

25 February 2013

Mr Richard Shearman Secretary Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/Australian Capital Territory Branch GPO Box 116 Sydney NSW 2001 By email: ieu@ieu.asn.au

Dear Mr Shearman,

Re: Financial Report for the Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/Australian Capital Territory Branch for the year ended 31 December 2010 -FR2011/2915

I acknowledge receipt of the financial report of the Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/Australian Capital Territory Branch (the Branch) for the year ended 31 December 2010 (the report). The documents were received by Fair Work Australia (now the Fair Work Commission) on 12 June 2012.

A number of issues were identified with the report. Some of these issues are of concern as they have previously been brought to your attention but have not been rectified in FR2011/2915. These include the following:

Notes to the financial statements - incorrect legislative references

There are a number of incorrect or out-of-date references in the general purpose financial report. These have been itemised below.

- 1. The reference to section 727 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (RO Act) erroneously refers to 'the provisions of Sub-Sections [1], [2] and [3] of Section 272 of Schedule 1B'. The correct reference is the provisions of sub-sections [1], [2] and [3] of section 272.
- 2. Paragraph (e) of the Statement of the Committee of Management states that the financial records of the reporting unit have been kept and maintained in accordance with the RAO Schedule and the RAO Regulations; the information sought in any request of a member of the reporting unit or a Registrar under section 272 of the RAO Schedule; and that no orders have been made by the Commissioner under section 273 of the RAO Schedule during this period.

These references (emphasised by me for clarification) incorrectly refer to the now-repealed Workplace Relations Act 1996 and should be updated to the equivalent provisions of the RO Act. References to the Commissioner should be changed to the General Manager and references to the RAO Schedule and RAO Regulations should be to the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009.

3. The Independent Auditors Report refers to 'Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the RAO Schedule of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009'. The correct reference is Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

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Capitation fees to the Independent Education Union of Australia

I note that in a letter to you dated 19 July 2011 from Fair Work Australia it was pointed out that the Branch had not collected any subscriptions from members nor paid any capitation fees to the national office of the Independent Education Union of Australia in accord with rules 7(a) and (g) and that, in future years, this would need to be explained in the notes to the financial statements. There is no such explanation provided in the notes to the financial statements for FR2011/2915.

Despite these deficiencies, a decision has been made to file the financial report. However, please be advised that any future financial reports containing references to outdated or incorrect legislation will not be accepted by the Fair Work Commission. For this reason, I advise you to take note of the feedback provided in this letter.

I am happy to provide any assistance required to the Branch or your auditor. If you wish to discuss any of these matters referred to above I can be contacted on 03 8661 7604 or via email at sarah.wilkin@fwc.gov.au.

Sarah Wilkin

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

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OPERATING REPORT

The Committee of Management presents its operating report of the Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/ACT Branch.

Principal Activities

The principal activities, performed by the state registered branch, of the organization during the financial year were:

- (i) The provision of services to members
- (ii) The representation of members before Fair Work Australia on award matters and disputes.
- (iii) The provision of support for the Federal Union agenda in education, equity and industrial issues.

The result of these activities were reviewed and conducted to the satisfaction of the members.

There were no significant changes in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating Result

The performance and result of operation for the year was as follows

	31 December 2011	31 December 2010	
	\$	\$	
Revenue			
Income from Operating Activities	1	0	
Surplus (Deficit) for year	(1974)	0	
Review of Operation			

The organization continued to engage in its principal activities, the results of which are disclosed in the attached financial statements. It is anticipated that the ensuing year operation will remain the same.

Right of Members to Resign

Members retain the right to resign from the Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/ACT Branch in accordance to Rule 21 of the Branch Rules.

Number of Members

The number of members of the Branch at the end of the financial year was 29,736 (New South Wales state branch).

Number of Employees

There were no employees for the federally registered branch for the year ended 31 December 2011.

OPERATING REPORT (CONT'D)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The names of members of the Committee of Management during the year ended 31 December 2011 are:

Richard Shearman Branch Secretary

Gloria Taylor Branch Deputy Secretary
Carol Matthews Branch Assistant Secretary
John Quessy Branch Assistant Secretary

Chris Wilkinson President

Michelle Omeros Vice President Non-Systemic Bernadette Baker Vice President Systemic

Gabrielle Connell Vice President Early Childhood Services

Carolyn Collins Vice President Support Staff (Appointed 5.11.2010)

Francis Mahanay Vice President – ACT
Marie MacTavish Financial Officer
Peter Moore Financial Officer

Marty Fitzpatrick General Executive Member Michael Hagan General Executive Member Peter Mullins General Executive Member Ralph Hunt General Executive Member Denise McHugh General Executive Member Kevin Phillips General Executive Member Patricia Murnane General Executive Member Patrick Devery General Executive Member John O'Neill General Executive Member Ann Rogers General Executive Member

Committee members have been in office since the start of the reporting period unless otherwise stated.

