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Credit Union Student Choice Adds Affinity Plus FCU's Brian Volkmann to Board of Directors

Washington, D.C. (11/7/2022) — [Credit Union Student Choice](https://www.studentchoice.org), the foremost provider of higher education financing solutions to America's credit unions, announced that Brian Volkmann, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer for [Affinity Plus Federal Credit Union](https://www.affinityplusfcu.com), has joined its Board of Directors.

"I'm very excited to join the Student Choice Board and contribute to the ongoing success and continued development of the CUSO," Volkmann said. "Affinity Plus is proud to be a founding owner of Student Choice and we've greatly enjoyed our working relationship with them over the past 14 years. Their expert support in helping us, and hundreds of other credit unions, provide fair-value private student lending solutions to members has been invaluable."

Affinity Plus FCU first partnered with Student Choice in 2008 when the CUSO was founded. The credit union offers in-school private student loans as well as Student Choice's student loan refinance solution.

"Affinity Plus has been a wonderful Student Choice partner and a strong contributor over the past decade," said Scott Patterson, President and CEO of Student Choice. "Brian began his career at Affinity more than 20 years ago, and his leadership has been integral in the credit union's success. We are excited to have someone with his experience and expertise as part of our Board of Directors."

Volkmann will join the existing Student Choice Board of Directors that consists of:

- Craig Roy, Board Chairperson: SVP of Retail Lending, DCU
- Kathy Duvall: President & CEO, SF Fire CU
- Tom Gandre: Executive Vice President & COO, PSCU
- Jon Jeffreys: President & CEO, Callahan & Associates
- Andrea Mosher: SVP of Lending, Lake Trust Credit Union
- Scott Patterson: President & CEO, Credit Union Student Choice

Student Choice enables credit unions of all sizes to make private education loans that are held on their own balance sheet. Since launching in 2008, the CUSO has helped nearly 300 partner credit unions originate \$4 billion in private education loans to more than 115,000 families.

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About Credit Union Student Choice

Credit Union Student Choice is a credit union service organization (CUSO) that positions credit unions as leaders in education finance by offering a comprehensive solution that helps them deliver fair-value private education loans and corresponding financial education to students and families. To learn more, visit www.studentchoice.org.