



## Schroeder Elementary School PTO MINUTES

**Tuesday January 3, 2017**

**Attendance:** Kim Swider, Karyn Lennon, Annie Cook, Danielle Kyriakoza, Kristin Pingree, Sarah Sivier, Nadja Payok, Amy Horvath, Sandy Jamison, Gina Kolarchick, Brian Canfield, Dr. Machesky

### **Dr. Machesky's Updates:**

- The One Troy Mission has been updated. The mission is..."The purpose of the Troy School District is to ensure learning for all members of the school community."
- The district is focusing efforts in 3 areas:
  - o Deepening learning
  - o Focusing direction
  - o Cultivating a collaborative culture
- The district is doing a study of 20 school systems throughout the US that are similar in demographics and performance to the Troy School District. They are also looking at best practices of school systems outside of the US. They are gathering and sharing best practices. There will be a report available in the March/April timeframe.
- One area of focus in the near future is formalized Pre-K education. The district wants to increase the number of incoming Kindergarteners that have had a formal learning experience.
- Capacity of Troy elementary schools is at 90%. They would like to be at 85%. They are trying to provide relief with smaller Kindergarten classes.
- The majority of the budget goes to staffing in Troy (84% of budget across the district).