The Regents of the University of California met on the above date at Covel Commons, Los Angeles campus.

Present: Regents Atkinson, Bagley, Davies, Fong, Hopkinson, O. Johnson, S. Johnson, Khachigian, Kohn, Kozberg, Lansing, Leach, Lee, Miura, Montoya, Parsky, and Preuss

In attendance: Regents-designate T. Davis, Morrison, and Seymour, Faculty Representatives Cowan and Viswanathan, Secretary Trivette, General Counsel Holst, Interim Treasurer Bowman, Provost King, Senior Vice Presidents Darling and Mullinix, Vice Presidents Broome, Drake, Gurtner, Hershman, and Saragoza, Chancellors Berdahl, Bishop, Carnesale, Cicerone, Dynes, Greenwood, Orbach, and Yang, Laboratory Director Browne, and Recording Secretary Bryan

The meeting convened at 1:58 p.m. with Chairman S. Johnson presiding.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Johnson explained that the Board had been convened as a Committee of the Whole in order to permit members of the public an opportunity to comment on matters on the afternoon’s agenda. The following persons addressed the Board on the subjects noted:

A. Item 505, Committee on Finance: The University of California Retirement Plan: Proposed Benefit Improvements

(1) Mr. Cliff Fried, executive vice president of University Professional and Technical Employees, presented a resolution asking that the University community be involved in making decisions that affect their lives, such as those involving retirement.

(2) Mr. Peter Goodman, representing UPTE, urged the Regents to move forward with the implementation of changes to the retirement system and requested that an analysis of the effects of the changes be sent to all retirees and staff.

(3) Mr. Brett Chapman, representing UPTE, believed that a new definition of “casual employee” should be adopted that provides wider benefits.

B. Item 202, Committee on Oversight of the Department of Energy Laboratories: Approval for Negotiations with the Department of Energy for the Operation of Los Alamos National Laboratory and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
(4) Mr. Earl Salazar, representing San Juan Pueblo, New Mexico, expressed support for continuing the contract with the DOE for management of the Los Alamos National Laboratory, noting that business opportunities had risen as a result of the University’s management.

(5) Ms. Denise Smith, President of the Los Alamos Commerce and Development Corporation, supported renegotiation of the contract for the Los Alamos National Laboratory. She believed that the University’s presence has had a positive effect on northern New Mexico.

(6) Ms. Sharon Stover, Vice Chair of the Los Alamos County Council, supported the continuation of the contract to manage the Los Alamos National Laboratory.

(7) Mr. Blaine Asay, representing the Los Alamos Public School Board, believed that the University, the financial and human resources of which have improved local schools, was providing a valuable public service in managing the Los Alamos National Laboratory.

C. Item 508, Committee on Finance: Approval of Student-Sponsored Increases in Student Fees, Santa Barbara Campus

(8) Mr. Russell Johnson, a UCSB student, was opposed to the fee increase to support the Isla Vista Tenants’ Union, based on the fact that the community housing office already offers many of the things that the tenants’ union wants to offer and that the tenants’ union accepts non-students as members.

D. Item 602, Committee on Investments: Update on Asset Allocation Plan Implementation

(9) Dr. Fred James, President of the American Heart Association/Western States Affiliate, believed that investment in tobacco stocks is unethical and puts the University in direct conflict with its mission.

Ms. Judith Magee, Mr. Jason Song, Mr. Burt Thomas, Ms. Tania Kappner, Ms. Joyce Shon, and Mr. Hoku Jeffrey spoke on topics not on the afternoon’s agendas.
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The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Attest:

Secretary