

## NEW HANOVER COUNTY COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

**Number of Members:** 11 members

1 YWCA Lower Cape Fear CEO or Designee

5 appointed by County Commissioners; 5 appointed by Wilmington City Council

**Terms:** Each member of the Commission shall be appointed to serve a term of three (3) years, or until a successor is appointed; provided however, that on the initial Commission, three (3) of the members shall serve a term of one (1) year; three (3) of the members shall serve a term of two (2) years; four (4) of the members, including the YWCA Lower Cape Fear CEO, or designee, shall serve a term of three (3) years.

Members shall serve no more than two (2) full successive terms, unless there is a break of at least one (1) full term between appointments.

**Regular Meetings:** Fourth Wednesday of every month at 4:00 p.m.

**Statute or cause creating Board:** BOCC bylaws adopted August 12, 2019.

**Brief on the functions:** The Commission shall be organized for the purpose of acting as an advocate for women and a resource of information on the status of women in New Hanover County for the New Hanover County Board of Commissioners (Board) and Wilmington City Council (Council):

- To identify the status of women and assess the needs of women in New Hanover County (County) and the City of Wilmington (City);
- To provide a status of women in New Hanover County report on an annual basis to the Board and Council;
- To provide information and recommendations to the Board and Council on the needs and issues important to women as it deems necessary in improving and upholding the opportunities in employment, education and community services for all people, regardless of sex;
- To work toward the betterment of the status of women with respect to employment and educational opportunities, health services, child care services, welfare services, financial services, and community leadership opportunities;
- To serve as an umbrella to coordinate and support all women’s initiatives, organizations, and networks in the County and the City including coordinating and cooperating with the YWCA and other organizations involved in activities on the status of women; and
- To conduct educational seminars in collaboration with other organizations for residents and businesses in the County and the City.

| CURRENT MEMBERS   | TERM OF OFFICE     |            |
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|   | APPOINTMENT        | EXPIRATION |
| <b>New Hanover County Members</b>   |                    |            |
| Meaghan Lewis<br>215 Kenwood Ave.<br>Wilmington, NC 28405<br>910-607-2417 (C)         | Unexpired 11/16/20 | 5/31/23    |
| Sheila Evans<br>818 Bradshaw Terrace<br>Wilmington, NC 28409<br>910-233-5480 (C)      | First 10/21/19     | 5/31/23    |
| Bhairavi Jeganathan<br>2153 Fowler Street<br>Wilmington, NC 28403<br>443-424-2472 (C) | First 10/21/19     | 5/31/23    |

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| Dr. Stephanie R. Johnson<br>908 Hazel Bill Court<br>Wilmington, NC 28409<br>504-473-1082 (C)  | First 10/21/19 | 5/31/21         |
| Natosha Tew<br>5128 Greenville Loop Road, Apt. C<br>Wilmington, NC 28409<br>910-777-1444 (C); 910-765-7458  | First 10/21/19 | 5/31/22         |
| <b>City of Wilmington Members</b>   |                |                 |
| Jane Birnbach<br>233 Racine Dr., Unit 6<br>Wilmington, NC 28403<br>910-612-0891 (C) 910-763-4424, ext. 110  | First 2/18/20  | 2/18/22         |
| Katherine Kirby<br>718 Indica Court, Apt. 301<br>Wilmington, NC 28405<br>252-289-4747 (C)   | First 5/19/20  | 5/19/22         |
| Kimberly Spader<br>411 S. 18 <sup>th</sup> St.<br>Wilmington, NC 28403<br>910-585-5223 (H)  | First 3/17/20  | 3/17/21         |
| Bridget Tarrant<br>111 South 9 <sup>th</sup> St.<br>Wilmington, NC 28401<br>708-917-1148 (C)  | First 2/18/20  | 2/18/22         |
| Kathryn C. Wandling<br>916 Arboretum Dr.<br>Wilmington, NC 28405<br>910-508-8209 (C)  | First 3/17/20  | 3/17/21         |
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| <b>YWCA Lower Cape Fear CEO or Designee:</b><br>Velva Jenkins, CEO<br>910-799-6820  | First 10/21/19 | 10/31/22        |
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| Ex. Officio Member:<br>Representative of the North Carolina Council for Women<br>TBD  | TBD            | TBD             |
| Staff liaison: Linda Thompson<br>Chief Diversity and Equity Officer<br>230 Government Center Dr., Suite 120<br>Wilmington, NC 28403<br>910-798-7414 |                | Revised 11/2020 |