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# RE: Nomination for Te Kahui Whaihanga president: pre:fab collection response

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Kia ora koutou,

On behalf of Te Kāhui Whaihanga New Zealand Institute of Architects, I would like to acknowledge receipt of the proposed nomination form and accompanying information in support of the pre:fab collective nomination for President Elect. Thank you for the time taken and interest shown in this important governance and leadership role for the Institute. It is exciting to see the motivation and passion of the pre:fab collective in the President Elect role, the Institute's history and Te Kāhui Whaihanga's future.

pre:fab's nomination for President Elect was recently considered by the Nominations Committee (President, Auckland, Wellington and Western Directors – Judith Taylor, Michael Thomson, Carinnya Feaunati and Felicity Wallace), which is formally constituted under the Institute Rules, **see below**.

- 7.4 There must be a Nominations Committee comprising the President and two Councillors selected by the President to make recommendations to the Council on:
  - a. applications for membership and changes of category of membership;
  - b. nominations for Fellow, Distinguished Fellow, and Honorary status;
  - c. nominations for President Elect; and
  - d. representation of the Institute on other organisations.

In considering the pre:fab collective nomination, advice was sought by the Nominations Committee on the Institute Rules. It was agreed by the Committee that the Rules can only be construed as allowing the election of an <u>individual</u> (as shown in the relevant sections of the Rules **shown below** Rule 7.6 and 7.7).

## 7.6 President Elect

- a. A sufficient time before the annual general meeting at which the term of the President is not due to expire:
  - the President must invite nominations for the position of President Elect from those Members who are entitled to vote for Councillors;
  - (ii) nominated candidates must be Architect Members, Academic Members, or Graduate Members;
  - (iii) nominations must be supported by the President and/or six Architect Members, Academic Members, Retired Members or Graduate Members and assented to by the candidate. Nominations may be accompanied by a statement of relevant biographical information not exceeding 250 words;
  - (iv) at a Council meeting before notice of the annual general meeting is given the Council must (having due regard to the recommendation of the Nominations Committee) select from the nominations the preferred candidate for President Elect, and notice of the preferred candidate must be given in the notice of the annual general meeting;
  - (v) at the annual general meeting there must be a motion to appoint the President Elect.
- b. If that motion is passed by a majority of the total Architect Members, Academic Members, Retired Members and Graduate Members who voted, the President Elect if not already a Councillor, becomes a Councillor at the conclusion of that Annual General Meeting, and becomes President without further election at the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting.

NZIA Rules as at 10 October 2022

- c. If that motion does not pass or if for any reason the preferred candidate is unable or unwilling to take office as President Elect or President in due course, the Council must (having due regard to the recommendation of the Nominations Committee) appoint another qualified Member as President Elect; and if that Member is not a Councillor that Member automatically becomes a Councillor.
- d. A Member appointed as President Elect or President under Rule 7.3(b)(ii) or Rule 7.4(c) holds office for the remainder of the term of the person he or she replaces; and if appointed as President Elect, he or she becomes President as contemplated by Rule 7.4(b) without further election.

### 7.7 Qualification as President and President Elect

If the President or President Elect cease to be one of an Architect Member, Academic Member, or Graduate Member, he or she automatically ceases to be President or President Elect as the case may be.

Whilst the Nominations Committee is unable to progress the pre:fab nomination for President Elect, the Te Kāhui Whaihanga Board would welcome the opportunity to engage with members of the pre:fab collective on the issues

and ideas included in its accompanying vision statement.

The Board meets in two formats, fortnightly online and every quarter in-person. The next in-person meeting is 31 May, which is a Board meeting and 1 June a Board Director/Branch Chair joint forum. Both meetings are in Tāmaki Makaurau Auckland. The Agenda for these meetings are currently in progress, which provides an opportunity to schedule time with pre:fab collective on these important issues. If the in-person opportunities are not convenient for the pre:collective, the Board would like to offer the same invitation to its online sessions which are scheduled for:

28 April

12 May

26 May

9 June

23 June

These equally could be an option for the pre:fab collective to engage with the Institute Board. The members of the Nomination Committee have been included on this email, should the pre:fab collective wish to discuss the open invitation further.

I look forward to your response to these potential ideas on opportunities to engage with the Institute Board on the ideas of the pre:fab collective. If I can provide any further information, please let me know. Thank you again for taking the time to make a nomination for this important role in the Institute.

Ngā mihi,

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Tēnā kōrua,

Please see attached our nomination form and accompanying CV/Vision statement for our nomination for the presidency of Te Kāhui Whaihanga.

Please note that the eligible TKW members represented in this nomination are Nick Denton, Isaac Sweetapple, Vanessa Coxhead and Tessa Forde (Graduate membership pending).

Thank you for your work in facilitating this process.

Ngā mihi,

pre:fab collective

