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WakeUP Wake County, a civic, non-partisan non-profit supporting good growth solutions in Wake County and the region, is pleased to announce its **Board of Directors for 2011**. The Board was elected at the January 24 annual membership meeting of WakeUP Wake County. "WakeUP is honored to be served by such an experienced, talented and diverse group of civic leaders, representing our county and community," said Yevonne Brannon, Chair of the Board.

Below is the Board of Directors and their affiliations.

WakeUP Wake County 2010 Board of Directors:

Ram Athavale – College instructor, Wake Technical Community College; Executive Committee, Indian-American Forum for Political Education, North Carolina chapter; Cary

Yevonne Brannon - Director, NCSU Center for Urban Affairs; former member, Wake Board of Commissioners; Clean Water Management Trust Fund board; Raleigh

Beverley S. Clark – former member Wake County Board of Education; previously SE Regional Attorney for The Nature Conservancy; mediator in Wake County; Raleigh

Matthew Danielson - Land and Development Broker, Byrd Commercial; member of NC REAL Board of Directors; former member Town of Cary planning and zoning board; Cary

Larry Dickens - Chair, Raleigh-Wake Citizens Association M-PAC; retired, IBM-RTP; retired, NC Dept. of Transportation; Raleigh

Abeni El-Amin - Adj. Professor, Shaw University and instructor, Wake Technical Community College; member and former chair, City of Raleigh Human Relations Commission; Raleigh

Robin Hammond - environmental attorney; associate member, Wake Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors; Raleigh

Greg Hatem - Managing Partner, Empire Properties; Co-Chair, Southeast Raleigh Assembly; Downtown Raleigh Alliance board member; Raleigh

Brent Laurenz - Director of Outreach, NC Center for Voter Education; field organizer with environmental non-profits; Raleigh

Ron McFarlane - Chief Operating Officer, MedPro RX; Raleigh

Don Mial – Unit Manager, NC Department of Juvenile Justice; former vice-president, Raleigh Wake Citizens Association, member, NC Crime Victim Commission; Knightdale-Raleigh

Paul Morris - President and Principal Consultant for Greenleaf Strategies; urban planner in environmental design, public policy and growth management; Raleigh

Phil Poe - former chair, Raleigh Citizen Advisory Council; retired financial officer, Johnson & Johnson; Raleigh

Nilesh Surti - Civil Engineer; Chairperson, SEANC Minority Council; VP of Garner Citizen Coalition; VP of PTA, Rand Road Elem. School; Garner

Michelle Yip - IT professional, co-chair member, Raleigh Storm Water Management Advisory Commission; Raleigh

Anne-Lise Knox Velez – graduate student in Public Administration, NCSU; Raleigh

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