

MEMORANDUM TO MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: Major Actions and Approvals at the August 12-13, 2015 Meeting

This memorandum is made publicly available for any interested parties to review. The minutes of the Plenary Open Session for the August 2015 meeting will also be posted on the National Science Board's (Board) public website (<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb>) following Board approval.

Major actions and approvals at the Board's 441st meeting included the following in no particular order of priority:

1. The Board passed a resolution (**NSB-2015-28**) authorizing the transmittal of the proposed FY 2017 budget request to the Office of Management and Budget, as recommended by the Committee on Strategy and Budget (CSB). This request includes the National Science Foundation (NSF), the National Science Board and the Office of Inspector General.
2. The Board approved a recommendation from the Committee on Science and Engineering Indicators (SEI), accepting the SEI prepared and approved main chapters of the *2016 Science and Engineering Indicators* report subject to minor edits to be approved by the SEI Chair and NSB Chair.
3. The Board approved staggered two-year terms for members of the *ad hoc* Committee on Awards, which will help provide continuity when the committee reconvenes each year.
4. The Board approved meeting dates for calendar year 2016 as follows.
 - February 2 - 3, 2016
 - May 5 - 6, 2016 (Annual Meeting & Awards Dinner)
 - August 9 - 10, 2016
 - September 14 - 15, 2016 (Annual Retreat)
 - November 8 - 9, 2016
5. The Board approved the minutes of the Plenary Open Session (**NSB-2015-25**) from the May 2015 meeting. (<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb/meetings/2015/0505/minutes.pdf>) The Board also approved the minutes for the Plenary Executive Closed Session (**NSB-2015-26**) and the Plenary Closed Session (**NSB-2015-24**) for May 2015.

/s/

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