

LEGISLATIVE BLACK CAUCUS OF MARYLAND
EDUCATION: POST SECONDARY SUCCESS BEGINS AT THE BEGINNING
WORKSHOP

Friday, November 5, 2010

Intent: To have an inclusive discussion on the challenges and opportunities faced by African-American youth, adults and institutions in developing a prosperity pathway for African-Americans in the State of Maryland.

Objective: Through an interactive discussion, identify possible legislative and program solutions to address the challenges for African-American youth, adults and institutions to ensure that postsecondary education is a real pathway for closing the wealth gap.

Each workshop has been designed to have a “presenter” identify the issues, data, challenges and opportunities with a panel of expert “respondents” reacting to the presentation and bringing their own expertise to the discussion. Each panel respondent is asked to ensure that his or her comments address the issues as it relates to African Americans and make specific suggestions about potential legislative policy solutions.

Morning Session: **The passport to Maryland’s economic future: African Americans postsecondary success (opportunities and challenges)**

Time: 10:00 to 12:00pm

Location: Ways and Means Committee Room 130

Opening Remarks: Senator Joan Carter Conway

Moderator: Kisha Brown, Greater Baltimore Committee

Presenter: Postsecondary Success: pre-conditions: the student’s readiness, the facilities, the faculty and the resources. -Zakiya Smith, Senior Policy Advisor, Department of Education, Office of Planning Evaluation and Policy Development

Panel Respondents: Presidents of the following Maryland HBCU’s: Morgan State University, Dr. David Wilson; Coppin State University, Dr. Reginald Avery; Bowie State, Dr. Mickey Burnim; University of Maryland-Eastern Shore, Dr. Thelma Thompson ; Legislative invitee: Delegate John Bohanan; Senator Richard Madaleno, Chair, Maryland Scholars Committee.

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Afternoon Session: Pre K to 20 -preparing for the future despite today's challenges and the tools for success.

Time: 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Location: Ways and Means Committee Room 130

Remarks: Delegate Carolyn J.B. Howard

Moderator: Dr. Patricia Welch, Dean, Morgan State University

Presenter: Postsecondary Success: Moving from Pre K to 20 and everything else in between. Preparing for the future despite today's challenges and the tools for success. Quality education plus access remains a pathway for asset growth individuals and our collective economic health. Joseph Scantlebury, Senior Policy Advisor, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Panel Respondents: Dr. Nancy Grasmick, State Department of Education; Dr. Joe Hairston, Superintendent, Baltimore County Public Schools; Dr. William Hite, Superintendent, Prince Georges County Public Schools; Dr. Carolanne Williams, President, Baltimore City Community College; Dr. Charlene Dukes, President, Prince Georges Community College; Dr. Paul Lack, Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs, Stevenson University; Dr. John Wolfe, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Academic Leadership Development, University of Maryland System and Kathy Snyder, President, Maryland Chamber of Commerce