

Meeting Summary for Christina Rogers's Personal Meeting Room

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Quick recap

The Go team discussed scheduling a crucial budget feedback meeting and reviewed the school's strategic plan, draft budget, and staffing changes for the upcoming year. They also focused on the challenges and potential solutions for the Early College program, and presented a budget proposal for FY 26, including allocations for various programs and expenses. Lastly, the team discussed voting on an unspecified issue, highlighted several student and staff achievements, and concluded with updates on committee reports and uniform adoption.

Next steps

- Principal Rogers to follow up with her boss about reimbursement from Purpose Built for athletic stipends from last year.
- Principal Rogers to explore sharing the media specialist position with Carver STEAM.
- Principal Rogers to investigate if funds from reimbursements can be reallocated to staffing.
- Go Team to reconvene in March to discuss potential uses for the \$93,494 in reserve funds.
- Principal Rogers to provide more details about the proposed staffing plan shared at the Staffing Conference.
- Uniform Committee to reach out to Ms. Tucker or other Go Team members about joining the committee.
- Ms. Freeman to contact Go Team members about joining the Uniform Committee.
- Ms. Tucker to assist Principal Rogers with running things while she is out of town.

Summary

Rescheduling Budget Feedback Meeting

Christina, Kenya, Wykeisha, Amonie, Chaundra, and others discussed scheduling a crucial budget feedback meeting due to the absence of a quorum in the previous two attempts. They considered rescheduling the meeting for Thursday at the same time, with Christina soliciting support for finding new staff members. Chaundra clarified that a quorum of 5 was required due to the team's current vacancies, and Christina confirmed that they needed to fill a community seat and a student seat. The team agreed to proceed with the meeting without their chair, Miss Howe, who was expected to rejoin.

Go Team Budget Feedback Meeting

The Go team conducts their budget feedback meeting for the 2025-2026 school year. Principal Rogers presents the strategic plan, draft budget, and updated spreadsheets. She explains how the budget supports the school's priorities and uses flexibility in allocations. The team reviews and discusses the proposed budget, focusing on how it aligns with the school's programmatic needs and key strategic priorities for the upcoming year.

Strategic Plan, Budget, and Staffing Changes

The meeting covers the school's strategic plan, budget, and staffing changes for the upcoming year. Christina presents the school's mission, vision, and goals, focusing on increasing attendance rates and math/literacy scores. She reviews the approved signature program funding of \$209,395 for a STEM coach and supplies. Christina then discusses proposed staffing changes, including reductions in science, ELA, and math teachers, as well as the removal of the college advisor position. The team raises concerns about increased class sizes and how the work of the college advisor will be redistributed. Christina explains that the changes are aimed at aligning resources with the strategic priorities and increasing early college participation. The team also discusses potential strategies to manage larger class sizes and ensure continued support for students transitioning to college courses.

Early College Program Challenges & Solutions

The meeting revolved around the challenges and potential solutions for the Early College program at the school. Christina discussed the need to transfer ownership of the children back to the advisors and the importance of consistency in practice. She also mentioned the need for a flexible Friday schedule for scholars participating in the early college program. The discussion also touched on the potential loss of the media specialist position and the need to save money. Wykeisha raised concerns about the impact of cutting classroom staff and the need to save the library position. Christina explained that the decision was made to save classroom teachers over the media specialist due to the importance of instructional expertise. The team also discussed the need to strengthen the early college model and promote a college atmosphere at the school.

FY26 Budget Proposal Discussion

Christina presented a budget proposal for FY 26, which included allocations for various programs and expenses. She highlighted the significant cost associated with funding Georgia State for the early college program, which was projected to cost \$56,000. Christina also discussed the allocation of funds for other programs such as teaching supplies, media supplies, field trips, and academic stipends. She sought feedback on the budget proposal and its alignment with the school's strategic priorities, and asked for suggestions on how to connect each adjustment to a strategic goal. Amonie suggested explicitly stating the funding was for Georgia State courses to avoid confusion.

Budget Changes and Staffing Concerns



The Go team discusses the proposed budget changes and the use of leveling reserve funds. Christina explains that she has not allocated the \$93,494 in reserves as she is unsure if she will have access to it. Chaundra clarifies that the team should discuss potential uses for these funds in case they become available in the fall. The team decides to pause the discussion and revisit it at the next meeting in March to allow time for processing the information. There is uncertainty about whether to vote on the budget tonight or table it, given that the staffing conference has already occurred. The team expresses concern about staff members who may lose their positions and discusses the timeline for budget decisions.

Go Team Votes and Updates

The Go Team discusses voting on an unspecified issue, with Kenya Tucker expressing personal comfort to vote. The team proceeds with a motion to vote, which passes. Principal Christina then gives a report highlighting several student and staff achievements, including a Posse scholar, regional tournament players, coaching awards,

and strong participation in the early college program among 10th graders. The meeting concludes with updates on committee reports, a brief discussion on uniform adoption, and expressions of support for Christina, who is dealing with a personal matter.

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