

FIFTEENTH ASSEMBLY - NOMINATION FORM

This form is to be used for nominations for the **ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE**. Before proposing a person or accepting nomination please read the information on the next pages.

Name of nominee:

Postal Address:

Email Address:

Mobile Phone:

Synod:

Ordained / Lay: (delete one)

Male / female: (delete one)

Under 25: Yes / No (delete one)

Profile of nominee [In no more than 200 words provide the nominee's personal and church experience relevant to the position as well as their qualifications. Specific comment should be made on the contribution that the nominee can make to the life and work of the Assembly Standing Committee. Dot points are an acceptable form for presenting material. Please provide a photo.]

Skills and Expertise (Please tick the relevant boxes)

Expertise in Church matters

- Understanding of the context of the church today (e.g. the church's cultural, linguistic and theological diversity)
- Understanding and experience of the polity of the UCA
- Understanding and experience in thinking missionally
- Understanding and experience in thinking / reflecting theologically
- Able to hold together a holistic understanding of the nature of God's mission

Expertise in business

- Corporate Governance
- Strategic Planning
- Finance, Accounting, Investment
- Risk Management
- Legal Compliance
- Communication
- Understanding of the difference between Governance and Management

If you are an experienced ASC member are you willing to be buddied up to a new member? Yes / No
If you are a new ASC member would you like to be buddied up to an experienced member? Yes / No

Consent of nominee – signature:

Nominators:	Name:	Signature:
	Name:	Signature:

Notes:

1. Nominators must obtain the consent of nominees.
2. Nomination forms are to be lodged with the General Secretary (Colleen Geyer, colleeng@nat.uca.org.au) or the Returning Officer or placed in the nominations box at the Assembly.
3. Nominations close at 9am on Tuesday, 10 July 2018.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PERSONS CONSIDERING NOMINATION FOR THE ASC

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE (ASC)

- Regulation 3.7.5.1(l) The Standing Committee shall:
- (i) transact such business as may be referred to it by the Assembly and such other business as may be required or be desirable to be done on behalf of the Assembly between meetings of the Assembly, except such as may be precluded by the Assembly;
 - (ii) in order to assist the Assembly in its discernment, at least ten months prior to an Assembly meeting, advise the Church on the challenges and issues which may be faced by the President and the Assembly in the seven subsequent years;
 - (iii) offer guidance to the President on priorities to be pursued, and the way in which the responsibilities named in Regulation 3.6.4.2 may be exercised, taking into account the particular gifts and graces of the President;
 - (iv) report its decisions to Synods, Presbyteries and the next meeting of the Assembly.

The majority of the work of the ASC involves oversight of Assembly Agencies; responding to changing legislative environments; identifying and responding to developing issues in the life of the church; developing regulations and policies for the church; and exercising governance responsibilities in relation to finance, risk and senior staff appointments. Alongside this sits the role of fulfilling the Constitutional responsibilities of the Assembly between meetings of the Assembly; encouraging and fostering the life and character of the church through giving attention to the Covenant with the UAICC; attending to issues of importance to the Church's culturally and linguistically diverse communities; and attending to the UCA's ecumenical relationships. Dealing with referrals from the Assembly is only a small part of the role.

In order to grasp the significance, breadth and demanding range of tasks that fall to the ASC see report B4.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS OF THE ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE

- Attend all three meetings a year of the ASC in Sydney, from Friday evening until 4.00pm Sunday.
- Be willing to participate as a member of a number of task groups during the triennium.
- Engage with the business in a well prepared manner.
- Be prayerful and participate with a desire to discern the will of Christ for his church.
- Participate in ways that are collaborative, collegial and respectful of others.
- To be a member of the Assembly corporate vehicle- UCA Assembly Ltd

WHAT TO EXPECT AS A MEMBER OF THE ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE

- Dinner with the members of the new ASC at the Assembly on Friday evening July 13th as part of your induction.
- Receive an induction pack with key documents and other information while at the Assembly.
- A skills matrix for you to identify specific skills you bring to the ASC.
- A mentor/guide from an experienced ASC member; if you want one. Or the chance to mentor.
- Lots of stimulating, wide ranging, stretching and at times demanding work.
- A chance to lead, grow and offer your gifts in the service of the church.
- Meetings in Sydney from August 24 – 26 and November 9 - 11. **Keep these dates free now.**

SKILLS SOUGHT FROM ACROSS THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASC

No one member of the Standing Committee is expected to have capacities in all the areas of skill and character that are identified in the following lists. However across all the membership these are the attributes and skills that will best enable the ASC to fulfil its diverse and demanding role.

Members of Assembly voting for members of the Assembly are encouraged to have these things in mind when they exercise their role in establishing the next Assembly Standing Committee.

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Personal qualities

- Willing to do significant work
- Ability to receive and assimilate information quickly
- Flexible & adaptable
- Sound / balanced judgment
- Comfortable with change (some would express this as say 'comfortable with ambiguity')
- Willingness / capacity to ask discerning questions – articulate
- Discernment

COMPLETING THE ASC NOMINATION FORM

- Relevant things to include are your faith journey, skills appropriate for the work of the ASC, relevant experience in the church and community, and professional qualifications.
- A comment on what contribution the nominee can make to ASC.
- Not relevant is age (apart from whether under 25), marital status and number of children.
- Dot points are an acceptable way to present the information.
- Current ASC members can answer questions that you may have (See Document B4 for their names). Or you can make contact with your Synod Secretary.
- You are also encouraged to complete the Expressions of Interest form provided with these papers to indicate which referrals coming to the ASC you are interested in working on.