

## MINUTES

**Grand Junction Housing Authority  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
Annual Meeting**

**November 19, 2002  
Conference Room  
1011 North Tenth: Noon**

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### **1. Call to Order**

Gabe DeGabriele, Board Chair, called the Annual Board of Commissioners' Meeting to order at 12:10 p.m. Both the Grand Junction Housing Authority Staff and Board Members shared 100% participation with 27 staff and 7 Board Members attending. The Grand Valley Housing Initiatives Board of Directors' President, Mr. Gene Kinsey, was also in attendance.

An invocation was given by Harry Butler, and individual introductions were made by participants prior to enjoying lunch.

### **2. Election of Officers of the Board of Commissioners for Fiscal Year 2002-2003**

Gabe asked for nominations for Board Chairperson. Gi nominated Gabe to continue in that capacity for the coming year and Cory seconded the motion. There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. The motion passed unanimously with one exception – an abstention from Gabe.

The announcement made by Gabe that Cory had verbally rescinded his resignation was a welcome surprise! Cory's plans have changed and he won't be moving out-of-state after all.

Nominations for Vice Chairperson were requested. Kathleen made a motion that Cory retains his Board position as Vice Chairperson and he accepted. Gabe seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

### **3. Presentation of the Annual Report**

Board Members and Agency staff heard reports given by eight staff members representing various departments which included Jody Kole, Executive Director; Esther Lucero-Cardona, Assistant Director; Mary Gregory, Section 8 Coordinator; Cindy Reed, Housing Advocate; Kathleen Steinberg, Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinator; Steven Elliott, Finance Director; Walter Garcia, Maintenance Supervisor; and Greg Hancock, Development Director. Meeting participants also received copies of the Annual Report.

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The Agency had an outstanding year with several major accomplishments, increased Section 8 lease-up rate, increased community awareness, property improvements, and staff growth most of which is outlined in the Annual Report. On behalf of the Board, Gabe extended his thanks and congratulations to the staff on the tremendous achievements of the year. He is very proud to be a Grand Junction Housing Authority (GJHA) Board Member. The Board rose in a round of applause for the GJHA staff.

#### 4. Other Business, if any

##### November 25<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting

A reminder was issued of the upcoming **regular** November 25<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting at 11:30 a.m.

##### Possible Reschedule/Cancellation of the December Board Meeting

Because of the holidays, it is possible the December Board Meeting will be either rescheduled to a different date in December or cancelled. Further discussion will continue at the November 25<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

##### Agency Christmas Party

Everyone was reminded the Christmas Party will be held on December 14th.

#### 5. Adjourn

There being no further business, Erin made a motion at 2:00 p.m., and it was seconded by Cory, to adjourn the Annual Meeting.