Friends Meeting Wednesday, September 18th, 2019 at 5:30 PM

Agenda for the meeting:

Discuss the two events the PTO does every year; the Dance and the Walk-a-thon and to come up with ideas for how to raise more money

Meeting

Started with introduction to PTO; We have two missions: To provide fun activities and to raise money for field trips

Families introduced themselves, their name, and their children's ages/grade

Anne introduced the clothing drive that the PTO could help with to be held in early December in the Gym

Ideas presented for fundraising

- Raffles
- Tricky tray- families and/or businesses donate items, people buy raffle tickets and put them in the jar by the items they want to bid on; Lilia explained how this could work
- 50/50
- Mother's Day/spring flower sale
- Sell items like stuffed animals etc- need to find a business that can give us these items free or reduced cost
- A festival where we invite businesses to have a table to advertise- Anne discussed that this would be a great addition to the walk-a-thon
- Ask businesses to donate money- Anne mentioned that any business that gives us \$200 or more in cash or items gets a spot on the back of the walk-a-thon shirt

Other items discussed

- Are we all ready to try to do a tricky tray event November 9th? Everyone said yes
- Dance will be held in January or February
- We will help gather clothing and other items for the clothing sale in early December (likely the 7th)

Action items

Anne will send out minutes, will send letters on GBCS letterhead to aid in asking businesses for money for the walk-a-thon and for the tricky tray

Everyone will come back in two weeks with what they will have donated for the tricky tray/raffle event

Everyone will spread the word on how much fun the PTO is! The more parent involvement we have the more fun, and the more effective we are

Ideas for donations to ask for

Gift card for haircut, nail salon, food etc and business owners can give us their menu, their card or other promotional material to be displayed with the gift card -beauty supplies

Thank you everyone for a wonderful first meeting!

NEXT MEETING: October 2nd, 2019 @5:30PM

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