I, Phillip Gary Schrank, wish to be a candidate for the Treasurer position for KOTESOL's Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter.

I believe, based on my history of exceptional service to KOTESOL, and especially due to my experience serving as the National Treasurer of KOTESOL for 2 years, that I am well suited to serve the Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter as Treasurer. I have a keen understanding of the overall workings of KOTESOL's finances and will use that knowledge to faithfully and honestly manage the finances of the Gwangju-Jeonnam chapter.

I have been a member of KOTESOL since 2013 and am a Lifetime Member. Through KOTESOL's professional development and networking opportunities, I have been able to enhance my teaching and writing abilities, and I have been able to grow as an educator and as a person. Even though I now teach and research outside the realm of English Education, I still teach using English as a Medium of Instruction (EMI), and count KOTESOL as vital to my continued success.

While KOTESOL has given so much to me both professionally and personally, I have tried to give back to KOTESOL by volunteering in the following roles:

- National Treasurer (2016-2018)
- International Conference Financial Affairs Team (2016-2017)
- Content Based Instruction Special Interest Group Facilitator (2015-2018)
- International Conference Registration Manager (2013)
- *The English Connection* Associate Editor (2013-2014)

Additionally, I have been honored to accept the following from KOTESOL:

- Meritorious Service Award, 2018
- Outstanding Service Award, 2017
- Certificate of Service, 2017
- Certificate of Appreciation, 2016

I came to Korea in 2009 after a 5-year career working in Financial and Fiscal Affairs for a private university. I spent my first 4 years living and working as an English Teacher in Gwangju for several Hagwons and finally as a NEST at Salesio Elementary School. I then moved to Seoul for 5 years where I was a lecturer at the Korea Military Academy in the Department of English. While in Seoul, I completed coursework for a PhD in International Relations. I am now ABD for that PhD and have moved back to Gwangju to take a position as Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science and Diplomacy at Chosun University. I have a BA in History and Broad Field Social Sciences from Wisconsin Lutheran College and an MA in Curriculum and Instruction from Arizona State University. In addition to KOTESOL, I am also a member of the International Studies Association, Korea International Studies Association, Korean Association of Local Government Studies, and the Association for Political Theory.

Sincerely,

Phillip Gary Schrank

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## **Endorsement**

## **Phillip Schrank**

For Treasurer, Gwannju-Jeonnam Chapter of Korea TESOL

I am happy to endorse Phillip Schrank for the position of treasurer of the Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter of KOTESOL. As many of you may know, Phillip has recently completed two years of service as national treasurer for KOTESOL. From my position on the National Council, I was able to witness that during his tenure, he did a fine job in executing his duties as treasurer. He processed orders (including membership and event registration) and invoices in a timely manner, and made accurate and timely financial reports to the Council in addition to assisting with the annual financial audits. Phillip's experience at the national level makes him most highly qualified for the position of chapter treasurer. Accordingly, I make this whole-hearted endorsement of Phillip Schrank for the position of Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter Treasurer.

October 19, 2018

Sincerely,

David E. Shaffer, PhD

Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter member/Vice-President

Korea TESOL President

Addressed to the Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL Elections Officer re: the candidacy of Phillip Schrank for the position of the Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter Treasurer

Dear Chairpersons/Committee,

I am Maria Lisak, lifetime member of Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL Chapter and Social Justice SIG Cochair. I am writing to nominate Phillip Schrank for the position of Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter Treasurer.

Phil has already shown his ability to handle all aspects of finances for the entire organization of KOTESOL as the National Treasurer. We would be lucky in Gwangju to have someone of his experience.

He has already had experience at the national level handling KOTESOL's finances. Handling all aspects of chapter finances will be easy for him as he already knows the KOTESOL landscape of how best to handle financial transactions. He has already had experience keeping all organizational monies in a separate personal account and would know how and what to do for our chapter. Tracking all income and expenses for our regional conference will be easy for him after he has done this for the KOTESOL International Conference. Other chapter treasurer duties such as preparing speaker honoraria, speaker dinners and workshop prizes as well as reimbursing expenses for workshops and the regional conference will be familiar tasks that he has already performed at a national level. Phil's experience with budget making and writing the spending report will also be imbued with his experience reviewing these from a national level position. Lastly, sending reimbursement requests to National chapter dues and other payments will not be new to Phil; he will be able to make reports and requests tuned to the chapter and national needs of KOTESOL.

It is beneficial for the chapter to have someone with so much experience to handle our financial tasks with so much experience and oversight. Undoubtedly, he will be a huge asset to us wherever we are lucky enough to have him.

Sincerely,

Maria Lisak Lifetime KOTESOL Member Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter Chosun University

October 24, 2018