

**CHARTER OF THE
COMMISSION ON 21ST CENTURY EDUCATION IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY,
ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS
#29127**

I. SCOPE AND OBJECTIVES

The Commission will provide advice and recommendations to the National Science Board (NSB) on a broad range of policy issues dealing with science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education. The Board expects the scope of the Commission's advice and recommendations to address pre-K-16 education

II. DESCRIPTION OF DUTIES

The Commission will employ various data-gathering tools, including public hearings to solicit the opinions of experts in relevant disciplines. The Commission will analyze the information it collects to develop a report to the Board that will include advice and recommendations on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education

III. DURATION AND MEMBERSHIP

A. Duration:

The Commission will exist for 2 years.

B. Membership:

The Commission will consist of up to fifteen members. The membership will be balanced to reflect the wide diversity of professional specialties relevant to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics education. The Board will invite and request nominations from the public. The Chairman of the National Science Board will appoint the Commission's members.

IV. REPORTING RELATIONSHIP

The Commission reports to the Chairman of the National Science Board. The Commission may, with express approval of the NSB, create any subcommittees that may be necessary to fulfill the Commission's mission. In addition, the National Science Board will establish such operating procedures as required to support the group, consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended

IV. MEETINGS

It is anticipated that the Commission will meet 3 times per year

V. SUPPORT

The National Science Board Office will support the Commission's activities.

The estimated annual operating costs associated with supporting the Commission's functions are estimated to be \$200,000, which will include about \$55,000 in staff support costs. It is estimated that 0.75 FTE will be required to support the Commission.

VI. CERTIFICATION

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Warren M. Washington
Chairman, National Science Board