

# WASHINGTON COLLEGE SAVINGS PLANS

**Special Committee Meeting June 28, 2021** 

3:00-3:30pm

Virtual (Zoom) Meeting

# Agenda Item #1



#### **DreamAhead Fees**





### **Senate Bill 5430**



#### Background

#### Current DreamAhead fee schedule

- Asset-based fees ranging from 0.254-0.33% depending on the portfolio selected
  - Includes underlying fund fees (variable), Sumday service fee (0.12%), and WSAC/WA529 administrative fee (0.10%)
- Annual fixed account maintenance fee of \$35
  - Split between Sumday (\$30) and WSAC/WA529 (\$5)

#### Proposed fee schedule revision

- Due to asset and account growth, Sumday has agreed to reduce their share of the annual account maintenance fee to \$25, which passes a \$5/year cost savings on to customers
- Price reduction would take effect beginning with the third quarter of 2021, which starts July 1

#### For consideration today

 Adopting the proposed price reduction and having staff make necessary updates to the DreamAhead Program Details Booklet and DreamAhead Program Management Agreement

# Agenda Item #2



Senate Bill 5430 Implementation



# **Senate Bill 5430**



Title	Relating to tuition unit pricing in the advanced college tuition payment program
Sponsor	Senator Mark Mullet
Current Status (as of 6/28/21)	Signed by the Governor
Effective Date	July 25, 2021
Brief Summary	Limits the tuition unit purchase price the WA529 Committee may set for GET units when specified state tuition policy and program funded status conditions are present. The bill also requires the Committee to reprice units for customers purchasing GET units at the 2020-21 GET unit price and add units to their accounts.

## **Senate Bill 5430**



#### Bill directives

#### Current unit holder impacts

• Retroactive price adjustment from \$133 to \$122 for 2020-2021 unit purchases

#### Future unit holder impacts

• If current state law tuition policy remains in effect and program funded status, measured at July 1 each year is above 120%, then the Committee must adopt a price that is no more than 10% above the then current unit payout value

#### For consideration today

- Adopting the adjusted unit price for the 2020-2021 enrollment year
- Setting a timeframe for staff to make the adjustment (must occur after bill effective date)

# Agenda Item #3



'Shot of a Lifetime' GET Scholarship Accounts



## 'Shot of a Lifetime'



## Background

- COVID-19 vaccination incentive program announced by the Governor on June 3
  - Weekly prize drawings each Tuesday for five weeks through June and early July

#### GET involvement

- As part of the promotion, State is purchasing 3,000 GET units to award to 30 randomly drawn vaccinated Washingtonians 12-17 years of age
- Each winner will receive a 100 unit GET scholarship account owned by the state for the benefit of the winner
- Presumptive winners were drawn on June 15 and June 22 in batches of 15
- Any unclaimed prizes will be added back to the final prize drawing on July 13

#### For consideration today

 Affirming WA529's participation in the promotion and having staff develop rules necessary to implement

More promotion details at walottery.com/vaccination

## **Public Comment**

## **Share Your Thoughts**

#### **Process**

- Submit written comment or request to provide verbal comment via Zoom comment window or 'Raise Hand' feature.
- You can submit written comments
  - Send to <u>GETInfo@wsac.wa.gov</u> and include the subject line: "GET Committee Statement."



# **Next Regular Meeting**



# **September 15, 2021**

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Location and Format TBD** 





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Adjournment