

Closure Vote Notice

Committee on Awards & Facilities – July 22, 2025

National Science Board – July 23, 2025

On July 16, 2025, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board (NSB, Board) voted to close portions of the July 22, 2025, meeting of the Committee on Awards & Facilities (A&F) and the July 23, 2025, meeting of the NSB. Drs. McCrary, Grejner-Brzezinska, and Phillips voted “yes” to close the meetings.

For the committee meeting, NSBO staff supporting the meeting and NSF staff preparing a presentation or who are needed to answer questions may be invited to attend. 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.

A&F Committee closed session

Tuesday, July 22, 2025

Closed agenda items to include:

- Chair’s remarks on the agenda
- Information Item: Legend-1000
- Discussion and vote on National Geophysical Facility (NGF) Operations and Maintenance Award

All items 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, July 23, 2025

Closed agenda items to include:

- Acting NSB Chair’s Remarks about the agenda
 - o Approval of closed NSB meeting minutes from May 2025
- Merit Review Report Discussion
- NSF 2026-2030 Strategic Plan Update
- A&F Report and Action Item

Items 1, 3 and 4 are to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (3)(B) and 42 USC § 1863 (k) (discussion of items affecting budgets prior to the submission of the President’s budget to Congress). Item 2 (Merit Review Report) 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.

Executive Plenary Closed Session (EPC)

Wednesday, July 23, 2025

Closed agenda items to include:

- Acting NSB Chair's opening remarks about the agenda
 - o approval of May 2025 EPC Minutes
- NSF Staffing
- NSF Relocation
- NSF Director Search
- NSB Elections

Item 1 to be closed pursuant to all exemptions listed below. Items 2, 4, and 5 to be closed pursuant to 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).

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