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## NEWS RELEASE

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### ***DEAC Announces 89<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Meeting***

In accordance with Article III, Section 3 of the *Bylaws* of the Distance Education and Training Council (doing business as the Distance Education Accrediting Commission), notice is given to all members that the Annual Business Meeting will take place at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, April 20, 2015 at the Drake Hotel in Chicago, Illinois. The DETC *Bylaws* state that the Corporation shall meet annually to elect Directors from its membership, to receive annual committee reports, and to transact other business. The Annual Business Meeting is open to all members. Each DEAC-accredited institution represented at the Business Meeting is entitled to one vote.

#### **Board of Director Elections to Commence at Annual Business Meeting**

Electronic ballots will be available to all DEAC members beginning April 20, 2015 at the Annual Business Meeting. Attending the Annual Business Meeting and participating in the election is a concrete way institutions can participate in the continuity or orderly succession of DEAC's leadership and uphold a practice of good governance. Please view DEAC's [Announcement of Candidates for Election to Board of Directors](#) for information about the Director candidates.

#### **Call for Nominations for the DEAC Nominating Committee**

The DEAC is seeking candidates for two positions on the Nominating Committee to serve a two-year term ending March 31, 2017. The Nominating Committee operates as an advisory committee to the Board of Directors pursuant to the authority under Article VII, Section 4 of the DETC *Bylaws*. The Nominating Committee convenes as needed to identify, recruit and recommend nominees for open positions on the Board of Directors and to perform any other nomination function designated by the Board in accordance with the *Bylaws*. The Nominating Committee operates in a manner consistent with DEAC's core values to respect the diversity of institutions' educational offerings, culture, scale of operations, and accreditation experience. Participating on the Nominating Committee is a meaningful way to engage with the Directors on future leadership needs for DEAC.

To submit a nomination, please send an email to Sally Welch ([sally.welch@deac.org](mailto:sally.welch@deac.org)) by no later than **April 3, 2015**. DEAC will announce the candidates for the Nominating Committee on **April 10, 2015**. Voting for the Nominating Committee candidates by way of electronic ballots will commence during the Annual Business Meeting on April 20, 2015.

#### **ABOUT DEAC**

The Distance Education Accrediting Commission, formerly the Distance Education and Training Council, is a private, non-profit organization founded in 1926 that operates as a national accreditor of distance education institutions. DEAC's goal is to ensure a high standard of educational quality in the distance education institutions it accredits and a quality education for the more than two million students who annually study at its accredited institutions.

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