

**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION (NSF)**

**National Science Board**

**Sunshine Act Meetings; Notice**

The National Science Board, pursuant to NSF regulations (45 CFR Part 614), the National Science Foundation Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 1862n-5), and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. § 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of meetings for the transaction of National Science Board business and other matters specified, as follows:

**AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: National Science Board**

**DATE AND TIME:** Tuesday, August 12, 2008, at 8:00 a.m.; and Wednesday, August 13, 2008 at 8:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** National Science Foundation 4201 Wilson Blvd. Room 1235 Arlington, VA 22230. All visitors must report to the NSF visitor desk at the 9th and N. Stuart Streets entrance to receive a visitor's badge.

**STATUS:** Some portions open, some portions closed

**OPEN SESSIONS:**

**August 12, 2008**

8:00 a.m. – 8:05 a.m.

8:05 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

1:45 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

**August 13, 2008**

8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**CLOSED SESSIONS:**

**August 12, 2008**

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

**August 13, 2008**

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

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**MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

**Tuesday, August 12, 2008**

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Open Session: 8:00 a.m. – 8:05 a.m.

Chairman's Introduction

**Committee on Programs and Plans (CPP)**

Open Session: 8:05 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- Approval of May 6, 2008 CPP Minutes
- Committee Chairman's Remarks
  
- **CPP Subcommittee on Polar Issues (SOPI)**
  - Approval of May 6, 2008 SOPI Minutes
  - SOPI Chairman's Remarks
  - Director's Report—Office of Polar Programs
    - Update on U.S. Antarctic Program Process for Request for Proposals for Support Contractor
    - The "I" in International Polar Year (IPY)
  - Fuel Costs, IPY, and USAP Infrastructure & Logistics
  
- **Task Force on Sustainable Energy (SE)**
  - Approval of May 6, 2008 SE Minutes
  - SE Co-Chairmen's Remarks
  - Discussion and Summary of June 19, 2008 Roundtable Discussion
  - Discussion of September 4, 2008 Roundtable Discussion
  
- NSB Action: Report to Congress on Interdisciplinary Research
- NSB Information Item: Competition for the Award of a Cooperative Agreement for the Management and Operation of the National Astronomy and Ionosphere Center (NAIC)
- Discussion Item: Major Research Facilities and Facility Plan
- Discussion Item: Review of MREFC Process
- NSB Item: Examination of Priority Order of MREFC New Starts
- Science Presentation: Dr. Richard Buckius, Assistant Director, ENG,  
*Our World Is Engineered*

**Plenary Open**

Open Session: 1:00 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

- Presentation by Norman Augustine

### **Committee on Strategy and Budget (CSB)**

Open Session: 1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

- Approval of CSB Minutes, May 6, 2008
- Committee Chairman's Remarks
- **CSB Task Force on Cost Sharing (CS)**
  - Approval of CS Minutes, May 6, 2008
  - Task Force Chairman's Remarks
  - Discussion of July 9 & 10, 2008 Roundtable Discussions on Cost Sharing
  - Update on Other Information-Gathering Activities
  - Discussion of Draft CS Report Outline
  
- Draft Board Report "Report to Congress on Limits on Proposal Submissions by Institution"

### **Committee on Strategy and Budget (CSB)**

Closed Session: 2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

- NSF Budget Development

### **Committee on Programs and Plans (CPP)**

Closed Session: 3:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

- NSB Information Item: High Performance Computing (HPC) Awards
- NSB Action Item: Protein Data Bank Management
- NSB Action Item: General Social Survey
- Overview of Science of Learning Centers Actions
- NSB Action Item: Science of Learning Center Proposal #1
- NSB Action Item: Science of Learning Center Proposal #2
- NSB Action Item: Science of Learning Center Proposal #3

**Wednesday, August 13, 2008**

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### **Committee on Education and Human Resources (EHR)**

Open Session: 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

- Approval of May 7, 2008 Minutes
- Committee Chairman's Remarks
  
- **Subcommittee on Science and Engineering Indicators (SEI)**
  - Approval of May 6, 2008 SEI Minutes
  - SEI Chairman's Remarks
  - Presentation of Director's Award for Collaborative Integration
  - Overview of the process for producing *Science and Engineering Indicators 2010* and the Subcommittee's role
  - Key Board dates and activities for production of *Science and Engineering Indicators 2010*
  - Introduction of chapter authors and discussion of *Science and Engineering Indicators 2010* narrative chapter outlines
  - SEI Chairman's summary

- Discussion: Preparing the Next Generation of STEM Innovators

### **Task Force on the NSB 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Open Session: 10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

- Task Force Chairman's Remarks
- Discussion on 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemoration

### **Executive Committee**

Open Session: 10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

- Approval of Minutes for the May 2008 Meeting
- Executive Committee Chairman's Remarks
- Updates or New Business from Committee Members

### **Committee on Audit and Oversight (A&O)**

Open Session: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- Approval of Minutes of the May 7, 2008 Meeting
- Committee Chairman's Opening Remarks
- Report by NSF Advisory Committee on GPRA Performance Assessment (Dr. David Spencer)
- Findings from Labor Effort Audit Reports
- Enhancing the Accountability of International Collaborative Research Projects

Closed Session: 12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.

- Pending Investigations

### **Plenary Executive Closed**

Closed Session: 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- Approval of May 2008 Minutes
- Election for Executive Committee

### **Plenary Closed**

Closed Session: 2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

- Approval of May 2008 Minutes
- Awards and Agreements
- Closed Committee Reports

### **Plenary Open**

Open Session: 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

- Approval of May 2008 Minutes
- Resolution to Close September 2008 Meeting
- Chairman's Report
- Director's Report
- Open Committee Reports

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