

**Australian Education Union  
NT Branch Election 2012**

**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.

E2012/283

**Australian Education Union - NT Branch**

Total number of persons on the roll of voters	1879
Ballot papers issued	1879
Duplicate ballot papers issued	21
<b>TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED</b>	<b>1900</b>
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	506
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny	11
Adjusting Balance	0
<b>TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY</b>	<b>495</b>
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	26%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	89
Ballot papers not returned	1305

**Branch President**

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>First Preference Votes</u>	<u>Votes</u>
NIMMO, Stephen	178	178
CRANITCH, Matthew	313	313
Exhausted Votes		0
Loss/Gain by Fraction		0
Total votes	491	491
Formal ballot papers	473	473
Informal ballot papers	22	22

I declare Matthew Cranitch elected.

Total number of persons on the roll of voters	1818
Ballot papers issued	1818
Duplicate ballot papers issued	0
<b>TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED</b>	<b>1818</b>
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	506
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny	20
Adjusting Balance	0
<b>TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY</b>	<b>486</b>
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	27%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	89
Ballot papers not returned	1223

**Vice-President (General)**

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>First Preference Votes</u>	<u>Votes</u>
PELIZZO, Stephen	239	239
HELLIWELL, Rachel	218	218
Exhausted Votes		0
Loss/Gain by Fraction		0
Total votes	457	457
Formal ballot papers	476	476

Informal ballot papers

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I declare Stephen Pelizzo elected.

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Total number of persons on the roll of voters	1879
Ballot papers issued	1879
Duplicate ballot papers issued	21
<b>TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED</b>	<b>1900</b>
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	506
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny	34
Adjusting Balance	0
<b>TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY</b>	<b>472</b>
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	26%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	89
Ballot papers not returned	1305

#### Women's Officer

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>First Preference Votes</u>	<u>Votes</u>
BALDWIN, Melanie Murad	174	174
LAWRENCE, Rosie Elizabeth Baird	276	276
Exhausted Votes		0
Loss/Gain by Fraction		0
Total votes	450	450
Formal ballot papers	468	468
Informal ballot papers	4	4

I declare Rosie Elizabeth Baird Lawrence elected.

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#### Vice-President (TAFE)

##### Candidate

GIULIANI, Renzo  
No further nominations were accepted

I declare Renzo Giuliani elected.

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#### Treasurer

##### Candidate

PELIZZO, Stephen (Lapsed, elected to higher office)  
No further nominations were accepted

No candidate elected.

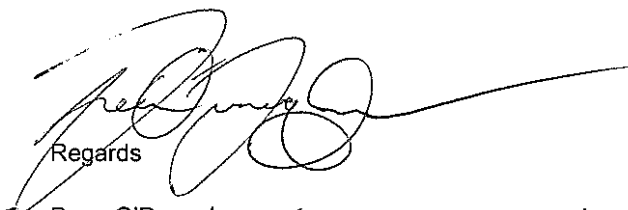
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**Executive Councillor representing Indigenous Teachers & Indigenous Education Workers**

Candidate

No nomination was accepted

No candidates elected.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dean O'Donoghue', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Regards

Dean O'Donoghue  
Returning Officer  
Australian Electoral Commission  
18 October 2012



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Peter Clisby  
Secretary  
Australian Education Union  
NT Branch

**Post-Election Report For: Australian Education Union – NT Branch  
Election E2012/283**

I refer to the above election for your organisation.

Section 197(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organizations) Act 2009 requires the AEC to provide a written report on the conduct of the election to the Industrial Registrar and to the Organisation or branch for which the election was conducted. A copy of the report in relation to this election is attached.

Section 198 of the Fair Work (Registered Organizations) Act 2009 requires that if an organisation or branch is given a post-election report under section 197 that identifies a rule that was difficult to interpret or apply, the organisation or branch must, within 30 days, give a written response to the AEC on that aspect of the report. The response must specify whether the organisation or branch intends to take any action in relation to the rule, and if so, what action it intends to take.

If the attached Report identifies a rule that was difficult to interpret or apply, you should forward your response to the AEC by email to 'industrial.elections@aec.gov.au' within thirty days of the date of the report.

Section 198 and the regulations also require an organisation to make the post-election report and the organisation's response to the report (if applicable) available to members.

Further, Regulation 141(4) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009 requires an organisation or branch to publish a notice on its web site advising members that a copy of the post-election report is available upon request. If a website is not available, publishing a notice in a journal or newsletter would be considered appropriate.

Please contact me if you wish to clarify any aspect of this report.

Dean O'Donoghue  
Returning Officer

24 October 2012



**Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009  
POST ELECTION REPORT**

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**ELECTION COVERED IN THIS REPORT**

Election Decision No: 2012/283

**RULES**

Rules used for the election: 284V: Incorporates alterations of 15/05/2012 – R2012/45  
Rules difficult to apply/interpret: None  
Model Rule reference (if any): N/A

**ROLL OF VOTERS**

As a ballot was required, a roll of voters was requested. It is recommended that the NT Branch conducts a quality assurance program prior to election proceedings for future events.

**ALLEGATIONS OF IRREGULARITIES RECEIVED**

Details of written allegations of irregularities, and action taken by AEC: None

Other irregularities identified, and action taken: None

**ATTACHMENT**

Declaration of Results

Dean O'Donoghue  
Returning Officer

24 October 2012



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AUSTRALIA

## DECISION

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

**Australian Education Union**  
(E2012/283)

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MELBOURNE, 22 MAY 2012

*Arrangement for conduct of election.*

[1] On 17 May 2012 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 President  
Vice-President (General)  
Vice-President (TAFE)  
Treasurer  
Women's Officer  
Executive Councillor representing Indigenous teachers and Indigenous education workers in schools and educational institutions

[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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17 May 2012

Manager  
Fair Work Australia  
GPO Box 1994, Melbourne, 3001

Dear Manager,

**RE: 2012 AEU-NT Election**

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

Branch President

Vice-President (General)

Vice-President (TAFE)

Treasurer

Women's Officer

Executive Councillor representing Indigenous teachers and Indigenous education workers in schools and educational institutions.

The relevant AEU-NT rules are:

**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.
- (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

(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.



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#### **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 reason for the elections is that the term of office for the above positions expires this year.

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

The voting system for these elections shall be a **direct voting system**.

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

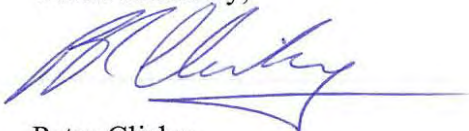
to vote at any election or any meeting or in any plebiscite; provided that the roll of voters for any election to be conducted pursuant to these rules is to be closed seven days before the day on which nominations are opened in relation to all elections by a direct voting system for offices in the Branch.

Hence, **the roll of voters** for these elections will be closed seven days before the day nominations open.

I am lodging the above prescribed information in relation to these elections which are required to be held for the above mentioned offices of the AEU-NT, in accordance with Section 189(1) of the RAO Fair Work Australia Act 2009.

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

Yours Sincerely,



Peter Clisby  
Secretary, AEU-NT