

Closure Vote Notice

National Science Board – 5/7/2025

On May 1, 2025, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board (NSB, Board) voted to close portions of the May 7, 2025, meeting of the NSB. Drs. Dorota Grejner-Brzezinska and Wanda Ward voted “yes” to close the meetings.

For the closed meetings of the Board, the NSF Chief of Staff, Chief Science Officer, Chief Management 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. For the executive closed agenda items, only the NSF Chief of Staff, Board Executive Officer, Board Counsel, and Executive Secretary are expected to 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 NSB and its subdivisions may properly be closed for the reasons given.

Executive Plenary Closed Session (EPC)

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

Closed agenda items to include:

- Acting NSB Chair’s opening remarks about the agenda
 - approval of February 2025 EPC Minutes
- NSF Director Transition and Recommendations
- Board Priorities and Efficiencies
- NSB Executive Committee Election

Item 1 to be closed pursuant to all exemptions listed next. Items 2 and 4 to be closed pursuant 5 USC § 552b (c) (6) (unwarranted invasion of personal privacy). Item 3 to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (3)(B) and 42 USC § 1863 (k) (budgets prior to the submission of the President’s budget to Congress).

NSB Plenary closed session

Wednesday, May 7, 2025

Closed agenda items to include:

- Acting NSB Chair’s Remarks about the agenda
 - Approval of closed NSB meeting minutes from February 2025
- Reports
 - Business Task Force
 - Commission on Merit Review (MRX) Update
 - Committee on Oversight (CO), Committee on Strategy (CS), and Committee on Awards & Facilities (A&F)
- Long term Planning: Agency Strategy and Budget

Item 1 to be closed for all the reasons listed below. Item 2 (Business Task Force and MRX) to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (9)(B), regarding information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. Item 2 (CO, CS, A&F) to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (3)(B) and 42 USC § 1863 (k) (budgets prior to the submission of the President's budget to Congress). Item 3 to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (3)(B) and 42 USC § 1863 (k) (budgets prior to the submission of the President's budget to Congress).

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