AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 02-81

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2002

PRESENT:

David M. Mason, Chairman, presiding
Karl J. Sandstrom, Vice Chairman
Danny L. McDonald, Commissioner
Bradley A. Smith, Commissioner
Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner
Michael E. Toner, Commissioner
James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director
Lawrence H. Norton, General Counsel

_Mary W. Dove, Secretary

Chairman David M. Mason called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:05 A.M. on Thursday, November 14, 2002, with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for October 31, 2002
Agenda Document No. 02-77

Chairman Mason recognized Vice Chairman
Sandstrom, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the open meeting of Thursday, October 31, 2002, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 02-77.

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

II. DRAFT ADVISORY OPINION 2002-13

Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee and Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee by Counsel, Robert F. Bauer;
National Republican Senatorial Committee by Counsel, Alexander N. Vogel; National Republican Congressional Committee by General Counsel, Donald F. McGahn II

Agenda Document No. 02-79

Draft Advisory Opinion 2002-13 was withdrawn by the requesters.

III. AUDIT MATTERS

A. REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON COMMITTEE TO ELECT LINDSEY GRAHAM

Agenda Document No. 02-78

(Placed on the agenda pursuant to the filing of an objection by Chairman Mason following circulation on a 72 hour tally vote basis.)

Chairman Mason stated his objection relates more to the treatment of excessive contributions in future audits because of the change in the rules and

III. AUDIT MATTERS (continued)

A. REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION ON COMMITTEE TO ELECT LINDSEY GRAHAM (continued)

he would withdraw his objection to this audit and cast an affirmative vote. Commissioners Smith and Toner, who had not voted prior to the meeting, also cast affirmative votes. Therefore, the amended pre-meeting tally reflected a Commission decision by a vote of 6-0 to approve the final audit report on Committee to Elect Lindsey Graham, as set forth in Agenda Document No. 02-78.

B. REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION - NADER 2000 PRIMARY COMMITTEE, INC.

Agenda Document No. 02-80

Chairman Mason recognized Vice Chairman Sandstrom, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Document No. 02-80.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

AUDIT MATTERS (continued) III.

REPORT OF THE AUDIT DIVISION - NADER 2000 в. PRIMARY COMMITTEE, INC.

(Continued)

Chairman Mason recognized Ms. Wanda Thomas, Ms. Zuzana Parrish, and Mr. Joseph Stoltz of the Audit Division, and Ms. Delanie Painter of the General Counsel's Office. Ms. Thomas reviewed the findings of the subject audit, and a discussion was held.

Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner McDonald, who

> MOVED to approve the Final Audit Report - Nader 2000 Primary Committee, Inc., as submitted in Agenda Document No. 02-80.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

IV. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were no routine administrative matters to come before the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 A.M.

Signed:

David M. Mason Chairman of the Commission

Attest:

Mary W. Dove Secretary of the Commission