

use the education award and others will use it several times a year.

Average Time Per Response: Total of 5 minutes (one half minute for the AmeriCorps member's section and 4½ minutes for the school or lender's section).

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 4,583 hours.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): N/A.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): N/A.

Description: After an AmeriCorps member completes a period of national service, the individual receives an education award that can be used to pay against qualified student loans or pay for current educational expenses at a post secondary educational institution. The *Voucher and Payment Request Form* is the document that members use to access their accounts in the National Service Trust.

The form serves three purposes: (1) The AmeriCorps member uses it to request and authorize a specific payment to be made from his or her education award account, (2) the school or loan company uses it to indicate the amount for which the individual is eligible, and (3) the school or loan company and member both certify that the payment meets various legislative requirements. When the Corporation receives a voucher, the form is processed. If everything is in order, the Corporation requests the U.S. Treasury to issue a check on behalf of the member to the school or loan holder.

The form was first designed and some variation of it has been in use since the summer of 1994. The proposed revisions are being made to clarify certain sections of the existing form and to facilitate the electronic processing of the form. Currently, all of the information from the form is entered into the Corporation's database by hand. Automating a portion of this process should greatly reduce both the processing time and the incidence of payment errors. Currently, all payments are being made by paper checks issued by the U.S. Treasury. Before the end of calendar year 2001, the Corporation intends to begin making these payments through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT).

The form shows that payment will be made through EFT if the Corporation already has the information to make such a transaction. If it does not, a paper check will be issued. Then, a letter will be mailed to the institution asking them to complete an enclosed Direct Deposit form so future payments can be made electronically.

Analysis of Comments Received During the Public Comment Period

Two comments were received from a university's financial aid office. One suggestion was to allow the AmeriCorps member to indicate whether the payment request was for a loan payment or for the payment of current educational expenses. Frequently, a financial aid office will process both types of requests; this modification will clarify the member's intent. The second suggestion was to include an item where the school can indicate the school enrollment period upon which the member's "eligible" amount is based (for example, Spring '02, Summer '04). Since the form already does ask for the beginning and ending dates of the enrollment period the Corporation feels that this is sufficient.

Dated: April 18, 2001.

Charlene Dunn,

Director, National Service Trust.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Army Science Board; Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. Law 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB) Analysis Panel.

Date of Meeting: May 1-2, 2001.

Time of Meeting: 0800-1700.

Places: May 1—IDA; May 2—Ft. Belvoir.

Agenda: The Analysis Panel of the Army Science Board's (ASB) Summer Study, "Objective Force Soldier/Soldier Teams" will visit IDA and Ft. Belvoir. These meetings will be open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee.

For further information: Please contact Karen Williams at (407) 384-3937.

Wayne Joyner,

Executive Assistant, Army Science Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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Army Science Board; Notice of Closed Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act

(P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Study Group Meeting:

Name of Study Group: Asymmetric Study Group.

Date of Meeting: 16 May 2001.

Time of Meeting: 0800-1700.

Place of Meeting: Directed Technologies, Inc., 3601 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 650, Arlington, VA 22201, Phone: (703) 243-3383, FAX: (703) 243-2724.

Agenda: The Army Science Board Study Group will conduct a study on "Asymmetric Threats to Land Based Operations (2015-2020)" as a means of examining and addressing innovative ways that asymmetric threats can be used to disrupt land based operations in the future. The 1-day meeting will be closed to the public. This meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c) of Title 5, U.S.C., specifically paragraph (1) thereof, and Title 5, U.S.C., Appendix 2, subsection 10(d). For further information, please contact Ms. Betty LaFavers, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology), (703) 695-1683.

Wayne Joyner,

Executive Assistant, Army Science Board.

Classified Meeting*

Army Science Board

"Asymmetric Threats to Land Based Operations 2015-2020"

Directed Technologies, Inc., 3601 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 650, Arlington, VA 22201, 703-243-3383—FAX: 703-243-2724.

Agenda (Unclassified)

16 May 2001

0800 Welcome and Administrative Remarks—Co-Chairs

0815 Reports by Individuals and Clusters—All

1030 Break

1045 Continue Reports—All

1145 Lunch

1215 Continue Reports—All

1500 Break

1515 Group Discussion—All

1630 Summary and Actions / Assignments / Schedule for Next Meeting—Co-Chairs

1700 Adjourn

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Army Science Board; Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB)—Venture Capital.

* Security Clearance must be sent to DTI in advance.