

Guidelines for Nominations at National Level

Prior to Elections

1. Nominations will be accepted beginning with the election announcement. This announcement, issued six months prior to the scheduled elective chapter, will appear in the TAU USA and be sent to the various listservs.
 - a. Regional Ministers will forward the announcement to all professed members of their Region.
 - b. Only permanently professed members may make nominations. Spiritual Assistants and Candidates may make suggestions for nominees to a professed member.
2. The call for nominations will close 60 days later (four months prior to the date of the election).
3. The Nominations Committee will contact all nominees. The nominees will be asked to accept or decline the nomination(s) and if they accept, provide a resume. All resumes must be submitted within 30 days of request.
4. Resumes are compiled by Nominations Committee as they are received.
5. Nine weeks prior to the date of the election, a novena is announced through listservs. Regional Ministers will forward the announcement to all members of their Region so that we are united in prayer for a Spirit-led election.
6. At least two months prior to the date of the election, the Nominations Committee will send the slate and compiled resumes to the National Fraternity Council.
 - a. The slate (not the resumes) will be announced by publication in the TAU USA and communicated widely using listservs.
 - b. Regional Ministers will forward the announcement of the slate to all professed members of their Region.

Day of Elections

1. Nominations from the floor will be accepted from capitulars (voting members) only.
2. Nominees from the floor, if present, are given the opportunity to speak briefly about their qualifications and experience as servant leaders.

Example for 2018

Call for nominations – 4/13/2018 to 6/13/2018

Nominees are notified and submit resumes – 6/13/2018 to 7/28/2018

Nominating committee compiles resumes – 7/29/2018 to 8/13/2018

Slate and resumes relayed to body - 8/13/2018

Election Date - 10/13/2018

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