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Texas Commission on Community College Finance

Upcoming Meeting Reminder



Esteemed Presidents & Chancellors

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As a reminder, the **Texas Commission on Community College Finance** meets today, **Wednesday, April 6 at 10:00 AM CT**. The entire meeting will be live-streamed through the link on the right. We invite all Members to listen to these important discussions.

The meeting agenda and other resources can be viewed [here](#).

April

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The meeting will be live-streamed through the link below!

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Presiding Officer: Woody Hunt, Senior Chairman, Hunt Companies

The Honorable Brandon Creighton, Texas Senate

Dr. Mark Escamilla, President, Del Mar College

Dr. Stephen Head, Chancellor, Lone Star College

Dr. Brenda Hellyer, Chancellor, San Jacinto College

Brian Jones, Director, Professional Learning, Odessa College

Dr. Brenda Kays, President, Kilgore College

The Honorable Oscar Longoria, Texas House of Representatives

Carol Scott, Chair, Del Mar College Board of Regents

The Honorable Larry Taylor, Texas Senate

The Honorable Gary VanDeaver, Texas House of Representatives

Todd Williams, CEO, The Commit Partnership

Commission on Community College



During the 87th Texas Legislature, TACC advanced SB 1230 by **Senator Larry Taylor** (<https://senate.texas.gov/member.php?d=11>) and House sponsor Rep. Leo Pacheco which established the Commission on Community College Finance.

The Commission will make recommendations for consideration by the 88th Texas Legislature to establish a state funding formula and funding levels sufficient for sustaining viable community college education and training offerings throughout the state. The bill calls for a commission of twelve members to be appointed by the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, Texas Association of Community Colleges, and the Community College Association of Texas Trustees.

Members appointed will include community college administrators, business leaders, and other stakeholders knowledgeable in junior college mission, instructional programs, and finance. Once convened, this panel will exam trends and forecast data, gather stakeholder input and make recommendations that account for equity in student outcomes, with a particular focus on students who are underrepresented in higher education, including from families in the bottom quintiles of the economic spectrum. Community college leaders and stakeholders will work parallel to the commission through a Steering Committee established by TACC to aid the commission in its work.

READ OFFICIAL BILL LANGUAGE HERE (<HTTPS://CAPITOL.TEXAS.GOV/TLODOCS/87R/BILLTE>)



SB 1230

ENACTED

COMPOSITION

The Commission includes 12 members:

- 4 appointed by the **Governor**;
- 3 appointed by the **Lieutenant Governor**;
- 3 appointed by the **Speaker of the House**;
- 1 appointed by the board of **TACC**; and
- 1 appointed by the board of the **CCATT**.

OTHER AREAS OF STUDY

The Commission may examine and make recommendations on other policy and finance matters, including:

- workforce demand and skills gaps;
- dual credit programs and costs;
- variation between taxing districts and service areas
- student graduation, transfer, and success metrics; and
- the relationship between economic cycles and student enrollment.

GOAL

The Texas Commission on Community College Finance will make recommendations for consideration by the 88th Texas Legislature regarding the state funding formula and funding levels for public junior colleges in Texas that would be sufficient to sustain viable junior college education and training offerings throughout the state and improve student outcomes in alignment with state postsecondary goals.

The Commission will convene no later than October 15, 2021, and will continue its activities until completion of a final report.

SCOPE

The Commission will examine trend and forecast data, seek stakeholder input, and account for equity in student outcomes.

Based on its findings the Commission will make recommendations for:

- The components of state funding for public junior colleges, including contact hour funding formulas
- The feasibility of establishing shared service agreements or interinstitutional collaborations where institutions of higher education may perform administrative services, other than direct instruction and student support services, for other institutions of higher education for a fee or other consideration



Community College Finance Steering Committee

TACC / CCATT / TCCTA

GOAL & PURPOSE

The Steering Committee will **ensure the success of the Commission by informing the process and deliberations.**

The Steering Committee will serve as a communication medium between the Commission and the community college sector.

