## POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BOARD

### January 2025 Quarterly Meeting

January 14, 2025

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### Minutes (pg. 2)

September 27, 2024 Board Meeting





### **Items for Consideration**







# 1. Review and Approve 2024 Annual Report (pg. 23)

- Legislative report required annually
- Must be submitted within 10 days of the start of the legislative session
- Board request: Approval recommended







#### Awards (p. 7)

- 32,678 awards (up 6,355 or 24.1%)
- \$52.9 million (up \$2.64 million or 5.3%) increase due to DEDC
- 32,262 recipients (up 6,460 students or 25%)
- \$1,619 average award amount (down \$291 or 15.2%) decrease due to low DEDC award amounts







#### Recipients (pp. 8-9)

- 32,262 individual recipients
- Every county represented
- 89% Dependent; 10% Independent
- 39% Male; 61% Female
- 96% aged 12-24
- 24% self-identify as African American; 67% as Caucasian; 9% other
- Income breakdown for dependent students:
  - 19% below \$40K; 25% below \$80K; 56% over \$80K (35% between \$100-\$250K)
- Income breakdown for independent students:
  - 54% earn below \$10K; 12% below \$20K; 34% over \$20K







#### Appropriation/Budget/Expenses (pp. 10-11)

- Governmental Appropriations \$65.57 million (up \$11.9 million or 22.26%)
  - \$50.65 million General Funds (up \$18K)
  - \$9.8 million additional General Funds for DEDC
  - \$5.1 million new and reappropriated Education Enhancement Funds (up \$2.1 million for FAITH)
- Special Fund Support \$1.74 million (down \$4.76 million or 73.23%)
- Other Appropriations \$6 million for Nurse Retention Loan Repayment Program
- \$73.3 million total appropriation and operating budget
- \$54.9 million total expended (expenses)
  - \$52.9 million on current year awards
  - \$766K on prior year awards
  - \$1.42 million on administration (1.9% of budget; 2.5% of expenses)







#### Appropriation/Budget/Expenses (cont.)

- \$19 million balance
  - \$9.6 million reappropriated in FY 2025 (unspent EEF funds, unspent Special Funds, unspent ARPA funds for NULR)
  - \$1.7 million General Fund balance available for reappropriation in FY 2026
  - \$7.7 million DEDC General Funds lapsed and returned to State







#### Awards by Institution and Type (pp. 12-13)

- 4-Year Publics: 46% of awards, 71% of funds
- 2-Year Publics: 45% of awards, 18% of funds
- Privates: 8% of awards, 8% of funds
- Grants: 99% of awards; 96.4% of funds
- Undergraduate: 99% of awards; 96.4% of funds





# Charts of Awards & Amounts by Program Over Time (pp. 14-17)









#### Loan Repayment (pp. 18-23)

- 2,023 accounts under management
  - 16% accounts in school/grace/deferment
  - 2% current service
  - 2% current money
  - 76% default (delinquent or in collections)
  - 4% closed current year
  - \$19.2 million principal balance outstanding
- \$713K net collections
  - \$821K collected
  - \$108K cost to service loans
- 5% overall default rate on accounts in tracked cohorts







#### Program Detail (pp. 25-103)

- Undergraduate grant programs
- Loan repayment programs
- Forgivable loan programs
  - Undergraduate
  - Graduate
  - Inactive (accounts not tracked by cohort for default rates)







# 2. Consider Changing Definition of Full-Time from 15 Hours to 12 Hours (pg. 25)

- Definition changed by PSB in June 2016
  - Prompted by \$10M deficit
  - National "Take 15" and "Finish in 4" campaigns
- Considerations:
  - Federal definition of full-time is 12 hours
  - More students take dual enrollment/dual credit courses
  - Can discourage STEM majors
  - IPEDS data unavailable
  - \$2.5M annual cost
- Board request: Discussion only







