

MEMORANDUM TO MEMBERS AND CONSULTANTS OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: Major Actions and Approvals at the August 25-26, 2010 Meeting

This memorandum is made publicly available for any interested parties to review. A more detailed summary of the meeting will be forthcoming and posted on the National Science Board (Board, NSB) public Web site (<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/>). The minutes of the Plenary Open Session for the August 2010 meeting will also be posted on the Board's public Web site following Board approval at the September 2010 meeting.

Major actions and approvals at the 415th meeting of the Board included the following (not in priority order):

1. The Board approved the following schedule of meetings for calendar year 2011: February 15-16, May 10-11, July 28-29, September 13-14, and December 13-14 (NSB-10-51). (Attachment)
2. The Board approved a resolution on Electronic Participation by Board Members at Board, Committee, Subcommittee, and Task Force Meetings (and Any Other Entity Consisting of Members of the Board and Reporting to the Board).
3. The Board approved the FY 2012 budget requests to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for NSF, which includes the Board, as well as the FY 2012 budget request to OMB for the NSF Office of Inspector General.
4. The Board approved the charge and workplan for the Committee on Programs and Plans, Task Force on Unsolicited Mid-Scale Research.
5. The Board approved the charge and workplan for the Committee on Strategy and Budget, Task Force on Data Policies.
6. The Board approved delegating authority to the Executive Committee to review, approve, or disapprove any request for bridge funding relating a particular program.
7. The Board approved the timelines for the Major Research Equipment and Facilities Construction (MREFC) document.

8. The Board Chairman established the *ad hoc* Committee on Nominating for NSB Elections, informally known as the Elections Committee, with Dr. Gulari, chairman, and Drs. Randall and Peterson, members.
9. The Board Chairman established the *ad hoc* Committee on Honorary Awards with Dr. Cordova, chairman, and Drs. Peterson and Thompson, members.
10. The Board approved the minutes of the Plenary Open Session (NSB-10-32) for the May 2010 meeting (<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/meetings/2010/0504/minutes.pdf>). Minutes for the Plenary Closed Session (NSB-10-31) for the May 2010 meeting of the Board were also approved.

[signed]
Michael L. Van Woert
Executive Officer

Attachment:
NSB Calendar of Meetings, 2011 (NSB-10-51)

NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD
CALENDAR OF MEETINGS
2011

February 15 - 16
(Tuesday - Wednesday)

May 10 - 11
(Tuesday – Wednesday)
[Annual Meeting and Awards Dinner]

July 28 - 29
(Thursday - Friday)

September 13 - 14
(Tuesday - Wednesday)
[Annual Retreat and Visit]

December 13 - 14
(Tuesday - Wednesday)