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TELEPHONE CONFERENCE

All of the Commissioners and senior staff were present.

Chairman Bedford called the meeting to order and announced that pursuant to the "Open Public Meetings Act," N.J.S.A. 10:4-8 et. seq., special notice of the meeting of the Commission had been filed with the Secretary of State's Office and distributed to the entire State House Press Corps.

The telephone meeting convened at 9:10 a.m. at the Commission Offices, at 28 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey.

1. Certification of Public Funds Submitted on May 15, 1989

1. Candidate Gerald Cardinale

At its meeting on May 23, 1989, the Commission certified 95 percent of the amount submitted by the Cardinale Campaign on May 22, 1989 as eligible for match. The amount in public funds approved was \$59,652.40.

Subsequently, a complete review was performed by staff and it was determined that \$31,132 was eligible for match at a 2:1 ratio. Thus, Candidate Cardinale was eligible for \$62,264 in public funds. When subtracting the \$59,652.40 certified in public funds at the May 23, 1989 meeting from this amount, a balance of \$2,611.60 was recommended for certification to Candidate Cardinale.

On a motion by Vice Chairman McNany, seconded by Commissioner Axtell and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission certified \$2,611 in matching funds to Candidate Cardinale.

2. Candidate William Gormley

At its meeting on May 23, 1989, the Commission certified 95 percent of the amounts submitted by the Gormley campaign on May 22, 1989 as eligible for match. The amount in public funds approved was \$118,835.50.

Subsequently, a complete review was performed by staff and it was determined that \$60,245 (including resubmissions) was eligible for match at a 2:1 ratio. Thus, Candidate Gormley was eligible for \$120,490 in public funds.

When subtracting the \$118,835 certified in public funds at the May 23, 1989 meeting from this amount, a balance of \$1,654.50 was recommended for certification to Candidate Gormley.

On a motion by Commissioner Axtell, seconded by Commissioner Linett and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission certified \$1,654.50 in matching funds to Candidate Gormley.

3. Candidate Alan Karcher

At its meeting on May 23, 1989, the Commission certified 95 percent of the amounts submitted by the Karcher Campaign on May 22, 1989 as eligible for match. The amount in public funds approved was \$47,171.30.

Subsequently, a complete review was performed by staff and it was determined that \$24,534.50 (including resubmissions) was eligible for match at a 2:1 ratio. Thus, Candidate Karcher was eligible for \$49,069 in matching funds. When subtracting the \$47,171.30 certified in public funds at the May 16, 1989 meeting from this amount, a balance of \$1,897.70 was recommended for certification to Candidate Karcher.

On a motion by Commissioner Axtell, seconded by Vice Chairman McNany and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission certified \$1,897.70 in matching funds to Candidate Karcher.

2. Certification of Public Funds Submitted on May 30, 1989

Director of Public Financing Nedda Massar noted that Candidate Cardinale submitted a net amount of \$57,710.25 for match. She said, however, that the necessary documentation on \$6,500 of this total submission amount was not filed with the Commission until approximately 4:00 p.m. on May 30, 1989. Director Massar asked the Commission to determine whether or not this \$6,500 amount should be considered timely filed and as part of the May 30, 1989 submission.

On a motion by Vice Chairman McNany, seconded by Commissioner Axtell and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission directed staff to consider the entire May 30, 1989 submission, including the \$6,500, as timely filed.

Staff recommended application of the automatic 95 percent certification to submissions from Candidates Gerald Cardinale, William Gormley, Alan Karcher and Barbara Sigmund.

On May 30, 1989, the following net amounts were submitted for match: Candidate Cardinale, \$57,710.25; Candidate Gormley, \$44,880.00; Candidate Karcher, \$23,515.20 and Candidate Sigmund \$43,937.86.

At an automatic 95 percent certification rate, the following amounts were deemed eligible for match at a 2:1 ratio: Candidate Cardinale, \$54,824.74; Candidate Gormley, \$42,636.00; Candidate Karcher, \$22,339.44, and Candidate Sigmund, \$41,740.97.

Only \$8,740 was recommended for certification to Candidate Gormley because to have certified more would have caused him to exceed the public funds cap of \$1.35 million.

On a motion by Commissioner Axtell, seconded by Commissioner Linett and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission certified \$109,649.48 in public funds to Candidate Cardinale.

On a motion by Vice Chairman McNany, seconded by Commissioner Axtell and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission certified \$8,740 in public funds to Candidate Gormley.

On a motion by Commissioner Axtell, seconded by Vice Chairman McNany and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission certified \$44,678.88 in public funds to Candidate Karcher.

On a motion by Commissioner Axtell, seconded by Vice Chairman McNany and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission certified \$83,481.94 in public funds to Candidate Sigmund.

3. Adjournment

On a motion by Commissioner Axtell, seconded by Commissioner Linett and passed by a vote of 4-0, the Commission voted to adjourn at 9:21 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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