

Booker T. Washington High School

Date: September 10, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Media Center and Online

- I.** Call to order: 5:37 PM on
- II.** Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Tiauna Crooms	Present
Parent/Guardian	Sheri Kimbrough	Absent
Parent/Guardian	Nicole Riggins (Secretary)	Present
Parent/Guardian	Sharifa Jackson	Present
Instructional Staff	Marsha Williams	Present
Instructional Staff	Liza Newberry	Present
Instructional Staff	Sean Stallings (Chair)	Present
Community Member	Lolita Washington	Present
Community Member (WFF)	Tameka Askew	Absent
Community Member	Vacant	
Swing Seat	Lasandra Arnold (Cluster Rep)	Present
Student	Belle Williams (Vice-Chair)	Present
Student	Joseph Rosser	Present

Quorum Established: Yes

III. Action Items

- a. **Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by: Nicole Riggins; Seconded by: Marsha Williams

Members Approving: Unanimous

Members Opposing:

Members Abstaining:

Motion Passes

- b. **Approval of Previous Minutes:** *List amendments to the minutes: None*
Motion made by: Nicole Riggins; Seconded by: Lasandra Arnold

Members Approving: Unanimous

Members Opposing:

Members Abstaining:

Motion Passes

c. **Action Item: Fill Vacant Community Member Seat**

Members Approving: Unanimous

Members Opposing:

Members Abstaining:

IV. Discussion Items

a. **Discussion Item 1:** School Strategic Plan - Reviewed the four SMART goals:

- i. Increase CTAE/fine arts/world language pathway completion by 5% annually
- ii. 60%+ of students will meet MAP growth targets in reading and mathematics
- iii. Increase percentage of students performing proficient and above on EOC tests by 3% annually
- iv. Increase graduation rate by 3% annually
- v. **Crooms:** Explained the school's strategic priorities including fostering a data-informed culture, improving literacy and numeracy, monitoring pathway completion, and creating a STEAM-focused environment.
- vi. **Crooms:** Shared the school's goal to increase graduation rate from 79.7% to 90% by 2026.

ATSI School Status

Principal Crooms explained the school's designation as an Additional Targeted Support and Improvement school.

● **Details**

- **Crooms:** Explained that ATSI designation is due to achievement gaps with the Students with Disabilities (SWD) subgroup.
- **Crooms:** Noted that the school must develop and implement an improvement plan specifically addressing SWD needs with evidence-based strategies.
- **Riggins:** Asked for clarification on what "Students with Disabilities" means.
- **Crooms:** Explained that SWD includes students with IEPs or 504 plans who need additional accommodations.

b. **Discussion Item 2:** Data Discussion - **EOC Test Results Data**

Principal Crooms presented detailed data on End of Course test results, comparing 2024 and 2025 performance.

- **Details**

- **Crooms:** Shared data for Algebra 1, American Literature, Biology, and U.S. History, showing both general education and SWD results.
- **Crooms:** Highlighted improvements, including:
 - Algebra 1: Decrease in beginning learners from 58% to 56% overall; for SWD from 91% to 79%
 - American Lit: Increase in proficient and above categories
 - Biology: Decrease in beginning learners from 94% to 76% for SWD students
 - U.S. History: Significant improvement with beginning learners decreasing from 62% to 41% overall
- **Lolita Washington:** Asked about interventions in place to help struggling students.
- **Crooms:** Explained targeted advisories, double-dosing, strategic scheduling, after-school tutorials, in-house credit recovery, and the upcoming BTW Academy ("night school"). Closing the achievement gap between general education students and Students with Disabilities (SWD), particularly in reading where only 27% of SWD students met their growth goal compared to 62% overall.
- Increasing overall math growth, as only 52% of students hit their MAP math growth target (goal is 70%+).
- Raising proficiency levels on Georgia Milestones, as over 60% of students are still scoring in Beginning or Developing categories.

MAP Assessment Results

Principal Crooms presented data from the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment.

- **Details**

- **Crooms:** Explained MAP is administered in fall, winter, and spring to 9th and 10th graders as a universal screener.
- **Crooms:** Reviewed growth quintile data showing improvements in both reading and math.
- **Crooms:** Noted that 95% of students took the MAP assessment (high "take rate").
- **Riggins:** Asked about the take rate and confirmed the importance of having high participation for accurate baseline data.

Go Team Timeline

Principal Crooms outlined the timeline for Go Team activities for the school year.

- **Details**

- **Crooms:** Noted that the current strategic plan (2021-2025) needs to be updated.
- **Crooms:** Explained that between September and December, the Go Team will review progress on the current plan and develop the 2025-2030 strategic plan.
- **Crooms:** Mentioned that before winter break, the team will vote on strategic priorities for budget discussions.

V. Information Items

- a. **Principal's Report:** Principal Crooms shared information about upcoming school events.

- **Details**

- Crooms: Mentioned the PTA meeting on September 16th at 5:30 PM.
- Lolita Washington: Asked about PTA launch details.
- Crooms: Confirmed PTA dues are \$10 and officers will be elected at the September 16th meeting.
- Crooms: Highlighted other events including mandatory parent-teacher conferences on the 4th Tuesday of each month and Senior Recognition on the 24th.

- b. **Facilities Master Plan Updates** Information was shared about upcoming public meetings regarding APS facilities planning.

- **Details**

- Riggins: Mentioned upcoming meetings on October 20th (virtual at noon and in-person at 6 PM) and November 10th.
- Jackson: Noted she attended a meeting on Monday and that today's Midtown meeting was focusing on overcrowded schools.

VI. Announcements

- a. **Community Meetings**
- b. **Cluster Conversations**

VII. Adjournment

Motion made by: Nicole Riggins; Seconded by: Belle Williams

Members Approving: Unanimous

Members Opposing:

Members Abstaining:

Motion Passed

ADJOURNED AT 7:38 pm

Minutes Taken By: Nicole Riggins

Position: BTWHS GOTeam Secretary

Date Approved: