Wheatmore student state FBLA officer

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TRINITY — Wheatmore High School student Emma Godwin has made school history by being selected as the first state FBLA officer. N.C. FBLA State Parliamentarian Grant Vanhook passed the baton to Godwin during the 2017 NC FBLA conference held last month at Koury Convention Center in Greensboro.

A sophomore, Godwin is on her school’s swim team and is also in the Beta Club.

FBLA faculty advisor and teacher Jason Metters couldn’t be more pleased about Godwin’s selection, which will take effect for the 2017-2018 school year. And he is just as pleased with the performance of the 17-member FBLA team during the state competition.

Godwin was among a five-member Wheatmore Parliamentary Procedure team that earned third-place, qualifying them to compete in the FBLA national event this summer. Taking part

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Emma Godwin has made school history by being selected as the first state FBLA officer. She and other members of the Wheatmore High School FBLA Parliamentary Procedure team will travel to the FBLA National Leadership Conference this summer in California.

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were Godwin, Rachel Halcomb, Rachel Kirby, Benjamin Perez and Ian Vickers.

“Before competition, they had to take a knowledge-based test on parliamentary procedure,” said Metters. “They had to stage an impromptu meeting and, with only 20 minutes to prepare, they were presented with a scenario to resolve and demonstrate.”

The Emerging Business Issues Team— including Austin (Al) Dillon, Mackenzie Smith and Krista Tuggle — were finalists in the top 10.

“This team had to present the positive and negative stances on cloud computing and choose one of the two stances to stand behind,” said Metters.

Kelsey Burgess was also a finalist ranking among the top 10 in FBLA Principles and Procedures.

Godwin and the other members of the Parliamentary Procedure team will travel to the FBLA National Leadership Conference to be held June 29-July 2 in Anaheim, Calif.

“I was very excited,” said Godwin. “I think it will be a fun trip and a good opportunity for all of us.”

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