NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Terms of Reference 2019-20

The Nominations Committee is a committee of the Court of Governors.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Court on the appointment of new members, the terms of existing members as well as the perceived skills balance required on the Court and its committees. The Committee also makes nominations for other relevant roles and awards.

Specifically, the Committee will:

1. Review regularly the membership of the Court;
2. Recommend procedures for seeking nomination or re-nomination of independent or co-opted independent members of the Court of Governors;
3. Consider nominations and recommend appointment of new governors, having regard to the balance of membership on the governing body, the needs of the institution and representation from the local community;
4. Ensure that governors are skilled and that they develop and maintain their skills, and their knowledge of the role of governors and of the ethics of the University;
5. Consider and make recommendations on the re-appointment of governors at the conclusion of their specified periods of office, having regard to the balance of membership on the governing body and the needs of the institution;
6. Consider and make recommendations on plans for succession and appointment of the Chair and Deputy Chairs of the Court;
7. Review the composition and membership of the Committees of Court;
8. Consider and make recommendations on plans for succession and appointment of the Vice-Chancellor and President and other 'holders of senior posts' as designated in the Memorandum and Articles and as determined by resolution of the Court;
9. Recommend procedures for seeking nominations, and to consider and recommend appointment of the Chancellor of the University, and to maintain and review annually a list of potential future candidates;
10. Recommend procedures for seeking nominations of individuals for the award of Honorary Degrees or Honorary Fellowships of the University of Westminster;
11. Consider nominations and make recommendations to the Court of Governors for the conferment of Honorary awards; and
12. Report and make recommendations on the above to the Court of Governors for approval.

Membership

Ex-officio (2)
Chair of Court (Chair)
Vice-Chancellor and President
Nominees (4)

Three other independent governors
One academic staff governor

Secretariat

Clerk to the Court (or nominee)

Quorum

A quorum of the Committee shall comprise two independent governors.

Meetings

The Committee usually meets three times a year. The work of the Committee may be conducted at additional meetings called by the Chair, outside of meetings by means of electronic communication at the request of the Chair, or by Chair’s action.