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Dear MEAC Member Schools,

It's time once again to select new members to the MEAC Board. This year the ballot is different. There are two sections on the ballot containing categories for peer and non-peer candidates. Last year during the in-person board meeting (11/1/17), the MEAC Nomination Committee presented a proposal for the board to be comprised of 70% peer-board members. The definition of a **Peer Board Member** means a volunteer who has one or more of the following qualification(s):

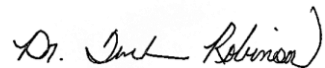
1. MEAC Member School Administrators and Educators (experience requirements),
2. Direct Entry Midwives (licensed or credentialed) who are also Higher Education Administrators,
3. Faculty with significant teaching experience at a higher education institution
4. Midwifery stakeholder which includes a recent graduate of MEAC accredited school, midwifery employer, leader in midwifery profession or other.

The definition for a **Non-Peer Board Member** means a volunteer who is a subject-matter expert in one or more areas listed below:

1. Accreditation
2. Attorney
3. Entrepreneur
4. Financial Expert
5. Fundraising
6. Non-profit Expert
7. Other

On May 15, 2018, the MEAC Board voted to accept the new nomination form where candidates indicate whether they meet peer or non-peer qualifications. For the upcoming election, all ballots are **due on or before July 24**. Each school is allowed one vote. Thank you for taking time to elect new members who will serve in the evaluation process of future accreditation decisions. The MEAC Board continues to strive in providing our member schools with enhanced quality services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dr. Timberly Robinson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "D".

Dr. Timberly Robinson
Executive Director