A. Declaration of Results for Uncontested and Contested Offices

Chris Roper
Returning Officer
11 November 2005

Australian Education Union Northern Territory Branch

DECLARATION OF RESULTS FOR UNCONTESTED AND CONTESTED OFFICES

Results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 and the rules of the organisation.

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UNCONTESTED OFFICES

Branch Secretary

Candidate

PERRIN, Alan

I declare Alan Perrin elected.

Executive Councillor - Alice Springs Region (2)

Candidates

FARRELL, Ashlea Elizabeth

THORNTON, Paula

I declare Ashlea Elizabeth Farrell and Paula Thornton elected.

Executive Councillor – Darwin Region (4)

Candidates

LAMPE, Adam Bruce

SMITH, Rod

No other nominations received.

I declare Adam Bruce Lampe and Rod Smith elected.

Executive Councillor - Katherine Region (1)

Candidate

ARNOLD, David John

I declare David John Arnold elected.

CONTESTED OFFICES

Executive Councillor – Arnhem Region (2)

Total number of persons on the roll of voters	217
Ballot papers issued	217
Duplicate ballot papers issued	0
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED	217
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	67
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary	2
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY	65
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	31%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	1
Ballot papers not returned	149

Candidates

Primary Votes

DIXON, Leonee	44
WOODROFFE, Hayden	24
SYME, Leon	40
Exhausted Votes	22
Formal primary votes	130
Primary votes each ballot paper	Divided by 2
Formal ballot papers	65
Informal ballot papers	0

I declare Leonee Dixon and Leon Syme elected.

Executive Councillor - Barkly Region (1)

Total number of persons on the roll of voters	65
Ballot papers issued	65
Duplicate ballot papers issued	2
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED	67
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	25
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary	1
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY	24
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	38%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	2
Ballot papers not returned	40

Candidates

First Preference Votes

Votes

CORKE, Peter Gerald	17	17
STAVROU, Lyndall	7	7
Total votes	24	24
Formal ballot papers	24	24
Informal ballot papers	0	0

I declare Peter Gerald Corke elected.

Executive Councillor - Palmerston and Rural Region (2)

Total number of persons on the roll of voters	316
Ballot papers issued	316
Duplicate ballot papers issued	0
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED	316
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	70
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary	1
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY	69
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	22%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	0
Ballot papers not returned	246

Candidates

Primary Votes

REARDON, Petrina Ann	37
CHRISTIE-JOHNSTON, Liz	47
WALLIS, Bruce	46
Exhausted Votes	8
Formal primary votes	138
Primary votes each ballot paper	Divided by 2
Formal ballot papers	69
Informal ballot papers	0

I declare Liz Christie-Johnston and Bruce Wallis elected.

Chris Roper
Returning Officer
Australian Electoral Commission
27 October 2005

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AEU Northern Territory

Ref: F10 (04075288)

4 July 2005

The Australian Industrial Registrar
Attention Mr Paul Herrod
GPO Box 969
DARWIN NT 0801



Facsimile: 03 9654 6672

Dear Registrar

RE : Elections for Executive Positions

In accordance with the AEU-NT rule numbers 18(a) (vi), 108(c) and (d), 109(a) and 110- attached below I would seek that you initiate election proceedings for the following positions:

- 1 x Secretary
- Executive Council members

18 - CONSTITUTION OF BRANCH EXECUTIVE

(a) The Branch Executive shall consist of the following -
(vi) Executive Councillors from each Region, elected on a basis of one member for every 200 members or part thereof;

108 - ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF BRANCH EXECUTIVE

(c) The Branch Secretary shall be elected for a term of 3 years by secret postal ballot.
(d) Executive Council Members shall be biennially elected by financial members of their respective Regions in a secret postal ballot from 2001.

109 - NOMINATIONS - BRANCH EXECUTIVE

Nominations for positions on Branch Executive shall be called in accordance with this Rule -

(a) The Returning Officer shall call for nominations not later than 22nd July. The closing date for nominations shall be 5.00 p.m. on the 21st day of August;

110 - BALLOT - BRANCH EXECUTIVE

The ballot for Branch Executive positions shall be held in accordance with this rule.

- (a) On the closing of nominations, the Returning Officer shall cause a ballot paper to be printed in respect of those positions for which an election is necessary. Such ballot paper may contain provision for voting for more than one position or separate ballot papers may be prepared in respect of each contested position. :
- (c) Not later than 14th September the Returning Officer shall forward by prepaid post to each financial member a ballot paper in respect of each position to be voted on. Such envelope shall also contain a smaller envelope in which the voter shall place his/her completed ballot paper or papers and a larger pre-addressed envelope for return to the Returning Officer.
- (d) Ballot papers shall be returned to the Returning officer not later than 5.00 p.m. on 15th October. Only ballot papers then received by the Returning Officer shall be included in the count.

Our membership officer (Robyn Tilbury) will be only too pleased to furnish you with the membership data so this election can be undertaken.

Yours sincerely



Alan Perrin
Secretary

AEU NT Branch



Ref: F10 (12075302)

12 July 2005

Ms Lynette Markovski
Australian Industrial Registrar

By Fax

Dear Ms Markovski

Re: Election for Executive Council Members (Our ref F10 04075288)

Please find listed below the number of financial members (as on 12 July 2005) in each AEU-NT region of the NT, and thus the number of regional councillors for each region;

Region	Financial members	Councillors
1. Darwin	693	4
2. Katherine	148	1
3. Palmerston & Rural	323	2
4. Arnhem	233	2
5. Barkly	83	1
6. Alice Springs	262	2

Yours Sincerely

Alan Perrin
Secretary

Workplace Relations Act 1996
s.189 of Schedule 1B - arrangement for conduct of an election

Australian Education Union
(E2005/133)

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DEPUTY INDUSTRIAL REGISTRAR

MELBOURNE, 18 JULY 2005

Arrangement for conduct of election.

DECISION

[1] On 5 and 12 July 2005 the Northern Territory Branch of the abovenamed organisation lodged in the Industrial Registry prescribed information in relation to an election for the following offices:

Branch Secretary

Executive Councillors of the following regions:

Darwin (4)
Katherine (1)
Palmerston & Rural (2)
Arnhem (2)
Barkly (1)
Alice Springs (2)

[2] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed offices is required to be held under the rules of the organisation and, under subsection 189(3) of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the election by the Australian Electoral Commission.



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