

AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 06-19 APPROVED MARCH 23, 2006

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING

OF THE

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2006

PRESENT:

Michael E. Toner, Chairman, presiding

Robert D. Lenhard, Vice Chairman

David M. Mason, Commissioner

Hans A. von Spakovsky, Commissioner

Steven T. Walther, Commissioner

Ellen L. Weintraub, Commissioner

Robert J. Costa, Acting Staff Director

James A. Kahl, Deputy General Counsel, representing Lawrence H. Norton, General Counsel

Mary W. Dove, Secretary

Chairman Michael E. Toner called the Federal Election

Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:05 A.M. on Thursday,

March 16, 2006, with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for March 9, 2006, and Its Continuation on March 13, 2006 Agenda Document No. 06-17

Chairman Toner recognized Vice Chairman Lenhard, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the Open Meeting of Thursday, March 9, 2006, and its continuation on Monday, March 13, 2006, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 06-17.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0 with Commissioners

Lenhard, Mason, Toner, von Spakovsky, Walther, and Weintraub voting

affirmatively.

II. <u>EXPLANATION AND JUSTIFICATION FOR INTERIM FINAL RULE</u>
ON THE DEFINITION OF "FEDERAL ELECTION ACTIVITY"
(11 CFR 100.24(a)(1)(iii))

Agenda Documents No. 06-16 and No. 06-16-A (Submitted late)

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ON THE DEFINITION OF "FEDERAL ELECTION ACTIVITY"
(11 CFR 100.24(a)(1)(iii)) (continued)

Chairman Toner recognized Vice Chairman Lenhard, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on the timely submission of agenda documents in order to consider Agenda Documents No. 06-16 and No. 06-16-A.

The motion carried on the vote of 6-0.

The Chairman recognized Mr. Duane Pugh of the General

Counsel's Office who presented an overview of the subject document.

There was a discussion of the amendments contained in Agenda Document No. 06-16-A, which were submitted by Commissioner Walther.

Chairman Toner recognized Commissioner Walther, who

MOVED to approve Agenda Document No. 06-16, as amended by Agenda Document No. 06-16-A, amended as follows:

by changing the date of "July 1, 2007" to "September 1, 2007" which appears on Page 2, No. 2, Line 3 and the last line on Page 3;

further, to direct the General Counsel's Office to make any necessary technical and conforming amendments prior to publication in the *Federal Register* and transmittal to Congress. II. <u>EXPLANATION AND JUSTIFICATION FOR INTERIM FINAL RULE</u>
ON THE DEFINITION OF "FEDERAL ELECTION ACTIVITY"
(11 CFR 100.24(a)(1)(iii)) (continued)

The motion carried on the vote of 4-2 with Commissioners

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

Commissioners Lenhard and Weintraub dissented.

III. FINAL RULES AND EXPLANATION AND JUSTIFICATION FOR INTERNET COMMUNICATIONS

(Held over to the meeting of March 23, 2006)

IV. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 A.M.

Signed:

Michael E. Toner

Chairman of the Commission

Attest:

Mary W,∕Dove

Secretary of the Commission