

The Historic Booker T. Washington High School

Date: **April 14, 2021**

Time: **4:00p.m.**

Location: **Zoom/Facebook Live**

Role	Name <i>(or Vacant)</i>	Present or Absent
Principal	Angela Coaxum-Young	present
Parent/Guardian/GO TEAM CHAIR	Byron Amos	present
Parent/Guardian/CLUSTER REPRESENTATIVE	Davida Huntley	present
Parent/Guardian	Shannon White	absent
Instructional Staff	Larry Alford	present
Instructional Staff	Sean Freeman	present
Instructional Staff	Chimiya Turner-Smith	present
Community Member	Kaamel Nuri	absent
Community Seat	Sylvia Russell	absent
GO TEAM VICE-CHAIR	Nina Packer	absent
Swing Seat / SECRETARY	Shaleisa Brewer	present
Student <i>(High Schools)</i>	Oumy Gueye	absent

I. Call to Order.

- a. Roll Call
- b. Establish Quorum- Quorum Established

II. Public Comment- No public comment was made at this meeting

III. A Minute in Time - BTWHS History

- a. Shaleisa Brewer acknowledged the Atlanta nine, three of which attended Washington High School before desegregating

IV. Action Items

- a. Approval of Agenda- Motion made by Davida Huntley; Seconded by Sean Freeman
- b. Approval of Previous Minutes- Motion made by Davida Huntley; Seconded by Sean Freeman

V. Presentation

- a. A year of reflection ...Looking forward to the Future.
- b. Dr. CY thanked the GO Team and acknowledged Byron Amos for his leadership
- c. Summer school will be offered this year
 - a. District's attempt to close the deficit in student's learning
 - b. Summer school will be at Mays this year —physical and virtual option available
 - c. Going after students who have shown deficits at high school level (credit hours and disengagement)
 - d. Supporting students with math and literacy
 - e. June 2- 30
 - f. Summer school principal is K. Moore
 - g. Transportation provided
- d. Glows
 - a. Exceptional Ed team is projecting a grad rate exceeding the state target
 - b. Redesigned Signature Program to focus on AgSTEM
 - i. Now building out AgLab with vertical farm
 - ii. Every student will finish with an aquaculture state credential

- iii. Washington will be growing crops inside the school
- iv. Students will learn about a variety of AgSTEM careers
- v. Washington will be first urban agricultural program in the state.
- c. Makeover process for the school
 - i. Mrs. Shanks will be a GA credentialed archivist
- d. Football program made it to the State Playoffs
 - i. Coach Avery recognized as Coach of the Year by the Atlanta Falcons
 - ii. Mr. Garner recognized as Teacher of the Year by Fox 5
- e. Next year will be an awareness and planning year for the middle schools
 - i. Computer Science is still the Washington Way
 - ii. Middle schools will have digital technology as an elective
 - iii. Washington built a magnet program that is accessible to all students regardless of background
- f. 20 Teachers are adding AgSTEM to their certification
- g. Seniors were asked to write a wish list
 - i. Google drive created for seniors with a wish list
- h. Ms. Brewer discussed the Adopt-a-Centennial celebration
 - i. Initiative now open to ALL alumni
 - ii. Google form is on FB
- i. Seniors are brainstorming needs for senior class
- j. Amos asked Dr. Coaxum-Young to have a discussion about what the “Centennial” class is to make sure everyone is on the same page.
- k. Mrs. Huntley raised the question about who the farm belongs to
 - i. Neither the school nor the district owns the property. It was offered as an agreement to use it as a lab

- ii. Students will test the soil for lead
- iii. There will be a level of danger in anything science-related
 - 1. Safety guidelines will be learned and enforced
- I. Chef Alford gave a shout out to:
 - 1. Charlotte Hutchins who is helping to organize Teacher Appreciation Week (first week in May).
 - 2. Dr. Coaxum-Young on May 1 for Principal's Day
 - 3. Lita Todd Washington who is working with a committee to assist students who have special needs
- ii. Parent Portal training (announcement made by Mrs. King-Taylor)
- iii. Healthcare Science pathways are getting certified
- iv. One student received a full-ride to Morris Brown

VI. Chairs Report

- m. Mr. Amos did not have a report but a thank you for Dr. CY.

VII. Announcements

- n. Last day to purchase yearbook is April 19th!
- o. Seniors will have a drive-thru post-graduation ceremony at the school
- p. Another meeting will be held for GO Team to fund yard signs as a collective

VIII. Adjournment 4:58pm

- a. Motion made by Sylvia Russell; Seconded by Davida Huntley