

AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 01-12  
APPROVED MARCH 1, 2001

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING  
OF THE  
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2001

PRESENT: David M. Mason, Vice Chairman, Presiding  
Karl J. Sandstrom, Commissioner  
Bradley A. Smith, Commissioner  
Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner  
Darryl R. Wold, Commissioner  
James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director  
Lois G. Lerner, Acting General Counsel  
Mary W. Dove, Acting Secretary

Vice Chairman David M. Mason called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:05 A.M. on Thursday, February 8, 2001, with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for January 25, 2001  
Agenda Document No. 01-6

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Thomas, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the open meeting of Thursday, January 25, 2001, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 01-6.

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

II. FINAL AUDIT REPORT ON MICHIGAN  
REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE

Agenda Document No. 01-7

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

Vice Chairman Mason stated he objected to the subject audit in order to discuss appropriate treatment of convention expenses.

Ms. Wanda Thomas and Mr. Thomas Hintermister of the Audit Division and Ms. Susan Kay of the Office of General Counsel responded to questions and comments.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Vice Chairman Mason withdrew his objection. Therefore, the amended pre-meeting tally reflected a Commission decision by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Final Audit Report on Michigan Republican State Committee, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 01-7.

Commissioners Mason, McDonald, Sandstrom, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voted affirmatively.

III. DRAFT 2001 LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

Agenda Documents No. 01-8,  
No. 01-8-A, and No. 01-8-B

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner  
Thomas, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on  
the timely submission of agenda  
documents in order to consider  
Agenda Documents No. 01-8,  
No. 01-8-A, and No. 01-8-B.

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

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Ms. Dorothy Yeager  
of the Information Division who presented an overview of the  
subject document.

Ms. Rosemary Smith of the General Counsel's Office  
participated in the discussion which followed.

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The meeting recessed at 11:35 A.M. and reconvened  
at 11:45 A.M. with a quorum present.

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III. DRAFT 2001 LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS  
(continued)

The discussion resumed.

It was agreed without objection to return the draft 2001 legislative recommendations, as set forth in Agenda Documents No. 01-8 and No. 01-8-B, to the Information Division for redrafting pursuant to the meeting discussion, and to consider the redraft at the next open meeting.

IV. ADVANCE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON  
THE DEFINITION OF "POLITICAL COMMITTEE"

Agenda Documents No. 01-5  
and No. 01-5-A

This matter was held over to the next open meeting.

V. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Staff Director Pehrkon reported on the status of the electronic filing program. Mr. John Gibson of the Reports Analysis Division and Mr. Jeff Chumley of the Data Systems Development Division participated in the discussion which followed.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 P.M.

Signed:



David M. Mason  
Vice Chairman

Attest:



Mary M. Dove  
Acting Secretary