

Nominations for the 2024-2026 Council of Elders

The Membership and Nominations Committee is **seeking candidates** for the 2024-2026 Council of Elders to be elected at the Annual Congregational Meeting (ACM) on January 28, 2024.

1 Peter 5:2 says, “Be shepherds of God’s flock that is under your care, watching over them – not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest gain, but eager to serve.”

As per § 1.8 of the IPC Constitutional By-Laws: Elections of members to the council of elders will be held at the annual congregational meeting.

Basis for the due process is § 4.2 of the IPC Constitutional By-Laws:

The committee shall nominate at least one candidate for each vacancy on the council and pastoral selection committee and notification thereof shall be made to the active members by way of the church publications or announced at the Sunday service shortly prior to the regular annual or special meeting of the church. Nominees must be active members of the church.

Therefore, if you are an **active member** of IPC and would like to **propose someone** to serve on the IPC council of elders, please complete the form on the reverse side of this document and submit it to the church office.

The Membership and Nominations Committee **will consider all proposed candidates with the signed approval of the candidate**. Your proposals would be most appreciated by **December 5, 2023**, to allow the committee time to consider them and to prepare the information for the flyers to the congregation. **The committee will nominate a list of candidates equal in number to the council seats that will become open on May 1, 2024.**

The list of candidates, including all proposed active members who choose to stand for election, will be announced in the IPC bulletin on Sunday, January 21, one week prior to the Annual Congregational Meeting. Their profiles and photos will also be published one week prior and on the same day as the meeting. Nominations can be made ‘from the floor’ at the Annual Congregational Meeting.

Please refer to § 4 of the IPC Constitution By-Laws for more information.

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions on the selection process for the **election of Elders**, please email Membership Involvement Elder Marco Schnitter at membership@ipc-zurich.org.

Please turn over to propose candidates!

Proposal for member of the IPC 2024 - 2026 Council of Elders

a) I (*printed name*) _____ **would like to propose**

(*printed name*) _____ to be a candidate
for the 2024-2026 Council of Elders.

*(To be **signed by the proposed candidate** to indicate his/her willingness to be considered.)*

b) I, the above proposed person, **agree to be a candidate** for the 2024 - 2026 Council of Elders.

Signature: _____