



## **Agenda Document No. 18-52-A**

MINUTES OF AN OPEN MEETING  
OF THE  
FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2018

PRESENT:

- Caroline C. Hunter, Chair, presiding
- Ellen L. Weintraub, Vice Chair
- Matthew S. Petersen, Commissioner
- Steven T. Walther, Commissioner
- Alec Palmer, Staff Director
- Lisa Stevenson, Acting General Counsel
- Dayna C. Brown, Secretary and Clerk

Chair Caroline C. Hunter called the Federal Election Commission to order in an open meeting at 10:24 A.M. on Thursday, December 6, 2018 with a quorum present.

I. CORRECTION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for November 15, 2018  
Agenda Document No. 18-50-A

Chair Hunter recognized Vice Chair Weintraub who

MOVED to approve the minutes for the open meeting of November 15, 2018 as set forth in Agenda Document No. 18-50-A.

The motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with Commissioners Hunter, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voting affirmatively for the decision.

II. DRAFT ADVISORY OPINION 2018-15

Senator Ron Wyden by The Honorable Ron Wyden  
Agenda Document No. 18-46-A (Draft A)

(Held over from the meeting of November 15, 2018)

Chair Hunter noted that the matter was held over previously and one of the Commissioners requested to hold it over again. Mr. Neven Stipanovic of the General Counsel's Office confirmed that Senator Wyden granted the Commission a one week extension to December 13, 2018. Chair Hunter stated that the matter will be taken up at the Commission's last open meeting of the year on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

III. AUDIT DIVISION RECOMMENDATION MEMORANDUM ON MARSHA  
BLACKBURN FOR CONGRESS, INC. (A17-02)

Memorandum from the Chief Compliance Officer and Audit  
Division dated November 13, 2018

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Chair Hunter recognized Ms. Rickida Morcomb and Ms. Rosa Crussiah of the Audit Division. Ms. Crussiah highlighted the three (3) findings within the Memorandum: Finding 1. Misstatement of Financial Activity; Finding 2. Disclosure of Occupation and Name of Employer; and Finding 3. Receipt of Contributions in Excess of the Limit. Ms. Morcomb, Ms. Joshua Blume of the General Counsel's Office, and Chief Compliance Officer Patricia Orrock participated in the discussion that followed.

Commissioner Petersen then

MOVED to approve the recommendations in the Audit Division Recommendation Memorandum on Marsha Blackburn for Congress, Inc. (A17-02), as set forth in Agenda Document 18-51-A, except that the Audit Division be instructed to excise the phrase, "any telephone logs or" from the appropriate portion of the Draft Final Audit Report and make the change in the forthcoming Proposed Final Audit Report.

Chief Compliance Officer Orrock participated in the continuing discussion regarding which audit document the telephone logs would be excised from.

Commissioner Petersen clarified that the intent of his motion was to excise the phrase from the Proposed Final Audit Report.

Therefore, Commissioner Petersen

MOVED to approve the recommendations in the Audit Division Recommendation Memorandum on Marsha Blackburn for Congress, Inc. (A17-02), as set forth in Agenda Document 18-51-A, except that the Audit Division be instructed to excise the phrase, "any telephone logs or" from the appropriate portion of the forthcoming Proposed Final Audit Report.

The motion carried by a vote of 4-0 with Commissioners Hunter, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voting affirmatively for the decision.

V. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:34 A.M.

Signed:

Caroline C. Hunter  
Chair of the Commission

Attest:

Dayna C. Brown  
Secretary and Clerk of the Commission