Basis for Closing National Science Board Committee Meeting on October 19, 2011

On October 12, 2011, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the teleconference meeting of the Committee on Programs and Plans scheduled for October 19, 2011. Board Members Drs. Bowen, Droegemeier, Griffiths, Souvaine, and Suresh participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. A majority of the members voted "yes" to close the meeting.

The Committee Members, National Science Board Office staff, and selected NSF staff will attend the closed meetings. The justification for closing the meeting is provided in the attached certificate.

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the National Science Board's Committee on Programs and Plans teleconference scheduled for October 19, 2011 having to do with proposals and awards for specific grants, contracts, or other arrangements may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(4), (6), and (9)(B);

/signed/ Lawrence Rudolph

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