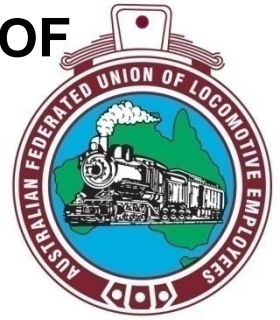


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AFULE vs. BMA - Today at The Fair Work Commission

Dear Traincrew,

Today the combined unions met before Commissioner Spencer at the Fair Work Commission in Brisbane on your behalf in an attempt to put back on track your Enterprise Agreement bargaining.

The AFULE and RTBU have been constantly attempting to get the company to the table and to negotiate some real condition improvements for our membership.

Today BMA senior management were instructed to organise two further meetings, one at the end of May and one at the beginning of June to recommence bargaining and hopefully strike a deal that will have the support of the workforce.

We are then to report back to the Commission on what progress has been made. If sufficient progress is not achieved and the company continues with the "book of no's", Commissioner Spencer will inject herself into the negotiations via the request of the AFULE.

This has been a long process for our membership, it is hoped that this push from the FWC today is enough for BMA to get serious and strike a deal that works for the business and the workforce.

I will endeavour to keep you updated as information comes to hand.

Please contact us either by email at statesecretary@afule.org.au or telephone on **3844 9163** if you have any queries.

Yours fraternally

Greg Smith
State Secretary

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