COMPOSITION

The Steering Committee includes 25 members:

- 11 **presidents/chancellors;**
- 7 **trustees/regents;**
- 2 **faculty members;**
- 3 **resource partners;** and
- 2 ex-official members from **TACC & CCATT.**

ROLES

The Steering Committee will:

- **Articulate** to the Commission and stakeholders why this matters to the state, community colleges, and students
- **Inform** the Commission on the needs of today's students
- Provide a **historical perspective** of community college funding in the state
- Ensure the Commission's **recommendations are realistic, fundable, actionable, and aligned** to the mission of the institutions
- **Serve as an ongoing "vetting vehicle"** for Commission recommendations
- Debate issues internally then **advise the Commission with a unified voice**

SCOPE

The Steering Committee aims to:

- Examine critical policy issues of interest to the Texas Legislature and **use data to inform the Commission on the realities of the current Texas community college finance model**
- **Review new census data** and its impacts on institutions and various funding models
- **Recommend term definitions** for the Commission
- **Gather research on community college finance model best practices** from across the country and identify the pros and cons of various funding approaches
- **Engage in conversation about equity** and present it to the Commission for consideration

Texas Commission on Community College Finance

November 15, 2021 Commission Meeting

10:00 a.m., Capitol Extension, Room E1.012

[Agenda](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Harrison Keller \(THECB\)](#)

[Presentation - Tom Currah \(Comptroller\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Helen You \(Texas Demographic Center\)](#)

[Presentation - Andrew Overmyer \(LBB\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Lori Taylor \(TAMU Bush School of Government & Public Service\)](#)

An archived video of the meeting is available at this [link](#).

December 13, 2021 Commission Meeting

10:00 a.m., John H. Reagan Building, Room 120

[Agenda](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Harrison Keller \(THECB\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Joe May \(Dallas College\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Marv Hensley \(Blinn College\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Cheryl Sparks \(Howard College\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Pamela Anglin \(Paris Junior College\)](#)

[Presentation - Todd Williams \(Commit Partnership\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Sara Goldrick-Rab \(The Hope Center\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Jennifer Kent \(Victoria College\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Cesar Maldonado \(Houston Community College\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. Greg Williams \(Odessa College\)](#)

[Presentation - Steve Jackobs, Dr. Joy Penticuff, and Shirlet Oriakhi \(Capital IDEA\)](#)

An archived video of the meeting is available at this [link](#).

January 18, 2022 Commission Meeting

10:00 a.m., Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (1200 E. Anderson Lane), Board Room

[Agenda](#) (Updated 1/17/22)

[Presentation - Dr. Harrison Keller \(THECB\)](#)

[Presentation - Dr. David Troutman \(UT System\)](#)

[Presentation - Martha Snyder \(HCM Strategies\)](#)

[Presentation - Michael Reeser \(TSTC System\)](#)

[Presentation - Dennis Jones, Dr. Aimee McGuinness, and Dr. Brian Prescott \(NCHEMS\)](#)

An archived video of the meeting is available at this [link](#).

April 6, 2022 Commission Meeting

10:00 a.m., John H. Reagan Building, Room 120

Anyone wishing to provide public testimony at this meeting must provide written notice by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 5th, to amy.peterson@highered.texas.gov. Testimony by individuals and organizations is limited to three minutes, unless otherwise stated by the chairman. Only one representative per organization will be allowed to speak.

[Agenda](#)

[Presentation by Dr. Harrison Keller \(THECB\)](#)

[College Operations Workgroup Update by Dr. Steve Head \(Lone Star College\)](#)

[Student Support Workgroup Update by Dr. Brenda Hellyer \(San Jacinto College\)](#)

[Workforce Education Workgroup Update by Dr. Mark Escamilla \(Del Mar College\)](#)

[TXCCCF Research Team Update by Dr. Lori Taylor \(TAMU\)](#)

A live broadcast of the meeting will be available at this [link](#).

Inquiries should be directed to Amy.Peterson@higher.ed.texas.gov.

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