

MINUTES
6th MEETING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION
25 MAY 2010
CONFERENCE ROOM
COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

PRESENT: Pastor Al Ebanks Chairman
 Wil Pineau Member
 Julene Banks Member

Secretariat members present:
 Deborah Bodden Manager, Commissions Secretariat
 Laura Jackson Analyst, Commissions Secretariat

1. Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:04 am. The Chairman welcomed everyone in attendance. An opening prayer was offered and a minute silence given in remembrance of Dr. Philip Pedley, in acknowledgement of his contributions to the work of the Constitution and the country at large.

2. Confirmation of previous minutes

The minutes of the 27 April, 2010 meeting were confirmed.

3. Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes

a. Policies and Procedures Manual

- i. The Commission stated that in a measure of overall good governance and to facilitate a process for decision making through basic operations, that it is the intent of the members to create a manual that details all policies and procedures of the Secretariat.
- ii. In order to create a document consistent with the protocol of other Commissions, the Constitutional Commission requested a copy of the recently created Human Rights Commission's policy and procedures.

b. Comparative Review of 2009 Constitution Order

- i. In further discussion of matters arising from the minutes of 27th April, 2010, a formal request was made to the Secretariat to conduct a comparative review of the document approved in the referendum and what was published as the Cayman Islands Constitution Order, 2009 to determine any errors or omissions.
- ii. The overall aim is to discern whether the document published as the 2009 Constitutional Order is an accurate reflection of what had been approved by the people of the Cayman Islands.

4. New Business

a. Scheduled Stakeholder's Meetings

- i. The Commission stated that the purpose of the meetings is to allow for an introduction to the Commission members, open up the lines of communication, and hear if the key stakeholder's have any concerns with the current document and to identify any issues they would like to see addressed which have not been dealt with in the 2009 Constitution.
- ii. The Secretariat reported that all key stakeholder meetings have been scheduled and acceptances confirmed with the exception of the Independent candidate who declined to attend a meeting with the Commission but indicated that alternatively, he would be willing to attend any public meeting in North Side that the Commission may wish to hold. As of this date, there has

been no word from PPM regarding the invitation to meet with the Commission. The Premier has also requested a deferred date following the completion of the Budget.

b. Constitution Week (1 July through 11 July, 2010)

- i. The Manager of the Secretariat detailed activities and events confirmed to date for the Constitution week festivities and asked the Commission to provide any requests or ideas for things they would like to do during this time.

5. Any Other Business

Communication and Public Education Plan

- i. The Commission expressed their wish to formulate a communications and public education plan to facilitate their responsibilities to this area of their remit.
- ii. Acknowledging the current budgetary constraints facing all four Commissions, there will be much consideration given to cost and effectiveness of pursuing a multifaceted campaign with the aid of outside expertise if necessary.
- iii. The Commission decided that it will revisit this once the Stakeholder's meetings have concluded.

6. Action List

- i. The Secretariat has been tasked with carrying out a comparative review of the Draft Constitution resulting from the Constitution negotiations in the UK and approved in the referendum in May 2009 and the contents of the 2009 Constitutional Order to determine if any errors and/or omissions exist in the Order..
- ii. The Secretariat has asked the Commission to consider what content they wish to have on their website and to provide these requests to the Manager. Short Biographies of all Commission members are also needed for the website.
- iii. The Chair agreed to review the website documentation that has been drafted so far for the website and provide comments for discussion with the other Commission members at the next scheduled meeting.
- iv. The Commission tasked the Secretariat with rescheduling the Commissions' proposed meeting with the Premier for a time in the near future that accommodates the schedules of both parties.

7. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting

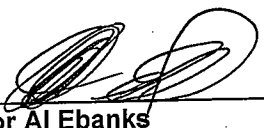
The outcome of the first key Stakeholder's meeting with the Governor and the Deputy Governor.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 8 June 2010 @ 9:00a.m. in the Commissions Secretariat Boardroom.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.



Pastor Al Ebanks
CHAIRMAN
CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION