

Votes and Proceedings Of the Twentieth Parliament

No. 17

**Fifth Sitting of the Tenth Meeting
Thursday 10th November, 2011**

10:00am

1. The House met at 10:00pm in accordance to its resolution made on Thursday 3rd November, 2011.
2. Hon. Ludwig Scotty M.P., Speaker of Parliament took the Chair and read prayers.
3. **Letter of Resignation**

The Chair informed the House of the letter of resignation, he received from H.E. President Marcus Stephen, which read as follows:-

“Dear Mr. Speaker,

Mo yoran.

Under Article 16 (5) (c) (i), I hereby tender my resignation as President of the Republic. I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your excellent steering of Parliament during my tenure as President.

Signed under my hand on this 10th day of November, 2011.

Yours sincerely,

*Marcus Stephen
President*

The Chair then suspended the sitting and to resume when the bell rings.

Resumed.

4. **Election of President**

Mr. M. Stephen (Ewa/Anetan) nominated Mr. F. Pitcher (Ubenide) to be the President of the Republic of Nauru.

Mr. M. Batsiua (Boe) seconded.

Mr. F. Pitcher accepted the nomination.

Mr. G. Thoma (Aiwo) nominated Mr. M. Dube (Aiwo) to be President of the Republic of Nauru.

Mr. B. Waqa (Boe) seconded.

Mr. M. Dube accepted his nomination.

There being more than one nominations vote by a secret ballot took place.

Result

Mr. F. Pitcher (Ubenide) – 9 votes

Mr. M. Dube (Aiwo) – 8 votes

Having received the majority of votes, Mr. F. Pitcher (Ubenide) was declared President of the Republic of Nauru.

The Chair then suspended the sitting on request from His Excellency President Frederick Pitcher and to resume when the bell rings.

Resumed.

H.E. President Frederick Pitcher requested the Chair, for a short recess.

The Chair with concurrence of the House suspended the sitting and to resume when the bell rings.

Resumed.

5. **Absence of Quorum**

There being absence of Quorum in the House the Chair pursuant to Standing Order 31, adjourned the House to the next sitting day.

The House then at twenty two minutes past two o'clock pm, adjourned to the next sitting day, Tuesday 15th November 2011 at 10:00am.

Members Present

All members were present at some time during the sitting

John Garabwan
Deputy Clerk of Parliament