

supplements. REU Site awards fund groups of undergraduates to work with faculty members at an institution. Half of the undergraduates in an REU site must come from other institutions. ENG also makes REU Supplement awards to NSF-funded Engineering Research Centers and to other NSF-funded researchers for comparable involvement of undergraduates.

The proposed study will be similar to the 2003 URO study. It will focus on undergraduate ENG REU participants and the faculty members who are responsible for the ENG REU awards during summer 2006 through spring 2007, and will examine in detail for the first time the activities, outcomes, and impacts of REU awards made in a single NSF directorate—ENG. The study will evaluate the longer-term effects of REU experiences with a follow-up survey of the students approximately two years later. The REU program officers in NSF's Division of Engineering Education and Centers (EEC) particularly want to learn in depth about the EEC REU Site and ERC REU Supplement awards from former REU students and awardees, any differences between the Sites and ERC Supplements, and lessons learned for subsequent proposal review and advising prospective PIs. Information will also be used for ENG Program reporting requirements. The study will examine (1) the role of the REU program in aiding participating undergraduates in a decision to pursue graduate education or careers in engineering; and (2) the relationship between how REU activities are structured and managed and participants' subsequent education and career decisions and actions.

The survey data collection will be done on the World Wide Web.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response.

Respondents: Individuals.

Estimated Number of Responses per Form: 5,006.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 2,400 hours (413 respondents at 15 minutes per response and 4,593 respondents at 30 minutes per response).

Frequency of Response: One time for faculty, two times for students.

Dated: December 21, 2006.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

National Science Board; Commission on 21st Century Education in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting of the National Science Board Commission on 21st Century Education in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics:

Date and Time: The meeting will take place at 8 a.m. on January 18, 2007. Please see http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/edu_com/ for schedule updates.

Place: The meeting will be held in at the Arizona State Capitol, 1700 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, AZ 85007. Check with the information desk in the lobby of the Capitol for the meeting room.

Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Dr. Elizabeth Strickland, Commission Executive Secretary, National Science Board Office, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230; Phone: 703-292-4527, E-mail estrickl@nsf.gov

Purpose of Meeting: The purpose of this meeting is for the Commission to discuss its draft recommendations relating to K-12 STEM education. A provisional agenda for the meeting will be available at http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/edu_com/ on January 4, 2007.

Topics to be Discussed: K-Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Education; recommendations of the Commission.

Public Comment: Written comments to the Commission may be submitted by e-mail to NSBEdCom@nsf.gov. Those wishing to make brief public comments during the meeting may register to do so either by signing up at the information table on the day of the meeting or in advance by sending an e-mail to NSBEdCom@nsf.gov.

Dated: December 21, 2006.

Susanne Bolton,

Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

National Science Board Public Service Award Committee; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: National Science Board Public Service Award Committee (5195).

Date and Time: Tuesday January 16, 2007, 11:00 a.m. EST (teleconference meeting).

Place: The teleconference will originate from the National Science Board Office, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Ms. Ann Noonan, National Science Board Office, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: 703-292-7000.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations in the selection of the NSB Public Service Award recipients.

Agenda: To review and evaluate nominations as part of the selection process for awards.

Reason for closing: The nominations being reviewed include information of a personal nature where public disclosure would constitute clearly unwarranted invasions of personal privacy. These matters are exempt from open meeting and public attendance requirements under 5 U.S.C. Appendix 10(d) and 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(6).

Dated: December 21, 2006.

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Committee Management Officer.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

National Science Board Public Service Award Committee; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: National Science Board Public Service Award (5195).

Date and Time: Monday, January 22, 2007, 10:30 a.m. EST (teleconference meeting).

Place: The teleconference will originate from the National Science Board Office, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Ms. Ann Noonan, National Science Board Office, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: 703-292-7000.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations in the selection of the NSB Public Service Award recipients.