

Basis for Closing Meetings and Closure Vote Notice

National Science Board Meeting 2/16/23 Committee on Strategy 2/16/23

On February 7, 2023, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close portions of the February 2023 meeting of the National Science Board and the Committee on Strategy. Executive Committee members Panchanathan, Reed, McCrary, Gil, and Phillips voted “yes” to close the meetings. The justification for closing the meetings is provided in the attached certificate.

For the closed meetings of the Board, the NSF Chief Operating Officer, Assistant Directors and Office Heads, senior OD staff members, Board Executive Officer, Board Counsel, the applicable Executive Secretaries and NSBO staff may attend in addition to the Board members. Staff preparing a presentation or who are needed to answer questions may be invited to attend. For the Committee on Strategy closed meeting the staff listed above may join and senior leadership in BFA may also join. For the executive closed agenda items, only the NSF Chief Operating Officer, Board Executive Officer, Board Counsel, and Executive Secretary may attend. The Board Chair or Committee Chair may allow other necessary or appropriate attendees or restrict attendance further.

CERTIFICATE

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

NSB plenary closed session to be held on February 16, 2023, beginning at 9:10 a.m. EST. Closed agenda items to include: NSB Chair’s Opening Remarks; SAHPR update; NSF Director’s Remarks, including agency operating status and Antarctic station update; Approval of December 2022 Closed Meeting Minutes; Committee Reports, including Committee on Awards and Facilities Report, Committee on Strategy Report, Committee on Oversight Report, and Subcommittee on Technology, Innovation, and Partnerships Report. Vote on Mid-scale award. CHIPS Update, and Vote to enter Executive Closed session.

Items to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (4) (trade secrets/confidential commercial or financial information), 5 USC § 552b (c) (2) (internal personnel rules and practices), and 5 USC § 552b (c) (3) and 42 USC § 1863 (k) (budgets prior to the submission of the President’s budget to Congress).

Executive Plenary Closed items to include: NSB Chair’s Remarks; Approval of December 2, 2022, Executive Closed Meeting Minutes; NSF Director’s Remarks, including senior personnel

updates and annual scientific award updates; Vote to establish ad hoc Nominations Committee; and NSB Chair's Closing Remarks.

Items to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (3) and 42 USC § 1863 (k) (budgets prior to the submission of the President's budget to Congress), and 5 USC § 552b (c) (6) (unwarranted invasion of personal privacy).

Committee on Strategy closed session to be held on February 16, 2023, beginning at 10:45 a.m. EST.

Closed agenda items to include: Update and discussion on NSF's FY 2023 Current Plan; Update and discussion on NSF's FY 2024 Budget Request.

Items to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (3) and 42 USC § 1863 (k) (budgets prior to the submission of the President's budget to Congress).

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