

TR Winter Meeting 2025

This conference was very beneficial. The opening session was special, it was different. Travis Kessler, retiring CEO, Mike Barnett, incoming CEO, and current leadership engaged in a panel discussion of where we have been and where we are going as Texas Realtors. There was an extensive presentation honoring Travis, lots of photos from all of Travis' life, his long time marriage, kids and grandkids, and of course achievements in his lifetime of service to the Real Estate Industry.

The TREPAC Awards Breakfast was especially enjoyable as Collin County was recognized for new Hall of Fame members, as well as other awards!

A particularly enjoyable session was the Leasing and Property Management Forum: A panel of 3 property managers, all of whom I know well, answered questions and told horror stories of their experiences. These ranged from eviction horrors, to mistakes like cutting down a tree damaged in a storm, but finding out it was really on the adjacent property, and 100 years old. That was a \$10,000 mistake by the PM, but he wrote the check and made it good. There were many other stories!

The Regional Caucus Forum on Sunday was an excellent time to share our Zoom meetings, and ask questions and clarifications of the leadership, and hear reports from each region.

The Pickleball tourney and Super Bowl watch party was a lot of fun, made more so since Collin County won this, too!

The Stars Reception was well attended and County won again!

On Tuesday the Board of Directors Meeting was well run, and ended almost on time! We were advised that membership dues revenue is down just a little, but Texas Realtors is in very good financial shape! WE received updates on current litigation from Lori Levey, and representatives of NAR and Region 10.

I enjoyed this conference, learned a lot, and am proud to represent Collin County!

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