

**AFFIRMATION OF BOARD VOTING RECORD**

**SUBJECT: Amendment by Board Member, Sean Sullivan to Yellow Folder Doc#2015-029 Request for Board Action by OGC to Amend Board Procedures to define Majority Vote**

**Doc Control#2015-029A**


The Board, with Board Member(s) Jessie Roberson, Sean Sullivan *approving*, Board Member(s) Peter S. Winokur *disapproving*, Board Member(s) none *abstaining*, and Board Member(s) none *recusing*, have voted to approve the above document on December 16, 2014.

The votes were recorded as:

	APRVD	DISAPRVD	ABSTAIN	RECUSAL	<u>NO VOTE*</u>	COMMENT	DATE
Peter S. Winokur	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12/15/14
Jessie H. Roberson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12/16/14
Sean Sullivan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	12/12/14

\*Reason for "No Vote

This Record contains a summary of voting on this matter together with the individual vote sheets, views and comments of the Board Members.

  
Executive Secretary to the Board

Attachments:

1. Voting Summary
2. Board Member Vote Sheets

cc: Board Members  
OGC  
OGM Records Officer  
OTD

**DEFENSE NUCLEAR FACILITIES SAFETY BOARD**

**NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET**

**FROM:** Peter S. Winokur, Ph.D.

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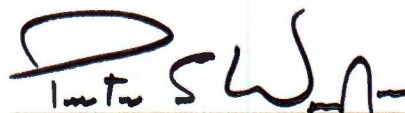
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Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Disapproved  X  Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

Recusal – Not Participating \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:** Below  X  Attached \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

The original Request for Board Action from OGC, including the Background Section, are clear and address the concern raised by GAO to clarify what constitutes a “majority” of votes required to approve a Board action. I don’t see a need for this amendment.



Peter S. Winokur, Ph.D.

12-16-14

Date

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**NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET**

**FROM:** Jessie H. Roberson

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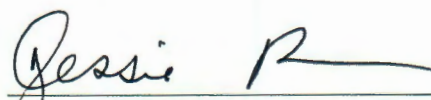
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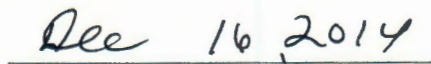
Approved  X  Disapproved \_\_\_\_\_ Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

Recusal – Not Participating \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:** Below  X  Attached \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

**This change is being made to resolve or clarify a potential issue in the Board's procedures identified by OGC and the GAO. Since the procedures are public I have no objection to attempting, which is what I see the amendment aiming for, to ensure the basis for the changes to the procedures can also be public without significant redaction.**

  
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Jessie H. Roberson

  
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Date

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**NOTATIONAL VOTE RESPONSE SHEET**

**FROM:** Sean Sullivan

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**Approved**  X                       **Disapproved** \_\_\_\_\_                      **Abstain** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recusal – Not Participating** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:**      **Below**  X       **Attached** \_\_\_\_\_      **None** \_\_\_\_\_

The amendment revises the background information to remove potentially privileged information. The information removed is not necessary. The amended background is entirely fact based and sufficient for an informed vote on Doc#2015-029.

There exists a sentiment holding that information contained in staff-initiated requests for Board action should not be subject to amendment by Board Members. That sentiment is misplaced. Under the Board Procedures, the final arbiter of the specific content placed before the Board for vote is either an individual Member (in the case of a request for Board action by that Board Member) or the Board itself (in the case of a request for Board action by staff). The Board should not cede that authority.



Sean Sullivan

12/12/14  
Date