

**Lyme Disease Committee
of the
Board of Health
Dover, MA**

**Minutes
January 17, 2013**

Present: Steve Kruskall, Barbara Roth-Schechter, Mary Hable, Jim Palmer, Paul Tedesco, Matthew Schmid, Angela Wilson-Taylor, Tim Holiner, George Giunta,

Absent: Diane Fielding Mike Francis, Jay Walsh

1. Review and Approval of the Minutes of Jan 3, 2013 meeting

Unanimously approved

2. LDC Survey – preliminary results – Mary, Diane

Mary presented preliminary results of 246 surveys. She reminded the LDC to review the data and commentaries as available. She also asked all members to reflect on how the final results should be analyzed statistically and what kind of sub-analyses could possibly be performed. As there is another week of collecting the surveys, Barbara will try to arrange that a reminder be sent from the schools to parents (Blast).

3. DPH internship Summer 2013 – Barbara

It was decided to apply for another summer DPH intern (Barbara to attend to) with the subject to confirm and extend last year's project of measuring tick density in sunny vs shady transects in areas of public congregation. A second project should be considered as well.

4. Forum of Lyme and other Tick-borne Diseases – All

Based on the preliminary results of the survey indicating the significant concern of Dover residents about the ecological impact of the current deer population it was decided to have a third speaker at the Forum. Steve agreed to contact Tom French about his interest in participating in the Forum with this subject matter.

5. Website LDC

It was decided to maintain doverlyme.com but have it accessed directly from the front page of the Dover website similar to the website of Parks and Rec (Barbara to attend to).