

Atlanta Geological Society Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, September 19, 2022

Submitted by Pamela Gore, President

Attendees: Pamela Gore, Scott Harris, Ginny Mauldin, Ben Bentkowski

PG Workshops:

- Next scheduled for 10/22
- Ben Black will do Dec workshop
- Alex Ulrich will help with workshops

AGS incorporation: Discussed whether AGS is incorporated and if it should become a non-profit 501(c) 3 organization. *NOTE: this was also discussed at February 15, 2022, and August 29 board meetings.*

Earth Science Mini Grants: 3 mini grant applications have been received. Total of ~\$900 requested, to be split with GMS. Pam to solicit feedback from selected members on the applications.

Copyright issue: The AGS received 2 letters from Higbee & Associates (HA) alleging misuse of copyrighted photographs in 2019 issues of the newsletter and threatening to sue for damages. A response letter has been drafted and sent to board members for review. Response is due by September 26. HA was notified they needed to address the complaint to President Pam Gore. Board members wanted to wait and see if got response from them and then respond.

AGS Election: Ralph Howard was nominated to serve as chairman of the election committee without objection. Burton Dixon has agreed to help out. Ben Bentkowski volunteered to serve on the committee. Nominations due by the October 25 meeting and should be submitted to Ralph Howard, committee chair. Additional nominations will be solicited at the October 25 meeting. Absentee ballots will be accepted online prior to the November 29 meeting. Voting at the November 29 meeting will be via secret ballot.

The meeting was then adjourned.