

## NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

### National Endowment for the Arts

#### Combined Arts Panel; Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463), as amended, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Combined Arts Panel, Local Arts Agencies/Presenting Section (Creation & Presentation Category) to the National Council on the Arts will be held on June 16-17, 1998. The panel will meet from 9:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on June 16 and from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on June 17, in Room 716 at the Nancy Hanks Center, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506. A portion of this meeting, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on June 17, will be open to the public for a policy discussion of guidelines, planning, field needs and trends, and Leadership Initiatives.

The remaining portions of this meeting, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on June 16, and from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on June 17, are for the purpose of Panel review, discussion, evaluation, and recommendation on applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation of the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, as amended, including information given in confidence to the agency by grant applicants. In accordance with the determination of the Chairman of May 14, 1998, these sessions will be closed to the public pursuant to subsection (c)(4), (6) and (9)(B) of section 552b of Title 5, United States Code.

Any person may observe meetings, or portions thereof, of advisory panels which are open to the public, and may be permitted to participate in the panel's discussions at the discretion of the panel chairman and with the approval of the full-time Federal employee in attendance.

If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Office of AccessAbility, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506, 202/682-5532, TDY-TDD 202/682-5496, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Further information with reference to this meeting can be obtained from Kathy Plowitz-Worden, Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, DC 20506, or call 202/682-5691.

Dated: May 21, 1998.

**Kathy Plowitz-Worden,**

*Panel Coordinator, Panel Operations,  
National Endowment for the Arts.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comments Request; Title of Collection: Cross Projects Evaluation of the Local Systemic Change Through Teacher Enhancement Program

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request renewal of 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.

**SEND COMMENTS TO:** Gail A. McHenry, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 245, Arlington, Virginia 22230 or send email to gmchenry@nsf.gov. Written comments should be received within 60 days of the date of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mrs. McHenry on (703) 306-1125 x2010 or send email to gmchenry@nsf.gov. You may also obtain a copy of the data collection instrument and instructions from Mrs. McHenry.

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 the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**Renewal Project:** The current National Science Foundation Local Systemic Change Teacher and Principal Questionnaires have been in use for three years. This program provides funds for the initiation of systemic efforts that will result in K-12 teachers making significant progress toward national goals for the teaching of science, mathematics, and technology.

**Use of Information:** Information obtained will provide the Foundation with a common set of evaluation data from all projects in order to evaluate individual projects, aggregate data and information across projects; and produce cross-project analyses.

**Burden on the Public:** There are currently 55 projects. A sample of 300 science or mathematics teachers per project will complete the Teacher Questionnaire (approximately 20 minutes) and an average of 60 principals per project will complete the Principal Questionnaire (approximately 20 minutes). Each project will conduct one-half hour interviews with each of 10 teachers.

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**Gail A. McHenry,**

*Reports Clearance Officer.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Special Emphasis Panel in Mathematical 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 and Committee Code:** Special Emphasis in Mathematical Sciences (1204).

**Date and time:** June 18-20, 1998, 8:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M.

**Place:** Room 360, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230.

**Type of Meeting:** Closed.

**Contact person:** Dr. Ann Boyle, Program Director, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone: (703) 306-1875.

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

**Agenda:** To review and evaluate proposals concerning the Mathematical Sciences Research Institutes Program, 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: May 22, 1998.

**M. Rebecca Winkler,**

*Committee Management Officer.*

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