



AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 07-20

**MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING
OF THE
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2007**

PRESENT:

David M. Mason, Vice Chairman, presiding

Michael E. Toner, Commissioner

Hans A. von Spakovsky, Commissioner

Steven T. Walther, Commissioner

Ellen L. Weintraub, Commissioner

Patrina M. Clark, Staff Director

Thomasenia P. Duncan, Acting General Counsel

Mary W. Dove, Secretary

Vice Chairman David M. Mason called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:05 A.M. on Thursday, March 8, 2007, with a quorum present.

The Vice Chairman noted that this would be Commissioner Toner's last meeting at the Commission, as he had previously announced his resignation; best wishes were extended by his colleagues.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for March 1, 2007
Agenda Document No. 07-18

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Walther, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the Open Meeting of Thursday, March 1, 2007, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 07-18.

The motion carried on the vote of 5-0 with Commissioners Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.

II. DRAFT ADVISORY OPINIONS

A. Advisory Opinion 2007-01

**Senator Claire McCaskill and McCaskill for Auditor by
counsel, Marc E. Elias and Caroline P. Goodson**

The Vice Chairman stated the Commission had received an extension of time from the requester, and that this matter would be held over to the next open meeting on March 22, 2007.

B. Advisory Opinion 2007-02

**Arizona Libertarian Party, Inc. by Warren Severin,
Treasurer**

Agenda Document No. 07-15

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Mr. Tony Buckley of the General Counsel's Office who presented draft Advisory Opinion 2007-02 regarding the status of the Arizona Libertarian Party, Inc. as a State party committee of a political party under the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended (the "Act"), and Commission regulations.

The Vice Chairman recognized Commissioner Walther, who

MOVED to approve draft Advisory Opinion 2007-02, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 07-15, and to authorize the General Counsel's Office to make any necessary technical and conforming amendments.

II. DRAFT ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

B. Advisory Opinion 2007-02 (continued)

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

Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.

III. REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON KUCINICH FOR PRESIDENT, INC.

Agenda Document No. 07-16

Agenda Document No. 07-16-A (Submitted late)

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Walther, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of Agenda Documents in order to consider Agenda Document No. 07-16-A.

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

Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voting affirmatively.

The Vice Chairman recognized Mr. Henry Miller of the Staff Director's Office (Audit Division), who presented the subject document.

A discussion followed.

**III. REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON KUCINICH FOR
PRESIDENT, INC.**

(continued)

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Walther, who

**MOVED to approve the report of the Audit
Division on Kucinich for President, Inc., as
set forth in Agenda Document No. 07-16.**

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

**Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voting
affirmatively.**

IV. FINAL AUDIT REPORT ON LAROUCHE IN 2004

Agenda Document No. 07-17 (Submitted late)

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Walther, who

**MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely
submission of Agenda Documents in order
to consider Agenda Document No. 07-17.**

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

**Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voting
affirmatively.**

**The Vice Chairman recognized Mr. Terrence O'Brien of the Staff
Director's Office (Audit Division), who presented an overview of the
subject document.**

IV. FINAL AUDIT REPORT ON LAROUCHE IN 2004 (continued)

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Toner, who

**MOVED to approve the report of the Audit
Division on LaRouche in 2004, as set forth
in Agenda Document No. 07-17.**

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

**Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voting
affirmatively.**

V. DEMONSTRATION OF ADVISORY OPINION SEARCH SYSTEM

**The Vice Chairman recognized Mr. Alec Palmer, Deputy Staff
Director/Chief Information Officer, who demonstrated the use of the new
searchable Advisory Opinion system. He was assisted by Ms. Patricia
Young of the Public Disclosure Division.**

VI. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

**Vice Chairman Mason recognized Staff Director Patrina Clark,
who announced she would be testifying before the Senate Rules
Committee Hearing regarding electronic filing of Senate reports.**

**As there were no further matters to come before the
Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 A.M.**

Signed:

**David M. Mason
Vice Chairman of the Commission**

Attest:

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