

15 November 2019

Post-election report

Victorian Farmers Federation Industrial
Association
Casual Vacancy election
E2019/158

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Election(s) Covered in this Report

Organisation: Victorian Farmers Federation Industrial Association
Election: Casual Vacancy
Election Decision No/s: E2019/158

Rules

Rules used for the election: [222V: Incorporates alterations of 30 May 2019 (R2019/41)] replaces rulebook dated 19 April 2017 (R2016/308)
Rules difficult to apply/interpret: None
Model Rule reference (if any): N/A
For more details see the Model Rules on the AEC website:
(https://www.aec.gov.au/About_AEC/AEC_Services/Industrial_Elections)

Roll of Voters

As there were no contested offices, no Roll of Voters was required.

Irregularities

Details of written allegations of irregularities, and action taken by AEC: None

Other irregularities identified, and action taken: NA

Other Matters

Returning Officer actions required (Section 193): No
Details:

Signed



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6 November 2019

Emma Germano
Vice President
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Sent via email: egermano@vff.org.au

Dear Emma Germano,

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 uncontested offices in matter E2019/158. 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, as soon as practicable after receiving the post-election report, 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 Victorian Farmers Federation 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.

Yours faithfully,

Christine Hibberd
Registered Organisations Commission

Victorian Farmers Federation Industrial Association

DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2019/158 Uncontested Offices

Casual Vacancy 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 Member (2)

Candidates

BOWMAN Alan

VAGG Sylvia

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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DECISION

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

Victorian Farmers Federation Industrial Association (E2019/158)

MR ENRIGHT

MELBOURNE, 13 SEPTEMBER 2019

Arrangement for conduct of election.

[1] On 13 August and 30 August 2019 the Victorian Farmers Federation Industrial Association lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission prescribed information for an election to fill the following offices, due to insufficient nominations received in a previous election (**E2019/11**):

Executive Committee Members (2)

[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 COMMISSIONER

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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, Robyn Gulline, being the President of the Victorian Farmers Federation Industrial Association (VFFIA) make the following statement:

1. I am authorised to sign this statement containing prescribed information for The Victorian Farmers Federation 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.
4. There are pending rule alterations on foot however, they will not affect the decision to arrange for the conduct of this election.
5. Insufficient nominations were received in an earlier election(s) and the declaration/s of results is/are attached.



Signed: President of VFFIA

Dated: 29 August 2019

NOTE: This statement should be lodged with the Registered Organisations Commission at least 2 months prior to nominations opening. It can be submitted to regorgs@roc.gov.au.

Annexure A

- Elections that are required

Name of Office	Number required	Voting System	Reason for Election	Electorate
Executive Committee of VFFIA	2	Direct Voting System	Insufficient nominations	<i>rule 28.1 (all members of VFFIA) and rule 28.15 (insufficiency of Nominations)</i>

- Important dates:

	Direct Voting System	Collegiate Electoral System
Nominations OPEN	To be determined by the returning officer	N/A
Nominations CLOSE	To be determined by the returning officer	N/A
Roll of Voters cut off date	To be determined by the returning officer	N/A

NOTES: 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'. This also applies where rules are silent as to the nominated dates.

If the nomination dates are 'To be Determined by the Returning Officer', but your organisation has a *preference*, please state 'To be Determined by Returning Officer' and clearly indicate that your nominated date is a preference.

If the P.I. includes a position that is not an office, please refer to our template [Prescribed information for the election of officer and non-officer positions](#).

Victorian Farmers Federation Industrial Association

DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2019/11 - 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:

President (1)

Candidates

GULLINE Robyn

Vice President (1)

Candidates

GERMANO Emma

Treasurer (1)

Candidates

JOCHINKE David

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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DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2019/11 - Stage 1 Uncontested Offices

Recall 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:

Victorian Farmers Federation Industrial Association Members

Executive Committee (5)

Candidates

GERMANO Emma

JOCHINKE David

PARKINSON Meg

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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DECLARATION OF RESULTS - E2019/11 - 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:

Executive Committee (6)

Candidate

GULLINE Robyn

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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