



Seen around the SSTUWA



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November State Council Conference was held again at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre last month.

State Council is the highest decision making body for the SSTUWA and more than 125 delegates met for two days to discuss union activities and direction.

Delegates also heard from keynote speaker UnionsWA Secretary Rikki Hendon, and life membership of the SSTUWA was conferred onto former union president Anne Gisborne (read more about this [here](#)).

During State Council Conference, Palmyra Primary School was named as this year's winner of the SSTUWA Reconciliation in Action Award.

Sundarii Barnao, from Aveley North Primary School, was the recipient of the Joy Barrett Work Health and Safety (WHS) Award, named in honour of the union's legendary WHS organiser for more than three decades.

The award acknowledges the exceptional work carried out by a WHS/health and safety representative on matters regarding health and safety at their workplace. Congratulations to the award recipients.

To read more about November State Council Conference go to page 6 of this issue of Western Teacher.

Many thanks to all those delegates who committed their time towards another successful State Council Conference.

The SSTUWA would also like to thank all of its members for their commitment and contributions to public education and the union movement this year and wishes them a safe and relaxing holiday break.



Edd Black speaks in support of Anne Gisborne's life membership conferral.



Paul Reynolds, Craig Bourne and James Keillor.



Stephanie Hughes, Peter O'Neill and Marie Klein.

Bruce Banyard and Ed Harken.





Mike Keely, Anne Gisborne, Pat Byrne and Matt Jarman.



Tom James, Heather Riseberry and John Elliman.



Chris Buck, Damien Jameson and Trisha Chapman.



Ngaire Lowry and Kai Griffiths.



Sharmila Nagar, Yolande Stewart, Sundarii Barnao and Antony Pearson.

