

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOUSING AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

**Annual Meeting**

Executive Director's Conference Room  
1133 N. Capitol St., N.E. Washington, DC  
Wednesday, December 14, 2016

Commissioner Terri Thompson, Chairman

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Commissioner Ken Grossinger

Commissioner Clarence Mobley

Commissioner Shelore Fisher

Commissioner Aquarius Vann-Ghasri

Commissioner Kenneth Council

Commissioner Bill Slover

Commissioner Frank Lancaster

Commissioner Brian Kenner

Commissioner Jose Ortiz Gaud

Commissioner Nakeisha Neal Jones

Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order on Wednesday, December 14, 2016 at approximately 10:07 am. Director Todman announced the notice of the Annual meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PRESENTATION OF THE  
NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL  
MEETING**

The General Counsel stated that each year the Board elects a Vice-Chair. The Vice-Chair serves in the Chair's absence or if the Chair becomes incapacitated. The General Counsel described the election process. Commissioner Council nominated Commissioner Bill Slover and stated that Commissioner Grossinger has served well as Vice-Chair and the longest serving Commissioner. He further stated that Bill comes with good nuances that will enhance the goals of the Board. Commissioner Slover accepted the nomination of Vice-Chair and stated that he hopes to bring alternative thinking and move the Board forward. Commissioner Grossinger stated that he is not running again for Vice-Chair and that his interests are in seeing in a new Executive Director. Commissioner Neal Jones asked Commissioner Slover how he would couple his desires with the Chair to move the Authority forward. Commissioner Slover stated that he offers alternative ways to look at things for ideas and will continue to do so. Commissioner Kenner asked what is the responsibility of the Vice-Chair. The General Counsel stated that per the bylaws the designated responsibility is to serve in the absence of the Chair or the incapacitation of the Chair and that all other responsibilities are at the request of the Board. The Board took a vote by a show of

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CHAIR**

hands. Commissioner Slover was confirmed as Vice-Chair by a unanimous vote.

The Board was provided with a document of the Board of Commissioners Standing Committees. The Chairs of the Standing Committees will remain the same.

Director Todman stated that the Board was provided with a draft of the proposed calendar of Board meeting dates and locations for 2017. She stated that the adoption of the calendar last year did not include a January meeting. She also stated that there are two new proposed locations, the Community Center at Capitol Quarter and the Riverside Center which is near Lincoln Heights/Richardson as well as other off site locations. There was discussion regarding the removal of the August meeting and further discussion regarding the rest of calendar. Director Todman also added that there is no new business in January however the timing to take action on LRSP vouchers may result in an emergency meeting if action isn't taken today. There was also discussion on the request to change the March meeting because the resident Commissioners would be attending a conference at the same time. There was discussion about the march meeting being rescheduled. Chairman Thompson stated that action on the calendar would be deferred until after the presentations in Brown Bag. There was discussion regarding the timing of publishing the calendar with the DC Register.

The Office of the General Counsel (OGC) provided the Board with the updated Standards of Conduct and provided an overview of the revised or new portions and emphasized the importance of ethical issues. There was a request for a future ethics session for the Board. There was discussion regarding Board of Ethics and Government Accountability (BEGA) requirements. The Board was also reminded that the annual financial disclosures are due in May of every year. There was discussion regarding the flexibility of policy when when speaking to an elected official. OGC requested that each Board member sign the standards of conduct document and return to their office within a week. A question was raised regarding the removal of the DCHA subsidiary report at the Annual Meeting. It was stated that the report was just given in the Real Estate Symposium. A request was made for an updated subsidiary report.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:58 a.m.

## **APPOINTMENTS TO THE STANDING COMMITTEES**

## **ADOPTION OF CALENDAR OF PUBLIC MEETINGS CY 2017**

## **ANNUAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS AND STANDARDS OF CONDUCT**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURNMENT**