Australian Education Union Northern Territory

DECLARATION OF RESULTS FOR UNCONTESTED AND CONTESTED OFFICES

Results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the rules of the organisation.

E2011/2601

Branch Executive Councillor – Alice Springs Region (2)

Candidates

HILL, Annette THORNTON, Paula

I declare Annette Hill and Paula Thornton elected.

Branch Executive Councillor – Arnhem Region (2)

<u>Candidate</u> GRIFFIN, Martin No other nominations received

I declare Martin Griffin elected.

Branch Executive Councillor – Barkly Region (2)

Total number of persons on the roll of voters		108
Ballot papers issued		108
Duplicate ballot papers issued		0
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED		108
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny		40
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny		0
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY		40
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued		37%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail		4
Ballot papers not returned		64
Candidates	First Preference Votes	Votes
MURAD BALDWIN, Melanie	19	19
DOYLE, Kristin	21	21
Total votes	40	40
Formal ballot papers	40	40
Informal ballot papers	0	0

I declare Kristin Doyle elected.

Branch Executive Councillor – Darwin Region (4)

Total number of persons on the roll of voters	649
Ballot papers issued	649
Duplicate ballot papers issued	0
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED	649
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	117
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny	0
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY	117
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	18%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	3
Ballot papers not returned	529

Candidates	Primary Votes
PIRYAK, Dana Lee	52
BOLAND, Judy	89
PHILLIPS, Liam	71
LAWRENCE, Rosie	75
DANVERS, Julie	73
Exhausted Votes	96
Formal primary votes	456
Primary votes each ballot paper	Divided by 4
Formal ballot papers	114
Informal ballot papers	3

I declare Judy Boland, Liam Phillips, Rosie Lawrence and Julie Danvers elected.

Branch Executive Councillor – Katherine Region (1)

<u>Candidate</u> WAYCOTT, Murray James

I declare Murray James Waycott elected.

Branch Executive Councillor – Palmerston and Rural Region (2)

HARDCASTLE, Peter WINSLADE, Glynis

I declare Peter Hardcastle and Glynis Winslade elected.

Chris Roper Returning Officer Australian Electoral Commission

28 October 2011



DECISION

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

Australian Education Union (E2011/2601)

T. NASSIOS

MELBOURNE, 24 JUNE 2011

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 15 June 2011 the Australian Education Union - Northern Territory Branch lodged with Fair Work Australia the prescribed information in relation to an election for the following offices:

Branch Executive Councillors (number to be determined in accordance with the rules) from the following regions:

Alice Springs Arnhem Barkly Darwin Katherine Palmerston & Rural

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



DELEGATE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER FAIR WORK AUSTRALIA

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Manager Fair Work Australia

Dear Manager,

RE: 2011 AEU-NT Elections

In accordance with Section 189(1) of the RAO Fair Work Australia Act 2009, I wish to lodge the following prescribed information in relation to an election which is required to be held for the undermentioned office in this Union.

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

- Executive Councillors Alice Springs Region (2 Positions)
- Executive Councillors Arnhem Region (2 Positions)
- Executive Councillor Barkley Region (1 Position)
- Executive Councillors Darwin Region (4 Positions)
- Executive Councillor Katherine Region (1 Positions)
- Executive Councillors Palmerston and Rural Region (2 Positions)

The relevant sections of the AEU-NT rules are given below:

18 - CONSTITUTION OF BRANCH EXECUTIVE

(a) The Branch Executive shall consist of the following -

(i) Branch President,

(ii) Vice-President (General) and Vice-President (TAFE),

- (iii) Branch Secretary,
- (iv) Treasurer,

(v) Women's Officer,

(vi) Executive Councillors from each Region, elected on a basis of one member for every 200 members or part thereof;

(vii) An Executive Councillor representing Indigenous teachers and Indigenous education workers in schools and educational institutions.

108 - ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF BRANCH EXECUTIVE

(a) The Branch President shall be biennially elected by financial members of the Branch by secret postal ballot.

(b) The Vice-President (General) shall be elected from and by the financial members of the General Division, and the Vice-President (TAFE) shall be biennially elected by and from the financial members of the TAFE Division. The Treasurer shall be biennially elected by and from financial members of the Branch. The Woman's Officer shall be a female, biennially elected by and from financial members of the Branch. These elections shall be by secret postal ballot.(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.

(e) The Council Member representing Indigenous teachers and Indigenous education workers to be elected biennially by secret postal ballot from 2000. This Executive Council member must be an Indigenous person, and will be nominated and voted for by financial members of the branch

109 - NOMINATIONS - BRANCH EXECUTIVE

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

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(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;

(b) Nominations shall be in writing, signed by 2 financial members and by the candidate as acceptance of the nomination;

(c) The Returning Officer shall call for nominations by sending to all Sub- Branches a notice which shall specify the following:-

(i) the designations of the positions for which nominations are being called and the number of positions to be filled in respect of each designation;

(ii) the address to which nominations are to be forwarded (for this purpose the Returning Officer shall rent a post office box in Darwin);

(iii) the time and date of closure of nominations;

(iv) that a nomination to be valid shall be signed by at least 2 financial members other than the member nominated and by the latter to indicate that she/he consents to the nomination;

(v) that a separate form of nomination must be submitted in respect of each position for which a member is nominated;

(d) A Returning Officer shall only accept a nomination for Branch Executive positions which comply with the requirements of these Rules. When she/he received a defective nomination, she/he shall forthwith notify the person concerned of the defect and, where it is practicable to do so, give him/her the opportunity of

remedying the defect which shall, where practicable, be not less than 7 days after his/her so being notified;

(e) Subject to (d) a Returning Officer shall notify all candidates of the acceptance or rejection of their nominations.

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. A ballot paper shall: (i) list candidates for each position in the order determined by lot by the Returning Officer and state the position for which they are candidates;

(ii) include instructions on how to vote;

(iii) state the date and time of closing of the ballot and the postal address to which the ballot paper shall be returned.

(b) All members who are financial members of the Union attached to the Branch at the date of closing of the roll of voters shall be eligible to vote. The Branch Secretary shall provide the Returning Officer with a list of such members showing the full name and address and place of employment of each member.

(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 declaration 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. Both envelopes shall be in the form prescribed by the regulations made under Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996.

(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.

The ballot, including the appointment of a Returning Officer, will be conducted through the Australian Electoral Commission.

The voting system in relation to the election of Branch Executive shall be **a direct voting** system.

105(a)(ii) of the AEU-NT rules states:

Financial Members only shall be eligible to vote at any election or any meeting or in any plebiscite; provided that the roll of voters for any election to be conducted pursuant to these rules is to be closed seven days before the day on which nominations are opened in relation to all elections by a direct voting system for offices in the Branch.

Hence, the roll of voters for this election will be closed seven days before the day nominations open.

Please contact me if you further wish to discuss these matters.

Yours Sincerely,

leat Peter Clisby

Secretary, AEU-NT