

National Council KOTESOL Minutes

3rd November 2013

Meeting held in the cafe room of the Daejeon International Community Centre, 4th floor.

Present: Peadar Callaghan, President; Jay Jeong-ryeol Kim, 1st VP; Joo Jeon-Young, 2nd VP; Leonie Overbeek, Secretary; Sohn Young-Hoon, Treasurer; Ralph Cousins, IC Chair; Carl Dusthimer, IC co-chair; Brad Serl, Busan President; Robert Kim, sub for Yongin President David Kim; David Shaffer, Gwangju-Jeonnam President; Ingrid Zwaal, Jeonju-North Jeolla President; Kathy Moon, Deajeon-Chungcheon President; Nathan Rice, Incheon and sub for Seoul President; Lindsay Herron, Membership Chair; Joanne McCuaig, Research Chair; Julien McNulty, International Outreach Chair; John Phillips, Technology Chair; Paul Johnson, Financial Affairs Chair; Rachel Phillips, Allison Bill

Agenda

1. Opening
2. New Committee Chairs
3. Old business
 - 3.1 Introduction of the new head of KTT, Brad Serl
4. New business
5. Dates for future Council Meetings

At 11.30 11 members of the executive and chapter presidents were present, which constituted a quorum.

1. Peadar Callaghan called the meeting to order and briefly outlined his vision for KOTESOL and for the work needing to be done. He specifically asked that people help him to realise that vision of making a difference to English education in Korea.

No new business is placed on the agenda at this time. It is agreed that lunch pizza will be ordered in at 2pm.

1.1. Peadar Callaghan moves that we accept the minutes of the previous meeting allowing for edits to be made to correct spelling, grammar and punctuation. Brad Serl 2nd.

It is clarified in response to a question from John Phillips that previous committee chairs cannot vote at this time, until they have been recognised.

Vote	Yes	9
	No	0
	Abstain	1

Motion passes.

2. Committee chairs

2.1 Lindsay Herron presented her vision for the membership committee and for re-invigorating membership drives. In particular, she plans to involve chapters in events where discounts may apply, and to stage a membership gala.

David Shaffer moves that the National Council recognize Lindsay Herron as the Membership Chair for 2014.

Vote	Yes	12
	No	0
	Abstain	0

Motion passes

2.2 In the absence of B.T. Stoakley he is put forward as the Webservices Chair. A short discussion is held with John Phillips answering some questions about design of the page and membership expiry e-mails.

Brad Serl moves that the National Council recognize B.T. Stoakley as the the Webservices Chair for 2014. Jay Kim 2nd.

Vote	Yes	12
	No	0
	Abstain	0

Motion passes

2.3 Joanne McCuaig introduced herself and her background in research, and set out her goals for the research committee - specifically to solicit at least 10 proposals for research grants by setting out the process clearly and advertising the grants as widely as possible. She also wants to refine the relationships between the committee and the research SIG, publicity chair and publications chair.

David Shaffer moves that the National Council recognizes Joanne McCuaig as the Research Chair for 2014. Lindsay Herron 2nd.

Vote	Yes	13
	No	0
	Abstain	0

2.4 In the absence of Jeong Myeong-gi, Jay Kim presented his qualifications as the chair of the Domestic Relations Committee. His record of working with the Ministry of Education and his desire to extend relations between KOTESOL, the MoE and regional educational offices is set out.

In response to a question from David Shaffer, Paedar affirms that the committee of Community Affairs has now been merged with this committee.

Joo Jeon-Young moves that the National Council recognizes Jeong Meyong-gi as the Domestic Relations Chair for 2014. Brad Serl 2nd.

Allison Bill expressed concern that chairs of committees should be active participants of KOTESOL, and attend NC meetings on a regular basis. She feels that this person has not done so. Paedar Callagan promises to raise this issue at the leadership retreat.

Nathan Rice moves to table the motion until the next council meeting. David Shaffer 2nd.

Since the next meeting will be at the time of the Leadership retreat, at which time committees should be established and able to report on progress in planning, the president feels that it would be too much of a delay.

Vote	Yes	1
	No	7
	Abstain	5

Motion is defeated

Vote on original motion	Yes	10
	No	1
	Abstain	3

Motion passes

2.5 Julien McNulty introduced himself and presented his vision for the future of the International Outreach Committee. He regularly attends conferences and believes representatives of KOTESOL should not only represent KOTESOL but also present papers at such conferences. He summarized his vision under 3 C's - cultivate, culture and call. Cultivate conferences and other bodies, culture existing partners and new ones and call into question what we support and why we do so, and reach out into new areas. He also feels that the selection process should be recast.

