Texas Council of Professors of Educational Administration (TCPEA)
2011 Fall Board Planning Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 4, 2011
The Mayfair at Turtle Creek Meeting Room, Dallas, Texas

The board meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m. Those present included Stacey Edmondson, Janet Tareilo, Genie Linn, Timothy Jones, Casey Graham Brown, Lloyd Goldsmith, and Russ Higham.

The minutes from the Thursday, September 29, 2011 TCPEA Board Meeting in Austin were approved as submitted (Genie moved to approve; Casey seconded).

Dr. Genie Linn, University of Texas at Tyler, was welcomed to the board, one of the two newly-elected TCPEA Board members, the other being Dr. David Thompson, University of Texas at San Antonio, who was unable to attend the meeting.

The financial report was presented by Timothy and Stacey. Additionally, Russ discussed the details of obtaining 501c3 organizational status with the Bryan, Texas CPA firm of Seidel, Schroeder and Associates, who recommended that he work with a CPA firm in his locale due to the large number of details involved within the process. Russ will pursue this contact in his geographical area regarding the 501c3 status process for TCPEA. Additionally, the cost of hosting a fall and/or mid-winter organizational meeting at the Austin Hilton was discussed relative to meeting room set-up and refreshments expenses and the like.

The program coordinators meetings that were staged following the fall board meeting on Thursday evening, September 29, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., were discussed, which included a master’s degree/principal certification program discussion facilitated by Russ, a superintendent program discussion facilitated by Lloyd, and a doctoral program discussion facilitated by Stacey. It was agreed that these coordinator meetings were a success, as 15 participants were collectively involved in the three discussions. The board agreed to consider hosting these program coordinators meetings at future fall meetings.

The Graduate Research Exchange (GRE), hosted during the afternoon of the Friday, September 30 fall meeting from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Austin Hilton, involved 30 graduate student presenters who were each provided approximately 15 minutes of presentation and post-presentation discussion time, was found to be a major success, with Janet and Russ coordinating the advertisement, proposal solicitation, and the scheduling of GRE presenters time and table location. Additionally, the Meadows Principal Improvement Program from Texas A&M University-Commerce has providing the funding for four outstanding GRE student paper awards ($250 each), with one recipient being selected for recognition each year for the next four years. Those GRE graduate student presenters interested in having her/his paper being considered for such recognition, as well as subsequent publication within a future School Leadership Review, were requested to submit papers in the form of Word documents to Russ, who will then recommend up to three outstanding papers to the SLR editorial board for ultimate selection. Janet was thanked for supplying folders for the conference.
Russ and Janet presented the membership solicitation update. Notices, electronically distributed, continue to be sent to universities, inviting faculty to join the organization.

An update regarding revisions for the new *School Leadership Review* journal (design/layout) was presented by Timothy, who shared that the next ‘run’ of ‘new’ journal printing would involve 400 copies at cost of $3.50 per copy, which would be the “tribute issue” involving narratives written by eight (8) ‘honorees’ who previously served as former *SLR* journal editors and/or major contributors. The tribute issue is scheduled for distribution in February 2012.


Lloyd was thanked for keeping the TCPEA website updated regarding his on-going collaborative work with Ann Halstead, as the organizational website is ‘taking on’ more visual and informational appeal for website goers.

Stacy reminded the board that candidate recommendations for the James Vornberg Living Legend Award were being accepted.

Janet, representing Sandra Stewart, chair of the awards committee, shared that subcommittees will be formed regarding subsequent candidate consideration for individual research, teaching, and service awards. Sandy Harris is scheduled to chair the outstanding dissertation subcommittee, with Jeannie Gresham, Betty Jo Monk, Jimmy Byrd, and Norma Hutto to serve on this committee.

Lloyd shared that he is presently in contact with Dr. Janice Lopez at TEA regarding an initial, collective discussion regarding the subsequent determination of specific principalship and superintendency internship and practicum supervision requirements. Lloyd has also take the lead in formulating a ‘positional narrative’ regarding TCPEA Board recommendations pertinent to this aspect of administrator training and certification. Lloyd is also presently working to establish a face-to-face meeting with Dr. Lopez in late January 2012 (in conjunction with the Mid-Winter Meeting) involving several TCPEA board representatives in order to continue this discussion.

The Mid-Winter meeting will be held on Monday, January 30, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Austin Downtown Hilton. Casey has arranged for Dr. Jason Smith to present (approximately one hour), and Stacey will arrange for Representative Dr. Diane Patrick to present.

Casey will facilitate the Mid-Winter Conference within a Conference, with CWC proposals due on October 25, 2011.

Stacey, in her executive director role, will serve as treasurer next year, with Timothy assisting as needed.
The next board meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 29, 2012, Austin Hilton (room location TBA), at either 6:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. (to be determined).

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.