

Oregon State Board of Higher Education Access & Affordability Working Group

Thursday, November 4, 2004

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Room 1026, OUS Capital Center
18650 NW Walker Road, Beaverton, Oregon

11:00 a.m. Roll Call and Introductions Nan Poppe and Tim Nesbitt

11:15 a.m. Focus Group Summary Adam Davis

Principal, Adam, Davis and Midgall

How do Oregonians feel about the concept of the “Oregon Opportunity Trust” for improving the affordability of college for low- and middle-income Oregon students and families? Adam Davis conducted two focus groups to capture a broad spectrum of opinion and understanding to assist the AAWG, the Board and the Governor's Office in structuring the Trust proposal. This presentation includes video clips of individuals sharing views and an analysis of their verbal and written comments. (See *Appendix A, Oregon Opportunity Trust Proposal*).

11:45 a.m. Opinions of Voters Discussion AAWG Members

AAWG will consider the opinions of voters and implications for the design features of the legislative concept followed with an invitation to the general audience to share thoughts.

Lunch available for AAWG Members and Resource Experts

12:30 p.m. Shared Responsibility Discussion AAWG Members

David Longanecker, Executive Director, WICHE, will facilitate a follow up discussion using the concepts in Minnesota’s Shared Responsibility Model to describe the Oregon Opportunity Trust adopted by the OSBHE in June 2004.

Lumina Foundation believes that the collision of four forces (increased demand, diminished capacity, economic and fiscal problems, and demands for accountability) offers a challenging opportunity for all stakeholders in American postsecondary education. Solutions to these issues require an understanding of four basic points: No single party bears responsibility for the solution; no single solution will suffice, solutions based on evidence and experience have greater promise for success, and solutions that are cost-effective are more likely to secure approval in tight fiscal times. (See *Collision Course: A Policy Briefing from Lumina Foundation July 2004*).

1:30 p.m. Next Steps Nan Poppe and Tim Nesbitt

1. Continued outreach to key constituents
2. Legislative plan developed with Governor

Attachments:

Appendix A, Oregon Opportunity Trust Proposal, October 2004

Appendix B, Oregon Opportunity Trust Reasons to Support, October 2004

Appendix C, Oregon Opportunity Trust Reasons to Oppose, October 2004

Collision Course: A Policy Brief from Lumina Foundation, July 2004

