

## Supplemental Materials

### **AGENDA ITEM V-I (1)**

Consideration of adopting the Commissioner's recommendation to the Committee relating to proposed amendments to Chapter 1, Subchapter J, Sections 1.149 – 1.151, and 1.154 of Board rules, concerning the Financial Aid Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION: Approval

#### Background Information:

The 30-day comment period with the Texas Register ended on June 6, 2016. No comments were received. However the proposed amendments posted in the Texas Register did not show the definition for "Commissioner" as stricken from the rule, though the accompanying preamble did indicate this change. Similarly, the original materials for the CAAP agenda did not include this change in the white pages, while the blue page did indicate this change.

This supplemental is to clarify that the definition will be updated to reflect the deletion once approved.

#### 1.150. Definitions.

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings:

~~[(3) Commissioner--The Commissioner of Higher Education, the Chief Executive Officer of the Board.]~~

~~(3)~~ (4) Interested persons--Persons who attend committee meetings as representatives of stakeholder entities and any other persons who have made their interest in the work of the committee known to its presiding officer. Such interested persons may participate in committee discussions, as invited by the presiding officer to do so, but do not have the authority to cast votes.

## CHAPTER 1 AGENCY ADMINISTRATION

## SUBCHAPTER J FINANCIAL AID ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## Section

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1.149. Authority and Specific Purposes of the Financial Aid Advisory Committee.

(a) No changes.

(b) Purposes.

(1) No changes.

(2) In addition, the committee shall ~~[review]~~ provide insight on state financial aid program policies and procedures ~~(e.g. eligibility, allocations, disbursement processes, etc); [review state financial aid reports, including their uses; recommend changes in the allocation of financial aid funds to address state goals;]~~ review the collection, use, and reporting ~~[and uses]~~ of data; and identify areas of research for consideration.

1.150. Definitions.

The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, shall have the following meanings:

(1) No changes.

(2) Center for Financial Aid Information--The state's entity for developing and disseminating information about financial aid for college, consisting of the Texas Financial Aid Information Center call center ~~[housed at the Texas Guaranteed Student Loan Corporation]~~, and the College for All Texans website ~~[housed on the Board's website]~~.

~~[(3) Commissioner--The Commissioner of Higher Education, the Chief Executive Officer of the Board.]~~

(3) ~~[(4)]~~ Interested persons--Persons who attend committee meetings as representatives of stakeholder entities and any other persons who have made their interest in the work of the committee known to its presiding officer. Such interested

persons may participate in committee discussions, as invited by the presiding officer to do so, but do not have the authority to cast votes.

1.151. Committee Membership and Officers.

(a) Membership shall consist of financial aid practitioners, public school counselors, and other persons employed in the non-profit sector in roles with responsibility for advising students regarding financial aid. ~~[who can provide insight into the informational needs of students]~~

(b) Membership on the committee will include:

(1) at least two representatives from the following sectors ~~[each sector]~~ of higher education: ~~[four-year public universities, [health-related institutions,] two-year colleges, and private institutions[]];~~ and at least one representative from a health-related institution;

(2) at least one student representative~~[-; if two are selected, one is to be]~~ from a health-related institution or the four-year college sector; and at least one student representative from the two-year college sector~~[-];~~ who serve as non-voting members;

(3) two representatives of school districts; and

(4) one representative from the Texas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (TASFAA), named by the TASFAA Board~~[-]~~ who serves as a non-voting member.

(c) Interested persons~~[-, such as the Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas (ICUT), Texas Association of State College and University Business Officers (TASCUBO), and the Texas Association of Community Colleges (TACC),]~~ and legislative and governmental relations staff shall be regularly advised of committee meetings.

(d) The number of committee members shall not exceed twenty-four (24).

(e) Members of the committee shall select:

(1) the presiding officer, who will be responsible for conducting meetings and conveying committee recommendations to the Board, and who will be selected from the financial aid practitioners serving on the committee; and

(2) the vice chair, who will succeed the presiding officer at the end of the presiding officer's year of service~~[-]~~, and who will be selected from the financial aid practitioners serving on the committee.

(f) No changes.

(g) Members shall serve for a term of three years, except that, regardless of the number of years previously on the committee, terms for persons who serve as chair of the committee will include the year as chair and the subsequent year as immediate-past chair; and the terms of persons who serve as vice chair will include the year as vice chair, the subsequent year as chair, and a following year as immediate-past chair of the committee. Student members of the committee will serve two-year terms. The TASFAA representative will serve a one-year term. Persons who have previously served on the committee are eligible to serve again.

1.152 No changes.

1.153 No changes.

1.154 Tasks Assigned the Committee

(a) Tasks assigned the committee include providing the agency with guidance and advice to:

(1) – (4) No changes.

(b) Other tasks to be addressed include:

(1) – (2) No changes.

~~[(3) — review and make recommendations on financial aid allocations to ensure state goals are met;]~~

(3) [(4)] review the collection, [and] use, and reporting of financial aid data; and

(4) [(5)] identify areas of research for consideration.

1.155. No changes.