

TKU RECRUITS PRESIDENT CANDIDATES

TKU has formed the Eighth Term President Selection Committee, which will hold its first meeting at Room 421, Taipei Campus, at 2:00 p.m. on May 19. The date for receiving recommendations, according to the regulations of selection process, started today and will end on June 11. A list of 2 to 3 nominees will be announced on June 17 and the TKU Board of Trustees will choose one from the list for the next term TKU President.

The President Selection Committee, according to TKU regulations, consists of eight members, including Committee coordinator, Chen Yea-hong, a trustee of the Board; former president of Examination Yuan and current advisor of President Chen Shui-bian, Hsu Shui-te; professor representatives: Cheng Chii-ming, Chiu Jong-rong, Tai Wan-chin, and Kao Hsun-feng; administrative staff representative: Lee Te-chao, and president of TKU alumni, Lee Hsian-rong.

In the first meeting, the Selection Committee, based on the regulations, will issue the president-candidate's qualifications and rules for selection process. Candidates can be recommended by the trustees of the School Board; otherwise co-recommended by no less than 20 TKU full-time professors. Based on policy of avoidance, those who are TKU administrators or members of the selection committee should waive their rights to recommend any candidate.

Moreover, any qualified candidate must have the nationality of the Republic of China (ROC) and be no older than 62 years old. Committee coordinator, Chen Yea-hong remarked that the age-limit is designed to save any problem that retirement might cause, since the term for TKU presidency is three years. Also, the ROC nationality concerns the stability of the presidency.

The Selection Committee has started receiving recommendations since May 24 and scheduled to end on June 11. The selection process will include three phases: preliminary examination, second examination and an interview. A list of 2 to 3 nominees will be announced on June 17, and the School Board of Trustees, based on the list, will make their final decision on June 23.

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