

UNISON HE Greenwich Branch

Annual General Meeting 2017



Nomination of Branch Officers

UNISON is a representative democracy. Members elect other members to represent their interests, their views and other concerns in branch, regional and national forums.

All Branch Officer posts are subject to annual election. If only one nomination is received for any position – the member is elected unopposed. If more than one nomination is received a ballot of all members is organised.

Any member of the branch who has been a member for at least 13 weeks and is not in arrears with their subscriptions is entitled to be nominated for election to any of the branch offices. Any nomination must be supported by at least two members of the branch.

Branch Officer posts: (information on each role can be found here: www.unison.org.uk/about/our-organisation/activists/branch-roles)

Chair	Welfare Officer
Vice Chair	International Officer
Branch Secretary	LGBT Officer
Assistant Branch Secretary	Women's Officer
Treasurer	Black Members' Officer
Membership Officer	Young Members' Officer
Education Officer	Disabled Members' Officer
Health & Safety Officer	Labour Link Officer (nominated and elected by APF members only)
Communications Officer	
Equalities Officer	*_Please note that Workplace Representatives also attend Branch Committee Meetings
Retired Members Officer (nominated and elected by Retired members only)	

The nomination period runs until 17:00 on Monday 27 February 2017 – if only one nomination is received for a post it that person will be elected unopposed and their position ratified at the AGM.

If there is a contested election (more than one nomination), candidates will be contacted on Tuesday 28 February and asked to provide an election address of not more than 200 words by 17:00 Friday 3 March. Election addresses received by the deadline will be circulated at each AGM. During each AGM meeting an election will be held by paper ballot or show of hands and the result communicated to all members following the last AGM.

UNISON HE GREENWICH BRANCH OFFICER NOMINATION FORM

Please complete in **BLOCK capitals**, print and sign and return to unison@trinitylaban.ac.uk before 17:00, Monday 27 February

I hereby nominate (enter full name of person you are nominating)

for the post of

I confirm I have spoken to the member and she/he is willing to be considered for election.

Proposer (Full Name)

Membership Number (if known):

Seconded (Full Name)

Membership Number (if known):

Member who has been nominated

I accept the above nomination.

Nominee (Full Name)

Signed Date

Telephone number/email:

Fair Representation and Proportionality

“Fair representation” and “proportionality” are key principles underpinning representation at all levels of UNISON’s structure. They are there to ensure that UNISON is an effective voice for all sections of membership

“Fair representation” is the broad balance of representation of members of the electorate, taking into account such factors as age and low pay, the balance between full time and part time workers, manual and non-manual workers, different occupations, skills, race, sexual orientation, disability and gender identity.

“Proportionality” is the representation of women and men in fair proportion to the relevant number of female and male members comprising the electorate”. Over 70% of the union’s membership is women. UNISON is committed to ensuring that women are represented in all our activities.

Stewards Nominations and Elections

(Workplace Representatives)

More information on what each role entails can be found here:
www.unison.org.uk/about/our-organisation/activists/workplace-roles/

Workplace Reps must be elected each year by the group of members that they represent

1) Define the workplace / 'constituency' / group of members

This could be an office, a building or a department.

2) Contact Edith Speller (unison@trinitylaban.ac.uk with your completed form (see below)

Explain that you would like to stand as a workplace representative for the workplace you have defined above

3) We will arrange an e-ballot (by email) or workplace meeting of members ('a show of hands') in the constituency for the election. The outcome of the election needs to be reported to the Branch Committee and the members in the constituency.

UNISON HE GREENWICH BRANCH STEWARD (WORKPLACE REPRESENTATIVE) NOMINATION FORM

I would like to be a UNISON Steward (Workplace Representative)

Full Name:

The workplace / 'constituency' / group of members I would like to represent is

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I am a current UNISON member and have been a member for 13 weeks.

Signed Date

Telephone number:

Email:

The following members in my workplace have proposed and seconded my nomination:

Proposer (Full Name)

Membership Number (if known):

Seconded (Full Name)

Membership Number (if known):