

DFA Minutes

February 7, 2006

Attendance: Maria, Heather, Mike, Dawn, Tanya, Janice, Sue, Kim

Opening

Elaine A. Opened the meeting sharing the fundraising account balance that she is transferring to the DFA via a business account through Dandelion.

Bank Account Balance -- \$2,220.42

(she still has to write out the amount for the copier purchased in December 2005)

Discussion focused on roles for DFA members. Maria as co-chair will write up an agenda for each month and post it on the Parent Bulletin Board at Dandelion. Kim/Sue will write up minutes to post on the board after each meeting. Highlights will be noted in the Bloomer. Minutes can also be posted on the website.

Updates on Staffing Changes

Staffing changes had occurred in Room 1 due to maternity leave for Ashley Poole and Mary's appointment as director (Kathy T. took over as assistant to Joy W.).

Fundraiser/DFA Funds Update

The following incomes from Fundraisers were noted:

Roy Rogers	215.14
Parent's Night Out	<u>100.00</u>
	315.14

Funding Factory \$103 or 246 pts. (.40 per point)

Fundraiser ideas

- Home Interiors and Scholastic Book Fairs were discussed as options for future fundraisers. It was decided that a Scholastic Book Fair be offered at the upcoming Family Festival.
- Future restaurants to visit and use as fundraisers include the following: Pizza Hut (Mike will contact), Chick-Fil-A (Tanya will contact).

DFA Family Handbook

- Heather Houck distributed a draft of the DFA Family Handbook that contained a cover letter written by Maria and Mike Acker and descriptions of monthly activities for families.
- An additional handbook was discussed called the Dandelion "Yellow Book" which would be a directory of families at Dandelion as well as an informational book to help parents network regarding services needed based on Dandelion family careers/areas of expertise.

Upcoming Events

- Valentine's Day activities were discussed. Love Bugs donated by the Acker family were provided to Dandelion to staff to offer at a special Valentine work station for parents to sign. It was decided to invite parents to donate toward the DFA for each Love Bug sent to a child at Dandelion.

Parent's Night Out

- Parent's Night Out in January was well-attended and enjoyed by all, both staff and families. It was decided that a survey of preferred times be provided to families to schedule future nights out.

Celebrate Families Week activities will be decided at a future DFA subcommittee meeting, which will include the Family Festival Event. Nancy will donate hotdogs from Hemp's for the festival.

Parking Lot Ideas – Non-profit status for DFA.

The next DFA meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2006.