

Name: Lindsay N. Herron

Elected Position Sought: President

Work Affiliation: Gwangju National University of Education

KOTESOL Membership Period: 2012-present (Lifetime Member)

Education

- EdD in Literacy, Culture, & Language Education, Indiana University-Bloomington (Indiana, USA; 2023 expected)
- MEd in Literacy, Culture, & Language Education, Indiana University-Bloomington (Indiana, USA; 2014)
- MA in Cinema Studies, New York University Tisch School of the Arts (New York, USA; 2005)
- BA in English Literature & Psychology, Swarthmore College (Pennsylvania, USA; 2000)
- Graduate Certificate in Learning Sciences, Media, & Technology, Indiana University-Bloomington (Indiana, USA; 2018)
- CELTA YL Extension (2011)
- CELTA (2009)

Work Experience

Teaching experience

- Visiting Professor, Gwangju National University of Education, Gwangju (2008-present)
- Mentor & Presenter, Intensive English Teacher Program, SUNY Korea (2021)
- Fulbright English Teaching Assistant (ETA), Seogwipo High School, Jeju-do (2005-2008)

Other relevant work experience

- Fulbright ETA Program Coordinator (2006-2007)
- Fulbright ETA Orientation Coordinator (2006, 2007)
- Educational Consultant, HarperCollins Children's Publishing (2005)
- Education & Library Marketing Coordinator, Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing (2000-2003)

KOTESOL Service

National

- Immediate Past President (2017-2019; 2020-present)
- President (2015-2017; 2019-2020)
- KOTESOL International Conference Chair (2022)
- KOTESOL International Conference Co-chair (2021)
- Chair, Membership Committee (2013-present)
- Registration Director, KOTESOL International Conference (2013-2015, 2018-present)
- Editor, *KOTESOL News* (email newsletter; 2014-present)
- Editor, *KOTESOL Voices* (monthly online column; 2020-present)
- Presenter, KOTESOL Teacher Training Program (KTT; 2014-present)
- First Vice-President (2014-2015)
- Facilitator, Multimedia & CALL SIG (2015-2018)
- National Conference Co-chair (2017)
- Registration Chair, KOTESOL National Conference (2015-2017)
- *Others:* Nominations & Elections Committee, Publications Committee, Research Committee, Sponsorship Committee, Web Services Committee

Chapter

- Lifetime Member, Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter
- President, Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter (2017-2018, 2021-present)
- Immediate Past President, Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter (2018-2021)
- Treasurer, Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter (2012-2017)

KOTESOL Awards

- KOTESOL President's Award, 2018, 2019, 2021

Other ELT-Related Service

- Publications Director, AsiaTEFL (2022-present)
- Organizing Committee, AsiaTEFL International Conference (2020, 2023)
- Organizing Committee, Indiana University International Conference in LCLE (2020)

Other ELT-Related Memberships

- Lifetime Member, AsiaTEFL (2017-present)
- Member, TESOL International (2015-2017, 2019-present)
- Member, American Educational Research Association (AERA), 2018-2020, 2022-present
- Member, National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE), 2021-present
- Member, National Council of Teachers of English Assembly for Research (NCTEAR), 2018-2020, 2022-present)

Candidate's Statement

President Bryan Hale has done an outstanding job heading our organization for the past two years, and I'm looking forward to continuing his trend of positive, effective leadership. As is evident in my record of service, I'm pleased to assist KOTESOL in any way necessary, continuously endeavoring to improve the organization and better serve its members. In my various KOTESOL positions over the years, I've always sought to improve the membership experience, facilitate communication, and increase KOTESOL's nationwide visibility and reputation for professionalism. During my previous tenures as president, I also actively supported and encouraged initiatives promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion, starting during my first term (2015-2017) with the foundation of the Social Justice SIG and codification of KOTESOL's anti-discrimination policy. My second term as president (2019-2020) largely coincided with the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, and I devoted myself to helping the organization successfully navigate the resultant uncertainty and changes. It actually proved to be quite a banner year for us, with new partnerships forged (Bridge Education Group and AsiaTEFL), the organization's first official statement against racial injustice, and our first (*very* well attended!) 100%-online conference. Both KOTESOL and its chapters have proven resilient and inventive over the years, and I look forward to helping us continue the path forward.

As president in the coming year, I will continue building on the foundations that have been laid. I will strive, as always, to maintain a balance between fiscal responsibility and good value; to expand and diversify our organization's reach, visibility, and offerings; to respond effectively and flexibly to changes in the world as well as trends in ELT and professional development; and to seek innovative ways for our organization to positively, creatively, and compassionately face the uncertainties of today while preparing for tomorrow.

As ever, there are challenges ahead; ours is a field subject to the eddies of wider social, economic, and governmental currents. I am confident, however, that we will continue to rise to the challenges with grace and ingenuity, working together to improve not only ourselves as educators, professionals, and individuals, but the community of practice that is KOTESOL, as well.

I have read and agree to follow the KOTESOL Code of Conduct.



Lindsay Herron
September 22, 2022

**Endorsement for
LINDSAY HERRON
for the Position of KOTESOL President**

This is an endorsement for Lindsay Herron for the position of president of Korea TESOL. Over her years as a KOTESOL member and officer, Lindsay has continually demonstrated outstanding knowledge and skills in the field of TESOL, keen abilities in organizational management, and a firm dedication to service. Lindsay's superior managerial skills, problem-solving abilities, institutional knowledge, commitment to professional development and promoting the field of TESOL, and her social skills qualify her highly for any position within KOTESOL, including that of president.

