BASIS FOR CLOSING MEETINGS COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT ON SEPTEMBER 3, 2021 COMMITTEE ON STRATEGY AND NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

On August 27, 2021, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the following meetings: the Committee on Oversight (CO), scheduled for September 3, 2021, and the Committee on Strategy (CS) and the National Science Board (NSB) scheduled for Thursday, September 9, 2021, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. EDT.

All Executive Committee Members, Drs. Panchanathan, Ochoa, McCrary, Gil, and Phillips, participated in the email polling of the Executive Committee and voted "yes" to close the videoconferences.

First, the Committee on Oversight (CO), scheduled for Friday, September 3, 2021. The closed agenda is Chair's remarks: review and discussion of proposed Office of the Inspector General (OIG) budget request for FY 2023; recommendation of approval to the National Science Board.

Second, the Committee on Strategy (CS), scheduled for Thursday, September 9, 2021, from 2:00-2:30 p.m. EDT. The agenda is: Chair's remarks; review and discussion of proposed CS recommendation to the Board for NSF to transmit the National Science Foundation (NSF), NSB and OIG FY 2023 budget submissions to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

Third, the National Science Board, scheduled for Thursday, September 9, 2021, from 2:30-3:00 p.m. EDT. The agenda is: Chair's remarks; vote on transmittal to OMB of the FY 2023 budget submissions for NSF, NSB and OIG.

The Committee Members, senior NSF Office of the Director and BFA staff, Executive Secretaries, NSBO Executive Officer, Committee Liaisons, Board Counsel, and senior NSBO staff are expected to attend the closed meeting. The attached certificate provides the justification for closing the meeting.

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the videoconference meetings of the Committee on Oversight, scheduled for September 3, 2021, and the Committee on Strategy and the National Science Board (NSB) scheduled for September 9, 2021, may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b (c) (3) and 42 U.S.C. § 1863 (k) regarding the disclosure of budget information for upcoming fiscal years.

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