

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

April 3, 2003

The Regents of the University of California met on the above date by teleconference at the following locations: UCSF - Laurel Heights, 3333 California Street, San Francisco; James E. West Alumni Center, Los Angeles Campus; Social Science Tower 122, Irvine Campus; 111-A University Complex, San Diego Campus; Cheadle Hall, Santa Barbara Campus; 1130 K Street, Suite 340, Sacramento; and 4225 N. Hospital Road, Building 1200, Atwater, and 777 California Avenue, Palo Alto.

Present: Regents Atkinson, Connerly, Davies, Hopkinson, Johnson, Ligot-Gordon, Montoya, Moores, Pattiz, Preuss, Sainick, Sayles, and Terrazas

In attendance: Regents-designate Murray and Seigler, Faculty Representatives Binion and Pitts, Secretary Trivette, General Counsel Holst, Treasurer Russ, Provost King, Senior Vice President Mullinix, Chancellors Carnesale, Cicerone, Tomlinson-Keasey, and Yang, and Recording Secretary Nietfeld

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

**1. READING OF NOTICE OF MEETING**

For the record, it was confirmed that notice had been served in accordance with the Bylaws and Standing Orders for a Special Meeting of The Regents Meeting as a Committee of the Whole, for this date and time, for the purpose of receiving public comment. There being no one in attendance at 777 California Avenue, Palo Alto, this site was released.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Moores 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.

A. Committee on Finance, Item 502: *Update on the 2002-03 Mid-Year Cuts and the 2003-04 Governor's Budget*

- (1) Ms. Norah Foster, a member of the Coalition of University Employees, noted that the University had offered its clerical workers a 2.5 percent pay raise at a time when the cost of living had risen by 8.5 percent.
- (2) Ms. Christina Gagnier, executive vice president of the Associated Students at Irvine, suggested that students had been left out of the process with respect to increases in student fees. She stated that the increases discussed in Item 502 could force some students to drop out of school.

- (3) Mr. Jeff Minhas, president of the Associated Students at Irvine, observed that the University of California is charged with providing affordable education to the people of the state; increasing student fees by 35 percent goes against the mission of the University and will drive students away.

B. Item 202, Committee on Oversight of the Department of Energy Laboratories:  
***Update on Management Issues at Los Alamos National Laboratory***

- (1) Mr. Michael Cox, a student at UCLA, reported that a statement of unity endorsed by undergraduate councils at Berkeley, Los Angeles, and Santa Barbara called upon the Regents to demilitarize the UC-managed national laboratories. The students expect the University to begin negotiating with the Bush administration to terminate any further development of nuclear weapons technology.
- (2) Ms. Tara Dorabji of Tri-Valley Cares and a member of the Coalition to Demilitarize the University of California, spoke of the importance of disarming the nuclear weapons laboratories. She urged the Regents to work with the Congress and the Department of Energy to stop all funding for new nuclear weapons.
- (3) Ms. Emily Hell of the Coalition to Demilitarize the University of California commented that 54 percent of all federal funds for research and development is allocated through the Department of Defense and its agencies. She believed that it was the responsibility of The Regents to reduce this dependency.
- (4) Mr. Darwin Bondgraham of the Coalition to Demilitarize the University of California believed that too much time and money were devoted to research and develop of weapons systems on the UC campuses.

C. Green Buildings and Sustainability

- (1) Ms. Maureen Cane of UC Go-Solar observed that a draft policy on sustainability at the University would be presented at the May meeting, and she urged the Regents to adopt the policy with the highest environmental standards, including LEED silver standards on all new and significantly renovated buildings, 25 percent green energy, and 25 percent of peak energy needs in new and significantly renovated building from on-site generation.
- (2) Mr. Jacob Cabrera of the California Student Sustainability Coalition spoke in favor of the adoption of a systemwide green buildings policy by The Regents and urged the Board to consider the establishment of sustainability

officers within the Office of the President and at the campuses to implement the policy.

- (3) Mr. Kamron Sockolov reiterated the wish of students in the California Student Sustainability Coalition that the policy to be adopted by The Regents call for 25 percent of peak energy to come from on-site generation.
- (4) Mr. Adam Garcia of the California Student Sustainability Coalition urged The Regents to adopt a policy that contains U.S. LEED standards as opposed to developing new ones.

D. Item A., Report of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings: ***Certification of Environmental Impact Report and Approval of Long Range Development Plan, Los Angeles Campus***

- (1) Mr. Travis Longcore, a member of the Urban Wildlands Group, believed that the LRDP and the FEIR did not adequately describe or categorize the coastal sage scrub vegetation located in UCLA's northwest corner because they did not use an accepted method of vegetation characterization. It was his opinion that there was moderate to good-quality coastal sage habitat in the location, an opinion that is shared by the U.S. Wildlife Service and the California Department of Fish and Game.
- (2) Mr. Frank Angel of the Urban Wildlands Group suggested that the LRDP failed to define how the loss of trees would be mitigated in order to reduce it to a level of insignificance.

E. Mr. Murray Morgan suggested that the University would be improved if the administration were re-centralized.

F. Mr. Max Harrington, a student at the San Diego campus, discussed the benefits provided by instant run-off voting in student elections, a system which has been adopted at Berkeley, Davis, and San Diego.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Attest:

Secretary