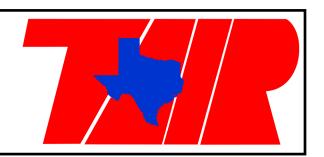
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## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings TAIR Members,

Happy holidays!

We are just a little over three months before the TAIR 2022 in Denton, Texas. Mark your calendar, it is held at Embassy Suites Denton Convention Center from Feb 28<sup>th</sup>-March 2<sup>nd</sup>. We look forward to seeing everyone after nearly two years of departure since our San Antonio meeting in 2019. It's been too long. TAIR misses having everyone together again! For more information, please follow the conference link: http://texas-air.org/index.php/conferences/2022-tair-conference/ TAIR Executive Committee and Program Committee have planned the 2022 conference to be an in-person, as well as in order to accommodate those who could not travel, we will have virtual set-up for limited conference sessions. There will be exciting lineup of both workshops and concurrent sessions this year. It is a great opportunity to learn, share information and knowledge. Be sure to bring yourself, your team, help spread words to interested colleagues across your campus. We would like to see a growing TAIR professions across the state, and let TAIR be the home of IR professionals!

TAIR membership fee remains at \$50 per person, which enables you to register for the conference, stay abreast with the Texas IR folks through TAIR list serve. Conference Early Bird Registration extends till January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (\$200); regular registration starts on January 7<sup>th</sup> –January 20<sup>th</sup> (\$300); and late registration starts on January 21<sup>st</sup> till February 28<sup>th</sup> (\$350). Virtual registration is \$100 which gives access to opening meeting/keynote; THECB update and other large business meetings which takes place in the ball rooms. We understand that some institutions have decrease in enrollment during pandemic that it is negatively impact your budget. TAIR offers some assistance in terms of Travel Grants. Please go to our webpage and apply for it.

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We are still seeking proposals for the conference as well as any volunteer leader(s) of a workshop. TAIR consists of numerous volunteers' time and efforts to be a successful organization. TAIR won't be TAIR without people coming forward to take responsibilities. If you are interested in serve on committee, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any other members. TAIR needs you!

Last but not the least, we know health is the root of every success. I would like to encourage every TAIR member to look after your physical and mental health first—stay active, eat balanced food/meal, stay positive, stay connected.

Have a great holiday season and I will see you all in February, 2022 in Denton!

Cordially,

Dan Su



## A NOTE FROM YOUR VICE-PRESIDENT



Another year, almost over!!!

It is hard to believe that it has been nearly 2 years since we gathered in San Antonio. Looking ahead, we see only great things for TAIR.

This February will be the 44<sup>th</sup> annual TAIR Conference and it is shaping up to be a great one!!! The 2022 TAIR Conference will be held February 28 – March 2 at the Embassy Suites by Hilton hotel in beautiful Denton, Texas. The TAIR 2022 Program Committee has been hard at work to ensure that you have a

wonderful conference experience filled with excellent professional development experiences and opportunities to network with your colleagues.

The 2022 TAIR Conference theme is: "Big Data in Lil D". We have a full slate of sessions covering everything from assessment, data-warehousing, state reporting, data visualization, outcomes, and much, much more. There is literally something for everyone. We have secured an outstanding speaker: Johnny Quinn. Johnny is an author, instructor, and former United States Olympian. He has been featured on ABC, NBC, CBS, Fox, CNN, ESPN, TIME Magazine and TEDx. We are excited to have him to join us in Denton next year.

I am excited to announce the winner of the Conference Brochure cover design. We received some amazing submissions. It came down to the wire, but we are excited to announce that the Conference Brochure cover design winner is **Carmen Allen, from Galveston College**.

Registration for the TAIR Conference is now open on the TAIR website at: <a href="http://texas-air.org/">http://texas-air.org/</a> index.php/conferences/2022-tair-conference/. Early-Bird registration ends on January 6, 2022. And don't forget, this year we have a "buy-one, get one half-off" option for those institutions sending more than one person. At the conference website, you can find more information about the conference schedule and program, lodging, and travel information. TAIR Conferences are the best opportunity to meet with our colleagues from around the state to network and learn from each other. No matter if you are a first-timer or a seasoned professional, you will take something away from the conference that will impact the success of both you and your institution for the foreseeable future.

