

CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

January 25, 2016



NOTICE OF MEETING CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION

A meeting of the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) will be held on Thursday, February 4, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. and continuing on Friday, February 5, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the Commission's Boardroom, 11040 White Rock Road, Rancho Cordova, CA.

Members of the public who are interested in viewing and listening to the open session portions of this meeting may do so by streaming the meeting over the internet using the following link:

<http://www.ustream.tv/channel/california-student-aid-commission>

NOTE: Participants streaming the meeting over the internet will not be able to offer comments, ask questions, or otherwise participate in the meeting.

The Commission will meet to discuss and may take action on the following items:

AGENDA

Call to Order and Roll Call

Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

Note: The Commission may not discuss or take action on any matter raised during this public comment section, except to decide whether to place the matter on the agenda of a future meeting. (Government Code Sections 11125, 11125.7(a).)

- **Approval of Minutes of November 4-6, 2015 (Action)** [Minutes](#)
- **Chair's Report**
Hal Geogue, Chair
- **Executive Director's Report (Information)** [Item 1](#)
Lupita Cortez Alcalá, Executive Director
- **Presentation by the Education Commission of the States on its report *Redesigning State Financial Aid: Principles to guide state aid policymaking* and discussion of the alignment of California's Cal Grant program with the principles in the report (Information)** [Item 2](#)
Brian Sponsler, Ed.D., Director, Postsecondary and Workforce Development Institute, Education Commission of the States
Sarah Pingel, Policy Analyst, Education Commission of the States
Hal Geogue, Chair
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
- **Consideration of an evaluation report on the California Student Opportunity and Access Program (Cal-SOAP) (Information/Action)** [Item 3](#)
Kurt Sjoberg, Partner, Sjoberg Evalshenk Consulting, Inc.
Mashariki Lawson, Senior Consultant, Sjoberg Evalshenk Consulting, Inc.
Lien Luu, Managing Senior Consultant, Sjoberg Evalshenk Consulting, Inc.
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Steve Caldwell, Senior Manager, Program Administration and Services Division

- **Consideration of reallocation of 2015-16 Cal-SOAP funding (Action)** [Item 4](#)
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Keri Faseler Tippins, General Counsel and Chief, Legal and Audit Services Division
- **Cal-SOAP Project Directors Report (Information)** [Item 5](#)
Nicole Korgie Jackson, Lead Project Director, Long Beach Cal-SOAP
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
- **Consideration of ratification of contracts over \$100,000 (Action)** [Item 6](#)
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Tracy Howard, Chief Information Officer
- **Update on Grant Delivery System Modernization Project (Information/Action)** [Item 7](#)
Tracy Howard, Chief Information Officer
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division

Recess for committee meetings

See agendas for:

- *Legislative, Audit and Budget Committee meeting*
- *Strategic Policy and Planning Committee meeting*
- *Student Impact Committee meeting*
- *Personnel, Evaluation and Nomination Committee meeting*

Reconvene Commission meeting

Closed Session

- **Personnel Matters: Under California Government Code Section 11126(a), the California Student Aid Commission hereby provides public notice that it may meet in closed session regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, discipline, or dismissal of a public employee. For purposes of this notice, a public employee includes an individual exempt from civil service within the meaning of subdivision (e) of Section 4 of Article VII of the California Constitution. (Information/Action)** [Item 8](#)

Reconvene Open Session

Upon completion of the CLOSED SESSION, the Commission will reconvene into OPEN SESSION and shall make any required reports.

Legislative, Audit and Budget Committee Report – *Jamillah Moore, Committee Chair*

Action Item

- **Consideration of the Federal Policy Agenda (Action)** [Item 9](#)
Jamillah Moore, Committee Chair
Lande Ajose, Commissioner

Information Items

- **Update on state and federal legislation and issues affecting Commission programs (Information)** [Item 10](#)
Angelo Williams, Legislative Director, Strategic Policy, Media and Communications Division

- **Update on the Governor's 2016 budget (Information)** [Item 11](#)
Brandon Biegert, Senior Policy Analyst, Strategic Policy, Media and Communications Division

Strategic Policy and Planning Committee Report – Nancy Anton, Committee Chair

Action Item

- **Consideration of an interim Institutional Participation Agreement for 2016-17 (Action)** [Item 12](#)
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Tae Kang, Senior Manager, Program Administration and Services Division

Information Item

- **Discussion of the history of institutional eligibility to participate in the Cal Grant Program based on cohort default rate and graduation rate (Information)** [Item 13](#)
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Tae Kang, Senior Manager, Program Administration and Services Division

Student Impact Committee Report – Devon Graves, Committee Chair

Information Items

- **Update on the Middle Class Scholarship (Information)** [Item 14](#)
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Tae Kang, Senior Manager, Program Administration and Services Division
- **Update on the Dream Act (Information)** [Item 15](#)
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Tae Kang, Senior Manager, Program Administration and Services Division
- **Update on the 2017-18 FAFSA release on October 1, 2016 (Information)** [Item 16](#)
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Tae Kang, Senior Manager, Program Administration and Services Division
- **Discussion of student debit cards** [Item 17](#)
Devon Graves, Committee Chair
- **Update on outreach plans for 2016-17 (Information)** [Item 18](#)
Catalina Mistler, Chief, Program Administration and Services Division
Steve Caldwell, Senior Manager, Program Administration and Services Division

Personnel, Evaluation and Nominations Committee Report – Ana Beltran, Committee Chair

- **Closed session report** [Item 19](#)
Ana Beltran, Committee Chair

Friday, February 5, 2016 – 9:00 a.m.

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- **Presentation by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (Information)** [Item 20](#)
Dr. Brice W. Harris, Chancellor, California Community Colleges
- **Unfinished business from Thursday, February 4, 2016 (Information/Action)**
- **Presentation of recent Commission reports and other data (Information)** [Item 21](#)
- **Report of ad hoc committees (Information)**
- **New business for future meetings (Information/Action)**

Adjourn

NOTE: Items designated for information are appropriate for Commission action if the Commission wishes to take action.

This information is also available on the Commission's website at www.csac.ca.gov. For information concerning this meeting, contact Gloria Lopez by phone at (916) 464-8074 or (916) 464-8271, or by e-mail at glopez@csac.ca.gov.

Agenda items occur sequentially. When circumstances warrant, the Chair may modify the order of items as they appear on the agenda. The meeting location is accessible to the disabled. If you require special assistance, please contact Gloria Lopez at least 5 days before the meeting to make special arrangements.

Hal Geiogue
Chair

Lupita Cortez Alcalá
Executive Director