Post-election report

Australian Hotels Association

Northern Territory Branch Scheduled election E2020/219



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Election(s) Covered in this Report

Organisation: AHA - Northern Territory Branch

Election: Scheduled

Election Decision No/s: E2020/219

Rules

Rules used for the election: 024N-NT: Incorporates alterations of 2 March 2021 (R2020/216)] [replaces rulebook dated 18/02/2019 (R2018/296)]

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: No

Model Rule reference (if any): Nil

For more details see the Model Rules on the AEC website: www.aec.gov.au/ieb/

Other Matters

Returning Officer actions required (Section 193): Yes Details:

Rules regarding the timetable of the election were set aside as the AEC held concerns that the coronavirus pandemic may impact on the ability for stakeholders to fully participate in the election. A timetable for the conduct of the ballot which varied from the rules was set when the AEC was satisfied that stakeholders would be able to fully participate.

Rules specifying the method of lodgement of nominations were set aside as the AEC held concerns that the coronavirus pandemic would impact on the ability for potential candidates to nominate. Instead nominations were received electronically, via email/the AEC's portal.

Signed

Robert Zammit Returning Officer

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Attachments

- A. Declaration of results for Uncontested Offices Stage 2
- B. Declaration of results for Uncontested Offices Stage 1

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AHA - Northern Territory Branch

DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2020/219 - Stage 2 Uncontested Offices

Scheduled Election

The results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the rules of the organisation are:

Executive Committee

President / Delegate to National Board (1)

Candidates

PALMER Paul

Senior Vice President (1)

Candidates

BURNS Mick

Vice President (1)

Candidates

DALTON Frank

Secretary (1)

Candidates

HANNA Jason

Treasurer (1)

Candidates

PHILLIPS Penny

As the number of nominations accepted did not exceed the number of positions to be filled, I declare the above candidates elected.

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AHA - Northern Territory Branch

DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2020/219 - Stage 1 Uncontested Offices

Scheduled Election

The results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the rules of the organisation are:

Northern Territory Branch Board

General Hotel Representatives to the Board (3)

Candidates
HUTCHEON Matthew
PHILLIPS Penny
WOLFE Jason

Greater Darwin - Hotels

Divisional Representatives (3)

Candidates
COLEMAN Justin
PALMER Paul
SALLIS Douglas

Greater Darwin - Accommodation

Divisional Representatives (2)

Candidates
BURNS Mick
GRIERSON Todd

Greater Darwin - Clubs

Divisional Representatives (2)

<u>Candidates</u> HEWER Matthew REID Russell

Alice Springs & Ayers Rock - Hotels

Divisional Representatives (1)

Candidates LOECHEL Ray

Alice Springs & Ayers Rock - Accommodation

Divisional Representatives (1)

Candidates
JERVIS Craig

Alice Springs & Ayers Rock - Clubs

Divisional Representatives (1)

Candidates

GOODMAN Deryck

Regional Towns (Katherine, Tennant Creek, Jabiru and Gove) - Hotels

Divisional Representatives (1)

Candidates

No Nominations Received

Regional Towns (Katherine, Tennant Creek, Jabiru and Gove) - Accommodation

Divisional Representatives (1)

Candidates

No Nominations Received

Regional Towns (Katherine, Tennant Creek, Jabiru and Gove) - Clubs

Divisional Representatives (1)

Candidates

DALTON Frank

Wayside Inns

Divisional Representatives (2)

Candidates

DRIVER Amy Jane

MCDONALD Fiona

Restaurants & Cafes, Small Bars & Craft Breweries (one of which must be based outside of Greater Darwin)

Divisional Representatives (3)

Candidates

HANNA Jason

PEARSON Kyle

ROBINSON David

National Accommodation Hotels Division Board

Northern Territory representative to National Accommodation Hotels Division (1)

Candidates

JERVIS Craig

As the number of nominations accepted did not exceed the number of positions to be filled, I declare the above candidates elected.

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AMENDING DECISION

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

Australian Hotels Association

(E2020/219)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 17 MARCH 2021

Arrangement for conduct of election.

- [1] On 6 January 2021, following the lodgement of prescribed information with the Registered Organisations Commission (**Commission**) on 10 December 2020, I issued a decision arranging for an election for the Northern Territory Branch (**the Branch**) of this registered organisation.
- [2] In that decision I referred to proposed rule alterations that the Branch advised had been lodged with the Fair Work Commission (FWC) but not yet certified. I also indicated in that decision that it was open to the Commission to issue an amending decision to reflect the revised rules in the event that they were certified by the FWC before the election commenced.
- [3] The Commission was subsequently informed that the FWC certified the rule alterations (**R2021/216**) on 2 March 2021,¹ this being before the opening of nominations for the election.
- [4] Consequently the decision issued on 6 January 2021 is amended as follows:
 - by deleting the Division sub heading 'Restaurants' and the adjacent number '2';
 - by inserting in its place the Division sub heading 'Restaurants & Cafes, Small Bars & Craft Breweries' and adding the number '3'; and
 - by inserting next to the number 3 the phrase in brackets '(one of which must be based outside of Greater Darwin)'.



