
Stewardship

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Agenda

- Context: NSF's Performance Assessment Framework
- Stewardship Outcome Goal
- FY 2007 Results
- Development of FY 2008 Goals

NSF's Performance Assessment Framework

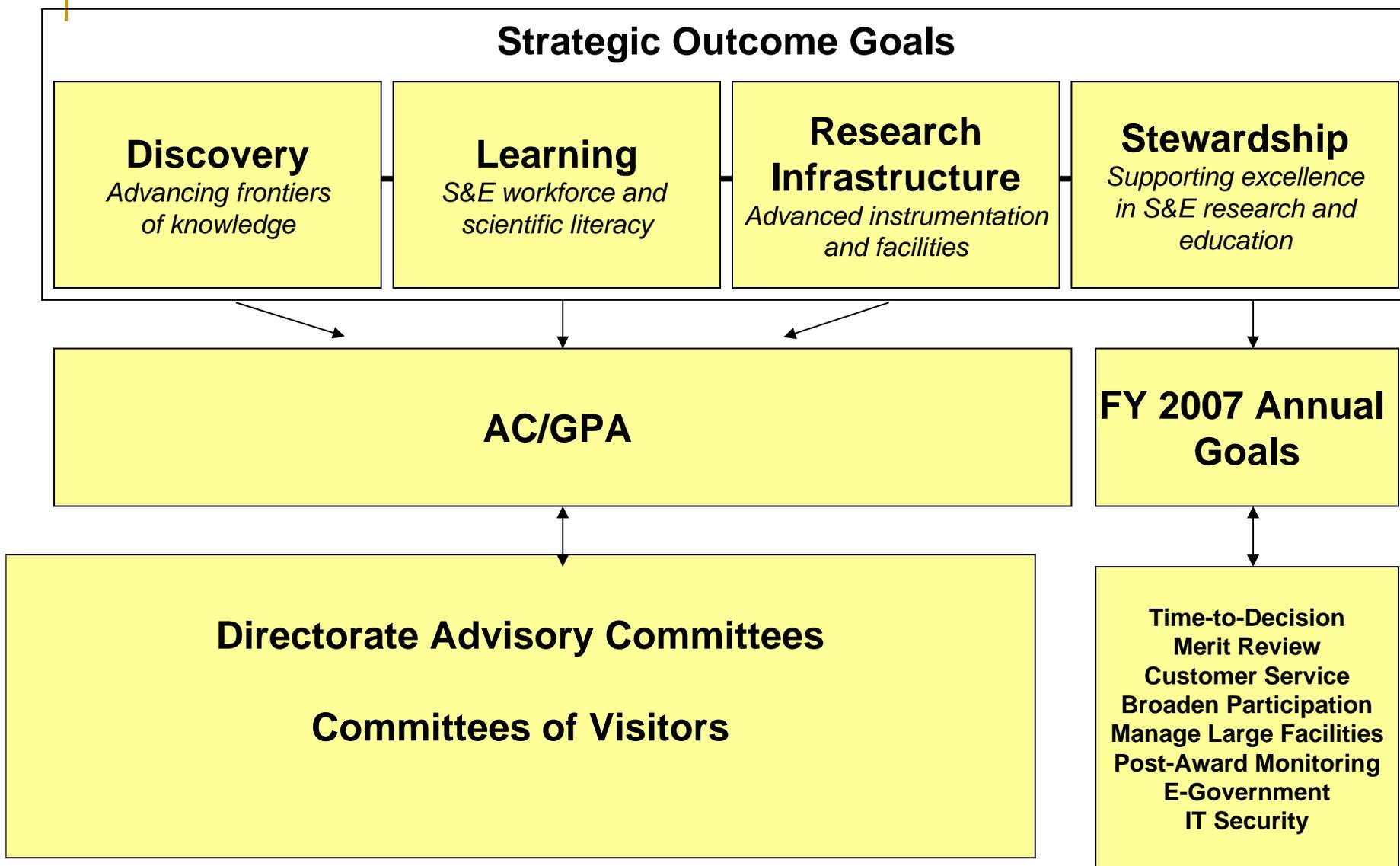
Long-Term Strategic Outcome Goals

- ❑ Discovery, Learning, Research Infrastructure
- ❑ Outcomes of investments are evaluated annually by the Advisory Committee for GPRA Performance Assessment (AC/GPA)
- ❑ AC/GPA 2007 report will be included in the performance chapter of the FY 2009 Budget Request to Congress; also available on the NSF website

Annual Goals

- ❑ Stewardship
- ❑ Other annual performance goals -- PART goals (OMB's Program Assessment Rating Tool) from 2003-2006

NSF Performance Assessment Framework



Stewardship Outcome Goal

Support excellence in science and engineering research and education through a capable and responsive organization

Investing in America's Future. NSF Strategic Plan FY 2006-2011

Drivers for Stewardship Goals

- NSF Strategic Plan
 - “Investment Priorities” for the next six years
 - Include both program and administrative actions
- Ongoing administrative and management challenges for the Foundation
- Important cross-Foundation activities, such as the IPAMM Working Group and the Broadening Participation Working Group

Stewardship Goal-Setting Process

- Early in FY 2007, the GPRA Working Group proposed several Stewardship goals and measures to NSF senior management
- After this review, 8 goals were established
- The 8 goals contain both qualitative and quantitative performance measures
- Results are reported at the end of the Fiscal Year to senior management and in the Performance Chapter of the FY 2009 Budget

FY 2007 Stewardship Goals

- Maintain the Time to Decision Standard (70% for all proposals to the Foundation)
- Improve the Quality & Transparency of the Merit Review Process
- Conduct a Survey of Proposers (IPAMM Study)
- Broaden Participation in NSF Activities/Programs
- Improve the Management of Large Facilities
- Monitor Post-Award Financial Transactions
- Establish an E-Government Implementation Plan
- Conduct a Successful FISMA IT Program Review

FY 2007 Results

ACHIEVED

Time to Decision
Merit Review
Survey of Proposers
Broaden Participation
Post-Award Monitoring
E-Government
IT Security

DID NOT ACHIEVE

Management of
Large Facilities
(Construction Goal)

Development of FY 2008 Stewardship Goals

- Some of the FY 2007 goals will continue, although the performance measures may be revised or expanded
- Some new goals for FY 2008 will be established based on the results of the FY 2007 goals, ongoing management challenges, and cross-Foundation activities
- GPRA Working Group has the responsibility for goal development

Question for the Advisory Committee

What constitutes the threshold for achieving success under Stewardship?

Factors to consider:

- In FY 2007, there were 8 Stewardship goals, of 7 were achieved. Does that constitute overall success under Stewardship?
- In FY 2008, the number of goals has not yet been determined, and the threshold for success is under discussion.