Dandelion Family-Center Association (FCA)
Agenda
October 4, 2005

Goals:
• To enhance children’s academic success through increased family participation
• To promote a sense of community among families and staff at Dandelion CCC
• To establish a connection to the greater community

Objectives:
• To offer activities for families which promote positive interactions between parents, children, and staff
• To enhance the Dandelion program through purchases of additional equipment, learning materials, and special events made possible through fundraising

Welcome and Introductions

Ideas for Family-Center Activities (suggested schedule)

Nov. -- Veteran’s Day Parade, Nov. 6

Dec. -- Special Holiday Celebration (Art Show and Song Fest)
  Decorate-a-Wreath
  Secret Santa Shop

Jan. -- Family Festival/Fair
  (each room supplies a game, fair-like atmosphere)

Feb. -- Attend a Special Event/Performance as a Group
  Way-off Broadway
  Disney on Ice

Mar. -- Celebrate Families Week

Apr. -- Week of the Young Child

May -- Teacher Appreciation (May)

June – Family Picnic
Fundraising Ideas (suggestions)
- Yard Sale (October – center used materials and/or donated items)
- Recycling Cartridges and Phones
- Uncle Ralph’s Pizza Sales
- Candles
- Order-a-Meal (Fridays)

Learning Center Program Enhancements (“Wish List” from Program)
- Sponsor Center Events for Children
  - Special performances
  - Field trips

Purchase Equipment to Enhance Programming
- Additional Permanent Playground Equipment
- Refrigerators
- Wooden Dramatic Play Sets
- Rugs
- Laminator
- Additional P. E. Equipment
- Pavilions for Outdoor Programming (nature studies, art projects, etc.)
- Picnic Tables
- Outdoor Art Centers

Learning Materials
- Gift Certificates to Each Room

Scholarship Fund for Families in Need

Elect FCA Officers
- Chairperson -- oversee meetings, agendas
- Treasurer – organize fundraisers, manage funds
- Secretary – take minutes at meetings, distribute information
- Dandelion Liaison – Janice Czeh 301-834-9007

Schedule for FCA Meetings

Select Committees for:
- Family Activities
- Fundraising Activities

Thank you for participating in the Dandelion Family-Center Association!