And as always, if you every have any questions or ideas regarding TAIR, please reach out to myself or any member of the TAIR Executive Committee. This is what we are here for, and we always welcome your input. You are TAIR and we could not do this without you.

I hope to see you in Denton!!!

David

## A LETTER FROM THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Greetings everyone!

#### Have you:

- Found an interesting way to make data "tell a story"?
- Implemented new technologies?
- Conducted original research?
- Survived the accreditation process?

What lessons did you learn? Please consider sharing your valuable knowledge with your colleagues. By sharing your experience with the TAIR community, we can all become stronger. These workshops consist of a 3 (or 6) hour, hands on session by one or more workshop leaders designed to provide



attendees with a new skill and/or application of knowledge. To submit your workshop proposal, visit <a href="http://texas-air.org/index.php/online-workshop-proposals/">http://texas-air.org/index.php/online-workshop-proposals/</a>. Since our 2022 conference will be held in-person, we can accommodate both face-to-face and online presentations!

And the best part... by attending or presenting a workshop, you can receive credit towards TAIR's Level I, II, and III Professional Development Certificates. More information about these certificates can be found here: <a href="http://texasair.org/index.php/professional-development/certificate-of-completion-program/">http://texasair.org/index.php/professional-development/certificate-of-completion-program/</a>

If you have questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>professional-development@texasair.org!</u>

#### **Certificate of Completion Program**

The TAIR Professional Development Certificate of Completion Program serves as a recognition of the efforts by members to continue their education related to institutional research by learning new skills and knowledge. The program begins with the Workshop Completion Certificate which is awarded to attendees of workshops organized or sponsored by TAIR. The program recognizes successful completion of multiple workshops covering a broad range of topics related to institutional research. For purposes of this program, members who lead a workshop are granted credit for completing the workshop.

Access to a list of workshops you have completed and your progress in the Professional Development Certificate of Completion Program is now available <u>online</u>.

To date, we have awarded 103 Level I Certificates, 43 Level 2 Certificates and 14 Level 3 Certificates.

Congratulations to these completers! (listed on next pages)

- Bonnie

## LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATES AWARDED

Barlow, Teresita Barron, Rachelle Borcoman, Gabriela Braswell, Tammy Brown, David Bryan, Dave Bussell, Douglas Butron, Jose Cano, Jose

Caraballo, Sherri Carpenter, Sharon Carroll, John Carter, Morgan

Chapman, Bethany Childress, Robert Chivers, Elizabeth

Cho, Ahra

Chupe-OHanlon, Daniel

Clark, Amanda Cortinas, Christina

Cruz, Gloria

Cummings, Leslie Cunningham, Ariana Dabrowski, Matthew

Daley, Christine
Dehlvi, Fahmida
DePue, Brooke
Eckhardt, Randy
Elkins, Mary
Eratne, Savithra
Fitzgerald, Ryan
Fletcher, Claire
Flores, Sarah
Frampton, Danica
Frey, Frances

Gonzales, Alyssa Gonzales, Marcos Haas, Eugenia Jane Hawkins, Brandy

Gaddis, Tonya

Haynes, Lisa Hearell, Angela Hurford, Bonnie Hurtado Diaz, Gloria

laeger, Paula Ibarra, Julio Isbell, Teresa Jones, Jennifer Jones, Nancy Kajihara, Meghan

Konangi, Veerandand (Veeru)

Kuczynski, Margaret Kumar, Abhishek Lewis, Michelle Lin, Ya Feng Lopez, Kristina

Lu, Peng Majek, Aaron

Mansilla, Laura Andrea

Marquez, Ismael Marshall, Emily Marshall, Lillian Mason, Katharine McDaniel, Kevin McDonald, Rion McElroy, Katie

McPherson, Ashley

Mims, Jane
Mitri, Souraya
Moshay, Beenah
Moske, Amanda Kay
Nyachuba, Daniel
Olvera, Carlos
Pagitt, James
Paredes, Marcelo
Patil, Rohan A

Peters-Clark, Monica Pringle, Yvonne

Ramirez, Lucy Ray, Ricky Reynolds, Jeanine Richardson, Kate

Ruiz, Alicia

Salami, Mansour Sanger, Patrick Senia, Jennifer Simms, Tracy Stout, Mark Strawn, Cindy

