COUNCIL OF UC STAFF ASSEMBLIES QUARTERLY MEETING AT UC, Santa Barbara

March 8-9, 2001

Press Release

The Council of UC Staff Assemblies (CUCSA) held its third quarterly meeting of the 2000-2001 academic year on the campus of UC Santa Barbara, March 8-9, 2001. The Council is an advisory body made up of staff delegates from each of the nine campuses, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and the Office of the President. CUCSA meets on a quarterly basis, rotating between campuses, to discuss issues of importance to staff and to provide feedback to the Office of the President on these issues.

Thursday, March 8

Ginger Birkholm, CUCSA Chair, opened the meeting on Thursday, March 8, by welcoming the delegates and making brief announcements.

Henry Yang, UCSB Chancellor, welcomed the group and made a brief statement about the campus, its growth, and the contributions of staff.

Chair Birkholm distributed handouts and copies of correspondence sent out since the last meeting. She then opened discussion on the proposed revisions to the working procedures followed by discussion of the election of officers to be held at the June meeting. The delegates selected an election coordinator and dates were announced for the submission of nominations and candidate statements.

Work group chairs gave the delegates updates on the status of their work group projects after which the delegates broke into their groups for a work session.

In the afternoon, **David Sheldon**, **UCSB Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services**, spoke to the delegates about UC as an employer and his career with UC from the perspective of his impending retirement.

The afternoon concluded with a tour of the UCSB Marine Lab.

Friday, March 9

Chair Birkholm conducted routine business by asking the Office of the President delegates to distribute information on the next CUCSA meeting and by asking for Campus Updates from the delegates.

Regent Judith Hopkinson joined the meeting and briefly gave the delegates some of her background. She mentioned diversity, increased enrollments and the

hospitals as areas of importance to her. Regent Hopkinson opened the floor to questions from the delegates.

The afternoon was devoted to work group assignments.

For additional information about CUCSA meetings, or to further discuss any of these issues, please contact your CUCSA Senior Delegate or local Staff Assembly. For a list of delegates, please check our website at: http://www.ucop.edu/cucsa/

Future CUCSA meetings are scheduled as follows:

June 7-8, 2001 Office of the President

September 6-7, 2001 UC Los Angeles

December 6-7, 2001 UC Berkeley