DREAMACRES COMMITTEE MEETING, APRIL 25, 2000

ATTENDANCE

In attendance were: Maggie Linton, Ruth Borst, Marius de Bruyn., Robbie Iles and Jeanne Mortimer.

CONTRIBUTION COUNT

Meeting Hours: 2 X 4 = 8 Professional Meeting Hours: 2 Non-meeting hours 10

1. **Planting**

Approximately 550 perennial plants are being stored in the hallway at the back of the school – about 50 - 60 of each variety. They will all be planted by the children over the next 2 - 3 weeks. The Marsh Marigolds are to be picked up from Karen Brock's home (left over from last year). (Action: Jeanne) Flags to be placed every morning in the places where the plants are to go for that day's planting. We have to take care to organize it in such a way that the children are not trampling on plants that have just been put in. (Action: Marius)

Communication board (whiteboard) to be set up by the library, with instructions for each day's planting. Also include a sign-up board for volunteers to sign in for specific times. (Action : Maggie)

Volunteers to be contacted (from sheets distributed in general mailing). (Action: Jeanne)

We need volunteer "captains" each day to organize the planting start up.

Children to be taken out in groups of 2+ with a volunteer. Two volunteers per group is best. Instructions for planting:

- Collect plant(s) on the way from the classroom
- Be careful not to trample on plants already in the soil
- Dig a hole about 1" deeper than the plant pot
- Extract the plant from the pot by tapping the bottom and carefully place in the hole.
- Fill in the hole with soil, press down to form a bowl around the plant
- Water the plant

Volunteers should always check that the plants have been put in correctly. At the end of the day, all flags to be returned to the bucket in the boiler room.

2. Weeding and clean up

The area beyond the planting area needs to be cleaned up – garbage and flags removed and caution tape taken down. This to be done by the Green Patrol.

3. May 1 picnic

Invitational list was completed and all invitations have gone out. 800 popsicles still have to be ordered Marius to check if Peter K. will attend.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, May 23, 7:00 in library