



**QUEENSLAND FIRE AND RESCUE -
SENIOR OFFICERS UNION OF EMPLOYEES**

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Elections

As a result of the election process where nominations were called, most positions were filled through single applicants applying for positions. However, due to multiple applicants, three office positions in the SOU required a vote through a ballot conducted by the Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ). These positions are the State Vice President, State Treasurer and State Headquarters Branch Councillor.

The ECQ has contacted the SOU and advised and/or confirmed the following results:

State President:

J. Cawcutt

State Secretary:

A. Short

State Vice President:

K. Walsh

State Treasurer:

N. Reid

State Headquarters Branch Councillor:

R. Bott

Far Northern Region Branch Councillor:

A.Hogg

Northern Region Branch Councillor:

K. Beasley

Central Region Branch Councillor:

C. May

North Coast Region Branch Councillor:

P. Hollier

Brisbane Region Councillor:

No nomination - vacant

South Western Region Councillor:

No nomination - vacant

South Eastern Region Councillor:

P. Dawson

In accordance with the Rules of the SOU, all successful applicants will formally take up their positions from 1 February 2009. The SOU Executive urges all current office holders to provide a smooth transition to the incoming office holders.

Also, current office holders are urged, from time to time and as required by the new office holders, to provide background and historical information on topical issues.

A couple of office positions remain vacant and it is expected the new State Council will take steps to review the Branch structure and address these vacancies to ensure all office positions are filled as soon as possible.

Congratulations

The current SOU Executive would like to congratulate all applicants, not only those who were successful but all those who applied. It is this type of interest in office positions that will continue to make the SOU a larger, better and stronger industrial organisation.

As the outgoing State Secretary it was particularly pleasing to see office positions being contested and occupied by representatives of all three streams, being Urban, Rural and Scientific Operations. It is through this type of approach that decisions by the SOU will be holistic and inclusive of the industrial issues of all members. Well done.



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