

Danvers Educational Enrichment Partnership P.O. BOX 387, Danvers, MA 01923 Angela Tsiumis, Secretary <u>www.supportdeep.org</u> October 13, 2021

**Mission Statement:** To enrich Danvers Public Schools' educational process through a unique partnership comprised of schools, community volunteers and businesses.

2021/2022 Officers: President: Mary Beth Verry Treasurer: Michele Keith Secretary: Angela Tsiumis

**2021/2022 Board Members:** Glenn Boutchie, Mark Strout, Mari Matt, Richard Stoney, Donna Hopkins and Jill Michaud.

**Renew your membership!!!** Send your check, payable to *DEEP*, to P.O. BOX 387, Danvers, MA 01923, or sign up online at <u>www.supportdeep.org/contribute</u>.

Teacher/Individual Membership: \$10 per year Family Membership: \$20 per year Community Partner Membership: \$100 per year Corporate Membership: \$250 minimum level

2021/2022 Meeting Dates:	November 17, 2021	March 16, 2022
	December 15, 2021	April 13, 2022
	January 12, 2022	May 18, 2022
	February 16, 2022	June 15, 2022 (Breakfast of Champions)

**Meeting Location:** Our meetings will be held at 8:00 a.m. in Room C213 at Danvers High School.

**Members Present:** Mary Beth Verry, Michele Keith, Claudia Keith, Mark Strout, Dr. Dana, Violetta Powers, Jessie DelVecchio, Glenn Boutchie, Richard Stoney, Tammy Connelly, Mary Wermers and Angela Tsiumis.

**Stay Up-to-Date:** For the latest DEEP info, visit our website at <u>www.supportdeep.org</u>; Facebook at: <u>Danvers Educational Enrichment Partnership</u>; Twitter at: <u>DEEPDanvers</u>; and Instagram at: <u>deepdanvers</u>.

**Contacts for DEEP:** If you have any questions, comments or ideas, please feel free to reach out to Mary Beth Verry at <a href="mailto:mbverry@comcast.net">mbverry@comcast.net</a> or Angela Tsiumis at <a href="mailto:achristina5@yahoo.com">achristina5@yahoo.com</a>.

**Minutes:** Angela provided September minutes that were approved by Mark Strout, seconded, and passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Michele advised that our finances are looking okay. There was a drop off in Investments, which was expected. There is \$18,413.34 in the DEEP Operating Account and a total of \$309,755.01 in all the accounts.

**Teacher Grants:** Mari is our Grant Coordinator and advised that teachers can go online to apply for a DEEP Grant. Emails went out to all Danvers Public School teachers and the application deadline is October 22. If there are any questions regarding grants, please feel free to reach out to Mari at: <u>mattm@northshoreymca.org</u>.

**Memberships:** Flyers were handed out at each of the school open houses and an updated membership list is available. If you do not see your name on the list and have sent in your money to renew your membership, please reach out to Mary Beth Verry so that she can add you to the list.

**Darvers Holiday Festival:** This year, the Festival & Tree Lighting will be held on Saturday, December 4, from 2 to 5 p.m. East Boston Savings Bank will be sponsoring Santa, who will come down the street in a fire truck to light the Holiday Tree. We will have DJ Kevin Wood playing holiday music, along with the DHS band and numerous Darvers Public School choral groups. The Festival Committee will be going downtown to let local businesses know when the event will happen and to see if they would like to participate. Mark Strout will reach out to Essex Tech to see if they would like to participate as they have in previous years.

**Fundraising:** DEEP will be holding the Wine & Food Tasting in the spring. We are working with Danversport on finalizing a date. Stay tuned, more info at next month's meeting!

**DHS/DECA Job Fair:** There has been a strong need in the community for help and for people looking for jobs. One of the DECA groups that placed in top 10, will be holding their career development project on Wednesday, December 1, (an early release day) during students' community block. It will continue through lunches.

**DanversCARES:** DanversCARES is looking for a new rep from DEEP to attend their monthly meetings. Meetings take place at DHS on the first Monday of the month. Angela has done it for several years and is looking to pass it on to someone else. Tammy Connelly from Brookline Bank said she will take over being the representative for DEEP. Thank you, Tammy!

**DEEP Newsletter:** The first edition of this year's DEEP quarterly newsletter will be going out on November 15. If there is anything you would like added to the newsletter, please reach out to MaryBeth at <u>mbverry@comcast.net</u> or Maria DiChiara at <u>deep@danvers.org</u>.

**Spelling Bee:** The Holten-Richmond Middle School Spelling Bee will be held in the auditorium of Danvers High School on Wednesday, February 9, with a snow date of Thursday, February 10. DEEP is looking for someone to sponsor the t-shirts that the students will wear this year. T-shirts (with the sponsor's logo) would cost anywhere from \$360 to \$400. If you are interested in sponsoring the t-shirts, please reach out to Mary Beth.

Old Business: There is no old business.

**New Business:** Mark Strout advised that the gala that was supposed to be held at Essex North Shore Agricultural & Technical High School on October 16 has been postponed to Saturday, May 14. Mark also advised that the culinary students at Essex Tech now have a Food Truck where they do a program called Food to Table for people in need.

Jessie from Mathnasium advised that they are very busy and all is going well!

Glenn Boutchie advised that Brookline Bank will be celebrating 150 years. Congratulations!

Smith Elementary School in Danvers was just placed #154 out of 964 schools ranked in Massachusetts! Kudos to all at the Smith School!!!

Tammy advised that DEEP was more than welcome to hold meetings at Brookline Bank if we would like. Thank you, Tammy...we may take you up on that!

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 17, at 8:00 A.M. at Brookline Bank, 107 High Street, Danvers.

Brookline Bank requires non-vaccinated attendees to wear a mask. Vaccinated attendees do not need to wear a mask unless they choose to.