



Uniting Church in Australia
ASSEMBLY
Assembly Standing Committee

27-29 August 2021

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Title	ASC Co-options
Type of Paper (Information/Decision)	For information and decision
Assembly or ASC Minute	Not applicable
Consultation	ASC members
Purpose	To consider the skills that ASC members bring to the Committee; and the subsequent need for any further co-options.
Rationale & Findings Summary	<p>The current members of the ASC indicated their skills in the areas of Church matters and business when completing their nomination forms. (The overall matrix is on page 2).</p> <p>Regulation 3.7.5.1(a)(iv) <i>The Assembly Standing Committee shall consist of.... No more than four persons co-opted by the Standing Committee.</i></p> <p>When considering the matrix, there are two areas that indicate gaps – finance, accounting, investment, and legal compliance. There is also a lower level of expertise in both corporate governance and risk management.</p> <p>In the last triennium, a similar gap in the finance area was identified and the Chair, Assembly Finance Audit and Risk Committee was co-opted for the triennium. This again would be a reasonable decision for the Standing Committee to make.</p> <p>The Standing Committee could also make a decision re a co-option in the legal area. However, the Assembly Legal Reference Committee is also able to have matters referred to it if particular advice was required.</p>
Attachments	Nil
Proposal/s	<p>That the Assembly Standing Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Receive the report on the ASC Skills Matrix and Co-options2. Approve the co-option of Stuart Woodward (Chair, AFARC) as a member of the Standing Committee for the current triennium.3. Consider if any further co-options are required in the areas of legal compliance, corporate governance and risk management.
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ASC Skills Matrix – August 2021

Expertise in Church matters	Count
Understanding of the context of the church today (e.g. the church's cultural, linguistic and theological diversity)	18
Understanding and experience of the polity of the UCA	17
Understanding and experience in thinking missionally	16
Understanding and experience in thinking / reflecting theologically	16
Able to hold together a holistic understanding of the nature of God's mission	17
Expertise in business	Count
Corporate Governance	8
Strategic Planning	15
Finance, Accounting, Investment	2
Risk Management	9
Legal Compliance	6
Communication	12