National Science Board June 18, 2007 Meeting of the Committee on Strategy and Budget

Basis for Closing the Meeting and for Late Publication of Notice

From June 13, 2007 through June 15, 2007, The National Science Board (NSB) voted:

- to close the June 18, 2007 teleconference meeting of the Committee on Strategy and Budget because it involves a discussion of the National Science Foundation's FY-2009 budget prior to submission to Congress;
- that agency business required publication of the notice less than a week prior to the meeting because the schedule of the meeting was only finalized on June 13, 2007; and
- publication of the meeting notice on June 13, 2007 occurred at the earliest practical time.

Members Abbott, Arvizu, Barish, Beering, Bement, Benbow, Bowen, Bruer, Clough, Droegemeier, Ford, Galloway, Griffiths, Hastings, Hess, Hoffman, Lanzerotti, Leshner, Randall, Reilly, Strauss, Sullivan, Taylor, Thompson, and Vasquez participated in the vote through an e-mail polling of the Board. No Member voted against the closure of this meeting or the publication schedule for the meeting notice.

The Board Members, the Board's Executive Officer, National Science Board Office staff, and selected NSF staff will attend this meeting.

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the teleconference meeting of the National Science Board's Committee on Strategy and Budget, scheduled for June 18, 2007, having to do with the National Science Foundation's FY 2009 budget submission to the Office of Management and Budget, may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c) (3) and 42 U.S.C. § 1863 (k).

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