BOARD OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT **MEETING**

January 17, 2006 Richmond, Virginia

Members Present

Members Absent

Mr. Dennis Mitchell

Mr. Brian Mullins

Ms. Ellen Robertson

Mr. Carlos Sol

Mr. Ken Thompson

Mr. Ed Whitmore

Ms. Ann Hunnicutt Ms. Nancy O'Brien Mr. Doug Thomas

Call to Order

Ms. Betty Ann Davis, Chairman of the Board of Housing and Community Development, called the meeting of the Board of Housing and Community Development to order.

Roll Call

The roll was called by Mr. Stephen Calhoun of the Department's Policy Office. Mr. Calhoun reported that a quorum was present.

Public Comment

There was no one requesting to comment at this meeting so the public comment session was closed.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2005 meeting of the Board. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

Report of the **Housing Committee** Mr. Whitmore provided an overview of the Community Development Committee meeting held prior to the full Board meeting. Mr. Whitmore reported that proposed Enterprise Zone Program Regulations were discussed and that all Board members present had attended the Committee meeting. A motion was made to adopt the proposed Enterprise Zone Program Regulation as amended by the Committee. The motion was seconded and unanimously passed.

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Code Development

Mr. Bill Shelton, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development spoke about regulatory code development. Mr. Emory Rodgers, Deputy Director of the Building and Fire Division, made a presentation on current and upcoming building and fire code issues to be considered in the development of the 2006 codes.

VHDA Report

Ms. Susan Dewey, Executive Director of the Virginia Housing Development Authority, spoke briefly about 2006 legislation and the latest member to the VHDA Board of Commissions, the recently appointed State Treasurer.

Virginia Fire Services Board Report Mr. Brian Mullins reported on the hiring of a firm to work on burned building issues. Mr. Mullins spoke on motor sports safety and reported on working with higher education in Virginia to have Fire Safety courses as accredited classes.

Report of the Director

Mr. Bill Shelton, Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development, reported on the new administration and the recently appointed Secretary of Commerce and Trade. Mr. Bill Ernst of the Policy Office provided an overview of legislation introduced to date in the 2006 General Assembly. Mr. Shelton reported on recent CDBG and ARC award announcements and provided a handout for each program. Mr. Shelton also reported on the continuum of care of homeless services.

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

None

Board matters

Mr. Shelton spoke of the requirement for Board members to complete and file their State Conflict of Interests form. Mr. Calhoun provided an update on parking passes for Board members. Mr. Dennis Mitchell provided an brief report on his recent rip to hurricane disaster areas in Southern States.

Future Meetings

The next meeting of the Board will be Monday, March 27, 2006 in Richmond.

Adjournment

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.