
Teachers & Educators Collective Bargaining Update #5

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The following matters were discussed at yesterday's Collective Bargaining meeting:

- *Job descriptions for the new Specialist Teacher Designations* (See page 3 of the OCPE's May offer, available on the AEU-NT website www.aeunt.org.au)
- *Executive Contract Principals* – the response to the AEU-NT's claim for job security for employees taking up executive contracts has been positive. There will be agreed arrangements where principals who no longer wish to continue as executive contract principals will be able to revert back to their original permanent level.
- *Highly Accomplished/Leading Teacher* – the new scheme has been tabled. It will be posted on the AEU-NT website early next week for member feedback.
- *Extended Leave Scheme for Remote schools* – this proposal has been modified from the May offer. The scheme will be trialled in a couple remote schools and will be voluntary. Instead of an allowance, time-in-lieu arrangements will be put in place, so teachers will not lose leave.
- *Remote schools staffed on ESL formula (i.e. 1:10)* – DET have provided evidence that most remote schools are currently staffed at or beneath this level, so it's unlikely the Union will pursue this claim.
- *Emergency Leave* – the Union's proposal to increase this provision has been rejected thus far.

Other matters still being debated include remote housing, school support staff, special education support officers, and the statement defining teacher workloads.

The Union's current position on all other matters is as described in our letter of response to the OCPE and the Bargaining Proposal document, both available on the AEU-NT website.

The next Collective Bargaining is scheduled for August 31.

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