

DEEP MINUTES
April 9, 2014
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.

2014' MEETING DATES

May 7, 2014

June 11, 2014

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 website---or forward your check to the office of Mr. Mark Strout, Secretary, C/O DHS, 60 Cabot Rd., Danvers, MA, 01923.

MEETING LOCATION: 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 X-2215

STUDENT OF THE MONTH PROGRAM

VILLAGE AUTOMOTIVE GROUP-- "KEYS TO SUCCESS PROGRAM"

Tamara Strong—Volvo Danvers.

Members Present: Joe Poirier, Erin Heald, Brandon Hyde, Andrew Curtin, Gayla Bartlett, Mark Strout, Dr. Lisa Dana, Glenn Boutchie, Diane Langlais, Matt Schroeder, Rick Bettencourt, Peg Sallade, Sharon McManus, Jeff Liberman, Rita Ward, and Mary Beth Verry.

Minutes: Motion was made to accept the March meeting minutes and passed unanimously.

Treasury: Diane Langlais presented the committee with a comprehensive **Balance Sheet**, which showed the total assets of the corporation to stand at **\$119,429.18**

HALL OF HONOR: Dr. Dana stated that the Hall of Honor is to take place next March (2015) at the Danversport Yacht Club. Nominations are accepted at any time. The three (3) categories are: Retired Teacher (must have been retired for 5 years), Friend of Education (community member), and distinguished Graduate from the Danvers Public Schools.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS: Gayla Bartlett announced that DEEP would be reinstating the Community Service Award. This award will be given to a community member, who has distinguished him/herself throughout the year, by being of assistance to the goals and programs of DEEP. The honoree will be asked to appear at the June 9th School Committee meeting for an awards presentation.

DEEP TEACHER GRANT PROGRAM: Mark Strout stated that he electronically sent out the DEEP Teacher Grant applications. He stated that individuals could apply for up to \$500, or MORE if people apply as a GROUP. The purpose of the DEEP Teacher Grant Program is to fund *innovative* curriculum within the classroom. The **DEADLINE** for submission of grants is **Thursday, April 17th**, the day before spring vacation. All applications must be submitted via “hard copy” to the office of Mr. Mark Strout, C/O Danvers High School, 60 Cabot Road, Danvers, MA, 01923.

DEEP/PAC Date: President Bartlett announced that the DEEP/PAC evening meeting date be set for **May 13th** at 7:00 PM in the DHS cafeteria lobby. We ask that any of the public who would like to attend and learn about DEEP please be present. It was also discussed that businesses giving to the elementary PAC’s in excess of \$250 worth of goods

or services could be considered DEEP **“In Kind”** members for DEEP web site purposes only.

DECA Loan Progress: Last August, DEEP loaned the DECA organization at Danvers High School a total of \$4000 as “seed” money to purchase inventory items so that the store could become operational. The DECA Team Members of Joe Porier, Erin Heald, Brandon Hyde, and Andrew Curtin came to the meeting to present the Executive Officers of DEEP with a check for \$1200. So far, a total of ***\$1,800 has been repaid.*** The DECA officers also gave a summary of their successes so far this year to the applause of the Executive Committee. It was agreed that the DECA team would repay \$200 per month throughout the school year until their loan is repaid. ***Congratulations on a job well done!***

THORPE Book Loan Progress: DEEP had loaned the Thorpe Library Committee a total of \$7500 to produce the ***“Spring Is Different This Year”*** children’s book with the hope that it would raise significant funds for the project. To date, the committee is still investigating ways to best present the “roll out” of the book to the consuming public. Principal Rita Ward said that she would give DEEP timely updates on the progress of the sales.

Finance Investment Committee: Mark Strout stated that it is time for the Investment/Finance Committee to meet and review the expected income and expenses for the coming year, and to make recommendations pertaining to same. He will notify the Executive Officers electronically of a meeting date.

Project Graduation: The motion was made and seconded to send along a check for **\$500** to the Project Graduation committee to once again sponsor the alcohol/chemical free graduation party at Cedardale Athletic Facility to be held on the night of the 2014 graduation.

DEEP Wine Tasting: Wine Tasting Chairperson, Glenn Boutchie, stated that the Wine Tasting would take place during the month of October, 2014. A Wine Tasting Committee date will be set in the near future. There was also a discussion about bringing back the ***DEEP Ball***, which was held for many years as a fundraiser. More to come on that at a later date!

PLEASE consider becoming a DEEP family member for only **\$20**. Teachers have a discounted rate of only **\$10** annually, which is tax deductible. It is a great way to support a true civic/business/school collaborative effort to bring about excellence in our schools! Purchase your auditorium chair on the DEEP website: www.supportdeep.org

Next meeting is **May 7th, 2014!** We meet at the Peoples United Bank Community Room at 16-28 High Street at **7:45 AM**. Meetings guaranteed to last no longer than 1 hour.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Strout, Secretary