

BRANCH REPORTS TO STATE COUNCIL - May

ACACIA

- Industrial Agreement negotiations ongoing, although in-principle agreement has been reached. Delays seem to sit with Serco corporate rather than with Acacia management.
- Rate of pay for casuals likely to be the next issue the union will seek to resolve.
- Discussion regarding potential impacts of recent Federal Court decisions relating to personal leave and annual leave for casuals.
- Discussion regarding changes to the processing of prisoner mail.
- Discussion regarding safety concerns regarding escape routes for staff.

ACADEMY

- Discussion regarding quality of PPE. Likely to be dealt with through OHS.
- The Academy's plan for 2021 has been released.
- Concerns were raised regarding quality and integrity of the requalification of trainee prison officers, who have previously failed requalification attempts, being signed off by public servants.

ALBANY

- No delegate present.

BANDYUP

- No delegate present.

BORONIA

- No delegate present.

BROOME

- No delegate present.

BUNBURY

- Discussions on Standing Order E6 taking place at LCC.
- Temperature testing taking place at gate.
- Superintendent proposing a change to a "team-based" roster.
- Discussion regarding the utilisation of recovery teams to do escorts.
- Discussion regarding the request to upgrade the unit 3 control room.
- Noted that ongoing disputes appear to be stalled.
- Discussion regarding the issue of officers issuing medication.
- It was noted that cell call systems in unit 6 failed again following recent rains.

CASUARINA

- Delegates thanked Andy Smith and Ken Brown for their attendance and involvement at the recent glass testing in the new units.
- Discussion regarding reduction in positive drug tests for prisoners.
- Noted that ongoing disputes appear to be stalled.
- Noted that there is limited or no consultation occurring regarding changes in the workplace.
- Uwe Thiel announced as new delegate following recent election.

DDU

- No delegate present.

EASTERN GOLDFIELDS

- No delegate present.

GREENOUGH

- No delegate present.

HAKEA

- Discussion regarding case of member currently attracting extensive media coverage.
- Meal Matrix dispute ongoing with Department proposing a new trail and not allowing transferred officers to acquit TOIL.
- Discussion regarding “close contact” in the context of COVID-19.
- Temperature Testing process still in dispute.
- Muster management situation has improved.
- Staffing levels reasonably good.
- Vote for vacant delegates positions coming up.
- Increase in local HR questioning evidence provided by officers for personal leave.
- Two recent assaults on staff.
- A recent assault of an officer by a prisoner resulted in no punishment of prisoner.
- New roster has been approved.
- Riot gear is being upgraded.
- Skype visits are running well with the cap likely to be increased to 20 at a time.
- No contact social visits has led to a reduction of drugs in the prison.

KARNET

- No delegate present.

MELALEUCA

- No delegate present.

PARDELUP

- No delegate present.

ROEBOURNE

- No delegate present.

SOG

- Individual disputes regarding transfers out of SOG have been resolved in favour of those officers.
- Disputes regarding unpaid overtime are ongoing, although stalled.

WANDOO

- No delegate present.

WKRP

- No delegate present.

WOOROLOO

- Discussion around Superintendent looking to change SO Security from general to specific.

WORK CAMPS

- Epaulets approved and now being worn.