

**OSU Boone Pickens School of Geology Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, June 14, 2023, 3:00 pm CT

via Teleconference @ <https://zoom.us/j/3260207880> or (669) 900-6883 Meeting ID: 3260207880

2023 Executive Committee: Chair: Mike Gaskins; Chair-Elect: Mike Kuykendall; Secretary: Rebecca Hillman; Past Chair: Patty Walker; Directors: Robert Williams, Lawrence Walker, Barrett Cieutat

Attendance: Todd Halihan*, Rebecca Hatley, Jim Puckette*, Patty Walker, Mohamed Abdelsalam*, Bart Gaskill, Mike Gaskins, Barrett Cieutat, Mike Kuykendall, Robert Williams, Justin Evans, Dylan Morton, Kelsey Bufford, Nick Colburn*, Jim McGhay, Rick Fritz, Jake Jones, Rick Ely

*Members of OSU Faculty and Staff

Call to order: Mike Gaskins

Approval of minutes from previous meeting: Rebecca Hillman

School

Report of the Head of the School: Dr. Mohamed Abdelsalam (note Dr. Knapp unavailable)

- Discretionary funds are low and fundraising is a priority
- Jim Puckette updates on Field Camp- recently visited camp for a few days, 24 total students,
 - GeoRex (sp?) – 18 of 22 spots filled, high school summer educational camp, bit different than last year, try to have students continue research through Fall, seems like a great recruitment tool

Advisory Board

Report of the Chair: Mike Gaskins

1. Highlights of April 22 Annual Meeting
2. Working with Head of School and Past Chairs Committee on date and venue for fall “Ranch Retreat”
 - a. Hamm Institute is not available on weekends or September 22 (looking for other options, but not completely out ruled)
 - i. Hotels are nearby Hamm Institute and could be another option
 - b. Mike Kuykendall suggested Post Oak Lounge in Tulsa
 - c. Patty Walker suggested the Artesian in Davis
3. Need new committee chairs for several standing committees – please consider helping us with these
 - a. If you are a current committee chair, please confirm your interest in continuing in this position.
4. We are looking into possible hotels that we can get room blocks at for 75th anniversary Field Camp retreat in June 2024.

Save-the-date Reminders:

- Tentative “Ranch Retreat” September 22-24; working on venue and dates
- 75th Anniversary of Field Camp in 2024 (June 7-9, Canon City)
- 2024 Annual Meeting & Banquet April 13, 2024

Standing Committees:

Academic Development: Lawrence Walker

Petroleum Development

- Communicating with professors and will have more to share in August

Water Resources

- Dr. Halihan is in the process of securing a \$2 million research grant to work in Arbuckles

Capital Development (Foundation): Mike Gaskins (Nick Colburn)

- Regrouping with Department to select fundraising priorities
- Discretionary funds are running low
 - Rick Fritz will ask around about the Boone Pickens Geo-fund amount and availability

Communications: *Need a new chair for this committee*

- Patty Walker and committee are working on migrating Board material to School website
 - Will be asking Rick Ely for more history of the Board

Honors and Awards: Rebecca Hillman

- Reaching out to committee in Fall to start honors and awards process

Nominating: Logan Chatterton

- NNTR

Professional Relationships: Jake Jones

- Beginning the process of scheduling events for Fall 2023

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: Kelsey Bufford

- Kelsey re-engaging committee and will be setting up discussion with Dr. Priyank to discuss a path forward for the school's DEI group as well as our committee.

Past Chairs: Patty Walker

- Engagement strategy with CAS leadership and BPSOG alumni (donors)
 - Working on creating a schedule to put together face-to-face meetings with CAS leadership and alumni

Special Committees:

Field Camp: Barrett Cieutat

- Architecture firm we were corresponding with does not have license to work in CO
- Working to find a new firm

Strategic Plan: Kristie Ferguson

- This is a new special committee that came out of the Annual Meeting in April
- Working on creating a plan to move forward

New Business

- Kristie Ferguson can fill the Director-at-large position. Will vote in August
- Received a proposal to set up a Banquet Committee to look at ways to make it more efficient

Next Meeting:

Teleconference on Wednesday, August 9 @ 3 PM

Meeting adjournment: 3:58 PM