

AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 03-24
APPROVED APRIL 24, 2003

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING
OF THE
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 2003

PRESENT: Ellen L. Weintraub, Chair, presiding
Bradley A. Smith, Vice Chairman
David M. Mason, Commissioner
Danny L. McDonald, Commissioner
Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner
Michael E. Toner, Commissioner
James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director
Lawrence H. Norton, General Counsel
Mary W. Dove, Secretary

Chair Ellen L. Weintraub called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:10 A.M. with a quorum present.

I. LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS 2003

Agenda Documents No. 03-22,
No. 03-22-A, and No. 03-22-B

Chair Weintraub recognized Vice Chairman Smith, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Documents No. 03-22, No. 03-22-A, and No. 03-22-B.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0 with Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.

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(continued)

Chair Weintraub recognized Mr. George Smaragdis of the Information Division who presented the subject document which contained eleven proposed legislative recommendations.

The Chair recognized Commissioner Thomas who reviewed his draft recommendation in Agenda Document No. 03-22-B.

A discussion followed.

Chair Weintraub recognized Vice Chairman Smith, who

MOVED to approve the following legislative recommendations for transmittal to Congress and the President:

(Agenda Document No. 03-22)

1. Making Permanent the Administrative Fine Program for Reporting Violations.

I. LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS 2003
(continued)

2. Allowing the FEC to Restrict the Political Activities of its Employees.
3. Increasing and Indexing all Registration and Reporting Thresholds for Inflation.
4. Electronic Filing of Senate Reports.
5. Filing Reports Using Overnight Delivery, Priority or Express Mail.
6. Averting Impending Shortfall in Presidential Public Funding Program.

(Agenda Document No. 03-22-B, as amended)

7. Multicandidate Political Committee Contribution Limitations and Non-multicandidate Political Committee Contribution Limitations (2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(a)(2) and 441a(c)).

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0 with

Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.

II. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were no routine administrative matters
to come before the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Signed:

Ellen L. Weintraub

Ellen L. Weintraub
Chair

Attest:

Mary W. Dove

Mary W. Dove
Secretary of the
Commission