## Basis for Closing National Science Board Meetings on November 30 and December 5, 2011

On November 9, 2011, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board voted to close the teleconference meeting of the *ad hoc* Committee on Honorary Awards scheduled for November 30 and December 5, 2011. Board Members Drs. Suresh, Bowen, Droegemeier, Griffith and Souvaine participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee. All members voted "yes" to close all the meetings on November 9, 2011.

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

## CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the meetings of the *ad hoc* Committee on Honorary Awards of the National Science Board (NSB) scheduled for November 30 and December 5, 201, having to do with recommendations for the Vannevar Bush award and the Public Service Award may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c) (2) and (6).

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