

September 17, 2010

The DMEC Board of Directors held their regular monthly board meeting on Thursday, September 16, 2010 at the Lime Tree Restaurant in Mena. Those board members in attendance were Doug Graham, Bill Blackwood, Diann Gathright, Heath Bennett, Skipper Ward, Chuck Hanson, Benny Weston, Paul Shelton, and Mike Walker.

Minutes:

1. August board minutes were approved. Motion Weston Second Shelton Passed 9-0.
2. August financial statement approved. Motion Gathright Second Ward Passed 9-0.
3. Positions were filled for the AAEA Legislative Representative positions.

Finance – Doug Graham

Governance – Benny Weston

Curriculum – Skipper Ward

Motion Gathright Second Blackwood Passed 9-0.

4. DMEC 2010/2011 budget approved. Motion Blackwood Second Walker Passed 9-0.

5. Other:

Kathy Heagwood presented information on video streaming and the termination of the state contract. She also discussed the idea of schools postponing book adoptions until the common core standards were developed.

Benny Weston presented information on Arkansas Rural Education Association. He discussed the development of a legislative agenda for the upcoming session and developing a partnership with AAEA. Minutes of AAEA meetings would be sent to members.

Dr. Gathright provided a tour of Mena's new football field and high school.

Submitted by:

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