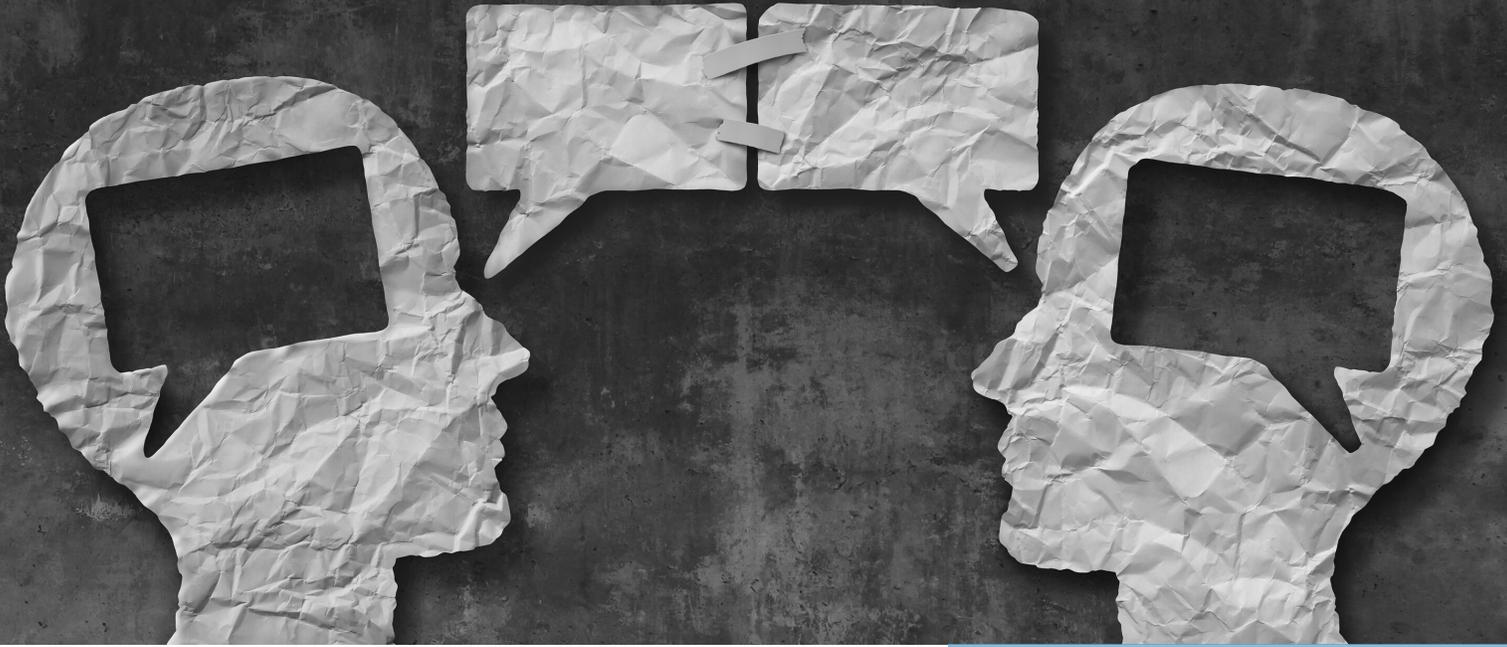


FALL 2020

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Virtual Convention

Due to the ongoing pandemic, TSCA successfully hosted a virtual convention. We missed seeing everyone in person and hope to be back in person next year in San Antonio.

Thank you to everyone for being a part of our virtual convention! Meeting minutes are available for viewing.

[Click here for meeting minutes.](#)



Retiring Members

Danny Stottlemire

Ralph Long

Michael Merritte

June Smith

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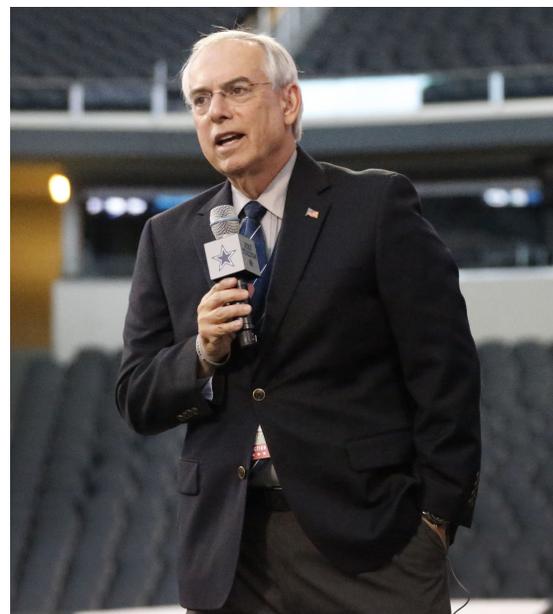
Newsletter Submissions

Do you have an exciting announcement? An interesting project? News you feel is important to the body? Email socialmediaTSCA@gmail.com!

