

**THE REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
MEETING AS A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

September 18, 1997

The Regents of the University of California met on the above date at UCSF-Laurel Heights, San Francisco.

Present: Regents Atkinson, Bagley, Brophy, Clark, Connerly, Davies, Davis, del Junco, Johnson, Levin, McClymond, Montoya, Nakashima, Preuss, and Soderquist

In attendance: Regents-designate Miura and Willmon, Faculty Representatives Dorr and Weiss, Secretary Trivette, General Counsel Holst, Treasurer Small, Provost King, Senior Vice President Kennedy, Vice Presidents Darling, Gurtner, and Hopper, Chancellors Berdahl, Carnesale, Debas, Dynes, Greenwood, Orbach, Wilkening, and Yang, Executive Vice Chancellor Grey representing Chancellor Vanderhoef, Laboratory Directors Shank and Tarter, and Recording Secretary Nietfeld

The meeting convened at 2:20 p.m. with Chairman del Junco presiding.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman del Junco explained that the Board had been convened as a Committee of the Whole in order to permit members of the public an opportunity to address matters on the afternoon's agendas. The following persons addressed the Board concerning the items noted:

1. ***Item 507, Committee on Finance: Follow-up on the July Discussion of Domestic Partner Benefits***

The following persons spoke in favor of the President's proposal to offer domestic partner benefits. In so doing, they stressed the following points: that the present policy discriminates against employees with same sex-partners; that provision of these benefits will enhance recruitment and retention of faculty; that, without the change, gay students cannot feel equal to heterosexual students; that the issue is one of fairness to all employees; that the University of California, as a large public entity, should be leading the struggle for equality; that domestic partner benefits will create a more diverse and welcoming campus community.

- A. Mr. Jonathan Winters, co-chair of the UC Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Association.
- B. Ms. Marilyn Dodd, Associate Dean for Academic Personnel at UCSF School of Nursing and Chair of the Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Issues.
- C. Mr. Darnell Grisby, a student at the Los Angeles campus.

- D. Ms. Pat Hull, a UC employee, who questioned why same sex couples would be required to live together for a specified period of time or to have restrictive financial arrangements under the policy proposed by the President.
- E. Mr. Ron Kos, a UC employee.
- F. Ms. Susan Hagstrom, UC employee.
- G. Mr. Gregory Herek, who presented the paper "Sexual Orientation: A Brief Summary of Key Findings from Behavioral and Social Research."
- H. Mr. Larry Brinkin, Human Rights Commission, City and County of San Francisco.
- I. Ms. Felicia Perez, a student at the Santa Barbara campus.
- J. Ms. Stacey Lee, a student at the Los Angeles campus.
- K. Ms. Xiomara Corpena, a student at the Riverside campus.
- L. Ms. Grace Chee, a student at the Los Angeles campus.
- M. Ms. Helen Rogers, a UC employee.

2. ***Item 502, Committee on Finance: Final 1997-98 State Budget and Outlook for 1998-99 State Budget***

Ms. Mary Higgins, representing the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, referred to the one-time \$12 million reduction in the University's budget and suggested that it be made up from hospital surpluses.

3. ***Item 1, Joint Meeting, Committee on Finance and Committee on Oversight of the Department of Energy Laboratories: Approval of Contracts for Operation of Los Alamos National Laboratory, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and Certification of the Addenda to the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report for Operation of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory***

The following persons spoke in favor of the University's renewing its contract to manage the Los Alamos National Laboratory. The speakers mentioned the following reasons for their support of continued management: the University has provided opportunities for community input into the process; the University has established a positive working relationship with the region; the University employs tribal people in professional positions; the laboratory supports community projects and educational programs; the laboratory has established an outreach office at the community college in Española and has assisted the college in gaining access to the Internet; the laboratory has linked local health clinics with area hospitals.

- A. Ms. Denise Smith, Chair, Los Alamos County Council.
- B. Mr. Bill Enlow, a businessman from Los Alamos.
- C. Mr. Elmer Torrez, Governor of San Ildefonso Pueblo, who presented a resolution concerning the relationship between the San Ildefonso Indian Pueblo and the Los Alamos National Laboratory.
- D. Mr. David Chavez, a member of the Española City Council.
- E. Mr. Floyd Archuleta, a member of the Española City Council.

The following persons discussed the University's management of the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and the alleged negative effects which the laboratory has on the surrounding community.

- A. Ms. Janice Thomas, representing Berkeley Mayor Shirley Dean.
- B. Mr. George Kaufman, a Berkeley resident.
- C. Ms. Jean Bernardi, a UCB alumna.
- D. Ms. Pamela Sihvola, a Berkeley resident.
- E. Ms. Rinna Wolfe, a Berkeley resident.
- F. Ms. Arlene Magarian, a Berkeley resident.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Attest:

Secretary