

24 August 2017

Executive Officer
TFGA Industrial Association
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Dear Executive Officer,

Reminder of actions required when persons elected to office

The Australian Electoral Commission has provided the Registered Organisations Commission (the ROC) a declaration of results for the election of stages 1 and 2 uncontested and contested offices [E2016/292]. This letter is a reminder of certain obligations imposed on organisations and on persons elected to office.

A notice must be published on the organisation's website

The organisation or branch must publish on its website a notice that a copy of the report is available from the organisation, branch or the AEC on request. The notice must be kept on the website for a period of at least 3 months (see regulation 141 of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009).

Holders of office required to undertake approved training

Section 293K of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* (the RO Act) requires 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 are provided for in the RO Act.

Organisation must notify the Commission of changes

Also, section 233(2) of the RO Act requires that an organisation must notify the Commission within 35 days of any changes to the holders of office in the organisation. If there are no changes a notification is not required. If the election has resulted in any changes to the holders of office, the TFGA Industrial Association 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. A template notification of changes, which may assist you, is attached. If any change does not apply until a date in the future, you do not 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 Registered Organisations Commission

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].¹

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

 [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]:³

COMMENCED operation:

1. [include name of each new branch]

2. ...

CEASED operation:

1. [include name of each closed branch]

1 s.230(1)(d); reg.147(d)

² s.230(1)(d); reg.147(a) & (d)

³ s.230(1)(d); reg.147(b) & (c)

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2. ...

Signed: [SECRETARY OR OTHER AUTHORISED OFFICER]

Dated: [DATE]

[PLEASE NOTE: This declaration must be submitted to the Registered Organisations Commission within **35 days** of the change. It can be submitted to regorgs@roc.gov.au.]

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	Name of <u>Outgoing</u> Office Holder	Name of <u>New</u> Office Holder	Postal Address of New Office Holder	Occupation of New Office Holder
National	1.1.2014	changed Secretary	Full Name	Full Name	c/- the Registered Organisation, postal address of Registered Organisation	Paid official
	25.12.2013	President	vacant	Full Name	As above	mechanic
NSW	1.1.2014 (resigned) 7.1.2014 (appointed)	President	Full Name	Full Name	c/- the Branch, postal address of the Branch	mechanic
		Committee of Management Member	Full Name	Full Name	As above	mechanic
		Treasurer	Full Name	vacant	vacant	vacant



Mr Andrew Cameron Executive Officer TFGA Industrial Association PO Box 3014 LAUNCESTON TAS 7250

cc Fair Work Commission regorgs@roc.gov.au

Dear Mr Cameron

Post Election Report for: TFGA Industrial Association E2016/292

I refer to the above election for your organisation. Section 197(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 ("the Act") requires the AEC to provide a written report on the conduct of the election to the Fair Work Commission and to the organisation or branch for whom the election was conducted. A copy of the report in relation to this election is attached.

Section 198 of the Act 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.

Section198 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 website 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.

M.

Lynn Ransley Returning Officer

15 August 2017

Post-election Report

TFGA Industrial Association E2016/292



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Election(s) Covered in this Report

Election Decision No/s: E2016/292

Rules

Rules used for the election: [002T: Incorporates alterations of 3 July 2015

R2015/134)]

replaces 2 January 2014 (R2013/447)

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: None

Module Rule reference (if any) N/A

Roll of Voters

As there were no contested offices for Stage 1 or Recall, no roll of voters was required

Total number of voters on the roll for Stage 2: 11

Number of apparent workplace addresses: 0

Number of non-current addresses: 0

Other matters pertaining to the roll of voters: N/A

Irregularities

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

Other irregularities identified, and action taken: Nil

Other Matters

A question regarding absentee voting was raised at a recent meeting of the organisation and the fact that due to this provision in their rules, results of contested offices can be delayed by a number of weeks.

The organisation has been advised the Fair Work Act stipulates that ballots must be secret, so other forms of voting such as by email or phone are not acceptable. The organisation could consider changing their rules by:

- Removing the provision for absentee voting altogether. If the rules of an organisation are silent on this subject, then the AEC does not allow for absentee voting.
- Replacing the absentee vote provision with a proxy vote provision. Under the rules of some organisations, where a voter will not be able to attend a meeting for an attendance ballot, they are able to apply for a proxy vote authorising another eligible voter to vote on their behalf. The AEC requires this to be in writing.

