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The Federal Demonstration Partnership; Phase V Notice

AGENCY: National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, Office of Naval Research, Department of Agriculture, Air Force Office of Scientific Research, Army Research Office, Army Medical Research & Materiel Command, National Aeronautics & Space Administration, Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice announces a solicitation for large and small public and private colleges and universities (including predominantly undergraduate institutions and minority serving institutions), non-profit research and education organizations (e.g., science museums and research institutes), and hospitals to participate in Phase V of the Federal Demonstration Partnership (FDP). FDP is a unique forum of federal agencies and recipients committed to testing innovative approaches and streamlining processes and systems for federally supported research and education. It is anticipated that the Government University Industry Research Roundtable of the National Academies will continue to function as a neutral convener for the FDP, as it has since 1988. The full solicitation can be found at http:// www.research.gov.

DATES: Applications must be submitted by Tuesday, April 1, 2008. A notification of intent to submit should be provided by Friday, March 14, 2008. Evaluation and selection of organizations will be completed on or about May 1, 2008. Phase V organization and execution of agreements will be completed on or about June 30, 2008 with an effective date of October 1, 2008. Phase V participants will be invited to attend the FDP meeting scheduled for May 15-16, 2008 at the National Academy of Science, Washington, DC at which transition planning will be discussed. Phase V concludes September 30, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Visit the FDP Web site *http://www.thefdp.org* or contact *fdp@nas.edu*.

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National Science Board; Sunshine Act Meetings; Notice

The National Science Board, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1862n–5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of meetings for the transaction of National Science Board business and other matters specified, as follows:

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: National Science Board, National Science Foundation (NSF).

DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 6, 2008, at 8:45 a.m.; and Thursday, February 7, 2008 at 9 a.m.

PLACE: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 1235, Arlington, VA 22230. All visitors must report to the NSF visitor desk at the 9th and N. Stuart Streets entrance to receive a visitor's badge.

STATUS: Some portions open, some portions closed.

Open Sessions

February 6, 2008

8:45 a.m.–9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.–10:15 a.m. 10:15 a.m.–11:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m.–12 noon 1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m. 2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m.–3:50 p.m.

February 7, 2008

9 a.m.-9:30 a.m. 10:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m.-12 noon 1 p.m.-2 p.m.

Closed Sessions

February 7, 2008

9:30 a.m.–10 a.m. 10 a.m.–10:10 a.m. 10:10 a.m.–10:15 a.m.

AGENCY CONTACT: Dr. Robert E. Webber, rwebber@nsf.gov, (703) 292–7000, http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Wednesday, February 6, 2007

CSB Task Force on Cost Sharing

- Open Session: 8:45 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
 - Approval of Minutes.
 - Task Force Chairman's Remarks.
 - Discussion of Board February 9, 2008 Report to Congress on Cost Sharing Policies at the National Science Foundation.

• Discussion of Next Steps for Task Force Study of Cost Sharing.

CPP Task Force on Sustainable Energy

- Open Session: 9:30 a.m.–10:15 a.m.
- Approval of Minutes for December 2007 Meeting.
- Task Force Co-Chairmen's Remarks.
- Discussion of the Task Force Roundtable (February 8, 2008).
- Discussion of "The Challenge of Sustainable Energy: A Background Paper for the National Science Board Task Force on Sustainable Energy."
- Discussion of Upcoming Task Force Activities.

CPP Subcommittee on Polar Issues

Open Session: 10:15 a.m.-11:15 a.m.

- Approval of December Minutes.
- SÕPI Chairman's Remarks.
- OPP Director's Report.
- Planning Towards a Multinational Polar Infrastructure Network.
- Antarctic Support Contract Re-bid.
- Changing Freshwater Cycle in the Arctic.
- Video of the South Pole Station Dedication.

Committee on Programs and Plans

- Open Session: (11:15 a.m.–12 noon)
 Transformative Research and Basic Biology Concepts.
- Open Session: (1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.) • Approval of Minutes.
 - Approval of Minutes.
 December 5, 2007 Meeting.
 - January 10, 2008 Teleconference.
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 - Subcommittee on Polar Issues.
 - Task Force on Sustainable Energy.
 - Task Force on International Science.
 - Approval of Minutes.
 - Task Force on International Science, December 5, 2007 Meeting.
 - Discussion Item: NSB Report to Congress on Pre-construction Funding and Maintenance and Operations Costs for MREFC projects.
 - *Discussion Item:* Board Policy on Competition, Recompetition, and Renewal of NSF Awards.

Committee on Strategy and Budget

- Open Session: 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
 Approval of CSB Minutes, December 6, 2007.
 - Committee Chairman's Remarks.
 - Status Report: CSB Task Force on Cost Sharing.
 - Discussion of Limiting Proposals from a Single Institution.
 - Discussion of the NSF FY 2008 Appropriations and FY 2009 Budget Request.
 - Discussion of NSF Average Award Size, Duration, and Proposal Success Rate.