DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Education, President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Office of Undersecretary, U.S. Department of Education.

ACTION: Announcement of an open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the agenda for the July 22, 2016, meeting of the President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (PBA) and provides information to members of the public on submitting written comments and on the process as to how to request time to make oral comments at the meeting. The notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of the meeting is required by § 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and intended to notify the public of its opportunity to attend. This notice is being published less than 15 days due to ensuring five new Board members appointed by the President within the last two weeks were officially vetted in order to attend the meeting and establish quorum.

DATES: The PBA meeting will be held on July 22, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. E.D.T. in the Sky Room of the Beach House Hilton Head Island, 1 S. Forest Beach Drive, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina 29928.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sedika Franklin, Associate Director, U.S. Department of Education, White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20204; telephone: (202) 453–5634 or (202) 453–5630, fax: (202) 453–5632, or email sedika.franklin@ed.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

PBA's Statutory Authority and Function: The President's Board of Advisors on Historically Black Colleges and Universities (the Board) is established by Executive Order 13532 (February 26, 2010) and continued by Executive Order 13708 which was signed by the President on September 30, 2015. The Board is governed by the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), (Pub. L. 92–463; as amended, 5 U.S.C.A., Appendix 2) which sets forth standards for the formation and use of advisory committees. The purpose of the Board is to advise the President and the Secretary of Education (Secretary) on all matters pertaining to strengthening the educational capacity of Historically

Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

The Board shall advise the President and the Secretary in the following areas: (i) Improving the identity, visibility, and distinctive capabilities and overall competitiveness of HBCUs; (ii) engaging the philanthropic, business, government, military, homelandsecurity, and education communities in a national dialogue regarding new HBCU programs and initiatives; (iii) improving the ability of HBCUs to remain fiscally secure institutions that can assist the nation in reaching its goal of having the highest proportion of college graduates by 2020; (iv) elevating the public awareness of HBCUs; and (v) encouraging public-private investments in HBCUs.

Meeting Agenda: Members of the public who which to listen to the meeting via telephone may dial (877) 952–8895.

Participant Code: 6588206. In addition to its review of activities prior to July 22, 2016, the meeting agenda will include Chairman William R. Harvey's report on HBCU issues and concerns; Deputy Under Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education and Acting Executive Director/Designated Federal Official of the Initiative, Kim Hunter Reed will provide an update on current priorities of the White House Initiative on HBCUs to include planning strategies and initiatives; Kim Hunter Reed will also provide an update on education policies relevant to HBCUs; and Chairman Harvey and Acting Executive Director Hunter Reed will welcome newly appointed members of the advisory board and lead a conversation regarding how the Board will complete its work as the Administration draws to a close: Chairman Harvey will open the floor for subcommittee reports (Black Males, Strategy, Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), Community Colleges and Aspirational Support) and for the full Board to receive and vote on recommendations from each subcommittee; and HBCU Stakeholder groups will provide updates on issues and concerns relative to their member institutions. The public comment period will begin immediately following the conclusion of such

Submission of requests to make an oral comment: There are two methods the public may use to provide an oral comment pertaining to the work of the Board at the July 22, 2016 meeting.

Method One: Submit a request by email to the whirsvps@ed.gov mailbox. Please do not send materials directly to PBA members. Requests must be received by July 18, 2016. Include in the subject line of the email request "Oral Comment Request: (organization name)." The email must include the name(s), title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, telephone number, of the person(s) requesting to speak, and a brief summary (not to exceed one page) of the principal points to be made. All individuals submitting an advance request in accordance with this notice will be afforded an opportunity to speak for three minutes.

Method Two: Register at the meeting location on July 18, 2016, to make an oral comment during the the public comment period. The requestor must provide his or her name, title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, and telephone number. Individuals will be selected on a first-come, first-served basis. If selected, each commenter will have an opportunity to speak for three minutes.

All oral comments made will become part of the official record of the Board. Similarly, written materials distributed during oral presentations will become part of the official record of the meeting.

