Governing Board Conference Call – April 18, 2001 – Minutes (not yet approved by the Governing Board)

In attendance:

Advisory Council: Mark Barenberg (Chair), Katie Quan, Jill Esbenshade; USAS: Marikah Mancini, Peter Roemer-Friedman, Lauren Stephens-Davidowitz, David Moore; University Caucus: Rut Tufts, Ron Schurin, Horace Mitchell, Chris Howell

A quorum of the Governing Board was present.

The sole topic of discussion was approval of the proposed WRC investigative protocols, in their revised form as distributed to the Governing Board by Mark Barenberg on March 29, 2001.

Rut Tufts raised a concern that the protocols refer to capacity building activities by the WRC and that, while he does not oppose such activities, they are not authorized by the WRC Bylaws and therefore should not be in the protocols. Mark Barenberg stated that the Bylaws do implicitly authorize such activities. Rut disagreed and stated that he would bring to the next Governing Board meeting a proposal to amend the Bylaws to make the WRC's capacity building role explicit.

Jill Esbenshade made a motion to approve the WRC investigative protocols in their revised (March 29) form. Horace Mitchell seconded. The Governing Board approved the motion by a vote of 9-1 with 1 abstention.

Rut Tufts voted against the motion. Ron Schurin abstained. The remaining attendees voted in the affirmative.