

APPROVED DECEMBER 6, 2007

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2007

PRESENT:

Robert D. Lenhard, Chairman, presiding

David M. Mason, Vice Chairman

Hans A. von Spakovsky, Commissioner

Steven T. Walther, Commissioner

Ellen L. Weintraub, Commissioner

Patrina M. Clark, Staff Director

Thomasenia P. Duncan, General Counsel

Mary W. Dove, Secretary

Chairman Robert D. Lenhard called the Federal Election

Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:06 A.M. on Thursday,

November 29, 2007, with a quorum present.

- I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. <u>Minutes for November 15, 2007</u> <u>Agenda Document No. 07-78</u>
 - B. <u>Minutes for November 20, 2007</u> <u>Agenda Document No. 07-79</u>

Chairman Lenhard recognized Vice Chairman Mason, who

MOVED to approve the minutes of the Open Meetings for November 15, 2007 and November 20, 2007, as set forth in Agenda Documents No. 07-78 and No. 07-79, respectively.

The motion carried on the vote of 5-0 with Commissioners

Lenhard, Mason, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voting

affirmatively.

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS

A. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2007-22</u> <u>Jim Hurysz</u>

Agenda Document No. 07-77

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

A. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2007-22</u> (continued)

Chairman Lenhard recognized Ms. Stacey Shin of the General Counsel's Office who presented draft Advisory Opinion 2007-22, concerning the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"), and Commission regulations to the participation of Canadian citizens in Mr. Hurysz' Federal election campaign.

A discussion followed.

Chairman Lenhard recognized Commissioner von Spakovsky, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory Opinion 2007-22, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 07-77.

The motion carried on the vote of 5-0.

B. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2007-30</u>
 Chris Dodd for President, Inc., by Marc E. Elias, Esq.

Agenda Document No. 07-80 (submitted late)

The Chairman recognized Vice Chairman Mason, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Document No. 07-80.

The motion carried on the vote of 5-0.

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

B. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2007-30</u> (continued)

Chairman Lenhard recognized Mr. Eric Hallstrom of the General Counsel's Office who presented draft Advisory Opinion 2007-30 concerning the application of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"), the Presidential Primary Matching Payment Account Act (the "Matching Payment Act"), and Commission regulations to the use of alternative security verification procedures for contributions made by credit card over the Internet.

During his presentation, Mr. Hallstrom offered the following amendments:

<u>Page 1, Line 13, insert the word "the" before the word "credit."</u>

Page 2, at the end of Line 5, insert the following:
"Based on documents filed by the Committee on
November 13, 2007, the Commission has declared
the Committee eligible to receive federal matching
funds. Press Release, Dodd Fourth Presidential
Candidate Declared Eligible for Primary Matching
Funds in 2008 Race.

http://www.fec.gov/press/press2007/20071126dodd.shtml."

II. ADVISORY OPINIONS

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B. <u>Draft Advisory Opinion 2007-30</u> (continued)

Chairman Lenhard recognized Commissioner Weintraub, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory Opinion 2007-30, as set forth in Agenda Document No. 07-80, subject to the amendments noted above.

The motion carried on the vote of 5-0.

III. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were no additional matters to come before the

Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 A.M.

Signed:

Robert D. Lenhard

Chairman of the Commission

Attest:

Mary W. Dove

Secretary of the Commission

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