Lindsay has served KOTESOL superbly at both the chapter and national levels. At the chapter level she has served fabulously in various positions. In her first year as president of Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter, the chapter grew stronger as she sculpted a fine schedule of monthly workshops. In her more recent tenure as chapter president, she has steered the chapter through the covid chaos, holding regular chapter events rather than opting for hibernation. Regardless of the position she may hold, she is a pillar of the chapter, promoting the chapter, organizing spring conferences, and curating special chapter events and workshops.

At the same time, Lindsay has been serving KOTESOL at the national level in an equally outstanding manner. As Membership Committee chair, it is Lindsay who produces the monthly *KOTESOL News*, our email newsletter and best one-stop destination for things KOTESOL. Quality branded items are constantly available, and quality KOTESOL Voices are also regularly heard, all quietly organized by Lindsay.

I have had the privilege of working with Lindsay on a number of projects. In her roles on the international Conference Committees of the past ten years or so, she has exhibited outstanding managerial skills, most recently displayed as IC 2022 conference chair. The same is true for the 2017 National Conference, which she and I co-chaired. Without Lindsay, we would not have been able to make it the FABulous two-day event that it was.

While Lindsay was at the helm as national president, KOTESOL ran like a well-oiled machine. She was on top of all aspects of the organization, sending out reminders to committees and taking a highly active, hands-on role. Her past experience in the position of national president highly qualifies her for the position.

Based on her past performance in her numerous KOTESOL positions, including that of president, I wholeheartedly endorse Lindsay Herron for the position of Korea TESOL president.

September 21, 2022

Sincerely,



David E. Shaffer, PhD

Gwangju International Center board member

Korea TESOL Past President

Korea TESOL Membership: 1993–Present

State University of New York, Korea
Incheon Global Campus
Incheon, Yeonsu-gu, Songdo-dong, Munhwa-ro, 119-2

September 25, 2022

Attention: Dr. David Shaffer, Nominations and Elections Chair
Subject: Endorsement of Lucinda Estrada for First Vice-President

Dear Nominations and Elections Committee,

I am happy to endorse Lindsay Herron for President of KOTESOL in 2023.

Lindsay Herron has years of experience working and serving with KOTESOL. She has been an invaluable member of the National Council and has been instrumental in innumerable functions and advancements within the organization.

She is an engaging and thoughtful person whose proclivity for leadership is more than evidenced by the results of her past presidency. I am sure that her future presidency will continue in the same vein.

I have been a KOTESOL member since 2018 and have known Lindsay Herron, or known *of* Lindsay Herron for the majority of that time. I am excited to see what Lindsay has planned for the coming year as we transition back into post-COVID events and interactions.

Sincerely,

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Lucinda Estrada

9/21/2022

To Whom it May Concern:

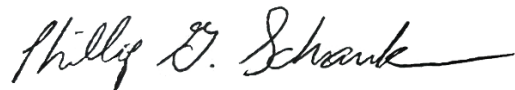
I am writing to endorse Lindsay Herron, who is running for President of KOTESOL.

I have known Lindsay since I have been involved in KOTESOL since 2013. During that time, I have seen Lindsay rise to the occasion numerous times when the call was out for volunteers for this great organization. Lindsay has volunteered at both the chapter level and national levels in so many ways, including as President of the Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter and KOTESOL. I could try to list all the different things she has done for KOTESOL, but for the sake of brevity, I will refrain.

I have had the pleasure of serving as National Treasurer during her tenure as President of KOTESOL. Her service made my job better and she led with composure, compassion, and dedication. I have no doubt that she will lead KOTESOL with the same wonderful traits again.

In short, I think electing Lindsay to serve as President of KOTESOL would be beneficial to our organization, our members, and ELT in Korea in general.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Phillip Schrank (Member since 2013, Lifetime member)

Chosun University

Gwangju-Jeonnam Chapter Treasurer

Former KOTESOL National Treasurer

September 26, 2022

Letter of Support – Lindsay Herron

I am delighted to endorse Lindsay Herron as a candidate for KOTESOL President. I have had the pleasure of working with Lindsay for several years on national council and on the international conference committee. She has always done a wonderful job, and I am thrilled to hear that she is running for president again.

Lindsay is a great leader. She is encouraging, supportive, and incredibly hard-working. She does not expect anyone else to do something she wouldn't be willing to do herself. She checks in with her team, and motivates us all to do our best. These strong leadership skills will be especially important during the upcoming conference season, with the change of date and likely a blended format.

Lindsay also is a great face for KOTESOL. She is very diplomatic, even in the most stressful of circumstances. She understands our organization well, and has proven that she is more than capable as a KOTESOL leader. She has worked in various capacities in the organization for many years, including as president, and understands a lot of what goes on behind the scenes to make it run smoothly.

I look forward to seeing what Lindsay will offer KOTESOL as president.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Allison Bill". The ink is a light grey color.

Allison Bill
Associate Professor, Jeonju University
Jeonju-North Jeolla KOTESOL Chapter President
KOTESOL member since 2002