**TEMPO Meeting Minutes
September 8, 2022**

Call to Order: 7:05 PM

Introduction of Board members and fundraising committee

Nikki proposes elected board members get added to minutes from last meeting. Melissa Callanan seconds.

Motion to approve the minutes – Deb Bowman; Sharyn Itao seconds.

**Fundraising**:

* Last year: $4k in scholarships given to seniors, purchased safety COVID equipment, headphones for remote learning, etc.
* Michelle Durrance – snack bars will occur more often and at more events. May need a committee to assist with organizing (swag/food). See Michelle if interested in getting involved.
* David will handle Bedazzled scheduling.
* Melissa Callanan – raking fundraiser to occur on two weekends in November. Rake & take as well as leaf and leave options. Need a contact for leaf bags.

**Programs Updates:**

Representatives provide updates from directors. Reps are appointed by each director.

Gretchen (OA Orchestra):

* soloists are lined up for Messiah. Ms. Foye wants a reception for Messiah. Need to touch base with Ms Foye and Mr. Benson on what is required. Gretchen will research and settle.
* Doug Anderson led first rehearsal
* Mr. Korn reviewing instruments for potential repairs
* OA Chamber Orchestra playing at a wine event at Queset House. Info to be sent to Sharyn for media blast

Tabitha, Juliana, Irene – Ms Rhein contacts

* Looking forward to pulling Panache parents together
* Panache fundraising – need for costumes; in addition to any Tempo fundraising

Mr. Benson Update – Newsletter date TBD

* OAMB up and running; 70 kids (New Record); Marching Drum line for first time in 11 years
* Elementary lessons start at end of month
* Back to Pre-COVID numbers at RO. EMS is a little low, but holding
* EMS Choir teacher leaving; search ongoing, will provide update in October
* Hosting Tigerama 10/8 for first time since 2007
* Cultural Council funded entirety of Messiah this year

No Rep for RO currently. Anyone interested should talk to Mr. Chase or Mr. Sandberg

**Word from the Board:**

Goals –

* Communication, Communication, Communication - Be sure to subscribe to receive email from TEMPO
* Inclusivity – TEMPO is for all Easton music groups
* Outreach – Learning about what is available in school. Exposure helps keep our programs alive

**Other/Open discussion:**

* Stephanie Manning – Show Choir is hosting Bay State Festival November 11th & 12th.
	+ Choreographer and Vocal clinician work with OA for free, but other schools pay to join.
	+ Will likely need refreshment opportunities
	+ Dinner on Friday night, Saturday Lunch, and Pizza Saturday night will need Tempo support.
	+ Pit bands may have clinic as well
	+ Saturday night is the Show
* Charlene Dalrymple – Button making volunteers needed for Baystate; Alexandra volunteered in meeting
	+ Food – Hospitality suite for Friday night is needed and also for Saturday Lunch & Dinner
	+ Thursday night set up help is needed for risers, atrium décor, tables for food and sound, etc
	+ Need volunteers to build and construct Thursday night
	+ Signs needed for directions for Friday morning
	+ Clinicians housed at Residence Inn – Looking for connection for potential discount
	+ Student volunteers accepted at these events
	+ Considering Piescos for Baystate swag
		- Piper & Charlene to connect
		- Ms. Rhein, Owen & Tovah should have the design this week
* Easton music Piescos shop to be opened post Tigerama.
* Next meeting October 6th
* Motion to close – Piper Jornalus; Seconded by Deb Bowman