

The Nominating Committee seeks leaders who offer a balance of skills, life experiences, cultural competencies, abilities, and geographic representation for the Committees, Commissions, and Positions elected by the General Assembly.

Although this is not our recruiting year, we are happy to answer any questions you may have about the nominating process or the leadership opportunities that could empower you and take you on the next step of your religious journey of service to the Association. Contact us at nomcom@uua.org.

We nominate candidates for the following Committees, Commissions, and Positions:

The Commission on Appraisal reviews any function or activity of the UUA that warrants independent study. The Commission reports its findings to the General Assembly at least once every four years. The work is vigorous and year-round, involving much research, writing, consulting, and hearings. It may operate at times like a mini-think tank in its broad consideration of issues. The Commission meets four times per year for four-day meetings. This Commission requires people with good conceptual and analytical skills.

Number of Members: 9

Term: 6 years; Term limit: 1 term

The Commission on Social Witness is involved in the three-year process to adopt UU Statements of Conscience that includes editing

proposed Study/Action Issues, incorporating amendments, drafting Statements of Conscience, and conducting workshops at General Assembly. This Commission helps Unitarian Universalists put the Principles and Purposes into action, and assists the UUA and congregations express concern for social justice. Members should have experience in social justice work, understand UUA structure and operation, demonstrate commitment to living out UU principles through social justice work, be able to conceptualize both details and the larger picture, and be able to maintain good humor and calm under stressful circumstances.

Number of Members: 5

Term: 4 years; Term limit: 2 terms

The Financial Advisor is a volunteer officer of the Association and a voting member of the UUA Board of Trustees. S/he advises the President and the Board about Financial Policy, monitors resources and applications of funds, assesses income and proposes expenditures, assists in long-range planning, and makes recommendations regarding the overall financial affairs of the Association. The Advisor reports to the General Assembly each year, and attends all meetings of the Board and key committees (executive, finance, investment, and compensation/benefits/pension). Total time commitment: approximately 50 days per year, 25 of which are weekdays.

Number of Financial Advisors: 1

Term: 4 years; Term limit: 2 terms

The General Assembly Planning Committee works with the General Assembly Administrator to determine the General Assembly Schedule, examine proposed future sites, prepare the agenda, and coordinate programming. Members need the ability to deal well with people and work collaboratively under stress. Experience with coordinating major events and programs is a great plus. Planning Committee work is year-round with three four-day meetings per year and all eight days of General Assembly.

Number of Members: 10

Term: 4 years; Term limit: 2 terms

The Board of Review hears appeals from ministers and credentialed religious educators whose fellowship or status is terminated by the Ministerial Fellowship Committee or the Religious Educator Credentialing Committee. No other appeal is allowed beyond the Board of Review's decision. Three Board members must be ordained ministers who have been in final fellowship for the current year and for the previous 7 consecutive years. One member must be a credentialed religious educator, Masters level. Four Board members must be laypersons (not ministers nor credentialed religious educators) who have been members of and held governing positions in certified UU congregations for at least 3 years.

Number of Members: 8

Term: 8 years; Term limit: 1 term

The Nominating Committee recruits and selects nominees for all elected positions except President and Moderator. The committee seeks nominees who have

demonstrated competence and leadership. Throughout the nomination and selection process, the committee strives to balance such factors as gender, ethnicity, abilities, cultural competency, age, geography, and clergy or lay status with interests, needs and objectives of each elected committee, commission or position and of the Association as a whole. Members of the Nominating Committee are expected to recruit throughout the year. The Committee meets several times during General Assembly and once mid-year for a three-day working session each calendar year.

Number of Members: 9

Term: 6 years; Term limit: 1 term

UUA Board of Trustees, At Large Positions

The Board conducts the business of the UUA and carries out the General Assembly's policies and directives between annual meetings. It meets 5 weekends per year. Every Board member serves on one of 4 working groups and/or the Finance Committee. Candidates must exhibit leadership within their own districts and congregations, and demonstrate an abiding interest in the future of Unitarian Universalism for both clergy and laity. Candidates must be willing to devote a considerable amount of time to Board service.

Number of At Large Members: 3 adults, 1 youth

Term: 4 years for adults and 2 years for youth; Term limit: 2 terms

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UUA Nominating Committee Needs You!



Who Me? *Yes YOU!!*

Be Empowered!

**Application Deadline
August 15, 2010**