

Grant Proposal: 2002 NATEK Conference “English and Globalism”

Kyzylorda, Kazakhstan
June 3-5

Requesting Organization:

NATEK (National Association of English Teachers of Kazakhstan)

Registered July 7, 1999 (certificate attached) In collaboration with:

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Event Date: June 3-5

Grant request: \$9787.00

NATEK History:

NATEK fosters and provides professional development and leadership for English teachers in Kazakhstan by promoting cooperation and the sharing of resources and experiences among its members, and by establishing and maintaining teaching resource centers across the country. NATEK represents the ELT (English Language Teacher) community in both governmental and governmental affairs with the goal of improving education standards and promoting empowerment of students and teachers in Kazakhstan's developing civic society.

Since its inception, NATEK has held numerous national and local conferences and workshops and continually publishes newsletters and the professional papers of its members; all serving to increase professional standards and benefit Kazakhstani students across the country.

NATEK is funded by membership fees and grants from the Public Affairs Section of the US Embassy, British Councils, The Soros Foundation, UNESCO, and ACCELS of Kazakhstan.

Project Description

NATEK's 2002 Conference, “English and Globalism” is designed to improve the performance and professionalism of Kazakhstani English teachers through the exchange of information and best practices. The annual NATEK conference seeks to achieve the following objectives:

1. Facilitate idea sharing to foster development of linguistic, methodological, cultural and communicative competence of English specialists.
2. To develop and strengthen professional links between NATEK members, International specialists and funding sources.
3. To accelerate and standardize education reform in accordance with today's Increasing demand for English language instruction and limitations in funding.
4. To develop new strategies for collaboration among educators. students.

administrators, business people, researchers, etc.

The 2002 conference will focus on three areas related to the “English and Globalism” theme:

1. Role and place of English in the epoch of globalism.
2. New methods of teaching and learning English.
3. New technologies in English language teaching.
4. NGO Management in the age of internet connectivity.

1. Role and place of English in the epoch of globalism.

There is an increasing role of English in economy, business, social life and international corporation work. This section will discuss the role of English in translating, interpreting, and facilitating international communications and how teachers can better design lessons and curricula to address this growing concern.

2. New methods of teaching and learning English.

English teachers will exchange their experience in creating materials in effective teaching methods and increased quality of education. The concept of student-centric lessons will be evaluated in their current format and compared to those of experts from other countries.

3. New technologies in English language teaching.

The technical and practical skills of using the language laboratories that were recently equipped in more than 800 schools around Kazakhstan. Teachers will practice using all functions of the language labs and produce their own lessons that best take advantage of the advanced functions. The language lab will be discussed not only as a tool to enable better skills within the students, but also to provide a medium for continuing education and practice amongst teachers at local association meetings.

The technical and practical skills of using the computer and E-mail as a means to communicate and exchange new information and ideas in English language education. Teachers will also be introduced and oriented to the NATEK website to access continuous news and fresh teaching and methodology information.

4. NGO Management in the age of Internet connectivity.

This section of the conference is organized principally for the NATEK executive committee and one member of each of the local Associations of English Teachers. All participants will be introduced to their customized E-mail account. Using the NATEK website as a central information portal for organizing the associations work, members will be oriented with its intricacies and resources available for NATEK members.

Work Plan

Project Activities	Schedule (2002)	Manager
Identify and contact conference participants	February	T. Kenshinbay
Design and confirm convention topics, parameters	February	T. Kenshinbay/ S.Belostotskaya
Prepare and send out calls for papers	March	T. Kenshinbay
Hire interpreters	April	Org. Committee
Book conference rooms and facilities	April	T. Kenshinbay
Make travel arrangements and reserve tickets for participants	April	NATEK
Reserve accommodations	April	T. Kenshinbay
Receive and process papers and application forms	April, May	Org. Committee
Translate and format academic papers	April, May	Org. Committee
Prepare welcome pack for attendees	April, May	TEK
Contact media and potential advertisers	April, May	Org. Committee
Prepare press releases	May	Org. Committee
Hold conference	June	NATEK

Collate and Edit proceedings	June	Org. Committee
Create Newsletter	June, July	NATEK Editor
Distribute Publications	July	Org. Committee
Distribute Newsletters	July	NATEK Editor

Project Evaluation

The NATEK Conference scheduled for June of 2002 is vital for both Kazakhstani teachers and students of English. By facilitating idea sharing and fostering development of linguistic, methodological, cultural and communicative competence of English specialists and students, NATEK will make great strides towards creating a more internationally competent and competitive citizenry.

The conference will also play an integral role in NATEK's ongoing development projects like-

- The creation of English resource centers for students and teachers throughout Kazakhstan
- Year round re-training and programs, seminars and workshops
- Visiting professorship programs

This NATEK event, in addition to offering material content and opportunity for professional development is also significant in that it reinforces and strengthens the desire for Kazakhstani teachers to organize of their own will versus by authoritative decree. Movement towards greater and greater democratic proceedings initiated and sustained by NATEK; with its membership spanning the entire country; helps promote self-determination and self-sufficiency among Kazakhstani professionals.

