



**DATE:** March 28, 2024  
**TO:** College of Eastern Idaho  
**FROM:** Mr. Park Price, Chair, Board of Trustees, College of Eastern Idaho  
**RE:** Presidential Search Announcement & Invitation to Attend Public Forums  
(Progress Report #1)

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I am pleased to announce that we have begun the search to identify the next President of College of Eastern Idaho. We are fully committed to conducting an equitable, inclusive, and transparent national search that will attract a strong and diverse pool of candidates from throughout Idaho and the nation.

The Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) has been selected to assist us with the Presidential search process. ACCT's assistance will include providing support with the development of the Presidential Profile, recruiting highly competitive candidates, and working extensively with the College and the Board. ACCT has conducted over 750 community college searches and brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to our process. ACCT's mission is to strengthen community college governance through education and advocacy. Stephen Head, Ph.D., and Julie Golder, J.D., ACCT Vice President of Search Services, will serve as our ACCT Search Consultants and will assist the College throughout this important process.

### **Presidential Profile Development: Open Forums & Survey**

An important step in the Presidential search process is the development of a Presidential Profile. On **Thursday, April 4, 2024**, we will host three (3) Public Forums to listen to your input, which will assist with the development of the Presidential Profile. The entire College community is invited and encouraged to participate in a discussion about the qualities, characteristics, and qualifications we are seeking in the next President of College of Eastern Idaho, and the opportunities and challenges facing the College in the years to come. Additionally, you will have the opportunity to ask questions about the Presidential search process. The forums will be facilitated by Stephen Head, Ph.D. and Julie Golder, J.D., our ACCT Search Consultants.

**We invite everyone to attend the one-hour Public Forum on Thursday, April 4, 2024:**

- **11:00 a.m. at College of Eastern Idaho, 1600 S. 25<sup>th</sup> E, Idaho Falls, ID 83404, Building 3, Room 306**
- **1:00 p.m. at College of Eastern Idaho, 1600 S. 25<sup>th</sup> E, Idaho Falls, ID 83404, Building 3, Room 306**

- **4:00 p.m. at College of Eastern Idaho, 1600 S. 25<sup>th</sup> E, Idaho Falls, ID 83404, Building 3, Room 306**

Please share the forum information with those who have an interest in College of Eastern Idaho and wish to attend. No RSVP is needed.

In addition to the Public Forums, we have developed a brief electronic survey that we hope you will complete. The anonymous responses to the survey will also be used to inform the development of the draft Presidential Profile. The survey is available here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/college-of-eastern-idaho-presidential-search>

**Please submit your survey feedback no later than 10:00 p.m. (MDT) on Thursday, April 4, 2024.**

### **The Presidential Search Committee**

The Presidential Search Committee will review the confidential applications, interview semifinalist candidates, and identify the final candidates to be forwarded to the Board of Trustees for consideration. The Search Committee is comprised of the following members:

- **Cal Ozaki – Chair – CEI Trustee**
- **Cameron Dawson – CEI Student**
- **Dave Facer – CEI Staff**
- **Katie Fannesbeck – CEI Staff**
- **Casey Jackman – Community Member**
- **Heidi Moore – CEI Staff**
- **Hope Morrow – Community Member**
- **Carrie Scheid – CEI Trustee**
- **Lynette Sharp – CEI Faculty**
- **Don Williams – CEI Faculty**

### **Final Candidates**

All final candidates will participate in open forums at College of Eastern Idaho and the finalists will interview with the Board. We anticipate the open forums taking place in June 2024 and we will provide the dates, times, and location once they are confirmed. All employees, students and community members will be invited to attend the open forums and complete feedback forums which will be reviewed as part of the Board's deliberation process.

### **Recruitment**

Our recruitment efforts will involve an open and thorough national search seeking qualified candidates from all regions of the country. ACCT specializes in one-to-one recruitment of

community college leaders. Additionally, to assist with this process, advertisements will be placed in the *Chronicle of Higher Education* and other major publications and websites.

### **Presidential Search Webpage**

College of Eastern Idaho's presidential search webpage will include information on all aspects of the search. The Presidential search webpage will be developed in the coming weeks and will include key information including the timeline, Presidential Profile, and information on how to apply.

We will continue to keep you updated on this important process. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to reach out to our ACCT Search Consultants:

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