W. Va. State University National Alumni Association, Inc.

TO: Financial Members

FROM: Cassandra Marshall, President Detroit Chapter

DATE: July 9, 2014

SUBJECT: 2014 Election of National Officers

The nomination process for the election of National officers was completed on April 26, 2014. Our amended Constitution (May 5, 2012) defines the voting and election process as follows:

Article IV: VOTING

Section 1. All members in good standing, in accordance with Article II, Section 2, of the By-laws have the right to vote for all National officers and at all meetings of the Association, except at the Executive Council meetings which has specified membership requirements. Eligibility to vote shall be determined by the financial records of the Association.

Section 2. Voting shall be by individual ballot distributed by the Elections Committee during Homecoming. Returned ballots will be safeguarded by the Elections Committee, tabulated and the results announced at Homecoming. Members not attending Homecoming may request an absentee ballot no later than twenty one (21) days prior to the start of Homecoming week (17 September 2014) and such ballots must be returned post marked no later than seven (7) days (01 October 2014) prior to the start of Homecoming week.

Article VI: COMMITTEES

b. <u>Elections Committee.</u> Using the National list of all members in good standing, the committee will conduct the election during Homecoming week by distributing and collecting registered ballots. A report will be made to the Executive Council by the committee on the total number of registered and absentee ballots distributed and the total number of registered and absentee ballots returned/cast for each candidate. All ballot materials shall be retained by the committee until their report is received by the Executive Council. The term of office expires at the formal acceptance of the committee report.

Please review the attached candidate profiles for the election of 2nd Vice President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Parliamentarian. Elections will be held October 9 & 10, 2014, at the Town Center Marriott Hotel, Charleston, WV. The term of office for each position will be four (4) years commencing October 10, 2014, and expiring October, 2018.

The schedule for voting at the Marriott will be as follows:

Thursday, October 9: 10 am - 6:00 pm Friday, October 10: 10 am - 3:00 pm

A special Executive Board meeting will be held Friday, October 10, at 5:00 pm to receive the election results. Installation of new officers will be at the 7:00 pm dinner on Friday, October 10, 2014.

Members not attending Homecoming may request an absentee ballot no later than **September 17**, **2014**, by mailing the attached request form to **Sandra Pope**, **Treasurer**, **WVSU National Alumni Association**, Erickson Alumni Center, PO Box 1000, Institute, WV 25112. Ms. Pope will verify financial status and mail an <u>Absentee Ballot</u>. All <u>Absentee Ballots</u> must be returned to **Cassandra Marshall**, **19199 San Juan**, **Detroit**, **MI 48221** by **October 1**, **2014**