

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING
OF THE
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2000

PRESENT: Darryl R. Wold, Chairman, Presiding
 Danny L. McDonald, Vice Chairman
 David M. Mason, Commissioner
 Karl J. Sandstrom, Commissioner
 Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner
 James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director
 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, January 13, 2000, with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for December 16, 1999
Agenda Document No. 00-01

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman McDonald, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the open meeting of Thursday, December 16, 1999, as submitted in Agenda Document No.00-01.

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

II. ADVISORY OPINION

Revised Draft Advisory Opinion 1999-36

Campaign Advantage by counsel,
Joseph E. Sandler

Agenda Document No. 00-06

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman
McDonald, who

MOVED to suspend the rules on
the timely submission of agenda
documents in order to consider
Agenda Document No. 00-06.

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

Chairman Wold recognized Mr. Michael
Marinelli of the General Counsel's Office who
presented revised draft Advisory Opinion 1999-36
concerning the application of the Federal Election
Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), the
Presidential Primary Matching Payment Account Act
("the Matching Act"), 26 U.S.C. §§9031-9042, and
Commission regulations to Advantage's proposed methods
to assist various political committee and candidate
clients in fundraising through the Internet.

II. ADVISORY OPINION (continued)

Revised Draft Advisory Opinion 1999-36

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The following amendments were noted by

Mr. Marinelli:

On Page 3, Line 1: Insert the following: "various phone numbers:" after the words "zip code;"

On Page 10, Line 4: delete the words "credit card" and insert the words "electronic check" in lieu thereof.

Chairman Wold recognized Vice Chairman

McDonald, who

MOVED to approve revised draft AO 1999-36, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 00-06, subject to the amendments noted above.

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

III. FINAL AUDIT REPORT ON DEAR FOR CONGRESS,
INC.

Agenda Document No. 00-02

(Placed on the agenda pursuant to the filing of an objection by Commissioner Sandstrom following circulation of the audit report on a 96-hour vote basis.)

Commissioner Sandstrom withdrew his objection to the subject audit report. Therefore, the pre-meeting tally reflected a Commission decision by a vote of 6-0 to approve the Final Audit Report on Dear for Congress, Inc., as submitted in Agenda Document No. 00-02.

Commissioners Elliott, Mason, McDonald, Sandstrom, Thomas, and Wold voted affirmatively for the decision.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Personnel-Establishment of a new management
attorney position at the GS-15 level.

Agenda Document No. 00-07

(Placed on the agenda pursuant
to the filing of an objection
by Commissioner Wold following
circulation on a 96-hour
no-objection basis.)

Chairman Wold stated his concerns relating to
the description of the new position. Following discussion,
he removed his objection to the establishment of the new
management attorney position.

As there was no further business to come before
the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

Signed:

Darryl R. Wold
Chairman

Attest:

Mary W. Dove
Acting Secretary