



Schroeder Elementary School PTO MINUTES

Tuesday, December 6, 2016

Attendance: Kim Swider, Amy Bastien, Karyn Lennon, Annie Cook, Danielle Kyriakoza, Lisa Light, Kristin Pingree, Brian Canfield

Principles Updates:

- We have a new writing program at Schroeder by Lucy Calkins. It is more rigorous than past writing programs.
- For grades 3 – 5 we are now using Front Row for spelling. It was noted that parents would like to feel more connected to how their children are progressing in spelling now that lists are not coming home.

Holiday Shop:

- The Holiday Shop was a big success. We made \$555 in profit which will be put to charitable use.
- Lisa will commit to running the Holiday Shop again next year to secure the 5% discount on items.

Character Programs:

- We are trying a new character-building assembly this year.
- Teachers also use Dragon Dens to reinforce character building.

Budget:

- Lisa is going to write classroom grant checks this week.
- Kristie K is going to take care of holiday gifts from PTO.
- Lisa and Becky will work to reconcile PaySchools field trip payments and PTO reimbursements.