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### WITT/KIEFFER TO LEAD LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH

### October 8, 2014

Lindenwood University announced today that it has selected executive search firm Witt/Kieffer to lead the Presidential search for the University. The committee reviewed the credentials of several highly qualified recruiting organizations before selecting Witt/Kieffer.

Lindenwood Board Chairman Jim J. Shoemake made the announcement, and said Witt/Kieffer has sought input from the Board Search Committee, the Board of Directors, representatives of the faculty, staff, administration, students and alumni as the firm prepares to seek candidates for the position.

"We are very pleased with Witt/Kieffer and its consultants' credentials and track record of success," said Shoemake. "We trust their work and we look forward to the next steps." The President is the Chief Executive Officer of the Lindenwood University System and is responsible for general administration of internal and day-to-day operations in all areas as well as relations between the University and the greater academic and regional communities.

James D. Evans, PhD, President of the Lindenwood University System, announced his retirement effective May 31, 2015. Evans assumed his current role in 2006, but he has been a part of the Lindenwood community for 40 years. He was hired as an assistant professor of psychology in 1974, and advanced to the rank of professor in 1985. He was named dean of social sciences in 1994, dean of sciences in 1995, and dean of faculty in 1996. He was elevated to the post of provost in 2000.

The search is in progress, and a proposed timeline of February/March has been agreed upon with the Search Committee to announce a new leader.



Please forward inquiries and nominations for the position to LindenwoodPresident@WittKieffer.com

Information about Lindenwood University:

Lindenwood University, founded in 1827, is an independent liberal arts university offering more than 200 undergraduate and graduate degree programs in diverse areas of study and traditional and accelerated formats, including online. Lindenwood operates residential campuses in St. Charles, Mo., and Belleville, Ill., as well as 11 regional centers in the St. Louis metro area and 25 extension sites throughout Missouri.

Recently, the University opened a School of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences in Dardenne Prairie, Mo. That facility offers a Bachelor's in Nursing Degree completion program for registered nurses who already have two-year nursing degrees at the community college level. A MSN will be offered in the Spring of 2015.

The faculty, staff and administration are committed to a Mission-based integrative, liberal arts curriculum that focuses on the talents, interests and future of students. Lindenwood is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Information about Witt/Kieffer:

Witt/Kieffer is the preeminent executive search firm that provides outstanding leadership solutions for organizations committed to improving the quality of life. We are among the nation's top executive search



firms specializing in healthcare, higher education, life sciences, and not-for-profits, as well as board services and leadership solutions. We have 45 years of experience in executive recruiting for C-suite leaders in the nation's most prestigious hospitals, health systems, colleges, universities, academic medical centers, foundations, associations, and other organizations. Personalized service and connecting with each client's vision, structure and leadership needs throughout the executive recruiting process are our hallmarks.

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