

Atlanta Geological Society Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

March 21, 2024

Submitted by John Clarke, Secretary

Attendees: Pamela Gore, Scott Harris, John Clarke, John Salvino, Bill Waggener, Will Dunn

Meeting was called to order at 6pm.

Minutes for February 1, 2024 meeting were approved by a vote of 5-0. (Bill Waggener not present at time of vote)

Membership Survey—John Clarke reports that we have received 41 responses to date. Expect a few more at deadline on March 31.

Membership Status—John Salvino reports we have 70 paid members to date. Last year we had around 110. Expect an increase at the annual BBQ social in June.

Sponsorship Status—John Salvino reports that GeoLogic is the only sponsor who has renewed for 2024. Those who haven't renewed include Haley Aldrich, WSP-Golder, and United Consulting. Someone needs to contact sponsors to encourage renewal. It was decided to keep all past sponsors listed on the website and in newsletter for now. John Clarke reports that several companies expressed interest in sponsorship in the membership survey.

Sponsor at May Meeting—John Salvino reports that Grant Edgar of Vulcan materials will sponsor the May monthly meeting.

Bylaws Workgroup Status—Bill Waggener reports there has been no progress with the committee as they are waiting for responses from committee chairs regarding their roles and responsibilities. Committee chairs will be contacted by President Pamela Gore to discuss duties and determine their interest in continuing to serve in their position. John Clarke reports that the membership survey received some responses regarding the bylaws.

Liability Insurance—Preparation of application to join Southeastern Federation of Mineralogical Societies and acquire liability insurance is underway and awaiting information on address/contact info for AGS. This information was provided during the meeting, so application should be completed soon.

Participation in AIPG annual meeting—AGS participated in the Georgia Chapter of the American Institute of Professional Geologists (AIPG) annual conference at Kennesaw State

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University (KSU) on February 8. John Salvino setup a display table at the meeting which promoted membership in the AGS.

Field Trips—Will Dunn reports that to date, 10 have signed up for this weekend's "Urban Geology" field trip in midtown Atlanta. He will send signees link to our waiver form and will bring extra copies on Sunday. Will and Bill Witherspoon have begun exploring sites for future field trips. AGS will promote the upcoming Graves Mountain open house on April 26-28.

New State Geologist—Edward Rooks has been designated as Georgia's State Geologist. We will meet Ed at the beginning of our upcoming meeting on March 26, via zoom link.

Annual BBQ Social—planning is underway for the annual social. An announcement soliciting volunteers and sponsors was included in the March newsletter.

Funding and Bank Account—John Salvino reports our bank account has a balance of \$8,600. Pamela Gore asked about the status of the Bank of America (BoA) account. Treasurer John Salvino reported that the account is set up to have the Treasurer as the CFO and the President as the CEO. Signatures for both are to be on the BoA account. However, no changes were made when Pamela Gore assumed the AGS President's position, after Nils Thompson passed away on February 9, 2022. Since that time, Pamela was elected twice as Atlanta Geological Society President in 2022 and 2023, and currently serves as AGS's CEO. Bank of America records should be updated to add Pamela to the account. Pamela and John Savino will need to schedule a visit to a BoA branch to complete updated signature cards.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.