A Second Employee Director of Public Television Service is selected through the Parliamentary Selective Committee in Taiwan

A seven-year after UNI Global Union issued the first statement support for the good governance seeking by Taiwan Public Television Service Enterprise Union (TPTSEU), today its candidate for Employee Director again is recognized through the Parliament Selective Committee to begin the second-term of it started from 2019.

13 out of 15 ballots voted by members of Selective Committee, Mr. Owen Wang, a senior Lighting Technician and also the Executive Member of Enterprise Union, is receiving the Employee Directorship to be effective from 2019 to 2022. With the pre-election run by the TPTSEU in June, Mr. Wang is chosen by an open, transparency, and democratic debate before the general election (must have a voting participated over 50% of its member) is held for. Based on the good will dealt between Ministry of Culture and TPTSEU, one seat of total 17 members is reserved for Union nomination. However, this seat is not possible to function before receiving the approval of three-fourths of the committee members will be referred to the Premier for appointment.

This committee is appointed by political party to compose 11 to 13 impartial members of the society to form the Public Television Director and Supervisor Review Committee in Parliament. All members are recommended proportionally followed the same percentage of the seats hold by different political parties. Today’s committee meeting (on Sept. 9) is scheduled for selecting the 7th-term of Board Director of Public Television Service. The process of review and vote is broadcast online in real time for guaranteeing a fair game.

This long-term goal of public broadcasting union is confirmed twice by multilateral committee since the good will is reached between government and union in 2007. Moreover, this pre-arrangement set for employee directorship is implemented into the other three public media unions, CTS, Central News Agency and Taiwan Radio International, before the draft act of Public Media is enacted in 2020. Finally, this move is affirmed worker’s right in join-governing its media performance and make the review transparency by democratically enquiring its accountability.