

2020 NATIONAL PRESIDENT NOMINATIONS

At the Annual General Meeting of UN Youth, we will be electing the National President for 2020.

THE ROLE

The National President is the head of the National Executive, a group of seven senior volunteers who lead and manage UN Youth New Zealand and all of its many programmes. The National President is responsible for overseeing not only the National Executive, but also the wider organisation and its operations. In 2020, the National President will also sit as a Director on UN Youth's Board of Directors, and bear these additional responsibilities and duties. According to the National Protocols, the role of the President includes the following responsibilities, at minimum:

- provide leadership, strategy and vision to UN Youth;
- oversee and coordinate all National Executive operations;
- liaise with and act as UN Youth's primary representative to key external stakeholders and the media;
- report to and maintain UN Youth's relationship with UNANZ;
- maintain UN Youth's relationship with UN Youth Australia;
- coordinate support and oversee all UN Youth's national programmes and Regions;
- delegate and oversee the implementation of national equity initiatives;
- review the governance structures of UN Youth where appropriate;
- chair National Council and National Executive meetings; and
- oversee the implementation of the Trust Strategy relevant to UN Youth.

The overarching goal of the National President is to provide strategic direction for UN Youth and lead the operations of the National Executive.

NOMINATIONS

At the 2019 UN Youth National AGM—hosted at 3:00pm at Rutherford House, Pipitea Campus, Victoria University of Wellington on Sunday 1 December—the National President for 2020 will be elected, a role they will hold from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020.

In order to nominate, second or to be nominated, you simply need to be a UN Youth member.

According to the National Constitution of UN Youth, members cannot be nominated by those who are nominees themselves. Nominees also cannot nominate or second themselves. There are no restrictions on current National Executive members being nominated for the position.

Nominations for National President must contain:

- Nominees name;
- Nominator and seconders' names; and
- A nomination blurb describing your nomination of no more than 600 words, to be completed by the nominee.

Please return your nominations confidentially to the Returning Officers at operations@unyouth.org.nz by **11.59 pm, 15 November 2019**.

No late nominations will be considered.

Please note that, as per the motion passed at the July SGM, the remaining members of the 2020 National Executive will be appointed by the Board of Directors in accordance with the "new" constitution. Further information about this process will be provided at a later date.

ELECTION PROCESS

Once the deadline for nominations closes, the Nomination Blurbs will be made public to members. They will be accompanied by a proxy voting form allowing any 'voting member' who is unable to be present during the AGM to vote on the nominations and all other motions arising. Voting member is defined in clause 11.4 of the National Constitution. In accordance with clause 11.4.2., in the event of ambiguity the Returning Officer may make a determination on a member's eligibility to vote.

Each nominee will be invited to speak during the AGM for five minutes, and there will be five minutes allocated for nominees to answer any questions from the floor. Nominees are not required to take questions. If a nominee is unable to be present at the meeting for whatever reason then they may request that another member read a brief statement on their behalf. The AGM will be chaired by the current National President.

Voting will be overseen by the Returning Officers. Only UN Youth members who are in the room at the time may vote in the paper ballots. The votes from each ballot will be tallied and added to the totals of all valid proxy votes received. The exact voting mechanism to be utilised will be confirmed once nominations close, and the number of candidates is confirmed.

We recognise that elections can be very stressful. UN Youth is committed to ensuring the AGM is an open and safe environment for all those present, but particularly for all nominees. As with all UN Youth events, the AGM will be carried out in accordance with the UN Youth Welfare Protocols.

MORE INFORMATION

For general questions about the AGM, please contact Jayden van Leeuwen (National President) at president@unyouth.org.nz

For questions relating to the 2020 National President nomination and election process, please contact the Returning Officers at operations@unyouth.org.nz