

AMS MEMPHIS CHAPTER 18 SEP 2012 MEETING MINUTES

1. Opening Comments - a welcome to everyone and thanks for attending our first meeting for the 2012/2013 school year.
2. Ryan DiFani a native of Pocahontas, AR and a MET student at Western Kentucky University was our \$500.00 2012 scholarship recipient.
3. A call for nominations to fill the Vice President position was given. Ned Savage was the only nominee. A vote was taken and Ned was elected to the position for the remainder of the 2012/2013 year, ending in July of 2013.
4. The treasurer's report was given: there is \$341.00 in the savings/scholarship fund and \$940.36 in the checking account, with a new total balance of \$1,281.36 in available funds.
5. Money is needed for the upcoming 2013 \$500.00 scholarship along with \$10.00 for this year's dues. Please see Jim Branda for payment.
6. The next National Weather Association Meeting will take place at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Wisconsin on October 12th and 13th. Please see Tom Salem if you would like more information.
7. The meeting was turned over to the FEDEX Meteorologists/Operations tour scheduled for the night. Erik Proseus, one of the FEDEX meteorologist started the tour with a PowerPoint presentation that touched based on the size and mission statement of the organization. The presentation covered the importance of meteorology in both FEDEX air operations and ground operations. Weather forecasts are made for around the world locations to support the company and not only have to be constructed strategically to balance safety and efficiency, but also are fine tuned for each airport and are flexible on the fly when rapid weather changes are encountered. After the presentation, folks were taken to the main floor where they were shown and explained how meteorologists, aircraft dispatchers, and command level management work in unison to accomplish the FEDEX mission.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jim Branda, Secretary

Approved,

Tom Salem, President