

# Virginia TSA

## Annual Report of the 2013 - 2014 Executive Council

### Annual Report of the President

**Reported by: Caleb Gum**  
**Technosphere 2014**  
**Richmond, Virginia**

#### **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Attended the 2013 New Officers Workshop
- Attended 2013 TSA National Conference in Orlando, Florida
- Led Delegation Meetings at National Conference
- Continued planning of Leadership Academy
- Represented Virginia TSA in the Parade of State Presidents
- Fulfilled the responsibilities of State President at National Conference
- Presented Greetings from Virginia TSA at the 2013 VTEEA Conference
- Attended Business Partnerships Committee Meeting

- Helped review the new West Virginia TSA Website
- Prepared T-Shirt design for Leadership Academy
- Created a brief list of possible local business partnership options
- Attended Valley Region Planning Meeting
- Coordinated with Mr. Stephenson to plan the September Planning meeting
- Submitted seven articles for the Virginia Scene
- Helped plan the parliamentary presentation for Leadership academy
- Assigned team groups for Leadership Academy
- Planned the Problem Solving Challenge
- Created the Figuring it Out breakout session lesson plan
- Coordinated Breakout Session and Challenge planning
- Helped line up Alumni for Leadership Academy
- Completed planning and coordination for Leadership Academy and ran a successful 2013 Leadership Academy.
- Mailed a business partnership letter to Rosetta Stone and will be taking further action between this report and the meeting
- Brought Greetings from Virginia TSA at the Valley Fall Rally
- Ran a Leadership Workshop at the Valley Fall Rally
- Contacted Dr. John Vadnal and Mr. Sidney Robinson
- Attended VACTE Conference
- Planned the Problem Solving Challenge for Leadership Academy
- Spoke to Governor McCauliffe about STEM, TSA, and CTSO's in general.
- Spoke to multiple Virginia Legislators about CTE and TSA and how they benefit Virginia
- Contacted Rosetta Stone, Dynamic Aviation, Pilgrim's Pride and other Businesses with Mr. Vice President
- Looked over Amendments to be proposed at the February meeting
- Represented National TSA in a meeting with National Secretary of Education Arne Duncan, Assistant Secretary Dann-Messier, and national representatives of the other CTSO's in the nation to discuss SecEd goals, what CTSO's provide the nation's youth, and how SecEd and CTSO's can work together to be more mutually beneficial.

- Attended all scheduled Virginia TSA Executive Officer meetings
- Assisted and advised as able the work of committees
- Helped set up for the 2014 Valley Regional Fair
- Brought greetings from Virginia TSA at the Valley Regional Fair
- Created a packet for the next Virginia TSA State President
- Like Mr. Vice President, had a truly amazing and enjoyable year on this council, for which I too am grateful.

Respectfully Submitted,

Caleb Gum

Virginia TSA State President

# Annual Report of the Vice President

**Reported by: Caleb Hurst**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Attended New Officers' Workshop
- Attended/assisted in running a successful Leadership Academy
- Contacted businesses for partnerships
- Held and attended various committee meetings
- Planned Speak Up, Speak Out workshop for Leadership Academy
- Met and planned Parliamentary Procedure demo
- Held committee meetings and prepared Green Initiative work
- Attended meetings of and worked with Constitution and Bylaws committee
- Wrote multiple articles for the Virginia Scene
- Worked as chair of resolutions committee
- Assisted in running and set-up of Valley Regional fair
- Assisted in Technosphere planning
- Attended all executive council meetings
- Had an awesome year, for which I'm grateful

Respectfully Submitted,

Caleb Hurst

Virginia TSA State Vice President

# Annual Report of the Secretary

**Reported by: Erin Sullivan**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Attended New Officer's Workshop
- Represented Virginia TSA at the National Conference in Orlando, Florida, helped successfully execute the delegation meetings
- Reviewed *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*
- Served as chair for the Public Relations and State Community Service Project committees, was a member of the Leadership Development, Business Partnerships, National TSA Concerns, Archives, and Constitution and Bylaws committees
- Worked with Southwestern Region to plan and complete a successful Fall Rally
- Wrote an amendment with the Constitution and Bylaws Committee
- Helped Leadership Development Committee with seating arrangements for Technosphere
- Worked with Community Service Committee to implement the Talent Show at Technosphere
- Began a blog with the Public Relations Committee
- Wrote multiple articles for the *Virginia Scene*
- Planned and carried out two workshops for the 2013 Leadership Academy
- Extended committee positions to those in attendance at the 2013 Leadership Academy
- Helped new chapters get involved from the Southwestern Region
- Helped plan and complete a successful Spring Fair

