

CEPU – TASMANIAN BRANCH

DISCLOSURE UNDER THE CEPU RULES SECTION B RULES 23, 25 & 27

Reporting Period ending 31 December 2017

Disclosure by the Branch State Council of Payments (rule 27)

Section B Rule 27 of the CEPU rules requires that within 6 months of the end of the financial year, the Branch State Council disclose to the members of the branch, each payment made by the branch or the total of the payments made from the funds of the branch to a related party of the branch; or to a declared person or body of the branch.

Section 9B of the *Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009* defines “related parties” as officers and spouses of officers, and relatives of officers AND their spouses. Entities controlled by an organisation, unless they are a branch or division of the organisation or an association registered under State law, are related parties. Related parties include entities controlled by officers of the organisation or their relatives. A relative is defined to mean parent, step parent, child, step child, grandparent, grandchild, brother or sister of the person or their spouse.

A “declared person or body” is an officer who has disclosed a material personal interest pursuant to rule 24 and the interest relates to or is in the person or body. Material personal interest is not defined but the interest must be related to the affairs of the union.

The payments to be disclosed exclude remuneration or expense reimbursement related to the performance of the officer’s duties as an officer of the union.

For the reporting period 1 January 2017-31 December 2017 the Branch State Council had the following to disclose under rule 27 with respect to the disclosure of payments made from the funds of the branch to a related party of the union or a declared person or body of the branch that were not excluded under rule 27.2.2:

Leaselle Archer, the partner of Branch State Councillor, Steven Burns, was employed by the branch in the position of Branch Organiser. Her total remuneration for the relevant reporting period was \$105,380.05.

Disclosure of Officer’s Material Personal Interests (rule 25)

Rule 25 requires each officer of the branch to disclose any material personal interest that relates to the affairs of the branch, the officer has or acquires or a relative of the officer has or acquires as soon as practicable after the interest is acquired. Within 6 months of the end of the financial year, the Branch must disclose to the members any such interest so disclosed.

For the reporting period 1 January 2017-31 December 2017, the following disclosures we made:

- Disclosure on **15/06/2017** meeting Agenda item 2.1

It was noted that David Moore declared an MPI for items (b) and (c) in so far as his being an employee of the Union. The meeting determined that David would not participate in any discussion, debate or vote on those resolutions.

The items referenced were:

- b. Trainee Administration Officer
- c. Administration Staff EBA

- Disclosure on **15/12/2017** meeting **Agenda item 3.1.2 Branch Officials pay rates**

This determination is for the positions of State Organiser (elected or appointed) and Trainee Organiser only. It does not apply to the positions of State Secretary and Acting State Secretary nor to the Administration staff (Admin staff are covered by a separate Enterprise Agreement).

An MPI has been declared by:

- Michael Anderson: Branch Official
- Steven Burns: partner is a Branch Official
- Trevor Gauld: Branch Official

the meeting has determined that Michael and Trevor will remain and they can participate in any discussion or debate on the matter as any increase will not be applied to their positions but they will not vote on the matter and Steven can remain if he so wishes but will not speak to nor participate in any discussion, debate or vote on the matter.

No other officer disclosed any material personal interest during the reporting period.

Disclosure of Board Fees or Related Party Payments (rule 23)

Pursuant to rule 23, the Tasmanian Branch Secretary, Trevor Gauld, appointed to the Safety Rehabilitation and Compensation Council (SRCC) by the National Council, disclosed the following payment for the period:

1 January 2017 – 31 December 2017 superannuation payment of \$3,848.26 from the SRCC.

However, please note that superannuation paid by the Branch was reduced by an equivalent amount to offset the payments received by Mr Gauld from the SRCC.

No other divisional officer disclosed board payments or related party payments paid to them in connection with their performance of their duties as a divisional officer of the union.