

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee  
March 25-26, 2009**

**SUBJECT:** Student Financial Aid Access Project: Update

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

For Information

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Section 7(d), Art. IX, Florida Constitution  
Board of Governors Regulation 8.012

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

During the January 29, 2009 meeting of the BOG Strategic Planning and Academic and System Oversight Committee, Commissioner Smith presented an update of college and career readiness, access and success initiatives for the Baccalaureate Degrees/System Structure Project Team. Staff presented research that showed that the Pell grant financial aid program is not fully utilized by SUS students. The Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee was tasked with examining financial aid issues further, including ways to get more financial assistance to students in the SUS.

At this meeting, staff will provide an update of activities and initiatives that have begun or are being planned to promote greater access to and participation in existing federal and state financial aid programs.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** College Goal Sunday Florida Update

**Facilitators / Presenters:** Governor Ann Duncan  
Board of Governors Staff