

Legislation

Resolution #: 03-MockGA-03 Title: Couch Potato

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Pass / Fail Other Action:

Whereas: A lot of students attend our school's basketball team's
games during the season

and

Whereas: The best seats to watch the game are limited

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Whereas: Sponsoring a special fundraiser for select fans (and
friends) to have "court-side-seats" at a basketball game
would be a fun spirit activity as well as an easy fund
raising activity

Whereas: _____ and

Be it Hereby Resolved: That the student government conduct a
drawing for a student (and two selected friends) to win the
"couch potato" seat at a pre-selected game

and

Be it Further Resolved: That "couch potato" chances are sold for all
home games.

Adviser Idea Exchange

Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals - Student Leadership Program

The Couch Drawing is an easy project for any student club to put on. Its purpose is to raise money for your club while keeping the student body involved. This fund raiser is ideal during basketball or football season. The basic idea of the Couch Drawing is selling tickets to the students, and the winner is allowed to choose two friends to sit with him or her on the couch during a football or basketball game. During the game, the winners will be served free pizza, soda and popcorn.

The first step to getting the project started is to inform the student body of it. This can be done by describing the fund raiser with posters for the hallways at school or by making announcements in the school bulletin. Then, the council needs to sell the drawing tickets before and after school or during lunch hour. This should be done one week prior to the scheduled event.

As an incentive for the students to buy a ticket, keep track of the number of tickets sold to each class. The class that purchased the most ticket can then be rewarded. For example, they could watch a movie one afternoon instead of having classes. This could keep ticket sales up, and the students more excited about the fund raiser. The cost of the tickets can vary, but the ideal price would be \$1.00 per ticket or \$2.50 for three.

On the actual day of the game, a few members of the council will need to set up the couch on the sidelines, and get the refreshments together. The council could obtain a couch from a family in the school (or a thrift store, etc.). The pizza and other refreshments could be paid for by the profits from the raffle, or hopefully could even be donated by various people.

The winner of the Couch Drawing and the winning class can be announced a few minutes prior to the starting line-up at the game. He or she can then pick two friends to sit with him or her on the couch. Different members of the council can serve the food and drinks to them.

After the game, members of the council should clean up any trash, and return the couch to its owner. You could do this raffle for more than one game of the season, just be sure to find a place to store the couch. Within the next following days, the council should write thank you notes to the family who donated the couch and to anyone who might have donated refreshments. It would also be a good idea to thank all of the students who participate in the project during school announcements, and inform the student body of the profits earned. The Couch Raffle is a great fund raiser that helps the council and can also be fun for the students to be involved with.