Attachments

- 1) Declaration of Results for Stage 1
- 2) Declaration of Results for Recall
- 3) Declaration of Results for Stage 2

M.

Lynn Ransley Returning Officer

15 August 2017

TFGA Industrial Association Scheduled Election - Executive Committee members

Declaration of Results for Uncontested Offices

E2016/292

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.

Tasmania

Executive Committee Member (10)

Candidates

ARCHER, Gerald Robert BYARD, David FOSTER, L.D. GRUBB, Benjamin MILES, Keeton RICHARDS, Felicity RIGGALL, Sam WILLIAMS, Glynn

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

M.

Lynn Ransley Returning Officer

9 May 2017



TFGA Industrial Association

Executive Committee Members - Recall

Declaration of Results for Uncontested Offices

E2016/292

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.

Tasmania

Executive Committee Member (2)

Candidates

O'CONNOR, Warwick WALLER, Damian

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

M.

Lynn Ransley Returning Officer

3 July 2017



TFGA Industrial Association Stage 2 - Office Bearers

Declaration of Results for Contested and Uncontested Offices

E2016/292

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.

Executive Committee (position of President)

Total number of names on the roll of voters	11
Ballot papers issued	11
Total Ballot Papers Issued	11
Ballot papers / envelopes returned for scrutiny	11
Less ballot papers / envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny	0
Total Ballot Papers Admitted to Scrutiny	11
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	100%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	0
Ballot papers not returned	0

President

<u>Candidates</u>	First Preference Votes	<u>Votes</u>
RICHARDS, Felicity	6	6
WILLIAMS, Glynn	5	5
Total votes	11	11
Formal ballot papers	11	11
Informal ballot papers	0	0

I declare Felicity Richards elected.



Vice-President

Candidates

GRUBB, Ben

I declare Ben Grubb elected.

Treasurer

Candidates

BYARD, David

I declare David Byard elected.

M.

Lynn Ransley Returning Officer Australian Electoral Commission

11 August 2017





DECISION

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

TFGA Industrial Association

(E2016/292)

MR ENRIGHT

MELBOURNE, 23 FEBRUARY 2017

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 15 February 2017 the TFGA Industrial Association lodged with the Fair Work Commission the prescribed information in relation to an election for the following offices:

Executive Committee Members (10)

President

Treasurer

Vice President

[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

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PRESCRIBED INFORMATION FOR ELECTIONS in accordance with Section 189 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 and Regulation 138 Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Regulations 2009

- I, Andrew Stuart Cameron, being the Executive Officer of TFGA Industrial Association, make the following statement:
- 1. I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for TFGA Industrial Association.
- 2. The following information is lodged under subsection 189(1) of the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 (the RO Act).
- 3. The elections that are required are set out in the table in Annexure A.

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4. This statement **IS** lodged at least 2 months before nominations open for the election below.

Signed:

Dated: 15 February, 2017

ANNEXURE A

• Elections that are required:

Branch	Name of Office	Number required	Direct voting system; Collegiate electoral system	Reason for Election Scheduled; Casual vacancy; New office created; Insufficient nominations	Electorate
Tasmania	Executive Committee Member	10	DVS	Scheduled	All financial members of TFGA Industrial Association – Rule 30
	President	1	Collegiate	Scheduled	Members of Executive Committee – Rule 31
	Treasurer	1	Collegiate	Scheduled	Members of Executive Committee – Rule 31
	Vice President	1	Collegiate	Scheduled	Members of Executive Committee – Rule 31

Important dates:

	Direct Voting System	Collegiate Electoral System
Nominations OPEN	20 April, 2017 (Rule 30)	29 June, 2017
Nominations CLOSE	Noon, 4 May, 2017 (Rule 30)	29 June, 2017
Roll of Voters cut off date	Noon, 13 April, 2017	29 June, 2017

Please note: that for insufficient nominations and casual vacancies, the date nominations open and close, unless specified in the rules, should be listed as 'to be determined by the returning officer'. Casual vacancies must be accompanied by proof of resignation and attached to this statement.