Debate club wins third place at Model UN

RUSSELLVILLE — Arkansas State University-Beebe Debate Club students won third place in Outstanding Committee Work at the 2011 Model United Nations hosted by Arkansas Tech University in Russellville on Oct. 29.

The ASU-Beebe team, representing the nation of Brazil, demonstrated careful research and planning combined with aggressive committee interactions to win the award.

Being the only two-year university competing this year, the ASU-Beebe team faced juniors and seniors from schools such as the University of Arkansas, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Arkansas State University, the University of Central Arkansas and others.

ASU-Beebe team members were Amanda Kriska of San Diego, Calif.; Dyrek Foshee of Griffithville, and John Forte of Cabot.

The team was coached by faculty members Sandra Williams, speech and theater instructor, and James Brent, associate professor of social sciences.

Funds to attend the event were raised via various fund raising activities conducted by the Debate Club members.