

President's Report

February 19, 2026

President J.W. Crawford III



STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE (SAO) REPORT

SAO Finding

FINDING 1
POLICY REVIEW AND UPDATE

FINDING 2
ACCURATE EXPENDITURE REPORTING

FINDING 3
PROCUREMENT AND CONTRACT SAFEGUARDS

FINDING 4
ASSET MANAGEMENT CONTROLS

FINDING 5
TIMELY AND ACCURATE FINANCIAL REPORTING

FINDING 6
FINANCIAL SYSTEM ACCESS CONTROLS

Reporting Period: January 20, 2026
Last Updated: February 15, 2026



University Audit Response Update

Progress Score

Category	Status
Not Started	0
In Progress	5
Completed	0
Statutory Mandate	1

SAO Findings Summary Dashboard

Finding Area	Status	% Completed	Target Date
Policy Review & Update	In Progress	50%	Mar 2026
Accurate Expenditure Reporting	In Progress	40%	Mar 2026
Procurement & Contract Safeguards	In Progress	65%	Mar 2026
Asset Management Controls	Completed	85%	Mar 2026
Financial Reporting Timeliness	Annual Requirement	--	---
Financial System Access Controls	In Progress	70%	April 2026

Controls Strengthening Map
Before → Fragmented processes
Now → Centralized, documented, validated
New Safeguards Added

- Monthly presidential financial validation
- Independent external audit oversight
- Contract workflow automation
- Enterprise asset reconciliation
- Access control certification
- Public reporting dashboard



Enhanced Leadership



Chief Administration Officer

Dr. Rodney Smith



Chief Human Resources Officer

Dr. Ronald McKinley



**Senior Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs and
Affairs and Community Engagement**

Dr. Jayne Reuben

University Highlights

1

Carnegie Community Engagement

University Distinction

2

Exhibit: “Making and Saving History at HBCUs”

National Museum of African American History and Culture

3

BAMAH Partnership/Film Screening

“Ain’t No Back to a Merry-Go-Round: An Untold Civil Rights Story”

4

University Safety

University Campus Exercise and Evaluation

5

\$4.7M Research Award-Dr. Daniel Vrinceanu

U.S. Dept of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration

6

SWAC Freshman of the Year

Zaniya McClain

Thurgood Marshall Law Center

\$10M Phase One Design Funding

Project Scope

- Construction of a new 239,272 GSF
- 4-story institutional facility

POR Completion - February 2026

Next Phase-Executive review and internal validation

Change Vision

Key Elements of the Change Vision

- **Organizational readiness and maturity** across administrative functions
- **Precision and accuracy** in all operational practices
- Modern **technology infrastructure** university-wide
- A refreshed **physical plant** to drive an enhanced student experience and achieve student success
- **Robust academic portfolio** and design
- **Broadening access** to advance education in support of workforce development and state and regional economic growth
- Diversified **research enterprise**

THANK YOU

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