Su, Dan
Tiller, Amy
Tucker, Carol
Turcotte, Paul
Turner, G Marc
Ullrich, Cindy
Valluru, Sahiti

Van Hook, Thomas

Vance, Isaiah

Villalobos Melendez, Alejandra

Walser, Al Wang, Fei Willis, Kent

Wong, Newman

# LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATES AWARDED

Turcotte, Paul

Alejandra

Walser, Al

Wong, Newman

Van Hook, Thomas

Villalobos Melendez,

Barlow, Teresita
Braswell, Tammy
Brown, David
Butron, Jose
Carroll, John
Chupe-OHanlon, Daniel

Cortinas, Christina Cummings, Leslie Dabrowski, Matthew

Daley, Christine
Dehlvi, Fahmida
Eratne, Savithra
Frey, Frances
Hawkins, Brandy
Hearell, Angela
Hurford, Bonnie
Ibarra, Julio
Jones, Jennifer

Konangi, Veerandand

(Veeru)

Lin, Ya Feng

Jones, Nancy

Lu, Peng

Marquez, Ismael

Marshall, Emily

Mason, Katharine

McDonald, Rion McPherson, Ashley

Mims, Jane

Moshay, Beenah

Nyachuba, Daniel

Pringle, Yvonne

Richardson, Kate

Salami, Mansour

Simms, Tracy

Stout, Mark

Strawn, Cindy

Su, Dan

Tucker, Carol

## LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATES AWARDED

Carroll, John

Chupe-OHanlon, Daniel

Dabrowski, Matthew

Daley, Christine Dehlvi, Fahmida

Eratne, Savithra

Hurford, Bonnie

Ibarra, Julio

McDonald, Rion

Salami, Mansour

Simms, Tracy Strawn, Cindy

Tucker, Carol

Van Hook, Thomas



## TAIR 2022: BIG DATA IN LIL' D

## FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 2, 2022

LOCATION: DENTON, TX

There is still time to join other presenters at the **TAIR 2022 Annual Conference** which will be held at the Embassy Suites Denton Convention Center; the <u>Call for Participation</u> has been extended to **December 3, 2021**!

Be sure to check the <u>conference website</u> for more information on accommodations and to learn more about the conference as it becomes available.

Registration Type	Registration Fee (includes membership fee)	Registration Date
Early Bird	\$250	Until January 6, 2022
Regular	\$350	Until January 20, 2022
Late	\$400	Until February 28, 2022
Virtual	\$150	Ongoing

## This year, register for a chance to win NFL tickets!

- ♦ WHO: Houston Texans vs. Tennessee Titans
- WHEN: January 9, 2022 at 12:00pm
- ♦ WHERE: Houston, Texas at NRG Stadium, Seats: Section 618, Row N, Seats 27-28
- ♦ Restrictions:
  - ♦ Limited <u>only</u> to those registering for the face to face conference
  - Did not register under the buy one, get one half off deal
  - Registration deadline: November 25, 2021 (Thanksgiving Day)

#### **Other Important Information:**

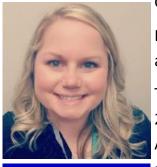
- ♦ The Travel Grant application is now open. Deadline for submission is **December 15, 2021**.
- This year TAIR is offering **Buy One-Get One Half off Registration**. Receive half off one registration with the purchase of another at full price.
  - ♦ Restrictions:
    - Must register at the same time
    - Limited to those registering for the face to face conference
    - Discount applies to conference fee only
- ♦ The \$50 membership portion of the registration fee is non-refundable. Read more about the cancellation policy <a href="here">here</a>.

We are also excited to announce the winner of the Conference Brochure cover design: Carmen Allen, from Galveston College! Check it out on the next page



## TAIR TREASURER UPDATE

**Greetings TAIR Friends!** 



Kate Richardson Treasurer

I hope this fall newsletter finds you all well. The fall semester is flying by and we are closer to a much-deserved holiday break.

The Association's finances are in good condition. As of the end of November 2021, we have \$72,407.92 in cash holdings along with \$21,029.20 in 2 Bank of America CDs which will mature in April of 2022. Registration The Program Committee is working hard to plan a great conference so register today! When you register, please make sure the address you have on file for TAIR is up to date.

