The Education Portal Committee met on September 29, 2016, within the friendly confines of the UALR Library.

The group held off selecting a chair for the time being, mostly as an incentive for members to attend lest they find themselves elected. We did some modifications to the Portal and agreed the site was ready to go public. Members of the committee divided up and took responsibility for various parts of the Portal in order to keep it maintained.

Beth Juhl set up a URL for the portal -- http://uark.libguides.com/CUACRL-Portal -- that is easier to use than the earlier address. We’ve publicized the site with ArLA and with the School Librarians group by handing out brochures. I’ve sent information out on listservs and contacted the ADE and the State Library. We’re always looking for more ways to get the news of the Portal out, whether by glad-handing at conferences or e-mailing people and groups. We hope to have promotional information distributed at Science Fairs and History Day, for example. We also set up a mechanism for people to contribute ideas and be recognized, which has generated a few suggestions and comments.

For the CUACRL:
Do the Community Colleges want to be added to the “About Us” listing? We will certainly welcome ideas about the site as well as how to promote its use.