

**SONOMA STATE ENTERPRISES, INC.**  
**Minutes**  
**October 28, 2003**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Ruben Armiñana, Dr. Carlos Benito,  
Ms. Letitia Coate, Mr. Neil Markley,  
Mr. Alan Murray, Mr. Ben Newman,  
Dr. Eduardo Ochoa, Mr. Floyd Ross,  
Ms. Audrey Thorp, Ms. Mary Wood

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Mr. Yale Abrams, Dr. Victor Daniels, Dr. Paul Porter,  
Mr. Jason Spencer

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mr. Laurence Furukawa-Schlereth,  
Ms. Barbara Danelia, Ms. Sue Hayes,  
Mr. Richard Ludmerer, Mr. Jeremy Olsan,  
Mr. Bruce Walker

**03.11 Call to Order**

Dr. Armiñana called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

**03.12 President's Remarks**

Dr. Armiñana informed the board of a rare opportunity existing for Sonoma State University to acquire approximately 90 acres of land to be utilized for faculty, staff and student housing.

The land is within the geographic criteria identified by the Faculty Housing Committee as being acceptable for future housing development.

Mr. Schlereth discussed the intent to acquire the land, requirements to expedite the negotiations, impact to the SSE, and the legal and financial ability to expeditiously proceed to acquire the land.

Dr. Hayes, Chair of the Faculty, Staff Housing Committee, reported that this opportunity is high with the campus community. This concept is especially appealing for the newer faculty who cannot afford housing in today's market. A popular and appealing model to the committee was UC Davis. The houses each have a granny unit, which allow assistance with the mortgage payment.

Mr. Walker provided a model similar to the faculty-staff housing community at UC Davis.

Mr. Schlereth noted should the board approve the action item, SSE would be the short-term holders of the land; ultimately, the Board of Trustees would be the owner.

**03.13 ACTION ITEM: Land Purchase**

**MOTION: Mr. Ross moved, Ms. Wood seconded and the board unanimously moved to approve the land purchase.**

Please refer to Resolution 03.13 approved by the board (attached).

**03.14 Other Non-Action Items/Public Comment**

It was suggested that the Board of Director's visit the UC Davis faculty and staff housing community.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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Letitia Coate  
Secretary/CFO

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Barbara Danelia  
Recording Secretary