



News Release – October 29, 2016

North Central Region 4 of the Association Schools of Construction Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota

During October 26-29, 2016, the North Central Region (Region 4) of the Associated Schools of Construction (ASC) met at the Lied Lodge in Nebraska City, Nebraska for its annual conference and competition. Nine of the eighteen universities in the seven-state region were represented. In attendance were 20 university faculty and 28 teams totaling 168 students. Events included this year were the ASC Region 4 Midyear Meeting, Leadership Breakfast/Career Fair, and the 24th Annual Construction Management Student Competition.



The following organizations attended the Leadership Breakfast:

- Mortenson Construction
- Bilfinger / Westcon
- Lusardi
- JE Dunn
- Alberici
- Interstates Construction
- The Builders' Association of Kansas City
- Kiewit
- Turner
- MCA of Kansas City
- Hensel Phelps

Students competed in four divisions: Commercial, Design-Build, Heavy-Civil, and Specialty Contracting. They used real plans and specifications from projects that have already been or are currently under construction. The overall intent was to place students in “real life” project management situations. In an 18-hour period, they had to schedule, estimate, run cost analyses, and resolve several management issues that arose during the project planning phase. A panel of judges from industry reviewed and graded the team proposals that were prepared in the 18-hr time period by the students. The proposals included the team’s plans for managing and constructing the project. Students were asked to prepare and present their proposed ideas to the panel of judges. In order to facilitate such an environment, the judging panels were comprised of representatives from all facets of the construction industry.

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2016 ASC Student Management Competition Winning Teams

Commercial Division Sponsored by Turner Construction

1st place – Iowa State University

Charles Sweeney
Ben Mahoney
Anna Gahm
Dan Robson
Michael Feste
Nathan Pals
Larry Cormicle, Coach

2nd place – Missouri State University

Amber Struempf
Cody Stout
Edward Olson
Cory Wickersham
Aaron Parkhurst
Tayler Briggs
David Joswick, Coach

3rd place – Kansas State University

Muhannad Dinn
Clayton Pearce
Kofi Anan-Seykera
Branson Kocher
Zach Dupont
Sam Blaha
Katie Laughmiller, Coach

Design-Build Division Sponsored by Lusardi Construction

1st place – Iowa State University

Mackenzie Alberts
Ryan Craven
Alec Wycoff
Trent Cork
Connor Flynn
Jeremy Zehr
Larry Cormicle, Coach

2nd place – Kansas State University

Noah Easterling
Sean Mitchell
Andrew Eigsti
Tyler Coonrod
Daniel Preut
AJ Wertzberger
Ray Buyle, Coach

3rd place – Southeast Missouri State University

Leah Crossno
Steven Pierce
Sam Pourcillie
Brennan Reeves
Jordan Richardson
Drew Shores
Bryan Bowers, Coach

2015 ASC Student Management Competition Winning Teams

Heavy Highway Division Sponsored by Kiewit Corporation

1st place – Missouri State University

Ronald Antonini
Brandon Belt
Jordan Ford
Brandon Steffens
Brisben Street
Juan Trujillo
Amir Behzadan, Coach

2nd place – Iowa State University

Blake Gethmann
Cameron Mehls
Ben Burds
Kevin Ruth
Mackenzie McCoy
Jordan Heemstra
Larry Cormicle, Coach

3rd place –North Dakota State University

Cody Grinsteiner
Allie Brady
Nick Carlin
Marcus Beedle
Lexie Grandalen
Austin Wetsch
Matt Stone, Coach

Specialty Division Sponsored by MCA of Kansas City Construction

1st place – Iowa State University

Dylan Busby
Daniel Carlson
Scott Miller
Tristen Girolamo
Lauren Bennett
Michael Steege
Larry Cormicle, Coach

2nd place – Missouri State University

Brian Chastain
Jeff McLaughlin
Wyatt Rapp
Ben Howard
Emily Bozarth
Matt Anderson
Jacob Nelson, Coach

3rd place – Missouri State University

AJ Bartlett
Alejandro Esteban
Justin Hawkins
Connor Kennedy
Terry Miles
Dylan Weddle
David Joswick, Coach

ASC Region 4 Member Schools

Bemidji State University

Dunwoody College of Technology

Iowa State University

Kansas State University

Minnesota State University - Mankato

Minnesota State University - Moorhead

Missouri State University

North Dakota State University

Pittsburg State University

South Dakota School of Mines and Technology

South Dakota State University

Southeast Missouri State University

The University of Kansas

University of Central Missouri

University of Minnesota

University of Nebraska - Kearney

University of Nebraska - Lincoln/Omaha

University of Northern Iowa