

to receive the recommendations of the Officer Professional Military Education Study Group. The Board will receive the final written report from the three-month study of Marine Corps Professional Military Education. All sessions of the meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Friday, September 29, 2006, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Marine Corps University, 2076 South Street, Quantico, Virginia 22134, in the Hooper Room.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Mary Lanzillotta, Executive Secretary, Marine Corps University Board of Visitors, 2076 South Street, Quantico, Virginia 22134, telephone number 703-784-4037.

Dated: August 21, 2006.

**M.A. Harvison,**

*Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Office of Safe and Drug-Free Schools.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming open meeting of The Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Advisory Committee. The notice also describes the functions of the Committee. Notice of this meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend. This notice is appearing in the **Federal Register** less than 15 days before the meeting due to difficulties in scheduling within the Agency.

**DATES:** Tuesday, September 5, 2006.  
Time: 2 p.m. EST.

**ADDRESSES:** The Committee will meet by telephone conference call.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Catherine Davis, Executive Director, The Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Advisory Committee, Room 1E110B, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC, telephone: (202) 205-4169, e-mail: [OSDFSC@ed.gov](mailto:OSDFSC@ed.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee was established to provide

advice to the Secretary on Federal, State and local programs designed to create safe and drug-free schools, and on issues related to crisis planning. The agenda for the September 5th meeting will include follow-up discussion on the August 21-22, 2006 hearing. The August hearing focused on issues related to the Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act State Grants program, as well the collection and use of data to effectively manage youth drug and violence prevention programs.

There will not be an opportunity for public comment during this meeting, however the public may listen to the conference call by calling 800-473-8796, Chairperson: Deborah Price. Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to listen to the meeting may access a TTY line by calling 800-473-8796, Chairperson: Deborah Price.

**Request for Written Comments:** We invite the public to submit written comments relevant to the focus of the Advisory Committee. We would like to receive written comments from members of the public no later than April 30, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit all comments to the Advisory Committee using one of the following methods:

1. Internet. We encourage the public to submit comments through the Internet to the following address: [OSDFSC@ed.gov](mailto:OSDFSC@ed.gov).

2. Mail. The public may also submit your comments via mail to Catherine Davis, Office of Safe and Drug Free Schools, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 1E110B, Washington, DC 20202. Due to delays in mail delivery caused by heightened security, please allow adequate time for the mail to be received.

Records are kept of all Committee proceedings and are available for public inspection at the staff office for the Committee from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**Ray Simon,**

*Deputy Secretary, U.S. Department of Education.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: Meeting

**AGENCY:** Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of upcoming teleconference meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming teleconference meeting of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance. Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the teleconference meeting (i.e., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, and/or materials in alternative format) should notify the Advisory Committee no later than Friday, September 8, 2006 by contacting Ms. Hope Gray at (202) 219-2099 or via e-mail at [hope.gray@ed.gov](mailto:hope.gray@ed.gov). We will attempt to meet requests after this date, but cannot guarantee availability of the requested accommodation. The teleconference site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. This notice also describes the functions of the Advisory Committee. Notice of this hearing is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public.

**DATE AND TIME:** Friday, September 15, 2006, beginning at 2:30 p.m. and ending at approximately 3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Office of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Capitol Place, 80 F Street, NW., Room 412, Washington, DC 20202-7582.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. William J. Goggin, Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Capitol Place, 80 F Street, NW., Suite 413, Washington, DC 20202-7582, (202) 219-2099.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance is established under Section 491 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 as amended by Public Law 100-50 (20 U.S.C. 1098). The Advisory Committee serves as an independent source of advice and counsel to the Congress and the Secretary of Education on student financial aid policy. Since its inception, the congressional mandate requires the Advisory Committee to conduct objective, nonpartisan, and independent analyses on important aspects of the student assistance programs under Title IV of the Higher Education Act. In addition, Congress expanded the Advisory Committee's mission in the Higher Education Amendments of 1998 to include several important areas: access, Title IV modernization, distance education, and early information and needs assessment. Specifically, the Advisory Committee is to review,

monitor and evaluate the Department of Education's progress in these areas and report recommended improvements to Congress and the Secretary.

