

## 2<sup>nd</sup> MEETING OF 2011 19<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION 11 JANUARY, 2011 CONFERENCE ROOM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

PRESENT:

Wil Pineau

Member

Julene Banks

Member

REGRETS:

Pastor Al Ebanks

Chairman

Secretariat members present:

Jason Webster

Analyst, Commissions Secretariat

#### 1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:15 am. A prayer was offered by a member of the Commission.

### 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. Government Information Services Presentation

- i. Ms. Cornelia Olivier, the representative from GIS, presented to the Commission the services and attached fees which are provided by GIS.
- ii. Ms. Olivier gave a preview of the Commission's website and the Commission will review the website and provide any feedback.
- iii. The Commission requested that GIS and the Secretariat work together to create a PR campaign using power point and advertisements to introduce the new website while providing a short educational component on the Constitution and the Commission.

### 4. Outstanding Business

### I. UCCI International Conference

- i. The Chairman received an invitation to make a presentation at the UCCI International Conference via email dated 6 January 2011.
- ii. The Commission regretfully decided to decline the invitation because their resources were spread thin due to a number of other projects that they are involved in at the moment.

#### II. 2011/12 Budget

The Commission has been asked by the Manager, Commissions Secretariat for any items they would need budgetary consideration for the 2011/12 budget. The Analyst was asked to use the figures provided by GIS to complete this.

## III. Research Paper

The Commission agreed outline for the research paper on the governance structure of the Cayman Islands presented by the Secretariat with a minor amendment. The Secretariat will now begin working on the content of the research paper.

#### 5. New Business

#### Constitutional Forums

The Commission expressed their interest in holding at two forums in the 2011 calendar year and identified the issue of "referendum" as the topic of the first forum which they would tentatively like to hold at the end of February. It was decided that the Secretariat will contact the UCCI to determine if there were any students or faculty members who would be interested in joining the panel as well as the Youth Parliament enquiring the same.

### II. District Meetings

The Commission decided to contact the MLAs to enquire whether they would be interested in scheduling district meetings in order to discuss constitutional matters with their respective constituents.

#### 6. Action List

The Commission will:

- i. review the website and provide feedback; and
- ii. determine timelines for future projects so that the draft budget can be prepared.

The Analyst will:

- use the figures provided by GIS to complete identify any budgetary considerations for the 2011/12 budget;
- ii. assist GIS with the PR plan;
- iii. continue to research the governance structure within the Cayman Islands Government;
- iv. contact UCCI and the Youth Parliament to enquire whether any representatives would be interested in joining the panel for the proposed forum on referendum;
- v. draft the letters which are to be sent to the MLAs proposing district meetings.

# 7. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting

#### Website

### 8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 8 February, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the Chamber of Commerce Offices.

### 9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Wil Pineau

**ACTING CHAIRMAN** 

**CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION**