| WFAA Quarterly Officer/Committee Report 2018/2019 |
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| **Executive Council Meeting Date** | March 12, 2019 |
| **Executive Council Meeting Location** | Red Lion Seattle Airport Hotel |
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| **Officer/Committee Information** |
| **Committee Name:** | VP Legislation |
| **Officer/Committee Chair:**  | Alexandra Bailey |
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| **Officer/Committee Goals for Service Year** |
| Strategic Plan Goals that are being met *(check all that apply)* |  |
| Goal 1: Be a leader in providing training and professional development opportunities that are responsive to member needs | [ ]  |
| Goal 2: Maintain the long-term financial stability of the Association | [ ]  |
| Goal 3: Assess and monitor the performance of the Association and implement strategic Adjustments | [ ]  |
| Goal 4: Increase member participation in Association activities | [x]  |
| Goal 5: Continually improve methods and processes for communicating with the membership | [x]  |
| Goal 6: Consolidate and communicate the public policy positions of financial aid administrators in Washington State and provide members with support and education to further their own advocacy efforts | [x]  |
| Goal 7: Maintain and enhance the diversity of our membership and the Executive Committee | [ ]  |
| Goal 8: Collaborate and coordinate with other organizations and associations in order to serve our members more efficiently and effectively | [ ]  |
| **Specific Officer/Committee Goals** *(Include progress toward goals and measurement of success.)* | 1. Gather and disseminate information about legislative activities (proposed and passed) and their potential effects on student aid. Interpret and disseminate information to WFAA membership.
2. Focus on facilitation of information sharing and membership collaboration for legislative/policy change implementation, such as sharing systems/technology knowledge, best practices, and helping to build connections within WFAA community to aide in implementation and changes.
3. Continue to develop Legislative Resource area for WFAA members (communication templates, website resources, contact information, explanations of legislative processes, how-tos, etc.). Goal of April 2019 to have complete resource area available to members electronically, adding monthly
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| Summary of Activities *(Descending Chronological)* |
| * Continue to monitor legislative issues – ongoing with January start of 2019 Legislative session
* Weekly participation in WSAC SFA Legislative Briefings; review of legislative activity during Session with SFA Workgroup members, partners and WSAC staff
* Uploading of weekly WSAC SFA produced Bill Tracker
* Upload of current bill informational materials/FAQs
* Development of legislative resource area – in Progress
* Submitted and Posted WFAA statement of support regarding Gainful Employment to the Federal Register for public comment (Docket ID # ED-2018-OPE-0042-0001).
* **SB 5393/HB 1340** – Governor’s proposal introduced in both the House HB 1340 and Senate SB 5393. – Washington College Promise Scholarship. In general, this bill renames State Need Grant the Washington College Promise Scholarship, making it a forecasted program (like College Bound Scholarship) with award maximum. Assures receipt of award if applicants meet the eligibility criteria and attend an eligible institution or program. Awards starting 2021-22 academic year. Retains most of the eligibility requirements of SNG (income, SAP, proration, 5-year usage/125% timeframe, etc.). Excludes prior SNG rules such as Self-Help and 5 year waiting period for prior associate’s degrees. Removes certain language as “needy” and “disadvantaged”. **UPDATE** 3.11.19 Bill version back to T/F coverage. No longer a requirement for institutions to use 3 ½ funds to cover S&A fees. Entitlement to those at 110% of FPL; removed language that would eliminate entitlement during recession. Higher MFIs (update to current 70%) remain, but are not entitlements and subject to appropriations
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| **Budget Information** |
| Approved Budget | N/A |
| Budget Expenditures to Date | N/A |
| Event Information *(complete if applicable)* | N/A |
| Event Name | N/A |
| Location | N/A |
| Date | N/A |
| Event Name | N/A |
| Location | N/A |
| Date | N/A |
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| Attendees | - | - | - |
| Complimentary Registrations *(if applicable – i.e., scholarship recipients)* | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Add more rows as needed for additional events. |
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| **Suggestions for Future Officer/Committee** |
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| **Calendar of Events/Timelines** |
| Date | Committee Member Responsible  | Description |
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