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Governance Board Meeting Minutes

August 4, 2026, 10:30 A.M.

[Zoom Meeting Recording](#)

Board Members Present: Emily Lowery (Region 2), Chasity Houck (Region 3), Lauren Singleton Pendergraft (Region 4), Erin Gaskin (Region 5), Jai Baker (Region 6), Tonya Gray Young (Region 7), Dr. Dia Thomas (Region 8), Anita Lynch (Region 9), LaKitra “Kit” Claude (Region 11), Lynne F. James (Region 12), Brian Fike (Region 13), Kay Carroll, Melissa Hewitt, Angela Harper King, Kim Crawford, Anelia “Neely” Ward, Erin Joy Crossfield, Brooks Ann McKinney, Tim Gunthrie, Cassandra “Cassie” Rowe, Tara Peele, Allison Dahle, Kerry Bashaw, Maria Alyse Bryant

Board Members Absent: Lori Watts (Region 1), Sommer Rector (Region 1 Alternate), Ashley Kornegay (Region 10), Terence Staten (Region 10 Alternate), Jackie Lucas, September Tuttle, Rebecca Laton, Benjamin “Benji” Horton, Charlotte Boyd-Malette, *Makala Perez, *Timothy “Tim” Rogers

Collaborative Applicant & Lead Agency Staff Present: Dr. Latonya Agard, Joanne Cain, Andrea Carey, Alicia Price-Blanks, Tamara N. Owens, Natasha Posey, Mary Ann Priester, Natalie Rivera, Teresa Robinson, Dashia Shanks, Jenny Simmons, Ashley Von Hatten, Mira Sanderson

Guests/Public Attendees: Approximately 74 additional attendees were present virtually.

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Quorum was reached and the meeting was called to order.

The consent agenda was circulated for review before the meeting and is available at <https://ncceh.org/governance-board/>.

Brian Fike motioned to approve the consent agenda without changes or objections. Dr. Dia Thomas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with no opposition and abstention.

COLLABORATIVE APPLICANT UPDATES

Governance Board’s Executive Committee Election

Allison Dahle nominated herself for the position of Chair. Dr. Dia Thomas moved to elect Allison Dahle as Chair, and Emily Lowery seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition.

Priscila Ward accepted the nomination for Vice Chair. Erin Joy Crossfield moved to elect Priscila Ward as Vice Chair, and Allison Dahle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Lynne F. James self-nominated for the position of Secretary. Brian Fike made a motion to accept the self-nomination and nominate Lynne F. James for the position of Secretary, which was seconded by Kim Crawford. The motion passed unanimously, and Lynne F. James was elected Secretary.

Angela Wallace was nominated for the position of Treasurer and accepted the nomination. As the sole nominee, a motion was made to elect her as Treasurer. The motion passed unanimously, and Angela Wallace was elected Treasurer.

COC PROGRAM COMPETITION UPDATE

- Local Project applications were due on Friday, July 24, 2026. There was a total of 32 applications submitted. 21 were Renewals project applications and 11 were New.
- Local project applications are being reviewed by staff and Project Review Committee (PRC) members and will conclude on Thursday, August 6, 2026. On Friday, August 7, 2026, the PRC will meet to draft the FY2026 COC Program Competition Priority Listing
- **Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at 10:30 AM** – The Governance Board will have a special meeting to review and approve the Priority Listing.
 - Please note that this meeting will also review any ESG appeals (if applicable).

CY 2027 PROPOSED ESG PROGRAM SLATE OF APPLICANTS

Region	Agency	SO	ES	RRH	HP	HMIS
1	Here in Jackson Co	\$15,000	\$33,097	\$56,254	-	\$0
	REACH of Macon	-	\$25,000	-	-	-
2	The Haven of Transylvania County	-	\$50,000	-	-	-
	Love and Respect	\$22,856	-	-	-	-
3	Mission Ministries Alliance	\$37,049	\$60,220	\$79,000	-	-
	Dulatown Outreach	-	\$16,000	-	-	-
4	ECHO Ministry, Inc. dba The ARK	\$3,606	\$35,000	-	-	-
	Greater Mt. Airy Ministry of Hospitality, inc. dba The Shepherd's House	\$3,606	\$21,500	-	-	-
	Diakonos, Inc.	-	\$38,336	\$68,600	-	-
5	Community Shelter of Union County	\$10,000	\$53,367	\$113,314	-	\$2,275
	Rowan Helping Ministries	\$13,000	-	-	-	-
	Davidson County First Hope Ministries	-	\$3,801	-	-	-
	Family Crisis Council of Rowan	-	\$35,000	-	-	-
	Homes of Hope	-	\$45,000	-	-	\$2,275

	Davidson Medical Ministries	\$20,000	-	-	-	\$2,275
6	Allied Churches of Alamance County	-	\$84,695	-	-	-
	Central Pines Regional Council	\$35,000	-	-	-	-
7	Friend to Friend	-	\$70,000	-	-	\$2,200
	SAFE of Harnett Co	-	\$72,040	-	-	-
	HAVEN in Lee Co	-	\$67,600	-	-	-
	Brick Capital CDC	-	-	\$144,080	-	-
	Outreach Ministries	-	\$4,281	-	-	-
8	Southeastern Family Violence Center	-	\$42,000	\$55,000	\$68,454	\$5,000
9	Hand Up Ministries	-	\$137,991	-	-	-
	Centre for Homeownership & Economic Development	-	-	\$91,995	\$0	-
	United Community Ministries	-	\$0	-	-	-
10	Wilson County Interfaith Services, Inc. dba Hope Station	-	-	\$79,718	\$13,251	\$3,502
	Greene Lamp	-	-	\$84,915	\$53,207	-
	Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries	-	-	-	\$0	\$0
11	River City CDC	-	\$37,500	-	-	-
	Albemarle Hopeline	-	\$30,072	\$45,049	-	-
12	Pitt County Planning Dept.	-	-	\$123,836	-	-
	Greene Lamp	-	\$30,000	-	-	-
13	Carteret Co DV Program	-	\$9,280	-	-	-
	Onslow Victims Center	-	\$0	-	-	-
	Religious Community Services	-	\$0	-	-	-
	United Way of Onslow/Willaims Outreach and Consulting, Inc.	\$18,000	-	\$10,410	\$0	-
	Onslow Community Outreach	-	\$63,333	\$50,000	-	-

For more information about the ESG scoring process, recommendation methodology, and prior-year precedent, please review the presentation slides available at

<https://ncceh.org/governance-board/>

Brian Fike motioned to approve the Project Review Committee's (PRC) recommended slate as presented to the Governance Board for approval. Teena Willis seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Due to conflicts of interest involving Region 2 leadership (Emily Lowery and Carolyn Proctor), Pamela Hinton was appointed to serve as the Region 2 representative and authorized to vote on behalf of the region for this meeting.

Other regions with leadership conflicts of interest (Regions 7 and 12) did not designate an alternate representative to vote on behalf of their regions.

Emily Lowery, Carolyn Proctor, Lauren Singleton Pendergraft, Jana Elliot, Amanda Temmernad, Jai Baker, Tonya Gray Young, Susana Rodriguez, Priscilla Ward, Terence Staten, Angela Wallace, Lynne F. James, Kim Crawford, and Kerry Bashaw all abstained from voting due to their conflicts of interest.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND REMINDERS

Upcoming meetings and key dates, along with more detailed content, can be found in the slide deck posted on the NC BoS CoC page at <https://ncceh.org/governance-board/>.

Allison Dahle motioned to adjourn the meeting. Brian Fike seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 11:47 A.M.

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Next Governance Board Meeting:

Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 10:30 A.M.