



**GEMINI BOARD MEETING**  
**15 SEPTEMBER 2021 VIA ZOOM**  
**RESOLUTIONS**

**Resolutions Arising from the 15 September 2021 Gemini Board Meeting**

**Introduction**

The Board met via videoconference on 15 September 2021 to discuss and the FY2022 Program Operating Plan (POP) for the Gemini Observatory and approve the FY2022 operating budget.

The Board Resolutions below are for public release.

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**2021.B.1.** The Board notes NOIRLab's FY2022 Program Operating Plan (POP) and recommends it for submission to NSF.

**2021.B.2.** The Board notes the reported FY 2021 O&M and IDF spending for Q3 and forecast for the remainder of the fiscal year.

**2021.B.3.** The Board approves the requested O&M and IDF budgets for FY2022 as follows:

	US \$
Operations & Maintenance (Oct 1, 2021 – Sep 30, 2022)	32,465,416
Instrument Development Fund ((Oct 1, 2021 – Sep 30, 2022)	5,990,767
Total (Oct 1, 2021 – Sep 30, 2022)	38,456,183

The Board notes that the O&M request is 2.7% larger than the actual FY2022 budget envelope (US\$31,596,340). The Board instructs the Gemini Director to prioritize spending and defer spending on non urgent/critical items towards the latter part of FY2022, at which point better clarity should be had on 1) the impact on the budget of the FY2022 Indirect Cost Rates; and 2) the demand on the O&M+IDF budget and carry-forward associated with future instrument development -- GNAO, GIRMOS and SCORPIO in particular. Furthermore, the Board wishes to be notified if, at any point in FY2022, spending projections exceed 3% of the actual FY2022 budget envelope.

**2021.B.4.** The Board requests that Gemini present a schedule at the November 2021 Board meeting that will, the following year, deliver a detailed FY2023 budget forecast for Board approval, including FY2023 AURA indirect rates agreed upon by NSF.

**2021.B.5.** The Board warmly welcomes Argentina’s ongoing participation within the Gemini international consortium and is excited to continue Gemini’s exploration of the Universe with Argentina contributing as a 2% partner starting in CY 2022. Furthermore, the Board is pleased to approve a 1% increase in the U.S. partner share and contributions for CY 2022.



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Argentinian and U.S. observing shares will be adjusted accordingly, starting in semester 2022B.