General PTA Mtg Agenda

Friday January 10th at 8:45 am.

1. Call to Order: Melanie Walsh: We want to focus on the future of the PTA in this new decade
2. Old Business
3. Holiday Fair Recap: craft fair went well, we had 17 vendors, made $1075, nobody went home with less than $25, only problem was the space was so small and lots want to do next year. Nobody worked with cash, we used tickets. Next year the flyer will be very specific i.e. no baked goods. We were able to raise $170 for Cystic Fibrosis foundation. We chose that charity because a family at school has 1st grader with a sibling who has cystic fibrosis. The family sent a lovely thank-you note. We also did a toy grab-bag raffle and we sold 200 for $200. Kids loved the grab bag and thought it was fun. The bags were filled with donations. Maybe we need more bags next year, maybe add donations for to PTA wish list on Amazon.
4. Metropolis Coffee Sales Recap: We sold only 1 bag at fair. We should have put next to the coffee we were giving out. The location was a problem, but we should do again with corrected location. Overall it raised $1700. Maybe we can give leftovers for teacher appreciation or put in grab bags
5. New Business
6. Gala 2020 (March 27): This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. Letters were sent home before the holidays. We need more silent auction items. If people can think of the places they go regularly to get hair and nails done, etc., bring a form for donation. If you have ideas and don’t like to ask, feel free to forward to Erika or Melanie and the will ask. It is ok to double ask on little things, don’t need to check in first.

Live auction: we need more unique things i.e. a chef? Vacation home? Concert tix? Sports tix? Hockey and basketball are not as valuable because it is the end of the regular season. Stick to baseball/football. OR unique experiences you can’t get otherwise. The live auction comes together at the end as we see what comes in.

In PTA blast for next week we will include an ask for food/drink. The event is free, though you do pay for drinks ($5/drink)- we ask local restaurants and all food/beer/wine is donated. We are short on beer and need more wine. If you know anyone in the business, please reach out. Might be good to get a keg? if you know a brewery or go to a bar regularly that might donate, let them know we are a 501c3, it is tax deductible and we will go pick up. And we can put their logo on marketing materials if we get their info soon. Think of what’s in your neighborhood and make some asks. If folks don’t want to donate wine, maybe they want to host a wine tasting. Any new, different ideas are welcome

Question: do you have volunteers for St. Josaphat auction on Feb. 22? Need to verify date and round up volunteers.

Raffle will be leading up to auction as always.

1. Daughter’s choice dance- Feb. 7. Idea: Dads are often just standing around, maybe 50/50 raffle during? Something to keep dads busy? We are using the same photographer, have a volunteer DJ, and the 8th grades national honors society students will help. It will be in PTA blast next week and is on the calendar. We have no further needs at this time. People can turn in money before or the day of the event- PayPal not ideal b/c they take a fee so better to use Zelle.

1. Committee Business
2. President
3. Community
4. Fundraising

Fiving Tuesday raised $4700 toward auditorium AV equip and water stations. Ms. Davlantes is getting final quotes for AV projector, and will buy 2 water filling stations- we wanted to do 5, will keep fundraising for additional 3.

The gym floor was finally approved and just a matter of getting scheduled.

1. Treasurer
2. Education
3. Membership
4. Recording Secretary
5. Other Business
6. Adjourn: Next mtg. Feb. 14th