The Executive Council

Term of office: 6 years

Number to be elected: 6 lay persons, 2 presbyters or deacons, 2 bishops

Position Description

Members carry out the program and policies adopted by the General Convention and have charge of the coordination, development, and implementation of the ministry and mission of the Church. The Executive Council is required to manage the budget of the Church, to submit to General Convention a budget for the next triennium, and to make annual reports to the Church of receipts and disbursements and a statement of all trust funds and properties. Members also serve as the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society. The Council does its work within five standing committees: Local Ministry and Mission, Advocacy and Networking for Mission, World Mission, Finances for Mission, and Governance and Administration for Mission.

Standing Committees and Task Forces of the Council may meet either by teleconference or in person for two or three days excluding additional travel time in the interim between Council's regular meetings (see Canon I.4. Appointments may be made to some Interim Bodies as liaisons).

Qualities & Competencies

All nominees must have a commitment to this ministry and the time to participate fully. Council members need a deep commitment to God's mission in the Church and world, strong faith, openness to new ideas, flexibility, the ability to communicate in small and large groups, the capacity to engage with staff members from the Episcopal Church Center, and a broad perspective of the Church on a local and global scale.

Nominees should have a broad, compassionate understanding of the needs of The Episcopal Church, and a strong commitment to the Church's mission and ministry. We seek and strive for diverse voices and skills appropriate to our mission.

Specific skills and gifts are desired in the areas of: 1) evangelism, racial reconciliation or stewardship of creation; 2) understanding of the workings of the Anglican Communion and The Episcopal Church; 3) finances and budget management; 4) organizational development; 5) proven advocacy skills; and 6) good communication abilities, the planning, implementation and completion of assignments.

Council is committed to ongoing board development. It is helpful to have familiarity with conferencecall technology such as Adobe Connect. It is vital that applicants have computer literacy and internet access.

Duties of This Office

Number of meetings per year: Three (February, June, and October)

Additional Information

Bishop Nominees to the Executive Council

There are two (2) available positions, for six-year terms. The House of Bishops elects these members; the House of Deputies confirms the election.

Lay Person Nominees to the Executive Council

There are six (6) available positions for six-year terms. The House of Deputies elects these members; the House of Bishops confirms the election.

Clergy Nominees to the Executive Council

There are two (2) available positions, for six-year terms. The House of Deputies elects these members; the House of Bishops confirms the election.