

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)

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, December 9, 2008, at 8:00 a.m.; and Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at 8:00 a.m.

PLACE: National Science Foundation 4201 Wilson Blvd. Room 1235 Arlington, VA 22230. All visitors must report to the NSF visitor desk at the 9th and N. Stuart Streets entrance to receive a visitor's badge.

STATUS: Some portions open, some portions closed

OPEN SESSIONS:

December 9, 2008

8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.

8:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

December 10, 2008

8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSIONS:

December 9, 2008

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

December 10, 2008

11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

1:00 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.

1:10 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

AGENCY CONTACT: Dr. Robert E. Webber, rwebber@nsf.gov, (703) 292-7000,
<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/>

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:

Tuesday, December 9, 2008

Open Session: 8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.

- Chairman's Introduction
- New Member Oath of Office

Committee on Programs and Plans (CPP)

Open Session: 8:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

- Approval of September 2008 CPP Minutes
- Committee Chairman's Remarks

- **CPP Subcommittee on Polar Issues (SOPI)**
 - SOPI Chairman's Remarks
 - Director's Report—Office of Polar Programs
 - September Arctic Ice Cover Report
 - Maintaining High Priority Science Projects in the Face of Budget Constraints
 - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy in Polar Stations

- **Task Force on Sustainable Energy (SE)**
 - SE Co-Chairmen's Remarks
 - Review of Recent Stakeholder Discussions
 - Discussion of Task Force Draft Report

- NSB Information Item: Management & Operations for National Radio Astronomy Observatory (NRAO)
- NSB Information Item: Update on the Ocean Observatories Initiative (OOI Competition)
- NSB Information Item: Update on the Status of the Alaska Regional Research Vessel (AARV)
- NSB Information Item: EPSCoR Program Update
- Discussion Item: Review of MREFC Process
 - NSB Overview
 - NSF Implementation Plan
 - Discussion
- Proposed Changes to Committee Structure

Closed Session: 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

- NSB Action Item: National Nanotechnology Infrastructure Network (NNIN)
- Award Recommendations for DataNet
- NSB Action Item: Award Recommendation DataNet-A
- NSB Action Item: Award Recommendation for DataNet-B

Committee on Audit and Oversight (A&O)

Closed Session: 2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

- Pending Investigations

Open Session: 2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

- Approval of Minutes of the August 13, 2008 Meeting
- Committee Chairman's Opening Remarks
- Results of the FY 2008 NSF Financial Statement Audit
- CFO Update
- Recompetition of Financial Statement Audit Contract
- Audit of Large Facility Operations Agreements: Performance and Evaluation
- The Inspector General Reform Act of 2008: Implications for NSF

Task Force on the NSB 60th Anniversary

Open Session: 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

- Approval of Minutes for the August 2008 Meeting
- Approval of Minutes for the October 2008 Teleconference
- Task Force Chairman's Remarks
- Further Discussion of Ideas for the NSB 60th Anniversary
- Draft Criteria for Selection of NSF Researchers/Speakers

Wednesday, December 10, 2008

Committee on Education and Human Resources (EHR)

Open Session: 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

- Approval of August 2008 Minutes
- EHR Committee Charge—Proposed Revision
- SEI Committee Charge
- Update on the Next Generation of STEM Innovators Workshop
- **Subcommittee on Science and Engineering Indicators (SEI)**
 - SEI Subcommittee Chairman's Remarks
 - Revised SEI Chapter Outlines
 - Identifying Reviewers for SEI Draft Chapters
 - Electronic Publication of Appendix Tables (Volume 2)
 - Plans for *Indicators* Digest
 - Subcommittee Chairman's Summary

Committee on Strategy and Budget (CSB)

Open Session: 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

- Approval of CSB Minutes, August 12, 2008
- Committee Chairman's Remarks
- **CSB Task Force on Cost Sharing (CS)**
 - Approval of Minutes

- Task Force Chairman's Remarks
- Discussion of Federal Register Request for Public Comments
- Discussion of Draft Second Report on Cost Sharing
- Long Range Planning Presentation
- Investment Priorities from the 2006 NSF Strategic Plan

Closed Session: 11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

- Status of NSF FY 2010 Budget Development

Executive Committee

Open Session: 11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- Approval of Minutes for the August 2008 Meeting
- Executive Committee Chairman's Remarks
- Updates or New Business from Committee Members

Plenary Executive Closed

Closed Session: 1:00 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.

- Approval of September 2008 Minutes
- Approval of Honorary Awards Recipients

Plenary Closed

Closed Session: 1:10 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.

- Approval of September 2008 Minutes
- Awards and Agreements
- Closed Committee Reports

Plenary Open

Open Session: 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- Approval of September 2008 Minutes
- Resolution to Close February 2009 Meeting
- Presentation by Mr. Jeffrey Nesbit
- Chairman's Report
- Director's Report
- Open Committee Reports

Ann Ferrante

Technical Writer/Editor