All payments made via check need to be made payable to TAIR and sent to the following address:

Attn: Kate Richardson - TAIR Treasurer North Central Texas College 1525 W. California St Gainesville, TX 76240

If you have any questions regarding TAIR payments or other financial issues, please contact me at treasurer@texas-air.org.

- Kate

## COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER UPDATE

Hi Everyone! I hope you are all doing well as we move back into a more normal Fall semester.

Our 2022 Conference is right around the corner, and registration is open! Don't forgot that we have a buy one get one 50% off option for those signing up for the face to face conference. Early bird registration ends January 6<sup>th</sup>, so register today for special pricing! Please visit the conference site (<a href="http://texas-air.org/index.php/conferences/2022-tair-conference/">http://texas-air.org/index.php/conferences/2022-tair-conference/</a>) to find important information about TAIR 2022. We will be adding more details as workshops and sessions are



Emily Marshall
Communications Officer

finalized. Zoom links for those registering for the virtual conference will also be provided at a later date. Since we are moving back to a face to face conference, we will use the Guidebook app once again. Within the app, you can create your conference schedule, provide feedback to our presenters, locate points of interest, and view a digital version of the brochure. More information to come as we move closer to TAIR 2022.

Best wishes to everyone as we continue our journey through the Fall term!



## TAIR MEMBERSHIP UPDATE



Happy Thanksgiving! I hope this finds you all with plenty of reasons to be thankful. We are most thankful for our TAIR community and the many institutions who support this organization.

Category	Count of Members	Percentage of Members
2-Year Public	120	34%
4-Year Private	37	11%
4-Year Public	148	42%
Other	46	13%
Grand Total	351	100%

Registration for the TAIR 2022 Conference is currently **open**. Included with your conference registration is another year of membership to TAIR. Even if you are unable to attend the conference in Denton, we encourage you to renew your membership and encourage others to renew so that you can take advantage of all TAIR has to offer. We share valuable information via the TAIR-L list serve, have access to professional development workshops throughout the year and remain current on industry best-practices through access to leaders in higher education.

On a personal note, I have enjoyed being your TAIR Secretary for the past year and a half and look forward to passing the reins to whom I'm sure will be a very capable individual.





## TAIR LISTSERV UPDATE

As a reminder, current TAIR members (2021) can post directly to the listserv at tair-l@baylor.edu. Those with lapsed memberships from the two prior years (2019 or 2020) will receive messages, but must renew their membership in order to post a message or participate in listserv discussions. To renew your membership, please visit <a href="http://texas-air.org/index.php/member-resources/">http://texas-air.org/index.php/member-resources/</a>.

## **HOWDY FROM YOUR PAST PRESIDENT**

David Brown Past-President

#### **TAIR 2021 Best Presentation**

The winners of Best Presentation for TAIR 2021 is <u>Morris Thompson and Vicky Dueer</u>, University of Dallas, for his presentation "Closing the Gap: Using Data Analytics to Support Closing the Equity Gap on College and University Campuses". Our thanks go to Marc Turner and the awards committee from last year.

#### TAIR 2021 Best Professional Practice Award

Best Visual Display of Information TAIR awards the Outstanding Professional Practice Award(s) to recognize excellence in our work. Submissions may in-

clude an infographic table, chart, illustration, PowerPoint slide, or some other means of visually representing data or information that helps connect data with decision-making in a visually appealing way. The submission must fit on a single printed page or a single web page in order to be considered; images that are linked in a series – such as a set of tables or charts in a dashboard – may be submitted but will be judged individually as single submissions. In order to be eligible for consideration, the visual display's creator must be a member of TAIR at the time of submission. If more than one person is credited with creation of the visual display, at least one of the creators must be a TAIR member.

To be considered for the 2022 Outstanding Professional Practice Award, submissions must include the following:

Name, title, and institution of person submitting item for consideration Context for the display: (limit of 300 words) What is the purpose of the display? Who is the intended audience? How the display was used in decision-making?

PDF of visual display or link to display's web page Submissions should be sent via e-mail to David Brown, TAIR Immediate Past President and Chair of the Awards Committee, at past-president@texas-air.org no later than January 7, 2022. Late submissions will not be accepted. The winner will be announced during the TAIR Annual Conference.

