

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

September 14, 2000

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

Present: Regents Atkinson, Connerly, Herzberg, Hopkinson, S. Johnson, Khachigian, Kohn, Lee, Miura, Montoya, Preuss, and Sayles

In attendance: Regents-designate T. Davis, Morrison, and Seymour, Faculty Representatives Cowan and Viswanathan, Secretary Trivette, General Counsel Holst, Provost King, Senior Vice Presidents Mullinix and Darling, Vice Presidents Broome, Drake, Gurtner, Hershman, and Saragoza, Chancellors Berdahl, Dynes, Greenwood, Tomlinson-Keasey, Vanderhoef, and Yang, and Recording Secretary Bryan

The meeting convened at 1:40 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, on University-related matters not on the agenda, and on the *Report of the Nominating Committee* and the *Supplemental Report on Executive Compensation*. The following persons addressed the Board on the subjects noted:

1. ***Committee on Grounds and Buildings and Committee on Finance: Item 3-GF, Policy Consideration Guiding the Development of the 2001-02 University of California Budget***
  - A. Mr. James Sheldon, UCSA Santa Cruz campus, believed that funding for student services should be increased. He noted that the campus health center is underfunded and understaffed.
  - B. Ms. Irene Yun, a vice chair of UCSA, supported the development of centers for career counseling.
  - C. Ms. Lee Ritscher, UCSA Santa Cruz campus, discussed the need for more student housing on campus, especially married students housing.
  - D. On behalf of Ms. Debbie Davis and Ms. Yolanda Orozco, Mr. Justin Christensen, UCSA noted that disabled students need more support in the form of programs to provide readers, note takers, and other accommodations.

- E. Mr. Dan Davis, a Berkeley student, believed the needs of disabled students were going unmet.
- F. Mr. Blinker Punsalan-Wood, a Berkeley student, believed that more group counseling should be available for gay, bisexual, and transsexual students.
- G. Ms. Christina Rukte, a Berkeley student, spoke in support of the UCSA budget proposal.
- H. Ms. Aletha Schelby, a Berkeley student, spoke of the need for more specialized services for disabled students and improved accessibility.
- I. Mr. Pat Para believed that the lack of services for disabled students can cause them to drop out of school.

2. *Preferences and Set-asides*

- J. Mr. George Backus, UC San Diego emeritus professor, stated that preferences stigmatize minority students. He advocated increasing the outreach budget in order to focus on preparing students for the University.
- K. Ms. Gail Hariot, a law professor, supported Proposition 209, SP-1, and SP-2, which she believed had helped place struggling students in schools where they have a good chance of success.

The following represented the group By Any Means Necessary:

- L. On behalf of Ms. Joyce Schon and Mr. Vincent Kukua, Mr. Hoku Jeffrey spoke against SP-1 and SP-2 based on his belief that they have created an unpleasant environment on campuses.
- M. Ms. Andrea Wilbon believed that SP-1 and SP-2 should be rescinded in an effort to establish special measures to make up for past discrimination.
- N. Mr. Ronald Cruz believed that the use of standardized tests is discriminatory.
- O. Ms. Yvette Felarca believed that SP-1 and SP-2 have caused brilliant students to be denied access to the University.
- P. Mr. Doug Lenox stated that an emerging civil rights movement will force the reversal of SP-1 and SP-2.
- Q. Ms. Vivian Scott stated that there are not enough minorities on campus and that racism has become institutionalized.

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

Attest:

Secretary