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Education Symposium Panelists from Raleigh/Wake County, North Carolina

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Bill Fletcher represents Western Wake County on the Wake County Board of



Education. He graduated from Broughton High School and NC State University. Today Bill serves as Vocational Services Director in the Cary Rotary Club and leads a team of Rotarians who focus on literacy and leadership. Bill enjoyed a 25 year career in marketing and advertising. He and his team at Keller Williams Realty help people buy and sell residential real estate.

Kevin L. Hill is a member of the Wake County Board of Education, representing



North Raleigh. He retired in 2005 from the Wake County Public School System, where he spent his entire career. Currently, he is a teaching assistant professor and the assistant program coordinator for undergraduate Secondary Social Studies Education at North Carolina State University.

He holds a B.A. in History from North Carolina State University where he graduated Magna cum Laude in 1976. He earned his M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction with a supervisor's certification from NCSU in 1981. During his career with the Wake County Public School System, Mr. Hill served as both a teacher mentor and administrative mentor. He taught secondary social studies for 14 years and served as a principal for 14 years.

Christine Kushner is the chair of the Wake County Board of Education, a



professional policy analyst and freelance writer who has lived in Wake County since 1989. A product of North Carolina public schools, she graduated as a Morehead Scholar from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and has a Master's Degree in Public Affairs from Princeton University. She has been active in several PTAs, has served on school improvement teams, has served as a facilitator in the YWCA

Study Circles program, and volunteers as a tutor and mentor through Communities in Schools.



Travis Mitchell, President and Executive Director, Communities in Schools Wake County, marketing/media executive and graduate of Wake County Schools. He has more than 20 years of executive management, marketing and media experience in the cable television and magazine publishing industries. In

addition, he has worked with various civic and non-profit organizations in a leadership and management role. Travis Mitchell graduated with honors and received a BA in Communications from Morgan State University (Baltimore, MD) in 1992.



C. Steve Parrott, President of the Wake Education Partnership, a non-profit organization that is largely funded by the business community. The WEP supports evidence-based education practices and works to provide objective information and to support educators in the Wake County Public Schools.