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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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*** Exercise Your Right to Vote ***

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the

Shareholder Meeting to Be Held on May 21, 2014

HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORPORATION

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

For holders as of: March 26, 2014

Date: May 21, 2014 **Time:** 9:00 AM CDT **Location:** Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library

112 North Sixth Street

Springfield, Illinois

HORACE MANN EDUCATORS CORPORATION

1 HORACE MANN PLAZA

SPRINGFIELD, IL 62715-0001

You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the above named company.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at *www.proxyvote.com* or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

Before You Vote

How to Access the Proxy Materials

Proxy Materials Available to VIEW or RECEIVE:

1. Notice & Proxy Statement 2. Form 10-K/Annual Report

How to View Online:

Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) and visit: www.proxyvote.com.

How to Request and Receive a PAPER or E-MAIL Copy:

If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is NO charge for requesting a copy. Please choose one of the following methods to make your request:

1) *BY INTERNET*: www.proxyvote.com 2) *BY TELEPHONE*: 1-800-579-1639

3) BY E-MAIL*: sendmaterial@proxyvote.com

Requests, instructions and other inquiries sent to this e-mail address will NOT be forwarded to your investment advisor. Please make the request as instructed above on or before May 07, 2014 to facilitate timely delivery.

How To Vote

Please Choose One of the Following Voting Methods

Vote In Person: Many shareholder meetings have attendance requirements including, but not limited to, the possession of an attendance ticket issued by the entity holding the meeting. Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

^{*} If requesting materials by e-mail, please send a blank e-mail with the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow (located on the following page) in the subject line.

Vote By Internet: To vote now by Internet, go to *www.proxyvote.com*. Have the information that is printed in the box marked by the arrow available and follow the instructions.

Vote By Mail: You can vote by mail by requesting a paper copy of the materials, which will include a proxy card.

Voting items The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR the following:

3 Ratification of the appointment of KPMG LLP, an independent registered public

accounting firm, as the Company s

| 1. | Election of Directors | NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment | |
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| | Nominees | thereof. | |
| 1a | Mary H. Futrell | | |
| 1b | Stephen J. Hasenmiller | | |
| 1c | Ronald J. Helow | | |
| 1d | Beverley J. McClure | | |
| 1e | Gabriel L. Shaheen | | |
| 1f | Roger J. Steinbecker | | |
| 1g | Robert Stricker | | |
| 1h | Steven O. Swyers | | |
| 1i | Marita Zuraitis | | |
| The Board of Directors recommends you vote FOR proposals 2 and 3. | | | |
| appro | Approval of the advisory resolution to ove Named Executive Officers bensation. | | |

auditors for the year ending December 31, 2014.