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The Association of English Teachers in Korea was formally organized on November 6, 1981. Its purposes are to promote scholarship, strengthen instruction, foster research, disseminate information, and facilitate cross-cultural understanding among persons concerned with the teaching and learning of English as an additional language in Korea.

The following are now serving as officers of the Association:

- President.....Dwight Strawn, Yonsei University
- Vice-President.....Moneta Prince, Soongjun University
- Secretary.....Carol Ischinger, Myongji University
- Treasurer.....Karyl Hemminger, Seoul International School
- Member-at-Large.....Benjamin Weems, Foreign Language Institute, Yonsei University

Committee Chairpersons

- Publications.....Barbara Mintz, Language Teaching Research Center
- Programs.....Moneta Prince

Anyone who is interested in AETK and its work is cordially invited to join its membership and to attend its meetings.

This first issue of the Association's newsletter contains the Constitution of the Association, committee action reports, and other announcements. Plans are to issue the newsletter five times a year--the first week of January, March, May, September, and November. Anyone wishing to contribute an article to the newsletter on the topic of teaching English in Korea is asked to submit a double-spaced, typewritten manuscript of no more than six pages to this address:

c/o Dwight Strawn
K.P.O. Box 740
Seoul 110

Notices of interest to the membership are also welcome for inclusion in the newsletter. These must be received four weeks before publication date.

Constitution of the
Association of English Teachers in Korea

(Approved November 6, 1981)

I. Name

The name of this organization shall be the Association of English Teachers in Korea, herein referred to as AETK or as "the Association."

II. Purpose

AETK is a not-for-profit organization established to promote scholarship, strengthen instruction, foster research, disseminate information, and facilitate cross-cultural understanding among persons concerned with the teaching and learning of English as an additional language in Korea. In pursuing these goals the Association shall co-operate in appropriate ways with other groups having similar concerns.

III. Membership

Individual voting membership shall be open to any person engaged in or related to the teaching of English as an additional language anywhere in Korea. Non-voting membership shall be open to institutions, agencies, and commercial organizations.

IV. Meetings

AETK shall hold meetings at times and places decided upon and announced by the Co-ordinating Committee. One meeting shall be designated the Annual Meeting and shall include a business session.

V. Officers and Elections

A. The officers of AETK shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The term of office shall be from the close of one Annual Meeting until the close of the next Annual Meeting.

B. The Co-ordinating Committee shall consist of the officers, the immediate Past President, and two members elected at large. The members-at-large shall serve for two years each, with one member elected each year. The Co-ordinating Committee shall conduct the business of the Association under general policy as determined by its members and may initiate any action appropriate to that policy.

C. Elections shall be by nominations from the floor at the business session of the Annual Meeting.

D. If the office of President is vacated, the Vice-President shall assume the presidency. Vacancies in other offices shall be dealt with as determined by the Co-ordinating Committee.

VI. Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote of members attending the business session of the Annual Meeting, provided that written notice of the proposed change has been endorsed by at least five members in good standing and has been distributed to all members at least 60 days prior to the Annual Meeting.

Bylaws

I. Language

The official language of AETK shall be English. The official name of AETK in Korean shall be 한국 영어 교사회.

II. Membership and dues

A. All interested individuals who apply for membership and pay the annual dues of the Association shall be enrolled as members in good standing and shall be entitled to one vote in any AETK business meeting.

B. Student membership with the rights and privileges of individual membership shall be available to students enrolled in courses of study related to the teaching of English at recognized institutions.

C. Institutional membership without vote shall be available to non-profit institutions and agencies.

D. Commercial membership without vote shall be available to publishers and other commercial organizations.

E. Membership shall be on a calendar year basis with the annual dues for each of the four categories of membership to be as decided and announced by the Co-ordinating Committee.

III. Meetings

A. Association business may be conducted at any announced meeting when there is a quorum. However, such additional business meetings shall not replace the Annual Meeting.

B. A majority of members in good standing shall constitute a quorum.

IV. Duties of officers

A. The President shall preside at all business meetings of the Association and at all meetings of the Co-ordinating Committee, shall appoint the members of all committees except the Co-ordinating Committee, and shall be responsible for promoting relations with other organizations and acting as liaison officer for any organization with which AETK may establish an affiliate relationship. He or she shall also be an ex-officio member of the Program Committee and other standing committees.

B. The Vice-President shall be the Chairperson of the Program Committee and shall be responsible for planning and developing the programs of AETK meetings as well as seminars, workshops, special lectures, and other such projects that the Association may sponsor.

C. The Secretary, in addition to keeping the minutes of AETK business meetings and meetings of the Co-ordinating Committee, shall maintain a current record of membership and be responsible for co-ordinating membership campaigns.

D. The Treasurer shall be the custodian of all funds of the Association and shall be responsible for the preparation of the annual budget and the annual financial report.

V. The Co-ordinating Committee

A. All members of the Co-ordinating Committee must be members in good standing of any other organization with which the Association may establish an affiliate relationship.

