

Science Olympiad Committee Report
Submitted: March 3, 2017 for the Academic Year 2016-2017

Composition

The Science Olympiad Committee shall be composed of

- Faculty members, 1 per academic unit

Members

- Faculty From Academic Units
 - Department of Biology: Dr. Andy Osborne
 - Department of Business and Public Service: Dr. Brent Carper
 - Department of History and Political Science: Dr. Franklin Williamson
 - Department of Humanities: Dr. Doug Davis
 - Department of Math and Physical Science: Professor Mickie Weldon
 - Programs in Fine and Performing Arts: None
 - School of Education: Dr. Beth Pollock
 - School of Nursing and Health Sciences: Professor Heather Brooker
 - Library: Professor Beverly Eskridge

Agenda/ Minutes

There were no formal meetings this academic year. There was significant e-mail correspondence.

Gordon State hosted the state tournament directors meeting on October 15, 2016, with 17 ES, MS and HS tournament directors participating in a half-day workshop led by our state director, Dr. Kelly Price.

On February 18, 2017, the date of the regional tournament for Division C (high school), we had 13 teams from 9 high schools, and the top 5 teams are listed below and on our website.

- 1st place: Northgate High School, Team 1
- 2nd place: McIntosh High School, Team 1
- 3rd place: Whitewater High School
- 4th place: McIntosh High School, Team 2
- 5th place: Paideia School

There were 29 Gordon student volunteers, and 50 faculty, staff, and administrators (3 administrators, 10 staff, and faculty from nursing (1), education (1), and arts & sciences (32), plus 1 LSU professor and 2 hydrogeology experts from the community) serving in various ways. We served 170 high school students extremely well, and it was very much a team effort on the part of faculty, staff, and administrators, with some significant electricity/network obstacles.

The SO committee members each participated in the Science Olympiad tournament by acting as event supervisors or helping with registration (100% participation).

Geoff Clement (Director), Dr. Bernie Anderson (Co-Director)