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Sullivan

Virginia TSA State Secretary

# **Annual Report of the Treasurer**

**Reported by: Arindam Gupta**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Balanced and improved budget for Virginia TSA
- As treasurer, approved the annual and monthly budgets
- Called regular chapter meetings and stayed after school to work on projects
- Attended all meetings necessary to complete tasks and duties
- Helped in the planning process of Technosphere
- Helped in the planning of Leadership Academy
- Hosted a workshop at Leadership Academy
- Held meetings for Auditing Committee

Respectfully Submitted,

Arindam Gupta

Virginia TSA State Treasurer

# Annual Report of the Historian

**Reported by: Amanda Billips**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Attended New Officers' Workshop
- Compiled all photos from previous year
- Attended National TSA Conference in Orlando, Florida
- Questioned members on how they want to receive media from Virginia TSA
- Found online options for a Virginia TSA 'Yearbook'
- Attended, and assisted, at the 2013 South Central Regional Fall Rally
- Began production on a Virginia TSA 2013-14 Archives Book

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Billips

Virginia TSA State Historian

# Annual Report of the Reporter

**Reported by: Kelsey Stoner**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Attended the New Officers Workshop in June of 2013
- Served as chair of the Publications Committee and Co-chair of the Enterprising Committee
- Attended Nationals 2013 in Orlando, Florida
- Published a Special Edition of the Virginia Scene, "News From Nationals"
- Contacted all members of the Executive Council in order to receive various articles for the publications of the Virginia Scene at least 4 times throughout the year
- Compiled various elements from TSA members across Virginia to use in the Virginia Scene.
- Published the Virginia Scene three times throughout the year
- Held multiple Enterprising meetings with other co-chair, Madam South Central Regional President
- Attended and led session at South Central Fall Rally
- Planned Executive Council music video and officer intro videos with Madam Historian
- Attended the 2013 Leadership Academy and ran a workshop on Public Speaking with Mr. Vice President
- Kept in contact with Mr. Stephenson while compiling and completing all editions of the Virginia Scene
- Co-chaired the South Central Relay for Life Committee and helped bring together a Relay for Life Event
- Contacted local business seeking sponsorship

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelsey Stoner

Virginia TSA State Reporter

# **Annual Report of the Parliamentarian**

**Reported by: Kurtis Gross**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Presented the achievements of our chapter's 2013 National TSA experience to the Abingdon Kiwanis Club
- Met with Regional council to plan the fall rally
- Contacted Norfolk Southern
- Attended Regional Spring Fair Meeting
- Taught GIS class for middle school students
- Assisted at weekly CAD classes
- Created and submitted bylaw amendments
- Assisted local chapters at club sign-up day
- Reviewed bylaws
- Assisted at leadership Academy
- Hunted down different forms stated in the bylaws
- Met with multiple Committee's to advance the state
- Assisted GIS teams in my area
- Wrote articles for Virginia TSA Scene

Respectfully Submitted,

Kurtis Gross

Virginia TSA State Parliamentarian

# Annual Report of the Sergeant-At-Arms

**Reported by: Rajan Jani**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Attended the New Officers Workshop
- Served as a Chair for the Membership Promotion Committee and the Nominations Committee, served as a member in the Business Partnerships Committee and Technosphere Recommendations Committee
- Worked with the South Central Regional to help plan and conduct the 2013 South Central Fall Rally
- Created and maintained the official Virginia TSA Twitter account
- Contacted Carmax, General Electric, and MeadWestvaco on potential sponsorship opportunities
- Submitted three articles to the *Virginia Scene* through the course of this year
- Helped fill vacant regional officer positions in the Tidewater Region
- Submitted a t-shirt design for the 2013 Leadership Supercharged
- Gave greetings from Virginia TSA, along with Madame Reporter, at the 2013 South Central Region Fall Rally
- Co-lead the “Speak Up, Speak Out” workshop at the 2013 Virginia TSA Leadership Academy
- Judged the extemporaneous speech workshop at the 2013 Virginia TSA Leadership Academy during Leadership Supercharged
- Attended and participated in the 2014 South Central Region Relay for Life event at Deep Run High School
- Worked with Mr. Stephenson to establish a packet to send to colleges/universities
- Contacted numerous colleges/universities in hopes for them to attend the 2014 Technosphere