B. Five members of the Co-ordinating Committee shall constitute a quorum.

C. Minutes of the Co-ordinating Committee and other records of its actions, and the reports of all other committees, shall be available to the members of AETK.

D. Reports of the year's activities, including the annual financial report, will be distributed to the membership at the Annual Meeting.

VI. Other committees

A. There shall be a Program Committee chaired by the Vice-President and consisting of at least two additional members.

B. There shall be a Publications Committee responsible for regular dissemination of information to AETK members.

C. The Co-ordinating Committee shall authorize any other standing committees that may be needed to implement policies of the Association.

VII. Budget of expenditures

Adoption of the annual budget shall require a majority vote of members present at an announced business meeting of the Association, provided that copies of the proposed budget have been distributed to the members at least 15 days before the meeting takes place. If such advance notice is not provided, adoption shall require a three-fourths vote of members present at the meeting.

VIII. Parliamentary authority

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised shall govern the Association in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws.

IX. Amendments

The Bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of members attending any properly announced business meeting of the Association provided that notice of the proposed change has been given to all members at least 30 days before the meeting. The Bylaws may be amended without such prior notice only at the Annual Meeting, and in that case the proposal shall require approval by three-fourths of the members present.

Committee Actions

Co-ordinating Committee

1. At a meeting on November 19, 1981, the Co-ordinating Committee decided to propose an amendment to the Constitution that would enable the chairpersons of all standing committees to be members of the Co-ordinating Committee. The proposed change is this (underlined words are those proposed for change):

Article V, Section B

The Co-ordinating Committee shall consist of the officers, the immediate Past President, the chairpersons of all standing committees, and two members elected at large.

The vote on this change will be taken at the Annual Meeting in March 1982.

2. The Committee decided that membership dues for December 1981 would be ₩ 2,500 to cover present expenses. From January 1982, membership dues for the year were set at

₩ 10,000 - regular membership

₩ 5,000 - student membership

Membership dues will be collected at the January meeting. Dues paid later than January for 1982 will not be pro-rated.

Program Committee

1. Approximately thirty-five people attended the last meeting held on December 11, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. at the American Cultural Center. Of these, twenty-six paid membership dues and formally joined the Association as charter members. The program--a demonstration lesson titled "Communication Activities in the ESL Classroom" presented by three teachers from the Sogang Institute for English as an International Language--was followed by discussion.
2. Future meetings

January

Topic: Listening Comprehension

Lois Sauer

Morace H. Underwood

Yonsei University

Time:

January 20, 1982

7:30 p.m.

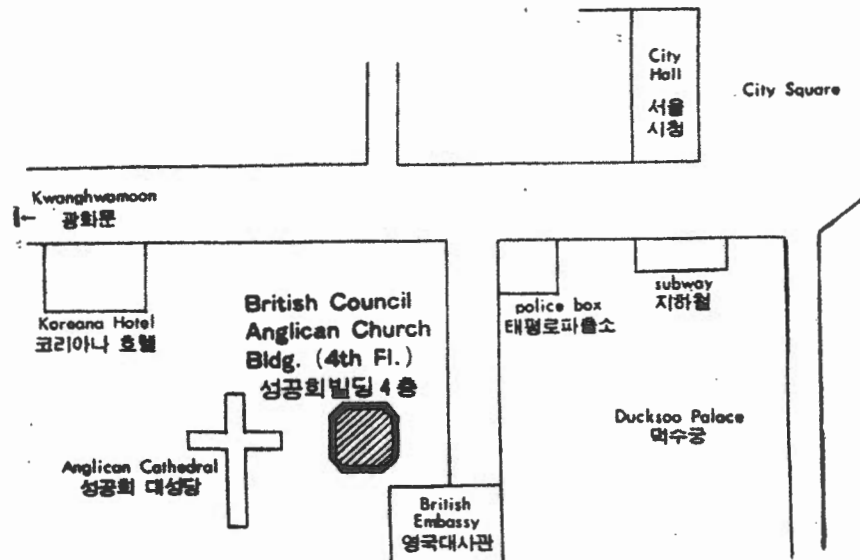
Place:

The American Cultural Center
(across from the Lotte Hotel)

Topic: British Council Services
Paul deQuincey

Time:
February 18, 1982
7:30 p.m.

Place:
The British Council



Publications Committee

1. The Publications Committee issued AETK Bulletin #1 in late November 1981 announcing the formation of the Association of English Teachers in Korea and inviting any interested person to the December 10, 1981, meeting.
2. The first week of January 1982, Volume 1, Number 1 of the AETK Newsletter Teaching English in Korea was issued.

Announcements

The 16th Annual TESOL Convention will be held May 1-May 6, 1982, in Honolulu, Hawaii. The January 1982 Seoul-Honolulu roundtrip air fare is \$ 1,228. If a group of at least ten people signs up, a roundtrip group fare rate of less than \$ 800.00 per person can be arranged. Anyone interested in joining such a group should telephone Barbara Mintz at 723-4641/724-0709 by February 15th.