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MEMORANDUM

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To: File

From: Clifford Gabriel, Director (Acting), Office of Integrative Activities 

Subject: Report on Diversity, Independence, Balance, and Resolution of Conflicts of Interest for the Science and Technology (STC): Integrative Partnerships Committee of Visitors

The first STC Committee of Visitors meeting was held on May 16-18, 2011 in Arlington, VA. To be consistent with the scope and standing of the STC program, the Committee of Visitors (COV), was composed of seven senior scientists and education experts representing different scientific and engineering disciplines. Six of the COV members had served on a number of occasions as members of prior COVs across the Foundation. Three of the members had primarily academic backgrounds; the remaining four had mixed backgrounds, combining academic or national laboratory experience with federal/state government service. All of the members had held major leadership positions in their respective organizations and were familiar with large project/center management. Six members of the committee had never received STC support, and three of the committee members had no history of recent (at least since 2000) NSF support. Demographics across the COV members were as follows: three were women, one was Hispanic, one was Black and two were white-non Hispanic- males. Three of the members were from EP SCoR states.

The members of the COV were provided conflict-of-interest information prior to the meeting, and were further briefed at the beginning of the meeting. Each member was barred from seeing any proposal that involved his/her home institution(s).

Committee of Visitors

Science and Technology Center: Integrative Partnerships

- Chair: **Pat Looney**, Brookhaven,
http://www.bnl.gov/bnlweb/pubaf/pr/PR_display.asp?prID=1181
- **Mary Clutter**, Former Assistant Director of BIO directorate, NSF
http://www.aibs.org/about-aibs/mary_clutter.html
- **Sixto Gonzalez**, Aricibo/Cornell , http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sixto_Gonzalez
- **Fiona Goodchild**, UC Santa Barbara, <http://csep.cnsi.ucsb.edu/staff/fionagoodchild>
- **Leonard Peters**, Secretary of Energy and Environment, Kentucky
http://www.freedomkentucky.org/index.php?title=Len_Peters
- **Sarah Rajala**, Mississippi State University,
<http://www.ece.msstate.edu/people/profile.php?rajala>
- **Daniel Wubah**, VaTech, http://www.provost.vt.edu/bios/wubah_bio.php