

KOTESOL National Council Meeting Minutes

Saturday May 5th 2007

Hannam University – Daejeon SOUTH KOREA

Members Present at the start of the meeting:

Bill Snyder, Dave Shaffer, Marilyn Plumlee, Mary-Jane Scott, Andrew Finch, Gye Hyoung Yoo, Don Rikley, Tory Thorkelson, Jake Kimball, Louisa Kim, Phil Owen, Todd Vercoe, Rob Dickey, Sef Kerwin, John Phillips, James Kapper, Ingrid Zwaal,

The meeting was called to order by the president Marilyn Plumlee at 1:15PM. 17 council members were present at that time. It was noted that the quorum was present.

Then Rob Dickey led a discussion on how a chapter representative can be designated. In other words, who can vote if the chapter representative is not present. Then, new members of the council were announced.

It was decided that the minutes for the December council meeting would be voted on at a later date after the secretary incorporated a record of the issues voted on via e-mail in the period between the December 2006 and the May 2007 meeting. **(Note 2013 – this is indicated as 2007-4-Addendum)**

At this point Marilyn proposed a discussion on the motion that there only be 2 turns per speaker at the meeting per issue and 2 minutes per turn. It was generally agreed that the group would try to do that.

National Executive Reports

The 1st VP, Phil Owen, gave a brief outline of his report.

The 2nd VP, Jake Kimball, gave his report. Phil asked about the removal of some of the SIG's. Jake mentioned that there needs to be more education given to KOTESOL members about the various SIG's. Then Todd asked why the CALL SIG was no longer active. Jake said that it was no longer active because the SIG leader resigned.

The Treasurer's report was given by Dave Shaffer. Dave asked the committee whether membership dues should be increased. Bill said that if a justification is given then increasing membership dues may be acceptable. Rob argued that since KOTESOL has money in the bank, it would not be a good time to raise fees.

****Motion:** Louisa presented a motion to sell the fax machine. The motion was seconded by Mary Jane Scott. The motion passed unanimously.

It was also mentioned that a copy of the budget should be sent out to members once a year in the TEC and given to Joshua to be put on the website. There was also discussion on whether there should be an internal or external audit done. Result??

Committee Reports

Gye Hyoung gave her report on the International Conference. She mentioned that there are currently 9 confirmed featured speakers. As well, she noted that a co-chair for the conference is still needed. Finally, she remarked on other positions in the conference committee that still need to be filled.

John Phillips arrived at 2:35PM

Then the Research Committee presented its report. Rob said that he was concerned about what is and is not going out in terms of research grants.

Mallory Martin arrived at 2:40PM

There was some discussion about what should happen to the Culture Committee since the appointed committee chair resigned from the position. Result?

The Publications committee gave its report. Bill Snyder informed the council that the KOTESOL Journal currently has 17 papers. But they are still being sent out for review. He said that it should be done by the end of the month. And the next issue of the journal should be finished by October 2008. Also, there was discussion about the possibility of putting the journal online as a way to save costs.

For the Domestic Relations Committee, there was some discussion about giving congratulatory floral arrangements at their national/international conferences to the various other organizations (KATE, KAPEE, PKETA...) as a way of reciprocating floral arrangements that they give us. Most of the people in the group support the idea of giving congratulatory reciprocal floral arrangements, following Korean custom.

***Mallory Martin presented a motion that

“We create a working budget in the amount of 1,000,000 won for the Domestic Relations Committee. This amount is subject to adjustment by the council pending a proposed budget submitted by the chair of the committee.”

The motion was seconded by Phil Owen.

The motion passed:

15 For

0 Against

1 Abstention

Steve Garrigues arrived at 3:50PM.

Mallory Martin talked about what is happening with the Publicity Committee.

Then, John Phillips, Chair of the Technical Committee presented his report. He said that Membership Data will be available online. Also, he is working on email distribution.

Next, Tory Thorkelson, Chair of the Nominations and Elections Committee, presented his report. He said that he is waiting for the website to be updated. Todd then asked a question about the Distance Voting. Marilyn then mentioned that she would like to form an ad-hoc committee to look at the issue of distance voting. It was decided that Tory, Todd, Jake, and John would form that committee.

Then Rob Dickey presented the 2007 OP Agreement.

***Dave Shaffer presented a motion that we:

“Accept the 2007 OP Agreement as proposed by Robert Dickey”

Seconded by Sef Kerwin

The motion passed unanimously.

For the next part the committee discussed how the Membership database could be improved. And, what should or should not be included.

Then, Louisa Kim, of the Constitution & Bylaws Amendment Committee asked Chapter presidents to give input on what they want changed to the constitution. Then a small group will consider the changes. She said the pressing issue is getting members to join her committee. Andrew Finch was recommended to be part of the small committee. Marilyn said that she hoped to hear ideas by July.

Chapter Reports:

Sef Kerwin asked whether there should be a rule that all things related to KOTESOL should be on the KOTESOL website. The matter was discussed. Result?

For the National Conference, the committee talked about various ways to publicize the event. It was suggested that Margeurite Carstairs should be asked to put together a power point presentation to be used to publicize KOTESOL at the National Conference.

Then, Mary Jane brought forth a suggestion that the Leadership Retreat should be just one day and contain more sessions on what participants need to know in order to fulfill their duties in their positions within KOTESOL. Phil thanked her for the opinion and said that he and Jake would consider her suggestions for the 2007 Leadership retreat.

Marilyn then presented her report on the possible reactivation of the Jeju Chapter. She said that a group of people, some of whom are already KOTESOL members, are planning a workshop/organizing meeting in Jeju. The organizers have requested and Marilyn supports the idea that KOTESOL national council support these efforts by sending down 2 people to make workshop presentations and facilitate the organizing meeting. June 9th, June 23rd and July 14th were discussed as possible dates and availability of council members was noted.

***A motion was made to: WHO MADE THE MOTION? (any record? If not, just leave it as it is and someone will surely correct the record when we ask for amendments to the minutes.)

“That we make a line item on the budget to provide money for chapter start-up in the amount of 200,000 won.”

The motion was seconded by Dave Shaffer

The motion passed unanimously.

The date of the next National Council meeting was set for September 1, 2007, to be held at Hankuk University of Foreign Studies in Seoul.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25PM

Respectfully submitted by,

Donald Rikley, KOTESOL Secretary

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