

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Center for Research Resources; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Center for Research Resources Special Emphasis Panel, Comparative Medicine (Telephone Conference Call).

Date: July 14, 1998.

Time: 11:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Office of Review, National Center for Research Resources, 6705 Rockledge Drive, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Bela J. Gulyas, PhD, Director, Office of Review, National Center for Research Resources, National Institutes of Health, 6705 Rockledge Drive, MSC 7965, Room 6018, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-0811.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.306, Comparative Medicine, 93.306; 93.333, Clinical Research, 93.333; 93.371, Biomedical Technology; 93.389, Research Infrastructure, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: June 29, 1998.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute; Notice of Closed Meeting

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Name of Committee: National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Special Emphasis Panel Pain/Symptom Research Training Software.

Date: July 14-15, 1998.

Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 am.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: Gaithersburg Hilton Hotel, 620 Perry Parkway, Gaithersburg, MD 20877.

Contact Person: Anthony M. Coleho, PhD, NIH, NHLBI, DEA, Review Branch, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 7194, Bethesda, MD 20892-7924, (301) 435-0288.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.233, National Center for Sleep Disorders Research; 93.837, Heart and Vascular Diseases Research; 93.838, Lung Diseases Research; 93.839, Blood Diseases and Resources Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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National Institute of Child Health and Human Development; National and Regional Meetings of the National Reading Panel

Notice is hereby given of the final scheduled regional meeting and one national meeting of the National Reading Panel.

The regional meeting will be held on July 9 at Murrah High School Auditorium, 1400 Murrah Drive, Jackson, MS 39202. This meeting will begin at 10:00 AM and is expected to adjourn at 3:00 or 4:00 PM. The entire meeting will be open to the public. Previous regional meetings were held as announced in Chicago, IL on May 29, Portland, OR on June 5, Houston, TX on June 8, and New York, NY on June 23.

The national meeting will be held on July 24 in Building 31, C-Wing, 6th floor Conference Room area, at National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville

Pike, Bethesda, Maryland 20892. The meeting is tentatively scheduled to begin at 9:00 AM and is expected to adjourn at 4:00 PM. The entire meeting will be open to the public.

The National Reading Panel was requested by Congress and created by the Director of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development in consultation with the Secretary of Education. The Panel will study the effectiveness of various approaches to teaching children how to read and report on the best ways to apply these findings in classrooms at home. Its members include prominent reading researchers, teachers, child development experts, leaders in elementary and higher education, and parents. The Chair of the Panel is Dr. Donald N. Langenberg, Chancellor of the University System of Maryland.

The Panel will build on the recently announced findings presented by the National Research Council's Committee on the Prevention of Reading Difficulties in Young Children. Based on a review of the literature, the Panel will: determine the readiness for application in the classroom of the results of these research studies; identify appropriate means to rapidly disseminate this information to facilitate effective reading instruction in the schools; and identify gaps in the knowledge base for reading instruction and the best ways to close these gaps.

The purpose of the meetings of the Panel will be to provide an opportunity for interaction between the panel members regarding the Panel's charge and to receive input from experts and the general public regarding that charge. Through these interactions the Panel hopes to make its task clear to others while gaining useful input from those it intends to inform. A period of time will be set aside for members of the public to address the Panel and express their views regarding the Panel's mission. Individuals desiring an opportunity to speak before the Panel should address their requests to F. William Dommel, Jr., Executive Director, National Reading Panel, c/o Ms. Amy Andryszak and either mail them to the Widmeyer-Baker Group, 1875 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 800, Washington, D.C. 20009, or e-mail them to amy@twbg.com, or fax them to 202-667-0902. Requests for addressing the Panel should be received as soon as possible. Panel business permitting, each public speaker will be allowed five minutes to present his or her views. In the event of a large number of public speakers, the Panel Chair retains the option to further limit the presentation time allowed to each. Although the time permitted for oral