

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

November 4, 2004

The Regents of the University of California met on the above date at 1000 Broadway, Oakland.

Present: Regents Anderson, Hopkinson, Johnson, Montoya, Ornellas, and Ruiz

In attendance: Regents-designate Rominger and Rosenthal, Faculty Representative Brunk, Associate Secretary Shaw, General Counsel Holst, Senior Vice President Mullinix, Vice President Hershman, and Recording Secretary Bryan

The meeting convened at 11:00 a.m. with Regent Hopkinson presiding.

**1. READING OF NOTICE OF MEETING**

For the record, it was confirmed that notice was given in compliance with the Bylaws and Standing Orders for a special meeting of The Regents, for this date and time, for the purpose of hearing public comment.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Regent Hopkinson 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 issues related to the day's agenda and on University-related matters. The following persons addressed the Board concerning a University-related issue:

- A. Ms. Gail Simpson, a UC alumna representing the Council for Responsible Public Investment, reported that the group was part of a coalition working to prevent the University from accepting research funding from the tobacco industry. She believed that it was the University's responsibility to demonstrate leadership in protecting public health.
- B. Ms. Katherine Brown, a UC alumna representing the City of Berkeley Tobacco Prevention Program, announced that Berkeley Mayor Tom Bates intended to commend the faculty at the Berkeley campus' School of Public Health for its adoption of a policy to not accept tobacco industry funding for research. She stated that the policy promotes social justice and reinforces public health principles.
- C. Mr. Rafael Saghian, a Berkeley student and vice president of the ASUC Butt Out! Group, the mission of which is to educate and advocate for tobacco-free policies, reported that his group opposed a proposal by President Dynes to limit the voting power of faculty to refuse tobacco industry funding. He stated that the tobacco industry's mission and research practices are directly opposed to the mission and

research practices of the University.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Attest:

Associate Secretary