

The Nomination Committee's proposals for the 2021 Annual General Meeting

Background

Holmen AB's Annual General Meeting has decided to set up a Nomination Committee to nominate candidates for election to the Board, to propose the fee to be paid to the Board, to elect auditors and to propose the auditors' fee, etc. Pursuant to the AGM's decision, the Nomination Committee shall consist of the Chairman of the Board and one representative of each of the three largest shareholders on 31 August each year.

The Nomination Committee for the period until the 2021 AGM has consisted of:

Fredrik Lundberg, Chairman of the Board
Mats Guldbrand, L E Lundbergföretagen AB
Carl Kempe, Kempe Foundations
Hans Hedström, Carnegie Fonder AB

Information about the composition of the Nomination Committee has been available on the company's website since 25 September 2020.

Chairman of the Nomination Committee is Mats Guldbrand.

Nomination Committee proposals to the 2021 AGM

- The Nomination Committee proposes that the company's Chairman of the Board Fredrik Lundberg be elected to chair the AGM.
- The Nomination Committee proposes that the number of members of the Board to be elected by the AGM should remain as nine.
- The Nomination Committee proposes that a fee of SEK 3 330 000 (3 195 000) be paid to the Board, of which SEK 740 000 (710 000) be paid to the Chairman, and SEK 370 000 (355 000) be paid to each of the other members elected by the AGM who are not employees of the company. The proposal represents an increase of 4.23 per cent.
- The Nomination Committee proposes that Carl Bennet, Lars Josefsson, Lars G Josefsson, Alice Kempe, Louise Lindh, Ulf Lundahl, Fredrik Lundberg, Henrik Sjölund and Henriette Zeuchner be re-elected as members of the Board.
- The Nomination Committee proposes that Fredrik Lundberg be elected Chairman of the Board.

- Further information about the above nominees is available on the company's website.
- The Nomination Committee proposes that an authorised public accounting firm should be elected at the AGM.
- The Board's audit committee has conducted a procurement procedure regarding the audit. The Audit Committee has notified the Nomination Committee that the audit company PricewaterhouseCoopers AB (PwC) and EY AB has proved most suitable for the assignment. In an overall assessment of these two audit firms, the Audit Committee has assessed that PricewaterhouseCoopers AB best corresponds to Holmen's requirements and needs and has therefore recommended the choice of PricewaterhouseCoopers AB. In its assessment, the Audit Committee has taken into account e.g. working methods, composition of teams and fee level. The Nomination Committee decided to support the proposal and proposes that the Annual General Meeting, in accordance with the Audit Committee's recommendation, appoints the auditing company PricewaterhouseCoopers AB as the company's auditor. In the alternative, the auditing company EY AB is proposed. Compensation is proposed to be paid according to an approved invoice.
- The Nomination Committee proposes that no change be made in the structure of the Nomination Committee.

Report on the work of the Nomination Committee and justification

As per the information provided on the company's website, shareholders wishing to make a proposal to the Nomination Committee were able to contact the Nomination Committee by post. No such proposal was received from shareholders.

The Nomination Committee has held two-minute meetings for the 2021 AGM. All members of the Nomination Committee participated in the meetings. Chairman of the Board Fredrik Lundberg submitted a report on an evaluation of the work of the Board and the company's operations over the past year. It is the Nomination Committee's view that the Board's work is functioning well.

Regarding the issue of the Composition of the Board, the Nomination Committee has taken into account experience, expertise and diversity. The Nomination Committee has also taken into account the ability of each member to devote the necessary time and commitment to their Board duties. The Nomination Committee has applied Rule 4.1 of the Swedish Code of Corporate Governance as a diversity policy in preparing its proposal. The Nomination Committee has also attached importance to the need for continuity in the work of the Board.

The Nomination Committee's proposal means that the number of members elected by the AGM is unchanged at nine, without deputy members. Of the nine Board members proposed for election by the AGM, three are women. Furthermore, the Nomination Committee considers that the proposed Board has an appropriate composition with respect to the company's activities, phase of development and other conditions, and exhibits diversity and breadth in terms of its competence, experience and background.

According to the Nomination Committee, of the individuals being nominated for election to the Board, Carl Bennet, Lars Josefsson, Lars G Josefsson, Alice Kempe, Louise Lindh, Ulf Lundahl, Fredrik Lundberg and Henriette Zeuchner are independent of the company and its senior management, and Lars Josefsson, Lars G Josefsson, Ulf Lundahl, Henrik Sjölund and Henriette Zeuchner are independent of the company's major shareholders.

The Nomination Committee notes that its proposals meet the independence requirements of the Swedish Code of Corporate Governance.

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The Nomination Committee of Holmen AB