

DATES: *Public Hearing:* April 17, 2014, 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. *Requests to Participate:* Submit requests to participate at the meeting by March 24, 2014. *Written Comments:* Written comments received by May 1, 2014 will be part of the record.

ADDRESSES: The public hearing will be held at Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library, 901 G St. NW., Washington, DC 20001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gladstone Payton, Congressional Affairs Officer, Institute of Museum and Library Services, gpayton@imls.gov. Written comments should be directed to comments@imls.gov. Comments received by May 1, 2014 will be part of the record. Requests to participate in the hearing should be directed to comments@imls.gov by March 24, 2014. To make special arrangements for persons with disabilities, contact: elyons@imls.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For the nation's 123,000 school, public, research and academic libraries and the millions of Americans that they serve, it is vital that libraries have the high speed internet connections the public demands for educational, cultural, health and workforce information and services. Presidential initiatives like Connect-Ed and the FCC Chairman's call for modernization of the E-rate program have put a spotlight on the urgency to equip schools and libraries with high speed broadband connections. The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) has primary responsibility for the development and implementation of policy to ensure the availability of museum, library and information services adequate to meet the essential information, education, research, economic, cultural and civic needs of the people of the United States. See 20 U.S.C. Section 9103(c)(1). In carrying out this responsibility, IMLS is authorized to engage with Federal, State, and local government agencies and private entities in assessing current needs and coordinating the development of plans, policies, and activities to meet such needs effectively. *Id.* at Section (c)(2). Pursuant to the authority granted in 20 U.S.C. Section 9110, IMLS is conducting this public hearing for the purpose of establishing a public record specifically focused on the need for and impact of high speed broadband connectivity in America's libraries.

The Institute will hear from witnesses on the following topics:

Panel One: The Vision, What's Working: This panel will explore innovative practices and partnerships

that are serving individuals and communities well.

Panel Two: The Data: This panel will explore what is known about broadband connections and services in America's libraries.

Panel Three: The Urgency, What's At Risk: This panel will explore risks associated with insufficient connectivity in libraries.

The hearing is open to the public, subject to space availability. Written comments for the hearing will be accepted and must be received on or before May 1, 2014, in order to be included in the hearing record. Each comment must include the author's name and organizational affiliation, if any.

Signed: March 5, 2014.

Nancy E. Weiss,
General Counsel.

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NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Sunshine Act Meetings: March 2014

TIME AND DATES: All meetings are held at 2 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11;
Wednesday, March 12;
Thursday, March 13;
Tuesday, March 18;
Wednesday, March 19;
Thursday, March 20;
Tuesday, March 25;
Wednesday, March 26;
Thursday, March 27.

PLACE: Board Agenda Room, No. 11820, 1099 14th St. NW., Washington, DC 20570.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Pursuant to § 102.139(a) of the Board's Rules and Regulations, the Board or a panel thereof will consider "the issuance of a subpoena, the Board's participation in a civil action or proceeding or an arbitration, or the initiation, conduct, or disposition . . . of particular representation or unfair labor practice proceedings under section 8, 9, or 10 of the [National Labor Relations] Act, or any court proceedings collateral or ancillary thereto." See also 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(10).

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Henry Breitenreicher, Associate Executive Secretary, (202) 273-2917.

Dated: March 7, 2014.

William B. Cowen,
Solicitor.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Research Performance Progress Report Updates

AGENCY: National Science Foundation (NSF).

ACTION: Request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) for use with interim progress reports resulted from an initiative of the Research Business Models (RBM) Subcommittee of the Committee on Science (CoS), a committee of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC). The updated RPPR will directly benefit award recipients by making it easier for them to administer Federal grant and cooperative agreement programs through standardization of the types of information required in interim and final performance reports—thereby reducing their administrative effort and costs. The RPPR will also make it easier to compare the outputs, outcomes, etc. of research programs across the government.

DATES: Comments must be received by May 12, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, Office of the General Counsel, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230, email: splimpto@nsf.gov; telephone: (703) 292-7556; FAX (703) 292-9242. We encourage respondents to submit comments electronically to ensure timely receipt. We cannot guarantee that comments mailed will be received before the comment closing date. Please include "Research Performance Progress Reporting" in the subject line of the email message; please also include the full body of your comments in the text of the message and as an attachment. Include your name, title, organization, postal address, telephone number, and email address in your message. To view the RPPR format, see: <http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/rppr/index.jsp>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the RPPR, contact Jean Feldman, Head, Policy Office, Division of Institution & Support, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230, email: jfeldman@nsf.gov; telephone (703) 292-8243; FAX: (703) 292-9171. For further information on the NSTC RBM Interagency Working Group, contact Kei Koizumi, at the Office of Science and Technology Policy, 1650 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20504; email: