

MEETING NOTICE

School	Date	Time	Location
B.E.S.T. Academy at The Thomas W. Dortch Jr. Institute	12/16/25	5:00	Virtual Facebook Live Click Here To Visit Our Facebook Page

Notice Prepared By: Robert Williams

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Meeting Agenda

(agenda may be amended)

*This meeting **will not** allow for Public Comment.*



Go TEAM MEETING AGENDA

Date 9/16/2025 | time 5:00 PM | Location Via Zoom

Participants and Role Assignments:

Robert Williams, Principal	P	Ricky Davis, Instructional Staff	A
Jason Brooks, Parent	A	Sonya Heard, Instructional Staff	P
Hope Dixon, Parent	A	Ray Singer, Community Member	P
Akilah Light, Parent	A	Mr. Conway, Community Member	
Ruquanda Epps-Primas, Instructional Staff	P	Erica Pereira, Swing Seat	P
High School Student, Marcel Copeland	P	Middle School Student, Peyton Ramos	P

Timekeeper: Mr. M. Copeland

Note Taker: Ms. S. Heard

Time	Item	Owner
5:00 PM	Call to Order	Mr. Copeland
5:02 PM	Roll Call & Establish Quorum	Mr. Copeland
5:05 PM	Action Items- a. SEL Activity- <i>Mrs. Epps-Primas led the activity. The individuals were asked to share what they would like to change for the new year. Individuals shared various responses.</i> b. Approval of Agenda-motion was approved by Mr. Singer and seconded by Mr. Conway c. Discussion of Ms. L. Henry as a new member of the GO Team- Marcel motion to approve, motion was led by Mrs. Epps-Primas, and seconded by Mrs. Pereira d. The budget meeting will be on Mar 10, 2026 , Feb. meeting will occur on Feb. 3, 2026-motion for budget finalization Mrs. Pereira, and second by Mrs. Epps-Primas e. Approval of Previous Minutes-approved f. March 10, 2026 meeting will allow for public comments and this will be posted on the site.-motion approved by Mr. Conway and Mrs. Periera seconded the motion.	Mr. Williams Mrs. Epps-Primas-SEL activity
5:20 PM	Discussion Items- CLICK HERE FOR THE POWERPOINT REGARDING THIS SECTION.	Mr. Williams

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	a. School Strategic Plan-finalize the mission and vision. Directly in alignment with the budget. The budget should be in alignment with the goals. In addition, reminder to get back to basics. This is business meeting three and budget four will occur. Mission and vision-consideration of Thomas W. Dortch in both. The comments were read from the last meeting. See the attached powerpoint for additional detail. Discussion of the mission and vision for the sake of simplification and accuracy. i. Strategic Plan & Priorities Review ii. SMART Goals b. Data Discussion i. MAP Results ii. 2025 GA Milestones Results	
5:35 PM	Principal's Report a. Enrollment and Leveling Updates-JROTC met their accreditation, score 98% and various JROTC topics. b. Additional Information Items-STEM Students won in a competition. The food scarcity project is going well. Cluster initiative for attendance is a current focus and cluster focus. APS Forward 2040 - Comprehensive Long-Range Facilities Plan Update-There was a vote to approve recommendations. BEST is staying in place. District highlighted the gains for CCRPI and received a literacy award. Students will receive cell phone pouches.	Mr. Williams
5:40 PM	Announcements a. Last week of school on the 19th of Dec.	Mr. Copeland
5:50 PM	Adjournment-conducted by Mr. Copeland and motioned and approved by Mrs. Epps-Primas and Mrs. Periera.	Mr. Williams