

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**March 2, 2015**

Board of Directors of the Cook County Land Bank Authority met pursuant to notice on March 2, 2015 at 9:00 AM at the offices of Holland & Knight, 131 S Dearborn St, 30<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chicago, Illinois.

**I. Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chairman Gainer called the meeting of the Board to order.

**Present:** Directors Dworkin, Friedman, Gainer, Grisham, Holmes, Ostenburg, Planey, Porras, Sherwin, Ware (10)

**Not Present:** Directors Brawley, Helmer, Richardson (3)

**Also Present:** Director Jenkins (*via conference line*)

Chairman Gainer asked for a motion to allow Director Jenkins to participate in the meeting via conference call. Director Ostenburg moved approval, seconded by Director Sherwin. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**Others Present:**

**George Blakemore** (*Concerned Citizen*), **Brent Denzin** (*Ancestral Glink*), **Amy Ellingson** (*Cook County Commissioner Bridget Gainer*), **Mike Jasso** (*Cook County Economic Development*), **Abin Kuriakose** (*Cook County Commissioner Bridget Gainer*), **Katie Sabo** (*Cook County Commissioner Bridget Gainer*), **Ryan Schmitt** (*Institute for Housing Studies*), **Alex Simmons** (*CCLBA*), **Eric Williams** (*CCLBA*)

**II. Public Speakers**

Chairman Gainer noted there was one (1) public speaker:

**George Blakemore**

**III. Interim Executive Director's Report**

Herman Brewer, CCLBA Interim Executive Director, gave the Executive Director's Report. **No action taken.**

**IV. Consent Agenda**

Director Grisham, seconded by Director Holmes, moved to approve the meeting minutes of the January 29, 2015 Board of Directors meeting, the February 18, 2015 Selection Committee meeting and the February 18, 2015 Selection Committee Executive Session meeting. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**V. Financial Report**

Director Holmes, CCLBA Treasurer, gave the financial report. **No action taken.**

**VI. Chairman's Report**

Chairman Gainer delivered the Chairman's report. Chairman Gainer reminded all Directors to complete Open Meetings Act training. Chairman Gainer noted that there was no update from FHFA on a forthcoming program. **No action taken.**

Director Planey, seconded by Director Friedman motioned to move into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel, pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

**The motion passed on a roll call vote with 10 Yeas (Directors Dworkin, Friedman, Grisham, Holmes, Jenkins, Ostenburg, Planey, Porras, Sherwin, Ware), 0 Nays, and 3 Absent (Directors Brawley, Helmer, Richardson). The Board moved into Executive Session.**

**VII. Executive Session**

The Board discussed personnel matters regarding the Executive Director search. **No action taken.**

**VIII. Consideration of Senior Staff Personnel Contracts**

Director Grisham, seconded by Director Holmes, moved to approve the Interim Executive Director Contract for Herman Brewer.

**The motion passed on a roll call vote with 10 Yeas (Directors Dworkin, Friedman, Grisham, Holmes, Jenkins, Ostenburg, Planey, Porras, Sherwin, Ware), 0 Nays, and 3 Absent (Directors Brawley, Helmer, Richardson). The motion passed.**

Director Grisham, seconded by Director Sherwin, moved to approve the Executive Director contract for Rob Rose.

**The motion passed on a roll call vote with 10 Yeas (Directors Dworkin, Friedman, Grisham, Holmes, Jenkins, Ostenburg, Planey, Porras, Sherwin, Ware), 0 Nays, and 3 Absent (Directors Brawley, Helmer, Richardson). The motion passed.**

**IX. Adjournment**

Director Sherwin, seconded by Director Ostenburg, moved to adjourn. **THE MOTION CARRIED AND THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Board of Directors of the Cook County Land Bank Authority

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**Bridget Gainer, Chairman**

Attest.

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**Director Ostenburg, Secretary**