

## Committee for Funding and Affordability (CFA)

The Committee for Funding and Affordability will address issues related to state funding policy, tuition policy, student financial aid, and college savings. This includes the three Roadmap actions below.

### Action Items:

- Make college affordable.
- Ensure cost is not a barrier for low income students.
- Help students and families save for postsecondary education.

### Scheduled Meeting Times

**Meeting time: 1:30 – 3:30 PM**

**Wednesday, March 30, 2016**

Proposed meetings dates:

Thursday May 19

Wednesday July 6

Wednesday September 14

### Stakeholder Members

JoLynn Berge, OSPI  
 Tom Fitzsimmons, ICW  
 Denise Graham, SBCTC  
 Nova Gattman, WTECB

### WSAC Members

**Council:** Marty Brown, Maud Daudon,  
 Paul Francis, Karen Lee

**Staff:** Marc Webster, Rachelle Sharpe

## AGENDA

### 2016 Work Plan

#### Strategic Action Plan Recommendations

- Council committee role in development of SAP actions/recommendations
- Alignment of SAP with partner agency requests (where possible)

#### Affordability Items

- Gathering information and data
  - State Need Grant
  - State Work Study
- Affordability Discussions During Session
  - 2016 bills (HB2301-SNG CTC rate; HB2686-textbooks; HB2691-CWU 5<sup>th</sup> Year; HB2820-WA Promise free CTC; HB2796-costs transparent; HB2887-graduate loans; HB2955-Free to Finish; SB6512-SNG STEM; and more)
  - SNG study in Senate Budget
- Affordability SAP Recommendations
  - Do they meet an affordability gap per the Framework?
  - Are they evidence-based?
- Updating Framework with 2014-15 data
  - Minor changes since 2013-14
  - Total aid remaining relatively flat, enrollments down slightly

### Next Steps