OPERATING REPORT (CONT'D)

The officers or members of the Branch who are trustees of a super entity, or are directors of a company that is a trustee of a super entity are:-

Richard Shearman Gloria Taylor	Branch Secretary Branch Deputy Secretary	NGS Super NGS Super
John Quessy	Branch Assistant Secretary	NGS Super
Kevin Philips	General Executive Member	NGS Super
Chris Wilkinson	President	NGS Super
Helen Spry.	Member	NGS Super
Michael Hagan	General Executive Member	ACSR Fund
Bernadette Baker	General Executive Member	ACSR Fund

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Committee of Management

JOHN QUESSY

Dated: 20 April 2012

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Dated: 20 April 2012

INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

		2011 \$	2010 \$
REVENUE		Ψ	Ψ
Interest received		ĺ	0
TOTAL REVENUE		0	0
Less: EXPENDITURE		(1975)	0
Audit and related charges 5	-	(->	*****
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)		(1974)	0
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2011			
	Notes	2011 \$	2010 \$
ACCUMULATED FUNDS			
Opening balance		17,175	17,175
Add: surplus(deficit) for the year		(1974)	17,175
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		15,201	17,175
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CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at Bank	4	15,201	17,175
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		15,201	17,175
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011			
FUR YEAR E	NDED 31		_
		<b>2011</b> \$	2010 \$
Accumulated surplus at beginning o	of vear	17,175	17,175
Surplus/(Deficit) attributable to mer	-	(1974)	0
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Balance at 31 December 2011		15,201	17,175

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

•	Notes	2011 \$	2010 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Receipt from investing activities  Cash payments in the course of		1	0
Operations		(1975)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	3 (b)	(1974)	0
NET INCREASE(DECREASE) IN CASH Cash at beginning of financial year	HELD	(1974) 17,175	0 17,175
Cash at end of financial year	3 (a)	15,201	17,175

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

#### STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Accounts have been prepared in accordance with Applicable Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009. The accounts have also been prepared on the basis of historical costs and do not take into account changing money values or except where stated current valuations of non current assets. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Branch in the preparation of the accounts.

- (a) Membership contributions are accounted for in the financial year to which they relate. No contributions received during the year.
- (b) No provision for Income Tax is necessary as the Branch is exempt from Income Tax under Section 23 f of the Income Tax Assessment Act.
- (c) Property, Plant & Equipment Each class of property, plant and equipment is at cost carried less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and any impairment in value. The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed and adjusted, if appropriate, at each balance date.

#### (d) Employee Benefits

Provision is made for the company's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related on-costs. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at accounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled, plus related cost. This results in an amount not materially different to that achieved by discounting future cash flows.

# 2. INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED TO MEMBERS OR GENERAL MANAGER

In accordance with the requirements of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, the attention of members is drawn to the provisions of Sub-Sections [1], [2] and [3] of Section 272 of Schedule 1B which read as follows:

- [1] A member of a reporting unit, or the General Manager, may apply to the reporting unit for specified prescribed information in relation to the reporting unit to be made available to the person making the application.
- [2] The application must be in writing and must specify the period within which, and the manner in which, the information is to be made available. The period must not be less than 14 days after the application is given to the reporting unit.
- [3] A reporting unit must comply with an application made under subsection (1).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

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#### 3. Cash Flow Information

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is Reconciled to the related items in the Balance Sheet.

Cash at Bank	15,201	17,175	
(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from ordinary activities			
Surplus/(Deficit) from ordinary activities	(1974)	0	
Cash flows from ordinary activities	(1974)	0	

#### 4. Financial Instruments

#### (a) Interest Rate Risk

The Branch exposure to interest rate risk, which is the risk that a financial instrument's value will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates is minimal as all financial assets and liabilities are non-interest bearing.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2011

#### (b) Credit Risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk, excluding the value of any collateral or other security, at balance date to recognized financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets, net of any provisions for doubtful debts, as disclosed in the Balance Sheet and Notes to the financial reports.

