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As you are aware, the 2018-19 state budget established, with the Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF), an SCFF Oversight Committee charged with reviewing and evaluating the implementation of the formula.

Specifically, the committee is charged with making recommendations to the Legislature and the Department of Finance—by January 1, 2020—regarding inclusion of measures (as part of the calculation of the SCFF supplemental allocation) related to first-generation college-going, financial need given differences in costs across regions, and academic proficiency of incoming students. The committee is also expected to review, by June 30, 2021, funding for noncredit instruction and instruction delivered pursuant to instructional service agreements, as well as the methods by which district allocations could be adjusted in a recession.

The committee consists of 12 members, with the Governor, the Speaker of the state Assembly, and the Senate Committee on Rules each appointing members. In describing the committee's membership, the law calls for geographic balance and for diversity in socioeconomic background and professional experience. The members of the committee were recently appointed. They are:

- Sonya Christian, president of Bakersfield College.
- Bonnie Ann Dowd, executive vice chancellor of business and technology services at the San Diego Community College District.
- Ann-Marie Gabel, vice chancellor of business services at the South Orange County Community College District.
- Angélica Garcia, vice president of student services at Skyline College.
- Elizabeth Guillen, director of legislative and community affairs at Public Advocates.
- Valerie Johnson, student at Crafton Hills College and San Bernardino Valley College and president of the Crafton Hills College student senate.
- John McDowell, Jr., founder of the Labor Center at Los Angeles Trade Technical College.
- Kindred Murillo, superintendent and president of Southwestern College.
- Christopher Nellum, senior director for higher education at the Education Trust-West.
- Manuel Payan, grounds equipment operator at San Joaquin Delta College.
- Michele Siqueiros, president of the Campaign for College Opportunity.
- Dianne Van Hook, chancellor of College of the Canyons.

This week, the Board of Governors approved a contract with WestEd for project management, technical advice, and administrative support for the committee. The Chancellor's Office is working with WestEd to begin these activities as soon as possible. The Chancellor's Office will also work with the Advisory Workgroup on Fiscal Affairs to align the workgroup's efforts with the committee's activities moving forward.

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