

**Counsel Certification**  
**Closure Vote Notice and Short Notice of Change**  
**National Science Board Meetings on May 3, 2018**

On Friday, April 23, 2018, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to amend the agenda of the two sessions of the Committee on Strategy to be held on May 3, 2018. Executive Committee members Drs. Zuber, Souvaine, Jackson and Peterson participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. All members participating voted “yes” to close the meeting and to make the agenda change on short notice. The reason for the change is the need for a discussion of recent activity by other federal branch entities relating to the budget. It was not possible to give earlier notice.

The justification for closing the meeting is provided in the attached certificate.

**C E R T I F I C A T E**

It is my opinion that the discussions in the following session of meetings of the National Science Board and its subdivisions may properly be closed for the reasons given.

2. CS meeting to be held May 3, 2018. Closed agenda items include: Committee Chair’s opening remarks; Approval of prior minutes of closed meetings; FY 2018 Appropriations. All items to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (3) and 42 USC § 1863 (k).

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