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Kansas PBL State Contest

Kansas PBL members and advisers gathered in El Dorado for the annual state leadership conference at Butler Community College. While the weather may have been less than great, it was a successful conference full of competition, networking, and leadership.

Many of the Kansas PBL members qualified for the 2019 National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas, later this summer.

Kenyatta Nyirenda was installed as the 2019-20 State PBL President. Other office positions will be filled soon.

OVERVIEW:

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Kansas PBL is the state collegiate chapter of FBLA-PBL.

This newsletter serves as a guide for Kansas PBL members, advisers, and supporters.

Butler Community College

Congratulations to the following Butler PBL members who will be competing in San Antonio: Ian Kissel, Vince Lucas, Kenyatta Nyirenda, Emily Wagner, Andre Davis, and Grant Pritz



To help pay for the NLC trip, the Butler PBL chapter held a Chris Cakes pancake and sausage fundraiser. The students enjoyed "catching the pancakes."

Butler Community College (cont.)



Butler PBL took a trip to Kansas City and toured the Federal Reserve Money Museum. Pictured below are the Butler PBL members who attended (and two kids related to one of the chapter advisors).



Butler PBL volunteered at the annual Grizzly Give Back Days. This is a day the College gives back to the community to thank them for all they do for Butler. The Butler PBL members and advisors worked spreading mulch in the playground and flower beds at the El Dorado YMCA.

Central Christian College of Kansas



SLC
Candidats

Emporia State University

Fourteen students from Emporia State University's chapter of Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) traveled to Butler Community College in El Dorado, KS, to compete at the 2019 Kansas State Leadership Conference. Phi Beta Lambda is the collegiate level of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA). It builds on communication, leadership, networking, entrepreneurial, and business skills for the future. All majors are welcome to join PBL.

ESU was one of seven schools that competed at the event. Emporia State students collectively placed 46 times at the competition and brought home nineteen first place finishes. All of our 14 students earned placements and are eligible to compete at the National Conference in San Antonio, Texas, in June.

"Our Phi Beta Lambda students continue to do exceptional at State," says Dr. Ed Bashaw, Dean of the School of Business. "We have some very well educated and well-rounded students participating at the National stage, and I am confident that this group of students will bring home some great finishes."

Many of these students have already competed and placed within the top 10 at Nationals in 2018. What makes this year so special is that once a student competes in that topic, they cannot compete in it the following year. Emporia State was also recognized as the largest Kansas Chapter.

As a member of Emporia State's PBL, students can compete in over 50 events at the state and national level, help in various community service events, gain leadership skills and experience, apply classroom learning to a real-world setting, promote business to high school students and to the community, and can be trained to be the next line of leaders in any profession.

Emporia State University (cont.)



Back Row, left to right: Lindsey Newman, Martin Okonkwo, Karoline Kennedy, Rob Lara, Paul Frost, Michaela Forkenbrock; Front Row, left to right: Carolina Taylor, Jan Bard, Emily Euler, Shelby Russell, Dulce Gillen, Madison Orrange. Not Pictured: Ashley Rietcheck & Mackenzie Hofstra

Emporia State University (cont.)

The ESU students and their placings are as follows:

