

**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)  
Sunshine Act Meetings**

The National Science Board (NSB) hereby gives notice of the scheduling of teleconference meetings for the transaction of National Science Board business pursuant to the National Science Foundation Act and the Government in the Sunshine Act.

**TIME AND DATE:** Wednesday, December 8, 2021, from 12:45 p.m. to 5:35 p.m., and Thursday, December 9, 2021, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:35 p.m. EST.

**PLACE:** These meetings will be held by videoconference. There will be no in-person meetings. The public may observe the public meetings, which will be streamed to the NSF YouTube channel.

- December 8, 2021: <https://youtu.be/snamRnowjxQ>
- December 9, 2021: <https://youtu.be/71AMQOBijfU>

**STATUS:** Parts of these meetings will be open to the public. The rest of the meetings will be closed to the public. See full description below.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021**

**Plenary Board meeting**

**Open session: 12:45 p.m. – 3:10 p.m.**

- NSB Chair's Remarks
- NSF Director's Remarks
  - Cool Science presentations
- Panel: The Uneven Geography of K-12 STEM Education
- NSB Chair Activity Summary

**Open session: 4:40 p.m. – 5:35 p.m.**

- Committee on Science and Engineering Policy Report and Discussion
- Committee on External Engagement Report and Discussion

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021**

**Plenary Board**

**Open session: 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.**

- Committee on Equal Opportunities in Science and Engineering (CEOSE) Biennial Report Presentation
- *Vision 2030* Implementation Update

**Closed session: 11:45 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

- NSB Chair’s Remarks
- Approval of Prior Minutes
- Director’s Remarks
  - Agency Operating Status
  - Research Security
- Committee on Awards & Facilities Meeting Report and Discussion
  - Vote: Rubin Observatory Rebaseline Action
- Committee on Strategy Report and Discussion
  - Vote: Sense of the Board Statement on NSF’s 2022-2026 Strategic Plan Draft
- Subcommittee on Technology, Innovation, and Partnerships (TIP) Report and Discussion
- Vote to Enter Executive Session

**Executive Closed agenda items: 1:25 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

- NSB Chair’s Remarks
- Approval of Prior Minutes
- NSF Director’s Remarks
  - TIP Status Update
- 2022 NSB Honorary Awards Discussion
  - Vote

**Plenary Board**

**Open Session: 3:00 p.m. – 3:35 p.m.**

- NSB Chair’s Remarks
  - K-12 STEM Education Exploratory Group
  - Member recognitions
  - NSBO staffing update
- Approval of Prior Minutes
- NSF Director’s Remarks
  - Senior Executive Update
  - Office of Legislative and Public Affairs Update
  - FY 2022 Budget Update
- Committee on Awards and Facilities Report and Discussion
  - Astro 2020 Decadal Survey Executive Summary
- Committee on Oversight Report and Discussion
  - Votes:
    - Merit Review Digest Overview
    - Merit Review Digest revisions to tables
- NSB Chair’s Closing Remarks

**Meeting Adjourns: 3:35 p.m.**

**MEETINGS THAT ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021**

12:45 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. Plenary NSB

4:40 p.m. – 5:35 p.m. Plenary NSB

**Thursday, December 9, 2021**

11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Plenary NSB

3:00 p.m. – 3:35 p.m. Plenary NSB

**MEETINGS THAT ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC:**

**Thursday, December 9, 2021**

11:45 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Plenary NSB, including executive closed items

1:25 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Executive closed items

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:** All open sessions of the meeting will be webcast live on the NSB YouTube channel.

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- December 9, 2021: <https://youtu.be/71AMQQBijfU>

Please refer to the NSB website for additional information. You will find any updated meeting information and schedule updates (time, place, subject matter, or status of meeting) at <https://www.nsf.gov/nsb/meetings/notices.jsp>.

Members of the public are advised that the **NSB provides some flexibility around its meeting times**. A meeting may be allowed to run over by as much as 15 minutes if the Chair decides the extra time is warranted. The next meeting will start no later than 15 minutes after the noticed start time. If a meeting ends early, the next meeting may start up to 15 minutes earlier than the noticed start time. NSB and committee meetings will not vary from noticed times by more than 15 minutes. Open meetings can also be watched in their entirety later through the YouTube link.

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