

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

July 15, 2008

The Regents of the University of California met on the above date at the University Center, Santa Barbara Campus.

Present: Regents Hopkinson, Hotchkis, Reiss, Ruiz, Schilling, Scorza, Shewmake, and Yudof.

In attendance: Regents-designate Nunn Gorman and Stovitz, Faculty Representatives Brown and Croughan, Secretary and Chief of Staff Griffiths, Associate Secretary Shaw, General Counsel Robinson, Chief Compliance and Audit Officer Vacca, Provost Hume, Executive Vice Presidents Darling and Lapp, Vice Presidents Lenz and Sakaki, Chancellors Block, Blumenthal, Kang and Vanderhoef, Acting Chancellor Grey, and Recording Secretary Lopes

The meeting convened at 11:45 a.m. with Committee Chair Schilling presiding.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT

Committee Chair Schilling 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. Mr. Timothy Minh, UC Berkeley alumnus and medical student at UC Irvine as well as a member of Universities Allied for Essential Medicines, noted he had addressed the Regents in May. Mr. Minh spoke regarding access to essential medicines and ensuring the University's goal of bettering the global community through research. He provided information for Regental review.
- B. Ms. Courtney Reynolds, a graduate student at UC Irvine and a member of Universities Allied for Essential Medicines, addressed the role universities play in improving global health by increasing access to medicines in developing countries and advancing research on neglected diseases. She stated that most drugs with greatest therapeutic value are derived from university research and acknowledged that in 2007, eleven leading research universities, including the University of California, signed the Stanford White Paper on the value of university research to the world's poor.

- C. Ms. Rima Patel, a UC undergraduate and member of Universities Allied for Essential Medicines, spoke regarding compulsory licensing. She opined that non-binding agreements, such as the Stanford White Paper, were insufficient. The country of Thailand could not gain access for manufacture of a drug licensed by the University of Wisconsin and Abbott Industries.
- D. Ms. Jennifer White, spoke on behalf of the Black Alumni Association and the Alliance for Equal Opportunity in Education, a Los Angeles-based coalition of students, alumni, community organizations and political and religious leaders committed to diversity and the inclusion of African American students at UCLA and throughout the UC system. She addressed the efforts of their organization, in collaboration with the administrators at UCLA, the Office of the President and the Board of Regents, to increase African American student admissions and enrollment. She expressed appreciation for the Regents' affirmation of holistic admissions and the release of the diversity study group report. The Alliance plans to address the federal disparate impact standard, the diversity implementation team, and academic preparation funding in September.
- E. Ms. Debbie Liang, a UC Irvine undergraduate student, spoke on behalf of Universities Allied for Essential Medicines regarding the successful negotiations between Médecins Sans Frontières (Doctors Without Borders), Yale University and Bristol Myers Squibb. The price of the drug Salvadene went from \$1,600 per patient per year to \$50 per patient per year.
- F. Mr. Jason Ahmadi, an alumnus of UC Berkeley, spoke regarding the Student Athletic High Performance Center (SAHPC) at UC Berkeley's Memorial Stadium. He presented a statement in opposition to the building of the SAHPC and the valuation given for the current stadium.
- G. Ms. Mallory Watje, a second year UC Berkeley student, opined that UC Berkeley will be limited in its improvements to the stadium and predicted that the spending of funds on the stadium will fuel further controversy. She addressed the foundation grade beam, the initial need for it and its subsequent removal from the plan.
- H. Mr. Matthew Taylor, a UC Berkeley student, discussed the feasibility of the SAHPC. He suggested that, as UCLA plays in the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Cal could play football at the Oakland Coliseum, a safe location with abundant parking. He advised that the Coliseum has been vacated by the Oakland Athletics.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Attest:

Secretary and Chief of Staff

