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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I05080037

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This case arose as part of a proactive review into use of participant support funds and travel funds. OIG reviewed several awards; however this award¹ seemed to have myriad financial issues that required further investigation. It appeared that the Principal Investigator (PI)², reallocated, without appropriate approvals, both travel funds and participant support funds to pay personal salary. After interviewing the Program Director³, it also appeared that the records provided to date did not reflect expenditures under the award. We also discovered that the PI had another NSF award.

The investigation was expanded to include the other award⁴ received by the same PI. OIG sent a letter to the university⁵ asking follow up questions regarding the initial award and an additional document request for the second award.

After reviewing the documents, OIG determined that the PI had reallocated funds without prior approval. The University agreed and reimbursed NSF \$16,050.35. Accordingly, this case is closed.

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