

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

January 17, 2002

The Regents of the University of California met on the above date at Covell Commons, Los Angeles campus.

Present: Regents Atkinson, Bagley, Connerly, Davies, T. Davis, Eastin, Hertzberg, Hopkinson, O. Johnson, S. Johnson, Kozberg, Lansing, Lee, Lozano, Marcus, Montoya, Moores, Morrison, Pattiz, Preuss, Sayles, and Seymour

In attendance: Regents-designate Ligot-Gordon and Terrazas, Faculty Representatives Binion and Viswanathan, Secretary Trivette, General Counsel Holst, Treasurer Russ, Provost King, Senior Vice President Mullinix, Vice President Gomes, Chancellors Bishop, Carnesale, Dynes, and Vanderhoef, and Recording Secretary Bryan

The meeting convened at 2:23 p.m. with Chairman S. Johnson presiding.

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 afternoon's agenda and on University-related matters. The following persons addressed the Board on the subjects noted:

- A. Mr. David Benjamin, speaking also on behalf of Ms. Jackie Moody and Ms. Cheryl Lief, all members of Students First in California, reported that as the owner of a private education company, he believed that dropping the SAT I as an important measure of reading comprehension and a requirement for admission to the University would isolate the University from all others in the country. Students would be required to take more tests for admission, the value of one of which, the SAT II, he questioned. He suggested merging the best qualities of the verbal and mathematical sections of the SATs I and II to form a "Comprehensive SAT."
- B. Ms. Ellen Weiss, representing Students First in California, advocated decreasing the number of tests high school students must take for admissions to the University by combining the SAT I and SAT II.
- C. Mr. Daniel Gross, president of Students for a Free Tibet on the Santa Barbara campus, was against the University's having any financial involvement concerning the building of an oil pipeline in eastern Tibet by Petrochina. He believed that divesting its holdings related to Petrochina would have no financial effect on the University's investment portfolio.

- D. Mr. Leron Kattan, representing Students for a Free Tibet, urged the Regents to take a stand against destruction and genocide in Tibet and to place human life ahead of financial profit.
- E. Mr. Tenzing Chonden, representing Tibetan Parliament in Exile, reported that he was speaking for 8,000 Tibetan refugees in Canada and the U.S. whose basic human rights had been denied in Tibet. He advocated divesting from financial interests in China and holding the Chinese accountable for actions that have affected 6 million Tibetans.
- F. Mr. Murray Morgan also spoke.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Attest:

Secretary