

## 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.

2021/2022 Officers: President: Mary Beth Verry

Treasurer: Michele Keith Secretary: Angela Tsiumis

2021/2022 Board Members: Glenn Boutchie, Tammy Connelly, Mari Matt, Richard

Stoney and Ben Thomas.

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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:** May 2, 2022 (Breakfast of Champions)

June 15, 2022

**Meeting Location:** Our meetings take place at 8:00 a.m. at Brookline Bank, 107 High Street, in Danvers (next to Walgreen's).

**Members Present:** Michele Keith, Ben Thomas, Mary Wermers, Tammy Connelly, Glenn Boutchie, Jessie DelVecchio, Mari Matt, Mary Beth Verry and Angela Tsiumis.

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

**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 the March minutes which were approved by Glenn Boutchie, seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Michele provided an update on the financials and advised that there is not much to report. DEEP sent a check for the \$5,000 that DEEP approved for DECA last month. There has been very little movement on the investments. She did a withdrawal from the Morse Investment to cover expenses this year, and paid for the t-shirts for the Spelling Bee which just this week. The sponsor checks came in, and those checks will reimburse DEEP. There was discussion about withdrawing \$10,000 from the investments to put in the DEEP operating account to cover any expenses that may accrue. Glenn Boutchie motioned to withdraw money from the investments, which was seconded and passed unanimously.

There is currently \$4,689.65 in the DEEP Operating Account; \$209,738.78 in the Morse Investment; and \$77,295.81 in the DEEP Investment; totaling \$291,724.24 between all the accounts.

**Membership Update:** We would like to welcome back our corporate member, United Martial Arts Center for Health & Well Being. Thank you for your support of DEEP and the students of Danvers.

**Breakfast of Champions:** This year the Breakfast of Champions will be held on Tuesday, May 24, at 8:30 A.M. in the Danvers High School Atrium. There will be a breakfast buffet and we will be honoring retiring staff members. Every year, DEEP also chooses to honor "DEEP Champions". This year's champions are, Glenn Boutchie, Peter & Joan Kushnieruk, Laura & Jim Speliotis and Robert Tivnan.

**Wine Tasting:** This year, the Wine Tasting will be held on Thursday, October 27, at the Danversport Yacht Club. The deposit was made, and the planning committee will meet to discuss the event. We are looking for approximately 10 food vendors, along with raffle baskets. If anyone has any connections with vendors or is interested in volunteering for this great, fun event, please reach out to Angela at <a href="mailto:achristina5@yahoo.com">achristina5@yahoo.com</a>.

**Fundraising:** Thank you to all who purchased popcorn for our fundraiser. We made \$355.00 in sales and \$177.50 profit.

**Old Business:** The Colleen Ritzer 5k is on Sunday, May 1. DEEP is a sponsor. You can register by going on the Ritzer website.

**New Business:** DanversCARES and the Danvers Human Rights & Inclusion Committee are presenting The Healing & Unity Experience (HUE) which is looking to bring people together to share cultures and promote friendships. It will be held on Saturday, June 4, from 10:00 to 2:00 at Danvers High School. There will be activities, entertainment, and food at the event. All are welcome to join!

DanversCARES will hosts its Light the Night Purple which is a walk and community gathering supporting awareness of opiates and other substance abuse in the Town. It will be held at the library on Wednesday, May 4, at 6:30 PM. The walk starts at 7:00 and ends with a luminaria lighting.

DEEP would like to thank Jill Michaud for serving as a board member for several years and for all she has done for DEEP over many years. She and her husband have been a great supporter of DEEP and we are so appreciative of all they have done! We are happy to announce that Ben Thomas will be joining the DEEP Board. Welcome aboard, Ben!

Mary Beth advised that the last DEEP newsletter that went out received great feedback on the article that was in the newsletter on a grant that was provided by DEEP! Kudos!!

Jessie DelVecchio from Mathansium has been very busy. They have a great foundations program geared towards PreK and K with counting, etc., and are now gearing up for summer.

Mary Wermers advised that MCAS are going on this week and Math MCAS will happen after spring break. Kindergarten had their orientation. She was happy about a great School Committee meeting that recently took place. Danvers High School Senior Rachael Sherrick did a marketing project video for incoming freshmen highlighting all that Danvers High has to offer. Mary advised it was a very good presentation! Kudos, Bachael!!

The next time DEEP meets will be at Danvers High School on Tuesday, May 24, for the Breakfast of Champions. Our next DEEP meeting will be on Wednesday, June 15, at 8:00 A.M. at Brookline Bank in Danvers. All are welcome to join us!!