2025 Current Fiscal Year Report: Proposal Review Panel for Equity for Excellence in STEM

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year			
National Science Foundation		2025			
3. Committee or Subcommittee			3b. GSA Committee No.		
Proposal Review Panel for Equity for Excellence in STEM			1199		
4. Is this New During 5. Current 6. Expected 7. Expected					
Fiscal Year?	Charter	Renewal Date	Term Date		
No	06/28/2023	06/28/2025			
8b. Specific 8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear? Authority		8c. Actual Term Date			
No					
9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear			10b. Legislation Pending?		
Continue	No		Not Applicable		
11. Establishme	ent Authority Age	ency Authority			
12. Specific	13.	14.	445		
Establishment	Effectiv	e Commitee	14c. Presidential?		
Authority	Date	Туре	Presidential?		
ADM IV-100	03/15/19	991 Continuing	No		
15. Description	of Committee G	rant Review Co	mmittee		
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this FiscalYear				
17a. 0 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 0 Open					
Meetings and D	ates				
No Meetings					
		Current Next			

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18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00 0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

Committee members reviewed and evaluated over 494 proposals submitted to the Division of Equity for Excellence in STEM (EES) for financial support. The Panel reviewed proposals whose goals focus on performance results that demonstrate research leading to new knowledge and techniques, dissemination and use of discovered results, preparing the STEM workforce to reflect the diverse human resource pool in the U.S., and improving skills and performances in the STEM educational continuum (K-12 and graduate levels). Guided by NSF proposal review criteria and specific programmatic criteria, the committee will review and advise division staff on the most meritorious proposals.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Membership was selected on an as needed basis in response to specific proposals/sites to be reviewed. Members were selected for their demonstrated scientific and engineering expertise so as to represent a reasonable balance of capability in the various subfields of the proposals to be reviewed. Consideration was given to achieving geographic balance, institutional type, and to enhancing representation for women, minorities, younger and disabled scientists.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

It was necessary to convene 73 panels in FY 24; the number of meetings is determined by the number of proposals to be reviewed and the need for as timely a review as possible within the limited resources available for support of the panel.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

Proposals handled in EES are interdisciplinary which does not lend itself to mail review only. Additionally, the use of panels vs ad hoc mail review is more efficient and cost effective. Committee costs were less than 0.5% of the awards made as a result of the panels' review.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

To review proposals that included information or a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information; financial data such as salaries; and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposals.

21. Remarks

None

Designated Federal Officer

Felecia Nave Division Director, EES

Narrative Description

The committee implements the Agency's merit review system, recommending meritious proposals for funding.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies	
Improvements to health or safety		
Trust in government		✓
Major policy changes		
Advance in scientific research		✓
Effective grant making		
Improved service delivery		
Increased customer satisfaction		
Implementation of laws or regulatory		
requirements		
Other		

Outcome Comments

NA

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
None	
Unable to Determine	\checkmark
Under \$100,000	
\$100,000 - \$500,000	
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	

\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 Over \$10,000,000 Cost Savings Other

Cost Savings Comments

The most promising proposals are supported, thus minimizing risk.

What is the approximate <u>Number</u> of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

531

Number of Recommendations Comments

The number of recommendations is for the fiscal year.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency?

100%

% of Recommendations <u>Fully</u> Implemented Comments NA

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency?

% of Recommendations <u>Partially</u> Implemented Comments NA

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes 🗹 No 🗌 Not Applicable 🗌

Agency Feedback Comments

NSF Post Awards via Agency Web-Page.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities

Reallocated resources	\checkmark
Issued new regulation	
Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	\checkmark
Other	

Action Comments

NA

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants? Yes What is the estimated <u>Number</u> of grants reviewed for approval 494 What is the estimated <u>Number</u> of grants recommended for approval 185 What is the estimated <u>Dollar Value</u> of grants recommended for approval \$155,007,299

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	
Online Agency Web Site	1
Online Committee Web Site	
Online GSA FACA Web Site	
Publications	
Other	

Access Comments N/A