AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 00-109 APPROVED NOVEMBER 2, 2000

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2000

PRESENT:

Darryl R. Wold, Chairman, Presiding
Danny L. McDonald, Vice Chairman
David M. Mason, Commissioner
Karl J. Sandstrom, Commissioner
Bradley A. Smith, Commissioner
Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner
James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director
Lawrence M. Noble, General Counsel
Mary W. Dove, Acting Secretary

Chairman Darryl R. Wold called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:05 A.M. on Thursday, October 19, 2000, with a quorum present.

I. <u>CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

Minutes for October 12, 2000 Agends Document No. 00-105

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to approve the Minutes for the open meeting of Thursday, October 12, 2000, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 00-105.

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

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II. <u>ADVISORY OPINION</u>

Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-29 (Alternative Drafts)

The Honorable W. J. "Billy" Tauzin, United States House of Representatives, jained by House Members: Richard H. Baker, John Cooksey, Jim McCrery, David Vitter, William Jefferson, Chris John, and by Senators John Breaux and Mary Landrieu

> Acenda Documents No. 00-107 and No. 00-107-A

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Documents No. 00-107 and No. 00-107-A.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

Chairman Wold recognized Mr. N. Bradley
Litchfield of the General Counsel's Office who
presented the alternative drafts of Advisory Opinion
2000-29, concerning the application of the Federal
Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (*the Act*),
and Commission regulations to the determination of the
number of elections to Federal office that will be
held this year in Louisiana.

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II. <u>ADVISORY OPINION</u> (continued)

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<u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-29</u> (continued) (Alternative Drafts)

Chairman Wold recognized Commissioner Sandstrom who reviewed his proposed amendment to the first draft, as contained in Agenda Document No. 00-107-A. Following discussion, Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to approve the first draft of Advisory Opinion 2000-29, as set forth in Agenda Document No. 00-107, as amended by Agenda Document No. 00-107-A.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

III. <u>AUDIT MATTERS</u>

A. <u>Dole for President, Inc.-Statement</u> of Reasons (LRA#467)

(Continued from the meeting of October 12, 2000)

Agenda Document No. 00-81

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Chairman Wold recognized Ms. Jamila Wyatt of the General Counsel's Office and Mr. Jee Stoltz and Mr. Marty Kuest of the Audit Division who were present to respond to questions and comments.

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A. <u>Dole for President, Inc.-Statement</u>
of Reasons (TRA#457) (continued)

Following discussion Chairman Wold recognized Commissioner Mason, who

MOVED that the General Counsel be instructed to revise the Statement of Reasons to addept the argument by the Dole Committee that the Primary Committee be allowed to pay wind down expenses for the General Committee.

There was further discussion.

Chairman Wold recognized Commissioner Thomas,

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who

MOVED IN A SUBSTITUTE MOTION to reject the staff recommendations to seek a repayment of surplus funds from the Dole Primary Committee, to redraft the Statement of Reasons accordingly, and to circulate the redraft on a tally vote basis.

The substitute motion carried on the vote of

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Passage of the substitute motion rendered the original motion moot.

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The meeting recessed at 11:50 a.m. and reconvened at 11:55 a.m. with a quorum present.

III. <u>AUDIT MATTERS</u>

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B. <u>Dole/Kemp'96, Inc.-Statement of</u> Reasons (LRA#506)

(Continued from the meeting of October 12, 2000)

Agenda Documents No. 00-82. No. 00-82-B, and No. 00-82-C

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Documents No. 00-82-B and No. 00-82-C.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

Chairman Wold recognized Commissioner Smith who reviewed his proposed revisions to the subject document, as set forth in Agenda Document No. 00-82-C, and introduced additional amendments as follows:

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- B. Dole/Kemp'96, Inc.-Statement of Reasons (LRA#506) (continued)
 - 1. Paragraph 2. Line 4, of the cover page change the deductions total from \$130,021.13 to \$127.743.21; Paragraph 2, Line 5, change the amount of \$727.034.06 to \$729,311.78.
 - 2. Page 2. Attachment 14. the total amount should be \$75,911.58.

The meeting recessed at 12:10 p.m. and reconvened at 2:05 p.m. with a quorum present.

III. <u>AUDIT MATTERS</u>

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B. <u>Dole/Kemp'96, Inc.-Statement of</u>
Reasons (LRA#506) (continued)

A discussion followed. Mr. Peter Blumberg of the General Counsel's Office and Mr. Joe Stoltz and Mr. Alex Boniewicz of the Audit Division responded to questions and comments.

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B. <u>Dols/Kemp'96, Inc.-Statement of</u> <u>Reasons (LRA#506)</u> (continued)

Chairman Wold recognized Commissioner Smith, who

MOVED to amend Recommendation No. 3, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 00-82, to be consistent with the deductions of press overcharges, as outlined in Agenda Document No. 00-82-C, as amended above, and further amended pursuant to the meeting discussion, and that the Statement of Reasons be revised accordingly.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

Chairman Wold recognized Commissioner Smith, who

MOVED to reduce the amount set forth in Recommendation No. 3, as contained in Agenda Document No. 00-82, by \$170,050, which would allow the additional offset of press expenses for lighting that was not billed to the press, and revise the Statement of Reasons accordingly.

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The discussion resumed.

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III. <u>AUDIT MATTERS</u> (continued)

Dole/Kemp'96, Inc.-Statement of Reasons (LRA#506) (continued)

Chairman Wold recognized Commissioner Thomas, who

> MOVED IN A SUBSTITUTE MOTION to take the following actions on the above-captioned matter:

- 1. Direct the staff to modify the calculations as set forth in Agenda Document No. 00-82-C, with regard to the lighting expenses and allow 50% of the cost per event.
- 2. Direct the staff to modify the calculations with regard to the \$340,100 amount of unbilled lighting expenses and allow 50% of the cost as billable expense.
- 3. Revise the Statement of Reasons accordingly.

The motion carried on the vote of 4-2 with Commissioners Mason, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting affirmatively. Commissioners McDonald and Sandstrom dissented.

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B. <u>Dole/Kemp'96</u>, <u>Inc.-Statement of</u> <u>Reasons (LRA#506)</u> (continued)

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to direct the Office of General Counsel to redraft the Statement of Measons, as set forth in Agenda Document No. 00-82, subject to revisions according to previous motions, and to acknowledge that Dole/Kemp'96, Inc. has taken the action necessary to eliminate the repayment amount of \$574,158 in Recommendation No. 1.

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

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IV. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS</u>

There were no administrative matters to come before the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Signed: Dawylk, Wold

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Chairman of the Commission

Attest:

Mary W. Dove

Acting Secretary

of the Commission

