

18 January 2016

Mr Chris Brown National Secretary Health Services Union chrisb@hsu.net.au

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Dear Mr Brown,

## Reminder of actions required when persons elected to office

The Australian Electoral Commission has provided the Commission a declaration of results for the election [E2015/255]. This letter is a reminder of certain obligations imposed on organisations and persons elected to office.

Section 154D(1) of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act) requires the rules of organisations (and branches of organisations) to require each officer with financial management duties to undertake approved training that covers those duties within 6 months after the person begins to hold office. Please ensure that relevant officers undertake approved training within the required timeframe.

Please also ensure that all new holders of office are advised of their obligations to make disclosures regarding remuneration, non-cash benefits and material personal interests, the details of which should be provided for in your organisation's rules.

Also, section 233(2) of the RO Act requires that an organisation must notify the Fair Work Commission (the Commission) within 35 days of any changes to the holders of office in the organisation. If the election has resulted in any changes to the holders of office, the Health Services Union must notify the Commission of these changes. In particular, please advise:

- 1. Person(s) who have ceased to hold office:
  - the name of the office vacated;
  - the date of the change of office holder; and
  - the name of the person vacating the office.
- 2. Person(s) who have commenced to hold office:
  - the name of the office now held;
  - the date of the change of office holder;
  - the name of the person now holding the office;
  - the postal address of the person (generally the postal address of the organisation); and
  - the occupation of the person now holding the office.

The notification must include a declaration by the Secretary (or other prescribed officer) that the information is a correct statement of the changes made. I have attached a template notification of changes which may assist you. If any change does not apply until a specific date, you don't need to notify until then (e.g. AGM, 1 January, 2nd Monday in March). If you have already lodged this information, please disregard this reminder.

Regards

Christine Hibberd Regulatory Compliance Branch NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO RECORDS (Changes to Records in the Annual Return) required to be kept in accordance with section 230 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and regulation 147 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009

I, [NAME], being the [OFFICER] of the [ORGANISATION NAME], declare the following:

1. I am authorised to make this declaration.

2. The following is a correct statement of the changes made to the information contained in the records required to be kept by the organisation in accordance with s.230(1)(b), (c), and (d) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009:

[delete all that do not apply]

On [DATE] the address of the organisation changed to [STREET ADDRESS].<sup>1</sup>

On [DATE] the name and/or address of a branch[es] of the organisation changed to:<sup>2</sup>

 [include <u>OLD</u> name and address and <u>NEW</u> name and address of every branch that has changed]

2. ...

 A list of changes to offices and the names, postal addresses and occupations of persons holding those offices is attached to this declaration at Annexure A and forms part of this declaration.

On [DATE] the following branch[es]:<sup>3</sup>

COMMENCED/CEASED operation:

1. [include name of each new branch]

2. ...

Signed: [SECRETARY OR OTHER AUTHORISED OFFICER]

Dated: [DATE]

[PLEASE NOTE: This declaration must be submitted to the Fair Work Commission within **35 days** of the change. It can be submitted to <a href="mailto:orgs@fwc.gov.au">orgs@fwc.gov.au</a>.]

<sup>1</sup> s.230(1)(d); reg.147(d)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> s.230(1)(d); reg.147(a) & (d)

## **ANNEXURE A**

• Changes to Offices and Office Holders in the Organisation and its Branches [insert as many pages as required]:

Please note the 35 days begins at the earliest event (for instance when the officer retires) and an organisation may need to notify the events separately if the appointment or election process will take longer than 35 days.

Branch	Date of Change	Name of Office that has changed	Name of Outgoing Office Holder	Reason for change	Name of <u>New</u> Office Holder	Postal Address of New Office Holder (for privacy reasons, we recommend NOT a private address)	Occupation of <u>New</u> Office Holder
National	1.1.2014	Secretary	Full Name	Retiring	Full Name	c/- the Registered Organisation, postal address of Registered Organisation	Paid official
	25.12.2013	President	vacant	Scheduled Election	Full Name	As above	mechanic
NSW	1.1.2014 (resigned) 7.1.2014 (appointed)	President	Full Name	Resignation	Full Name	c/- the Branch, postal address of the Branch	mechanic
		Committee of Management Member	Full Name	Scheduled Election	Full Name	As above	mechanic
		Treasurer	Full Name	Scheduled Election	vacant	vacant	vacant

