

**Dreamacres Committee Meeting Minutes – Thursday, September 28, 2006**

*Attendance*

Karen Brock, Marius deBruyn, Mona Garde, Suzanne Leclerc-Harwood, Maggie Linton, Daniele Schaad, Virginia Mullin & Jane Thompson

*Absent*

*Helen Conlon, Sharon O'Donnell, Tricia Schaefer*

*Contribution Count for this meeting*

Meeting Hours	2 hrs x 6 .....	12
Professional Meeting Hours	2 hrs x 2 .....	4

*Outdoor Classroom & Upcoming Projects*

Marius presented a sample of Chinese Granite for rock seating in our outdoor classroom. This material will not only provide much-needed seating in our outdoor classrooms, but a material which can be engraved as part of our fundraising recognition for large donations. There might also be an opportunity for cultural exchange with the supplying-town's community. After much discussion and reviewing of typical classrooms, it was agreed that a size of about 120cm W x 35cm H x 40cm D, would be appropriate, providing it is cost- & shipping-efficient. K&W Commerce Ltd has agreed to co-ordinate the supply & shipping of these stone seats, in addition to paying 50% of the shipping costs. Costs estimated to be in the \$3500 to \$4000 range; Marius to confirm all terms & conditions of this agreement, taxes, duty & shipping (and K&W's share of costs). Meanwhile, we will busy ourselves with generating funds.

*Applications & Grants*

Karen confirmed the need to finalize our paperwork regarding the Toyota Evergreen Grant for the last school year. She will advise at our next meeting.

*Fundraising & Request for Donations*

*Direct Mail Request for Donations*

Maggie discussed the need for a corporate-type letter for distribution to families and local businesses requesting donations, as corporate sponsors and friends/supporters of Dreamacres – in addition to a few hand-delivered target audiences! – especially needed for fundraising towards the stone seating for the outdoor classroom. Draft of letter to be reviewed at our next meeting.

*Mini Dig-In & Fall Fair Activities*

In preparation for the upcoming "Mini Dig-In", October 12<sup>th</sup>, Mona has prepared (and Sharon photocopied) our handout for this week's newsletter/handout package.

Discussed and agreed that the Dreamacres Committee would work with the Fall Fair Committee to run the Fill-the-wheelbarrow Book Sale... Reuse & Recycle your books... Jane to meet with the Fall Fair Committee and relay next steps for our team for our next meeting (since she will be away with the Grade 6s until Thursday).

*To be discussed*

- Engraving the stone seats with provincial emblems or flowers and/or donators names.
- 10-year Anniversary Celebrations – what should we do?

**Next Meetings & Important Dates**

Wednesday, October 4 <sup>th</sup>	Dreamacres Committee Mtg	school library @ 1 <sup>st</sup> break
Thursday, October 12 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Dreamacres "Mini Dig-In"	schoolyard, after school

*"Dreamacres – L'essentiel est invisible pour les yeux"*

**Contribution Summary – Fall/Winter 2006/07 school year**

description	calc for this mtg	mtg totals	total hrs to date
Meeting Hours	12	12.....	24
Maggie Linton	2	4.....	4
Dig-In Volunteers	0 hrs x no of volunteers	0	
Woodchips & Fence Repair	0	0.....	0
Grant Application Fall/06	2	2.....	8
Professional Meeting Hours (Marius hrs)	4	4.....	4
Dig-In Professional Hours	0 hrs x 0	0.....	0
Hours-in-Kind (e.g. newsletters, accounting, photocopying etc)	15	15.....	15