

## Thomas B. Spencer, Candidate Statement for Region V Member on National Board

I am honored and excited to be nominated for the Region V member position on the NCURA National Board of Directors. I have been an active participant of NCURA Region V since 2005 when I was invited to present at our regional meeting, teaching about the soon-to-be-released NIH Commons. At that time, I did not totally understand the mission of NCURA, nor the many professional benefits provided. Over the last 16 years, I have made lifelong friends, worked with mentors, and helped to position Region V as a powerful force within NCURA. My active leadership in and for NCURA has been a key component in my ability to support the research community in Region V and nationally.



Originally, my goal for joining NCURA was to meet people and learn. However, as my role in Research Administration changed, so did my involvement with NCURA - the result being valuable professional growth and a strong desire to mentor others and give back to NCURA members some of what I have received. I am grateful to have served NCURA and the profession of Research Administration at three Region V Universities (UTD, UTRGV & UTSW) - contributing to both the regional and national research community through novel research into our profession, leadership, and education, teaching at Johns Hopkins. In addition, I have created a scholarship that provides membership dues to deserving students looking to participate in professional societies. I am very proud to be a member of NCURA, which provides a strong foundation for Research Administrators and prepares its members for excellence.

The Region V member position on the NCURA National Board is an important one as it serves to connect and unify Region V and the national organization through leadership, effective policy, communication, dissemination of information, and professional development, to name just a few. As our profession continues to expand and mature, it is imperative that NCURA maintain and attract committed innovative membership at the regional and national levels.

I have always valued my NCURA membership, and if selected, I look forward to being the eyes, ears, and voice of Region V on the National Board of Directors.

### National Service:

Campus Liaison Workgroup .....	2020
NCURA Magazine: Content Review Workgroup.....	2019
Invited Speaker, NCURA National Meeting .....	2011, 2017
Author: NCURA Magazine Article .....	2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
Author: NCURA Research Management Review .....	2017
Executive Leadership Program (ELP) Graduate: .....	2014
Volunteer and/or Session Moderator, NCURA National Meeting .....	2016, 2017, 2018
Adjunct Faculty, Johns Hopkins University, Research Administration Master's Program ....	2016-2021

### Regional Service:

Vice/Chair, Region V Chair of Executive Committee .....	2016-2017
Chair, Region V Publication/Communications Committee .....	2010-2019
Chair, Region V Nominations Committee .....	2019
Member At Large, Region V Chair of Executive Committee .....	2010, 2011
Photographer, Regional Meeting .....	2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2015, 2017
Invited Speaker, NCURA Regional Meeting .....	2005, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2019
Invited Workshop Instructor: NCURA Region IV and V Meeting .....	2012
NCURA Region V Website Redesign .....	2012, 2018
Program Committee Region V Spring Meeting .....	2013, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2020
Volunteer and/or Session Moderator, NCURA Regional Meeting .....	2007, 2010, 2011, 2019
Technical Support, NCURA Regional Meeting .....	2009, 2010, 2011, 2015, 2017, 2018
Webmaster, NCURA Region V .....	2009-2019