DREAMACRES COMMITTEE MEETING, November 14, 2002

ATTENDANCE

Karen Brock, Maggie Linton, Marius de Bruyn, Sharon O'Donnell, Jane Thompson, Daniele Schaad and Ruth Borst

CONTRIBUTION COUNT

Meeting Hours: 2 x 6: 12 hours Professional Meeting Hours: 2 hours Non-meeting hours 35 hours

1. **Grant applications**

Sunningdale is applying for 2 grants from Toyota Evergreen, the "Award of Excellence" for \$2500 (awarded to 10 schools nationwide) and a grant of \$1000 for the purchase of native trees and plants. The deadline is November 25, 2002. Karen presented the work she had completed on the application and asked for input and suggestions. Letters written by Sunningdale students in support of the Dreamacres project were shown, and a selection from these will be included with the application. We also need to include the total number of volunteer hours that have been invested in Dreamacres (Ruth to find this from past records). Still to be attached are a covering letter, lesson plans and the conceptual master plan (from Marius). (Action: Karen to finalize)

2. **Butterfly Garden**

A Project Evaluation Form has to be completed by December 17 2002 in acknowledgement of the \$1000 received from TD Friends of the Environment. We may also be able to make a new application for funding to TD for soil and trees (Karen to check). The official opening of the Butterfly Garden is planned for May 2003, when the Mayor, Board representatives and all major contributors will be invited. This event will take place in the morning. The feasibility of having our annual planting event on the same day was discussed, and the consensus was that it would be preferable to have two separate dates – possibly May 1 and May 30.

3. Newsletter

The school newsletter for February or March should include an extensive explanation of what Dreamacres is planning to do in the coming year (planting of shade trees, official opening of Butterfly Garden, spring planting event etc.) with details of funding.

4. Fundraising

A new flyer is to be made for the memory stones and will be sent out after Christmas, from January to March 2003. We must have a minimum of approximately 100 stones to place an order.

Tax receipts are going to everyone who has already purchased a memory stone.

There will be a sale of bulbs on the evening of the school barbecue in the fall (Karen & Ruth).

The next meeting of the Dreamacres Committee will be at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, January 23 2003 in the school library.