

Minutes

Action Item

Approval of minutes of February 19, 2015

**CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION
STRATEGIC POLICY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

February 19, 2015

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A meeting of the California Student Aid Commission's Strategic Policy and Planning Committee was held on Thursday, February 19, 2015 at the Commission's Board Room located at 11040 White Rock Road, Rancho Cordova.

Committee Chair Nancy Anton called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

The following Committee Members were present:

Nancy Anton, Chair
Jose Solorio, Vice Chair
Jacqueline Doud
Devon Graves
Harry Le Grande
Michael Marion, Jr.
Jack Scott
Hal Geiogoue, Ex Officio

Roll Call was taken and a quorum was recognized.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Committee Chair Anton asked for public comment and, hearing none, proceeded to the next agenda item.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 7, 2014

MOVED (Scott), **SECONDED** and **CARRIED** unanimously, the Committee **APPROVED** the minutes of November 7, 2014, as presented.

In Favor: Committee Members Doud, Graves, Le Grande, Marion, Scott, Solorio and Anton

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CHAIR'S REPORT

Committee Chair Anton led introductions of the new Committee membership and then briefly reviewed the agenda.

UPDATE ON COMPETITIVE CAL GRANT PROGRAM

Ms. Catalina Mistler, Chief of the Program Administration & Services Division, provided a brief overview of the Cal Grant program and application process. She then provided an update on the implementation of the Commission's recommendations to increase the paid rates for the Competitive Cal Grant Program. There was some discussion about the Assumption Program of Loans for Education (APLE), the Community College Cal Grant Reserve, and the Cal Grant eligibility pool.

UPDATE ON CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE TRANSFER CAL GRANT ENTITLEMENT PROGRAM

Ms. Mistler discussed the application process for students transferring from a community college to another institution. Concerns were raised about the continuous enrollment requirement in light of institutions that are limiting enrollment and deferring admission. Some discussion followed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO COMMITTEE CHARTER

There was some discussion regarding additional changes to the proposed charter, including clarification of the Committee's role in initiating possible changes to legislation, and specifying the long-range planning activities. The Committee decided to revisit the charter at its next meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF UPDATING THE 2013 STRATEGIC POLICY FRAMEWORK AND 2014 POLICY PRIORITIES

After some discussion, the Committee agreed not to rank the policy priorities and to consider each of them to have equal weight. Committee Chair Anton announced that the Committee would consider this item at its April meeting.

NEW BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED AT FUTURE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Committee may consider the following agenda topics at a future meeting:

- Overview of the Commission's loan assumption programs;
- Consideration of possible amendments to the Community College Transfer criteria such as the continuous enrollment, California residency and age requirements;
- Consideration of amendments to the Committee Charter; and
- 2013 Strategic Policy Framework and 2014 Policy Priorities.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting of the Strategic Policy and Planning Committee was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

NANCY ANTON
COMMITTEE CHAIR