

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2008 22:17:37 -0700
To: "James E. Enstrom" <jenstrom@ucla.edu>
From: Harry Powell <hpowell@ucsd.edu>
Subject: Re: CARB, Beckwith, RE-89

Thank you Jim, if Steve Beckwith asks for input, that will be fine. It would go through the normal processes of shared governance.

Harry.

Dear Harry,

I completely understand your position to not be involved with the CARB issue. I am involved only because the issue is related to my epidemiologic research and to the California economy. I appreciate knowing that the Academic Senate might consider the issue if asked by Steve Beckwith. If you do not mind, I will occasionally send you information related to the RE-89 issue.

Best wishes in your new position--I am glad a person of your caliber is in the Academic Senate leadership.

Jim

At 09:46 PM 8/26/2008, you wrote:

Dear Jim,

I will be up in Oakland on Thursday and next week start officially. I don't think that this is an issue that I can be involved in because of the special role I will have to play in the Senate. I have sought advice on this matter and will follow it.

RE-89 was a different matter and the issue centered on a cherished principle.

If Steve Beckwith asks the Senate about this, that is another matter, but for now I don't wish to be involved.

With best wishes,

Harry.

Dear Harry,

I am sorry you will not be at UCSD on Thursday, but I still plan to meet with Dan Kripke. Do you have any time to speak with me on the phone this week? I need to briefly explain my air pollution epidemiology research and the resulting controversy involving the California Air Resources Board and its Scientific Review Panel (SRP). This issue is directly related to UC because SRP members are nominated by the UC President and most current members are UC professors. I discussed the issue extensively with Bob Dynes, when he was still UC President (see below). The current UCOP person who is most familiar with the issue is UC Vice President Steven Beckwith, but you could be extremely helpful in resolving it. The issue is important because it involves a potential multi-billion dollar adverse impact on the California economy.

I wish you the very best in your new and challenging service with the Academic Senate. I hope you will be able to speak with me.

Best regards,

Jim

Subject: CARB Scientific Review Panel
Date: Thu, 21 Feb 2008 11:24:03 -0800
From: "Robert Dynes" <Robert.Dynes@ucop.edu>
To: <jenstrom@ucla.edu>

Dear Jim:

Just a note to follow up on our phone conversation and your e-mail of January 23. As you suggested, my office reviewed the process by which scientists are appointed to the legislatively-established Scientific Review Panel (SRP) that advises the California Air Resources Board (CARB). While you are correct that some SRP members do appear to have served for more than the three-year term specified by statute, we learned from the CARB officials that it is up to the appointing authorities (the Secretary of Cal/EPA, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Senate Rules Committee) to appoint new members, and that in some cases those authorities have chosen to allow existing members to continue to serve.

While the appointing authorities must select SRP members from among a pool of nominations provided by the UC President, it is not up to UC to determine whether existing members may continue to serve. The nomination process is coordinated by CARB staff, who serve as a liaison with appointing officials, and who notify my office when there is a need for new or updated nominations. In our recent conversation with CARB staff, we reiterated that my office stands ready to provide new or updated recommendations of scientists qualified to serve on CARB in any of the specified fields set out in statute.

I hope this information helps answer some of the questions you may have had about the process.

Sincerely,

Bob

At 01:15 PM 8/26/2008, you wrote:

I got your message but will be in Oakland on Thursday.

Harry.

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