

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice (04-007)]

U.S. Centennial of Flight Commission.**AGENCY:** National Aeronautics and Space Administration.**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a joint meeting of the U.S. Centennial of Flight Commission and the First Flight Centennial Federal Advisory Board.

DATES: Friday, February 6, 2004, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 300 E Street, SW., Room 9H40 (PRC), Washington, DC 20546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Beverly Farmarco, Code IC, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-1903.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Opening Remarks
- Roundtable Discussion of the Past Year's Events
- Carter Ryley Thomas Update
- NASA Update
- North Carolina Update
- Experimental Aircraft Association Update
- The Wright Experience Update
- Closing Comments

Attendees will be requested to sign a register and to comply with NASA security requirements, including the presentation of a valid picture ID, before receiving an access badge. Foreign nationals attending this meeting will be required to provide the following information: Full name; gender; date/place of birth; citizenship; visa/green card information (number, type, expiration date); employer/affiliation information (name of institution, address, county, phone); and title/position of attendee. To expedite admittance, attendees can provide identifying information in advance by contacting Ms. Beverly Farmarco via e-mail at beverly.j.farmarco@nasa.gov or by telephone at (202) 358-1903. Persons with disabilities who require assistance should indicate this.

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the

scheduling priorities of the key participant.

Michael F. O'Brien,

Assistant Administrator for External Relations, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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BILLING CODE 7510-01-P**NATIONAL CREDIT UNION ADMINISTRATION****Notice of Meeting**

Time and Date: 10 a.m., Thursday, January 22, 2004.

Place: Board Room, 7th Floor, Room 7047, 1775 Duke Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-3428.

Status: Open.

Matters to be Considered:

1. Quarterly Insurance Fund Report.
2. Request from a Federal Credit Union to Convert to a Community Charter.
3. *Proposed Rule:* Parts 703 and 704 of NCUA's Rules and Regulations, Investment in Exchangeable Collateralized Mortgage Obligations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Becky Baker, Secretary of the Board, Telephone: (703) 518-6304.

Becky Baker,

Secretary of the Board.

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BILLING CODE 7535-01-M**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Revision to Approved Collection OMB 3245-0182; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.**ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to revise this collection. In accordance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting OMB clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of

the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be received by February 20, 2004 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date would be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 295, Arlington, VA 22230, or by e-mail to splimpto@nsf.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne Plimpton at (703) 292-7556 or send e-mail to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title of Collection: Evaluation of the Initial Impacts of the Integrative Graduate Education Research and Traineeship Program (IGERT) (formerly called the Cross-Site Analysis of the IGERT Program)

OMB Control No.: 3145-0182.

Expiration Date Of Approval: July 31, 2005.

Abstract: This document has been prepared to support a revision to an OMB-approved data collection used in the evaluation of the Initial Impacts of the Integrative Graduate Education Research and Traineeship Program (IGERT). Managed by the Directorate for Education and Human Resources' (EHR) Division of Graduate Education (DGE), and crosscutting several NSF research directorates, the IGERT Program has been developed to meet the challenges of educating U.S. Ph.D. scientists, engineers, and educators with the interdisciplinary backgrounds, deep knowledge in chosen disciplines, and technical, professional, and personal skills to become in their own careers the leaders and creative agents for change. The program is intended to catalyze a cultural change in graduate education and to facilitate greater diversity in student participation and preparation.

Monitoring and evaluation of the IGERT Program has been underway since shortly after its inception in 1997, and focuses on the implementation of projects at individual universities. Beginning in 2002, REC funded a multiple-methods study cleared as "The Cross-Site Analysis of the IGERT program" (OMB 3154-0182), focused on project implementation and impacts, and consisting of site visits to projects in their third year of implementation. The next step is to ask questions about the impact of IGERT on participants, institutions, and Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields as compared to the experiences of appropriate comparison groups and/or external respondents. Topics addressed will include the following: What is the added recruitment value of the IGERT project? How do the content and structure of IGERT educational and research experiences differ from those experienced by students in a single-discipline doctoral program? How do IGERT students, faculty, and graduates differ from non-IGERT comparison groups in terms of their productivity, academic skills, ability to work in cross-disciplinary teams, and interest in interdisciplinary research? At their home institutions, have IGERT projects expanded? Do they benefit from institutional financial or policy support beyond that experienced by non-IGERT departments? Have projects resulted in new courses or degree programs? Outside their home institution, how well are IGERT projects known, and what impact is the IGERT program having on STEM fields at large?

