

**Curriculum Vita Summary**  
**Dr. Teri S. Lesesne, Professor**  
**Sam Houston State University**

**Professional Experience**

Sam Houston State University Department of Library Science Tenured	Graduate and undergraduate courses in children's and YA Professor, literature; coordinator annual Young Adult Conference (1990-2009)
University of Houston, College of Education Department of Curriculum and Instruction	Undergraduate reading courses Undergraduate YA literature course
Alief I.S.D.	ELA Department Chair GT Program Coordinator English teacher (1979-1989)

**Professional Activities**

Member, READWRITETHINK Calendar Entry Team, NCTE 2003-2004  
President, ALAN/NCTE, 2001  
President, GHARC, 1999-2000  
Assistant Chair, Middle Level Section Steering Committee, NCTE, 2001-2004  
Member, Middle Level Section Steering Committee, NCTE, 2001-2005  
NCTE Program Planning Committee, 2000, 2002, 2003.  
Editor, "Books for Adolescents" column, *Journal of Reading*, 1993-1998  
Committee to Revise *Your Reading*, NCTE 1993-1995  
Co-Editor, *Books for You*, 1997-2000  
Editor, The Book Talk column in *Voices from the Middle*, 2000-present  
Editor, Children's Book Review column, *The Journal of Children's Literature*, 1999-2003.  
Editor, Portraits column, *Teacher Librarian*, 1995-2000  
Editor, Children's book review column, *Teacher Librarian*, 1995-2000  
Secretary, Texas Council of Teachers of English, 1993-1994  
President, Texas Council of Teachers of English, 1996-1997  
Chair, TASL By-Laws Committee, 1997-1998  
Member TASL Scholarship Committee, 1996-1997  
Member TASL Media Award Committee, 1996-1998  
Chair, TASL Media Awards Committee, 1998-99  
Chair, TASL Nominating Committee, 1998-99  
Alternate Councilor, TASL, 1999-2002  
Councilor, TASL, 2001-2003

Member, Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers Committee, 2003-2006  
Membership Committee Chair, Texas Library Association, 1995-1996  
Series author for Econo-Clad American Literature Redi-Notes Series, 1991-1992  
*English Journal* Advisory Committee, 1987-1988  
Review Board for *English Journal*, 1994-1995, 1998  
Committee to Revise *Books for You*, NCTE, 1985-1987  
Parents and Reading Committee, Texas State Reading Association, 1991-1992  
Promising Programs and Practices Committee, Texas State Reading Association, 1992-1993  
State Judge for NCTE Program to Recognize Literary Magazine, 1985-1994  
Texas Education Agency State Standards Committee, 1984  
Columnist for *The ALAN Review*, 1996-1998  
Children's book review column for *The GHARC Gazette*, 1991-1992  
Editor, *The GHARC Gazette*, 1993-1994  
Founding officer and Board Member, West Houston Area Council of Teachers of English, 1987-1995  
Winner of Texas Council of Teachers of English Research Grant, 1995  
Winner of Texas State Reading Association Research Grant, 1995 and 1997  
Winner of CELA Grant, 2001  
Winner of the ALAN Foundation grant, 1995 and 1997 and 1999  
Winner of the TLA/DEMCO grant, 2003  
Winner of the YALSA/Henne grant, 2002  
Winner of Outstanding Contribution Award, West Houston Area Council of Teachers of English, 2000  
Winner, ALAN Award, 2009  
Winner, Richard Halle Excellence in Teaching Award, NCTE, 2011  
Member, Board of Director, SIGNAL, 1995-2005  
Regional Coordinator for Teachers' Choices, International Reading Association, 1996-1999  
Steering Committee, IRA Teachers' Choices, 1999-2001  
Co-Editor, *English in Texas*, 1996-1999  
Review Board for *Reading Teacher* 1999-present  
Review Board for *Voice of Youth Advocates* 1999-present  
Review Board for *The ALAN Review*  
Review Board for *The English Journal*  
Chair, SIGNAL, 2003-2005  
ALA/CBC Liaison, 2005  
Co-Chair IRA/CBC Joint Committee, 2005-2006  
ALAN President, NCTE, 2002  
ALAN Program Consultant, 2003-2005  
ALAN Award Chair, 2005  
ALAN Nominating and Election Chair, 2004  
Regional Coordinator, Children's Choices, International Reading Association, 2002-2004  
Member, Quick Picks for Reluctant Readers Committee, YALSA, 2003-2006  
Member Margaret A. Edwards Committee, YALSA, 2006-2007  
Member, Standing Committee Against Censorship, NCTE, 2006-2007  
Member, Odyssey Committee, YALSA/ALSC, 2007  
Co-Chair YALSA Preconference Planning Committee, 2007-2008

Member, Printz Committee, 2009-2010  
Member, Amelia Elizabeth Walden Award, ALAN, 2008-2009  
Member, Excellence in Nonfiction for Young Adults Committee 2012  
Chair, Morris committee 2011  
Chair, Odyssey Committee, 2013  
Judge, final teen Audies Award, 2009-2011  
Chair, Amelia Elizabeth Walden Committee, 2010-2011  
ALAN Executive Secretary, 2010-2015

**Professional Publications (articles and columns in the following periodicals)**

*Across the University Writing Program Newsletter*  
*Arizona English Bulletin*  
*Authors4Teens.com*  
*Connecticut English Journal*  
*Emergency Librarian*  
*English in Texas*  
*English Journal*  
*Journal of Adolescent and Adult Literacy*  
*Journal of Children's Literature*  
*Journal of Reading*  
*Mississippi Association for Gifted Children Newsletter*  
*R & E, a Journal of NJWPT*  
*Reading Education in Texas*  
*Reading Horizons*  
*Signal*  
*SIGNAL*  
*Smartwriters.com*  
*Teacher Librarian*  
*tempo*  
*Texas Reading Report*  
*Texas Voices*  
*The ALAN Review*  
*The State of Reading*  
*Voices from the Middle*  
*VOYA*

## **Book Chapters**

Joan Kaywell's *Adolescent Literature as a Complement to the Classics, Volume 2, Volume 3, Volume 4*

Beers and Samuels' *Your Reading*

Abrahamson and Carter's *Books for You*

Samuels and Beers' *Into Focus: Understanding and Creating Middle School Readers*

Daphne Kutzer's *Writers of Multicultural Fiction for Young Adults*

Bonnie Ericson's *Teaching English in the High School*

Beers and Lesesne's *Books for You*

DuPuis and Elliott's *YA Literature : Reading It, Teaching It, Loving It!*

Zitlow's *Lost Masterworks of YA Literature*

Pavonetti's *History of Children's Literature*

Kunzel and Cullinan's *Encyclopedia of Young Adult Literature*

Beers et al *Adolescent Literacy: Turning Promise into Practice*

Van Horn's *Reading on the Edge: Enabling, Empowering, and Engaging Middle School Readers*

## **Books**

*Hit List for Young Adults*, ALA Editions, 2002 (with Rosemary Chance)

*Books for You*, NCTE, 2002 (with Kyleene Beers)

*Making the Match: The Right Book for the Right Reader at the Right Time*, Stenhouse, 2003

*Naked Reading: Uncovering what Tweens Need to Become Lifelong Readers*. Stenhouse, 2006

*Reading Ladders: Leading Readers from Where They Are to Where We'd Like Them to Be*.

Heinemann, 2010.