



Danvers Educational Enrichment Partnership  
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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.

**2022/2023 Officers:** President: Mary Beth Verry  
Treasurer: Michele Keith  
Secretary: Angela Tsiumis

**2022/2023 Board Members:** Glenn Boutchie, Mari Matt, Richard Stoney and Ben Thomas

**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](http://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

**2021/2023 Meeting Dates:**

December 14, 2022	April 12, 2023
January 18, 2023	May 17, 2023
February 15, 2023	June 14, 2023
March 15, 2023	

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

**Stay Up-to-Date:** For the latest DEEP info, visit our website at [www.supportdeep.org](http://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 feel free to reach out to Mary Beth Verry at [mbverry@comcast.net](mailto:mbverry@comcast.net) or Angela Tsiumis at [achristina5@yahoo.com](mailto:achristina5@yahoo.com).

**Members Present:** Glenn Boutchie, Rita Ward, Mary Wermers, Mari Matt, John Obremski, Richard Stoney, Ben Thomas, Mary Beth Verry and Angela Tsiumis.

**Minutes:** Angela presented the October minutes which were approved by Glenn Boutchie, seconded, and passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Michele provided the Treasurer's Report and advised that financials improved a little bit. There is \$19,584.14 in the DEEP Operating Account; \$175,501.02 in the Morse Investment; and \$68,604.93 in the DEEP Investment, totaling \$263,690.09 between all the accounts. Richard Stoney approved the Treasurer's Report which was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Membership Update:** Memberships are up and doing well! If you have not renewed your DEEP membership yet, there is still plenty of time!

**Wine & Food Tasting:** We are happy with the outcome and everything couldn't have run any more smoothly. DEEP would like to give a big thank you to the following sponsors: Eastern Bank, Cherry Farm Creamery, Noble Financial Group, Brookline Bank, Rockland Trust, Iron Tree Service, Cornerstone Financial and, of course, Merchants Liquor Mart. Without you, we would not be able to offer our Teacher Grant Program to Danvers Public School teachers. Also, a special thank you to all the administrators, the Town of Danvers, all the PACs, Danversport and the many volunteers who, without a doubt, are rock stars in our book! We would not have had such a successful evening without them!

**Teacher Grants:** Mari Matt advised that, as of today, nine teacher grant applications have come in, totaling \$5,000.00. Six of the nine came in yesterday. The last day to apply will be Friday, November 18. After Thanksgiving, Mari will reach out to the grant readers from last year to see if they are interested in being a reader again.

**Credit for Life:** Glenn Boutchie advised that the Class of 2023 will be attending Credit for Life on Tuesday, November 22, right at the high school. Glenn is working with DECA students who are doing this as a DECA project and advised that they are still looking for volunteers. If you are interested, please email Glenn at [gboutchie@brkl.com](mailto:gboutchie@brkl.com).

**DECA Districts:** Districts will be held on December 14 and 15 at the DoubleTree by Hilton in Danvers. They are currently looking for someone to read papers and rate them. If interested, please reach out to Meghan Beaulieu at [meghanbeaulieu@danvers.org](mailto:meghanbeaulieu@danvers.org).

**Holiday Festival:** This year DEEP is teaming up with Endicott Park and The Danvers Recreation Department. Last year there were safety issues with a very large crowd and shortage of staffing. Rockland Trust will once again sponsor Santa at Endicott Park. He will be in the Visitor's Center from 2:00 to 4 :00 and DCAT will be taking pictures. The event will happen rain or shine and there will be arts and crafts, story time, cookies and hot chocolate, a meet and greet with the Snow Queen and Snow Sister and much more. The Downtown Tree Lighting will happen on the same day between 5:00 and 6:00 PM, followed by a Flashlight Candy Cane Hunt at Plains Park that will start promptly at 6:30 PM.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** The Wine Tasting did not make as much money as we had hoped and we would like to be able to cover all the teacher grants, however we would need to have more funds to do that. On Saturday, May 6, DEEP will hold a Kentucky Derby Viewing Party at the Polish Club. Start looking for those fancy hats...more info to follow!!!

Rita Ward, principal at the Thorpe School, advised that they are getting a new playground for PreK in one of the courtyards. Rita could not be more grateful to the Town, the District, their PAC, Travis Reardon and the rest of the grounds crew, for making all of this possible. Thorpe would like to host a ribbon-cutting ceremony in the spring.

John Obremski, principal at the Highlands School, advised that they are holding their Book Fair this week and have their Holiday Store up and running on Mondays from now until school is out for break.

Mary Wermers advised that DECA is doing great things and getting ready for Districts. DHS will be doing a musical, Once on This Island, this Thursday and Friday at 7:30 PM. Tickets are available online at @dhsacts bio.

Danvers sports are all doing great and having a fabulous season!

SEPAC will be hosting their virtual meeting tonight and you will have the opportunity to do an online Meet and Greet the Team.

DanversCARES is working on generating new ideas and continue to work on Bullying Awareness along with Cyberbullying and Mental Health Awareness.

The Town of Danvers is assembling a Student Advisory Group made up of 9 students. More information on this new committee will be available in the near future.

The Town is still searching for a Superintendent and a replacement for the Athletic Director.

Ben Thomas from DCAT advised classes are over at the Smith School and there will be a pizza party on Tuesday. Next year's goal is to add more after-school programs.

**Our next meeting take place on Wednesday, December 14, at 8:00 A.M. at Brookline Bank, 107 High Street, next to Walgreens. All are welcome to join us!**

**DEEP would like to wish everyone a very happy and safe Thanksgiving. We are truly blessed to be part of such a supportive community.**