

BASIS FOR CLOSING NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD MEETING
ON MARCH 18, 2015

On March 11, 2015 the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the teleconference meeting of the Committee on Strategy and Budget scheduled for Wednesday, March 18 at 4:30 p.m. EDT. The subject of the meeting is discussion of the Performance Improvement Officer Report on FY 2017 strategic issues.

Board Members Drs. Córdova, Arvizu, Droegemeier, Lineberger and Sargent participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. All members voted “yes” to close the teleconference.

The Committee Members, Executive Secretary, NSB Executive Officer, NSB Counsel and senior staff from the NSB Office, the Office of the Director and the Office of Budget, Finance and Award Management are expected to attend the closed teleconference meeting. The justification for closing the meeting is provided in the certificate below.

COUNSEL CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the teleconference meeting of the Committee on Strategy and Budget, scheduled for Wednesday, March 18 at 4:30 p.m. EDT to consider the Performance Improvement Officer Report on FY 2017 strategic issues is properly closed to the public pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(9)(B) because the premature disclosure of this information is likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency actions, and 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c) (3) and 42 U.S.C. § 1863(k) because the discussion will concern the proposed NSF budget for a particular fiscal year prior to the President’s submission of that budget to Congress.

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