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## **Message from the Executive Director**

*For many of us, July brings a level of anxiousness as we realize that the fall semester is rapidly approaching. I hope that, to this point, your summer has been reinvigorating and professionally healthy.*

*A quick reminder that the newsletter contains several links to TCPEA Awards and activities.*

*In the last week, our website ([www.tcpea.org](http://www.tcpea.org)) was transferred to ICPEL. Information about joining or renewing membership has been updated. I encourage you to renew and to share this information with colleagues.*

*TASA/TASB hosts txEDCON 2022 in San Antonio September 23-25. TCPEA holds its fall meeting in conjunction with this meeting, with a face-to-face program and Graduate Research Exchange slated for September 23. Members of the Programming Committee met recently to develop an agenda. Information about the draft agenda appears in this mailing.*

*We are also exploring the possibility of adding a third organizational meeting, dedicated to research and writing, to our annual calendar, in conjunction with the TASA annual summer meeting in June. As this develops, more information will follow.*

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

*Regards,*

*John Decman*



## ***Message from the Executive Board President***

Last month I highlighted all the great things your executive board were working on this summer, including participation in the TASA Higher Education Committee kick-off during TASA's TxEd meeting in Round Rock. During this meeting, we participated in the ongoing strategic planning process for enhancing the collaborative efforts between TASA and TCPEA. As a participant in this meeting, I can tell you it was a great gathering of superintendents and higher education faculty who engaged in meaningful conversations around collaborative learning experience, advocacy, and engagement, which will find expression in future meetings of TCPEA.

If you haven't made plans to attend the *International Council of Professor of Educational Leadership* (ICPEL) Conference in Denver, it is not too late to register! This will be a great time to not only attend some great presentations, but also develop networks with educational leadership faculty from around the world in a place where average temperatures for the first week of August are a high of 90 degrees and low of 60. You can register here: <https://web.cvent.com/event/8a7f9073-6ad9-4dd2-b35a-de5fce101008/summary>

Finally, the Engagement and Program Planning Committee met to plan for upcoming meetings and to discuss the possibility of adding a third meeting to coincide with TASA's major conferences. The Fall meeting is shaping up to be one of our best yet and will be a great time to get your graduate students involved in presenting research at the Graduate Research Exchange (GRE). The link for GRE proposals is included later in the newsletter.

As always, if you want to be more involved in some of the exciting things going on, all you need to do is ask! On behalf of your board, we hope you and yours have a great summer and we look forward to seeing you again soon!

J. Kenneth Young  
President, TCPEA

## ***Fall Meeting Plans***

The Engagement and Program Planning Committee met recently and drafted a program for the Fall Meeting in San Antonio on September 23. With a fall focus on "Continuous Program Improvement," we expect to have a guest speaker from TEA as well as a panel of Superintendents providing data points, perceptions, and other information to the membership for discussion and consideration. This will be followed by a brief Business meeting before recessing to lunch and the Graduate Research Exchange.

## **SLR Update**

According to our metrics, 1, 674 articles were downloaded by 188 institutions from 64 countries in the month of June! This represents 224 more downloads than in May and 494 more downloads than June of 2021. If that's not impressive enough, so far this year there have been 10, 423 article downloads from 907 institutions from 130 countries. So, a huge "Thank You" to all our authors and reviewers for your contributions to helping our journal make an impact in the field.

In a continuing effort to reduce the review time, the editorial staff are currently removing individuals from the potential reviewer portal who no longer wish to serve as reviewers or have never responded to requests to review.

If you are one who either no longer wishes to review for us OR you want to be a reviewer, this is your time. Please use the link below to make your intentions known:

<https://forms.gle/igaiLgMUY8dHCEicA>

J. Kenneth Young  
Editor, *School Leadership Review*

Kriss Kemp-Graham  
Assist. Editor, *School Leadership Review*

## ***Principal Program Resource Group (PPRG)***

The Principal Program Resource Group (PPRG) continues to collaborate virtually each month for collective learning related to compliance and best practices for program improvement. Any program coordinators who do not have a team to work with and need support are welcome to join this thought partnership. FMI Contact Dr. Tia Agan: [tia.agan@angelo.edu](mailto:tia.agan@angelo.edu) or Dr. Kevin Badgett [badgett\\_k@utpb.edu](mailto:badgett_k@utpb.edu)

## ***Links to Annual Awards Nominations (click title for link to form)***

### **James A. Vornberg Award**

TCPEA established the James A. Vornberg Living Legend Award in 2006. This prestigious award is given periodically to a TCPEA member who has contributed an outstanding degree of service and commitment to the organization. Nominees for this award must be active members of TCPEA. Deadline: August 15.

### **TCPEA Advocate of the Year**

TCPEA established the Advocate of the Year Award in order to recognize outstanding professors focused on service to the profession and the organization. Nominees for this award must be active members of TCPEA. Deadline: October 30.

