



News Release – October 28, 2017

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

During October 25-28, 2017, 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. Eleven of the seventeen universities in the seven-state region were represented. In attendance were 30 university faculty and 30 teams totaling 180 students. Events included this year were the ASC Region 4 Midyear Meeting, Leadership Breakfast/Career Fair, and the 25th 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
- S. M. Wilson
- Performance Contracting, Inc.
- McGownGordon Construction

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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2017 ASC Student Management Competition Winning Teams

Commercial Division Sponsored by JE Dunn Construction

1st place – Iowa State University

Nathan Pals
Charles Sweeney
Michael Feste
Daniel Robson
Cal Schlotfeldt
Megan Collins
Larry Cormicle, Coach

2nd place – Kansas State University

Branson Kocher
Hayden Borth
Rachel Jackson
Sam McArthur
Nathan Sterns
Shane Maloney
Katie Laughmiller, Coach

3rd place – Missouri State University

Emily Bozarth
Justin Knott
Terry Miles
Megan O'Leary
Grant Erard
Levi Hargrove
David Joswick, Coach

Design-Build Division Sponsored by Hensel Phelps

1st place – Iowa State University

Ryan Craven
Connor Flynn
Sam Carter
Garret Jensen
Adam Funke
Dirk Snyder
Larry Cormicle, Coach

2nd place – Kansas State University

Josh Abel
Randall Chushuk
Austin Pfannenstiel
Dan Straub
Arthur "A.J." Wertzberger
Jackson Wicker
Shannon Casebeer, Coach

3rd place – Southeast Missouri State University

Brennan Reeves
Sam Pourcillie
Alexis Graham
Krystal Black
Zechariah Renaud
Ryan Dorenkamp
Bryan Bowers, Coach

2017 ASC Student Management Competition Winning Teams

Heavy Highway Division Sponsored by Kiewit Corporation

1st place – University of Nebraska

Brandon Wallman
Niles Uerling
Nicholas Hoefs
Scott Hurtz
Kris Bridges
John Weiser
Brandon Kreiling, Coach

2nd place – Missouri State University

Brandon Belt
Juan Trujillo
Jordon For
Connor Kennedy
Will Thompson
Santiago Mendez
Hariharan Naganathan, Coach

3rd place – Iowa State University

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

Specialty Division Sponsored by Interstates Construction Services

1st place – Missouri State University

Wyatt Rapp
Dylan Weddle
Hayden Berkstresser
Laura Velandia
Christian Long
Andrew Spencer
Jacob Nelson, Coach

2nd place – Iowa State University

Tristen Girolamo
Michael Steege
Heather Jenkins
Shelby Stecklein
Bryce Richards
Collin Blatchford
Larry Cormicle, Coach

3rd place – North Dakota State University

Cody Knaeble
Matt Aberle
Brody Olson
Nathan Brenner
Copper Dillon
Zac Syverson
Matthew Stone, Coach

ASC Region 4 Member Schools

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