



SONOMA STATE UNIVERSITY Academic Foundation, Inc.

Board of Director's Meeting

MINUTES – May 10, 2007

- I. Call to order. Mr. Bucky Peterson determined that a quorum was present (refer to Record of Attendance for May 10, 2007).

Mr. Peterson led off by thanking the Board for coming to the emergency Board meeting. He explained that the reason for the meeting relates to an Academic Senate managed referendum vote of no confidence in President Ruben Armiñana. The referendum will be going to the Academic Senate meeting today at 3pm for a vote of whether or not to go forth with having all eligible faculty members vote in favor or opposition of the resolution.

Mr. Larry Schlereth provided a copy of the draft senate resolution. Dr. Eduardo Ochoa informed the committee that the Academic Senate is a body that makes recommendations and resolutions often related to Academic programs. Currently, a number of various campus members and departments are coming forth with resolutions in support of the President.

The *Resolution in Support of President Ruben Armiñana* provides details of the significant accomplishments made under Dr. Armiñana's presidency from 1992 through 2007. The resolution was presented by the SSU Vice Presidents.

Dr. Ochoa stated that for the purposes of the Board of Directors for the Foundation, the focus should be to look at it from the perspective of the fiduciary duties to support the University. The support resolution should therefore take a more comprehensive view and highlight the positive aspects related to the President. Dr. Ochoa also read off comments from WASC during their 1999 review.

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Mr. Dan Libarle made a motion of a general vote of support for President Armiñana and that a revised document would be developed to reflect the views expressed by the members during the meeting. The amended document would remove the “where as” clauses but the resolve clause would remain in order to simplify the document. The members would have further opportunity to amend the revised document prior to finalization. Mr. Irv Rothenberg seconded the motion.

Motion: Approve resolution in support of President Armiñana

Action: Unanimously approved with one abstention (Dr. Thach)

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Letitia Coate
Secretary/Chief Financial Officer

Minutes Prepared by
Ian Hannah
Management Trainee,
Administration & Finance, SSU

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Record of Attendance
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		First	Last	In Attendance
1	Dr.	Ruben	Armiñana	Absent
2	Mr.	Bucky	Peterson	Present
3	Mr.	Laurence	Furukawa-Schlereth	Present
4	Ms.	Letitia	Coate	Present
5	Ms.	Jeannette	Anglin	Present
6	Mr.	Herm	Benedetti	Present
7	Mr.	Sanford	Bressick	Present
8	Dr.	Barbara	Butler	Absent
9	Dr.	Jean Bee	Chan	Absent
10	Ms.	Anita	Christmas	Absent
11	Mr.	John	Comfort	Absent
12	Dr.	Katharyn	Crabbe	Present
13	Dr.	Carmen	Finley	Absent
14	Mr.	Tom	Gillespie	Present (tele.)
15	Dr.	Alan	Johnson	Absent
16	Mr.	Dan	Lanahan	Absent
17	Mr.	Dan	Libarle	Present
18	Dr.	Wallace	Lowry	Present
19	Dr.	Andrea	Neves	Absent
20	Ms.	Delphine	Newman	Present
21	Dr.	Eduardo	Ochoa	Present
22	Mr.	Randy	Pennington	Absent
23	Mr.	Jim	Perez	Absent
24	Ms.	Beth	Robertson	Absent
25	Dr.	James	Robertson	Present
26	Mr.	Rick	Rosa	Present
27	Mr.	Irwin S.	Rothenberg	Present (tele.)
28	Dr.	Robert	Schultz	Present
29	Mr.	Michael	Sullivan	Present (tele.)
30	Dr.	Liz	Thach	Present
31	Ms.	Betsy	Thompson	Absent
32	Mr.	Michael	Troy	Absent

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Members Present	18	
Members Absent	14	
Board Quorum	13	<i>Article II, Section 1(a), Bylaws</i>

Staff/Guests Present:

Ms. Robin Draper – Associate Vice President for Development, SSU

Mr. William Ingels – University Treasurer, SSU

Mr. Ian Hannah – Management Trainee, Administration & Finance, SSU

Ms. Kristin Berger – Development Director, SSU

Mr. Joe Valentine – Campaign Director, SSU

Mr. Dan Condron – Vice President for University Affairs, SSU

Ms. Susan Kashack – Associate Vice President for Communications and
Marketing, SSU