Dreamacres Committee Mini-Meeting Minutes - October 2006

A series of mini-meetings were held to prepare for the Mini Dig-In, Foire de l'Automne & November's Parent Council Meeting.

Attendance

Wed Oct 4 2006 Karen Brock, Nancie Charlebois, Marius de Bruyn, Mona Garde, Suzanne Leclerc-Harwood, Maggie Linton, Daniele Schaad & Virginia Mullin

Wed Oct 11 2006 Karen Brock, Nancie Charlebois, Marius de Bruyn, Mona Garde, Maggie Linton, Daniele Schaad, Virginia Mullin & Jane Thompson

Wed Oct 18 2006 Karen Brock, Marius de Bruyn, Mona Garde, Maggie Linton, Daniele Schaad, Virginia Mullin & Jane Thompson

Wed Oct 25 2006 Marius de Bruyn, Mona Garde, Maggie Linton, Daniele Schaad & Virginia Mullin

Absent

Wed Oct 4 2006 Helen Conlon, Sharon O'Donnell, Tricia Schaefer & Jane Thompson
Wed Oct 11 2006 Helen Conlon, Suzanne Leclerc-Harwood, Sharon O'Donnell & Tricia Schaefer
Wed Oct 18 2006 Nancie Charlebois, Helen Conlon, Suzanne Leclerc-Harwood, Sharon O'Donnell & Tricia Schaefer
Wed Oct 25 2006 Karen Brock, Nancie Charlebois, Helen Conlon, Suzanne Leclerc-Harwood, Sharon O'Donnell, Tricia Schaefer & Jane Thompson

Contribution Count Total for these meetings

Meeting Hours	
Professional Meeting Hours	8 + 30 after hours prep

Parent Council Meeting

Suzanne raised the issue that it has come to her attention that there is some concerns regarding the Dreamacres' project, specifically, the outdoor classroom. She requested that the Committee make a presentation to the Parent Council at the next meeting, Monday, November 6th, to outline the plan/vision of Dreamacres. It was suggested that perhaps this presentation, could be part of a yearly standard of Council Meetings – the who-we-are presentation to new parents/members of Council in the new school year and then again, a summary presentation at year-end.

Suzanne outlined that, as principal, she represents the safety of the Sunningdale Students. There is some concern about the stone seating and construction. We need to be sure that we quell any fears and promote our project's vision and planning, as well as our professionalism & expertise of public safety & standard practices. Any concerns raised by council can be brought back to Dreamacres for support/comment.

Outdoor Classroom

Marius to confirm all terms & conditions of this agreement, taxes, duty & shipping (and K&W's share of costs). Meanwhile, we continue to busy ourselves with generating funds.

At our Oct 18th meeting, an additional set of K-W (outdoor classroom seating supplier) invoices were provided for Council (action Maggie).

Direct Mail Request for Donations

The letter was reviewed and approved for distribution by all in attendance, (meeting October 4th, 2006).

Applications & Funding

Karen is to continue finalizing our paperwork regarding the Toyota Evergreen Grant for the 2005-2006 school year; completed forms & supporting documentation sent October 11th.

The 2006-2007 Toyota Evergreen grant application completed by Karen Brock and ready for signing by Suzanne L-H, Wednesday October 18th (action Maggie).

We are eager to submit ASAP this year even though deadline January 2007 since funding ran out last year and we were placed on a waiting list until Spring 2006.

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October 20th – Suzanne was instructed by her superior, superintendent Suzanne Moffat, not to sign the application, until School Council can meet with Dreamacres to address issues regarding Outdoor Classroom, received via email to Suzanne Moffat and Suzanne LeClerc-Hardwood, following Council's meeting of October 2nd. Date set for November 6th Meeting to resolve issues.

Mini Dig-In – Thursday, October 12th

Agreed all necessary preparations have been made for the mini-Dig-In. The event was a huge success with many many volunteers & a higher-than-normal number of teachers – who "weathered" the rain, snow, wind & sunshine – as they readied the yard for winter.

Fall Fair Activities

Plans to organize the Fill-the-wheelbarrow Book Sale... Reuse & Recycle your books... are well underway – books will be sorted into bins on Thursday and set-up for the sale in the staff room on Friday. This event proved to be a huge success despite the rain.

To be discussed

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

Next Meetings & Important Dates

Thursday, October 12 th	Annual Dreamacres "Mini Dig-In"	schoolyard, after school
Friday, October 20 th	Foire de l'Automne / Fall Fair	throughout Sunningdale
Monday, November 6 th	Dreamacres presentation to Parent Council	Library
Thursday, November 16 th	Dreamacres Mtg	Library
Thursday, December 14 th	Dreamacres Mtg	at a member's home (by invitation only)

"Dreamacres – L'essentiel est invisble pour les yeux"

Contribution Summary – Fall/Winter 2006/07 school year				
description	calc for this mtg	mtg totals total hrs (incl of this mtg)		
Meeting Hours	48	4872		
Maggie Linton	10	1014		
Dig-In Volunteers				
Woodchips & Fence Repair	4 hrs x 20 volunteer (+families)	8080+		
Foire de l'Automne Book Sale	46	4646		
Grant Application Fall/06	4	412		
Professional Meeting Hours (Marius hrs) 8		812		
Dig-In Professional Hours	4 + 30 hrs x 1	4343		
Hours-in-Kind (e.g. newsletters, a	ccounting, photocopying etc) 20	2035 314		