

**American Association of Geographers**

**KEY DECISIONS**

**Late Fall Council Meeting**

***Virtual/ Zoom***

**Wednesday, November 12, 2025**

**12:00 PM – 5:00 PM EST**

**Councilors in Attendance:**

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

<sup>§</sup>Mark Barnes (*National Councilor Chair*), Rebecca (Becky) Buller (*Great Plains-Rocky Mountain Councilor*), Andrew Curley (*National Councilor*), Anindita Datta (*International 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 Pretes (*Pacific Coast Councilor*), Eric Sarmiento (*Southwest Councilor*), Steven Silvern (*New England-St. Lawrence Valley Councilor*), Jeremy Tasch (*Middle Atlantic Councilor*), Hyejin Yoon (*West Lakes Councilor*)

**AAG Staff Present**<sup>†</sup>: Gary Langham (*Executive Director*), Elin Thorlund (*Chief Operating Officer*), Battsetseg (Betsy) Orgodol (*Controller*), Ashley Wallace (*Awards and Governance Manager*), Coline Dony (*Director of Research Development*), Jennifer Cassidanto (*Director of Publications*)

<sup>§</sup> Alphabetical Order

<sup>†</sup> Order of presentation

**OPENING**

- Council unanimously approved the agenda and consent agenda.
- In advance of the November 2025 Council meeting, Council approved the September 2025 Council Meeting minutes.
- Council ratified the September 2025 Council Meeting minutes.

**FINANCE**

- Council passed a motion to make a one-time \$10,000 financial contribution to the International Geographical Union (IGU) by December 31, 2025.

## **GOVERNANCE**

- Council ratified the slate of candidates put forth by the 2025-2026 Nominating Committee.

## **COMMUNITIES**

- Council passed a motion to have a special Council meeting in either late January or early February to address the background report.
- Council passed a motion to adopt the proposed approach for an issued statement and a Displaced Scholars program.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- Council ratified the list of 2026 AAG Honorees as presented by the 2025-2026 AAG Honors Committee.
- Council ratified the list of 2026 AAG Fellows as presented by the 2025-2026 Fellows Committee.