

TEMPO Minutes
January 10, 2011

Steven Sheronas, Tempo co-president opened the meeting. He began with a list of upcoming events involving the music department.

The dates are as follows:

January 18th – Marching Band Uniform Collection
January 19th – 8th Grade Meet and Greet
January 19th – TE Middle School Choral and Instrumental Auditions
January 20th – Valley Forge Middle School Choral and Instrumental Auditions
February 4th – Camerata at Upper Darby Choral Festival
March 1st – 6th – Phantom of the Opera Performances
March 7th – TEMPO meeting
April 8th – 11th – Carolina Trip

Tempo co-president Ron Mintz then explained upcoming various volunteer opportunities. There is a need for volunteers for the Phantom of the Opera: concessions, Kiss the Cast and Crew, set design, costumes, etc. There's also a need for concession help at the Jazz Concert in the spring.

The Tempo newsletter is also in need of a new editor. This is published 3 times a year – fall winter, and spring.

Anthony DiLella discussed the music trip to North and South Carolina. There are currently not enough students signed up and if more children do not commit to the trip, it will have to be cancelled. Watch for e-mails concerning this trip.

He also discussed the Cavalcade that was held at Conestoga this past fall. It was very successful. There were several bands and we exceeded our fundraising goals. He thanked all of the many parent volunteers. He received nothing but compliments from the other directors. He hopes to do it again next year.

Anthony reported that there were several students that qualified for PMEA districts. He also encouraged parents to come out and see the production of the *Phantom of the Opera* in March.

Ron Mintz discussed the trip to the Media theatre with the middle schools to see *Annie*. 40 children participated and all participants enjoyed the trip. As not all of the tickets were used, there are 30 tickets available to the Media Theatre. These can be purchased at a cost of \$27 each to go see either *The Last Five Years*, February 9th to 27th or *Tommy*, March 30th to May 22nd. Please contact Ron if you are interested.

Nancy Higgins, Tempo treasurer, gave the financial report. Tempo is in very good shape financially. Football concessions did well as well as the other fundraising opportunities. The Cavalcade also exceeded fundraising expectations.

Ron discussed the difficulties with the current e-mail system. We are looking into different options to improve communications among teachers, parents and students.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Neumar, Tempo secretary