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STUDENT AID
COMMISSION



PEN Committee Commission Orientation

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Presentation Overview

From Appointment To Confirmation

- Appointment & Orientation Process
- New Commissioner Experience – Understanding Financial Aid
- Senate Confirmation Process

Current Appointment & Orientation Process

- Formal Appointment Notification & Press Release
- Commission Chair & Executive Director formally reach out
- Onboarding and Orientation process begins
 - Oath of Office
 - Paperwork
 - Bio and Photo for Commission Website
 - Provided Orientation Manual
 - Orientation Meeting Scheduled

Commission Orientation Meeting and Materials

- Appointed Commissioner meets with Commission Division Chiefs and General Counsel
- Review the following materials:
 - Commission's Governance Policies and Procedures
 - Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act
 - Key laws governing the Commission
 - Conflict of Interest Code



New Commissioner Experience: *Understanding Financial Aid...* *and the acronyms!*

- Attend 1st Commission Meeting
- Appointment to two Commission Standing Committees
- Executive Director schedules 1:1 meetings to provide background on issues
- Segmental Representatives and public members

The Senate Confirmation Process

- Upon Appointment of a new Commissioner, Governor has 60 days in which to transmit the name to the Senate Rules Committee
- The Senate has 365 days from effective date of appointment in which to take action
- Confirmation Process
 - Complete Senate paperwork
 - Senate Rules sends letter requesting appointees to answer series of policy questions
 - Meeting scheduled with Senate staff and LAO
 - Appointment set for Confirmation hearing at Senate Rules Committee (not expected to appear in person)
 - Appointment scheduled for Confirmation vote on Senate Floor



Ideas to Enhance Commissioner Onboarding Experience and Learning Process

- Cal Grant 101 and FAFSA/CA Dream Act Application Completion Training
- Restructure Orientation Meeting with Commission Leadership & Staff
- Frequent Check-ins with Chair and Executive Director
- Other ideas?

Questions?

