

IOWA COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
March 20, 2015
10:00 a.m.
Telephone Conference Call

Members Present:

Janet Adams	Michael Ash
Roger Claypool	Crystal Ford
Tim Kraayenbrink	Doug Shull
Hannah Walsh	Karolyn Wells

Members Absent:

Ron Jorgensen	Frederick Moore
Herman Quirnbach	Elizabeth Sullivan
Jeremy Varner	Cindy Winckler

Staff Present:

Todd Brown	Julie Leeper
Kris May	Karen Misjak
Julie Ntem	Rachel Scott
Christina Sibouih	Ashley Wendt

AG Present:

Sara Scott

Guests Present:

Matt Brown	Iowa Student Loan
Angie Carlson	Capri College

Call to Order

The Iowa College Student Aid Commission met for a regularly scheduled meeting on March 20, 2015 via telephone conference call. Commission Chair Adams called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with a quorum present.

Executive Director's Report

Ms. Misjak shared that over the past 5 years, the percent of Iowa FAFSA filers who listed one of Iowa's three Regent Universities as their first choice college has increased while remaining level or slightly decreasing for other Iowa postsecondary sectors as well as for out of state institutions.

This is the last year the Commission will be paying the XAP contract. Ms. Misjak said Commission staff has been meeting with the Iowa Department of Education (IDE) regarding statewide policy and the future of IHAPI or some future iteration of a statewide system. IDE is requesting \$600,000 in appropriation to extend the XAP contract for one more year to give schools time to figure out how they are going to meet the 8th grade mandate. A CTE Task Force has been formed by IDE to make recommendations for a state designated college and career information system. Some of the larger districts are moving to different systems in order to meet this mandate. In response to a question from Commissioner Kraayenbrink, Ms. Scott said Naviance is a system that schools are using. Commissioner Kraayenbrink added that Ames and Fort Dodge are both using the Naviance system and are paying for it on their own. A majority of districts would not be able to purchase a system on their own. Commissioner Kraayenbrink said schools would like to see the \$600,000 go to helping districts that cannot afford their own systems. Commissioner Kraayenbrink said he knows of some counselors that would be interested in serving on the CTE Task Force. Ms. Misjak recommended he contact Commissioner Jeremy Varner from IDE who is heading up that task force.

Ms. Misjak said HF387 made it through the first funnel week regarding the State Authorization Reciprocity Agreement (SARA) which will eliminate the consumer protection code language and would allow Iowa to participate in SARA. The Attorney General's office is working with states that have strong consumer protection and will send a letter to the NC-SARA Board. Iowa College Presidents also sent a letter to NC-SARA board members to raise concern over consumer protection issues.

Consent Agenda

Motion: Commissioner Shull moved to approve the consent agenda as written.

Minutes of Meeting

- January 16, 2015
- February 26, 2015

Administrative Rules

- Adopt Amendments- Chapter 8- All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship

Gold Bridge Inc. Contract Extension

Summer Iowa Tuition Grant-Mercy College of Health Sciences

GEAR UP IOWA Scholarship Trust

Commissioner Claypool seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Legislative Committee

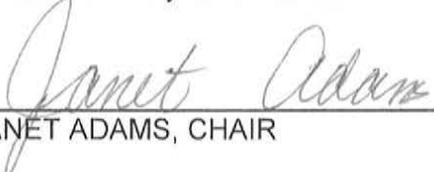
Ms. Leeper said she will continue to provide Commissioners the tracking document that has been going out weekly with the Weekly Report of all of the bills she is currently tracking. The Commission's agency bill 432 has been amended a few times and is still available for the Senate calendar; however it has not been placed on the calendar for discussion at this point. One amendment will change the way the All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship is disbursed, by allowing all students to receive the grant over a two year period instead of just the first year.

Staff Report

Ms. May gave an update of FY 2015 year-to-date financials.

Ms. Small gave a brief summary of the schools that she has approved since the November 2014 Commission Meeting, and does expect an increase in renewals and initial applications. Ms. Small said school inquiries are also increasing.

Commission adjourned at 10:25.



JANET ADAMS, CHAIR



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