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URBANA — A town hall meeting has been set for Wednesday to gather input about the University of Illinois' next president.

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It will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Beckman Auditorium, 405 N. Mathews Ave., U. Other town hall meetings have been scheduled this week on the UI's Chicago and Springfield campuses.

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At the forum, faculty, staff, students, alumni and community members will be invited to share their thoughts on the presidential search, offering, for example, suggestions on what personal qualities they believe are needed for the position.

Several members of the presidential search committee are expected to attend the meeting; input from the forums will be presented to the full committee, according to the UI.

The UI Board of Trustees launched the presidential search in March, appointed a 19-member search committee and hired a search firm. The committee has been charged with developing job qualifications, identifying and screening potential candidates.

The committee will recommend finalists to the board, which intends to name a replacement by late this fall. President Robert Easter intends to retire on June 30, 2015.

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