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## **Message from the Executive Director**

*I pray that everyone is enjoying the first part of summer.*

*Summer brings the opportunity to reflect and to look ahead. To that end, I have included in this newsletter the links to applications for the TCPEA Annual Awards, as well as the links for the Graduate Research Exchange and the Midwinter Conference Within A Conference.*

*TASA/TASB hosts txEDCON 2022 in San Antonio September 23-25. TCPEA holds its fall meeting in conjunction with this meeting. Currently, members of the Programming Committee are meeting to develop an agenda for the fall meeting. If you have input, please contact any of the three members of the committee: Drs. Dianne Reed ([dr.dreed1phd@gmail.com](mailto:dr.dreed1phd@gmail.com)), Yanira Oliveras Ortiz ([yoliverasortiz@uttyler.edu](mailto:yoliverasortiz@uttyler.edu)), or Bernnell Peltier-Glaze ([Bernnell.Peltier-Glaze@tsu.edu](mailto:Bernnell.Peltier-Glaze@tsu.edu)).*

*In the next few days, we will be transitioning our website to ICPEL hosting. While it will appear seamless, the transition will assist our members in connecting with peers at universities across the country as well as provide access to our members to a variety of resources. Moreover, ICPEL will simplify membership renewal through the TCPEA website.*

*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***

For many of us, summer is a time to catch our breath and be more present with family and friends. Your TCPEA executive director and board are trying to do the same, but we are also fully engaged in planning for upcoming conferences and providing useful resources for you and your colleagues in the preparation of school leaders. For example, some of our board members and membership will be meeting for the TASA Higher Education Committee kick-off later this month, where they will engage in the ongoing strategic planning process for enhancing the collaborative efforts between TASA and TCPEA. At the beginning of August, we will be attending the International Council of Professor of Educational Leadership (ICPEL) Conference in Denver, where we are hoping to have an opportunity to gather with all our Texas colleagues who will be in attendance. Although the proposal portal is closed for this conference, it's not too late to register and come be a part of our international affiliate (If for no other reason, to escape the Texas heat for a few days!). You can register here: <https://web.cvent.com/event/8a7f9073-6ad9-4dd2-b35a-de5fce101008/summary>

In addition to the conference opportunities this summer, we are planning for our future TCPEA meetings. In our board meeting earlier in the week, we asked our engagement and program planning committee to think outside the box and find ways to engage and involve our membership, so that we are providing meaningful experiences when we gather for our annual Fall meeting and Conference-Within-A-Conference at Mid-Winter. Our awards and GRE committees are gearing up to begin accepting nominations and awards, and we are about to have new board member nominations hit your in-boxes. We've got some exciting news about School Leadership Review, and discussions about expanding our publication offerings. Finally, our new website and membership portal are soon to go live, which will make joining TCPEA an easier process than ever before!

So, as you can see, amid rest and relaxation we've got you, your students, and Texas public schools on our mind! 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

## ***SLR Update***

The Spring/Summer issue of SLR is live and we are currently reviewing submissions for our Fall/Winter issue. In an 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>

We also have some exciting news about the future of SLRI! First, we will be indexed in EBSCO, which means our authors' works will show up and be available in searches of EDSCO databases.

Second, we are considering expanding the types of works we will publish in service to you and the field, such as book reviews and editorial pieces. We'll keep you updated as any changes take place.

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. The next scheduled PPRG meeting is June 23. 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 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 membership 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)

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### **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**

It's never too early to prepare for the Fall GRE! If you are working with doctoral students this year, please make plans to have them submit their work for the Fall 2022 Graduate Research Exchange. This is a great opportunity for them to gain invaluable experience and feedback from leaders in the field, while also building their network in higher education. We expect to finalize submission dates and other information about how the event will be held this month.

Yanira Oliveras-Ortiz (UTT), Committee Chair

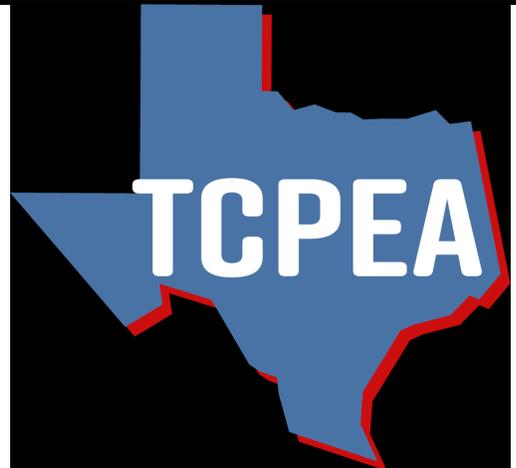
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### ***ICPEL Denver 2022***

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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