

Union demands PCards be made optional

Over recent months, a number of Educational Admin Support (EAS) officers across various campuses have been issued with Purchasing Cards (PCards) to carrying out purchasing activities for their units.

The CPSU NSW/PSA takes issues with any EAS officer being asked to make purchases for their respective units.

Purchasing is not a duty covered in the PD for an EAS – and therefore it is not requirement for any EAS to undertake the purchasing of any goods or services on behalf of TAFE.

Our understanding is all purchasing tasks would ordinarily be done by the section Stores Officer or Ops Manager.

It is unacceptable for EAS officers to be required to take on this extra workload.

We do acknowledge however that some EASs may find PCards useful and a more efficient method in their day-to-day use than the SAP system. Therefore, a solution could be that it should offered by Head Teachers as a choice to individual EAS staff members.

Your union will be making written representations to TAFE Management outlining our position and seeking a response and ultimately a direction to make PCards optional for EAS staff.