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 $^{^{1}\ [2021]\} FWCD\ 1107\ at\ https://www.fwc.gov.au/documents/documents/organisations/registered-orgs/024n/024nnt-r2020-216.pdf.$



DECISION

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

Australian Hotels Association

(E2020/219)

MR STEENSON

SYDNEY, 6 JANUARY 2021

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 10 December 2020 the Northern Territory Branch of the Australian Hotels Association lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices for a new term of office:

Board	
General Hotel Representatives	(3)
Divisional Representatives as follows:	
Greater Darwin	
Hotels Accommodation Clubs	(3) (2) (2)
Alice Springs & Ayers Rock	
Hotels Accommodation Clubs	(1) (1) (1)
Regional Towns (Katherine, Tennant Creek, Jabiru and Gove)	
Hotels Accommodation Clubs	(1) (1) (1)
Wayside Inns	(2)
Restaurants	(2)
Executive Committee	
President / Delegate to National Board	(1)

Senior Vice President	(1)
Vice President	(1)
Secretary	(1)
Treasurer	(1)

National Accommodation Hotels Division Board

NT representative to National Accommodation Hotels Division (1)

- [2] In the prescribed information lodged by the Branch, it indicated that rule alterations were pending and that these had been lodged with the Fair Work Commission (FWC). The effect of the proposed rule alterations (R2020/216), if certified, would include:
 - (i) correcting references in the rules regarding the terms of office of Divisional Representatives, General Representatives and Executive Members which were apparently not updated as part of rule alterations in 2018 (R2018/296);
 - (ii) renaming the 'Restaurants Division'; and
 - (iii) increasing the number of representatives to be elected from that Division.
- [3] On 4 January 2020, the Branch advised the Commission that rule alterations certified by the FWC in relation to the national rules of the Australian Hotels Association (in matter R2020/171) did not affect the conduct of the election sought by the Branch in its prescribed information. On the same date, information provided by staff of the FWC made it apparent that while the rule alterations lodged by the Branch (in matter R2020/216) were still being considered by the FWC, it was clear that a decision on those alterations was not imminent.
- [4] The rules of the organisation provide that nominations open no later than 1 April 2020. In the event that the rule alterations are certified by the FWC prior to the opening of nominations, it is open to the Commission to issue an amending decision to reflect the revised rules.
- [5] 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.



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10 December 2020

Registered Organisations Commission GPO Box 2983 MELBOURNE VIC 3011

By email: regorgs@roc.gov.au

Dear Sir / Madam,

Upcoming Election – Australian Hotels Association Northern Territory Branch

In accordance with section 189(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and Regulation 138, I lodge the following prescribed information in relation to the upcoming election of Board members of the Australian Hotels Association Northern Territory Branch.

As President of the Australian Hotels Association Northern Territory Branch, I am authorised to lodge the prescribed information:

Names of Office of Position for which election required

Board Members from the following Divisions:

- (1) Greater Darwin
 - a. Hotels 3 Divisional Representatives
 - b. Accommodation 2 Divisional Representatives
 - c. Clubs 2 Divisional Representative
- (2) Alice Springs & Ayers Rock
 - a. Hotels 1 Divisional Representative
 - b. Accommodation 1 Divisional Representative
 - c. Clubs 1 Divisional Representative
- (3) Regional Towns (Katherine, Tennant Creek, Jabiru and Gove)
 - a. Hotels 1 Divisional Representative
 - b. Accommodation 1 Divisional Representative
 - c. Clubs 1 Divisional Representative

- (4) Wayside Inns 2 Divisional Representatives
- (5) Restaurants 2 Divisional Representatives
- (6) Three General Hotel Representatives from the Hotel Sector

The Executive Committee consisting of:

- (1) President / Delegate to National Board
- (2) Senior Vice President
- (3) Vice President
- (4) Secretary
- (5) Treasurer

The following position pursuant to Rule 42 of the National Rules of the Australian Hotels Association is also required:

 NT Accommodation Hotels Division – 1 Representative to the AHA National Accommodation Division Board

Rule Alteration

We currently have the Fair Work Commission considering rule changes to our rules. Lodged on 4th December 2020, the FWC file is R2020/216 and Nara Lovisa is the responsible officer.

We anticipate the application determination being finalised in late January 2021.

The Rule changes will change the names of office of position for which an election is required, adding 1 new office and amending 2 existing offices.

Reason for Election

An election is required to be conducted in 2021. Divisional Representatives, General Representatives and Executive Members shall be elected for a two year term. The term of office is due to expire in the normal course of events.

Electorate

The Divisional members are elected to the Board by and from the financial members of each Division.

The Executive Committee is to be elected by and from the Board.

The National Accommodation Hotels Division is elected by and from the financials members of the NT Accommodation Hotels Division.

Nominations

Nominations shall close no later than 1 April 2021.

Closure of Voting Rolls

The roll of voters is closed 7 days before the day which nominations for the election open.

Voting System

The voting system for the Board positions is a direct voting system. The voting system for the Executive is the collegiate electoral system.

If you require any further information, please contact Alex Bruce, Chief Executive Officer, by telephone on 08 8981 3650.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Palmer

<u>President</u>