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### **ESC ELECTS BOARD OFFICERS, VICE CHAIR AND NEW DIRECTORS**

The Executive Service Corps of the Triangle has unanimously retained its chair, treasurer and secretary and elected a new vice chair and four new directors to begin 2-year terms on Jan. 1, 2010.

**Joan Lipsitz**, who was re-elected chair, is a Senior Fellow at MDC and program director at Lilly Endowment, Inc.. She was founder and director of the Center for Early Adolescence at UNC-Chapel Hill.

**Beth Maxwell**, the **new vice chair**, has held a number of nonprofit leadership positions, including president of Durham United Way and president of the Junior League of Durham and Orange County.

**Don Wells**, secretary, is the former director of Duke University's Certificate Program in Nonprofit Management, former executive director of Durham County Habitat for Humanity, and former principal of Carolina Friends School.

**Tom Cogswell**, treasurer, is a CPA, former group controller for FKI Plc, and finance director of Durham's Partnership for Children.

The **four new directors** have a wide variety of experience. **The Reverend Laura Benson** is the executive director of Triangle Lutheran Family Services of the Carolinas and has vast nonprofit executive experience.

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**Dave Gettles**, a retired executive from Nationwide Insurance, is a consultant and client relations manager at ESC. He is also an executive coach and management consultant and teaches business coaching at N.C. State University.

**Michael Gulley** is director of Annual Giving and Stewardship at the WakeMed Foundation.

**Gracie Johnson-Lopez** is senior vice president of Administration/Human Resources at North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company in Durham.

Lipsitz praised the new directors, saying "They bring years of business and nonprofit management expertise that will greatly advance ESC's mission to serve the Triangle's nonprofit organizations."

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