



AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 05-53
APPROVED NOVEMBER 17, 2005

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING
OF THE
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2005

PRESENT:

Scott E. Thomas, Chairman, presiding

Michael E. Toner, Vice Chairman

David M. Mason, Commissioner

Ellen L. Weintraub, Commissioner

Robert J. Costa, Acting Staff Director

Lawrence H. Norton, General Counsel

Mary W. Dove, Secretary

Chairman Scott E. Thomas called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:05 A.M. on Thursday, November 10, 2005, with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Minutes for November 3, 2005
Agenda Document No. 05-52**

Chairman Thomas recognized Vice Chairman Toner, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the Open Meeting of Thursday, November 3, 2005, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 05-52.

The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with Commissioners Mason, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.

II. FINAL RULES AND EXPLANATION AND JUSTIFICATION: \$5,000 EXEMPTION FOR THE DISBURSEMENTS OF LEVIN FUNDS BY STATE, DISTRICT, AND LOCAL PARTY COMMITTEES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Agenda Document No. 05-51 (Submitted late)

Chairman Thomas recognized Vice Chairman Toner, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Document No. 05-51.

**II. FINAL RULES AND EXPLANATION AND JUSTIFICATION: \$5,000
EXEMPTION FOR THE DISBURSEMENTS OF LEVIN FUNDS BY
STATE, DISTRICT, AND LOCAL PARTY COMMITTEES AND
ORGANIZATIONS**

(continued)

The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with Commissioners

Mason, Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.

**Chairman Thomas recognized Ms. Cheryl Hemsley of the
General Counsel's Office who presented the subject document.**

**Chairman Thomas recognized Commissioner Weintraub,
who**

**MOVED to approve the Final Rules and
the Explanation and Justification, as
set forth in Agenda Document No. 05-51,
for publication in the *Federal Register*
and transmittal to Congress.**

**The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with Commissioners Mason,
Thomas, Toner, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.**

III. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

**There being no routine administrative matters to come before
the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 A.M.**

Signed:



**Scott E. Thomas
Chairman of the Commission**

Attest:



**Mary W. Dove
Secretary of the Commission**