



## TAU OMEGA MU (MCMLXXII) INC. (TOM 1972)

### ELECTION GUIDELINES 2026

#### General Provisions

1. Elections for five (5) members of the TOM 1972 Board of Trustees will be held in the third quarter of 2026. Voting period will be 18 days, from Tuesday, 01 September 2026, 9:00AM to Friday, 18 September 2026, 6:00PM.
2. The elections will be conducted online.
3. The top five (5) candidates to receive the highest number of votes will be proclaimed the winners of the elections.
4. The newly-elected members of the Board of Trustees shall serve for a term of three (3) years, from October 2026 to September 2029.
5. Within the week after the proclamation of election results by TOMLEC, the newly-elected Trustees shall meet and elect among themselves the officers of the Board, i.e., President, Vice President, Corporate Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor, in accordance with the 2025 Amended By-Laws of TOM 1972.
6. The elections shall be conducted and the rules enforced by the TOM 1972 Elections Committee (TOMLEC), which shall be appointed by the incumbent Board of Trustees and composed of three (3) to five (5) volunteers/members of the alumni association.

#### Qualification of Candidates to the TOM 1972 Board of Trustees

1. Candidates must be *bona fide* active members of the Corporation. Provided, that, if the candidate is not a fully-paid member, but has paid a portion of the lifetime membership dues, he/she has until Monday, 31 August 2026 within which to do so. Provided, finally, that, if the candidate has chosen to pay his membership dues annually, he/she shall be assessed the amount of Php6,000.00, equivalent to Php2,000.00 for the year 2026-2027, Php2,000.00 for the year 2027-2028 and Php2,000.00 for the year 2028-2029.
2. Candidates may be nominated by any member (active or inactive) of the Corporation thru the TOMLEC, which shall validate the eligibility of said candidate. Any active member is allowed to nominate himself/herself.
3. Candidates must concur with his/her nomination, and will be required to provide the TOMLEC with a simple message of concurrence and his/her latest *Curriculum Vitae*.
4. Candidates who agree to run for positions in the Board of Trustees must make themselves available to appear and participate in election debates and other activities, as necessary.
5. Candidates must not have been convicted by final judgement for an offense punishable by imprisonment for a period of not less than six (6) years, or by final judgment for any violation of the Corporation Code of the Philippines committed within five (5) years prior to the date of the election.
6. The final list of qualified candidates will be announced by TOMLEC on 31 August 2026.

### Qualification of Voters

1. Voters must be active members of the Corporation, i.e., those who have particularly completed payment of their lifetime active or annual membership dues as of Monday, 31 August 2026.
2. Inactive members who wish to register and participate as voters may still qualify by completing the minimum requirement of settling their annual membership dues for the year 2026-2027, i.e., PHP2,000.00 on or before Monday, 31 August 2026.
3. Voters will elect a maximum of five (5) candidates to become the members of the new Board of Trustees of TQM 1972.
4. The final list of qualified voters will be announced by TQMELEC on Monday, 31 August 2026.

### Registration / Filing / Nomination / Election / Proclamation Timetable

1. Voter Registration Period – Monday, 04 May 2026 to Monday, 31 August 2026
2. Period for Filing of Candidacies / Nomination of Candidates – Monday, 01 June 2026 to Monday, 31 August 2026
3. Election Period – Tuesday, 01 September 2026 (9:00AM) to Friday, 18 September 2026 (6:00PM)
4. Counting of Votes and Proclamation of Winners – immediately after the close of the Election Period on Friday, 18 September 2026 (6:00PM)
5. Preparation of Final Reports / Submission to the Board of Trustees / Announcements to General Membership – Wednesday, 23 September 2026 to Friday, 25 September 2026
6. Turn-over to the New Board of Trustees – on or before Wednesday, 30 September 2026

### TQMELEC (TQM 1972 Election Committee)

1. The Board of Trustees will create the TQM 1972 Election Committee (TQMELEC) that will preside over the various requirements for the 2026 Elections.
2. The TQMELEC will have a membership of three (3) to five (5) volunteers from the Corporation.
3. The TQMELEC shall:
  - a. electronically disseminate the rules and guidelines that shall govern the 2026 elections;
  - b. ensure the participation of all active members in the elections; enjoin all members to qualify and register as a voter and/or candidate;
  - c. provide an easy, efficient and tamper-free online voting mechanism using existing digital/electronic platforms;
  - d. tabulate the results;
  - e. proclaim the duly-elected members of the new Board of Trustees (2026-2029);
  - f. prepare and submit an official report on the results of the elections for submission to the Board of Trustees and formal announcement to the members;
  - g. respond to all queries and requests for clarification.