

**PENNFED FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHARTER**

**I. Statement of Policy**

The Nominating Committee (the “Committee”) shall be appointed by the Board of Directors (the “Board”) of PennFed Financial Services, Inc. (the “Company”) for the purpose of (i) identifying individuals qualified to serve as Board members, consistent with criteria approved by the Board; and (ii) recommending to the Board the director nominees for election or appointment to the Board of Directors.

**II. Committee Composition and Meetings**

The Committee shall be comprised of three or more directors (including a chairperson) as appointed annually by the Board, each of whom shall be an independent director as defined by the Nasdaq Stock Market (the “Nasdaq”) listing standards and each of whom shall be free from any relationship that would interfere with the exercise of his or her independent judgment. The Board shall have the power at any time to change the membership of the Committee and to fill vacancies, subject to the qualification requirements of this Charter.

**III. Committee Duties, Responsibilities and Process**

The Committee will cause to be kept adequate minutes of all its proceedings, and will report its actions at the next meeting of the Board. Committee members will be furnished with copies of the minutes of each meeting and any action taken by unanimous consent. The Committee is governed by the same rules regarding meetings (including meetings by conference telephone or similar communications equipment), action without meetings, notice, waiver of notice, and quorum and voting requirements as are applicable to the Board. The Committee is authorized and empowered to adopt its own rules of procedure not inconsistent with (a) any provision of this Charter, (b) any provision of the Bylaws of the Company, or (c) the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation.

The Committee may request that any directors, officers or employees of the Company, or other persons whose advice and counsel are sought by the Committee, attend any meeting of the Committee to provide such pertinent information as the Committee requests.

The Committee shall have the following responsibilities:

1. Recommend to the Board the appropriate size of the Board and assist in identifying, interviewing and recruiting candidates for the Board.
2. Recommend candidates (including incumbents) for election and appointment to the Board of Directors, subject to the provisions set forth in the Company’s Articles or Certificate of Incorporation and Bylaws relating to the nomination or appointment of directors, based on the following criteria: business experience, education, integrity and reputation, independence, conflicts of interest, diversity, age, number of other directorships and commitments (including charitable obligations), tenure on the Board, attendance at Board and committee meetings, stock ownership, specialized knowledge (such as an understanding of banking, accounting, marketing, finance, regulation and public policy) and a commitment to the Company’s communities and shared values, as well as overall experience in the context of the needs of the Board as a whole.

3. Review nominations submitted by stockholders, which have been addressed to the corporate secretary, and which comply with the requirements of the Articles or Certificate of Incorporation and the Bylaws. Nominations from stockholders will be considered and evaluated using the same criteria as all other nominations.
4. Annually recommend to the Board committee assignments and committee chairs on all committees of the Board, and recommend committee members to fill vacancies on committees as necessary.
5. Perform any other duties or responsibilities expressly delegated to the Committee by the Board.

**IV. Investigations and Studies; Outside Advisers**

The Committee may conduct or authorize studies of or investigations into matters within the Committee's scope of responsibilities, and may retain, at the Company's expense, such counsel or other advisers as it deems necessary (which may, if the Committee deems it appropriate, be the Company's regular counsel or advisers). The Committee shall have the authority to retain or terminate one or more search firms to assist the Committee in carrying out its responsibilities, including authority to approve the firm's fees and retention terms, which fees shall be borne by the Company.