



TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Office of the President

## Memorandum

**April 12, 2018**

To: Administration, Faculty, Staff and Students

From: Lawrence Schovanec, President

Re: Vice President for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Candidate Presentations

The Texas Tech University community is invited next week to a series of presentations to meet four candidates for the position of Vice President for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion. The candidates were identified following a thorough interview process by the search committee.

Biographical information and candidate photos are available on the Vice President for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion search [webpage](#).

I would like to publicly acknowledge the members of the search committee, chair Aliza Wong, associate dean of the Honors College, and Marion Frenche with Greenwood/Asher & Associates, Inc., for presenting four talented candidates.

As part of the interview and selection process, the candidates will meet with different stakeholder groups, but the entire campus is invited to each presentation, which will be held in the Student Union Building, as scheduled below:

### **CANDIDATE #1**

Karen L. Dace, Ph.D., Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion / Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

**Tuesday, April 17 | 3-4 p.m. | Matador Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor East**

### **CANDIDATE #2**

Shakeer A. Abdullah, Ph.D., Assistant Vice President for Equity and Diversity / University of Minnesota

**Wednesday, April 18 | 2-3 p.m. | Escondido Theater, Northwest Basement**

**CANDIDATE #3**

Carol A. Sumner, Ed.D., Sr. Associate Dean of Students / Arizona State University

**Thursday, April 19 | 3:30-4:30 p.m. | Escondido Theater, Northwest Basement**

**CANDIDATE #4**

Elizabeth Ortiz, Vice President for Institutional Diversity and Equity / DePaul University

**Friday, April 20 | 3:15-4:15 p.m. | Escondido Theater, Northwest Basement**

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Dr. Wong at [aliza.wong@ttu.edu](mailto:aliza.wong@ttu.edu).