

FIFTEENTH DAY

Tuesday, February 25, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

President Killion called the Fourth FSM Constitutional Convention to order at 10:21 a.m., Tuesday, February 25, 2020.

MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER

President Killion: I now call our session to order. May we stand for a moment of silent prayer.

A moment of silent prayer was observed.

ROLL CALL

Chief Clerk Reyes called the roll, 21 delegates are present.

(Absent Delegate Cantero, Delegate Mori, and Delegate Palsis)

President Killion: Thank you Secretary. Moving on to Item 4, Adoption of the Journal.

ADOPTION OF JOURNAL

Floor Leader Yatilman: Mr. President.

President Killion: Yes, Floor Leader.

Floor Leader Yatilman: Thank you, Mr. President. I move that we adopt the Journal of the First Day that is in front of us.

Delegate Samo: Second.

President Killion: It's been moved and seconded that we adopt the Journal of the First Day. Discussion? If no discussion, all those in favor of the motion say Aye? All those opposed say Nay? Motion carried.

The motion carried by voice vote of Delegates.

For the record, Delegate Mori just joined us.

Floor Leader Yatilman: Mr. President.

President Killion: Yes, go ahead.

Floor Leader Yatilman: Thank you, Mr. President. I move that the Convention adopt the Journal of the Fourteenth Day of our meeting.

Delegate Noket: Second.

President Killion: It's been moved and seconded that the Convention adopt the Journal of the Fourteenth Day. Discussion? If no discussion, all those in favor of the motion say Aye? All those opposed say Nay? Motion carried.

The motion carried by voice vote of Delegates.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Killion: Communications.

Chief Clerk Reyes: None, Mr. President.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

President Killion: Unfinished Business. Item 6.

Chief Clerk Reyes: None, Mr. President.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

President Killion: Item 7, Reports of Committees.

Chief Clerk Reyes: There are no Reports, Mr. President.

FIRST READING OF COMMITTEE PROPOSALS

President Killion: Item 8, First Reading of Committee Proposals.

Chief Clerk Reyes: None at the moment, Mr. President.

SECOND READING OF COMMITTEE PROPOSALS.

President Killion: Second Reading of Committee Proposals.

Chief Clerk Reyes: None at the moment, Mr. President.

FINAL READING OF PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

President Killion: Final Reading of Proposed Constitutional Amendments.

Chief Clerk Reyes: None also, Mr. President.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

President Killion: Item 11. Consideration of Resolutions.

Chief Clerk Reyes: There are no Resolutions, Mr. President.

INTRODUCTION AND REFERRAL OF DELEGATE PROPOSALS AND
RESOLUTIONS

President Killion: Item 12, Introduction and Referral of Delegate Proposals and Resolutions.

Chief Clerk Reyes: None, Mr. President.

President Killion: Delegate Cantero just took his seat for the record.

SPECIAL ORDERS

President Killion: Item No.13, Special Orders.

Chief Clerk Reyes: None, Mr. President.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

President Killion: Miscellaneous Business.

Delegate Sitan: Mr. President.

President Killion: Yes, Chairman Sitan.

Delegate Sitan: Thank you Mr. President. I wrote a letter to the Secretary of Finance and Administration and copied you, so that you can assign the number and share with Delegates, but that letter has not been shared with the other Delegates.

President Killion: Short recess.

President Killion declared the Convention recessed at 10:25 a.m., subject to the call of the Chair.

RECESS

The Convention reconvened at 10:27 a.m.

President Killion: Our session is now back to order.

Delegate Kanto: Mr. President.

President Killion: Yes, Delegate Kanto.

Delegate Kanto: Thank you, Mr. President. There was a letter shared from the Chairperson on the Committee on General Provisions. This letter is from the Office of the National Election Director with some data attached. I am concerned that this information is not accurate; the same as what Chairman Sitan was just referring to is a big concern that data given by the government offices is not accurate. Here it shows eligible voters from Chuuk for 2011 General Election is 59,940. This is like almost the population of Chuuk. That means they are including children to also vote. It shows also the vote cast is 12,298 but on the other page it shows that from Chuuk State 12,996 Yes and 8,527 No. How can the total number here be higher than the total number of votes cast? I think there's a problem here and may be last minute they just start to input, to lie to us by coming up with a number that is not accurate.

President Killion: Thank you, Delegate Kanto. It might be just some typos but they cannot tell lies to the leaders of this nation.

Delegate Sigrah: Mr. President.

President Killion: Yes, Chairperson Sigrah.

Delegate Sigrah: Thank you, Mr. President. I intend to subpoena them as the records they shared were not satisfactory.

President Killion: Thank you, Chairperson Sigrah. I know you can find some other ways before you use the last resort.

Delegate Susaia: President.

President Killion: Yes, Chairman Susaia.

Delegate Susaia: Can you share what transpired about the leadership meeting yesterday?

President Killion: Short recess.

President Killion declared the Convention recessed at 10:23 a.m., subject to the call of the Chair.

RECESS

The Convention reconvened at 11:04 a.m..

President Killion: We're now back to session. We're on Item 14, Miscellaneous Business. Yes, Chairman Sitan.

Delegate Sitan: Thank you, Mr. President. I will be borrowing the advice from my Iso Nahnken who said. "Be Strong!" You can see the President to solve these issues with Finance; there must be a way to solve what we are talking about. We are not like other offices in the Executive. We are all elected by the people; this is a Convention. There must be an exception for this type of thing.

President Killion: Thank you, Chairman Sitan.

Delegate Susaia: President.

President Killion: Yes, Chairman Susaia.

Delegate Susaia: Can I speak on behalf of you?

President Killion: Why not? Go ahead if you want.

Delegate Susaia: We should not focus on the sub-allottee issue. All expenditures are governed by the Financial Management Regulations. We need to designate a person in the Secretariat staff to handle Convention matters and do daily follow-up on the invoices and requests that the Finance Department is handling.

President Killion: Thank you, Chairman Susaia.

Delegate Noket: Mr. President.

President Killion: Yes, Delegate Noket.

Delegate Noket: I move that this Convention stands in recess until tomorrow at 10:00 o'clock.

Delegate Kanto: Second.

President Killion: Short recess.

RECESS

The Convention reconvened at 11:06 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

President Killion: We're now back to session. There's a motion on hand for the Convention to recess until tomorrow at 10 a.m. For those in favor say Aye? All those opposed say Nay? Motion carried.

The motion carried by voice vote of Delegates.

President Killion declared the Convention in recess at 11:07 a.m., until tomorrow, Wednesday, February 26th at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Journal Clerk