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## **Convocation AGM and Election Update**

The Vaal University of Technology (VUT) Management Committee (MANCOM), at its meeting held on 19 May 2026, considered preparations for the upcoming Convocation Annual General Meeting (AGM) and election process.

MANCOM noted the closure of nominations on Friday, 15 May 2026, as well as correspondence received from stakeholders calling for a transparent, credible, and fair electoral process.

In reaffirming the University's commitment to good governance, institutional integrity, and democratic participation, MANCOM resolved to implement additional oversight measures aimed at strengthening confidence in the election process and eliminating any perception of bias.

These measures include the establishment of an Election Steering Committee (ESC), chaired by the Vice-Chancellor and Principal. The ESC will oversee election preparations, approve election timelines, monitor compliance, address escalated disputes, and certify the final election outcomes.

In addition, the University will appoint an independent external service provider to administer and oversee the election process. The appointed service provider will be responsible for the management of candidate vetting, communication with candidates, appeals, objections, publication of candidate lists, election guidelines, voting administration, verification and auditing processes, and the official declaration of results.

Given the limited timelines leading to the Convocation AGM and elections, the ESC will communicate further details regarding the appointed independent service provider and the election programme in due course.

The University remains committed to ensuring a transparent, credible, and fair Convocation election process that upholds the values and governance principles of the institution.

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