1. **Who may nominate for the position of director of the Society?**
   Filipino citizens who are active GSP members.

2. **Who may be nominated and elected as director of the Society?**
   Filipino citizens who are active GSP members, who have paid their GSP annual dues for year 2018.

3. **Who cannot be nominated?**
   a. Associate, honorary, and non-Filipino citizen members of the GSP
   b. CP Accreditation Committee Secretariat (Mr. Ramon N. Santos and Mr. Leonardo S. Marcelo Jr.)
   c. CP Accreditation Committee Members (Mr. George B. Baquiran, Mr. Henry R. Salvado, Dr. Rogel A. Santos, Mr. Joey Nelson R. Ayson, and Mr. Arnulfo B. Santiago)
   d. PRC Board of Geology (Mr. Rolando Peña, Dr. Ben Austria, and Dr. Elmer Billedo)
   e. Members of the GSP COMELEC (Ms. Mia Camila U. Africa, Ms. Gaea Marie B. Rosell, and Ms. Patricia Louise B. Yambao)
   f. Volunteers of the GSP COMELEC (Mr. Mark John S. Africa, Mr. Kevin Paul G. Guillermo, and Mr. Angel Renel M. Yu)

4. **How many can a member nominate?**
   A member can submit up to nine (9) nominees.

5. **What are the responsibilities of the nominating member?**
   The nominating member has the following responsibilities:
   a. Ensure that her/his nominee satisfy the criteria listed in numbers 2 and 3.
   b. Inform the nominees of their nomination.
6. When and to whom shall the nominations be submitted?

Nomination forms will be distributed through the GSP e-group starting September 17, 2018. The nominating members shall send the accomplished forms to the GSP COMELEC Chairperson:

Mia Camila Urbano Africa: gspcomelec@gmail.com

with “GSP Nomination” as the subject.

The nomination period will end on November 16, 2018 at 5 p.m.

The GSP COMELEC will send a message to the nominating member acknowledging the receipt of nomination.

7. What is the responsibility of the Nominee?

a. The Nominee shall notify through e-mail the COMELEC Chairperson on whether the nomination is either accepted or not.

b. If the Nominee accepts the nomination, the following documents should be sent to the COMELEC Chairperson on or before November 23, 2018 at 5 p.m.:

- A short introduction stating personal information and a vision statement for the Society (not more than 10 sentences); and
- Updated CV with ID-size picture which will be displayed on the COMELEC booth during the GEOCON.
- Incomplete submission of documents prior to the deadline would lead to disqualification of the nominee.
- To have an idea of the responsibilities of the GSP, the nominee should also attend a one day workshop which will be conducted by the current GSP BOT which will be held sometime before the start of the election period.

c. The Nominee shall wear a prominent name tag during the GEOCON to introduce himself/herself to the members.
d. Once elected, the Nominee shall commit to attend GSP meetings and actively participate in Society affairs.

8. Who is eligible to vote?

All active members of the GSP during the election period.

9. How to vote?

Casting of votes will be done online, from December 4 until 12 noon of December 12, 2018.

Active members should verify that they have updated and working e-mails listed with the GSP membership Committee. On December 4, 2018, eligible voters will be sent a voting notice to their registered e-mails with a direct link to the voting website together with their login details.

E-voting stations will also be set up during the GEOCON.

10. Is proxy voting allowed?

Online voting is highly encouraged but proxy voting will still be allowed if the active member will not be able to attend the GEOCON and the member does not have an updated e-mail or does not have access to the internet. An authorization letter should be submitted to the Secretary, at least 2 business days prior to the GEOCON.

11. Amended Election Rules During the Transition Period

In line with the Amended GSP By-Laws (Article IV Section 1) we will now have Trustees elected for a full three (3) year term of office.

During the transition period, the members will elect nine (9) trustees in GEOCON 2018 (Table 1). The top three candidates garnering the highest number of votes will serve the full 3-year term; the next three candidates (top 4 to 6) to serve for two years and the last three (top 7 to 9) will serve for one year (Table 1). Thus, starting in GEOCON 2019 and for the succeeding years, we shall only be electing 3 Trustees every year to replace those that have served their terms of service.


**Table1.** Transition period of the GSP Board of Trustees

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12. **How to resolve a tie?**

In case of a tie for the last GSP Trustee seat of each available term, a coin toss will be conducted to resolve the tie.

13. **What will happen if a BOT resigns during term?**

In cases when a Trustee who still has an unfinished term resigns, the vacant position in the BOT shall be filled by the majority vote of the remaining Trustees.

The Trustee to be chosen shall come from the nominees of the previous election and priority shall be given to the nominee who garnered the next highest number of votes (top 10) and willing to serve only for the unexpired term of the Trustee who resigned (as amended by the Board of Directors and the members of the Society on December 10, 2004 & December 14, 2017).

However, if there are no willing nominees from the previous election to fill up the vacant position, then one (1) more Trustee will be elected apart from the 3 mandated Trustee positions on the next election.
## Key Dates:

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<td>November 23, 2018 at 5 p.m.</td>
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<td>November 24, 2018</td>
<td>Posting of official list of nominees.</td>
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<td>One Day workshop with current GSP BOT.</td>
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