

General Counsel Certification

Basis for Closing and Late Notice

National Science Board Meeting on February 13, 2013

On February 11, 2013, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the teleconference meeting of the National Science Board ad hoc Committee Regarding Recommendations for NSF Director. The teleconference will be held on February 13, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. Executive Committee members Drs. Suresh, Arvizu, Droegemeier, Lineberger and Souvaine participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. All members voted “yes” to close the meetings. The justification for closing the meetings is provided in the attached certificate.

The members additionally voted to that agency business requires the teleconference meeting to be held on less than seven days public notice. The members found that the recent timing of the Director’s announcement and the need for the ad hoc Committee to begin work before the Board meetings next week justified the short notice.

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the discussion in the following meeting of the National Science Board's ad hoc Committee Regarding Recommendations for NSF Director may properly be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c)(6).

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Lawrence Rudolph", is written over a horizontal line.

Lawrence Rudolph
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