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MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2000

PRESENT:

Darryl R. Wold, Chairman, presiding

Danny L. McDonald, Vice Chairman

David M. Mason, Commissioner

Bradley A. Smith, Commissioner

Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner

James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director

N. Bradley Litchfield, Associate General Counsel for Policy, representing 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, August 24, 2000, with a quorum present.

CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for August 10, 2000 Agenda Document No. 00-77

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the open meeting of August 10, 2000, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 00-77.

The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, and Wold voting affirmatively.

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS

A. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-08</u> (Request for Reconsideration)

Philip D. Harvey

Agenda Document No. 00-78

Chairman Wold recognized Mr. Michael Marinelli of the General Counsel's Office who reviewed the request for reconsideration submitted by Mr. Philip D. Harvey. During his presentation, Mr. Marinelli noted the following change to the draft:

Page 3, Footnote 1, Line 2:

Delete the word "a" and substitute the words "an anonymous" in lieu thereof.

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to deny the request to reconsider Advisory Opinion 2000-08, and notify the requester by letter (including a copy of the General Counsel's memorandum to the Commission dated August 16, 2000) of the Commission's decision.

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

A. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-08</u> (Request for Reconsideration)

(continued)

The motion carried on the vote of 5-0 (*) with Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting affirmatively.

B. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-21

Conservative Party of the State of
New York by counsel, John N. Ciampoli

Agenda Document No. 00-79

Chairman Wold recognized Mr. Michael Marinelli of the General Counsel's Office who presented draft Advisory Opinion 2000-21 concerning the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), and Commission regulations concerning the status of the State Committee of the New York State Conservative Party as a State committee of a political party.

^{*} The original vote was 4-0. By unanimous consent Commissioner Thomas was permitted to cast his vote later in the meeting.

- II. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)
 - B. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-21</u> (continued)

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory Opinion 2000-21, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 00-79.

The motion carried on the vote of 5-0 with Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, and wold voting affirmatively.

III. REVISIONS TO THE FEC REPORTING FORMS

A. Revisions to Reporting Forms and Instructions

Agenda Documents No. 00-80-A and No. 00-80-B

B. Explanation and Justification for Revisions to FEC Reporting Forms

Agenda Document No. 00-80

III. REVISIONS TO THE FEC REPORTING FORMS (continued)

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. 00-80-A and No. 00-80-B.

The motion carried on the vote of 5-0 with Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting affirmatively.

An overview of the revisions to the FEC
Reporting Forms was presented by Ms. Dorothy Yeager of
the Public Information Division, Ms. Patricia Young of
the Public Disclosure Division, and Mr. Robert Biersack
of the Data Division. Ms. Cheryl Fowle of the General
Counsel's Office reviewed the proposed Explanation and
Justification to accompany the revisions to the reporting
forms.

Following discussion, it was agreed without objection to continue this matter at the open meeting scheduled for September 14.

IV. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS</u>

There were no administrative matters to come before the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 A.M.

Signed:

Darryl R. Wold

Chairman of the Commission

Attest:

Mary W/ Dove

Acting Secretary of

the Commission

