

PSA AND SPSF (SA BRANCH) JULY 2008 COUNCIL MEETING

The PSA and SPSF (SA Branch) Councils met on Monday 21 July. Major items discussed included:

GENERAL SECRETARY'S REPORT

The General Secretary provided a detailed report on a variety of matters including members concerns over the proposed shift of prisons and the James Nash House facility to Mobilong, the lack of progress on a new Education Enterprise Agreement and the renewal of a demarcation agreement with the Police Association of South Australia.

INDUSTRIAL REPORTS

Councillors provided reports on agency-specific issues affecting members in various agencies including Country Health and major hospitals, Housing and Families within Families and Communities, DECS, the State Library, SafeWork SA, DTEI and the Universities.

PUBLIC SECTOR BILL

The Chief Industrial Officer provided a detailed report on the Public Sector Bill 2008 including that no response has yet been received from Government to concerns identified by the PSA. Council then passed the following resolution:

That Council affirms that negotiations with Government and other political parties and Independents regarding the Public Sector Bill 2008 be on the basis of maintaining Job Security, No loss of current entitlements, Independent Appeals processes and with a Public Sector wide approach to issues rather than power directly to Chief Executives.

It is not known when Government will introduce the legislation to Parliament.