2020 Communicator of the Year

Brad Sham, known as "the voice of the Dallas Cowboys", is in his 42d season broadcasting Cowboys' games in 2020. His 50 year broadcasting career also includes 26 Cotton Bowl Classics, the Big 12 TV basketball network, NCAA basketball and football as well as the NFL and the 1998 Nagano Winter Olympic Games for CBS radio/Westwood One, and numerous television assignments including FC Dallas and Major League Soccer, the NFL on CBS and FOX, the Final Four for NCAA TV in 2007-9, NASCAR on DirecTV, Arena League football and the NFL Europe League for Fox Sports Net and college basketball for ESPN Regional and the Big 12 Network.

In 2008, Brad played the role of a reporter in the Oliver Stone feature film, "W".



In 2003, Brad wrote a book of his favorite Cowboys' stories, STADIUM STORIES: the DALLAS COWBOYS for Globe-Pequot press. A 1970 graduate of the University of Missouri with a Bachelor of Journalism, Brad was elected as a media member of the Texas Sports Hall of Fame in 2020, has won 8 Katie Awards from the Press Club of Dallas and has been named Texas Sportscaster of the Year 12 times, the most in Texas history, by the National Sports Media Association, and was an inaugural inductee in the Texas Radio Hall of Fame in 2002. He also serves as a Life Member on the board of directors of the Cotton Bowl and the board of trustees of the Texas Sports Hall of Fame, as well as the Board of Trustees of Temple Emanu-El in Dallas.

2020 Keynote & Meet the Author



Kristy Thomas served as both our Keynote Speaker and Meet the Author for this year's Convention. Her speech was outstanding and gave us all so much to cheer for!

A lover of short stories, one act and short plays, poetry, prose, full length plays, as well as television and movie screenplays, Kristy's passion for storytelling shines through in her own narratives, but most importantly, she truly believes in the variety of plot lines others bring to the table, giving a voice to those silenced by their own inability to produce or because others try to silence them. In her own words, "Everyone has a story to tell. They are valid and deserve to be heard."

Interest Group Chairs

Argumentation and Debate

Chair: Adesuwa Omoruyi
Vice-Chair: Eric Beane

Oral Interpretation

Chair: Andrew Barrett
Vice-Chair: Stef Cambra

Theatre

Chair: Amberley Tanner
Vice-Chair: Kari McKenzie

College and Universities

Chair: Justin Blacklock

High School

Chair: Mellessa Denny
Vice-Chair: Kelsey Vincent

Middle School

Chair: Xochitl Callejo
Vice-Chair: George Tennison

TFA

Chair: Lillian Adeyemi
Vice-Chair: Preston Stolte

TIFA

Chair: Jeremy Hutchins
Vice-Chair: Justin Blacklock

Rhetoric & Communication

Chair: Dariela Rodriguez
Vice-Chair: Joanna Hickey

Interpersonal/ Organizational Comm.

Chair: David Brown

Diversity and Inclusion

Chair: Andrew Barrett

Committee Chairs

Bylaws

Chair: Ann Shofner

College and University

Chair: Leslie Rodriguez

Educator Training

Chair: Mellessa Denny

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Chair: Daniela Rodriguez

Educator of the Year

Chair: Kari McKenzie

Fiscal Review

Chair: Brent Hinkle

Governmental Affairs

Co-Chair: Sami Womack
Co-Chair: Noah Recker

College and University

Co-Chair: Noah Recker
Co-Chair: Michelle Watkins

Public Relations

Co-Chair: Michael Merritte
Co-Chair: Racy Grant

Nominating Committee

Chair: Tasha Jones

Special Awards

Chair: Connie McKee

Speech & Theatre in PS

Chair: Max Thompson

Strategic Planning

Chair: Amy Tilton Jones

UIL Advisory

Chair: Joanna Hickey

Resolutions

Co-Chair: Kasey Willeby
Co-Chair: Lillian Adeyemi

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District 1

Chair: Vanessa Chapa

District 2

Chair: Eric Pinon

District 3

Chair: Joanna Hickey

District 4

Chair: Hannah McCord

District 5

Chair: Andre Favors

District 6

Chair: Meredith Upshaw

District 7

Chair: Kari McKenzie

District 8

Chair: Amy Kemp

District 9

Chair: Shawn Duthie

District 10

Chair: Stef Cambra

District 11

Chair: Shyller McGuire

District 12

Chair: Judith Ann McGhree

District 13

Chair: David Brown

District 14

Chair: Sheila Ritchie

District 15

Chair: Julie Schniers

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District 19

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