1. 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 morning’s agenda. The following persons addressed the Board on item 302 of the Committee on Educational Policy, Proposal for Comprehensive Review in Undergraduate Admission:

A. Ms. Sharon Brown, representing the Pacific Legal Foundation, believed that the comprehensive review in admissions plan violates federal and State laws and that its passage will lead to litigation against the University that could result in personal liability for damages.

B. Mr. Kenny Burch, chair of the University of California Student Association (UCSA), stated that the Academic Senate’s proposal for comprehensive review had received UCSA’s support.

C. Mr. Josh Fryday, a vice president for external affairs of UCSA, Berkeley campus, urged the Regents to adopt the proposal for comprehensive review.

D. Mr. Wally Adeyemo, a Berkeley student, noted that the Berkeley campus has in place a review process similar to the one being proposed. He believed that it has been valuable in training leaders.
E. Mr. Kevin Nguyen, representing the American Civil Rights Institute, was opposed to the comprehensive review proposal, stating that to be accountable to the State’s taxpayers any proposal for changing admissions policies should not be issued without fair notice to students and their families.

F. Mr. Hoku Jeffrey, representing By Any Means Necessary, believed that banning affirmative action has created a negative environment on the University’s campuses. He supported the comprehensive review plan and advocated dropping the SAT requirements for admission.

G. Ms. Jodi Masley, representing By Any Means Necessary, asserted that American colleges began a resegregation process in 1995. She believed that the adoption of the comprehensive review plan would be a first step in reversing that process.

H. Mr. Eric Shrader-Frechette, a UC San Diego graduate student, stated his support for comprehensive review, believing that it would ensure the preparation of well-rounded leaders.

Mr. Murray Morgan addressed matters not on the morning’s agenda.

2. **REMARKS OF THE PRESIDENT**

President Atkinson noted that this month’s agenda contained items on comprehensive review in undergraduate admissions, a status report on the Department of Energy laboratories, and the University’s budget. He commented that among the other important topics were an agreement between the University and the California State University that establishes a process for assessing and meeting the state’s need for Ed.D.s, and approval of the University’s 2002-03 budget, which will include a discussion of how to address cuts of up to 15 percent in next year’s budget.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.

Attest:

Secretary