Submission of written public comments: The Board invites written comments, which will be read during the Public Comment segment of the agenda. Comments must be received by July 18, 2016, in the whirsvps@ed.gov mailbox, include in the subject line "Written Comments: Public Comment". The email must include the name(s), title, organization/affiliation, mailing address, email address, and telephone number, of the person(s) making the comment. Comments should be submitted as a Microsoft Word document or in a medium compatible with Microsoft Word (not a PDF file) that is attached to an electronic mail message (email) or provided in the body of an email message. Please do not send material directly to the PBA members.

Access to Records of the Meeting: The Department will post the official report of the meeting on the PBA Web site 90 days after the meeting. Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the public may also inspect the materials at 400 Maryland Avenue SW., Washington, DC, by emailing oswhihbcu@ed.gov or by calling (202) 453—5634 to schedule an appointment.

Reasonable Accommodations: The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least one week before the meeting date. Although

we will attempt to meet a request received after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

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Authority: Presidential Executive Order 13532, continued by Executive Order 13708.

Ted Mitchell,

Under Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge Reservation

AGENCY: Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Oak Ridge Reservation. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the Federal Register.

DATES: Saturday, August 6, 2016, 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Tremont Lodge, 7726 East Lamar Alexander Parkway, Townsend, Tennessee 37882.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Melyssa P. Noe, Alternate Deputy Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Energy, Oak Ridge Office of Environmental Management, P.O. Box 2001, EM–942, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. Phone (865) 241–3315; Fax (865) 241–6932; E-Mail: *Melyssa.Noe*@ orem.doe.gov. Or visit the Web site at www.energy.gov/orssab.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE–EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda:

- Welcome and Opening Remarks
- Comments from the Deputy Designated Federal Officer (DDFO)
- Comments from Oak Ridge SSAB (ORSSAB) Chair
- Discussion of Fiscal Year 2017 Work Plan Topics with Comments from DOE, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, and Environmental Protection Agency Liaisons
- Presentation by DOE
- ORSSAB Officer Nominations
- Public Comment Period
- Alternate DDFO Report
- Meeting Summary
- Adjourn

Public Participation: The EM SSAB, Oak Ridge, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Melyssa P. Noe at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to the agenda item should contact Melyssa P. Noe at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Melyssa P. Noe at the address and phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following Web site: www.energy.gov/orssab.

Issued at Washington, DC, on July 13, 2016.

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 $\label{lem:committee Management Officer.} Deputy Committee \ Management \ Officer. \\ [FR Doc. 2016-16954 \ Filed \ 7-18-16; 8:45 \ am]$

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

National Petroleum Council

AGENCY: Department of Energy, Office of Fossil Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the National Petroleum Council. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92–463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the Federal Register.

DATES: Friday, July 29, 2016; 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: St. Regis Hotel, 923 16th and K Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20006

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy Johnson, U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Oil and Natural Gas (FE–30), Washington, DC 20585; telephone (202) 586–5600 or facsimile (202) 586–6221.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Committee: To provide advice, information, and recommendations to the Secretary of Energy on matters relating to oil and natural gas, or the oil and natural gas industries.

Tentative Agenda:

- Call to Order and Introductory Remarks.
- Remarks by the Honorable Ernest Moniz, Secretary of Energy.
- Follow Up on the 2014 NPC Report on Emergency Preparedness for Natural Disasters.
- Remarks by the Honorable Elizabeth Sherwood-Randall, Deputy Secretary of Energy.
 - Administrative Matters.
- Discussion of Any Other Business Properly Brought Before the National Petroleum Council.
 - Adjournment.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. The Chair of the Council will conduct the meeting to facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Members of the public who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Ms. Nancy Johnson at the address or telephone number listed above. Request for oral statements must be received at least three days prior to the meeting. Those not able to attend the meeting or having insufficient time to address the Council are invited to send a written statement to info@npc.org. Any member of the public who wishes to file a written statement to the Council will be permitted to do so, either before or after the meeting.