



I. Policy Intelligence and Education News

- **CEF officer update** – Many of you may have already seen the news that CEF’s Treasurer Emmanuel Guillory has started a new position as Director of Student and Institutional Aid Policy at the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (NAICU). CEF’s bylaws do not require Emmanuel to step down as Treasurer since he is still working for a CEF member organization and will be its representative to CEF (if a regular member of the Board left, that person’s original employing institution could fill the newly vacant seat on the Board, but that is not the case for officer positions). However, the Bylaws do preclude any organization from having two members on CEF’s Board so NAICU’s Stephanie Giesecke is stepping down as CEF Past President. In her place, Myrna Mandlawitz (CEF’s President in 2013) of MRM Associates LLC and the Council of Administrators of Special Education (CASE) will join the Board to serve as Past President for the rest of this year. CEF continues to benefit greatly from both Stephanie and Myrna’s experience and willingness to serve important roles over the last two decades or so, and we thank them both.
- **Tomorrow’s Day of Action to support children** – Tomorrow, six CEF members and a number of other groups are sponsoring a [Nationwide Day of Action to Support Children](#) to advocate for the resources needed for children to be safely in school. Many House Democrats plan to participate by focusing on the support for education and for state and local fiscal relief included in the House-passed Heroes Act, which the Senate has not considered. The effort will be using #DemandSafeSchools and #FundOurFuture – see the link above for more information.
- **Congressional outlook** – Both the House and Senate are in recess this week. The House will hold hearings (no education-related hearings are yet announced) next week and the Senate will be in session, when leaders have said they hope to vote on a “targeted” pandemic relief bill. This could include something even smaller than the slimmed-down version of the Senate’s proposed HEALS ACT (described with text attached to the [August 19 CEF Update](#)). Today White House Chief of Staff Mark Meadows suggested that the Senate relief bill might provide a total of \$500 billion; to put that in context, the House-passed Heroes Act provide more than \$3 trillion, with \$915 billion for state and local fiscal relief – funding that is a major source of public education support – and all the major congressional proposals so far have included about \$100 billion for education alone.

II. Events

- **CEF Briefing on “How Money Matters in Education”** – Wednesday, September 23, 2:00-3:30 p.m. ET, via Zoom. [Briefing for CEF members and Congressional education staffers](#). Calendar link coming soon.
Panelists:

- [Dr. Tom Harnisch](#), Vice President for Government Relations, State Higher Education Executive Officers Association
 - [Dr. Rucker C. Johnson](#), Professor of Public Policy, University of California-Berkeley
 - [Dr. Jenna Sablan](#), Assistant Research Professor, Georgetown Center on Education and the Workforce
 - [David Sciarra, Esq.](#), Executive Director, Education Law Center
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- **CEF's upcoming schedule–**
 - **Friday, Sept. 4** – No meeting during the congressional recess.
 - **Friday, Sept. 11** – 9:30-11:00 a.m. ET, [Zoom Friday meeting](#). Guest speaker TBD.
 - **Friday, Sept. 18** – 9:30-11:00 a.m. ET, [Zoom Friday meeting](#). Guest speaker TBD.
 - **Wed., Sept. 23** – 2:00-3:30 p.m. ET, Zoom Briefing on How Money Matters in Education (see details above).
 - **Friday, Sept. 25** – 9:30-11:00 a.m. ET, [Zoom Friday meeting](#). Guest speaker TBD.