Dandelion Family Association Minutes
Dec. 6, 2005

Members present: Parents—2  Staff—3

• Updates on fundraisers: Uncle Ralph’s was a success. Dandelion raised about $1500. The yard sale in November raised about $300 and Funding Factory is ongoing with $61.80 raised so far.

• Use of Funds: Dandelion already purchased a new copier for the front desk, holiday materials for the holiday celebration on Dec. 4 and two folding tables. The group voted to use the rest of the money to purchase new rugs for the classrooms, toddler equipment (chairs and bookshelf), wooden dramatic play kitchen sets, and teacher holiday gifts. The group also discussed the need for permanent playground equipment for the playgrounds nearest the building, to be discussed at next meeting in January.

• Parent’s Night Out: Also discussed was a parent’s night out to be held once a month (every third weekend, rotating Friday’s and Saturday’s). We will offer childcare to the Dandelion parents from 6:30-10 p.m. at the cost of $20 per family, including pizza for every child. Proceeds will go directly to the DFA. Staff and parents are invited to provide child care. One of the parents will make up an informational flier re: our first night on Jan. 20 and a staff member will start a sign-up sheet for parents. We will cap the # of children at 40 per night.

• Restaurant Fundraisers: We discussed the possibility of restaurant fundraisers where we advertise specific nights for families to go out to eat and Dandelion receives a % of profit. Members present at the meeting will contact local restaurants (Roy Rogers, Uno’s, Chuck E. Cheese and Hard Times) regarding information and possible dates.

• Upcoming family activities: The group voted on having the family festival in February instead of January combined with a “Celebrate Families” week. More details to be discussed at our next DFA meeting scheduled for Jan. 3.