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

February 18, 1999

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

- Present: Regents Atkinson, Bustamante, Connerly, Davies, Espinoza, Johnson, Kozberg, Lee, Miura, Montoya, Nakashima, Preuss, Sayles, Villaraigosa, and Willmon
- In attendance: Regents-designate Taylor and Vining, Faculty Representatives Coleman and Dorr, Secretary Trivette, Provost King, Senior Vice President Kennedy, Vice Presidents Darling, Gomes, and Gurtner, Chancellors Berdahl, Bishop, Carnesale, Cicerone, Dynes, Orbach, Vanderhoef, and Yang, and Recording Secretary Bryan

The meeting convened at 9:10 a.m. with Chairman Davies presiding.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Davies 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 and matters on the morning's agendas. The following persons addressed the Board concerning the items noted:

1. Item 302, Committee on Educational Policy: Providing Access to the University of California – A Progress Report on Long-Range Enrollment Planning

- A. Mr. Hoku Jeffrey believed that the proposal to admit to the University the top four percent of eligible students from each high school did not go far enough to ensure diversity in admissions. He stated that the movement to reinstate affirmative action policies within the University is building.
- B. Mr. Lance Izumi, a member of the Pacific Research Institute, believed that the proposal to admit the top four percent of high school students will have a negative impact on admissions to the University. He suggested that the University concentrate on improving the quality of high school education in the state so as to avoid admitting students who are unprepared for college- level work.
- C. Ms. Renee Salcido stated that she represented La Raza Central Legal, a coalition of civil rights organizations that is concerned about a decline in the

admission of minority students. She did not believe that the four percent admission proposal was the correct approach to the problem.

2. Affirmative Action

A. Mr. Mark Airgood, representing the group To Defend Affirmative Action by Any Means Necessary (BAMN), delivered a petition asking the Governor to appoint members to the Board of Regents who support affirmative action.

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- B. Ms. Heather Bergman, a member of BAMN, suggested that the Governor appoint five pro-affirmative action members to The Regents and that they work to rescind The Regents' actions regarding SP-1 and SP-2, which pertain to equal treatment in admissions and in employment and contracting.
- C. Mr. Kris Dulay believed that SP-1 and SP-2 should be rescinded, that proaffirmative action members should be appointed to the Board, and that Regent Kozberg's appointment should not be confirmed.

3. University Contracting Practices

Ms. Evelyn Graham urged the Regents to examine critically the University's policies and procedures governing contracting.

4. UCSF Stanford Health Care

Ms. Mary Higgins, a UCSF employee, noted that UCSF Stanford Health Care is projecting a \$10 million loss for the first quarter and that layoffs may be imminent. She believed that employees had worked hard to effectuate a smooth transition during the merger and that everything should be done to prevent job losses as a result of the financial situation.

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Attest:

Secretary