Submissions will be judged on the following criteria:

- Topic (clarity, relevance)
- Content (level of detail appropriate for audience, timeliness)
- Format (clarity, composition/ craftsmanship)

- Detail (accuracy, documentation)
- Attractiveness (visually appealing)
- Ability to tell a story

#### Nominations are in!

The TAIR Nominating Committee is excited about our nominations for the following elected positions:

- ⇒ TAIR Vice President/President-Elect (3 year term)
- ⇒ 2022-2023 Vice President/Program Chair for the 2023 TAIR Annual Conference
- ⇒ 2023-2024 TAIR President
- ⇒ 2024-2025 TAIR Immediate Past President
- ⇒ TAIR Secretary 2022-2024
- ⇒ TAIR Professional Development Officer 2022-2024
- ⇒ TAIR Nominating Committee Member 2022-2024 (2 members will be elected)

The VP/President Elect, Secretary, and Professional Development Officer serve on the TAIR Executive Committee. These elected positions are involved in decision-making for upcoming conferences and are responsible for the smooth operations of the organization. There is work involved with each position, but these opportunities for service are very rewarding! One benefit is getting to know IR professionals from around the state as you help guide the future of TAIR. The Nominating Committee members serve a two-year term and help to ensure that we have a full and qualified slate of candidates for the following year's election. More information about the responsibilities of TAIR officers is available in the TAIR Officer's Guide, posted on the TAIR website at http://texas-air.org/index.php/officers/. Feel free to nominate yourself if you are interested in serving for one of these positions. All nominations are already in and ready for our online ballot to go out a few weeks before the conference. Please keep a lookout for this email as it is very important for the future of our organization.

#### Personal Note:

Lastly, I would just like to thank everyone from the organization for their support the last 3 years. When I ran for VP/President elect I had no idea that I would need to be a part of a live, a virtual, and a Hybrid Conference. With that said I have been very proud of the Executive, and Program Committees from these past 3 years. I've been blessed by your talents and your time. You have all been very instrumental in getting TAIR through a very interesting period in TAIR history. Thank you all for your hard work and dedication! Please enjoy your time with your families and friends during the Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks. When we come back from the break we will be just a few months away from seeing old friends from around the state again in person. I can't wait.



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## **Nominating Committee**

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**Erin Mulligan-Nguyen**, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi

Julie Penley, El Paso Community College Kristin Beltran, Sam Houston State University Meghan Kajihara, North Central Texas College



## **APPOINTED COMMITTEES**

## **Program Committee**

#### **Program Chair:**

David Malone, Collin College

#### **Local Arrangements Subcommittee:**

**Tracy Stegmair**, Texas Woman's University (Chair) **Meghan Kajihara**, North Central Texas College (Co-Chair)

#### **Concurrent Session Subcommittee:**

**Daniel J. Chupe-O'Hanlon**, Austin Community College (Co-Chair)

Carmen Allen, Galveston College – Commerce (Co-Chair)

#### **Sponsor Liaison:**

Amanda Moske, University of North Dakota

#### **Conference Brochure Editor:**

Daniel J. Chupe-O'Hanlon, Austin Community College

#### **Pre-Conference Workshops:**

Bonnie Hurford, Tarrant County College

#### **Ex-Officio**

Dan Su, Texas A&M University – Commerce Lillian Marshall, Blinn College Emily Marshall, Trinity University Kate Richardson, North Central Texas College

## **Professional Development Committee**

#### Chair

Bonnie Hurford, Tarrant County College District

#### **Members**

To be Determined

### **Financial Review Committee**

#### Chair

Tracy Stegmair, Texas Woman's University

#### Member

Kate Proff, Texas State University

#### **Awards Committee**

#### Chair

David Brown, North Central Texas College

#### **Members**

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Jinny Case, University of Texas – San Antonio
Matthew Dabrowski, South Texas College
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## **Strategic Planning Committee**

#### Chair

**Paul Turcotte,** University of Houston **Co-Chair** 

David Allen, Texas Christian University

#### **Members**

To be Determined

## **Individual Appointed Positions**

#### **Electronic List Manager**

Faron Kincheloe, Baylor University

#### Liaison to AIR & SAIR

G. Marc Turner, Texas State University

#### **Newsletter Editor**

Alison Soeder, Texas A&M University-Commerce

#### Historian

Morgan Carter, Tarleton State University