

**MINUTES OF THE
LOUISIANA HOUSING COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE CALL
March 23, 2011**

The Executive Committee of the Louisiana Housing Council convened by conference call on March 23, 2011 at 1:30 P.M. President Cindy Martin presided over the LHC Executive Committee Conference Call.

Roll was called of the twenty-seven (27) voting members was as follows:

Voting Members:

Cindy Martin	*present	Vonda Waskom	*present
Bobby Simmons	*present	Theresa Gibson	<u>absent</u>
Ricky Dupuis	*present	Marvin Butler	<u>vacant</u>
Kenneth Habetz	*present	Dorothy Charles	<u>absent</u>
Tonya Mabry	<u>absent</u>	Sarah Roberts	<u>vacant</u>
Dianne Reed	*present	Janet Rush	*present
Fred Wesley	<u>absent</u>	Katie Anderson	*present
Morise Duffin, Jr.	<u>absent</u>	Fred Banks	*present
Richard Murray	*present	David Fontenot	*present
Deborah Tate	<u>absent</u>	Peggy Steele	<u>absent</u>
Sharon Dixon	*present	Kelley McFarlain, Sr.	*present
Beryl Pitre	<u>absent</u>	Harry Becnel	<u>absent</u>
Daniel Strange	*present	Jim Firmin	<u>absent</u>
		Frank Wilcox	<u>absent</u>

Upon completion of the roll call, with fourteen (14) present, it was determined that a quorum had been met and the business of LHC was conducted as follows:

Ken Habetz reported that there was a proposal circulating in reference to combing several state programs in a press release from March 17. Louisiana Housing Finance is a main housing program of the state and is included in the number to combine. It would be in the best interest of LHC not to be dragged into this proposal.

Measure should be taken, to ensure the wording of this bill will not in some way include LHC.

Ken Habetz suggested that an attorney be hired to monitor this process. David Ziober knows the business from the past and would be the one to hire to draft legislation. It is necessary to guarantee representation of Public Housing and LHC on the new board. It was motioned by Fred Banks, seconded by Kelley McFarlain that the fee for these services would not exceed \$15,000.

It was agreed upon to get Joe Wood to talk to the person drafting the legislation and get David Ziober to contact her to coordinate these measures and see what is there prior to leaving. This counsel is being retained to protect the position on the board.

President Cindy Martin asked for a roll call vote. The vote was unanimous that these measures should be pursued.

The conference call was adjourned.

Sharon I. Dixson, LHC Secretary

APPROVED:

Cindy Martin, LHC President

Date