

SACS MASS MEMBERS MEETINGS UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSE ESCALATING THE CAMPAIGN...

The round of Mass Member Meetings in Victoria concluded today. At these meetings, members received a full report on:

- The potential opportunities for the ASU to run an Equal Pay case, with the objective of achieving significant **wage increases for SACS workers**, as they did in Queensland (between 18 and 37%!)and;
- A progress report on the implementation of a **Portable Long Service Leave Scheme**, and a recent campaign of delay being waged by peak organisations, primarily due to employer concerns around cost and lack of consultation in implementing the scheme.

The ultimate position at the end of each of these meetings agreed that adequate government funding was at the heart of resolving these two issues, and that further pressure needed to be exerted to reach a satisfactory resolution.

As such, every meeting unanimously endorsed the following motion:

"This ASU meeting of members resolves to continue to do whatever it takes, to achieve our campaign objectives.

We call on the Victorian Government to:

- *Fund equal pay for Victorian SACS workers now and;*
- *Deliver on their PLSL commitment without any delay*

Between now and December ASU members will pressure the Government to deliver on these objectives by:

- ***Holding a large rally November 10, on the steps of Parliament House***
- ***Conduct a mass email campaign to support PLSL***
- *Encourage supportive employers to tell the Government that they support a PLSL Scheme now!*

Further, ASU members call on the union to continue to lobby employers, peaks and state and commonwealth governments to achieve these outcomes."

A full report on these meetings will be included in the September edition of U-Mag, which is due in all members' letterboxes in the next week. In the interim, if you require more detail, please contact your ASU delegate or organiser.

**All members will receive full details on arrangements for the rally on
November 10th, but mark the date in your diary today!**

Together we are stronger!

