

DEEP

Danvers Educational Enrichment Partnership
P.O. BOX 387, Danvers, MA 01923

Angela Tsiumis, 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.

2020/2021 Officers: Co-President: Mari Matt
Co-President: Mary Beth Verry
Treasurer: Michele Keith
Secretary: Angela Tsiumis

2020/2021 Board Members: Glenn Boutchie, Mark Strout, Kevin Dillon, 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 www.supportdeep.org/contribute.

Teacher/Individual Membership: \$10 per year

Family Membership: \$20 per year

Community Partner Membership: \$100 per year

Corporate Membership: \$250 minimum level

2021 Meeting Dates: May 19, 2021

June 16, 2021 ~ Breakfast of Champions at DHS

Meeting Location: Our meetings will be held virtually until further notice. A link will be sent out before the meeting. All meetings will start at 8:00 A.M.

Stay Up-to-Date: For the latest DEEP info, visit our website at: www.supportdeep.org; Facebook at: [Danvers Educational Enrichment Partnership](https://www.facebook.com/DanversEducationalEnrichmentPartnership); Twitter at: [DEEPPdanvers](https://twitter.com/DEEPPdanvers); and Instagram at: [deepdanvers](https://www.instagram.com/deepdanvers).

Contacts for DEEP: If you have any questions, comments or ideas, please contact Mary Beth Verry at mbverry@comcast.net, Mari Matt at mattm@northshoreymca.org or Angela Tsiumis at achristina5@yahoo.com.

Members Present: Mary Beth Verry, Mark Strout, Mari Matt, Sean Emberley, Michele Keith, Glenn Boutchie, Mary Wermers, Jeff Daniels, Alex Grover, Dr. Dana and Angela Tsiumis.

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

Treasurer's Report: Michele advised that there is not much to report. It was a quiet month but, good news, investments are up. This month she will pay for administrative services. There is currently \$15,380.89 in the DEEP Operating Account; \$210,222.54 in the Morse Investment; and \$103,162.73 in the DEEP Investment, for a total of \$328,766.16 between all accounts. Mark Strout approved the Treasurer's Report, it was seconded and passed unanimously.

Membership Update: Memberships are up, despite the year we've had, and we made our quota! This would be a good time to thank Club Z! and Lincoln Investment, along with all our other sponsors, for their continued support of DEEP!

Public Relations: DEEP will be putting an insert into the Electric Light bill in July. It will contain information on DEEP memberships and any info on fundraising for next year. The final quarterly newsletter will be going out in June. If anyone has a submission, please reach out to Mari or Maria.

Breakfast of Champions: The breakfast will be held at DHS on Wednesday, June 16, at 8:30 A.M., possibly in the courtyard (working on a possible rain date). We will honor the retirees and some nominated honorees and all the businesses that supported DEEP this year. More info at next month's meeting.

DECA: The team from DHS participated in the state competition and the students that qualified will participate virtually in the international competition that is being held this month. Congrats to all!

Mary Beth spoke to Meghan Beaulieu regarding any needs the students may have for the competition, and Meghan advised – due to it being virtual – they will be fine financially. Next year, they will need some new blazers with the updated DECA logo. She said 12 additional blazers will be needed. They cost \$80 each, totaling \$960.00. Mark motioned to have DEEP pay for 25 blazers, if needed. All were in favor. Mary Beth will reach out to Meghan to see what the exact number is that they may need.

Fundraising: Michele Keith spoke to everyone regarding a Cow Bingo fundraiser. It could be either virtual or in person. DEEP would sell a certain number of squares and the pot would get split with the winner. A lot more will be discussed regarding the fundraiser, and she will update us at the next meeting.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Jeff Daniels, DHS Band Director, and Alex Grover, DHS Choral Director, joined DEEP today to discuss the groups' upcoming trip to Hawaii. They started off by thanking DEEP for always supporting them, and then advised how

extremely excited they were to be welcomed back to Hawaii in December 2021 to perform at the 80th Anniversary Pearl Harbor Commemoration. Jeff and Alex joined us today to ask DEEP to be a sponsor of this trip. There are 65 students in chorus and 70ish in band. As of now, there are 88 students going (there is some overlap of students who are in both band *and* chorus). A discussion was had regarding DEEP sponsoring the shirts the students would be wearing, as well as any other expenses that needed financial support. Mark Strout motioned to have DEEP sponsor the Band and Chorus for the shirts they need and any extras. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously. We are so proud of the DHS Band and Chorus!

Mark advised that they had Kindness Week at Essex Tech this past week in memory of the Boston Marathon. Mark also announced that on Friday, 300 lucky incoming freshmen will find out that they have been accepted to Essex Tech for the fall.

Sean Emberley, DHS Assistant Principal, advised that the seniors at DHS are getting ready for their internships. There are Student/Teacher Internships with DESE and MassHire. Six students will be going to the Title I reading rooms and are looking to extend into the summer.

Dr. Dana advised that full-time return is going very well. 93% of Danvers students are back to school full-time and everyone is really looking forward to all the learning that there is to be done with just nine weeks left in the school year. Smith School is looking fabulous. Mary Beth asked if, in the future, the DEEP Board could get a tour. Dr. Dana said a tour could be arranged.

Elections: This year, the Secretary position and one Co-President position are up for anyone who may be interested in them. If you are interested, please email Mary Beth at mbverry@comcast.net. Each term is two years.

Our next meeting will be via ZOOM on Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 8:00 A.M. We look forward to seeing you!