Basis for Closing Meetings and Closure Vote Notice Committee on Oversight – 8/27/2024 Committee on Strategy – 9/3/2024 National Science Board – 9/3/2024

On August 21, 2024, the Executive Committee of the National Science Board (NSB, Board) voted to close the August 27, 2024, meeting of the Committee on Oversight, and the September 3, 2024, meetings of the Committee on Strategy (CS) and NSB. All Executive Committee members, Panchanathan, Gil, McCrary, Grejner-Brzezinska, and Ward, voted "yes" to close the meetings. The justification for closing the meetings is provided in the attached certificate.

For closed meetings of the Board, the NSF Chief Operating Officer, Assistant Directors and Office Heads, senior OD staff members, Board Executive Officer, Board Counsel, the applicable Executive Secretaries and NSBO staff may attend in addition to the Board members. For the committee meetings, staff preparing a presentation or who are needed to answer questions may be invited to attend. The Board Chair or Committee Chair may allow other necessary or appropriate attendees or restrict attendance further.

<u>CERTIFICATE</u>

It is my opinion that the discussions in the following meetings of the NSB and its subdivisions may properly be closed for the reasons given.

CO closed meeting

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Closed agenda items to include:

- Commission Chair's opening remarks regarding the agenda
- Presentation by the Office of the Inspector General on its budget request for FY2026
 Discussion and vote on sense of the committee

Items to be closed pursuant to 5 USC 552b (c) (3)(B) and 42 USC 1863 (k) (budgets prior to the submission of the President's budget to Congress).

CS closed meeting

Tuesday, September 3, 2024

Closed agenda items to include:

- Chair's opening remarks on the agenda
- Discussion of NSF's FY 2026 budget submission to the Office of Management and Budget
- Committee recommendation to NSB related to NSF's FY 2026 budget submission to the Office of management and Budget

Items to be closed pursuant to 5 USC § 552b (c) (3)(B) and 42 USC § 1863 (k) (budgets prior to the submission of the President's budget to Congress).

<u>NSB Plenary closed session</u> <u>Tuesday, September 3, 2024</u> Closed agenda items to include:

- NSB Chair's Opening Remarks on the agenda
- NSB FY2026 budget presentation
- Committee on Oversight report on the Office of Inspector General's FY2026 budget request
- NSB vote to transmit NSF and NSB's budget requests to the Office of Management and Budget

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