



**11th MEETING OF 2011
28th MEETING OF
THE CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION
27th SEPTEMBER, 2011
CONFERENCE ROOM
COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT**

PRESENT: Julene Banks Member
Wil Pineau Member

APOLOGIES: Pastor Al Ebanks Chairman

Secretariat members present:

Josephine Hislop Analyst, Commissions Secretariat

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m. and a prayer was offered by member of the Commission, Julene Banks.

2. Selection of Acting Chairman

In accordance with section 4.1 of the Commission's Policies and Procedures Manual member Wil Pineau was chosen to act as Chairman for this meeting due to the absence of Pastor Al Ebanks.

3. Confirmation of previous minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the 13th September 2011 were confirmed without amendment.

4. Outstanding Business

i. West Bay District Meeting

The Commission will be conducting a West Bay District meet for Thursday, 6 October, 2011, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The venue is to be the Sir John A. Cumber Primary School which has been confirmed by the Secretariat. The Commission decided that member Julene Banks would deliver the opening comments. The Commission plans to finalise and review the paper on people initiated referendums discussion paper for distribution at the West Bay District meeting.

ii. Arrangements for Cayman Brac district meeting / Correspondence with MLAs

Member Julene Banks was unable to contact the Sister Islands district representatives. Member Wil Pineau suggested that member Julene Banks contact the District Commissioner Mr. Ernie Scott.

ii. Topic of Choice for UCCI conference paper

The Commission will continue work to decide on a topic for its paper.

iii. Correspondence with Cabinet on Governance Structure tool / research

The Secretariat was requested to draft a cover letter and attach the information compiled to date to the Cabinet Office for them to use as a research tool for further development.

iv. Annual Report

The Commission has requested that this be sent electronically to them by the Secretariat.

5. New Business

i. Booklets and funding

The Secretariat is to check on the status of the draft booklet that was sent to the Governor's Office.

The Commission will be inviting the Caymanian Bar Association and the Cayman Islands Law Society to attend their next meeting so that they may discuss the project with them as a follow up to their letters to request funding. Correspondence will be sent to them expressly inviting them to attend on the 11th of October.

ii. Editing of Constitutional Booklets

The Commission plans to meet with Lennon Christian regarding the editing process and the size of the booklets. The Commission feels that the segments that were omitted are essential to understanding specific sections of the Constitution, namely the Her Majesty's prerogative and other powers and would like them to be included in the booklets.

iii. Overseas Territory Review by United Kingdom

The Commission acknowledges that there is currently a review of all Overseas Territories taking place by the United Kingdom. They proposed to independently research the relationship between the UK and its Overseas Territories in the sense of what their obligations are to each other. Member Wil Pineau will pose this topic for discussion in the next meeting with the Law Society and Cayman Islands Bar.

iv. Terms of Members

It was suggested that this be discussed when the Commission meets with the Governor. It was noted that member Julene Banks' term is coming to an end and Chairman Pastor Al Ebanks is unable to attend due to mitigating circumstances.

6. Any Other Business

ii. Updates to Website

The Secretariat was asked to post the announcement regarding the upcoming West Bay district meeting and the idea paper on referendum.

7. Action List

The Commission will:

- i. Contact Liz Walton and or Mr. Ernie Scott to enquire with regards to arranging a district meeting on Cayman Brac;
- ii. Continue to work on sourcing local funding;
- iii. Continue to edit the booklets- Know Your Constitution series; and
- iv. Continue to think of a topic of which to present at the UCCI conference.

The Secretariat will:

- i. Have Lennon contact the Commission as to availability to meet regarding booklet editing;

- ii. Draft a letter to the Cayman Islands Law Society and the Caymanian Bar Association inviting them to attend the next meeting;
- iii. Draft a cover letter to the Cabinet Office for the Governance Structure / Tool research;
- iv. Follow-up on feedback from the Governor's Office regarding the booklet pertaining to the topic of 'The Governor';
- v. Schedule meeting with Governor for end of September to discuss Governance, the Auditor General (funding), Crown Land management/policy; and booklet on Governor; and
- vi. Create agenda for said meeting.

8. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting

- i. Overview of the booklets to the Caymanian Bar Association and Cayman Islands Law Society;
- ii. Finalising District Meetings; and
- iii. Overseas Territory Review by United Kingdom.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on 11 October, 2011 in the Commissions Secretariat conference room.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50am.



Wil Pineau
ACTING CHAIRMAN
CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION