COLLEGE STUDENT AID COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING — APRIL 24, 2020

Special Meeting. The College Student Aid Commission held a special meeting by telephone on April 24, 2020, to act on time-sensitive matters.

Amendment to Iowa Code. The Commission authorized the Executive Director to initiate a proposal to amend Iowa Code section 261.5 during the 2020 Legislative Session. The current language in the statute authorizes the Commission to waive or modify any statutory or regulatory provision applicable to State financial aid programs to ensure certain outcomes in the event that the President of the United States declares a national emergency by reason of a terrorist attack. The amendment would add a Governor’s declaration of a disaster by reason of terrorist attack or public health disaster as a triggering event for the statutory provision to take effect.

Contract Extension. The Commission approved a six-month extension of a contract with ColorFX/Mittera Group for printing, storage, and distribution services. The contract allows five one-year extensions, with the current term expiring July 11, 2020. Originally, the contract expirations fell in January but have, over time, shifted to the summer months, which is the busiest time of the year for the agency. The six-month extension will shift the expiration back to January.

Authorization to Issue RFP. The Commission authorized staff to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a new printing, storage, and distribution services master agreement to start in January 2021.

Next Meeting. The Commission’s next regular meeting is scheduled for May 15, 2020, and will be conducted over Zoom. Agendas and minutes of Commission meetings can be found on the agency’s website.

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