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## Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009

## POST ELECTION REPORT

Client: HSU

## **ELECTIONS COVERED IN THIS REPORT**

Election Decision No/s: E2015/255

**RULES** 

Rules used for elections Rule ID: [051V:Incorporates alteration of 31/05/2014

R2013/500 & 05/06/2014 (R2014/58 & R2014/75)]

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: NIL

Model Rule reference (if any):

**ROLL OF VOTERS - NATIONAL COUNCIL** 

Total number of voters on the roll 66

Number of apparent workplace addresses

Number of non-current addresses

Other Matters Nil

## **ALLEGATIONS OF IRREGULARITIES RECEIVED**

Details of written allegations of irregularities, and action taken by AEC:

None
Other irregularities identified, and action taken:

None

## **ATTACHMENTS**

**A:** Declaration of Offices (1)

B:

Rhys Richards Returning Officer 24 December 2015

# Health Services Union National Vacancy Election

## **Declaration of Results for Contested and Uncontested Offices**

#### E2015/255

Below are 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.

#### **National Council**

Total number of names on the roll of voters	66
Ballot papers issued	66
Replacement ballot papers issued	0
Total Ballot Papers Issued	66
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	50
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny	1
Adjusting balance	0
Total Ballot Papers Admitted to Scrutiny	49
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	75
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	0
Ballot papers not returned	16

## **National Assistant Secretary**

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Votes</u>
JACOBSON, Tim	38
ASMAR, Diana	11
Total votes	49
Formal ballot papers	49
Informal ballot papers	0

I declare Tim Jacobson elected.

## **National Junior Vice President**

Candidates

STERREY, Mark

I declare Mark Sterrey elected.

Rhys Richards Returning Officer

**Australian Electoral Commission** 

23 December 2015



# **DECISION**

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

## **Health Services Union**

(E2015/255)

MR ENRIGHT

MELBOURNE, 29 OCTOBER 2015

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 1 October 2015, the Health Services Union (the organisation) lodged with the Fair Work Commission (the Commission) the prescribed information in relation to an election to a casual vacancy for the following offices:

National Assistant Secretary National Junior Vice President

- [2] On 29 October 2015, staff of the Commission requested documentation from the organisation verifying the casual vacancies. Further documentation was received from Chris Brown, National Secretary, on 29 October 2015.
- [3] 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**

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1 October 2015

#### Bernadette O'Neill

General Manager
Fair Work Commission
By email: orgs@fwc.gov.au

Dear General Manager

#### **Further Information**

## Health Services Union Annual Return of Information [AR2015/109]

Attached is a Declaration advising of two vacancies for the the national officer positions of National Assistant Secretary and National Junior Vice President of the Health Services Union.

The vacancies were caused by the resignations of Mr Gerard Hayes as National Assistant Secretary on Friday 18 September 2015 and Mr Tim Jacobson as National Junior Vice President on Monday 21 September 2015.

#### Attached are:

- My Declaration (of today's date) detailing the change to two Officers of the Health Services Union.
- The Notice and Statement of Prescribed Information for an Election.

If you or one of your Officers require further information about our return, please contact Linda Zutitis on 0418 699 844 or via email at lindaz@hsu.net.au.

Yours sincerely

Chris Brown

**National Secretary** 

In the matter of:

Annual Return of Information for 2015 [AR2015/109]

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- 4. As a result of these resignations the NSW Branch Assistant Secretary/Treasurer Mr Andrew Lillicrap and Tasmania Branch Assistant Secretary Mr Robbie Moore cease to be members of the National Executive in accordance with rule 69(d)(i).
- 5. An election for the vacant positions of National Assistant Secretary and National Junior Vice President is required.

**Chris Brown** 

**HSU National Secretary** 

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- 3. I confirm that the following information is being lodged under subsection 189(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

## Signed:

Dated:

1 October 2015

## Officers/Positions

National Assistant Secretary (Direct Voting System)

National Junior Vice President (Direct Voting System)

## Reasons for election:

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  has recently occurred following the resignation Mr Gerard Hayes from that position on Friday
  18 September 2015.
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#### Elected by:

National Officers and Delegates to National Council (rule 23B(g)(iii))

#### Nominations open:

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## **Nominations close:**

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