Post Convention Committee Meeting Minutes October 5, 1995

Second Floor, Joeten Dandan Commercial Center

- 1. Call to Order -- Chair H.T. Guerrero called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.
- 2. Ascertain Quorum Quorum was ascertained with members T. Aldan, VChair E. Fleming, Sec. J. Gonzales, Chair H. Guerrero present. Del. J. Villagomez was also present. Members F. Nogis, J. Quitugua, D. Maratita were absent. Counsels H. Willens and D. Siemers were also present.
- 3. Approval of 10/3/95 Minutes -- 10/3 minutes was adopted unanimously.
- 4. Reports
 - a. Status of Translations -- (1) the Chamorro and Carolinian translations for the ballots are all done and will be transmitted today to the Board of Elections; (2) copies for the public at village and government department meetings are still awaiting final translations in Chamorro and Carolinian.
 - b. Public Education (1) the status of the first two public village meetings was poor as there hardly was any public participant at San Roque and San Vicente Elementary Schools. A suggestion was made to have a speaker phone with a vehicle go around the villages to announce the village meetings as have been traditionally been done—it is more effective and hits at the grassroots; (2) Media and other information—newspaper inserts on the proposed amendments continue to be published in the Marianas Variety as planned. In addition, the Committee decided to create "reader friendly" fliers which would comfortably entice the average individual to actually read and understand the proposed amendments. Direct mail was also mentioned as a possible alternative to every household; (3) Media spots and assignment of delegates—With the assistance of the NMC Media, delegates will be assigned to do 1-minute TV spots beginning next week on Tuesday, 10/10 at 10 am and thereafter in all three languages.
- 5. Old Business -- none.
- 6. New Business (see attached)
 - a. Sep. 26, 1995 letter from Don Woodworth to Lt. Governor Borja alluding to a minor phrase in the proposed Constitutional analysis regarding submerged lands and the Post Convention Chair's response to it were given to the members;

- b. Draft letter to the Governor on S.B. 9-209, the deferral of the election from . November to March 1996, was distributed to members who looked over it and sanctioned it;
- c. Draft letter of Counsel Willens to the AG's Office on Sec. 7 of the Schedule on Transitional Matters to the 1976 Constitution was also looked at by members.
- d. Copies of the Chair's summary of the benefits of the constitutional amendments to the Administration were distributed to the members.
- e. Members are being invited to a luncheon meeting of the SPJ at 11:30 am at Jade Restaurant.
- f. Others -- (1) memo to delegates requesting them to be ready to be assigned to assist in the public education efforts along with their packets will be distributed to all the delegates; (2) Sec. Gonzales to translate the Summary to Chamorro; (3) there is a meeting at NMC at 10 am tomorrow at 10 am with students & faculty.

7. Announcements

- a. Del. Jack Villagomez enjoyed and commended the one hour taped programs on KMCV.
- 8. Adjournment -- There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 am.

Respectfully submitted by:

Sec. John Oliver DER. Gonzales

(10/12/95)