



## NATIONAL OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** Thursday 27 April 2017

**TO:** ALL BRANCH SECRETARIES & NMC

**FROM:** Acting National Returning Officer

**SUBJECT:** NATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE –  
NOMINATIONS CALL - RESULT

The General Secretary has been appointed by the NMC as Acting National Returning Officer for the NMC Ballot process as conference appointed National Returning Officer, Howard Phillips, holds a contested position in this election cycle.

At the close of nominations (Monday 24 April 2017 at 1700hrs) there were three NMC positions that received only one nomination and therefore those three nominees are declared elected unopposed.

**Congratulations to:**

1. Auckland Rail Rep – **William “Bill” Sweeney**
2. North Island Port Rep - **David “Dave” Marden**
3. Women’s Rep - **Ruth Blakeley**.

**More than one nomination was received for the positions of:**

**North Island Rail Rep** – John Keenan, Tim Kerwin and Les Perrin.

**Wellington Rail Rep** – Howard Phillips and Telai Sefesi.

**South Island Rail Rep** – Doug Blakie and Mike Williams.

**South Island Port Rep** – Brian Byas and Andy Kelly.

A postal ballot of members within the voting constituency for each representative position will be conducted. The Preferential Voting System is used by the Union in any ballot with more than two (2) candidates. This will be the voting method for the North Island Rail position as there are three nominees for this position. The other positions will be voting “first past the post” ballot.

It is anticipated that Postal Ballots will be issued from the National Office to the home address of those financial members in the North Island Rail, Wellington Rail, South Island Rail and South Island Port regions eligible to vote on or before 5 May 2017 and must be received in the envelope provided at National Office no later **than 1700hrs on Friday 2 June 2017.**

If you have not updated your address to the RMTU National Office since changing your place of residence then please update your details on the Union website or email to [admin@rmtunion.org.nz](mailto:admin@rmtunion.org.nz) or fax to 04 4710896 or call 04-4992066 to talk to a member of staff to ensure you receive your voting paper.

Congratulations to Bill, Dave and Ruth on your successful re-election and good luck in the ballot process to all the aspiring nominees.

Signed:

**WAYNE BUTSON**  
**ACTING NATIONAL RETURNING OFFICER**