



SAMI WOMACK

Dear Members of the TSCA Nominating Committee and to the Executive Council,

I must start by saying what a great honor to be contacted and asked to run for Vice President Elect of our amazing organization. I am delighted to have the opportunity to continuing serving our community in such a prestigious leadership role. From the moment I came back into the field of education 17 years ago, I made a commitment to follow the example set forth by my mentor, Guy Paul Yates, and not only maintain a membership in TSCA but to also serve the organization and the Speech and Debate community as a whole in any way that I could. It is in this spirit and commitment of service that I gladly accept the nomination.

During the last 17 years of my membership, I have been an active member on many committees in TSCA including the UIL Advisory, Local Arrangements and Governmental Affairs committees. I had the honor of serving as the co-chair of the Governmental Affairs committee for the last several years. In addition to working with the committees, I also enjoyed my time working with and chairing both the Oral Interpretation and Performance Studies interest group and the Theatre interest group and in being a part of the Texas Forensics Association interest group. It is a joy to promote speech, debate and theatre education as an aide to develop a student's lifelong skills and values.

I am a firm believer in Zig Ziglar's adage, "The definition of insanity is to continuing doing the same things over and over while expecting different results." I believe that every roadblock is just the opportunity to try a new way around, over or through a problem. The problems facing our community right now seem daunting but I believe that we, as professional communication educators, are the solution that this vastly politically-divided society we find ourselves in is begging to have. We, as the professionals, need to find new and unique ways to approach the age-old dilemma we now face.

Part of my passion and quest on this front is the promotion of communication skills as an essential element in the education of each Texas high school graduate. To this point, I am currently working with the administrations of secondary and higher education institutions to develop a program within my school district that, I hope, will serve as a model for high schools around the state to not only address teaching basic communication skills on every campus but will also aide districts in their state accountability scores by increasing their Career, College and Military Readiness (CCMR) scores.

As part of the Governmental Affairs committee, I provided input to creating white papers with suggested ideas for the promotion of Speech and Debate to be included under the Fine Arts umbrella. While the original idea was met with less than the enthusiasm hoped for, I do believe there is still work to be done in this area and that the solution will be found very soon.

It is my dream for a strong, bright future of communication education in the state of Texas that has propelled me in my decision to run for this office. I believe that all students at every age should be empowered to become effective communicators, ethical individuals, critical thinkers, and leaders within their circles of influence. My goal for the future of my career is to make this dream a reality.

Thank you once again for the opportunity.

Sincerely,

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVE

To promote speech, debate and theatre education as an aide to develop a student's lifelong skills and values. I believe that all students at every age should be empowered to become effective communicators, ethical individuals, critical thinkers, and leaders within their circles of influence.

EDUCATION

MS	West Texas A&M University, Educational Leadership Advisor: Dr. Ray Barbosa	Anticipated May 2023
BS	West Texas State University, Speech Communication Minored in Computer Information Systems Post-Baccalaureate in Education	May 1993

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Hereford ISD – Hereford High School August 2018 – Present
UIL Coordinator/Theatre Director/Speech & Debate Coach

- Classroom Assignments: Theatre I, II & III, Technical Theatre, and Theatre Productions

Dimmitt ISD – Dimmitt High School August 2013 – July 2018
Director of Fine Arts/UIL Coordinator/Theatre Director/Speech & Debate Coach

- Classroom Assignments: Professional Communication, Theatre I, II & III, Debate I, II & III, Oral Interp I, II & II, Advanced Public Speaking, Junior High Theatre, and Technical Theatre

Lindsay ISD – Lindsay High School August 2010 – July 2013
UIL Coordinator/Theatre Director/Speech & Debate Coach

- Classroom Assignments: Communication Applications, Theatre I, II & III, Debate, Oral Interp, Advanced Public Speaking, 7th & 8th Theatre, UIL (Local Credit) and TSME

Aubrey ISD – Aubrey High School July 2006 – June 2010
UIL Coordinator/Speech & Debate Coach/Theatre Asst Director

- Classroom Assignments: Communication Applications, Debate, Oral Interp, BCIS, Business Programming, UIL (Local Credit)

Amarillo ISD – Palo Duro High School August 1994 – June 1995
Speech & Debate Coach/Radio and Television

- Classroom Assignments: Speech, Debate, Oral Interp, Radio/TV Production, Student Council

