

**MEMORANDUM TO MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD**

**SUBJECT:** Major Actions and Approvals at the May 2–3, 2018 Meeting

This memorandum is made publicly available for any interested parties to review. The minutes of the Plenary Open Session for the May 2018 meeting will also be posted on the National Science Board's (Board) public website (<http://www.nsf.gov/nsb>) following Board approval.

The major actions and approvals at the Board's 456th meeting were:

1. The Board held elections for the positions of Chair and Vice Chair for the term May 11 2018-May 10, 2020. Dr. Diane Souvaine was elected Chair of the Board. Dr. Ellen Ochoa was elected Vice Chair of the Board.
2. The Board passed a resolution (**NSB-2018-18**) approving the NSB Risk Philosophy and Principles.
3. The Board passed a resolution (**NSB-2018-19**) authorizing the Director to make an award to the University Corporation for Atmospheric Research for the management and operations of NSF's National Center for Atmospheric Research.
4. The Board passed a resolution (**NSB-2018-21**) authorizing the Director to make an award to the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution for the management and operations of the Ocean Observatories Initiative.
5. The Board passed a resolution (**NSB-2018-22**) authorizing the Director to make an award to the California Institute of Technology for the management and operations of the Laser Interferometer Gravitational-wave Observatory.

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