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Minister Tracy Davis Called On Urgently To Resolve Issues at the RCAMB

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The Services Union attended a Conciliation Conference at the Fair Work Commission ending late yesterday in relation to the dispute lodged against the Regional Community Association Moreton Bay (RCAMB) Board for unpaid wages for its workers.

The Conciliation before Commissioner Booth was attended also by Acting President of the RCAMB Board, Mr Brian Roselt.

Unfortunately the Conciliation failed to resolve the issues around workers being unwaged for approximately four weeks, as well as other issues, and a further Conference has been set down for Friday, 12 April 2013 at 10am.

All relevant bodies have been invited.

Assistant Secretary of The Services Union Jennifer Thomas said the union had been informed by Mr Roselt that the Queensland Department of Health and the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs has failed to release essential funding.

"Consequently the organisation, which delivers essential services to the most vulnerable people in the Moreton Bay community, cannot pay its staff," Ms Thomas said.

"The Services Union throughout this entire process has tried to contact Minister Tracy Davis to intervene and resolve this issue."

"However, our efforts have been in total vain."

"Many of the RCAMB workers are still working with their clients because they are doing everything in their power to ensure their clients get the support they need; they deserve to be paid!"

"The Services Union urgently calls on Minister Davis or an appropriate representative to attend Friday's Conference."

"In the meantime, The Services Union is offering assistance to members at the RCAMB," Ms Thomas said.

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