

American Association of Geographers

KEY DECISIONS

May 2026 Council Meeting

Virtual / Zoom

Tuesday, May 26, 2026

12:00 PM – 5:00 PM Eastern

Councilors In Attendance:

William (“Bill”) Moseley (*President*); Sara Smith (*Vice President*); Patricia Ehrkamp (*Past President*); Antoinette WinklerPrins (*National Councilor; Treasurer*); Adriana (“Didi”) Martinez (*National Councilor; Secretary*)

§Rebecca (“Becky”) Buller (*Great Plains-Rocky Mountain Councilor*); Andrew Curley (*National Councilor*); Michael (“Mike”) DeVivo (*East Lakes Councilor*); Amy Frazier (*National Councilor*); Nathaniel (“Nate”) Gabriel (*Middle States Councilor*); Heidi Lannon (*Southeast Councilor; Regional Councilor Chair*); Matthew (“Matt”) McCourt (*New England-St. Lawrence Valley Councilor*); Patricia (“Tish”) Lopez (*National Councilor*); Alyson Mabie (*Student Councilor*); Michael (“Mike”) Pretes (*Pacific Coast Councilor*); Eric Sarmiento (*Southwest Councilor*); Jeremy Tasch (*Middle Atlantic Councilor*)

Absent: Mark Barnes (*National Councilor Chair*); Anindita Datta (*International Councilor*); Hyejin Yoon (*West Lakes Councilor*)

AAG Staff Present: Gary Langham (*Executive Director*), Betsy Orgodol (*Controller*); Elin Thorlund (*Chief Operating Officer*), Jennifer Cassidanto (*Director of Publications*); Coline Dony (*Director of Communities and Research Development*); Eddie McInerney (*Coordinator, Community Impact*); Ashley Wallace (*Awards & Governance Manager*)

Guests: Lorraine Dowler (*incoming AAG Vice President*)

§Alphabetical Order

OPENING

- Council unanimously adopted the agenda and consent agenda.
- Council unanimously ratified the March 2026 Council Meeting minutes.

FINANCE

- Council approved the AAG FY2027 budget.

STRATEGIC AND JEDI PLANS

- Council approved the AAG 10-year (2026-2035) Strategic Plan.

PUBLICATIONS

- Council approved the revised Annals Geographic Methods editorial board list presented by Anthony Howell.

GOVERNANCE

- Council unanimously approved to increase the Membership Engagement Committee with two additional members selected from current AAG Councilors, recent MEC members or AAG Fellows.