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A Note from the President

Dear TACUSPA,

The Texas Association of College and University Student Personnel Administrators (TACUSPA) was founded on the same basic principles it operates under today. The organization brings together the practitioners in the field of student services to collaborate on solutions to common concerns.



Additionally, we strive to develop a network of colleagues that we can count on to support the collective success of students enrolled in Texas higher education.

TACUSPA is nothing without the involvement of our current and future institutional leaders. The graduate students in our preparatory programs must be mentored by the seasoned professionals. The seasoned professionals need each other to console with and confide in. Although we only unite twice a year as a group, the professional network established by our membership interacts on a daily basis.

TACUSPA has distinguished itself as one of the strongest state associations. This distinction is derived from our common concern for the development of our students as productive citizens. We all share an excitement and commitment to education. We believe in the rights of every individual to have opportunity. We inspire those with opportunity to strive for excellence.

I invite you all to take full advantage of this organization through the professional development opportunities and collegial network it avails to you.

I am proud to serve TACUSPA as its' president. However, it is the membership and your commitment that makes us great!

Thank you!

Thomas Moorman, Ed.D. President, TACUSPA

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TACUSPA TO ELECTIONS



Congratulations to our newly elected officers – Elizabeth With, Alicia Huppe, and John Kaulfus. We appreciate everyone who ran for office and all of you who voted. We had over a third of our membership vote in the election!



Elizabeth With, Ph.D Associate Vice President for Student Development *University of North Texas* TACUSPA Member: 15 years



Alicia Huppe Associate Dean, Recruitment and Programs for New Students Collin County Community College TACUSPA Member: 5 years



John Kaulfus Associate Dean of Students The University of Texas at San Antonio TACUSPA Member: 3 years

The TACUSPA Board for 2007-2008 will be:

President

Steve Sutton

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Texas Tech University

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On October 16, the Texas Association of College and University Student Personnel Administrators honored five very deserving colleagues at our annual conference in Dallas, Texas. The following members were recognized for their outstanding contributions:

Outstanding New Professional Award:

Ankita Rakhe, Trinity University

Nominees: Tami Tucker, The University of Texas at Arlington

Paul Goebel, University of North Texas

Mid-Level Student Affairs Professional Award:

Marlon D. Anderson, University of Texas at San Antonio

Nominees: Kent Marshall, University of North Texas

Elizabeth Massengale, Texas Tech University Lisa Nagy, The University of Texas at Arlington

Dissertation of the Year Award : Dr. Janet Marling, University of North Texas

Faculty Member of the Year: Dr. James D. Studer, Texas State University - San Marcos

Distinguished Service Award: Dr. Don Albrecht, West Texas A&M University

Awards and Recognition Committee 2006 Members:

John Kaulfus – Chair, The University of Texas at San Antonio

Ankita Rakhe – Trinity University

Charlin Jones – The University of Texas at San Antonio

Dana L. Moore – Tarleton State University

David Rachita – University of Houston, Clear Lake Dr. Deborrah Hebert – Angelo State University

Dr. Elizabeth With – University of North Texas James Clifton – Sul Ross State University

Karen Engebrecht – Texas A&M University, Kingsville Linda Bullock – University of Houston, Clear Lake Lisa Perez – Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi

2007 TACUSPA Awards and Recognition

We are looking for nominations for this year's Awards and Recognitions. Nominations will be accepted from July 9th through August 31, 2007. Nominations may be mailed, e-mailed or faxed to:

2007 Awards & Recognition Chair

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TACUSPA Summer Meeting Highlights June 24-26, 2007 San Antonio, Texas

"A Survivor's Guide to Student Affairs"

The TACUSPA summer conference in San Antonio was a huge success! The conference began with a keynote session on technology and how technology relates to everyday aspects of student affairs. Conference attendees learned the "Leadership Secrets of Santa Claus" as well as many tips for working with the millennial generation and transfer students. Participants interested in academics and research had the opportunity to hear about the doctoral process and how to write for publication. Additionally, there were sessions regarding



"Accountability that works" and "How to develop and enhance mentoring programs."

Family involvement and networking opportunities were also incorporated into the conference. Participants and their families enjoyed all the sight-seeing and recreational activities San Antonio has to offer. During the conference, there was a "Movie and Dessert" session for kids of all ages and a fun filled evening with Barbeque and bowling at the President's Reception. The conference provided excellent professional development sessions, family entertainment, and networking opportunities for everyone in attendance.

A special thanks to our corporate sponsors for this event: Public Identity and ARAMARK. Thanks also goes out to the AV staff at UT San Antonio for providing all of the audio visual equipment and technical support. Finally, an extra special thank you to Misty Holt, Conference Chair, and the UNT Health Science Center staff and resources she provided. The support of these sponsors enables TACUSPA to offer the best professional development opportunities possible.





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TACUSPA / SACSA / NASPA Region III Conference

November 3 – 6, 2007 Addison, Texas

It's time to pack your bags for Addison, Texas! The fall TACUSPA/SACSA/NASPA Region III joint conference will be held November 3-6 in Addison at the Marriott Quorum. The hotel is already accepting reservations for \$95 a night for the conference. Be sure to indicate you are

attending the SACSA conference and need the conference rate. Registration will be available in the next few weeks at the following website http://www.sacsa.org/. The deadline for registration and to secure a hotel room is **Thursday, October 25.** Ten graduate student scholarships are available to students enrolled in student affairs, counseling, higher education, or related field. Information and deadlines regarding these scholarships can be found at http://www.tacuspa.net/conferences.html. Melissa Shivers, the program chair, is working hard on the conference program which will be available later this summer. Finally, we have planned some "out and about" events for conference participants. You will have the option to sign up for two different off-site events. We have scheduled a comedy act at the Improv Comedy Club on Sunday night and the Multicultural Program Committee is holding an event at Dave and Buster's on Monday Night. Don't miss the chance to attend this conference! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Misty Smethers at mholt@hsc.unt.edu or 817-735-5006.





October 25

Deadline to Register TACUSPA Fall Conference, NASPA Region III, SACSA & TACUSPA

November 3-6



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