



Nominating Committee Report in Brief

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At the 72nd Annual Assembly of WUSC scheduled in Ottawa on Saturday January 26, 2019, there will be an election for the following positions on the Board of Directors:

- 5 (five) Members-at-large
- Regional Member, Atlantic
- Regional Member, Quebec
- Regional Member, Ontario
- Regional Member, Alberta/British Columbia/Yukon/Northwest Territories

Further to the Notice of Meeting and Call for Nominations to the WUSC Board of Directors that were posted on the WUSC website in November 2018, and announced in a regular WUSC newsletter to all members, the Nominating Committee has received nominations for some upcoming vacancies on the board. The deadline to submit nominations was December 21, 2018.

The Committee has received two (2) nominations for renewal of members-at-large; three (3) new nominations for members-at-large; one (1) nomination for the Regional Member, Atlantic; two (2) nominations for the Regional Member, Quebec; four (4) nominations for the Regional Member, Ontario; one (1) nomination for renewal for the Regional Member, Alberta/ British Columbia/ Yukon/ Northwest Territories.

According to election procedures, when only one nomination is received for a position, and the Nominating Committee approves that nomination, that individual is acclaimed to the position. If there is more than one candidate for a vacant position, an election is held by secret ballot.

As such, the Nominating Committee is pleased to advise all members that the following individuals have been acclaimed to the Board:

- 5 (five) Members-at-large: Dr. David Turpin, Stephen Wallace, Janice Horne, Dr. David T. Barnard, Magda Fusaro
- Regional Member, Atlantic: Mary Pam Vincer
- Regional Member, Alberta/ British Columbia/ Yukon/ Northwest Territories: Waqas Yousafzai

For the positions of Regional Member, Quebec, and Regional Member, Ontario, an election by secret ballot will be held as per the elections procedures.

A biographical sketch of all nominees will be shared with voting delegates and available at the Annual Assembly.

Additionally, nominations will be taken from the floor at the Annual Assembly for election of a member to join the Nominating Committee for 2018-2019.

Information about the Annual Assembly and elections is available on the WUSC website

<https://wusc.ca/about/>

Election Procedures

A member of the board not standing for election will act as Speaker for the nominating committee and will preside over the elections to the board at the annual assembly. The Speaker will begin the process by delivering the nominating committee's annual report.

If there is only one nominated candidate for each vacant position, s/he will be acclaimed.

If there are more candidates than vacant positions, the Speaker will invite each candidate to speak briefly, or ask a WUSC member to speak on behalf of a candidate who is not present at the annual assembly. An election by secret ballot will then be held for the contested positions. The candidate(s) with the most votes is elected to the board of directors.

Eligibility to vote at the Annual Assembly and Elections

The following are eligible to participate and vote in any annual or special general assemblies:

- One delegate appointed by each institutional member
- One delegate appointed by each local committee
- All general members
- Any member of the Board of Directors who is not otherwise a delegate

All delegates, general members and board directors must be in good standing to be eligible to vote.

Eligibility to Stand for Election

Eligible candidates must be at least 18 years old and not currently employed or retained by WUSC as a staff member, consultant, contractor, advisor, attorney, agent or representative. Additionally, the following categories of people can be nominated to the board:

- Any delegate to the annual assembly
- Any representative of an institutional member
- Any representative of a local committee
- Any current member of the board of directors
- Any general member
- Any other person who declares that she or he will adhere to the mission and values of the organization

Nominees for regional board positions must be residents of the region, or currently enrolled in or employed by a post-secondary education institution in the region, for which they stand for election – at the time of the election to the board.

Any person who is elected to the board who is not already a member of WUSC will, upon election, become a member of WUSC for the duration of her or his board tenure.

Nominating Procedures

Each valid nomination requires the following:

- a nominator and seconder, who must themselves be eligible for nomination,
- evidence satisfactory to the nominating committee that the person nominated would be prepared to serve if elected,
- a completed nomination form, and
- a current CV.