

Tempo Meeting Minutes  
September 13, 2010

*Cavalcade (otherwise known as the Stoga Showcase of Sound)*

Joan Capolupo reminded parents of the upcoming Cavalcade of Bands being held at Conestoga on November 6, 2010. Lots of volunteers are still needed, so please consider how you can help. There will be an online form for signing up at [www.stogamusic.com](http://www.stogamusic.com). There will be 12 bands participating and between 1500-2000 people are expected, any time you can give will be greatly appreciated.

*Conestoga Bank*

Holly Wolf discussed the new partnership between Tempo and Conestoga Bank. The Bank establishes an escrow account for Tempo that will be divided into a master account and subaccounts for all students. All monies can be tracked and there is no charge to students or Tempo for this service. All students' information will be confidential and there will be an identification system in place to know how much is in each student's account. Mary Frances will still provide student balances as Conestoga Bank will not have any information on the individual students. More information will be posted on [www.stogamusic.com](http://www.stogamusic.com).

*E-mail*

Ron Mintz explained that the old E-mail system has crashed and we will be getting a new system shortly.

*Clothing*

Steven Sheronas talked about the upcoming sale of jackets, sweatpants and hoodies. Samples will be available in about a week. Order forms and pictures will be on the website. Also, let Steven know if you are interested in purchasing a polo shirt for parents.

*Middle School Outreach*

Ron explained that Tempo is attempting to do more outreach to the middle schools in our district. Tempo is planning to sponsor a trip for middle school students to see a production of *Annie* at the Media Theatre in January.

*Financial Review*

Tempo treasurer, Nancy Higgins, discussed the ways in which Tempo earns income, through membership dues and concession sales. Contact Nancy with any questions about a check you have written and please remember to write your child's name on the memo line, especially if your name differs from your child's.

*Volunteer Opportunities*

Ron Mintz talked about the many volunteer needs for supporting Tempo. There are football game concessions, where you can work behind the scenes selling snacks or help "man" the grill. You can even be trained as a certified food handler! There is also the need for a coordinator for the *Alice in Wonderland* fall Drama concessions.

### *Fundraisers*

Debbie Miller and Ayuko Siegel, fundraising co-chairs, explained the many different methods of student fundraising. There are Acme and Pathmark gift cards, Wawa hoagies, Entertainment Books, Innisbrook wrapping paper, Giving Bean coffee, and more. The Tempo fundraising page will be updated this week, with contact information listed for each fundraiser.

### *San Francisco Trip*

Anthony DiLella proved parents with a description of the San Francisco trip. His presentation will also be posted on [www.stogamusic.com](http://www.stogamusic.com). The trip will be held from May 13 – 17 and is open to all students in vocal and instrumental groups, as well as marching band and color guard. There will be a performance opportunity for each student on the trip. The choral and string groups will perform at Grace Cathedral, <http://www.gracecathedral.org/welcome/overview/>, and the marching band will perform at the Santa Cruz boardwalk bandstand, <http://www.beachboardwalk.com/concerts/>.

Travel will be arranged through Bob Rogers Travel. They will use either commercial airlines, or charters, or a combination of the two, depending on numbers. Once there, our transportation will be provided by coach buses.

Hotel accommodations will be at the Embassy Suites in airport, [http://embassysuites1.hilton.com/en\\_US/es/hotel/SFOBGES-Embassy-Suites-San-Francisco-Airport-Burlingame-California/index.do](http://embassysuites1.hilton.com/en_US/es/hotel/SFOBGES-Embassy-Suites-San-Francisco-Airport-Burlingame-California/index.do). There will be 4 students per hotel room. They will be chaperoned by staff, administrators, and parent volunteers. There will be a hired security guard from 10 p.m. – 6 a.m. to watch the halls.

The trip will include visits to Chinatown, Sausalito, Alcatraz, the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra, Muir Woods, Fishermans Wharf, and more!

Current estimate of cost to student is \$1427 , but this may go down.

Dates and amounts for payments(non refundable):

9/27 - \$350  
11/15 - \$500  
1/10 - \$500  
3/11 - tba

All students should be able to go, so please contact Anthony with financial hardship issues. PSSAs and AP exams will be over by this time and seniors will be in internship. Most coaches of spring sports are fine with students missing for the trip. Please check with the coach before submitting your non-refundable deposit.

*Paoli Blues Festival*

Ron reminded parents about the 2nd Annual Paoli Blues Festival being held on Saturday, October 2nd from 12:00 noon till 6:00 pm., <http://www.paolibluesfest.com/>. They are looking for volunteers to help with various jobs and they thought the members of TEMPO, including the students, might have some interest in this event. Tri-M service points will be awarded for this event.

The next Tempo meeting will be November 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Neumar