*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA. *Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Mary Jane Saunders, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 615, Arlington, VA 22230, (703) 292–8470.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

Agenda: to review and evaluate proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 16, 2001.

#### Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 01–1935 Filed 1–22–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Special Emphasis Panel in Biological Sciences; 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:* Special Emphasis Panel in Biological Sciences (1754).

*Date & Time:* February 1 and 2, 2001, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.

*Type of Meeting:* Closed.

*Contact Person:* Ms. Carter Kimsey, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 615, Arlington, VA 2230, (703) 292–8470.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to the NSF for financial support.

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

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

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# Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer.

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# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

#### Special Emphasis Panel in Chemical and Transport Systems; 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: Special Emphasis Panel in

Chemical and Transport Systems (1190). Date and Time: February 7–8, 2001; 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 580, Arlington, VA. Type of Meeting: Closed.

*Contract Person*: Dr. Robert Wellek, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 525, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–8370.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

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

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

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Karen J. York,

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# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Special Emphasis Panel in Computing-Communications Research; 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:* Special Emphasis Panel in Computing-Communications Research (1192).

*Date/Time:* February 22–23, 2001; 8:30 a.m. –6 p.m.

*Place:* National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

*Contact Person:* Wm. Randolph Franklin, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1145, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–8912.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate Computer Systems Architecture CAREER proposals as a part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data, such as salaries, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 17, 2001.

#### Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 01–1930 Filed 1–22–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Special Emphasis Panel in Electrical and Communications Systems; 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:* Special Emphasis Panel in Electrical and Communications Systems (1196).

*Date and Time:* January 23–24, 2001, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Place:* Room 680, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

*Contact Person:* Dr. Marija Ilic, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 675, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292–8339.

*Purpose of Meeting:* To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

*Agenda:* to review and evaluate proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

*Reason for Closing:* The proposals being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 16, 2001.

#### Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 01–1934 Filed 1–22–01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555–01–M

# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering; 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*: Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (1173).

Date and Time: February 22, 2001 (8 a.m.– 5:15 p.m.) and February 23, 2001

(8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.).

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 1295, Arlington, VA. Type of Meeting: Open.

Contact Person: Michelle McMurry, Executive Secretary, CEOSE, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Phone (703) 292-8094. Minutes: May be obtained from the

Executive Secretary at the above address.

Purpose of Meeting: To advise NSF on policies and activities of the Foundation to encourage full participation of women, minorities, and persons with disabilities currently underrepresented in scientific, engineering, professional, and technical fields and to advise NSF concerning implementation of the provisions of the Science and Engineering Equal Opportunities Act.

#### Agenda

Thursday February 22, 2001 8 a.m. -5:15 pm

- 8:00 a.m. Breakfast with NSF Staff
- 8:30 a.m. Welcome; Approval of October 2000 Minutes
- 8:45 a.m. Report of Executive Committee Liaison
- 9:00 a.m. New Member Orientation and Welcome
- 9:15 a.m. Committee Discussion of Agenda 10:00 a.m. Break
- 10:15 a.m. Update on the National Science Board's Plans for Promoting Diversity in S&E
- 11:15 a.m. Discussion of National Academy of Engineering Initiative to Increase the Number of Women in Engineering

12:15 p.m. Break

- 12:39 p.m. Working Lunch, Directorate Advisory Committee Liaison Reports
- 2:00 p.m. Break 2:15 p.m. Panel Discussion: Collection of Demographic Data and Criterion 2
- Information on NSF Grantees, Students, and Reviewers 4:00 p.m. Break
- 4:15 p.m. The Status of Legal Challenges to Affirmative Action
- 5:15 p.m. Adjourn

Friday, February 23, 2001 8:30 am -4 p.m.

- 8:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00 a.m. Directorate Dialogue: Biological Sciences
- 10:00 a.m. Presentation of the 2000 CEOSE **Biennial Report**
- 10:30 a.m. Directorate Dialogue: Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences
- 11:30 a.m. Break
- 11:45 a.m. Meeting with Deputy Director
- 12:45 p.m. Lunch
- 2:00 p.m. Committee Business
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn

Dated: January 16, 2001.

# Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer.

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# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# **Special Emphasis Panel in Graduate** Education

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Graduate Education (57).

Date/Time: February 3-6 and 7-10, 2001; 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Place: Doubletree Hotel, 300 Army Navy Drive, Arlington, VA

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contact Person: Janet C. Rutledge and Eric J. Sheppard, National Science Foundation,

4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 907, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 292-8694.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF.

Agenda: Review and evaluate proposals as part of the selection process for awards.

Minutes: May be obtained from the contact persons listed above.

Reason for Closing: The proposals being reviewed included information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 16, 2001.

# Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 01-1938 Filed 1-22-01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555-01-M

#### NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# **Special Emphasis Panel in Graduate** Education; 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: Special Emphasis Panel in Graduate Education (57).

Date/Times: February 15 and 16, 2001; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA.

Type of Meeting: Closed.

Contract Persons: Dr. Sonia Ortega, Mrs. Carolyn L. Piper and Mrs. Arneeta Speight, Division of Graduate Education, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 907N, Arlington, VA 22230. (703) 292-8697.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendations concerning proposals submitted to NSF for financial support.

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

Reason for Closing: The applications being reviewed include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data, such as salaries, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals. These matters are exempt under 5

U.S.C. 552b(c), (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: January 16, 2001.

# Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 01-1939 Filed 1-22-01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555-01-M

# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# **Oversight Council for the International** Arctic Research Center; Notice of Meetina

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

Name: Oversight Council for the International Arctic Research Center (9535).

Date/Time: January 25, 2001, 1 p.m. to 2 pm.

Place: National Science Foundation, Room 755, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meeting: Closed (Meeting via Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Charles Myers, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Suite 755, Telephone (703) 292-7434.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice and recommendationsconcerning further support for the International Arctic Research Center (IARC).

Agenda: To review and evaluate the current and proposed activities of the IARC.

Reason for Closing: The information being reviewed includes information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data, such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the IRAC. The matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), (4), and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

*Reason for Late Notice:* Conflicting schedules of committee members and the need to discuss the International Arctic Research Center without further delay.

Dated: January 16, 2001.

#### Karen J. York,

Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 01-1941 Filed 1-22-01; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 7555-01-M

# NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

# Special Emphasis Panel in Physics; Notice of Meeting

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