- Helped the South Central Region officer team set up and conduct the 2014 South Central Regional Spring Fair

Respectfully Submitted,

Rajan Jani

Virginia TSA State Sergeant-At-Arms

## **Annual Report of the Northern Regional President**

**Reported by: Abdullah Choudhury**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

### **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Took over the position of President, as the previous president had resigned
- Organized a successful Fall Rally and Regional Fair
- Held several meetings in order to plan events such as the Fall Rally and Regional Fair
- Successfully created, promoted, and organized three new events to the Northern Regional Fair: Awards/Scholarships Informative Session, Regional Meet & Greet, and a Tie-Tying Tournament
- Created and sold Regional T-shirts at the Regional Fair as the Relay for Life Fundraiser
- Promoted Regional Officer positions, and had people from various schools apply for positions on the council
- Attended the State Officer meeting in February

Respectfully Submitted,

Abdullah Choudhury

Virginia TSA Northern Regional President

# **Annual Report of the South Central Regional President**

**Reported by: Kathryn Hutchins-Duda  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Held first meeting at Deep Run High School on Monday, September 9th
- Planned workshops for the Fall Rally
- Discussed potential standing rules for the region
- Drafted promotional materials
- Held regional meeting on Monday, October 7th
- Held Regional Fall Rally on Saturday, October 19th
- Began planning for Spring Fair
- Began planning for Regional Relay for Life Event which will be held on January 10th
- Held Regional Relay Life Event at Deep Run High School on January 10th
- Held regional meeting on Thursday, January 16th, 2014 at Deep Run High School
- Continued planning for Spring Fair
- Created a talent show audition form
- Corresponded with other regional presidents about holding Technosphere
- Talent Show Auditions at Regional Fairs
- Wrote two amendments to the State Constitution and mailed them to Mr. State Adviser
- Held February & March Regional Officers Meetings
- Planned for Regional Spring Fair
- Promoted talent show auditions
- Held Regional Spring Fair at Glen Allen High School on March 8th
- Chose three acts for the state talent show
- Elected partial 2014-2015 Region Executive Council

- held transitional meeting in May between 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 Region Executive Councils

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathryn Hutchins-Duda  
Virginia TSA South Central Regional President

# Annual Report of the Southwestern Regional President

**Reported by: Jessica Strait**  
**Technosphere 2014**  
**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Planned and held a successful Fall Rally
- Planned and held a successful Spring Fair
- Supported Relay for Life via multiple fundraisers throughout the year and at the Fall Rally/ Spring Fair events
- Coordinated with members to volunteer at the First Lego League competition
- Lead regional planning meetings to organize the Fall Rally/ Spring Fair events in addition to other regional affairs
- Created and maintained a Southwestern Virginia TSA website with Mr. Southwestern Regional Reporter
- Contacted and assisted a new chapter in the region with the affiliation and competition processes
- Reviewed *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised*
- Attended and helped to run the 2013 Leadership Supercharged! Academy
- Wrote Virginia Scene articles about the Southwestern Region's Spring Fair and leadership involvement

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Strait

Virginia TSA Southwestern Regional President

# **Annual Report of the Tidewater Regional President**

**Reported by: Brett Fochtman  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Established location for the regional fair to be at Ocean Lakes High School
- Contacted and provided my new advisor with TSA information
- Met with the membership promotion committee
- Researched topics for Leadership Academy
- Researched games for Leadership Academy
- Campaigned for more officers to join the regional board
- Planned and Held a successful Fall Rally on the 26th
- Filled all regional council positions except one
- Helped in the planning of the LA teamwork competition
- Helped in the planning of the LA figure it out breakout session
- Wrote an article about Fall Rally
- Talked with all regional officers on their ideas for the fair and gave them all an update
- Filled most of judges positions for the spring fair
- Developed a plan for regional seating
- Gathered three possible guest speakers for the spring fair and waiting for confirmation
- Choose Mrs. Casandra as guest speaker for the Regional Fair
- Held a regional meeting at ocean lakes on February 22nd
- Filled all judges positions
- Held the regional fair on march 1st

