

UNiTAB Agents Association, Union of Employers Queensland

Interim Certificate of Election

The Queensland Industrial Registrar issued a Decision, pursuant to the *Industrial Relations Act 2016*, on Wednesday, 16 March 2022 that the Electoral Commission of Queensland (ECQ) conduct an election for the UNiTAB Agents Association, Union of Employers Queensland for the following positions:

Office	No. of Positions
President.....	1
<i>Council Members</i>	
Brisbane North	2
Brisbane South	2
Gold Coast & Darling Downs.....	2
Sunshine Coast & Bundaberg	1
Central Queensland	1
North Queensland.....	1
<i>Management Committee</i>	
Vice President.....	1
Junior Vice President	1
Treasurer	1
Secretary	1

Table 1 – Positions of Office

A Notice of Election and Nomination Form detailing the election arrangements for the position of President was distributed to members on Wednesday, 20 April 2022. The timetable for the election was advertised as follows:

President

- Nominations open at midday on Wednesday, 20 April 2022;
- Nominations close at midday on Wednesday, 4 May 2022;
- Postal Ballot, if required, will open Wednesday, 18 May 2022;
- Ballot to close at 5pm on Wednesday, 1 June 2022.

Nominations

A nomination form was received by the following:

Office	No. of Positions	Nominees
President	1	HETHERINGTON, Debra Ann

Table 2 – Summary of Nomination

The ECQ accepted the nomination as inquiries with the Union's membership records revealed that the candidate is eligible for election to the position of office contested.

Ballot

The ECQ is not required to conduct a ballot.

The ECQ will now proceed to conduct the election for positions of Council Members.

Election of Council Members

- Nominations open at midday on Wednesday, 8 June 2022;
- Nominations close at midday on Wednesday, 22 June 2022;
- Postal Ballot, if required, will open Wednesday, 6 July 2022;
- Ballot to close at 5pm on Wednesday, 20 July 2022.

Nominations

A nomination form was received by the following:

Office	No. of Positions	Nominees
Council Member for:		
Brisbane North	2	<i>No nominations received</i>
Brisbane South	2	<i>No nominations received</i>
Gold Coast & Darling Downs	2	<i>No nominations received</i>

Office	No. of Positions	Nominees
Sunshine Coast & Bundaberg	1	BENNETT, Karen
Central Queensland	1	<i>No nominations received</i>
North Queensland	1	LEPIK, Joanne <i>Rejected</i>

Table 2 – Summary of Nomination

In accordance with Union Rule 33 (c) the ECQ rejected the nomination of Joanne Lepik as the nomination did not meet the required number of nominators.

Inquiries with the Union’s membership records revealed that the other candidate is eligible for election to the position of office contested.

Ballot

The ECQ is not required conduct a ballot.

The ECQ will now proceed to conduct the election for positions of the Management Committee.

Declaration

I, Elizabeth Bannell, an officer of the Electoral Commission of Queensland assigned to conduct an election by the Industrial Registrar in Decision RIO 2022/46 issued pursuant to the *Industrial Relations Act 2016*, declare that: -

DEBRA ANN HETHERINGTON is elected to the office of President

KAREN BENNETT is elected to the office of Council Member for the Sunshine & Bundaberg Regional Zone.

within the Unitab Agents Association, Union of Employers Queensland in accordance with the rules of the Industrial Organisation.

Elizabeth Bannell
Returning Officer
1 July 2022