2009 Maryland State Plan

MHEC’s COMMITMENT:

As this Plan seeks to improve postsecondary education in Maryland, input from interested parties statewide will be invited at several points in this planning process.
Public Input on the State Plan

- All meetings will be open to the public
- Drafts will be circulated widely
- There will be four published public comment opportunities:
  - Nov. 19, 2008, as part of the MHEC Commission meeting
  - March 25, 2009, MHEC Commission meeting
  - May 14, 2009, MHEC Finance Policy Meeting
  - May 12, 2009, MHEC Education Policy Meeting (this date tentative)
Starting Point for the Plan

The 2009 Maryland State Plan will **UPDATE** and **REVISE** the 2004 State Plan
Guidance for the State Plan

1. Governor O’Malley’s Postsecondary Education Transition Report and the O’Malley-Brown administration priorities for postsecondary education;
Guidance for the State Plan

2. issues impacting higher education since 2004;
3. action recommendations from the 2004 State Plan;
4. the Higher Education Commission;
5. the Secretary of Higher Education; and
6. each of you.
MHEC will seek input on the State Plan statewide, including from the following:

• The Governor
• The General Assembly
• MHEC Commission members
• Segmental Advisory Council
• Commission to Develop the Maryland Model for Funding Higher Education
• P-20 Leadership Council
• Student Advisory Council
• Faculty Advisory Council
• Financial Assistance Advisory Council
• State agencies for Business & Economic Development; Labor, Licensing, & Regulation; Education; Budget & Management; Health & Mental Hygiene; Disabilities; Legislative Services; and others
• The Treasurer
• The Comptroller
• Regional Higher Education Centers
• Business community
• Other organizations with interests in postsecondary education, including the elder community
Sections of the 2009 State Plan

Draft outline of the State Plan:
• Preamble and vision
• The Governor’s Priorities
• The External Environment for Planning
• State Plan Goals
• Progress Report on the 2004 State Plan
External Environment for Planning

Significant issues since the 2004 State Plan that impact postsecondary education:

- Demographics
- The State and National Economy
  - Funding Challenges
  - Affordability Issues
  - Commission to Develop the Maryland Model for Funding Higher Education
- Technology
- College readiness of high school students
- P-20 Leadership Council
- BRAC
- Accountability in Postsecondary Education
Goals Section

• State Plan Goals for 2009 to 2013
  with
  • Action recommendations and timelines
  • Outcomes and evaluation measures
Goals Section

- Goal One: “Quality and Effectiveness”
- Goal Two: “Access and Affordability”
- Goal Three: “Diversity”
- Goal Four: “Student-Centered Learning”
- Goal Five: “Economic Growth and Vitality”
How the State Plan will be Written

• Five writing groups corresponding to the five goals

• Writing group members include:
  - MHEC staff
  - MHEC Commission members
  - Representatives from each segment of postsecondary education
  - Representatives from interested State agencies
  - Representatives from the Faculty Advisory Council, Student Advisory Council, and Financial Assistance Advisory Council
  - Other stakeholders
1. Quality and Effectiveness:
   George W. Reid, Facilitator; Ann Walker, Recorder

2. Access and Affordability:
   Andrea Mansfield, Facilitator; Geoff Newman, Recorder

3. Diversity:
   Gareth Murray, Facilitator; Kristin Neville, Recorder

4. Student-Centered Learning:
   Sue Blanshan, Facilitator; Les Bennett, Recorder

5. Economic Growth and Vitality:
   Dean Kendall, Facilitator; David Jorgensen, Recorder
Role of Facilitators

- To work with members of their Writing Groups to produce drafts of their respective goal sections in the 2009 Maryland State Plan for Postsecondary Education
Editorial Board & Writing Editors

MHEC staff members who:

• Make recommendations to the general editor

• Copy-edit Plan documents to be made public
Role of the General Editor

- Make Recommendations to the Secretary and the State Plan Work Group
- Oversee the Planning Process
The Workgroup for the 2009 State Plan

- Members are all of the Writing Group members & MHEC staff working on the State Plan
- The Workgroup makes preliminary and final recommendations to the general editor
August

- Discuss State Plan process with the Segmental Advisory Council and Maryland Higher Education Commission members

- Contact organizations to request representatives to serve on State Plan writing groups

- Bring together internal MHEC staff to discuss process for updating the State Plan
• Convene 2009 State Plan for Postsecondary Education Workgroup to provide instructions for the update and discuss charges for each writing group

• Each writing group meets to discuss issues and progress made and to review any items that have been drafted
• Continue to contact organizations to serve on State Plan writing groups to request representatives
  
  • Writing groups meet approximately three times
  
  • MHEC staff work on additional material for the Plan (external issues, progress report)
November

- Material from the writing groups and staff is assembled to create a first draft
- Writing groups review draft material
- First public hearing to comment on draft Plan material—November 19, 1 pm, at MHEC
• The Commission to Develop a Maryland Model for Funding Higher Education issues its final report

• Writing groups receive the report and begin discussing its implications for the Plan
• Convene writing groups to discuss the report of the Commission to Develop the Maryland Model for Funding Higher Education
• Writing groups to continue to discuss recommendations, revisions, action steps, and any written drafts produced by all the groups
March

- Convene 2009 State Plan for Postsecondary Education Workgroup to finalize draft 2009 State Plan
- Send final draft to all interested parties for comment
- Allow public comment to be offered during the March 25 Commission meeting
• Convene writing groups to approve final draft and prepare it for submission to the members of the Maryland Higher Education Commission
• Discuss draft 2009 State Plan at Education Policy and Finance Policy Committees of the Maryland Higher Education Commission
June

• Present final draft of 2009 State Plan to the Maryland Higher Education Commission for approval at its June 2009 meeting
APPRECIATIONS

- The Segments of Postsecondary Education
- The Higher Education Commission
- The Secretary of Higher Education
- The State Plan Work Group
- The MHEC Staff
- You, our Stakeholders!

- THANKS!!!!!