Respectfully Submitted,

Brett Fochtman



Virginia TSA Tidewater Regional President

# **Annual Report of the Blue Ridge Regional President**

**Reported by: Mary Grace Sawyer  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Created and managed the Blue Ridge website
- Held Regional meetings
- Planned and held our Regional Fair
- Made sure all council members knew:
  - Their responsibilities and duties
  - The opening ceremony and creed
- Recruited at Read Mountain Middle School
- Held Blue Ridge Fall Rally at Lord Botetourt High School
- Researched possible fundraisers
- Recruited possible new council members at our Fall Rally
- All Blue Ridge Council positions are now filled except for:
  - Secretary
  - Historian
- Participated in the 2013-14 Leadership Academy
- Attended Executive Council meetings
- Helped lead a teamwork activity at the Leadership Academy

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary Grace Sawyer  
Virginia TSA Blue Ridge Regional President

# **Annual Report of the Valley Regional President**

**Reported by: Sydney Walker**

**Technosphere 2014**

**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Participated in the New Officers Workshop and attended all Executive council meetings
- Avidly participated in the Membership Committee and compiled a list of schools in the Valley to correspond with involving affiliation
- Led planning meetings for the Valley Region Fall Rally and Spring Fair
- Presided at the Valley Region Fall Rally and Spring Fair
- Helped in the planning and executing of the 2013 Virginia TSA Leadership Academy
- Helped in the planning for Technosphere 2014

Respectfully Submitted,

Sydney Walker

Virginia TSA Valley Regional President

# **Annual Report of the Immediate Past President**

**Reported by: Jill Pritts  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

**List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

# **Annual Report of the Leadership Development Committee**

**Reported by: Brett Fochtman  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Establish the goals for the committee
- Discussed topics for leadership academy
- Discussed possible afternoon activities for Leadership Academy
- Discussed seating arrangement for Technosphere
- Discussed possible actions to promote running for office

Respectfully Submitted,

Brett Fochtman

Leadership Development Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Resolutions Committee**

**Reported by: Caleb Hurst  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Met several times
- Prepared “How to write a resolution article” for the Virginia Scene
- Staged a mock resolution at Technosphere with all officers

Respectfully Submitted,  
Caleb Hurst  
Resolutions Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Auditing Committee**

**Reported by: Arindam Gupta**  
**Technosphere 2014**  
**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Viewed and approved budget of the 2013-2014 year
- Made improvements to the budget with the help of the treasurer
- Promoted membership within specific regions of Virginia
- Called regular meetings to discuss any issues
- Sent out sponsorship letters to companies
- Kept the budget fair, balanced, and well maintained

Respectfully Submitted,  
Arindam Gupta  
Auditing Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Constitution and Bylaws**

**Reported by: Kurtis Gross  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Created and submitted Bylaw clarification amendments
- Researched possible amendments needed for bylaws or constitution

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kurtis Gross  
Constitution and Bylaws Committee Chair



# **Annual Report of the Public Relations Committee**

**Reported by: Erin Sullivan**  
**Technosphere 2014**  
**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Discussed public relations options
- Began a blog for Virginia TSA's Executive Council
- Looked for other means of Virginia TSA public relations via social networking

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Sullivan  
Public Relations Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Nominations Committee**

**Reported by: Rajan Jani**  
**Technosphere 2014**  
**Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Assisted in the installment of vacant officer positions on the Tidewater Regional Council
- Discussed and revised the initial "Running for Office Document"
- Advertised in various ways to promote running for a position on the Regional and/or State Executive Council

Respectfully Submitted,

Rajan Jani  
Nominations Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Archives Committee**

