DREAMACRES COMMITTEE MEETING SUNNINGDALE SCHOOL LIBRARY

OCTOBER 12, 1999

ATTENDANCE

In attendance were: Maggie Linton, Phyllis Kingsley, Marius de Bruyn, Jeanne Mortimer, Karen Brock, Ruth Borst, Beverley Bell, Gail Copeland, Robbie Iles and Trudy Walker.

The meeting opened with a warm welcome to new faces, introductions, and a brief background to the Dreamacres project. (More information on Dreamacres can be found at the Web site http://plus-design.com/sunningdale/ or if you don't have access to the Internet, phone Ruth at 257 4848 and I can send you some background information).

OLD BUSINESS

1. CANADA TRUST

The Dreamacres Committee has to account fully to Canada Trust for the \$4,000 grant received. This had been completed up to December 1998. Receipts still have to be submitted to them for two replacement trees. (Karen to action) The possibility of applying for a grant again was discussed.

2. SHELL FUNDING

We have until December 2000 to spend the remainder of the \$5,000 from Shell (of which \$2,500 was provided up front). Approx. \$1,000 remains to be spent on (as stipulated) native shrubs and trees, topsoil and mulch, not on structures. Approx. \$2,200 is owed to the school for an advance given, and some receipts are still required. (Karen and Maggie to action).

SIGNS

Signs need to be made for the back of the schoolyard and one sign is needed for the front. (Marius to action, together with Peter Kleschnitzki).

4. BIRDHOUSES

The birdhouses were vandalized during the summer. Ginny and Mark Devenish have offered to repair them. Squirrel baffles will be needed (Jeanne's father to make 1 for now). Another hole needs to be dug at the front of the school for a birdhouse there. This could be done at the same time as the flagpole.

5. FLAGPOLE

The flagpole, taken down last year, needs to be replaced and erected in a different spot. (Phyllis to continue to coordinate with Hydro).

6. MAPLE BEECH FOREST

In order to complete the Maple Beech forest at the front of the school, we need directional drilling to tunnel under the asphalt and connect the irrigation system to the school building. A compressor is needed for draining (request a compressor via next school Newsletter – Maggie to action).

NEW BUSINESS

The following is a complete list of "New Business" items. However, due to time constraints only a few were discussed. They will be carried forward to the next meeting.

RESOLUTION TO THE BOARD
GARBAGE PICKUP (GREEN PATROL)
SCHOOL PROGRAMMES – TIMETABLING
NEXT PHASE
TOPOGRAPHICAL SURVEY
SUMMER WATERING SCHEDULE
TRENCHING
GRASSROOTS IN ONTARIO
PLANT SALE
STEPPING STONES

MAINTENANCE
PERGOLA STRUCTURE
"FILING PARTY"
2000 PROJECT
TREASURER'S REPORT
FUNDRAISING FOR STRUCTURES
SPECIAL EVENT NOV 1 – 6

1. RESOLUTION TO THE BOARD

Marius suggested that a resolution be made from the Committee to the School Board, requesting that every new school being built in the district should have an area designated for naturalization, which cannot be used for another purpose.

2. SCHOOL PROGRAMMES

The question of starting a composting programme was discussed. This would be best done in a system of divided bins, layering with soil.

3. GARBAGE

The bins have been removed from the playground area behind the school, resulting in a lot of garbage. Possibility of restarting the "Green Patrol" was discussed, and also bringing garbage cans in and out before and after recess.

The meeting closed shortly after 8:30 p.m.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next meetings of the Committee are as follows:

Seminar Room (beside the Library) at **2:15 p.m. on Tuesday, 2 November** Library at **7:00 p.m. on Tuesday 23 November**