

## KOTESOL: NATIONAL EXECUTIVE CANDIDATE BIO

Name: Mike Peacock

Position: 1<sup>st</sup> VP

Work Affiliation: Woosong Culinary College

KOTESOL Membership Period: Expires January 2024



### **Education:**

2011: M.A. TESOL (Woosong University)

2002: B.Ed. (Crandal University)

1999: BA (Psychology; Atlantic Baptist University)

### **Work Experience:**

\*Sept. 2007 -: EFL Instructor at Woosong Culinary College

\*July 2004 – August 2007: Little English School (Nonsan)

\*March 2003 – June 2004: Kids Herald School (Daejeon)

### **KOTESOL Service:**

2023:

\*Daejeon-Chungcheong President

\*International Conference: Guest Services Director

\*Chapter Web Editor

2022:

\*Daejeon-Chungcheong President

\*Chapter Web Editor

2021:

\*Daejeon-Chungcheong President

\*International Conference: Guest Services Director

\*Chapter Web Editor

2020:

\*Daejeon-Chungcheong President

\*Nominations & Elections Chair

\*International Conference: Guest Services Director

\*Chapter Web Editor

2019:

\*Daejeon-Chungcheong President

\*KOTESOL 2nd VP

\*International Conference: Guest Services Director

\*Chapter Web Editor

2018:

- \*Daejeon-Chungcheong President
- \*KOTESOL 2nd VP
- \*International Conference: Guest Services Director
- \*Chapter Web Editor

2017:

- \*Daejeon-Chungcheong President
- \*KOTESOL Nominations and Elections Chair
- \*International Conference: Support Services Chair
- \*Chapter Web Editor

2016:

- \*Daejeon-Chungcheong President
- \*KOTESOL International Outreach Chair
- \*International Conference: Support Services Chair
- \*Chapter Web Editor

2015:

- \*Daejeon-Chungcheong President
- \*KOTESOL International Outreach Chair
- \*KOTESOL International Outreach Chair
- \*International Conference: Support Services Chair
- \*Chapter Web Editor

2014:

- \*Daejeon-Chungcheong President
- \*International Conference: Support Services Chair
- \*DCC November Symposium: Chair
- \*Chapter Web Editor

2013:

- \*Daejeon-Chungcheong 1st VP
- \*National Conference: Pre-Registration Coordinator
- \*International Conference: Support Services Chair
- \*Chapter Web Editor

2012:

- \*Daejeon-Chungcheong 1st VP
- \*International Conference: Student Volunteer Coordinator
- \*DCC November Symposium: Co-Chair
- \*Chapter Web Editor

2011:

- \*Daejeon 2nd VP
- \*National Conference: Student Volunteer Coordinator
- \*International Conference: Student Volunteer Coordinator
- \*Chapter Web Editor

### **Awards:**

- \*2019: Meritorious Service Award (KOTESOL)
- \*2018: Outstanding Service Award (KOTESOL)
- \*2017: Meritorious Service Award (KOTESOL)
- \* 2016: Outstanding Service Award (KOTESOL)
- \* 2013: Distinguished Teacher of the Year Award (Woosong Educational Foundation)
- \* 2011: Distinguished Teacher of the Year Award (Woosong University Language Institute)

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### ***Why I'm seeking this position:***

With my nine years' experience as the Daejeon-Chungcheong Chapter President I believe I have a lot to share with other chapter presidents. I would like to mentor and support those chapter presidents who may be new to their position. I would also like to foster a closer relationship between the chapter presidents.

### ***Qualifications for this position:***

I have served in chapter leadership roles for the past 13 years. I have also served on the National Council as 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Nominations and Elections Chair, and International Outreach Chair.

### ***Action Plan:***

- I would like to have a room at the 2024 Korea TESOL International Conference that is set aside for chapter executives. I would like to have workshops throughout the weekend that center on maintaining the chapter website, accessing chapter membership information, filling out a chapter CDS, etc. These workshops will take the place of a Leadership Retreat. It will also serve as a lounge where chapter presidents and other chapter executive committee members can bond and share ideas throughout the weekend.
- I would like to resurrect the "presenter's database". Chapter presidents would submit information on those presenters who have had successful workshops. This will help those chapters who may be looking for presenters for a large-scale conference/symposium.

I have read and promise to abide by Korea TESOL's Code of Conduct.

Mike Peacock



09/06/24

September 7, 2023

Dear Nominations and Elections Committee:

I am delighted to endorse the nomination of Mike Peacock for first vice-president. It is a role for which he is immensely and uniquely qualified. First, as the long-serving president of the Daejeon-Chungcheong Chapter, Mike is intimately familiar with the particular needs and challenges of our local chapters, making him ideal for the first vice-president's duty to serve as a point of contact and sounding board for the chapters. Relatedly, the first vice-president traditionally organizes an annual meeting for chapter leaders, an opportunity to connect and discuss problems, solutions, improvements, and insights related to shared concerns. Mike has amply demonstrated his aptitude for coordinating and facilitating this kind of event; during his two terms as the national second vice-president, Mike organized not only our annual KOTESOL Connections Day (formerly the Leadership Retreat) but also multiple events to showcase our special interest groups (SIGs). Finally, Mike has served on the KOTESOL National Council for many years, so he is thoroughly acquainted with the inner workings of KOTESOL, the responsibilities of this position, and the challenges our national leadership might face in the coming year.

Truly, Mike has demonstrated his enthusiasm, reliability, and dedication to service in a wide variety of leadership roles throughout our organization. As second vice-president, he actively facilitated interaction among the SIGs, supervised the creation of multiple new SIGs, and looked for ways to involve the SIGs in national events and increase their value to members. As the Nominations & Elections Committee chair for multiple years, he went above and beyond to set a solid precedent in ensuring the accessibility, visibility, and transparency of the nominations and elections process. As the International Outreach Committee chair, he acted as a conscientious liaison to our overseas partner organizations, ensuring an excellent experience for partner representatives at our international conference while facilitating our reciprocal participation at theirs. We have served together on the International Conference Committee for more than a decade, and he has always proven responsible and thorough; and I know I can expect high quality events from the Daejeon-Chungcheong Chapter.

Mike is one of the first people I contact when I need help; I know I can rely on him to cheerfully and confidently offer his services and also do a superb job on whatever task is before him. He has consistently proven trustworthy, dependable, dedicated, and sincere, and I welcome his continued participation as a leader in our organization. We are very fortunate to have him.

Sincerely,



Lindsay Herron  
Gwangju National University of Education  
KOTESOL Lifetime Member (2012-present)

## **Endorsement for Mike Peacock for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President of Korea TESOL**

This is a written endorsement for Mike Peacock, who is running for the office of 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President of Korea TESOL in the 2023 National Council elections.

I have known Mike for over ten years and we have worked together closely in managing the Daejeon-Chungcheong Chapter of Korea TESOL, of which he is president and I am vice-president. In that time Mike has constantly displayed his willingness to work hard for the chapter and has proved time and time again to be an indispensable part of the Korea TESOL family in the region. His abilities as president, his personal integrity and his professionalism are all above reproach. On that basis, I endorse in the strongest possible terms his nomination as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President of Korea TESOL, and wish him the best in the forthcoming elections.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'AG' with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

**Andrew Griffiths**

Date: 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

Endorser's Korea TESOL position: *Vice-president, Daejeon-Chungcheong Chapter*

Endorser's Work affiliation: *Teacher Trainer, Daejeon Education Training Institute*

Endorser's Korea TESOL membership: *2013-Present*