

**Basis for Closing the May 4, 2007 Meeting of the National Science Board
ad hoc Committee on Nominating for NSB Elections**

From April 27, 2007 through May 2, 2007, The National Science Board (NSB) voted to close the May 4, 2007 teleconference meeting of the NSB *ad hoc* Committee on Nominating for NSB Elections (informally known as the Elections Committee) after determining that the meeting is likely to disclose, relate to, involve, or concern information of a personal nature that would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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.

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 meeting of the National Science Board's (NSB) ad hoc Committee on Nominating for NSB Elections (informally known as the Elections Committee), scheduled for May 4, 2007, having to do with nominees for appointments as NSB Executive Committee members may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c) (2) and (6).

/signed Amy Northcutt for

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