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AWARDS

- UIL Sponsor of Excellence – 2019
- UIL Academic Director of a Lone Star Cup recipient school – 2011 & 2012
- National Speech and Debate Association (NSDA) Diamond Coach – 2011
- NSDA Two Diamond Coach – 2017
- NSDA National Tournament Tab Staff – Extemp Draw – 2007 to Present
- NSDA National Tournament Co-Director of Extemp Draw – 2018 to Present
- TFA State Tournament Tab Staff – Extemp Draw – 2015 to Present
- TFA State Tournament Director of Extemp Draw – 2018 to Present
- Texas Speech Communication Association Region 11 Representative – 2008 to 2013
- Texas Speech Communication Association Region 16 Representative – 2016 to 2020
- Texas Speech Communication Association Session Presenter/Chair – 2007 to 2019, 2022
- Texas Speech Communication Association Governmental Affairs Committee – 2010 to 2021
- Texas Speech Communication Association Governmental Co-Chair – 2016 to 2021
- NSDA District Executive Committee Member – 2007 to 2013
- UIL District Spring Meet Coordinator– 2007 to 2013, 2015, 2017, 2020 and 2021
- UIL Regional Advisory Committee Member – 2008 to 2010, 2012 to 2017

PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

- UIL Academic District Champions – 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013
- UIL Speech and Debate District Champions – 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2019, and 2021
- One Act Play (OAP) Area Advancement – 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012
- OAP Regional Advancement – 2009 and 2011
- OAP State Advancement – 2009
- UIL Academic Regional Champions – 2011, 2012 and 2013
- UIL Regional Speech Team Champions – 2007, 2012 and 2013
- 2nd Place Regional Speech Team – 2008, 2009 and 2010
- UIL State Speech and Debate Champions – 2007
- NSDA District Champions – 2007, 2008 and 2009
- NSDA National Tournament – Public Forum Debate Team – Top 60 – 2008
- NSDA National Tournament – Cross Examination Debate - Top 16 - 2013
- NSDA National Tournament – Lincoln Douglas Debate – Top 20 – 2020 and 2021
- NSDA and NCFL National Tournament Qualifiers:

2007	2008	2009	2010	2013	2014	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
7	11	7	5	2	9	1	1	1	2	2	2
NSDA	NSDA	NSDA	NSDA	NSDA	NCFL	NSDA	NSDA	NSDA	NSDA	NSDA	NSDA

- UIL State Qualifiers, Alternates and Placements 2007 to Present:

Event	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
CX Debate	2 Qls	3 rd & 4 th	3 rd	1 Ql	3 rd	3 rd	1 Ql		1 Ql & 1 Alt	1 Ql & 1 Alt	1 Ql & 1 Alt	2 Alts	1 Ql	1 Ql	
Congress	Not A UIL Event							3 Qls	3 Qls	2 Qls & 1 Alt	1 Ql 2 Alts	2 Qls & 1 Alt	2 Qls & 1 Alt	1 st	3 rd
Persuasive	1 st & 3 rd	3 rd & 6 th	1 Ql	6 th	1 Ql	2 nd & 3 rd	1 Ql								3 rd
Informative	1 st & 6 th		1 Ql	2 nd	1 Ql	3 rd	1 Ql								
LD Debate	2 nd	1 Q & 1 Alt	1 Alt		3 rd				3 rd				3 rd		1 st
Prose	1 Alt			5 th & 1 Alt			1 Alt					1 Ql	1 Ql		
Poetry	1 Alt						1 Ql				1 Alt	1 Ql	1 Ql		

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Texas Speech Communication Association, 1988 – 1990, 2004 - Present

Texas Educational Theatre Association, 2004 - Present

National Federation of High Schools, 2004 - Present

Texas Forensics Association, 1988 – 1990, 2004 - Present

National Speech and Debate Association, 2004 – Present

Association of Texas Professional Educators, 2004 - Present



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Sami Womack embodies UIL leadership on our campus at every level. She leads by example, and is always willing to challenge herself and others. She has built sustainable positive relationships with our staff and students. Her demeanor of respect and integrity, motivates UIL sponsors on our campus to sponsor, and she motivates her students through positive encouragement and consistent coaching to achieve their personal best.

Mrs. Womack creates student champions in speech, debate, and other academic interscholastic competitions. Her strong belief in supporting students enables students with lifelong skills and values. Mrs. Womack truly believes in the individual student, knows their strengths, and grows students in areas they need help in. She coaches students to become effective communicators, ethical individuals, critical thinkers, and leaders within our school.

Mrs. Womack demonstrates her strong interpersonal skills in all aspects of UIL. Her organization and commitment to excellence are seen daily. She is well spoken, and pays attention to detail.

Mrs. Womack is our UIL Coordinator, Theatre Director, and serves as our Speech and Debate Coach. She teaches Communications Applications, Theatre I,II,&III, Debate, Oral Interp, Advanced Public Speaking, and over the past twenty years has also served on student council, and sponsored countless UIL events.

Mrs. Womack is a humble, servant, and strong leader. She has demonstrated excellence and support in UIL for over twenty years, and this more than qualifies her to serve as vice-president elect for the Texas Speech Communication Association. It is my honor to nominate her to receive this prestigious accolade.

Sincerely,


Mr. Richard Saucedo

Principal, Hereford High School