

MINUTES
5th MEETING OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION
27 APRIL 2010
CONFERENCE ROOM
COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

PRESENT: Pastor Al Ebanks
Wil Pineau

Chairman
Member

APOLOGIES: Julene Banks

Member

Secretariat members present:
Laura Jackson
Jason Webster

Analyst, Commissions Secretariat
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1. Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am. The Chairman welcomed everyone in attendance to the meeting and offered a prayer.

2. Confirmation of previous minutes

The minutes of the 20 April 2010 meeting were approved by the Commission.

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes

a. Policies and Procedures Manual

The Commission requested that the Secretariat share the Human Rights Commission's draft policies and procedures manual with them as they wished to work with a common document for all Commissions where appropriate and possible.

b. Confirmation of minutes from the 1st and 3rd meetings

The Commission confirmed the minutes from the first and third meetings.

4. New Business

a. Comparative Review of the 2009 Constitutional Order

i. The Commission asked the Secretariat whether a review was completed comparing the document negotiated and agreed in London and subsequently approved in the Cayman Islands with the final Constitution Order 2009. The Commission is interested in considering the question of whether or not there are any errors and/or omissions between these documents.

ii. The Commission felt it beneficial to arrange for individually scheduled meetings with the Governor and other key stakeholders in order to create a forum for communication and open dialogue on matters of the Constitution and to determine the best course of action for addressing these issues.

b. Meeting with the Electoral Boundaries Commission

i. The Commission received an email requesting that they attend a meeting with the Electoral Boundary Commission (EBC).

ii. The Chairman had a short meeting with the Chairman of the EBC prior to the last Commission meeting on April 20, 2010 and relayed to his fellow Commission members, the remit of the current EBC.

- iii. The Commission recognized the remit of the EBC as mandated by section 89 of the Constitutional Order 2009.
- iv. The Commission decided it was not necessary to attend a formal meeting with the EBC but will make every effort to attend a public meeting.

5. Any Other Business

- a. Review of Expression of Interest Letter to Hon. Premier
The Commission approved the letter and has requested that the Secretariat prepare a final copy for the Chairman to sign.
- b. Review of Introductory Letter to the UN Special Committee #24 on Decolonization
The Commission approved the letter and has requested that the Secretariat prepare a final copy for the Chairman to sign.
- c. Review of Introduction Letter to Key Stakeholders
The Commission approved the letter and has requested that the Secretariat prepare final copies for each stakeholder group for the Chairman to sign.
- d. Review of Response to the inquiry made by a member of the public (WA)
The Commission approved the response and has requested that the Secretariat prepare formal letter for the Chairman to sign.

6. Action List

- i. The Secretariat is tasked with sharing the HRC's Policies and Procedures Manual with the Commission for review.
- ii. The Secretariat is tasked with informing the EBC that the Commission will not be seeking a formal meeting but will make every effort to attend a public meeting.
- iii. The Secretariat is tasked with producing final versions of the four letters for the Chairman to sign and then deliver them.
- iv. The Secretariat has been tasked with confirming times for the Stakeholders meetings.

7. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting


No items were listed at this time.

8. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 11 May 2010 @ 9:00a.m. in the Commissions Secretariat Boardroom.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.



Pastor Al Ebanks
CHAIRMAN
CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION