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HOLSEY CHAPEL ACADEMY OF EXCELLENCE PUBLIC FORUM

FITZGERALD, GEORGIA – MARCH 5, 2009: The public is invited to come out and hear different professionals, educators, parents, and students speak and answer questions about the petitioned charter school in Ben Hill County. Please meet us on Saturday, March 7th at 4:00 p.m. at the Monitor Community Center. Panel guests include, but are not limited to:

(1) A representative from Mr. Andrew W. Broy, Associate Superintendent Georgia Department of Education Policy and Charter Schools office in Atlanta, Georgia.



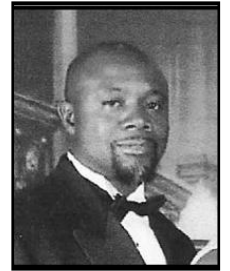
(2) Mr. Michael Windom, Chairman, Dougherty County Board of Education and Georgia School Board Association District 2 Director. Dougherty County has successfully implemented several charter schools and is on its way to becoming a Charter System in South Georgia.



(3) Dr. Kim Ezekiel, Principal of Len Lastinger Primary School in Tifton, Georgia. She is a Distinguished Georgia Educator as named by former Secretary of State Cathy Cox and also has received a Congressional Award from Congressman Sanford Bishop and the IRA Leadership Award.



(4) Rev. Dr. Marvin J. Howard, Sr., Principal of Montgomery County Middle School, Mt. Vernon, Georgia and Charter Petitioner for the Holsey Chapel Academy of Excellence.



(5) Ms. Mary Sullivan, Guidance, Testing, Evaluation & Placement Coordinator, Baconton Community Charter School, Baconton, Georgia which serves Kindergarten through 12th Grade. An education doctoral candidate, she joined the school reform movement in the spring of 2000 when she signed the first parent contract for her two children to attend Baconton Community Charter School, approximately four months before the opening day of school. She has contributed to the renewing of the school's charter, gaining initial SACS accreditation, and establishing both traditions and instructional programs at the school.



(6) A teacher, parent, and student from existing Charter Schools.

If you would like to hear more, please meet us on Saturday, March 7th at 4:00 p.m. at the Monitor Community Center. Join the challenge towards a better educational future for the children of Ben Hill County. Yes, We Can!

More information is available on the Holsey Chapel website, www.cmefitzgerald.org .

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