Basis for Closing National Science Board Meeting on November 17, 2014

On November 5, 2014 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 17, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. Board Members Drs. Córdova, Arvizu, Droegemeier, Lineberger and Sargent participated in the e-mail polling of the Executive Committee.

All members voted "yes" to close the teleconference.

The Committee Members, the Executive Secretary and the Executive Officer and Board Counsel are expected to attend the closed teleconference meeting. The justification for closing the meeting is provided in the attached certificate.

CERTIFICATE

It is my opinion that the teleconference meeting of the *ad hoc* Committee on Honorary Awards, scheduled for November 17, 2014, regarding consideration of the nominations received for honorary awards may properly be closed to the public under 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(6).

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