



Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences (MPS) Advisory Committee Meeting
National Science Foundation
November 17-18, 2016 (all times EST)
Stafford I, Room 1235

Wednesday, January 25th, 2017

1:00 – 1:05 AM: Meeting opening, FACA briefing and approval of November meeting minutes

Juan de Pablo, MPS Advisory Committee Chair

James Ulvestad, Acting Assistant Director, Directorate for Mathematical and Physical Sciences

John Gillaspay, Staff Associate, MPS Office of the Assistant Director

The meeting was opened by Dr. de Pablo, followed by a reminder from Dr. Gillaspay that this is an open FACA meeting, meaning members of the public may be present. AC members were reminded that they are special government employees for the day. Dr. de Pablo outlined the reason for convening this meeting and highlighted the objective of accepting the DMS COV Report. All AC members but one were in attendance (online).

1:05 – 2:00 AM: Division of Mathematical Sciences (DMS) Committee of Visitor (COV)'s Report

Robert Bryant, Member of MPSAC and liaison to the DMS COV

Juan de Pablo, MPS Advisory Committee Chair

Dr. Bryant gave a PowerPoint presentation providing an overview of the DMS COV report that included: the structure of the report, and a discussion on research institutes, specific research programs, and workforce and infrastructure programs. Dr. de Pablo made a motion for the committee to accept the report, asking anyone who had a concern to voice it now. No concerns were raised, and the report was accepted. A vote to accept the minutes from the November meeting was then taken, resulting in the minutes being accepted. Dr. Ulvestad announced that Dr. de Pablo had been reappointed serve an additional year as Chair of the MPS Advisory Committee. The meeting was then adjourned.