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Message from the Executive Director

Happy New Year!

This is a quick update regarding our Midwinter meeting, our Virtual Conference Within a Conference, and a reminder about standing committees and School Leadership Review.

I'm certain that all of us are very busy with the beginning of a new semester and the many challenges that are customary and "not-so-customary" with 2022.

Finally, if I or the Executive Board can be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

John



Midwinter Meeting and Conference Within a Conference

On January 31, 2022, TCPEA will have its Midwinter meeting in conjunction with the TASA Midwinter Conference.

TCPEA will meet on January 31, from 10 a.m. to noon at the TASA Midwinter Conference in the Austin Marriott Downtown in Room 604-605.

At the meeting, the Dissertation of the Year will be announced.

Additionally, we are very pleased that Jessica McLoughlin, Director of Educator Standards, Testing, and Preparation at the Texas Education Agency will provide an update on principal preparation work across the state as well as trends in 268/368 performance.

This year, the Conference Within a Conference (CWC) event will be a virtual event, held online on Wednesday, February 2 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Sessions will be 15-20 minutes for short presentations (e.g., PowerPoint, Prezi, Google Slides, etc.). This is a wonderful opportunity to participate in current research and provide feedback.

A Zoom link to the event will be sent to members and participants as the event nears.



Executive Board Establishes “Standing Committees”

In response to discussions at the fall meeting, the TCPEA established four “standing committees”

As TCPEA moves to become a more robust organization, there is a need to have a more inclusive process to involve membership in planning and executing organizational activities.

To that end, the Executive Board has established four “Standing Committees.”

These committees are:

- Virtual Presence
- Professional Advocacy
- Programming and Membership Engagement
- Publications - Research and Dissemination

Each committee is chaired by a member of the Executive Board and will meet periodically through the year.

We encourage your involvement and welcome your voice in organizational matters.

Applications for committee membership are available at:

[Standing Committee Nomination Form](#)



School Leadership Review

School Leadership Review is published twice annually. Please consider submitting manuscripts of your research in this journal.

The fall issue of *SLR* was recently published.

The Spring/Summer 2022 issue theme is Equitable Leadership. The deadline for submissions for this issue is March 1, 2022.

Possible topics include:

- Democracy in education.
- Leading Equitable schools.
- Equality in digital education.
- District cultural and strategic planning.
- Equity in budgeting and planning.
- Leadership development for equitable education.
- Equity and social justice, including manuscripts that address diversity, racism, and inclusivity.
- Inclusive leadership and leadership development.
- Equity and educational policy
- Diversity and well-being

Follow 7th edition of APA Publication Manual for style and reporting standards for findings. See Manuscript Preparation Guidelines for details.

Standing Committees

A brief overview and description of each standing committee:

Virtual Presence: All things internet. Social platforms, web page updates, etc.

Professional Advocacy: As the professional organization in the state that is dedicated to educational administration, TCPEA has a responsibility to advocate for professors of educational leadership and an authority on issues that impact the profession. At a minimum, cultivating an organizational presence and voice at the state-level is the goal.

Programming and Membership Engagement: Design and execution of membership engagement activities (Virtual, Face-to-face, etc.). Focused effort for involvement of doctoral candidates. Very important committee as we move to more meetings and types of meetings, especially if we end the MOU with TASA.

Publications - Research and Dissemination: Growing opportunities to advance scholarly activities. Development and execution of summer scholarship seminar concept.



Is Your Membership Current?

Please verify that your membership is current. Beginning in November, information is sent to 2021-2022 members.

Become a member today!

[TCPEA.org](https://www.tcpea.org)

Questions or comments?

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