



## State of Connecticut

### The Connecticut General Assembly

#### The Planning Commission for Higher Education Student Financial Aid Working Group

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#### Meeting Agenda

Monday, September 28, 2015

10:30 a.m., Room 1E

1. Welcome
2. Introductions
3. Review Charge of Committee
4. Review goals of Planning Commission for Higher Education to make sure our goals align.
5. Where are we now - current appropriations and process
6. Discuss NEBHE Study with Maine - Rep. Willis can update us on her conversation
7. The initial study tried to answer these 3 questions: Who does the state grant serve? How successful is the state grant at lowering the cost burden for students seeking to access higher education? How successful is the state grant at helping students complete a post-secondary credential?
8. Education Commission for the States Report - We intend to invite Brian Sponsler to speak with us there findings of 4 key principles:
  - a) Financial Aid programs should be student centered
  - b) financial aid programs should be goal driven and data informed
  - c) financial aid programs should be timely and flexible
  - d) financial aid programs should be broadly inclusive of all students educational pathways
9. Announce Time and Date of Next Meeting
10. Adjournment