

CWS Board Vacancies

Christian World Service is seeking nominations for a representative from the Supporters' Council and for Skills-based positions. The CWS Board will make the final appointments.

Nominees for the **Supporters' Council** position must have provided financial support to CWS within the past two years and be seconded by someone who has also fulfilled this requirement, according to the CWS constitution.

CWS is also seeking to appoint up to three **Skills-based members** on its governing Board.

About the Positions

Alignment with our vision and values is crucial, information on which can be found on our website: <https://cws.org.nz/about-us/> We are looking for new members who will strengthen CWS's diversity and can support our new Pacific strategy.

Desirable attributes of Board members

- International development knowledge and experience
- Support and respect CWS's theological perspective, history and ecumenical ethos
- Comprehensive understanding of governance
- Good understanding of strategic and policy development
- NGO or business experience
- Financial management and planning expertise

The CWS Board meets approximately 6 times per year, usually two of these meetings are face to face. The in-person meetings are held on a Saturday, often in Auckland or Christchurch and usually run from 9:00am – 5:00pm. Board members are volunteers; however, travel and accommodation costs are met by CWS for the face-to-face meetings and food is provided. The remaining meetings are held via zoom and currently run from 7:30pm – 9:30pm on Thursday evenings.

Application process

To apply, candidates need to send a covering letter outlining why they want to be on the Board and what skills and experience they will bring to it, together with a CV and the names of two referees to Murray Overton, National Director: murray.overton@cws.org.nz by Friday 3rd February 2023. In addition, those interested in being appointed on behalf of the Supporters' Council need to send evidence showing support from another Supporter.

Candidates are interviewed by a panel made up of the Chair of the Board, the National Director, and other Board members, if deemed necessary. Referees will be contacted following the interviews. The Chair of the Board will make a recommendation to the Board. Successful and unsuccessful applicants will be contacted to inform them of the outcome.

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