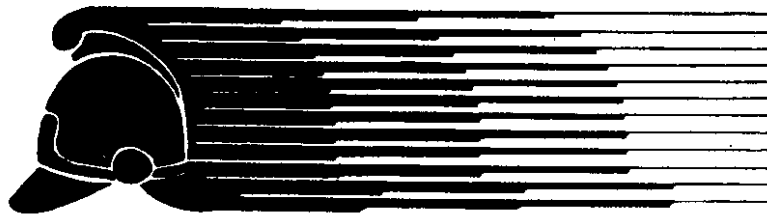


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June 2, 2004

DATE:

UNITED FIREFIGHTERS UNION OF AUSTRALIA
WEST AUSTRALIAN BRANCH

PRESIDENT: I. AGNEW

SECRETARY: A.E. DREWETT

YOUR REF: F1.2

ABN: 31 367 577 278

OUR REF: The Industrial Registrar
Australian Industrial Relations Commission
Level 35 Nauru House
80 Collins Street,
Melbourne Victoria 3000

Dear Registrar,

I write to request authorisation from your Office under section 189 of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 for the Australian Electoral Commission to conduct an election for the vacant Branch Committee of Management position of WAFB Firefighter Ordinary Committee Member.

The vacancy was caused by the incumbent of this position being elected as Branch President in the recently conducted by-election.

The Branch Committee of Management has instructed me to make this request for arrangements to be made for the Australian Electoral Commission conduct an election in accordance with our rules after receiving four expressions of interest for the vacant position. Due to the strong interest in the position the Branch Committee of Management has resolved to conduct an election rather than appointing an eligible person under UFUA Rule 71—By Elections.

The following information as required by regulation 138

- (a) The position requiring an election is WAFB Firefighter Ordinary Committee Member
- (b) (ii) The election of Iain Agnew to the position of Branch President has caused a casual vacancy for this position.
- (c) N/A
- (d) The electorate comprises only the members of the Western Australian Branch of the United Firefighters Union of Australia.
- (e) Rule 72 (3) of the union's rules requires the Committee of Management or the Branch Executive to determine dates for calling nominations, the closing of nominations and the dates for opening and closing of the ballot. However we would assume the AEC Returning Officer conducting the by-election will liaise with the Branch for these determinations to be made.
- (f) The AEC Returning Officer will advise the Branch the appropriate date for closing the role of voters.
- (g) A direct voting system is to be used to conduct the election.

Yours faithfully,

A E Drewett
BRANCH SECRETARY

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Workplace Relations Act 1996
s.189 of Schedule 1B - arrangement for conduct of an election

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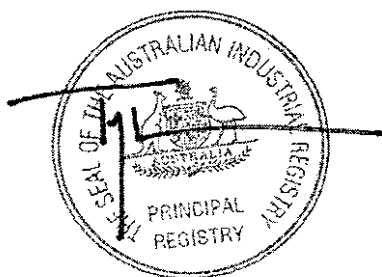
Arrangement for conduct of election.

DECISION

[1] On 8 June 2004 the West Australian Branch of the abovenamed organisation lodged in the Industrial Registry prescribed information in relation to an election to fill a vacancy occurring in the following office:

Ordinary Committee Member - WAFB Firefighter

[2] I am satisfied that an election for the abovenamed office is required to be held under the rules of the organisation and, under subsection 189(3) of Schedule 1B of the Workplace Relations Act 1996, I am making arrangements for the conduct of the election by the Australian Electoral Commission.



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INDUSTRIAL AND COMMERCIAL ELECTIONS

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**UNITED FIREFIGHTERS' UNION OF AUSTRALIA
WEST AUSTRALIAN BRANCH**Result of the election for the following offices conducted under the rules of the organisation -
E No. 207 of 2004.

Total number of persons on the roll of voters	915
Ballot-papers issued	915
Duplicate ballot-papers issued	Nil
TOTAL BALLOT-PAPERS ISSUED	915
Ballot papers/envelopes returned for scrutiny	520
Less ballot papers/envelopes rejected at preliminary scrutiny	24
TOTAL BALLOT-PAPERS ADMITTED TO SCRUTINY	496
Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	54.21
Ballot-papers returned as unclaimed mail	Nil
Ballot-papers not returned	395

WAFB FIREFIGHTER ORDINARY COMMITTEE MEMBER

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>First Preference Votes</u>
MacKINTOSH, Neil John	113
GAMBLE, Scott	270
YOUNG, David	109
Formal ballot-papers	492
Informal ballot-papers	4

I declare Scott Gamble elected.

*Note: The absolute majority of votes required was 247, and as candidate Scott Gamble received more than the absolute majority, no distribution of preferences was necessary.*E.M. PANEGYRES
Returning Officer
Australian Electoral Commission
Industrial and Commercial Elections
Perth, Western Australia

18 August 2004

Australian Electoral Commission / AEC

Workplace Relations Act 1996 – Schedule 1B

RETURNING OFFICER - POST ELECTION REPORT

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ELECTIONS COVERED IN THIS REPORT

<u>Election Decision No/s:</u>	E2004/207
<u>Election:</u>	WAFB Firefighter Ordinary Committee Member (casual vacancy)
<u>Returning Officer:</u>	E.M. Panegyres

RULES

<u>Rules used for elections Rule ID</u>	[259V: Incorporates alterations of 17/03/2004] [R2004/144] replaces rulebook dated 20/11/2002
<u>Rule/s re eligibility to vote</u>	70(3)(a)

ROLL OF VOTERS

<u>Total number of voters on the roll</u>	915	
<u>Number of private addresses</u>	908	99.23%
<u>Number of apparent workplace addresses</u>	7	0.77%

ALLEGATIONS OF IRREGULARITIES RECEIVED

There were no written complaints or allegations of irregularities

ATTACHMENTS

Declaration of Results for Contested Offices
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E.M. Panegyres
Returning Officer
20 August 2004

**United Firefighters' Union of Australia
Casual Vacancy - WAFB Firefighter Ordinary Committee Member**

DECLARATION OF RESULTS FOR CONTESTED OFFICES

Results of the election for the following offices conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Workplace Relations Act 1996 and the rules of the organisation.

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West Australian Branch

Total number of persons on the roll of voters	915
Ballot papers issued	915
Duplicate ballot papers issued	0
TOTAL BALLOT PAPERS ISSUED	915
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Percentage of ballot papers returned to number issued	56%
Ballot papers returned as unclaimed mail	0
Ballot papers not returned	395

WAFB Firefighter Ordinary Committee Member

<u>Candidates</u>	<u>Votes</u>
MACKINTOSH, Neil John	113
GAMBLE, Scott	270
YOUNG, David	109
Formal ballot papers	492
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I declare Scott Gamble elected.

Van Panegyres
Returning Officer
Australian Electoral Commission

18 August 2004