

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

March 19, 2009

The Regents of the University of California met on the above date at the Commons, Riverside Campus.

Present: Regents Blum, Cole, Garamendi, Gould, Island, Johnson, Lozano, Makarechian, Pattiz, Reiss, Ruiz, Scorza, Shewmake, Varner, and Yudof

In attendance: Regents-designate Nunn Gorman and Stovitz, Faculty Representatives Croughan and Powell, Associate Secretary Shaw, General Counsel Robinson, Chief Investment Officer Berggren, Chief Compliance and Audit Officer Vacca, Interim Provost Pitts, Executive Vice President Lapp, Senior Vice President Stobo, Vice Presidents Dooley, Lenz, and Sakaki, Chancellors Bishop, Blumenthal, Drake, Fox, Kang, Vanderhoef, White, and Yang, Recording Secretary Johns

The meeting convened at 8:35 a.m. with Chairman Blum presiding.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Blum 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 University-related matters. The following persons addressed the Board concerning the items noted.

1. Mr. Tom Hayashi, president of the Greater Los Angeles chapter of the Organization of Chinese Americans (OCA), a national civil rights organization dedicated to the well-being of Asian Pacific Americans, expressed OCA's concerns regarding the freshman eligibility reform and the new standards for the "Entitled to Review" category. While the new policy might lift barriers for other traditionally disadvantaged students of color, Mr. Hayashi quoted projections according to which UC will deny admission to over 6,000 Asian Pacific Islander applicants in 2012. He requested a moratorium on the policy to allow further dialogue with the Regents and consultation of U.S. census data to be available after 2010.
2. Mr. Taher Herzallah expressed concern about loss of life and destruction of property in Palestine in December 2008 and January 2009 and what he described as a humanitarian crisis in Palestine. He urged the University to examine its investment portfolio regarding companies that sustain the occupation of Palestine and not to invest in such companies.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Attest:

Secretary and Chief of Staff