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MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING
OF THE
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 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. Pahrkon, 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, July 20, 2000, with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for July 13, 2000
Agenda Document No. 00-70

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the open meeting of July 13, 2000, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 00-70.

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

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS

A. Draft AO 2000-12

Bill Bradley for President, Inc. and
McCain 2000, Inc. by counsel,
Robert F. Bauer and Trevor Potter

(Held over from meeting of July 13, 2000)

Agenda Documents No. 00-67,
No. 00-67-A, No. 00-67-B,
and No. 00-67-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. 00-67-A, No. 00-67-B,
and No. 00-67-C.

The motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

Chairman Wold recognized Mr. N. Bradley
Litchfield of the General Counsel's Office who presented
draft Advisory Opinion 2000-12 concerning the application
of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended
("the Act"), the Presidential Primary Matching Payment
Act ("the Matching Act") and Commission regulations to a
proposal to use Federal matching funds to pay for certain

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

A. Draft AO 2000-12 (continued)

expenses of now inactive Presidential candidates, former Senator Bill Bradley and Senator John McCain, including those of their campaign staff and volunteers to attend and participate in the national nominating conventions of their respective political parties.

Mr. Litchfield presented an overview of the subject documents, and specifically addressed the amended version submitted by Commissioner Sandstrom in Agenda Document No. 00-67-C.

During the ensuing discussion, the following amendments were presented to the revised document:

1. Page 4, Line 13: Delete the word "other."
2. Page 13, Line 10: Delete the words "is he."
3. Conform the usage of the reference to Senator/Mr. McCain.

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

A. Draft AO 2000-12 (continued)

Chairman Wold recognized Commissioner Sandstrom, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory Opinion 2000-12, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 00-67-C, subject to the amendments outlined above.

The motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

B. Draft AO 2000-14

New York State Committee of the Working Families Party by counsel, Michael Trister

Agenda Document No. 00-69

Chairman Wold recognized Mr. Michael Marinelli of the General Counsel's Office who presented draft Advisory Opinion 2000-14 concerning the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), and Commission regulations to the possible status of the New York State Committee of the Working Families Party ("the Committee") as a State committee of the Working Families Party ("the Party").

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

B. Draft AO 2000-14 (continued)

A discussion was held.

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman
McDonald, who

MOVED to approve draft
Advisory Opinion 2000-14,
as submitted in Agenda
Document No. 00-69.

The motion carried unanimously. (6-0)

III. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Chairman Wold recognized Staff Director
James Pehrkon who reported that in the midst of the
July filing period, with quarterly reports due
on July 15th and monthly reports due on July 20th,
that approximately 4200 disclosure reports have been
received, compared to 3200 reports received for the
same time period in 1996.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

Signed:



Darryl R. Wold
Chairman of the Commission

Attest:



Mary W. Dove
Acting Secretary
of the Commission

