
GOVERNMENT NOTICE

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING

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HIGHER EDUCATION ACT, 1997 (Act No. 101 of 1997)

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS OF MEMBERS FOR THE INTERIM COUNCIL OF THE NEW UNIVERSITY TO BE ESTABLISHED IN THE GAUTENG PROVINCE AND PROPOSALS FOR THE NAME OF THE NEW UNIVERSITY

I, Bonginkosi Emmanuel Nzimande, MP, Minister of Higher Education and Training, request:

- a) the public;
- b) Council on Higher Education;
- c) Higher Education South Africa;
- d) National organisations representing
 - students;
 - academic employees;
 - organised business
 - organised labour
- e) non- governmental organisations; and
- f) any other interested party.

To submit to me, the names of persons who by virtue of their knowledge and experience, may be considered for appointment as members of the Interim Council for a new health and allied sciences university to be established in the Gauteng Province. Once established it is intended that this university will incorporate the Medunsa Campus of the University of Limpopo.

In addition I request proposals with a motivation for a name for the new health and allied sciences university to be established.

The Interim Council of a university is a statutory body established in terms of the Higher Education Act (Act 101 of 1997) for a period not exceeding six months to perform functions relating to the governance of the new institution, except the making of an institutional statute.

Apart from this function, the Interim Council must:

- a) appoint an interim body to manage the day to day activities of the institution;
- b) ensure that a council is constituted in terms of the standard institutional statute;
- c) establish the council committees and determine the composition and function of each committee; and
- d) ensure that such other structures as may be determined in the standard institutional statute are constituted.

The five members of the Interim Council to be appointed by the Minister must as a collective:

- a) be broadly representative of the higher education system;
- b) be representative in terms of race, gender and disability;
- c) have high level understanding of, and commitment to transformational imperatives of the higher education sector; and
- d) have knowledge of and experience in:
 - governance and management ;
 - in human resource provision, development and management especially within the higher education environment.
- e) have knowledge of and/or experience in:
 - academic, administrative and financial models and procedures applicable to higher education institution;
 - facilities and infrastructure planning, provision and management, especially within the tertiary education environment;
 - the audit and risk function, preferably within a tertiary education institution;
 - development and implementation of investment policies and strategies;
 - the core functions of a higher education institution's strategic planning and management thereof;
 - the student affairs (including student housing and food provision) function;
 - project and change management.

Proposals for the name of the new health and allied sciences university together with a brief motivation should be forwarded to the Department of Higher Education and Training. Nominations for suitable candidates to serve as the Interim Council of the new university, accompanied by the curriculum vitae of the nominee and a letter of consent indicating their availability to serve on the Interim Council if appointed should be forwarded to:

To: The Director-General
The Department of Higher Education and Training

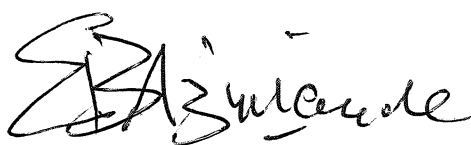
Attention: Dr E Van Staden,
Chief Director: Academic Planning and Management Support.

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Written submissions should reach the Department within the stipulated 21 days of publication of this notice. Kindly provide the name, address, telephone number and email address of the person or organization submitting the proposal and the nomination.



Dr BE Nzimande, MP

Minister of Higher Education and Training

Date: 28/10/13