The Advisory Committee has scheduled this teleconference solely to conduct the election of officers.

Space for the teleconference meeting is limited and you are encouraged to register early if you plan to attend. You may register by sending an e-mail to the following addresses: [hope.gray@ed.gov](mailto:hope.gray@ed.gov). Please include your name, title, affiliation, complete address (including internet and e-mail, if available), and telephone and fax numbers. If you are unable to register electronically, you may fax your registration information to the Advisory Committee staff office at (202) 219-3032. You may also contact the Advisory Committee staff directly at (202) 219-2099. The registration deadline is Tuesday, September 12, 2006.

Records are kept for Advisory Committee proceedings, and are available for inspection at the Office of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Capitol Place, 80 F Street, NW., Suite 413, Washington, DC from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. Information regarding the Advisory Committee is available on the Committee's web site, <http://www.ed.gov/ACSFA>.

Dated: August 25, 2006.

**Dr. William J. Goggin,**

*Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: Hearing

**AGENCY:** Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of Upcoming Hearing.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming hearing of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance. Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the hearing (i.e., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, and/or materials in alternative format) should notify the Advisory Committee no later than Monday, September 11, 2006 by contacting Ms. Hope Gray at (202) 219-2099 or via e-mail at [hope.gray@ed.gov](mailto:hope.gray@ed.gov). We will attempt to meet requests after this date, but cannot

guarantee availability of the requested accommodation. The hearing site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. This notice also describes the functions of the Advisory Committee. Notice of this hearing is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public.

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, September 19, 2006, beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at approximately 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The Washington Court Hotel, 525 New Jersey Avenue, NW., Executive Room, Lower Lobby Level, Washington, DC 20001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Michelle Asha Cooper, Director of Policy Research or Ms. Erin B. Renner, Director of Government Relations, Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Capitol Place, 80 F Street, NW., Suite 413, Washington, DC 20202-7582, (202) 219-2099.

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The Advisory Committee has scheduled this one-day hearing to publicly launch its new report on the impact of financial barriers on college enrollment and the Committee's newly requested Congressional charge, to conduct a one-year study of the rising cost of college textbooks and make recommendations on ways to reduce the financial barriers for all students. The proposed agenda includes expert testimony and discussions by prominent higher education community leaders, state representatives, and policy

researchers who will address (a) the Committee's report on the impact of financial barriers on college enrollment and degree attainment; (b) the Congressionally requested study of college textbooks; (c) the feasibility study for radical simplification of federal expected family contribution (EFC) determination, which is a part of the Committee's Innovative Pathways Study, and (d) a roundtable discussion among Advisory Committee members and panelists on the issues addressed in the first three sessions, followed by a public comment session.

The Advisory Committee invites the public to submit written comments on the agenda topics to the following e-mail address: [ACSFA@ed.gov](mailto:ACSFA@ed.gov). Information regarding the topics covered at the hearing will also be available on the Advisory Committee's Web site at <http://www.ed.gov/ACSFA>. We must receive your comments on or before September 15, 2006 to be included in the hearing materials.

Space for the hearing is limited and you are encouraged to register early if you plan to attend. You may register by sending an e-mail to the following address: [ACSFA@ed.gov](mailto:ACSFA@ed.gov) or [Tracy.Deanna.Jones@ed.gov](mailto:Tracy.Deanna.Jones@ed.gov). Please include your name, title, affiliation, complete address (including internet and e-mail, if available), and telephone and fax numbers. If you are unable to register electronically, you may fax your registration information to the Advisory Committee staff office at (202) 219-3032. You may also contact the Advisory Committee staff directly at (202) 219-2099. The registration deadline is Tuesday, September 12, 2006.

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Dated: August 25, 2006.

**William J. Goggin,**

*Executive Director, Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance.*

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