

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

**December 18, 2014**

Board of Directors of the Cook County Land Bank Authority met pursuant to notice on December 18, 2014 at 8:00 AM at the Metropolitan Planning Council, 140 South Dearborn, Fourteenth Floor, Chicago, Illinois.

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

Chairman Gainer called the meeting of the Board to order.

**Present:** Directors Brewer, Friedman, Gainer, Grisham, Helmer, Jenkins, Ostenburg, Richardson, Saffo, Sherwin, Ware (11)

**Not Present:** Directors Brawley, Holmes, Planey, Porras, (4)

**Also Present:** Brian White (*CCLBA Executive Director*), Director Dworkin (*via conference line*)

Chairman Gainer introduced a motion to allow Director Dworkin to participate in the meeting via conference call. Director Ostenburg, seconded by Director Saffo, moved to approve. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**Others Present:**

**Anthony Allen** (*U.S. Receiver's*), **George Blakemore** (*Concerned Citizen*), **Natasha Cornog** (*CCLBA*), **Debbie Dixon** (*Gorman & Company*), **Amy Ellingson** (*Cook County Commissioner Bridget Gainer*), **Adam Gross** (*BPI*), **Harding** (*African American Space Guild*), **Abin Kuriakose** (*Commissioner Bridget Gainer's Office*), **Tom Mahoney** (*Commissioner Larry Suffredin's Office*), **Stephani Milito** (*Cook County Planning and Development*), **Vincent Waller** (*Cook County Environmental Control*), **Katie Sabo** (*Cook County Commissioner Bridget Gainer*), **Alex Simmons** (*CCLBA*), **Eric Williams** (*CCLBA*)

**II. Public Speakers**

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

**George Blakemore**

**III. Executive Director's Report (Brian White)**

Brian White, CCLBA Executive Director, gave the Executive Director's Report. Brian provided program and organizational updates, and reported that CCLBA's total inventory through December 2014 was 95 properties. **No action taken.**

**IV. Approval of 2015 Board of Directors meeting schedule**

Director Ware, seconded by Director Helmer, moved to approve the 2015 Board of Directors meeting schedule. Please note all CCLBA meetings will now be held at the Cook County Building (118 North Clark Street, Fourth Floor Conference Room)

*All meetings of the CCLBA Board of Directors are scheduled on the last Thursday of each month, except those marked \**

January 29	July 30
February 26	August 27
March 26	September 24
April 30	October 29
May 28	November 19*
June 25	December 17*

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**V. Creation of Planning and Development Committee**

Chairman Gainer announced the establishment of the CCLBA Planning and Development Committee. Chairman Gainer announced that committee membership is open and invited all directors interested in joining the committee to contact her. **No action taken.**

**VI. Approval of November 21, 2014 Meeting Minutes**

Director Grisham, seconded by Director Saffo, moved to approve the meeting minutes of the November 21, 2014 Cook County Land Bank Special Meeting. **The motion carried unanimously.**

**VII. Financial Report**

Director Holmes, CCLBA Treasurer, was absent and did not give a financial report. **No action taken.**

**VIII. Chairman's Report**

Chairman Gainer delivered the Chairman's report and wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season. **No action taken.**

**IX. Executive Session**

Director Grisham, seconded by Director Brewer, 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 with 12 Yeas, 0 Nays, and 4 Absent, and the Board moved into Executive Session.**

**X. Adjournment**

Director Grisham 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

---

**Bridget Gainer, Chairman**

Attest.

---

**Director Ostenburg, Secretary**