



**The North Carolina Partnership for Children  
Fund Development Committee Meeting  
September 9, 2025 Minutes  
9-10 a.m.**

Members Present: Ereka Williams, PhD – Chair, Tembila Covington, Madison Downing, Stuart Mills, and Joseph Patterson

Members Absent: Tina Sherman

Others Present: Safiyah Jackson, Katie Landi, and Maura Pherson – recording secretary

The Fund Development Committee (Committee) of the North Carolina Partnership for Children (NCPC) Board of Directors (Board) met on September 9, 2025 via Zoom video conference. Chair Ereka Williams called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. The presence of a quorum was established.

**Approval of Agenda and Minutes**

A motion was made by Stuart Mills and seconded to approve the agenda. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Stuart Mills and seconded to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2025 Fund Development Committee meeting. **Motion carried.**

**Set Committee Meeting Dates FY 2025-26**

The Committee set its meeting dates for the upcoming year. In fiscal year 2024-25, the Committee scheduled its meetings for the second Tuesday, every other month from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. The Committee agreed to continue with this schedule starting in 2026. The Committee agreed to meet starting in 2026 after new Board members are officially appointed.

The meeting dates for FY 2025-2026 are:

January 13, 2026  
March 10, 2026  
May 12, 2026  
July 14, 2026  
September 8, 2026

A motion was made by Stuart Mills and seconded to approve the dates for FY 2025-26. **Motion carried.**

**Grant Submission Updates – Z. Smith Reynolds**

The grant submission with ZSR has been submitted.

**First Citizens**

NCPC received an invitation to apply for a general use grant. The expectation is First Citizens will provide a grant for \$100,000 and this will lead to other grants in the future as the beginning of a long-standing philanthropic relationship.

**FY24-26 Fund Development Committee Plan of Action Suggestions**

The Committee reviewed the Fund Development Plan of Action and the Committee charge.

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**Final Communication Materials**

The Committee reviewed the final versions of the communications materials. These will be printed and made available at the Smart Start Event and the Board Retreat.

**CRM Next steps**

NCPC is transitioning away from using Blackbaud and has selected Bloomerang as the new CRM because it is user friendly and more intuitive.

**Recap action items and follow-up:**

- Set meeting dates
- Reviewed FY25-26 Fund Development Committee Plan of Action for Board approval
- Reviewed Communications Material

**Adjournment**

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10 a.m.

Minutes submitted by:

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