National Science Board

Sunshine Act Meetings; Notice

The National Science Board, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR Part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 1862n-5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. § 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of meetings for the transaction of National Science Board business and other matters specified, as follows:

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: National Science Board

DATE AND TIME: Tuesday, May 6, 2008, at 7:30 a.m.; and Wednesday, May 7, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.


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STATUS: Some portions open, some portions closed

OPEN SESSIONS:
May 6, 2008
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
8:30 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.
9:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

May 7, 2008
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon
1:45 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.
1:50 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

CLOSED SESSIONS:
May 6, 2008
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

May 7, 2008
9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
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MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:
Tuesday, May 6,, 2008

CPP Subcommittee on Polar Issues
Open Session: 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.
• Approval of March Minutes
• SOPI Chairman’s Remarks
• OPP Director’s Report
• The Changing Antarctic Sea Ice
• Emerging Multinational Collaborations

CSB Task Force on Cost Sharing
Open Session: 8:30 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.
• Approval of Minutes
• Task Force Chairman’s Remarks
• Update on NSF Implementation of NSB Cost Sharing Recommendations
• Discussion of July 9 and July 10, 2008 Roundtable Discussions on Cost Sharing
• Discussion of NSF Advisory Committee Input on Cost Sharing

CPP Task Force on Sustainable Energy
Open Session: 9:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
• Approval of Minutes for March 2008 Meeting
• Task Force Co-Chairmen’s Remarks
• Discussion of June 19, 2008 Roundtable Discussion
• Discussion of Topics for the Third Sustainable Energy Roundtable Discussion

EHR Subcommittee on Science & Engineering Indicators
Open Session: 9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
• Approval of March Minutes.
• Chairman's Remarks
• Report on PCAST Meeting
• Science and Engineering Indicators 2010
Committee on Programs and Plans (CPP)
Open Session: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
- Approval of Minutes for March 2008
- Committee Chairman’s Remarks
- Status Reports:
  o Subcommittee on Polar Issues
  o Task Force on Sustainable Energy
- NSB Information Item: National Optical Astronomy Observatory (NOAO) and National Solar Observatory (NSO) – Future Action Item on a 5-year Cooperative Agreement Proposal from the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy (AURA)
- NSB Information Item: Protein Data Bank
- Discussion Item: Update on Review of MREFC Process
- Discussion Item: Report to Congress on Interdisciplinary Research
- Science Presentation: *The Intertwinement of Fundamental Work in the SBE and Natural Sciences*

Closed Session: 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
- Committee Chairman’s Remarks
- NSB Action Item: Track-2 High-Performance Computing
- NSB Action Item: Competition for the Management and Operation of the National Center for Atmospheric Research

Committee on Strategy and Budget (CSB)
Open Session: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- Approval of CSB Minutes, March 26, 2008
- Committee Chairman’s Remarks
- Panel Presentation on Open Access to Scholarly Literature
- Status Report from CSB Task Force on Cost Sharing
- Discussion of Draft Board Report on NSF Practices regarding Limitations on the Number of Proposal Submissions by a Single Institution
- NSF Long-Range Plan
- OMB Guidance and NSF Budget Development

Wednesday, May 7, 2008

Audit and Oversight Committee (A&O)
Closed Session: 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.
- Pending Investigations
Open Session: 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
- Approval of Minutes of the March 27, 2008 Meeting
- Committee Chairman’s Opening Remarks
- OIG Semiannual Report
  Management Response to OIG Semiannual Report
- Report to the Board on the NSF Merit Review Process, FY 2007
- Chief Financial Officer’s Update
- FY2008 Audit Status Report

Committee on Education and Human Resources (EHR)
Open Session: 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
- Approval of March 2008 Minutes
- Committee Chairman's Remarks
- Status of Subcommittee on Science and Engineering Indicators
- Strengthening U.S. STEM Education through New Models of Collaboration: Business Higher Education Forum
- K20 Partnerships at the University of Oklahoma
- Discussion: National Math Panel
- Discussion: Preparing the Next Generation of STEM Innovators
- Board Executive Officer's Report

Plenary Executive Closed
Closed Session: 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- Approval of March 2008 Minutes
- Elections for Chairman and Vice Chairman
- Board Member Proposal

Plenary Closed
Closed Session: 1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.
- Approval of March 2008 Minutes
- Awards and Agreements
- Closed Committee Reports

Executive Committee
Open Session: 1:45 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.
- Approval of Minutes for February 2008 Meeting
- Annual Report of the Executive Committee
- Updates or New Business from Committee Members
Plenary Open
Open Session: 1:50 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
• Recognition of Class of 2008 and Executive Secretaries
• Approval of March 2008 Minutes
• Resolution to Close August 2008 Meeting
• Chairman's Report
• Director's Report
• Open Committee Reports
• Presentations by Honorary Awards Recipients

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