The Texas Chapter of MLA held its annual meeting at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, TX on October 7-8, 2016. During the business meeting a decision was made to offer travel grants to attend the statewide meeting. A formal proposal would be presented at our meeting in Orlando. We voted to make a donation to the MLA Diversity Scholarship. We also voted to integrate our Chapter Membership renewals with MLA membership renewals and to join SEMLA in New Orleans for a joint conference in October of 2017. At the end of the meeting Maristella Feustle (UNT) became Past-Chair, Keith Chapman (Rice) assumed the role of Chair and Clayton Crenshaw (Baylor) was elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect. Mary Brower (Rice) continued on as Secretary/Treasurer for a second term. At our meeting in Orlando we accepted the proposal made by Mary Brower and James Floyd (Hardin-Simmons) to offer 2 travel grants on an experimental basis. An ad hoc committee of Cari Alexander (TCU), Mary Brower and Keith Chapman was formed to review travel grant applications and award the grants. The membership also voted to make some minor changes to our constitution and bylaws regarding the membership year and voting practices. We awarded our first two travel grants to Adam Nunzio La Spata (UNT) and Joshua Macias (UNT) to attend the joint SEMLA/TMLA meeting in New Orleans. The joint meeting with SEMLA was held at Tulane University on New Orleans, October 12-14, 2017. TMLA was pleased to have 8 members present papers at the conference. At the TMLA business meeting following the conference program we voted to continue working on updating our constitution and bylaws. At the end of the meeting Clayton Crenshaw assumed the role of Chair, Pam Pagels (SMU) was elected Vice-Chair/Chair-Elect and Keith Chapman became Past-Chair. Mary Brower will continue as Secretary/Treasurer for one more year. Pam Pagels offered SMU for our 2018 meeting pending administrative approval.