

AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 00-84

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.

I. 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. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-08  
(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. ADVISORY OPINIONS (continued)

A. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-08  
(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.

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\* 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. Draft Advisory Opinion 2000-21  
(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. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

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