- Ashley Rietcheck, Second, Computer Applications; Second, Financial Concepts; Second, Organizational Behavior & Leadership; Second, Statistical Analysis.
- Carolina Taylor, First, Organizational Behavior & Leadership; First, Management Concepts; Second, Accounting Principles; Second, Project Management.
- Dulce Guillen, Second, Business Ethics; Second, Management Concepts.
- Emily Euler, First, Statistical Analysis; Second, Business Ethics; Third, Management Concepts.
- Ifeanyi (Martin) Okonkwo, First, Project Management; First, Computer Concepts; Second, Cyber Security; Third, Personal Finance.
- Jan Bard, First, Sports Management & Marketing; First, Network Concepts; Third, Computer Concepts; Third, Marketing Concepts.
- Karoline Kennedy, First, Client Service; Second, Sales Presentation; Second, Entrepreneurship. Lindsey Newman, First, Accounting Principles; First, Financial Concepts; Second, Macroeconomics; Second, Personal Finance.
- Mackenzie Hofstra, First, Information Management; First, Justice Administration; Second, Retail Management.
- Madison Orrange, First, Website Design; Second, Business Communication; Second, Computer Concepts; Second, Desktop Publishing; Third, Organizational Behavior & Leadership.
- Michaela Forkenbrock, First, Business Communication; First Computer Applications.
- Paul Frost, Third, Justice Administration.
- Rob Lara, First, Entrepreneurship Concepts; First, Sales Presentation; First Retail Management; Second, Public Speaking; Third, Personal Finance; Third, Business Presentation.
- Shelby Russell, First, Social Media Campaign; Third, Job Interview.

Labette Community College

All four LCC PBL members who competed at the 2019 SLC qualified to compete at the National Leadership Conference later in June in San Antonio, TX.

- Carolyn Cassel: Business Law, 2nd; Accounting Principles, 3rd; Impromptu Speaking, 3rd
- Abbie Ford: Marketing Concepts, 1st; Microeconomics, 1st; Macroeconomics, 3rd
- Chandler Gravett: Business Law, 1st; Public Speaking, 1st
- Josie Smith: Client Service, 2nd; Help Desk, 2nd; Job Interview, 2nd
- Who's Who in Kansas Phi Beta Lambda: Carolyn Cassel, Abbie Ford, Chandler Gravett and Josie Smith



LCC Phi Beta Lambda students attended the state leadership competition. Pictured l to r: Josie Smith, Carolyn Cassel, Chandler Gravett, Cathy Kibler, and Abbie Ford.

Seward County Community College

While SCCC PBL wasn't able to travel to El Dorado for State due to poor weather, members still worked hard at their home-site location to qualify for Nationals!

Additionally, SCCC Business Instructor and PBL Advisor Lisa Krug Kennedy was selected as the 2019 Kansas Phi Beta Lambda Advisor of the Year.



The following students placed in their events: (L-R):

- Miriam Lima - 3rd Business Decision Making
- Rogelio Pando - 2nd Marketing Concepts, 3rd Microeconomics, 3rd Entrepreneurship Concepts
- Mariah Behrns - 1st Human Resource Mgmt, 3rd Small Business Mgmt Plan
- Bryce Minor - 1st Hospitality Mgmt, 2nd Information Mgmt, 3rd Insurance Concepts
- Virginia Alvarado - 3rd Business Communications.

Not pictured:

- Addy Morales - 3rd Business Decision Making;
- Ashley Morales - 2nd Network Concepts;
- Kevin Saenz - 2nd Website Design, 3rd Statistical Analysis, 3rd Project Management.

Seward County Community College



Cody Bradley, Mariah Behrns, and Bryce Alan Minor were selected to Who's Who in Kansas Phi Beta Lambda.

SCCC PBL Awards were given to Miriam Lima - Top Fundraiser; Cody Bradley - Outstanding Volunteer; and Bryce Alan Minor - Outstanding Member.



Kansas PBL Virtual Chapter



Former Rock Hills FBLA members Allison Railsback of Fort Hays State University (left) and Emma Reinert of Wichita State University (right) enjoyed the 2019 State Leadership Conference full of competition and connecting.

Emma placed first this year in Personal Finance, first in Financial Planning, and first in Financial Analysis and Decision Making.

Allison placed first in Small Business Management Plan, Administrative Technology, Desktop Publishing, and Future Business Executive.

Emma and Allison competed together as a team and placed first in Business Decision Making.

Allison was also a recipient of the Kansas PBL Who's Who award and completed her term as state communications officer.

SLC 2019



2018-19 Officer Candids @ SLC

