

# American Association of Geographers

## KEY DECISIONS Summer Council Meeting Wednesday, June 25, 2025 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM EST Virtual via Zoom

### **Councilors in Attendance**<sup>§</sup>:

Mark Barnes (*National Councilor*), Rebecca (Becky) Buller (*Great Plains-Rocky Mountains Councilor*), Dydia DeLyser (*Regional Councilor Chair; Secretary*), Michael (Mike) DeVivo (*East Lakes Councilor*), Patricia Ehrkamp (*President*), Nathaniel (Nate) Gabriel (*Middle States Councilor*), Heidi Lannon (*Southeast Councilor*), Rebecca Lave (*Past President*), Patricia (Tish) Lopez (*National Councilor*), Alyson Mabie (*Student Councilor*), Adriana (Didi) Martinez (*National Councilor*), William (Bill) Moseley (*Vice President*), Eric Sarmiento (*Southwest Councilor*), Steven Silvern (*New England-St. Lawrence Valley Councilor*), Antoinette WinklerPrins (*National Councilor; Treasurer*), Hyejin Yoon (*West Lakes Councilor*)

**AAG Staff Present**<sup>§</sup>: Gary Langham (*Executive Director*), Battsetseg (Betsy) Orgodol (*Controller*), Risha RaQuelle (*Chief Strategy Officer*), Elin Thorlund (*Chief Operating Officer*), Ashley Wallace (*Awards and Governance Manager*)

**Partial Attendance**: Debarchana (Debs) Ghosh (*National Councilor Chair*)

**Partial AAG Staff Attendance**: Jennifer Cassidento (*Publications Director*)

### **<sup>§</sup> Alphabetical by Last Name**

#### **Opening**

- Council unanimously approved the agenda and consent agenda (16 yea's).
- Council ratified the March 2025 meeting minutes (15 yea's and 1 abstention).

#### **Finance**

- Council unanimously voted to approve the FY 2026 budget (16 yea's).

#### **Governance**

- Council voted to adopt the proposed approach to handle the member meeting called for by the BDS petition (14 yea's, 2 abstentions).

#### **Publications**

- Council voted to approve Rachel Franklin's revised editorial board for the *Annals* (15 yea's, 1 nay).
- Council unanimously voted to approve Michaela Buenemann's revised editorial board for the *Annals* (16 yea's).

#### **New Business**

- Gary Langham thanked outgoing Councilors (Sofía Zaragocin, Patricia Solís, Rebecca Lave, Steven Silvern, Dydia DeLyser, and Debarchana (Debs) Ghosh) for their three years of service on Council.