Figure 14. The Decadal Plan for LTER created a new governance and reporting structure for the LTER Network. Members of the Science Council, the Executive Board, and standing committees are drawn from the sites (black lines). The standing committees respond to the Executive Board and the Executive Board and Chair respond to the Science Council (green lines). The LNO responds to the Executive Board and NSF, and provides service and leadership to the Network, LTER sites, and the scientific community (blue lines). The LNO is a leader in the evaluation and implementation of Network-scale cyberinfrastructure and in the development of collaborations with other networks and centers. The dual roles of service and leadership can create conflicting expectations of the LNO.