

# **Ericka M. Ellis-Stewart**

School Board At-Large Candidate Profile

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## **Professional Summary**

Accomplished, results-oriented executive with over 17 years of experience in the non-profit management arena. Expertise includes program development, outcome measurement, contract management and compliance, fundraising/cultivation, and management of volunteers and staff.

## **Professional Experience**

<b>MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA OF CENTRAL CAROLINAS DONOR RELATIONS SPECIALIST</b>	2015 - PRESENT
<b>CHARLOTTE CROP HUNGER WALK WALK DIRECTOR</b>	2013 - 2015
<b>UNC CHARLOTTE – BELK COLLEGE OF BUSINESS (State University) - Charlotte, NC <i>BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE SPECIALIST EXECUTIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM MANAGER</i></b>	2011 - 2013
<b>RAMSEY-PEELE CORPORATION (An Educational Services Firm) - Charlotte, NC <i>BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR</i></b>	2010 - 2010
<b>YMCA OF GREATER CHARLOTTE – (Johnston Branch) - Charlotte, NC <i>BRANCH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR &amp; OPERATIONS DIRECTOR</i></b>	2005 - 2009
<b>RIGHT MOVES FOR YOUTH – (A Drop-Out Prevention Agency) - Charlotte, NC <i>EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR &amp; DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT</i></b>	2001-2004
<b>HANDS ON CHARLOTTE – (A non-profit volunteer service organization) - Charlotte, NC <i>COMMUNITY RELATIONS / DEVELOPMENT MANAGER &amp; OPERATIONS MANAGER</i></b>	1999 - 2001
<b>CHARLOTTE HOUSING AUTHORITY - (A non-profit affordable housing agency) - Charlotte, NC <i>COMMUNITY SERVICES SPECIALIST</i></b>	1998 - 1999
<b>THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR COMMUNITY AND JUSTICE (NCCJ*) – (A human relations agency) - Charlotte, NC <i>PROGRAM COORDINATOR/DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST</i></b> <i>*Formerly known as The National Conference of Christians and Jews</i>	1997-1998

## **Awards & Recognition**

**2013 CUBE Annual Award for Urban School Board Excellence** (Council of Urban Boards of Education – CUBE)

**2012 Gantt-Watt Legacy Award** (Young Democrats of North Carolina)

**2011 Professional Achievement Award** (Nat'l Assoc. of Negro Business & Professional Women)

**Pride Emerging Leader Award Recipient** (Pride Magazine)

**40 under 40 Award Recipient** (Charlotte Business Journal)

**Five Outstanding Young North Carolinians Award Recipient** (North Carolina Jaycees)

**Ten Outstanding Young Charlotteans Humanitarian Award Recipient** (Charlotte Jaycees)

**Competent Toastmasters Award** (Toastmasters International)

**Governor's Achievement Award** (Given by former North Carolina Governor Jim Hunt)\*

**Arkansas Traveler Award** (Given by former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee)\*

*\*Both awards presented for excellent leadership contributions to the welfare of the issuing state*

## **Education & Certifications**

**Bachelor of Arts - History / Organizational Communications (concentration)**, QUEENS COLLEGE - Charlotte, NC  
**Six Sigma Green Belt**, BANK OF AMERICA TRAINING CENTER – Charlotte, NC  
**Business Essential Certification**, WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY – Charlotte, NC Campus  
**Clifton Strength Finder Coach Certification**, GALLUP ORGANIZATION - Gallup University  
**Principles & Practices, Budgeting/Fiscal Management and Volunteerism**, YMCA OF THE USA  
**Entrepreneurship Series**, INSTITUTE FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP – CENTRAL PIEDMONT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

## **Community Leadership & Civic Memberships**

Council on Urban Boards of Education (CUBE) – National Steering Committee Member 2013 - 2016  
North Carolina Association of Scholastic Activities – Board Member – NC School Board Association Representative 2012 - 2015  
Clean Air Carolina – Board Member 2011 – 2016, Vice-Chair 2014, 2015  
Phillip O. Berry Academy School Leadership Team (SLT) – Member, 2012 & 2013  
Women’s Inter-Cultural Exchange (WIE) – Member 2011  
Mecklenburg County PTA Council – Board Member 2011  
NC Women in Public Service – Women in Office Institute Graduate - 2010  
Harding University High School – School Leadership Team, President 2010 - 2011, Co-Chair of Student Achievement Committee 2009  
Harding University High School – PTSA, Scholarship Committee Chair – 2010, 2011  
Piedmont Middle School – School Leadership Team 2010 - 2011  
Citizen’s Task Force on Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools Stakeholder Conference on Management & Governance, Forum Facilitator  
Lee Institute & Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department Racial Profiling Community Focus Group, Facilitator  
“Achieve Together” Community Circle – Participant & Education Advocate  
Crown Jewels Chapter of the LINKS, Inc. - Marketing Committee & National Trends & Service Facet  
United Way of Central Carolinas African-American Leadership Initiative (AALI)  
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools - Long-Range School Facilities Master Plan Advisory Committee – 2001-2002, 2003-2004  
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. - Alpha Lambda Omega Chapter, Executive Comm. /Special Projects 2001  
Charlotte Mecklenburg Advocates for Public Education – Public Engagement Committee 2001 – 2003  
Catawba Lands Conservancy – Board Member 2001  
Camp Anytown, Co-Director 1997 – 2001  
Leadership America North Carolina (Class of 2005)  
Leadership North Carolina Alumni (Class VI)  
Focus On Leadership (Class X) – Class Project Co-Chair, Youth Programming Consultant  
Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools – Character Education Task Force – Marketing & Outreach Committee

## **Professional Affiliations**

YMCA Marketing Management Team 2008  
Association of YMCA Professionals (AYP) 2005 - 2008  
National Association of YMCA Development Officers (NAYDO) 2005 -2008  
Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) – Member (1998 – 2005) Board Member 2001  
POST (Partners In Out of School Time) Task Force Member (2001 - 2005)  
United Way of the Central Carolinas Council of Agency Executives (2001-2005)

## **Personal Information**

Married to Marcus Stewart  
Two children, Sidney and Quinten  
Age – 41 years

## **Contact Information**

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