**Reported by: Amanda Billips**  
**Technosphere 2014**  
**Richmond, Virginia**

**List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Found online options for Virginia TSA 'Yearbook'
- Questioned members on how they would like to receive information from Virginia TSA
- Held dual meetings (3) with Publications Committee
- Collected previous year's photographs
- Collected photographs from Regional Fall Rallies
- Begin making a 'Virginia TSA 2013-14 Archives Book'

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Billips  
Archives Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Publications Committee**

**Reported by: Kelsey Stoner  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Successfully created and published all editions of the Virginia Scene
- Added a new edition of the Scene to establish 4 annual publications
- Continued to promote the Virginia TSA in our schools, chapters, communities, etc.
- Worked with Archives Committee

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelsey Stoner

Publications Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Business Partnerships Committee**

**Reported by: Kathryn Hutchins-Duda  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Discussed techniques for approaching businesses
- Charged committee members with finding specific businesses to contact
- Reviewed funding initiative
- Distributed Sponsorship Packet to Executive Council
- Charged council with bringing correspondence from two potential business partners to the February meeting
- Contacted two businesses with sponsorship letter
- Reviewed business correspondence emails from Mr. President

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathryn Hutchins-Duda  
Business Partnerships Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the National TSA Concerns Committee**

**Reported by: Kurtis Gross  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Stayed open toward any national concerns

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kurtis Gross

National TSA Concerns Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Enterprising Committee**

**Reported by: Kelsey Stoner/Kathryn Hutchins-Duda  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Surveyed the 2013-2014 Executive Council to see what they would want to see in the Virginia TSA Store this year at Technosphere
- Compiled a list of items that members would like to see in the store and submitted a finalized list to Mr. State Advisor
- Stayed in communication with Mr. State Advisor regarding the status of the items that have been ordered and received for the Virginia TSA Store
- Created a schedule for the Executive Council members to work in the Virginia TSA Store
- Had items list and work schedule approved by Mr. State Advisor

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelsey Stoner and Kathryn Hutchins-Duda  
Joint Enterprising Committee Chairs

# **Annual Report of the Membership Promotion Committee**

**Reported by: Rajan Jani  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Created and maintained the Virginia TSA Twitter account
- Promoted the Virginia TSA Twitter account by increasing the popularity to 45 followers, as of April 22, 2014
- Promoted Virginia TSA membership through the Twitter account and other methods
- Drafted and finalized a letter to prospective and affiliated schools
- Discussed and shared methods with the Pennsylvania TSA Membership Committee

Respectfully Submitted,

Rajan Jani  
Membership Promotion Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the State Community Service Project Committee**

**Reported by: Erin Sullivan  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Promoted community service projects statewide, with an emphasis on Relay for Life
- Contacted Regional Residents about holding Relay for Life fundraisers at their Spring Fairs
- Published an article about Relay for Life fundraising and ideas
- Implemented a Talent Show at Technosphere to fundraise for Relay for Life
- Continued the tradition of pie-ing officers at Technosphere

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Sullivan  
State Community Service Project Committee Chair



# **Annual Report of the Green Initiatives Committee**

**Reported by: Caleb Hurst  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Met multiple times
- Discussed and ruled out electronic testing as economically feasible
- Discussed dynamics of electronic program
- Discussed ways to affect environmentally friendly policies in competitions

Respectfully submitted,  
Caleb Hurst  
Green Initiative Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Technosphere Recommendations Committee**

**Reported by: Sydney Walker  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

## **List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**

- Looked over the Feedback of Technosphere 2013
- Used results to try to come up with ideas to improve for Technosphere 2014
- Found a replacement to the Mixer

Respectfully Submitted,

Sydney Walker  
Technosphere Recommendations Committee Chair

# **Annual Report of the Alumni Liason Committee**

**Reported by: Jill Pritts  
Technosphere 2014  
Richmond, Virginia**

**List of activities accomplished since Technosphere 2013:**



**Financial Report  
April 30, 2014**

Deposits	\$118,993.00
Disbursements	\$61,662.28
Net Balance	\$57,330.72

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**Membership Report  
April 30, 2014**

74 Middle School Chapters	4,534 Members
123 High School Chapters	5,297 Members
Total Chapters	194
Total Membership	9,831

