

### WEST AFRICAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS

# NOTICE OF 33<sup>RD</sup> COUNCIL ELECTIONS GUIDELINES FOR COUNCIL ELECTION

- 1. Notice is hereby given by the President and Council of the West African College of Surgeons (WACS) that the 33<sup>rd</sup> Biennial Elections for the College Officers and Council Members will take place during the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the College in February 2025.
- 2. Nominations are invited for the posts of:
  - a. 1st Vice President
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President
  - c. Secretary-General
  - d. Honorary Treasurer
  - e. Two Non-Council Members for Finance & General Purposes Committee (F&GPC)
- 3. Nominations are also invited for the election of **20 Members of Council.**
- 4. The Regulations governing the candidature of the various posts and Council Elections are as follows.
  - a. **The 1**st **Vice-President** shall be elected from amongst Fellows of at least fifteen (15) years standing who must have been members of Council or Faculty Board.
    - The Proposer must have been a Fellow for not less than ten (10) years, a member of Council and must be in good financial standing.
    - The Seconder must have been a Fellow for not less than five (5) years and must be in good financial standing.

- b. **The 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President** shall be elected from amongst Fellows of at least ten (10) years standing and who must have been members of Council or Faculty Board. The candidate must have attended at least five (5) conferences in the last ten (10) years.
  - The Proposer must have been a Fellow for not less than ten (10) years and must be in good financial standing.
  - The Seconder must have been a Fellow for not less than five (5) years and must be in good financial standing.
- c. **The Secretary General** shall be elected from amongst Fellows of at least ten (10) years standing and who must have been members of Council or Faculty Board. The candidate must have attended at least five (5) conferences in the last ten (10) years.
  - The Proposer must have been a Fellow for not less than ten (10) years and must be in good financial standing.
  - The Seconder must have been a Fellow for not less than five (5) years and must be in good financial standing.
- d. **The Honorary Treasurer** shall be elected from amongst Fellows of at least ten (10) years standing and who must have been members of Council or Faculty Board. The candidate must have attended at least five (5) conferences in the last ten (10) years.
  - The Proposer must have been a Fellow for not less than ten (10) years and must be in good financial standing.
  - The Seconder must have been a Fellow for not less than five (5) years and must be in good financial standing.
- e. The Finance & General Purposes Committee (F&GPC) Non-Council Members: Two Fellows shall be elected from amongst Fellows of at least fifteen (15) years standing at the time of the election and must be in good financial standing.
- f. **Candidates for the 20 Council Seats** shall be elected from amongst Fellows of at least ten (10) years standing at the time of the election.
  - The Proposer must have been a Fellow for not less than five (5) years and must be in good financial standing and must have attended at least two (2) conferences in the past five years.

• The Seconder must have been a Fellow for not less than five (5) years and must be in good financial standing and must have attended at least two (2) conferences in the past five years.

#### Note:

- (i) Candidates may apply for a Principal Office and a Council /F&GPC seat, but they must complete two separate nomination forms.
- (ii) Fellows who have been members of Council for two terms consecutively, unless as a Faculty Chairmen or Principal Officers are not eligible for election as Council members till, they have been out of Council for one term
- (iii) All candidates may also submit along with their application form a brief write-up (not more than 100 words), together with a passport size photograph containing the following: a. Personal Details
  - i) Name
  - ii) Year of Graduation (WACS) iii) Faculty and Specialty
  - iv) Location/Institution
  - b. Previous Offices held in Faculty and College
  - c. Objectives in post contested for
- **(iv)** The Secretariat will collate and display the statements by candidates on the WACS website and/or at the annual conference venue. Candidates are responsible for the receipt of the form and statements in the Secretariat by the deadline
- (v) No photographs or other campaign material may be circulated by candidates

The closing date for the return of completed nomination forms and statements shall be September 30, 2024. The deadline **shall not be extended.** 

All interested in contesting for any of the posts stated above should kindly complete the attached nomination form and return together with the statement.

#### KINDLY FORWARD THE COMPLETED FORM BY E-MAIL TO:

The Secretary General

E-mail: <u>info@wacscoac.org</u>

### $The \ subject \ of \ the \ email \ shall \ be: WACS \ COUNCIL \ ELECTIONS$

Note: Closing Date is September 30, 2024

Prof. Philip M. MSHELBWALA

Secretary-General

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#### **NOMINATION FORM**

POST CONTESTED FOR:	
NAME OF CANDIDATE:	
ADDRESS OF CANDIDATE:	
YEAR OF FELLOWSHIP:	
I declare that I am a Fellow of the Coll	ege in good financial standing up to 2024
and willing to serve if elected	
SIGNATURE	DATE
SIGNATURE	DATE
PROPOSER	SECONDER
NAM	TE
CONTA	
(ADDRESS, E-MAIL	A & PHONE NO)
YEAR OF FEL	
I declare that I am a Fellow of the Colleg	ge in good financial standing up to 2024