	Cancelled Less than Full-time				Cancelled Continuous Full- Time		Total	
Fund	Count	Amount	Count	Amount	Count	Amount	Count	Amount
	Fall 2023		Spring 2024		Spring 2024		AY 2023-24	
HELP	45	\$148,036	81	\$ 274,390	187	\$ 741,528	313	\$ 1,163,954
MESG	27	\$ 33,750	66	\$ 82,500	35	\$ 43,750	128	\$ 160,000
MTAG	864	\$318,124	1,424	\$ 525,075	893	\$ 293,225	3,181	\$ 1,136,424
All	936	\$499,910	1,571	\$ 881,965	1,115	\$1,078,503	3,622	\$ 2,460,378
	Fall 2022		Spring 2023		Spring 2023		AY 2022-23	
HELP	55	\$155,205	93	\$ 294,438	188	\$ 697,300	336	\$ 1,146,943
MESG	40	\$ 50,000	74	\$ 92,500	78	\$ 97,500	192	\$ 240,000
MTAG	1,038	\$372,575	1,531	\$ 554,150	961	\$ 324,500	3,530	\$ 1,251,225
All	1,133	\$577,780	1,698	\$ 941,088	1,227	\$1,119,300	4,058	\$ 2,638,168
	Fall 2021		Spring 2022		Spring 2022		AY 2021-22	
HELP	40	\$121,985	64	\$ 213,884	214	\$ 830,647	318	\$ 1,166,516
MESG	36	\$ 45,000	73	\$ 91,250	61	\$ 76,250	170	\$ 212,500
MTAG	887	\$323,825	1,399	\$ 513,525	1,003	\$ 328,550	3,289	\$ 1,165,900
All	963	\$490,810	1,536	\$ 818,659	1,278	\$1,235,447	3,777	\$ 2,544,916





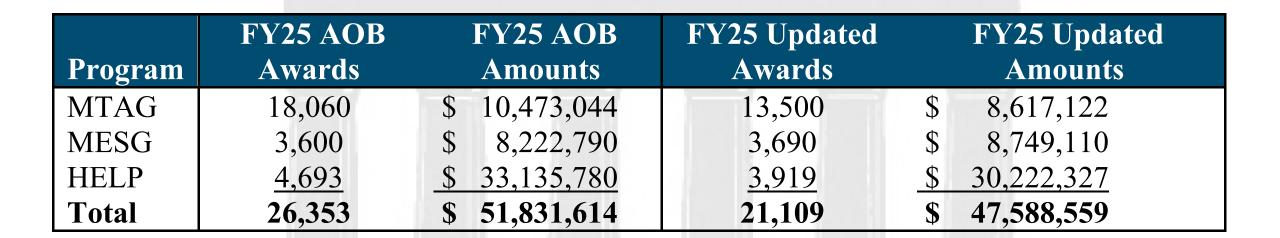


#### 3. Revise the FY 2026 Budget Request

- Original MBR approved in June 2024
  - Included static funding projections for MTAG and HELP
  - Acknowledged MTAG projections could be impacted by changes to the FAFSA and Pell formula
  - Acknowledged HELP numbers were down in 23-24 but were expected to rebound
- Revised request needed
  - Reflect new award trends
  - Request re-appropriation of FY 2025 funds
  - Contribute additional cash-on-hand from unspent collections













#### Impact to FY 2025 and FY 2026 Budgets

- FY 2025 Budget
  - SFA will not spend any cash-on-hand from collections
  - SFA will lapse about \$2.7M in General Funds
- FY 2026 Budget Request should be reduced:
  - Account for decreased award levels
  - Account for lapsed FY25 funds available for reappropriation in FY26
  - Contribute additional cash-on-hand from collections







#### **Two Revised Budgets**

- Budget A (p. 27) assumes no changes to 15-hour requirement
  - Award projections reduced based on current year actuals
  - Reduces GF request by \$11.4M
    - Accounts for both FY24 and FY25 lapsed GF
    - Contributes additional cash-on-hand not spent in FY25
- Budget B (p. 28) assumes 15-hour requirement reduced to 12
  - Award projections first reduced based on current year actuals but then increased to account for the credit hour requirement change
  - Reduces GF request by \$6.4M
    - Accounts for both FY24 and FY25 lapsed GF
    - Contributes additional cash-on-hand not spent in FY25





### **Executive Session**

If Determined Necessary









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