## **[TCPEA Educator of the Year](#)**

TCPEA established the Educator of the Year Award in order to recognize outstanding instructors in the field of educational leadership in Texas. Nominees for this award must be active members of TCPEA. Deadline: October 30.

## **[TCPEA Researcher of the Year](#)**

TCPEA established the Researcher of the Year Award to recognize outstanding researchers in the field of educational leadership in Texas. Nominees for this award must be active members of TCPEA. Deadline: October 30.

## **[TCPEA Outstanding Dissertation Award](#)**

Presented January at the Midwinter Conference, this award recognizes an exceptional doctoral level dissertation that expands the knowledge of educational leadership at the postsecondary or K-20 levels. Doctoral dissertations must be successfully defended within the previous year from the award date. The award will include an honorarium of \$250 and one-year membership to TCPEA. Deadline: October 30.

## ***Links to TCPEA Conference Activities***

### **[Graduate Research Exchange](#)**

The Graduate Research Exchange (GRE) is scheduled to be held on September 23, 2022 at the Fall TCPEA Meeting held in conjunction with txEDCON 2022 Convention at San Antonio, Texas.

Submission Deadline: August 15, 2022.

If your presentation is accepted, you will be required to pay a \$75 TCPEA registration fee, which will not only cover your conference registration, but also provide you access to TCPEA members-only resources for 2022-2023.

### **[Midwinter Call for Papers](#)**

TCPEA Call for proposals for paper presentations at the Midwinter Conference in January 2023. Members and non-members of TCPEA may submit proposals for consideration. Deadline: October 30.

## ***Standing Committee Updates***

### **Social media/virtual presence**

The TCPEA LinkedIn account has been created. It was set up utilizing the executive director email and information directly from our website. It can be used to share vital information related to conference, workshops, member achievements, etc. We are totally open to ideas on how to utilize the site best. I've included the link below and please make sure that you connect so that we can build the audience for the

organization. If you have news or events that should be shared, please contact committee members.

[https://www.linkedin.com/in/tcpea-members-3b04a7233?lipi=urn%3Ali%3Apage%3Ad\\_flagship3\\_profile\\_view\\_base\\_contact\\_details%3By4Bx8coETkex5mXPwnfB4g%3D%3D](https://www.linkedin.com/in/tcpea-members-3b04a7233?lipi=urn%3Ali%3Apage%3Ad_flagship3_profile_view_base_contact_details%3By4Bx8coETkex5mXPwnfB4g%3D%3D)

Felix Simieou (UHCL), Committee Chair (simieou@uhcl.edu)

Nate Templeton (TAMU-C), Committee Co-Chair (nate.templeton@tamuc.edu)

### **Professional Advocacy Committee**

During its recent meeting at Midwinter Conference, the TASA Higher Education Committee successfully reviewed and provided input on the strategic components drafted by the working group. In addition, three subcommittees—Learning, Engagement, and Advocacy—formed to finalize the HEC Strategic Framework and begin implementation. Each subcommittee discussed barriers and levers for proposed strategies.

Over the next few months, the subcommittees, in conjunction with the TASA HEC will be working to complete assignments related to, among other things, measures of success, actions plans, and possibly implementation, before the committee reconvenes.

J. Kenneth Young (LU), Committee Chair

### **Membership engagement/programming**

The Membership Engagement & Programming Committee (MEPC) is committed to increasing TCPEA's membership and expanding our programming to ensure our organization adds value to our members' professional growth. The MEPC is seeking volunteers to serve as their institution's liaison or point of contact. We appreciate those that have already volunteered and look forward to adding a representative from each Texas institution that offers educational leadership programs. The liaisons will be responsible for inviting and encouraging their colleagues to join TCPEA and becoming actively engaged in our organization. Moreover, this team will be invited to be part of the sub-committee charged with actively engaging members in our organization. The subcommittee will design, plan and host activities to promote TCPEA members' continuous engagement and professional growth. If you are interested in serving as your institution's liaison/point of contact, please email Dr. Yanira Oliveras at [yoliverasortiz@uttyler.edu](mailto:yoliverasortiz@uttyler.edu).

Yanira Oliveras-Ortiz (UTT), Committee Chair

### **Fall GRE**

The GRE will take place in San Antonio on September 23. Please share the information and link to the application with any interested students.

Yanira Oliveras-Ortiz (UTT), Committee Chair

## TCPEA News

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### ***ICPEL Denver 2022***

The ICPEL Annual Conference will be held in Denver, from August 4-5 this year.

Information regarding this conference is available [HERE](#)



### **Is Your Membership Current?**

Please verify that your membership is current.

Become a member today!

**[TCPEA.org](http://TCPEA.org)**

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Questions or comments?

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