- Miron has been involved since within a month of hurricane
- 78 of 128 public schools taken over by state and modeled after Charter schools
- Miron does not separate research from advocacy
- Charter schools run on said model for 3 years
- Vice-Chancellor Charles “Chip” Zukoski funding Miron, whose grants have also supported grad students
- $25k grant was used to put on Katrina Summit
- Was a proposal to make entirety of Lower 9th Ward greenspace, housing ownership 60% there pre-Katrina
- Opening of charter schools in Dec. ’05
- Colleague of Miron has been working in Tremay (sp?) community, had recently applied for charter license at time of interview
- Government has been slow in helping, led to an upsurge in citizen engagement-such neighborhood planning well-funded
- Charter schools have been accused of keeping out minorities and disabled
- More security guards on some HS campuses than teachers
- Civic engagement not involved with charter schools
- Miron wants to build network in NO to help affect the future of education in NO through civic engagement
- 3 types of schools-old parish school, charter, and public
- Is trying to figure out if opening more schools will help bring back housing stock
- Believes some schools opened sooner than they should have
- Charter schools were result of lack of/a poor plan for reopening schools at the state level
- Mainstream view that school system better off now b/c it was failing before then-Louisiana public schools viewed as among worst in nation
- Recreation of school system shows what goes into the makings of public school systems
- Charter school idea was to accelerate learning for students who had fallen a few grades behind
- Envisions online course of school design stemming from what happened as result of Katrina
- Ward sees relationship between mayoral takeover of schools in Detroit with charter school-state takeover in NO
- Has documented the rebuilding of a house in Lower 9th Ward by its resident