

AGENDA DOCUMENT NO. 01-45

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING  
OF THE  
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2001

PRESENT: David M. Mason, Vice Chairman, presiding  
Bradley A. Smith, Commissioner  
Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner  
Darryl R. Wold, Commissioner  
James A. Pehrkon, Staff Director  
N. Bradley Litchfield, Associate General  
Counsel for Policy, representing  
Lois G. Lerner, Acting General Counsel  
Mary W. Dove, Secretary

Vice Chairman David M. Mason called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:05 A.M. on Thursday, August 23, 2001, with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for July 19, 2001

Agenda Document No. 01-43

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Wold, who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the Open Meeting of Thursday, July 19, 2001, as submitted in Agenda Document No. 01-43.

The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with Commissioners Mason, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting affirmatively.

II. DRAFT ADVISORY OPINION 2001-11

Democratic Party of Virginia by  
counsel, Neil Reiff

Agenda Documents No. 01-46  
and No. 01-46-A

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner  
Smith, who

MOVED to suspend the rules  
on the timely submission of  
agenda documents in order  
to consider Agenda Document  
No. 01-46-A.

The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with  
Commissioners Mason, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting  
affirmatively.

The Vice Chairman recognized Mr. Jonathan Levin  
of the General Counsel's office who presented the subject  
document. Commissioner Wold reviewed his amendments, as  
set forth in Agenda Document No. 01-46-A.

At the conclusion of the discussion which  
followed, Commissioner Wold

MOVED to approve draft Advisory  
Opinion 2001-11, as submitted  
in Agenda Document No. 01-46,  
subject to amendments pursuant  
to the meeting discussion.

II. DRAFT ADVISORY OPINION 2001-11  
(continued)

The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with Commissioners Mason, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting affirmatively.

III. REGULATIONS PRIORITIES

Agenda Document No. 01-44

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Ms. Rosemary Smith of the General Counsel's office who summarized the list of regulations priorities.

There was a discussion of the previously published date in the *Federal Register* which announced a tentative hearing to be held on the proposed rules on brokerage loans and lines of credit on September 19, 2001. Since the Commission has subsequently scheduled a closed meeting on that date, Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Wold, who

MOVED to cancel the date of September 19, 2001, for the public hearing on the proposed rulemaking on brokerage loans and lines of credit.

III. REGULATIONS PRIORITIES  
(continued)

The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with Commissioners Mason, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting affirmatively.

During the discussion which followed, Mr. Bradley Litchfield of the General Counsel's Office noted the following amendments to Agenda Document No. 01-44:

Page 6, change Roman numeral IV. to V.  
Page 7, change Roman numeral V. to VI.

Vice Chairman Mason recognized Commissioner Thomas, who

MOVED to approve the regulations priorities, as set forth in Agenda Document No. 01-44, as amended above, and further amended as follows:

a) Page 6, Item 24. Allocation of Travel Expenses, to be moved from Category V. Rulemaking Projects to Continue to be Held in Abeyance to Category III. Third Priority Projects.

b) Page 2, Attachment-Public Funding Issues, move Items 13, 14, and 15 to Category III. Third Priority Projects.

III. REGULATIONS PRIORITIES  
(continued)

The motion carried on the vote of 4-0 with  
Commissioners Mason, Smith, Thomas, and Wold voting  
affirmatively.

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There were no administrative matters to come  
before the Commission.

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 A.M.

Signed:

David M. Mason  
Vice Chairman of the  
Commission

Attest:

Mary W. Dove  
Secretary of the  
Commission