



# Branch Council Meeting

8 December 2017 10:00am  
Club York, 95-99 York Street, Sydney

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The meeting opened at 4:07pm with Mark Sterrey in the Chair for the Branch Council Meeting, 8 December 2017.

## Attendees

Gillian Reilly  
Joan Catlin  
Sharalyn Haynes  
Sharon Carney  
Catherine Lloyd  
Bruce Rowling  
Peter Mitchell  
Leanne Burns  
Annette Jones  
Marianna Milosavljevic  
Genevieve Partridge  
Mark Sterrey

John Holgate  
Darriea Turley  
Sue Davis  
Shirley O'Riley  
Steven Fraser  
Lindy Twyford  
John Jetty Dore  
Bill Oddie  
Patricia Reid  
Gerard Hayes  
Andrew Lillicrap

## **1. DISCLAIMER:**

Moved Joan Catlin/Gillian Reilly that the identical matters included in the Branch Council meeting of the HSU NSW/ACT/QLD agenda 8 December 2017 have been dealt with previously by way of resolution or information purposes at the immediately preceding HSU NSW/ACT/QLD Union Council meeting, may not require further discussion after being moved, seconded and voted upon. Consistent with this, Branch meeting times run shorter than would be reflected in the Agenda.

## **2. Observers/Proxies/Apologies**

**Resolution:** BC 18/2017

**Moved:** Bruce Rowling/Alan Wilcock

"That the apologies Josephine Peacock, John Lawrence, Leigh Bush and Leanne Starr be accepted and observers David Perry, Robert Sheehy, Jodie Cowdrey, Ayshe Lewis, Adam Hall, Stuart Hatter, Ben Chapman, Janaki Puvanarajah and Linda Zutitis be accepted and admitted to the meeting."

**MOTION PUT AND CARRIED**

## **3. Conflict of Interest, Related Party Transaction Disclosers and other Disclosures**

No Conflicts or disclosures were made at the meeting.

## **4. Minutes of Previous Meeting/s:**

**Resolution:** BC 19/2017  
**Moved:** Lindy Twyford/Claire Charles  
"That the minutes of the HSU Branch Council meeting 29 August 2017 be accepted."  
**MOTION PUT AND CARRIED**

## **5. Minutes arising from the Minutes**

No matters arose from the minutes.

## **6. SECRETARIES REPORTS:**

Gerard Hayes, Secretary reported on the growth charts as attached with the union hitting the target membership figure of over the 35,000 mark.

- MOU Nurses and MOU with PSA in terms of disability in progress.
- Working with Children Checks, 1500 names with Stuart Hatter working on this project.
- Media, volume risen, high traffic with National press as well as Regional press.
- Upper House Enquiry into bullying.
- Lower House Enquiry regarding 'Safety in Hospitals.'
- ALP conference with the reaffiliation with the ALP.
- An EOI was circulated to the membership pertaining to the Women's Committee which will be actioned early 2018 via a forum where a decision can be made on the direction of the committee.
- Katherine Jackson report, all the items were struck out on the claim. The Brand and Union Committee endorsed the fee involved with this case however the case awarded against Katherine Jackson to which she is responsible for paying the legal fees.
- Membership data base system was discussed.
- State Election 2019.
- A \$25,000 return for a member by Industrial Officer Julie Gordon was won, well done to Julie Gordon.

**Resolution:** BC 20/2017  
**Moved:** Darriea Turley/John Holgate  
"That the HSU Branch Council accepts the Secretaries report."  
**MOTION PUT AND CARRIED**

## **7. ASSISTANT SECRETARY/TREASURER'S REPORT:**

**Resolution:** BC 21/2017  
**Moved:** Genevieve Partridge/Sharon Carney  
"That the HSU Branch Council accepts the Assistant Secretary's/Treasurers report."  
**MOTION PUT AND CARRIED**

## **8. FINANCE REPORT:**

### **8.1 Finance Reports ending 31 October 2017**

Andrew Lillicrap, Treasurer/Assistant Secretary reported on the search continuing for a new property for HSU. We have an agent knocking on doors of what appear to be suitable buildings. The agent is looking for properties on the market, but also tracking down owners to ask if they are interested in selling. The price range seems to be about \$6,500/m to buy, which translates to \$13m for the sized property we are searching for. In addition, there would be further fit out costs. To enable the purchase, it would involve a combination of using existing savings, further borrowings, and maybe some sale of outlying HSU properties (such as the Parramatta office). I have approached the CBA to gain an assessment of our borrowing capacity and what price range we need to aim for. Renovations on Level 9, 109 Pitt St have been completed with one suite now leased.

Insurance costs have gone up recently with Journey Insurance premiums rising by \$132,000, Professional Indemnity rising by \$15,000 and bereavement Insurance rising by \$10,000. The significant rise in Journey Insurance is due to a number of claims including two claims where the maximum payout was made (i.e. \$100,000 each). The insurer is recovering these costs. Notwithstanding this, the Journey Insurance is still very popular amongst members providing that protection for members travelling to or from work. It is also a significant recruitment tool and continues to bring in far more new members than it costs."

**Resolution:** BC 22/2017

**Moved:** Leanne Burns/John Jetty Dore

"The HSU Branch Council accepts the monthly financial reports, Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Statement for the period ending 31 October 2017."

**MOTION PUT AND CARRIED**

## **8.2 Audited Financial Statements 2016/2017**

**Resolution:** BC 23/2017

**Moved:** Genevieve Partridge/Lindy Twyford

"HSU New South Wales Branch Council notes that the Audited Financial Statements were received by Branch Council at the meeting of 22 August 2017.

Further, that the audited financial report has been made available to HSU members on the HSU website since 11 September 2017.

HSU New South Wales Branch Council therefore authorises the Assistant Secretary/Treasurer to sign the Designated Officers Certificate for the period ended 30 June 2017 before being filed with the Fair Work Commission in line with reporting requirements."

**MOTION PUT AND CARRIED**

## **9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

There being no further business, the meeting closed 4:18pm.



**Chairperson**

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## Resolutions List and Attachments

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| BC 18/2017 | The apologies and observers be admitted to the meeting   |
| BC 19/2017 | That the minutes of the HSU Branch Council meeting 29 August 2017 be accepted.   |
| BC 20/2017 | Branch Council accepts the Secretary's report.   |
| BC 21/2017 | Branch Council accepts the Assistant Secretary's/Treasurer's report.   |
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