

## Nomination Information and Application Form STAT Council Elections

During this year's AGM, part of the proceedings will be allocated to announcing the results of Council election of Directors/Officers.

Nominations are requested for the following by Wednesday 19th April 2017:-

- > Chair of Council
- > Secretary of Council
- > Treasurer of Council

- > Ordinary Council member
- > Lay Council member

We would like to encourage members to consider standing for election. Even if you don't think this is for you, please read on as you might be able to think of another teaching member who would perhaps be interested in being on Council, whom you could contact and propose for nomination. It doesn't matter if you are not familiar with STAT business; you can learn from the more experienced members. You will find that the work is both challenging and rewarding.

The length of term for a Director on Council is three years with a maximum of 2 terms. It's good to have a few new members each year in order to achieve a balanced turnover. Serving on Council requires a certain amount of time and commitment, as members are expected to:

- attend Council meetings and contribute to discussions, having read previously circulated papers. 4 Council business meetings are held each year and members are expected to attend at least 3 of these; in addition there may be up to 2 strategy meetings.
- develop and update STAT policies;
- approve and monitor the budget and finances;
- fulfil the governance function of oversight over the work of the organisation;
- in addition you are encouraged to participate in the development and/or ongoing work of Council, which may involve serving on a sub-committee or working group;
- > be generally available on email and/or telephone.

No prior experience is required, yet we would welcome any marketing, accounting, regulatory, policy, planning or organisational skills you may be able to offer to STAT, in addition to your knowledge and experience in Alexander Technique teaching and training. Reasonable travel and other relevant expenses are reimbursed. All voting members of STAT in good standing are eligible for nomination. (For clarification on voting members, please refer to Rule 7 of the *Rules of the Society of Teachers of the Alexander Technique*.)

Please include a short profile of yourself in the space provided at the end of the application. Your profile will be included in the information to be sent to the membership.

If you wish to be nominated, or to nominate another member to serve on Council, please fill in the form overleaf, which must also be **signed and dated by two voting members in good standing**. All nominations for election will go forward prior to the 2017 AGM and the results will be presented at the AGM. We will be notifying you in good time about the election process.

Please post your form to STAT, Grove Business Centre, Unit W48, 560-568 High Road, London N17 9TA. Alternatively, you can fax (020 8808 2135) or scan and email the signed form to <a href="mailto:stat@stat.org.uk">stat@stat.org.uk</a>.

Please ensure the form reaches us by the deadline of Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017.

## **Details of 2017 Elections**

The maximum number of Council members is 12, including the 3 officers (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) and the lay members. There are currently 4 vacancies for Ordinary Council members/Directors and Lay Members. There have already been expressions of interest from:

- Belinda May, for the post of Chair.
- Anna Cooper, for the post of Treasurer.
- **Jackie Beim,** who is seeking election to Council as Ordinary Member.
- **David Harrowes,** who is seeking election to Council as Ordinary Member.

If you wish to propose yourself or any other member for the vacant places on Council, please complete the form and return it to the STAT office by **Wednesday 19**<sup>th</sup> **April 2017.**