Nathan Rice moves that the National Council recognizes Julien McNulty as the International Outreach Chair for 2014. Ingrid Zwaal 2nd

Vote	Yes	12
	No	0
	Abstain	0

Break - 12.30 to 12.45

2.6 In the absence of Do Meena, Jay Kim presented her background in KOTESOL and her wish to serve in the position of Long Term Planning chair. She was a student volunteer at a conference in 1997, then studied in America. She wants to focus on involving more student members.

During the discussion it was felt that most members of council do not know her personally, and that she has not really served at chapter level before moving into council level.

Jay Kim moves that the National Council recognizes Do Meena as the Long Term Planning Chair for 2014. Carl Dusthimer 2nd.

Nathan Rice moves that the motion be tabled until such time as members of the National Council can meet her. Julien McNulty 2nd.

During the discussion the issues raised are that no-one seems to know her except Dr. Kim, and that this position in particular should go to a person who has been an active member. In opposition, the need for new blood and people willing to serve is emphasized. Many feel that the committee could function without her being appointed as chair but in a supervising position until the next meeting, at which point the council could meet her and she could report on any progress she has made.

Vote	Yes	7
	No	0
	Abstain	0

Motion passes and motion to recognize Do Meena as LTP Chair is tabled.

2.7 David Shaffer introduced his view for the future of the publications committee, including how he wishes to address the issue of getting the Kotesol Journal up and running again. He spoke about how he would TEC updated, as well as how to solve the problems experienced with the printers.

Nathan Rice moves that the National Council recognizes David Shaffer as the Publications Committee Chair for 2014. Brad Serl 2nd

Vote	Yes	16
	No	0
	Abstain	1

Motion passes

2.8 John Phillips presented his KOTESOL involvement and his role through the years with the development of the KOTESOL website and handling the servers. In response to questions about whether 2 committees are needed (Webservices as well as Technology) he explains that the two committees have quite different parts of the service to handle and sort out. He also mentions that neither himself nor the Webservices chair can create content and that there are many pages on the site that are empty, and appeals to chapter presidents and committee chairs to create content.

Ingrid Zwaal moves that the National Council recognizes John Phillips as the Technology Committee Chair for 2014. Julien McNulty 2nd

The discussion reprised the feeling of some that two committees are not needed which was refuted soundly by others.

Vote	Yes	14
	No	0
	Abstain	1

Motion passes

2.9 Paul Johnson introduced himself and his background as a treasurer for Daegu chapter. He mentioned that he had reviewed the work the Financial Committee had done, and that in the light of their work he would want to improve record keeping and audits at chapter and National level.

Julien McNulty moves that the National Council recognizes Paul Johnson as the Financial Affairs Committee Chair for 2014. Joanne McCuaig 2nd.

Vote	Yes	17
	No	0
	Abstain	0

3. Old business

3.1 Brad Serl, who will now head up KTT, presented his vision for revamping KTT. He feels that KTT should be the flagship of KOTESOL. In the past membership was by invitation only. But new blood was needed.

He explains that he feels chapter presidents should be developing new talent and evaluating presenters. He proposes to establish an evaluation rubrik to be used, not only to evaluate potential presenters, but also to check existing presenters.

3.2 John Phillips reports back on the process for requesting access to the membership database. A form has been drawn up, similar to the RAD forms, in order to let NC members know who is requesting access and why. This is to ensure that members privacy are protected.

He also requests that chapters help their members to complete the membership forms or update their information, as many members do not show addresses for mailing. Chapters do have access to their members data without completing a request form.

4. New business

4.1 A new publicity chair is still being sought.

4.2 A presidential directive to pay for the lunch of Chu Gyo-Won, the director of the DICC, who kindly opened the venue for us on a Sunday, was applauded by all.

4.3 Nathan Rice requested that the report of the ABM oversight committee be e-mailed to the new council members, as well as the report on the National Conference.

4.4 The leadership retreat is set for the 25th and 26th of January at Mokwon University in Daejeon, and a National Council meeting will take place at the end of the retreat, not scheduled in conflict with anything else.

Preliminary times for meetings will be 26th January, 30th of March (after the Seoul conference), sometime in June and again in September.

4.5 The president announces that two long-standing members are leaving - Kathy Moon and Bradley Serl - they will both be missed and are thanked for their dedicated service to the National Council.

5. Brad Serl moves to adjourn the meeting, Ingrid Zwaal 2nd.

Unanimous Yes vote, and meeting adjourns at 3.15 pm.