The Union does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instruments entered into by the Union.

5.	Audit and related charges	<u>2011</u> \$	2010 \$
	Bank balance Cert.	50	-
	Auditor's fee	1925	-
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#### 6. Subsequent Events

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the union, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the union in future financial years.

#### STATEMENT BY COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

On the 20 April 2012 Committee of Management of the Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/ACT Branch passed the following resolution in relation to the general purpose financial report (GPFR) of the reporting unit for the financial year ended 31 December 2011;

The Committee of Management declares in relation to the GPFR that in its opinion:

- a) The financial statement and notes comply with the Australian Accounting Standards;
- b) The financial statement and notes comply with the reporting guidelines of the General Manager of Fair Work Australia;
- c) The financial statement and notes give a true and fair view of the financial performance, financial position and cash flows of the reporting unit for the financial year to which they relate;
- d) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the reporting unit will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable;
- e) During the financial year to which the GPFR relates and since the end of that year:
  - (i) Meetings of the Committee of Management were held in accordance with the rules of the organisation including the rules of a branch concerned; and
  - (ii) The financial affairs of the reporting unit have been managed in accordance with the rules of the organisation and the rules of the Branch concerned; and
  - (iii) The financial records of the reporting unit have been kept and maintained in accordance with the RAO Schedule and the RAO Regulations; and
  - (iv) The financial records of the reporting unit have been kept, as far as practicable, in a consistent manner to each of the other reporting units of the organization; and
  - (v) The information sought in any request of a member of the reporting unit or a Registrar under section 272 of the RAO Schedule has been furnished to the member or Registrar; and
  - (vi) No orders have been made by the Commissioner under section 273 of the RAO Schedule during the period.

GLORIA TAYLOR

JOHN OUESSY

#### INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT.

To the members of the Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/ACT Branch.

#### Scope

The Financial Report is the responsibility of the Committee of Management and Secretary of the Union.

The financial report comprises the Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Cash Flows, accompanying notes to the financial statements and the Committee of Management's statement for the Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/ACT Branch for the year ended 31 December 2011.

The Committee of Management and the Secretary of the Branch are responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

#### **Audit Approach**

We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on it to the members of the Branch. Our audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards in order to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgment, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal controls, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatement have been detected.

We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009, including compliance with Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia a view which is consistent with our understanding of the Branch's financial position and its performance as represented by the results of its operations and cash flows.

We formed our audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

- examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial report, and
- assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Committee of Management and the Secretary of the Branch.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

#### Independence

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements and the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

#### Audit Opinion

We state that the financial report has been audited and in our opinion the financial report complies with the relevant Australian Accounting Standards.

We report that we have inspected and audited the accounting records of the Independent Education Union of Australia New South Wales/ACT Branch in relation to the financial year ending 31 December 2010 and report that in our opinion satisfactory accounting records were kept by the Branch in relation to the period, including:

- (i) records of the sources and nature of the income of the Branch (including income from members);
- (ii) records of the nature and purposes of the expenditure of the Branch;
- (iii)all information, being information which was reasonably wanted for the purpose of this audit, which was required and sought by us or by any person authorised by us for the purpose of the audit, was provided;
- (iv)in relation to recovery of wages activity; no activity of recovery occurred in the financial year.

In our opinion the general purpose financial report is presented fairly in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards and the requirements imposed by Part 3 of Chapter 8 of the RAO Schedule of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009:

- (i) the financial affairs of the Branch as at the end of the financial year, and
- (ii) the income and expenditure, and any surplus or deficit of the Branch for the year.

We also understand that to the extent that there was any deficiency, failure or shortcoming in relation to the matters referred to above, we must report particulars and that those particulars, if any, which form part of this report, are attached.

D W SUTHERLAND & PARTNERS

TIMOTHY HO, CPA

Partner.

Registered Company Auditor No. 629

Dated: 23 April 2012

#### CERTIFICATE BY SECRETARY

I, RICHARD SHEARMAN, being the Secretary of the Independent Education Union of Australia, New South Wales/ACT Branch, certify:

- that the documents lodged herewith are copies of the full report referred to in section 268 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009; and
- that the full report was provided to members on 23 April 2012; and
- that the full report was presented to a meeting of the committee of management of the reporting unit on 8 June 2012; in accordance with section 266 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009.

RICHARD SHEARMAN

Dated: 8 June 2012