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SELECTION OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

This information brief describes the process by which regents are selected. The points below summarize the statutory requirements of the process.

- Twelve regents are elected by the legislature to six year terms
- One-third are elected each odd-numbered year
- Eight are elected by Congressional districts, four are elected at-large, one of whom is a student member
- Vacancies prior to the expiration of a term are filled by gubernatorial appointment

The chart on the following page outlines the procedures involved.

Nominations
For regents
representing
congressional
districts

Nominations
For at-large
and student
regents

Regent candidates are
self-nominated usually.

NOMINATIONS

Congressional
district caucus
for recommendation

Regent nominees representing
congressional districts are
reviewed by a caucus of all
legislators from that district.
Legislator's votes are
apportioned based on the
population of their legislative
district living within the
congressional district. The
caucus votes to recommend a
candidate.

**REVIEW
AND
RECOMMEND**

Joint Education Committee
for recommendations

A joint meeting of the House and
Senate education committees
reviews candidates and
congressional caucus
recommendations and votes to
recommend candidates to the full
legislature.

Joint convention
of legislature
for election

The legislative houses convene
jointly to review candidates and
recommendations and to elect
regents for six year terms.

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