The Regents of the University of California

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL POLICY
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
May 15, 2008

The Committees on Educational Policy and Finance met on the above date at Covel Commons, Los Angeles campus.

Members present: Representing the Committee on Educational Policy: Regents Allen, Blum, Dynes, Garamendi, Lansing, Lozano, Ruiz, and Varner; Advisory members Cole and Brown; Staff advisors Brewer and Johansen

Representing the Committee on Finance: Regents Blum, Brewer, Dynes, Garamendi, Gould, Kozberg, and Wachter; Advisory member Scorza; Staff advisors Brewer and Johansen

In attendance: Regents Bugay, De La Peña, Hotchkis, Reiss, and Schilling, Regent-designate Shewmake, Secretary and Chief of Staff Griffiths, Associate Secretary Shaw, General Counsel Robinson, Chief Investment Officer Berggren, Provost Hume, Executive Vice President Lapp, Vice Presidents Beckwith and Sakaki, Chancellors Block, Drake, Fox, and Vanderhoef, and Recording Secretary Smith

The meeting convened at 12:05 p.m. with Committee on Finance Chair Gould presiding.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meeting of January 17, 2008 were approved.

2. **APPROVAL OF CHANGES IN PROFESSIONAL DEGREE PROGRAM FEES FOR 2008-09**

The President recommended that the Regents:

A. Modify previously approved increases in professional degree fees for 2008-09 to limit the increase to 6 percent for programs in Public Health and Public Policy and the UCLA program in Theater, Film and Television.

B. Endorse the previously approved 2008-09 increases in professional degree fees of $1,760 for Pharmacy programs as an exception to the amended Policy on Fees for Professional School Students adopted in September 2007.

C. Approve a new professional degree fee of $3,685 for students enrolled in a new Master's of Science in Nursing program at the Irvine campus.

[Background material was mailed to Regents in advance of the meeting, and copies are on file in the Office of the Secretary and Chief of Staff.]

Committee Chair Gould explained that this item is a modification of a previously approved action. Provost Hume recalled that in September 2007 when the professional degree fee and multi-year plan was considered by the Regents, the amended Policy on Fees for Professional School Students mandated that the University not increase the fee more than 6 percent per year unless the President determines it to be consistent with comparable degree programs at other public institutions. Many programs did not meet that criterion, so it was proposed to reduce those fee levels to 6 percent. This will present slight problems for the programs, as they all have financial needs. Provost Hume requested an exception for the pharmacy programs, citing the reasons that it was difficult to find comparable public university pharmacy programs, and that both programs are suffering greatly in the maintenance of the quality of their programs. A new fee for the Master's of Science in Nursing program at UC Irvine is also proposed, set at the same fee as the nursing programs at other campuses.

Regent Brewer asked that the parameters set by the amended Policy on Fees for Professional School Students be reviewed, as it is inappropriate for the comparison for many of these programs to be against only public schools, and the low fees will bring harm to the programs. Provost Hume stated that he plans to return at the September meeting to request that this provision be reviewed.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Committees approved the President's recommendation and voted to present it to the Board, Regent Garamendi voting no.

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Attest:

Secretary and Chief of Staff