

# State of Wisconsin Higher Educational Aids Board

Meeting Minutes  
February 15, 2019

**Board Members Present:** Stephen Willett, Robert Welch, Jeff Cichon via phone, Jennifer Kammerud via phone, Timothy Opgenorth, and Paul Trebian.

**HEAB Staff Present:** Sherrie Nelson, Joy Dyer, Charlene Sime, Peter Zammuto and Cassie Weisensel

**Others Present:** Rolf Wegenke, WAICU; Rebecca Larson, WAICU; Todd Bailey, UW System Administration; Brandon Trujillo, WTCS; Sean Nelson, UWSA; and Mary Czech-Mrochinski, Marquette University.

Chair Stephen Willett called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

## **BOARD REPORT #19-17 Status of 2018-19 Applicants and Programs**

The number of applicants (first-time FAFSA filers who listed Wisconsin as their state of legal residence) for 2018-19 through mid-February 2019 is 260,179. Last year at this time there were 265,820 applicants.

In 2018-19, WG - UW has committed 135.79% (\$84,390,286) of its appropriation with 36,291 calculated awards. This is 1,010 less calculated awards and 4.96% less committed than at this time last year. WG - WTC committed 183.85% (\$47,816,623) of its appropriation with 48,023 calculated awards. This is 11,803 more awards and 18.86% more committed than at this time last year. WG - PNP has committed 164.95% (\$47,495,626) of its appropriation with 15,066 awards. This is 13 more awards and 1.1% fewer committed than at this time last year. WG-Tribal has committed 165.82% (\$903,276) of its appropriation with 538 awards. This is 71 fewer awards and 53.47% less committed than at this time last year.

## **BOARD REPORT #19-18 Wisconsin State Student Financial Aid Data for 2017-18**

Each year HEAB goes out to the aid community with a survey to collect information about need based and non-need based student financial aid for Wisconsin resident undergraduates. The colleges and universities within the four different Wisconsin Higher Education Sectors provided the majority of the information reflected in this report. The four sectors of colleges and universities include the Independent Colleges and Universities, the Tribal Colleges, the University of Wisconsin System, and the Wisconsin Technical College System. The majority of the cost of education is met by assistance that is based on financial need. The majority of need based and non-need based assistance combined is funded by federal loan assistance.

Moved by Tim Opgenorth, seconded by Robert Welch, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, and Chair Stephen Willett adjourned the meeting at 9:37am.

Respectfully submitted by Jeff Cichon, Secretary