KOTESOL National Council Meeting Minutes  
June 19th, 2016  
Room 207 Sookmyung Women’s University Injaegwan, Seoul

Present: Lindsay Herron (president), Lisa Bellamy, Allison Bill (representing Jeonju chapter), 
Daniel Cable, Jamie Carson, Tyler Clark, Robert Dickey, Christine Gallagher, Kathleen 
Kelley, Robert Kim, Sunette Labuschagne (representing Gangwon chapter), Stafford 
Lumsden, Elizabeth May (representing Seoul chapter), Sean O’Connor, Phil Owen, Mike 
Peacock, Phil Schrank, David Shaffer, Ingrid Zwaal

Apologies: Peadar Callaghan, John Phillips

1. Call to order and adoption of agenda
The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Lindsay Herron.
1.1 Motion that the agenda be adopted.
Motion passes via unanimous oral consent.

2. Approval of minutes from the National Council meeting of April 24, 2016
2.1 Motion that the minutes of the last meeting be approved and posted to the KOTESOL 
website with edits allowed for spelling, grammar, etc.
Motion passes via unanimous oral consent.

3. Approval of minutes from the National Council meeting of December 6, 2015
3.1 Motion that the minutes of the meeting on 12/6/2015 be approved and posted to the 
KOTESOL website with edits allowed for spelling, grammar, etc.
Motion passes via unanimous oral consent.

4. Appointment of Phillip Schrank to the position of National Treasurer
4.1 Motion that this council appoint Phillip Schrank to the position of National Treasurer. 
Tyler Clark, Ingrid Zwaal 2nd.
Vote: Yes 16
     No 0
     Abstain 0
Motion passes.

5. Resignation of National Secretary
5.1 Motion that this council accept the resignation of our National Secretary, effective 7/31.
Allison Bill, Ingrid Zwaal 2nd.
Vote: Yes 16
     No 0
     Abstain 0
Motion passes.
6. Budget increase for the printing and posting of Proceedings 2015
6.1 Motion that 4,000,000 won be added to the Publications Committee budget for design, typesetting, and printing of KOTESOL Proceedings 2015 (7411. Printing [Bound publications]), and that 250,000 won be added for postage and shipping of said publication (7213. Postage & Shipping). David Shaffer, Kathleen Kelley 2nd.
Discussion: Strike “2015” and “of said publication” from the motion, so that it read as follows:
Motion that 4,000,000 won be added to the Publications Committee budget for design, typesetting, and printing of KOTESOL Proceedings (7411. Printing [Bound publications]), and that 250,000 won be added for postage and shipping (7213. Postage & Shipping).
Vote on motion as amended: Yes 12
No 2
Abstain 3 (Lindsay Herron, Jamie Carson, Sean O’Connor)
Motion passes.

7. Budget increase for National Conference portion of the operating budget
7.1 Motion that the following amounts be added to the National Conference portion of the operating budget: 125,000 won for room rental, 49,733 for speaker transportation, and 8,267 for speaker accommodations. David Shaffer, Lisa Bellamy 2nd.
Vote:
Yes 14
No 2
Abstain 1 (Lindsay Herron)
Motion passes.

Break from 10:56 AM to 11:02 AM.

8. Policy for over-budget and extra-budget expenditures
8.1 Motion that authorization for payment of RAD (Request & Authorization for Disbursement) submissions not accommodated in the National budget, or creating or increasing an over-budget situation if paid, be eligible for payment if approved by 5 National Council members: one being the President and at least two others being nationally elected Council members, not to include the National Treasurer or the submitter of the RAD. But the Treasurer shall be accorded the discretion of delaying processing of any RAD properly approved as stipulated above if the Treasurer deems the RAD to be of such import that it be put forward for discussion on its approval at the next National Council meeting. David Shaffer, Allison Bill 2nd
Discussion: Lisa Bellamy suggested a grace amount for slightly over-budget items, possibly up to an amount of 100,000 won. Rob Dickey pointed out that there previously was such a grace amount and that it was done away with. Rob Dickey also brought to the council’s attention that the language of the motion, “nationally elected Council members,” is broad enough to include committee chairs.
9. Changing the Proceedings to a digital-only format
9.1 Motion that KOTESOL Proceedings 2016 be an entirely digital and online publication, with the intention that subsequent volumes also be in digital format only. David Shaffer, Ingrid Zwaal 2nd.
Discussion: Several members of the council expressed concern as to whether digital publications would be recognized by Korean universities in the same manner as printed publications.
Vote: Yes 16
      No  0
      Abstain  1
Motion passes

