AZTESOL Board Meeting Summary

Saturday, January 20, 2018

The board met at ASU with sixteen members present. The board reviewed goals to increase pre-K-12 teachers with participation in conferences and district outreach. Additional strategies for this group include recertification credits at conference (professional development hours) and greater promotion of grants. The board discussed providing resources to members for contacting legislatures to advocate for all English learners. Interest sections will be features in AZTESOL newsletters and a standard meeting will be scheduled for these groups at each annual conference. The board discussed expanding outreach efforts through social media, professional websites, and through digital publications. The AZTESOL by-laws were reviewed including changes to the constitution based on alignment to job descriptions. The AZTESOL budget requires an accurate count of members for affiliate fees. Other budget items discussed include online registration, Educator of the Year awards, and tax laws for large gifts. The annual TESOL conference will be held in Chicago, IL and two board members will attend.