AZTESOL Board Meeting Summary
Saturday, March 2, 2019

The meeting was a virtual meeting with sixteen board members in attendance. The committee proposed a potential date change to the state conference which will be updated on the AZTESOL website. The board restructuring committee provided updates including tentative combination of the interest section coordinator with socio-political concerns chair, combination of treasurer with membership chair, or combination of secretary with the membership chair. These recommendations are due to overlapping job duties and/or a need for consolidation. The sub-committee recommended eliminating the 2nd vice president and instead assigning the co-chair state conference duties to the past president and vice president. The board also discussed the process to become president as preferable internal board growth. The public relations chair was designated as lead to attend conferences and events to represent and promote AZTESOL. This will require some coordination of materials such as a table, banner, and business cards.

Next, the board reviewed open positions and decided to remove business manager from the website based on restructuring discussions. Open positions were updated on the website. It was suggested to add a Why join the AZTESOL board? section to the website. A suggested featured session for the state conference relative to member and board recruitment: Social Capital and Academic-Career Success. The constitution was reviewed to identify positions with term limits and opportunity for renewal. Anticipated changes to the board to two term limits: Member at Large; Central Region Representative; Scholarships, Grants, and Awards chair; and Socio-political concerns.

The board discussed the TESOL convention including affiliate meetings and networking events. The AZTESOL booth is scheduled on Thursday, March 14 from 1:30-2:30PM. AZTESOL will partner with Rocky Mountain TESOL for a reception at Park Bar Atlanta on March 13 from 7-9:30PM. AZTESOL board attendees will distribute a newsletter or display a large poster board at the event with business cards.