

BOLTON ACADEMY

Date: **September 18, 2024**

Time: **6:30pm**

Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s1VkqWTUgyc>

- I. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Nikki Knox at 6:36pm
- II. Roll Call:

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Shavaun Mincey	Present
Parent/Guardian	Joanna Caceres-Aponte	Absent
Parent/Guardian	Meredith Castelan	Present
Parent/Guardian	Nikki Knox	Present
Instructional Staff	Michael Armstrong	Present
Instructional Staff	Celine Browne-Roberts	Present
Instructional Staff	Nicole Hinton	Present
Community Member	Avina Gupta	Present
Community Member	Marie Cruzado Jeanneau	Present
Swing Seat	LaKeitha Carlos	Absent

Quorum Established: Yes, (7/9)

III. Action Items

- a. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: [Marie Cruzado Jeanneau](#); Seconded by: [Michael Armstrong](#)
Members Approving: Shavaun Mincey, Meredith Castelan, Nikki Knox, Celine Browne-Roberts, Nicole Hinton, Avina Gupta
Members Opposing: None
Members Abstaining: None
Motion [The motion to approve agenda passes](#)

- b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** Motion made by: [Michael Armstrong](#); Seconded by: [Nicole Hinton](#)
Members Approving: Shavaun Mincey, Meredith Castelan, Nikki Knox, Celine Browne-Roberts, Avina Gupta, Marie Cruzado Jeanneau
Members Opposing: None
Members Abstaining: None
Motion [The motion to approve previous meeting minutes passes](#)

IV. Discussion Items

- a. School strategic plan
 - i. Strategic plan & priorities review

Shavaun Mincey shared the school’s strategic plan for 2021-2026, which was created by the 2021 GO Team. Top priorities include:

 1. Increase student performance in ELA
 2. Increase student performance in Math
 3. Embed a data-driven, multi-tiered system of support to improve our English Learner performance
 4. Implement the enhanced IB PYP model with fidelity

The group reviewed how strategic plan priorities were ranked in Spring 2024, as well as the continuous improvement plan.
- b. MAP & GA Milestones data
 - i. Shavaun Mincey shared the Spring 2024 MAP and 2024 GA Milestones results. The group discussed “glows” and “grows” – what the data tells us about what’s going well and opportunities for improvement. The group also discussed support and professional development opportunities that are currently offered to teachers to help continue improving academic success. Bolton Academy test scores are moving in a positive direction.
- c. Optional school uniform
 - i. Diana Jacobi shared, as background, that in June 2024 the Atlanta Public School Board of Education approved a new APS-wide dress code. Given the new dress code, any school that prefers a dress code specific for their school for the 2025-2026 school year must engage in a community review process. Historically, Bolton Academy had a school uniform policy years ago which dissolved during the pandemic. Post-pandemic students wear their personal clothing of their own choosing. The group discussed if there is an impact on student behavior at the school currently, as well as the financial burden uniforms will put on families. At this time, the group decided not to explore an optional school uniform for 2025.

V. Information Items

- a. Principal’s Report
 - i. No additional information to share at this time.
- b. Cluster Advisory Team Report
 - i. Meredith Castelan shared an update from the Cluster Advisory Team organizational meeting held on September 18, 2024.

VI. Announcements

- a. Dr. Bryan Johnson, APS superintendent, will meet with Spanish-speaking families at Agape on Thursday, September 19, 2024.
- b. G3 Summit will be held on Saturday, September 28 from 8:30am-2:30pm. 3 GO Team members from each school are suggested to attend.
- c. The North Atlanta cluster listening session with Dr. Bryan Johnson is scheduled Thursday, November 7 at 6pm at North Atlanta High School.

VII. Public Comment none

VIII. Adjournment Motion made by: [Celine Browne-Roberts](#); Seconded by: [Marie Cruzado Jeanneau](#)

Members Approving: Shavaun Mincey, Meredith Castelan, Nikki Knox, Michael Armstrong, Nicole Hinton, Avina Gupta

Members Opposing: None

Members Abstaining: None

Motion [Motion to adjourn the GO Team meeting passes](#)

ADJOURNED AT 7:55pm

Minutes Taken By: [Meredith Castelan](#)

Position: [Secretary](#)

Date Approved: [\[Insert Date When Approved\]](#)