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**EOPA**  
**Board of Trustees Annual Meeting**  
**December 19, 2008**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ed Scrutchins, Norman A. Bell, Sarah Dobrzykowski, Theodore Patton, Donnetta Carter, Jay Black, Earl Murry, Richard Jackson, Anna M. Walker, Edna Brown

**STAFF PRESENT:** Robert Jordan, William Mosley, Eric Slack, Pat McGreevy, Weldon Douthitt, Mitchell Gorsha, Leona Moore Ash, Greg Hopkins, James H. Powell, Dr. Albert Scott

**GUEST:** Cheryl Slack, Kate Giammarise, Geraldine Scrutchins, Ora Bell, Sylvester Gould, Pamela Hopkins, Margaret Murry, Jackie Patton, Vince Davis, David Dobrzykowski, Bernadine Powell, Andre Washington, Yolanda Jackson, Sandra Scott

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**ROLL CALL:**

Chairperson Jay Black called for the roll call. There being 10 members present, a quorum was established and Mr. Black called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Chairperson Black asked that the agenda be amended by adding an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.

Chairperson Black asked for a motion to approve the agenda.

**Motion:** Trustee Norman Bell moved to approve the agenda with the changes. Anna Walker seconded. Motion carried

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** – Nov. 24, 2008:

Chairperson Black asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes.

- Norman Bell's name was recorded incorrectly as Norman Black.
- Anna Walker said the number of people attending the Head Start National Convention, in Atlanta, Georgia was 3 parents and 9 staffers

**Motion:** Moved by Trustee Richard Jackson to accept the minutes with the necessary changes. Trustee Anna Walker seconded. Motion carried.

## **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Chairperson Black stated that the Finance Committee Chairman was excused due to employment obligations; therefore, the Finance Committee meeting was postponed.

The Chairperson stated that the Executive Director's Search Committee will report tonight after the Trustees Executive Session.

## **PROGRAM REPORTS**

Chairperson Black asked if there were any questions or comments on the Program Reports included in the board packets. There being none, Chairperson Black called for a motion to accept the Program Reports.

**Motion:** Moved by Theodore Patton to accept the Program Reports. Anna Walker seconded. Motion carried.

## **Special Presentation**

Andre Washington, Ohio Association of Public School Employee's Field Representative presented to Anna Walker, President of Parent Policy Council, a donation in the amount of \$500 for EOPA Head Start Policy Council to be employed in the recruitment of parents and children.

Chairperson Black requested a motion for the Board of Trustees to convene an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

**Motion:** Moved by Anna Walker to suspend the regular board meeting to convene an Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter. Norman Bell seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting suspended at 7:37 p.m.

**Motion:** Trustee Earl Murry moved to reconvene the EOPA Board of Trustees meeting for December 19, 2008. Norman Bell seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting reconvened at 8:20 p.m.

Chairperson Black announced that the EOPA Executive Search Committee has recommended James H. Powell for the position of Executive Director.

Chairperson Black asked for a motion to accept the recommendation of the Search Committee.

**Motion:** Moved by Norman Bell to accept the recommendation of the Search Committee. Donnetta Carter seconded. Motion carried.

Chairperson Black asked James H. Powell if he were offered the position would he accept. Mr. James H. Powell responded that if offered the position, he would accept.

Chairperson Black informed that prior to an offer of employment the board's recommendation must be approved by the Policy Council and forwarded to Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children & Families, Region V with additional information, materials/documentation regarding the process of search and selection for its approval.

The Chairperson person asked for a motion to submit to Region V, for its consideration, the name of James H. Powell as EOPA's recommendation for Executive Director.

**Motion:** Moved by Sarah Dobrzykowski to submit the name of James H. Powell to the appropriate official(s) at Region V for the position of Executive Director. Anna Walker seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Chairperson Black asked if there was any old business to discuss.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Chairperson Black asked if there was any new business to discuss.

There being no old or new business, Chairperson Black called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**Motion:** Moved by Richard Jackson to adjourn the EOPA Board of Trustees Meeting for December 19, 2008. Theodore Patton seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:15 p.m.

Jay Black

President, EOPA Board of Trustees