10. Policy for non-KOTESOL links posted on the KOTESOL website
10.1 Motion that this council adopt the following policy for non-KOTESOL links posted on the official KOTESOL website:
Links to external (non-KOTESOL) groups, events, activities, websites, etc., on the KOTESOL Official website(s) shall be permitted only when they meet one of the requirements below:
(a) a paid link approved by website administration AND the OP Liaison or National President or National Treasurer; or
(b) a reciprocal link approved by website administration AND the National President (or in prolonged absence, 1st Vice-President); or
(c) a non-reciprocal link approved by website administration AND any TWO of the following: National President, Publicity Committee Chair, or OP Liaison; or
(d) a link to any group with a current formal relationship agreement with KOTESOL (e.g., international and domestic affiliations, organizational partnerships), AND approved by the National President; or
(e) a link approved by 12 current members of the national council (no proxies or "representatives").
Any approval listed above may be reversed by 12 current members of the National Council (no proxies or “representatives”) or a 2/3 majority at any council meeting. Links to the relevant group on official social media (Facebook, LinkedIn, etc.) shall not require approval. Final authority in determining "non-KOTESOL" shall rest with the National President. Rob Dickey, David Shaffer 2nd.
Discussion: Tabled to noon for further discussion by unanimous oral consent.
11. Official position on discrimination against non-native speakers of English
11.1 Motion that this council adopt TESOL International’s Position Statement Against Discrimination of Nonnative Speakers of English in the Field of TESOL. David Shaffer, Ingrid Zwaal 2nd.
Discussion: Current job board policy prohibits native speaker only advertisements, however stipulating that applicants qualify for a particular visa is, on the other hand, acceptable. “Highly proficient in English” is preferred.
Vote: 

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Motion passes

12. KOTESOL’s role in AYF 15
12.1 Motion that Rob Dickey be AYF Liaison for 2016, and that KOTESOL: publicizes AYF 15 among its officers, chapters and general membership; encourages university teachers to have their students apply directly to AYF on-line by the July 15th deadline; and select the final Korean team from students who apply on-line via our AYF Committee. Robert Dickey, Dave Shaffer 2nd.
Vote: 

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Motion passes

Break from 12:15 PM to 12:28 PM.

13. Revision of Motion 8
8.2 Motion that authorization for payment of RAD (Request & Authorization for Disbursement) submissions not accommodated in the National budget, or creating or increasing an over-budget situation if paid, be eligible for payment if approved in advance of commitment to be paid by 5 National Council members: one being the President and at least two others being nationally elected Council members, not to include the National Treasurer or the submitter of the RAD. But the Treasurer shall be accorded the discretion of delaying processing of any RAD properly approved as stipulated above if the Treasurer deems the RAD to be of such import that it be put forward for discussion on its approval at the next National Council meeting. Jamie Carson, Allison Bill 2nd. (emphasis added to highlight addition)
Vote: 

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Motion passes
14. Previously tabled Motion 10
Discussion: Addition of Clause F, to read as follows:
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the official KOTESOL website:
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following: National President, Publicity Committee Chair, or OP Liaison; or
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international and domestic affiliations, organizational partnerships), AND approved by the
National President; or
(e) a link approved by 12 current members of the national council (no proxies or
"representatives").
(f) links to venues for KOTESOL events shall be excluded from this policy for the period
leading up to the event. (emphasis added to highlight addition)
Vote on motion as amended: Yes 6
No 4
Abstain 5
Motion passes

15. Stipends for KOTESOL student members selected to participated in AYF 15
12.2 Motion that that KOTESOL will have up to three 200,000 won stipends available for
KOTESOL student members that are selected by AYF to participate in AYF 15 to go toward
travel expenses. Lisa Bellamy.
Motion fails for lack of second.
12.3 Motion that KOTESOL provide a maximum of up to ten student memberships (up to a
250,000 won value) to students selected by AYF for AYF. Tyler Clark.
Motion fails for lack of second.

16. New Business
13.1 Motion that KOTESOL form an ad-hoc committee to investigate a teacher of the year
program. Rob Dickey, Stafford Lumsden 2nd.
Vote: Yes 12
No 0
Abstain 3
Motion passes
14.1 Motion that TESOL International’s Position Statement Against Discrimination of Non-native Speakers of English be linked to on the KOTESOL website’s job board and in the “Who We Are” section of the website. Kathleen Kelley, Dave Shaffer 2nd.

Vote:

- Yes: 12
- No: 0
- Abstain: 2

Motion passes

15.1 Motion that line-item 7411 expense for the printing of the national conference book be increased by 276,500 won. Phil Owen, Tyler Clark 2nd.

Vote:

- Yes: 12
- No: 0
- Abstain: 2

Motion passes

17. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn. David Shaffer, Tyler Clark 2nd.

Motion passes via unanimous oral consent.

Council adjourned at 1:20 P.M.

Next council meeting is tentatively set for September 4th.