

3 January 2020

Post-election report

The Master Builders' Association of New
South Wales
Scheduled Election
E2019/80

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Organisation: The Master Builders' Association of New South Wales
Election: Scheduled Election
Election Decision No/s: E2019/80

Rules

Rules used for the election: [070N: Incorporates alterations of 24 June 2019 R2019/28]
Replaces rulebook dated 13/01/2014 [R2013/96]

Rules difficult to apply/interpret: Nil

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

Total number of voters on the Roll: Stage 1 – Office Bearers 31
Stage 2 – Group Councillors: 1976

Number of apparent workplace addresses: Stage 1 – Office Bearers: 16
Stage 2 – Group Councillors: 719

Number of non-current addresses: Nil

Other matters pertaining to the roll of voters: Nil

Irregularities

Details of written allegations of irregularities, and action taken by AEC: Nil

Other irregularities identified, and action taken: Nil

Other Matters

Returning Officer actions required (Section 193): Yes

Details:

Rule 14.11 The Returning Officer shall, within fourteen days after the closing date for nominations, forward by prepaid post to every member entitled to vote at the election, a ballot paper. This is not sufficient time taking into account withdrawal of nominations, rectifying defects, preparation of ballot papers and biographies and postage times. Therefore, direction was given by the Returning Officer that the period between close of nominations and posting ballot material was to be 21 days.

Rule 14.7.1 states "A person nominating for any office may withdraw the nomination in writing to the Returning Officer by the close of the nomination period."

and

Rule 14.7.2 stating "Notification of withdrawal: A member nominating for any office may withdraw the nomination by notice in writing to the Returning Officer up to, but not later than 7 days after the close of nominations."

As these rules contradict each other the Returning Officer directed that Rule 14.7.2 would apply and 7 days was given after the close of nominations for the withdrawal of nominations.

Signed



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Attachments

Declaration of results for Contested and Uncontested Offices – Stage 1: Office Bearers

Declaration of Results for Uncontested Offices – Stage 2: Group Councillors

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Declaration of Results for Uncontested Offices – Recall: Group Councillors