

**UNIVERSITY COUNCIL
NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE
REQUEST FOR DECISION**

PRESENTED BY:	Scott Bell, Chair, Nominations Committee
DATE OF MEETING:	October 24, 2024
SUBJECT:	Presidential Search Committee
DECISION REQUESTED:	That Council approve the nominations to the Presidential Search Committee as described in the attached report, effective October 24, 2024.

SUMMARY:

The *Procedures for Search and Review for Senior Administrators* require that presidential search committees have “Four members of the GAA [General Academic Assembly] selected by Council.” The Nominations Committee is tasked with putting forward these four name for consideration by Council.

The composition of the entire Presidential Search Committee is as follows:

- Chair – Chair of the Board
- Two members of the Board selected by the Board
- One member of the Senate selected by Senate Nominations Committee
- Two Deans or Executive Directors of schools, appointed by the Deans
- Four members of the GAA selected by Council
- Two students, one who is President of the USSU and one who is President of the GSA

The Presidential Search Committee has an ultimate responsibility to recommend viable candidates to the Board of Governors. Although the final selection of a candidate rests with the Board, the committee plays an integral role in ensuring the process follows the principles outlined in the Policy, reviewing the position profile, consulting with the community, and interviewing viable candidates for the position.

At the request of the Nominations Committee, the Governance Office issued a call for interest to all USask GAA members on September 19, with a reminder being sent on October 1. Among other things, this call asked those interested in serving on this committee to describe the “skills, knowledge, and/or experience” they would bring to the committee as well as to outline their “commitment to EDI and Indigenization,” as this is a consideration of the Nominations Committee as outlined in its terms of reference in the *Council Bylaws and Regulations*.

After the conclusion of this call for interest, 35 GAA members expressed an interest in serving on this committee.

The Nominations Committee used the information gathered in this call for interest during its meeting on October 10, 2024. The committee deliberated and is recommending the following GAA members to serve on this committee:

- Candice Dahl, University Library
- Jake Moore, School for the Arts, College of Arts and Science
- Shelley Kirychuk, Department of Medicine, College of Medicine
- Vicki Squires, Department of Educational Administration, College of Education