

**DEEP MINUTES**  
**December 9, 2015**  
**Danvers Educational Enrichment Partnership**  
**PO BOX 387, Danvers, MA 01923**  
**978-777-8925 X-2215, Mark B. Strout, Secretary**  
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***Mission Statement:*** *To enrich Danvers Public Schools' educational process through a unique partnership comprised of schools, community volunteers and businesses.*

***CURRANS CARES:*** *Currans Florist has partnered with DEEP. Purchase your order "on line" and you can designate part of your payment to go to DEEP. Details below!*

***SAVE THE DATE: FEBRUARY 11, 2016 – DEEP SPELLING BEE, DHS AUDITORIUM***

**2016 MEETING DATES:**

January 13, 2016  
February 10, 2016  
March 9, 2016  
April 13, 2016  
May 11, 2016  
June 8, 2016

**2016 Officers**

President – Mary Beth Verry  
Vice President – Donna Hopkins  
Treasurer – Kevin Dillon  
Secretary – Mark Strout

***Teacher Memberships:*** \$10 per year  
***Non-Teacher Membership:*** \$20 per year  
***Corporate Memberships:*** \$250 minimum level

***Sign up now!*** – *Either send your check payable to DEEP at PO Box 387, Danvers, MA, 01923 – or go to the [www.supportdeep.org](http://www.supportdeep.org) website – or forward your check to the office of Mr. Mark Strout, Secretary, C/O DHS, 60 Cabot Rd., Danvers, MA, 01923.*

**MEETING LOCATION:** *ALL meetings* are held at the People's United Bank Community Room, 7:45 AM. All are welcome to join us! (Located at 16-28 High Street) Contact Person – Mr. Mark B. Strout, Secretary, 978-777-8925, x2215.

**STUDENT OF THE MONTH PROGRAM**

**VILLAGE AUTOMOTIVE GROUP – “KEYS TO SUCCESS PROGRAM”**

**Tamara Strong** – Danvers Hyundai/Volvo Village Danvers.

***Members Present:*** Mary Beth Verry, Donna Hopkins, Dr. Lisa Dana, Glenn Boutchie, Connie Pawlak, Rita Ward, Jeff Liberman, Angela Tsiumis, Kyle Connolly, Rich Stoney, Lyle Harrod, and Mark Strout.

**MINUTES:** Motion made to accept the November minutes and passed unanimously.

**TREASURY:** Kevin Dillon had a previous commitment and couldn't make the meeting; however, Mary Beth Verry reported that the ***Operating Capital Account*** total was **\$43,060.19** as of last month.

***Martin Luther King Day Celebration:*** DEEP would like to remind everyone that the MLK Day Celebration at Danvers High School, will take place on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, from 4:00-6:00 PM. DEEP is a ***SPONSOR*** of the ***MLK Day Celebration***. PLEASE plan on attending!

**DEEP TEACHER GRANT PROGRAM:** A lengthy discussion took place concerning the Teacher Grant Program. Glenn Boutchie, Past President and Chair of the Teacher Grant Committee, was able to clarify many points of interest for the board members. We are hoping to designate \$20,000 towards the grants this year, but a firm decision on that will have to wait until next month. Connie Pawlak emphasized that the original intent of the grant applications was to infuse innovative curriculum into the classroom setting. Mark Strout agreed to provide a “summary” of each grant application for the committee. Updated information will appear in the coming months, and will be available on the DEEP website. Mary Beth Verry will attempt to speak with all of the elementary school faculty meetings concerning the purpose of the grants. President Verry reminded everyone that NO grant application will be considered without the individual principal’s signature.

**CURRANS CARES:** DEEP is participating in the Curran Brothers Florist “Currans Cares” Program. This program will benefit the students and teachers in the Danvers Public Schools. Simply go online to [www.curransflowers.com](http://www.curransflowers.com) to place your order. With each order, a customer can choose to have Curran Brothers Florist make a donation to DEEP. Simply select “Currans Cares” pull down menu on the order form and choose D.E.E.P., Danvers Educational Enrichment Partnership, to receive your contribution. “Currans Cares” was designed as a way to continuously give something back to the community all year long. The “Currans Cares” program encourages customers to take advantage of this service when sending flowers across town or even around the world online.

**FUNDRAISING:** More to follow next month, but for sure, DEEP is actively seeking community events to sponsor in the future. Campaigns could possibly assist in the funding of the Elementary Learning Commons and the DHS Fab Lab.

**New Business:** DEEP is **PLEASED** to announce that **Angela Tsiumis, Jill Michaud, Connie Pawlak,** and **John Somes** have agreed to become Board Members of DEEP. We thank them for their commitment to the corporation.

**Forester Financial – 403B’s: It’s OFFICIAL! Kyle Connolly,** representing Forester Financial, and who is an **EXPERT** in the *Massachusetts Teachers Retirement System* will be providing information in your mailboxes in the near future! Kyle is a **DEEP** Corporate Partners and seems to be **VERY** knowledgeable in the **MTRB** regulations and 403B’s, which is “**pre-tax**” money taken from your checks and **invested** towards your retirement. It is **NEVER** too **EARLY** or too **LATE** to start thinking about this!

**TOYS FOR TOTS:** DEEP encourages everyone to support the DHS Toys For Tots Program run by the Community Service Learning Class, and supported by DEEP Corporate Partner – Kelly’s Roast Beef. PLEASE drop off NEW and UNWRAPPED toys to Danvers High School. There are many children throughout the community that would benefit greatly!!!

**THE DEEP BOARD WOULD LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A FABULOUS HOLIDAY!**

**Next regular meeting is January 13, 2016, at the People’s United Bank community room, 16-28 High Street, Danvers, MA, 01923, at 7:45 AM. Please use the parking lot entrance.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Mark Strout, Secretary

For: President Mary Beth Verry, Vice President Donna Hopkins, Treasurer Kevin Dillon, and Past President Gayla Bartlett