After the 2002 NATEK conference, NATEK will rely on its membership dues and contributions from local and international organizations to maintain its activities.

NATEK President and 2002 Conference manager Timur Kenshinbay has extensive grant managing experience through both NATEK and his work as Vice Rector International Communications at Kyzylorda's Korkyt-Ata University.

Grantor	Project	Year	Amount
Soros Foundation	Creation of Teachers of English Kyzylorda Resource Center	1996	\$10,000.00
UNDP	Teachers of English Development Workshops	1997	\$600.00
U.S State Dept.	International Visitor Programs	2001	N/A

Project Budget

Definitions:

- **Presentation Staff (60):** 9 Members of the NATEK Executive Committee; 30 Representatives from Local Associations of English Teachers; 21 Conference Speakers and/or Workshop organizers.
- **Kyzylorda Rural Participants (50):** Participants travelling from areas outside of the city of Kyzylorda, but within the Kyzylorda Oblast.
- **Kyzylorda City Participants (80):** Participants residing within the city of Kyzylorda.
- **Other Participants (40):** Participants travelling from areas outside of the Kyzylorda Oblast.
- **IN-KIND:** *Community Contributions from* – Hurricane Oil Kumkol Munai, JSC; Korkyt-Ata Kyzylorda State University
- **REGISTRATION:** Fee of 1200Tenge from all conference participants

CATEGORY	ACTIVITY	COST	#	TOTAL	TOTAL
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	EXPENSES	PER UNIT (\$)	UNITS	DOLLARS	TENGE (\$1:152T)
	Planning and Preparation				
PAS	Telecommunications	30	4	120	18240
PAS	Printing Expenses (registration and schedule)	.65	230	150	
IN-KIND (HURRICANE)	Welcome Packet (folders, notebooks, and pens)	2.75	230	633	96,216
	Long Distance Transportation				
PAS	Presentation Staff	40	58	2,320	352,640
ACCELS	Kyzylorda Rural Participants	10	50	500	76,000
	Kyzylorda City Participants	0	0	0	0
ACCELS	Other Participants	40	40	1,600	243,200
	Local Distance Transportation				
PAS	Presentation Staff	10	58	580	88,160
ACCELS	Kyzylorda Rural Participants	10	50	500	76,000
	Kyzylorda City Participants	0	0	0	0
ACCELS	Other Participants	10	40	400	60,800
	Lodging				
PAS	Presentation Staff	12	58	696	105,792
ACCELS	Kyzylorda Rural Participants	1600	50	600	91,200
	Kyzylorda City Participants	0	0	0	0
ACCELS	Other Participants	12	40	480	72,960
	Food				
PAS	Coffee Break	.50/day	690	345	52,440
REGISTRATION	Breakfast/Dinner: Presentat Staff (58people)	2.00/day	232	464	70,528
ACCELS	Breakfast/Dinner: Kyzylorda Rural Participant (50 people)	2.00/day	200	400	60,800
	Breakfast/Dinner: Kyzylorda City Participants (80 people)	0	0	0	0
ACCELS	Breakfast/Dinner: Other Participants (42 people)	2.00/day	160	320	48,640
PAS	Opening Day: Lunch	2.00/day	230	460	69,920
REGISTRATION	Day 2: Lunch	2.00/day	230	460	69,920
REGISTRATION	Day 3: Lunch	2.00/day	230	460	69,920
	Facilities				
IN-KIND (KSU)	Auditorium	100	1	100	15,200

IN-KIND (KSU)	Classrooms	25	6	150	22,800
IN-KIND (KSU)	Hallway	100	1	100	15,200
REGISTRATION	Language Laboratory	200	2	400	60,800
PAS/ REGISTRATION	Computer Laboratory	200	2	200/ 200	30,400/ 30,400
IN-KIND (KSU)	Cafeteria	75	1	75	11,400
IN-KIND (KSU)	Electricity/Water	50	3	150	22,800
Follow-Up Activities					
PAS	Journal of Abstracts	3.50	230	575	87,400
PAS	Videography of Workshops	2.50	30	75	11,400
PAS	Conference Newsletter	1.50	70	105	15,960
PAS	Postal Expenses	25	6	150	22,800
Extraneous Expenses					
	Fund Exchange(1%)	134	1	134	20,368

Total Expenses- \$12,851

Sources of Finance-

- 1. NATEK membership Dues \$35
- 2. Conference Registration Fees \$1841.00
- 3. Hurricane Oil \$613
- 4. Korkyt-Ata, KSU \$610 + Add'l Facilities

- 1. ACCELS \$4818
- 2. Public Affairs Section, US Embassy \$4969

Total Expense \$12,851.00
Community Contribution -- 3,064 (24%)
Requested ACCELS Grant Amount \$ 9,787
-- 4,818 (37%)
Requested PAS Grant Amount \$ 4969
-- 4,969 (39%)

2002 NATEK Conference

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