

UEF Governance Committee Meeting Minutes - May 6, 2024

All were present for the zoom meeting; Sr. Ann Barrett, Tom Merkel, Sr. Peggy Moore and Erin Valentine.

The purpose of the meeting was to review the nominees for the local boards of trustees of our five schools. In general there were no concerns about the process or any of the nominees. In general the Governance Committee feels the schools each have outstanding nominees and that these nominees are qualified to serve.

It was noted that the St. Louis nominee forms are a bit different in that they ask the nominees to indicate their skills and expertise on the form.

The only concern was that most of the nominees are women and alumnae; it was pointed out that diversity on boards is important and needed. Perhaps the committee will suggest this in their response back to the schools.

The question was asked regarding the size of the school boards of trustees since school boards can be either too small or too big. The size is as follows: Dallas 22, Mount Merici 6, New Orleans 12, St. Louis 15 and Dedham 12.

Also asked was if the "permission requests regarding extended terms" were normal and usually approved. The answer is yes, there are often exceptions and approval of them has usually been granted by the provincial team.

The Governance Committee has reviewed the trustee recommendations as provided by each of the schools. The committee supports the approval of all nominees by the Canonical Stewards.