

AZTESOL Board Meeting Summary

Saturday, May 11, 2019

The meeting was held at Arizona State University with fourteen board members in attendance. The available prior years budget was reviewed to identify sources of revenue and debts. Revenues have been generated by conferences, membership dues, and conferences. Ideas were shared for booting revenues such as increased table rates, membership recruitment, and a possible gala event to compliment the state conference. The grants chair is reviewing grants and scholarships to make reduction recommendations. The new AZTESOL website was revealed and board members gave feedback to navigation and design. The board approved the motion for the website to go live. A report was provided from the TESOL convention. Promotional items will be explored as give-aways for future state and national conferences. The board approved \$500 for a 2020 reception in Colorado as this is good for networking. Affiliate sessions at the TESOL convention included supporting youth, use of social media, partner organizations, advertising regional conferences, board members form native nations, and community-based advisory councils. The AZTESOL goals and mission were reviewed and revised:

- Mission: To serve as a leading organization in Arizona for English language professionals at all levels to network, advocate, and develop professionally
- Goals:
 - Increase membership, participation, and outreach
 - Advocate for English Learners and their teachers
 - Support and promote interest sections

In an effort to analyze trends in AZTESOL membership, educator type will be added to the membership form with the following categories: PreK-8, Secondary, Community College, University, Adult Education, Graduate Student, Other. Board restructuring was discussed based on the job description sub-committee work. Motions were approved to add membership duties to the secretary role and to eliminate the membership chair. The socio-political chair will be merged with interest sections in an Advocacy Chair role. This position vacancy is posted on the website. The sub-committee will continue to review job descriptions with the possibility of combining newsletter editor duties with public relations. The motion was approved to eliminate the 2nd vice president role.

Board member reporting:

- President: The president plus one will attend the TESOL Advocacy Policy Summit
- Vice President: The state conference will be held in Flagstaff November 1-2, 2019. Professor Snow from Cal State LA was invited to be the keynote speaker. There may be a pre-conference institute.
- Past President: Recommendation to recruit a vice president from the current board. Board vacancies were shared.
- Scholarships, Grants, & Awards Chair: Motions to approve \$500 for the Jean Zukowski/Faust Special Project and to change the deadline for Cheryl Walsh award to December 31st were approved.
- Northern Region Representative: Preparing for the state conference.
- Newsletter Editor: Discussed newsletter topics and strategies to collection information for the newsletter.