



# 2019 SGM

After AGM, Monday 28 October 2019  
Trades Hall Auditorium  
377 Sussex Street, Sydney

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## Meeting Open

## State Secretary's Report

- Award Discussion

## Notices of Motion

### Medical First Responder

Moved: Com. Sciannimanica

Seconded: Com. Wassell

That this meeting notes the Department's continued push to broaden the medical role for firefighters in the following ways but not limited to:

1. Releasing a document titled "Medical Response Capability Statement 2019" which states that it will pursue a Medical First Response model despite the Union not agreeing to the release of this document; and
2. That the Commissioner and then Minister for Emergency Services Troy Grant agreed that they would not pursue medical type capabilities without coming to the union first; and
3. An IRC ruling and agreement that we withdraw our last Medical First Responder (MFR) motion from the agenda of the 2018 AGM specifically point 4 of that ruling "the Union will be notified and consulted before the Government makes any move to introduce an MFR or Early Access Defibrillator (EAD) program in NSW"; and
4. That the Union's position since 2012 on Medical First Response is well known by the Department and yet they have failed to discuss or address that position; and

therefore this meeting resolves the following:

1. If the department pursues an Early Access Defibrillator /Medical First Responder/Medical capability and responds permanent trucks to these incidents without having come to the Union for consultation, all permanent members will be instructed to cease all non life threatening lifts for the Ambulance Service with the option to escalate these bans to other areas of the Medical Response Capability Statement 2019 including but not limited to non life threatening concern for welfare calls; and
2. While the position of the membership on MFR was established in 2012 and again in 2015, the State Committee of Management is to have discussions with the membership about the appropriateness of firefighters performing additional emergency service work and under what circumstances, if any, this work may be done;
3. And that this motion compliments rather than replaces the 2012/2015 position on MFR.

State Committee Recommendation: SUPPORT



# 2019 SGM

Motions from the Illawarra and Sydney North Sub-branch pursuant to rule 4 (a i)

Possession of credit card in contravention of policy

Moved: Com. Haas

Seconded: Com. Farmer

That this meeting:

- a) alleges that State Secretary Leighton Drury kept the Union's credit card in his possession for extended periods of time in breach of Rule 19 and a State Committee decision of 25 February 2016 that "the Union's Senior Administrative Officer shall remain the custodian of the card and keep it securely in the Union office".
- b) relies upon:
  - I. the internal memorandum headed "Misuse of Union credit card and misappropriation of Union funds" dated 29 April 2019;
  - II. the minutes of the State Committee of Management meeting held on 25 February 2016; and
  - III. the agenda/minutes of the May 2019 State Committee of Management meeting;as the evidence on which the allegation is based.
- c) directs the President to sign and issue a summons for this allegation in accordance with the procedure laid out in Rule 34.

State Committee Recommendation: SUPPORT

Misuse of credit card and misappropriation of Union funds

Moved: Com. Haas

Seconded: Com. Farmer

That this meeting:

- a) alleges that State Secretary Leighton Drury misappropriated Union funds through his repeated misuse of the Union's credit card over an extended period of time in breach of Rule 19 and the Union's Finance Policy which expressly prohibited the use of the Union's credit card for personal use, even if the cardholder intended to reimburse the Union.
- b) relies upon:
  - i) the internal memorandum headed "Misuse of Union credit card and misappropriation of Union funds" dated 29 April 2019;
  - ii) the agenda/minutes of the May 2019 State Committee of Management meeting; and
  - iii) the Union's credit card statements and records;as the evidence on which the allegation is based.
- c) directs the President to sign and issue a summons for this allegation in accordance with the procedure laid out in Rule 34.

State Committee Recommendation: SUPPORT



# 2019 SGM

Failure to carry out a decision of the State Committee of Management

Moved: Com. Haas

Seconded: Com. Farmer

That this meeting:

- a) alleges that State Secretary Leighton Drury failed to carry out an October 2018 decision of the State Committee of Management in breach of Rule 19, causing the Union to suffer significant financial losses.
- b) relies upon:
  - i) the internal memorandum headed “Failure to implement State Committee direction on the investment of Union funds” dated 17 April 2019;
  - ii) the Union’s financial statements and records; and
  - iii) the investment information available on [vanguardinvestments.com.au](http://vanguardinvestments.com.au) as the evidence on which the allegation is based;
- c) directs the President to sign and issue a summons for this allegation in accordance with the procedure laid out in Rule 34.

State Committee Recommendation: SUPPORT

Meeting close

**Leighton Drury**  
State Secretary