Phillip Gary Schrank Candidate Statement for Gwangju Chapter Treasurer

Current Positions

- 2018-Present: Assistant Professor, Chosun University, Department of Political Science and Diplomacy
- 2018-Present: Weekly Correspondent, Gwangju Foreign Language Network (radio)
- 2018-Present: Publication Consultant and Academic Trainer, Cactus Communications

Education

- Ph.D. (Candidate) International Relations, Korea University, Graduate School of International Studies
 - Dissertation: "US Strategic Competition for Virtual Alliance Supremacy in Asia"
 - o Committee: Kim, Sung-han (Chair)
 - Fields: International Cooperation; Peace and Security Studies
- M.A.Curriculum and Instruction (English as a Second Language), Arizona State University, Fulton Teacher's College
- B.A. History and Broad Field Social Sciences, Wisconsin Lutheran College

Past Academic Positions

- 2017-2018: Senior Lecturer, Korea Military Academy, Department of English
- 2013-2017: Lecturer, Korea Military Academy, Department of English
- 2014: Instructor, Global Debate Academy, Yonsei University

Selected Conferences and Seminars (relevant to KOTESOL)

- "Teaching Content in the ESL Classroom."Moderator, Roundtable discussion at the Korea TESOL Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter Regional Conference; Gwangju, ROK, March 9, 2019. (with Arlo Matisz and Maria Lisak)
- "The Rigors of Research: Success in Graduate School and Beyond." Moderator, Roundtable discussion at the Korea TESOL-PAC International Conference; Seoul, ROK, October 21-22, 2017. (with Daniel Bailey, Jamin E. Bassette, Joanne McCuaig, and Eric Reynolds)

Selected Awards and Honors (relevant to KOTESOL)

- Service Award, KOTESOL Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter (2019)
- Meritorious Service Award, KOTESOL (2018)
- Certificate of Appreciation in Teaching, Korea Military Academy (2018)
- Outstanding Service Award, KOTESOL (2017)
- Certificate of Service, KOTESOL (2017)
- Certificate of Appreciation, KOTESOL (2016)

KOTESOL Service

- International Conference Registration Manager (2013; 2019)
- Gwangju Chapter Treasurer (2018-Prepresent)
- National Treasurer (2016-2018; 2019-2021)
- Conference Proposal Vetter: KOTESOL National Conference (2019)
- Facilitator, Content Based Instruction SIG (2015-2018)

• Associate Editor, The English Connection (2013-2014)

Professional Affiliations

• International Studies Association (ISA); Korean International Studies Association (KISA); Association for Political Theory (APT); Korean Association of Local Government Studies (KLOG); Korea TESOL (KOTESOL)

Candidate's Statement

I, Phillip Gary Schrank, wish to be a candidate for the Gwangju ChapterTreasurer position.

I believe, based on my history of service to KOTESOL, and especially due to my experience serving as the National Treasurer of KOTESOL for 5 years, and as Gwangju Chapter Treasurer for 3 years, that I am well suited to continue serving asGwangju Chapter 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 Chapter of KOTESOL.

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.

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 stepped down recently as KOTESOL National Treasurer, but wish to continue serving as Gwangju Chapter Treasurer. The Gwangju Chapter is dear to me and I enjoy serving this wonderful community.

Sincerely,

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Attention: Dr. Yeon-seong Park, Chapter Elections Officer Gwangju-Jeonnam KOTESOL

Dear Dr. Park,

I am writing to endorse Phillip Schrank for the role of chapter treasurer.

Phillip has been an exemplary chapter treasurer throughout the two terms he has served so far. He is diligent, detail-focused, and incredibly dependable with all aspects of chapter finances. As an experienced treasurer at the National Council level, Phillip brings excellent and extensive knowledge of KOTESOL finances to chapter affairs. And, beyond these responsibilities, Phillip has been a deeply appreciated member of the chapter officer team. He can always be relied upon to offer a thoughtful, considered, and candid point of view on any issues being discussed among chapter officers, and his contributions to our chapter have been invaluable.

Beyond our chapter, Phillip has an outstanding record of service to KOTESOL. He has served multiple terms as national treasurer, and in this position he has been highly esteemed throughout our organization. He has also supported the International Conference in multiple roles over many years, and has worked on The English Connection and facilitation of the Content Based Instruction SIG. Phillip is highly qualified, with extensive experience within TESOL but also across other fields, including finance and various aspects of academia and professional organizations. I believe there is nobody better qualified for the position of chapter treasurer, and Phillip's re-election would be wonderful news for the Gwangju-Jeonnam chapter.

Sincerely,

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Bryan Hale Korea TESOL President Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter President, 2018.11 - 2021.4

Endorsement for Phillip Schrank

For the Office of Treasurer, Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter of Korea TESOL

To: Elections Officer, Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter

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 very successfully serviced as national treasurer for KOTESOL for more than three years. His experience as national treasurer; his more-than-two-year experience as chapter treasurer, a position he now holds; as well as his experience as a financial officer before coming to Korea highly qualify him for this position.

From my position on the National Council, I have been able to observe that during his tenure as treasurer, Phillip has done an outstanding job in executing his duties of his office and contributing to discussions during Council meetings. This includes processing orders (including membership and event registration) and invoices in a timely manner, and making accurate and timely financial reports to the Council, in addition to assisting with the annual financial audits. His performance as chapter treasurer has been equally excellent. Phillip's experience at the national and chapter levels makes him most highly qualified for the position of chapter treasurer. For these reasons, I whole-heartedly endorse Phillip Schrank for the position of Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter treasurer.

March 11, 2021

Sincerely,

David E. Shaffer, PhD Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter member/Vice-President Korea TESOL President (2017–2019) Email: chosunu@yahoo.com Mobile: 010-5068-9179