A series of surveys and interviews will be employed to answer these questions along with the previously cleared site visits. Internet surveys will be administered to PIs; IGERT department chairs and comparison department chairs; IGERT trainees and comparison department doctoral students; and IGERT and comparison department faculty. Secondly, interviews will be conducted with IGERT institutional administrators and comparison institutional administrators. Finally, e-mail surveys will be developed for graduates of IGERT programs and corresponding comparison graduates; supervisors at IGERT internship sites; and leaders of professional associations and educational agencies (national and international).

The IGERT program consists of multidisciplinary projects that bring together faculty and students from multiple departments. To form an appropriate comparison group for this program, this study will match the two

departments with the largest number of students from each IGERT project with non-IGERT single discipline departments. This approach compares the multidisciplinary graduate education experience with traditional single department graduate education, and uses IGERT as the exemplar of the multidisciplinary. The counter-factual provided by this comparison group choice is the single department experience trainees would have had, had they not become IGERT trainees.

Expected respondents: The data for this study will be gathered through surveys and telephone interviews. The expected respondents are:

Surveys:

- (1) Current IGERT students and comparison non-IGERT students
- (2) Current IGERT faculty and comparison non-IGERT faculty
- (3) Current IGERT PIs
- (4) IGERT department chairs and comparison non-IGERT department chairs
- (5) IGERT graduates and comparison non-IGERT graduates
- (6) Representatives of STEM fields
- (7) Leaders in STEM fields (heads of associations, renowned researchers * * *)
- (8) Supervisors at IGERT student internship sites

Interviews:

- (9) Administrators at IGERT and non-IGERT institutions

Burden on the Public: This study's total sample is 3350 individuals, and the total estimated burden for this collection is 980 hours. The average estimated reporting burden is 20 minutes per respondent. The study includes IGERT program participants and a comparison group in close to equal proportions. Because the comparison group members are members of the general public not funded by the program being evaluated, the burden upon the general public is calculated to be 473 hours.

Dated: January 14, 2004.

Suzanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND PLACE: 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 27, 2004.

PLACE: NTSB Conference Center, 429 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC 20594.

STATUS: The two items are open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

7610—Highway Accident Report—School Bus Run-off-Bridge Accident, Omaha, Nebraska, October 13, 2001.

7470C—Opinion and Order: Administrator v. Donnelly, Docket SE-16222; Disposition of Respondent's and the Administrator's Petitions for Reconsideration.

NEWS MEDIA CONTACT: Telephone: (202) 314-6100.

Individuals requesting specific accommodations should contact Ms. Carolyn Dargan at (202) 314-6305 by Friday, January 23, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vicky D'Onofrio, (202) 314-6410.

Dated: January 16, 2004.

Vicky D'Onofrio,

Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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NATIONAL WOMEN'S BUSINESS COUNCIL

Sunshine Act; Notice of Public Meeting

In accordance with the Women's Business Ownership Act, Public Law 106-554 as amended, the National Women's Business Council (NWBC) would like to announce a forthcoming Council meeting. The meeting will introduce the National Women's Business Council's agenda and action items for fiscal year 2003 included by not limited to procurement, access to capital, access to training and technical assistance, access to markets and affordable health care.

DATES: January 29, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship Hearing Room, 428A Russell Senate Office Building, Washington, DC.

Time: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Status: Open to the public. Attendance by RSVP only.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

National Women's Business Council, (202) 205-6695—Katherine Stanley.

Anyone wishing to attend and make an oral presentation at the meeting must contact Katherine Stanley, no later than Monday, January 26, 2004 at (202) 205-6695.

Matthew Becker,

Director of Advisory Councils.

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