

AGENDA



9:00 Registration

10:00 **OPENING REMARKS**

The Honorable Patrick J. Hogan
Maryland State Senator and Chair,
Commission to Develop the Maryland
Model for Funding Higher Education

WELCOME

Mr. Carl C. Dalstrom
Chief Executive Officer
USA Funds

10:10 **EXPERT PANEL PRESENTATIONS**

Panelists will focus their remarks on core questions facing the commission. Each panelist will have 30 minutes.

Moderator - Dr. Gordon (Spud) Van de Water, President, Van de Water Consulting LLC

Mr. Patrick Callan, National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education

Dr. Paul Lingenfelter, State Higher Education Executive Officers

The Honorable Denise Merrill, Connecticut General Assembly, Co-Chair of the National Conference of State Legislatures' Blue Ribbon Commission on Higher Education

1. What share of public higher education costs should be borne by students, government (local, state, federal), and others? How is this share determined?
2. Given limited resources, what is the appropriate balance to strike between quality and access/affordability?
3. The Van de Water report recommends a peer state model for guiding investment decisions over the next decade. Maryland already uses institutional peer groups to develop budget requests. Are the two approaches compatible? Should this line of thinking be extended to include international comparisons?
4. What are the appropriate mechanisms for holding institutions accountable? How have these mechanisms fared in other states?
5. What types of funding models are currently in use among the states? How is performance linked to funding? What are the trends in performance-based funding?
6. Maryland faces 10-year demand estimated at more than 56,000 additional students (equal to two new College Park campuses). How are other states coping with growth issues? What criteria would you suggest for guiding our response to demand?

Moderator will summarize key points from the morning presentations and focus discussion on generating ideas to address the issues (participation by commission members, panelists, and other attendees). If consensus appears, moderator will identify it and ask commissioners to confirm or alter the accuracy of the moderator's perception.

1. Appropriate Share
2. Balancing Quality and Access/Affordability
3. Accountability

3:15 Break

3:30 **PANEL DISCUSSION**

Moderator asks each panel member in turn to offer their best advice on Maryland's long-term future directions and key decisions facing the commission. Each panelist will have up to 10 minutes.

4:00 **CLOSING REMARKS**

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QUESTION AND ANSWER TIME



12:30 Lunch

1:30 **FOCUSED DISCUSSIONS**

THE CORE QUESTIONS INCLUDE: