AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 02-59

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 2002

PRESENT:

Karl J. Sandstrom, Vice Chairman, presiding

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

Vice Chairman Karl J. Sandstrom called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:07 A.M. on Thursday, August 15, 2002, with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Thursday, August 1, 2002

Agenda Document No. 02-56

Vice Chairman Sandstrom recognized Commissioner Smith, who

MOVED to approve the Minutes for the open meeting of Thursday, August 1, 2002, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 02-56.

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

II. <u>DRAFT NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON</u> <u>CONTRIBUTION LIMITATIONS AND PROHIBITIONS</u>

Agenda Documents No. 02-57, No. 02-57-A, No. 02-57-B, and No. 02-57-C

Vice Chairman Sandstrom recognized Commissioner Smith, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Documents No. 02-57, No. 02-57-A, No. 02-57-B, and No. 02-57-C.

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

Vice Chairman Sandstrom recognized Ms. Mai Dinh of the General Counsel's Office who presented an overview of the subject document.

The Vice Chairman recognized Mr. Joseph Stoltz of the Audit Division who participated in the discussion which followed.

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On behalf of Vice Chairman Sandstrom, Commissioner Smith was recognized, who

MOVED to approve the amendments submitted in Agenda Document No. 02-57-A, Page 1 through Page 5, Line 12, and Agenda Document No. 02-57-C.

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

Vice Chairman Sandstrom recognized Commissioner
Toner who reviewed his proposed amendments to Agenda
Document No. 02-57.

A discussion followed.

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The Vice Chairman recognized Commissioner
Toner, who

MOVED to approve the amendments set forth in Agenda Document No. 02-57-B, as amended at the table.

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

Vice Chairman Sandstrom recognized Commissioner Smith who presented an amendment to Agenda Document No. 02-57. Following discussion, the Vice Chairman recognized Commissioner Smith, who

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MOVED to insert the following in Agenda Document No. 02-57 at Page 29, at the beginning of Line 2:

"This second standard would be in effect a 'reason to know' standard, and is different from a 'should have known' standard. Restatement (Second) of Agency § 9, cmts. d and e (1958)."

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

The Vice Chairman recognized Commissioner

Thomas who reviewed his proposed amendments, and it was agreed without objection that these technical and conforming amendments would be included in the revised draft at the discretion of the Office of General Counsel.

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CONTRIBUTION LIMITATIONS AND PROHIBITIONS
(continued)

It was agreed without objection to reserve the date of Thursday, October 3, 2002, for a public hearing on this rulemaking, if it is deemed necessary, based on the comments received; and, further, to modify the deadline for the submission of comments from September 20 to September 13, 2002.

Vice Chairman Sandstrom recognized Commissioner Smith, who

MOVED to approve the draft Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Contribution Limitations and Prohibitions for publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER, as set forth in Agenda Document No. 02-57, as amended by Agenda Documents No. 02-57-A, No. 02-57-B, No. 02-57-C, and, as further amended at the table; and, to direct the Office of General Counsel to incorporate any technical and conforming amendments as deemed appropriate.

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(continued)

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

III. <u>ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS</u>

There were no administrative matters to come before the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M.

Signed:

Karl J. Sandstrom Vice Chairman of the Commission

Attest:

Mary W. Dove Secretary of the Commission