

# CarolinaKinder

Board Meeting 02/29/2004

## **Attendees:**

Jackie MacLeod, Silva Stumpf, Deanna Achtelstetter, Doris Trefzger, Ralf Achtelstetter, Matthias Geissler, Maria Boyson, Daniela Egersdörfer, Chris Friedrich

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- The one year anniversary of the first families joining CarolinaKinder is approaching. A decision was made to send out an e-mail to each family four weeks before their yearly membership fees are due. A letter was drafted and will be sent to each family both in English and in German.

## **Finances and Budget**

- We currently have roughly \$1500 in the account (this includes the recently paid fees of 7 new families that joined this month).
- The following amounts of money have been allocated for spending:
  - \$600 / year for story time and special events that occur during story time
  - \$28 to purchase software needed for the library
  - \$400-\$500 / year for advertising CarolinaKinder
  - \$800/ year for special events occurring outside of story time (there are four major events and each event will have \$200)
  - \$500 to hire an attorney to complete the necessary steps to achieve Nonprofit Status.

## **Five Year Plan**

- The board reviewed the Five Year Plan and discussed specific details as to how some of the goals could be achieved
- Discussed ways we could make families more aware of our 5 Year Plan

## **Non Profit Status**

- The board decided to work with an attorney to help with the official paperwork. Deanna is going to look into it through NC Non Profits

## **Webpage**

- The following additions will be made to the web page:
  - Will make information on the calendar more complete, including adding playgroup meeting times, German classes, Teestunde, storytimes, special events, board meetings
  - CarolinaKinder's financial information
  - Board Meeting minutes

## **Library**

- Many books, CDs, and videos have been donated by CarolinaKinder families. Many families have shown interest in the library as most books were checked out at our last story time.
- Books have not yet been purchased for the library as we've received enough books to satisfy the need through donations. However, as the number of donations decline, books will be purchased in the future. A wish list of books has been created on Amazon.com.

## **Fundraisers**

- Two fundraisers will be held each year – one during MayFest and one during St. Martin

## **Additional Upcoming Events:**

- Board member Doris Trefzger has volunteered to host a "Grill Fest" at her home during the summer. Member will be asked to bring their own meat to grill and a side dish to share.

## **Board Extensions**

- Daniel Egersdörfer has joined the board this month. Her main role will be to welcome new members and answer questions of those interested in joining CarolinaKinder. Several other board members will also be available during storytime and special events to answer questions.

## **Next Board Meeting**

- The next board meeting will take place on Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 P.M.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Maria Boysen, CarolinaKinder secretary