



**ASOR Board of Trustees Meeting  
Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel  
Harbor 1  
November 19, 2017  
8:30AM – 12:30PM EST**

**Breakfast will be available before the meeting, from 8:00-8:30AM**

**Preliminary Matters (8:30-8:40)**

1. Call to Order and Introductions
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of the Minutes from the April Board Meeting (April 29, 2017)

**Business Items (8:40-10:30)**

4. Committee Chair Appointments (Sharon Herbert)
  - Steve Falconer, for an initial three-year term as Chair of the Committee on Archaeological Research and Policy (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020): <https://clas-pages.uncc.edu/steven-falconer/> and <https://clas-pages.uncc.edu/steven-falconer/publications/>; c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.
  - Chuck Jones, for a one-year extension as Chair of the Publications Committee (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2018): <http://cams.la.psu.edu/directory/cej14> and <http://personal-psu.academia.edu/CharlesJones>.

## 5. Committee Appointments (Sharon Herbert)

### 5a. Honors and Awards Committee

- John Kampen, for a second three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); <https://www.mtso.edu/about-mtso/faculty-directory/john-kampen/>.
- Lynn Welton, for a second three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); <http://ubc.academia.edu/LynnWelton>.

### 5b. Programs Committee

- Gojko Barjamovic, for an initial three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.
- Jennifer Gates-Foster, for an initial three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.
- Chris Rollston, for an initial three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.

### 5c. Committee on Archaeological Research and Policy

- Assaf Yasur-Landau, for a one-year term (retroactive) to replace April Nowell (January 1, 2017-December 31, 2017), *and* Assaf Yasur-Landau, for an initial three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.
- Kent Bramlett, for an initial three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.
- Sturt Manning, for an initial three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.
- Patricia Fall, for an initial three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.

Possibly also:

- Jimmy Hardin, for an initial three-year term (January 1, 2018-December 31, 2020); if to be voted, c. v. will be posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.

6. Editor Appointment (Sharon Herbert)

- Thomas Schneider, for a third three-year term as the editor of *Near Eastern Archaeology* (January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2020); c. v. posted at <http://www.asor.org/about-asor/hidden-trustees/>.

7. Proposal to locate oversight of *ANEToday* within the Publications Committee (Sharon Herbert)

8. Proposed Committee Name Change (Sharon Herbert)

- Junior Scholars Committee to Early Career Scholars Committee (N.B. *Not* an action item, but for consideration and potential endorsement only.)

9. Initiative on the Status of Women Report (Susan Ackerman)

10. Board Trustee Nominations Committee Report (Ann-Marie Knoblauch)

11. Board Trustee Appointments (Susan Ackerman)

- Peggy Duly, for an additional three-year term (January 1, 2018- December 31, 2020): biographical sketch appended.
- Sue Laden, for an additional three-year term (January 1, 2018- December 31, 2020): biographical sketch appended.
- Mark Lanier, for an additional three-year term (January 1, 2018- December 31, 2020): biographical sketch appended.
- Joe Seger, for an additional three-year term (January 1, 2018- December 31, 2020): biographical sketch appended.

12. Treasurer's Report (Richard Coffman, for Chris White)

13. Officers Nominations Committee Report (Joe Seger)

14. Chairs Coordinating Council Report (Sharon Herbert)

15. Memorial Moments (Susan Ackerman)

16. Other Business

**Break (10:30-10:45)**

**Discussion/Action Items (10:45-12:15)**

17. ASOR's New Home (Richard Coffman, Susan Ackerman, Andy Vaughn)

18. ASOR Gift Acceptance Policy (Susan Ackerman; time permitting)

19. ASOR Trustee Commitment Form (Susan Ackerman; time permitting)

**Reports (12:15-12:30)**

20. ACOR (Øystein LaBianca and/or Barbara Porter)
21. CAARI (Bryan Wilkins and/or Linde Crewe)
22. AIAR (J. P. Dessel and/or Matthew Adams)



**Nominees for the ASOR Board:  
Board-Appointed Trustees**

**Peggy Duly**

Peggy Duly, a native Californian, is retired from her position as medical technologist and research associate in the Clinical Chemistry Lab at the University of California, San Diego. Previously, she worked at the University of Colorado Medical Center. As far back as her undergraduate days, however, Duly identified her avocation as anthropology with an emphasis on archaeology. She has fostered her anthropological interests through trips to Canada, Mexico, Peru, Ecuador, Columbia, Panama, England, Scotland, Northern Ireland, Eire, France, Spain, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Russia, Germany, Austria, Hungary, the Czech Republic, Italy, Greece, Australia, New Zealand, Cyprus, Egypt, Jordan, and Israel.

Duly joined the ASOR Board in January 2015.

**Susan Laden**

Susan (Sue) Laden is the publisher of the Biblical Archaeology Society, which was founded in 1974, and president of the Biblical Archaeology Society, founded in 1974, and publisher of its flagship publication, *Biblical Archaeology Review*, which the Society, a non-denominational nonprofit, has published continuously for more than 40 years. Sue Laden started in 1976 as the Society's second paid employee. Via *Biblical Archaeology Review*, the Society has shared professional archaeologists' latest insights and discoveries of the lands of the Bible with the public, in accessible language, engaging hundreds of thousands of interested readers over the past four decades. The Society also fulfills its mission through its books, video lectures, tours, seminars – especially *Bible and Archaeology Fest*, which celebrates its 20<sup>th</sup> year in 2017 – and website. Recently, Sue Laden has been instrumental in launching the Biblical Archaeology Society's web-based newsletter "Bible History Daily," which has 85,000 subscribers.

Laden joined the ASOR Board in January 2015.

## **W. Mark Lanier**

W. Mark Lanier is a trial lawyer and founder of the Lanier Law Firm, which has offices in Houston, New York, and Los Angeles. He has won many awards for his work as an attorney, including, most recently, being recognized as “Houston’s Lawyer of the Year” in 2017 for Personal Injury Litigation – Plaintiffs, as “Trial Lawyer of the Year” by The National Trial Lawyers and *The Trial Lawyer* magazine (2016), and as “Houston’s Lawyer of the Year” for Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions (2016). In 2015, he was awarded the American Association of Justice’s Lifetime Achievement Award, and in 2012, he was awarded the Clarence Darrow award, which honors the famed attorney *Clarence Darrow* and is given to attorneys who have demonstrated conviction in their work and exceptional courage in the face of adversity.

Lanier is also enthusiastically involved in government and community activities outside the practice of law. He is the founder of the Lanier Theological Library, one of the nation’s largest private theological collections. He himself has published two books focused on integrating Christian faith into daily life: *Christianity on Trial* (2014) and *Psalms For Living* (2016).

Lanier joined the ASOR Board in January 2012. He has been a strong supporter of ASOR’s outreach efforts, and the Lanier Theological Library provides major funding to help publish ASOR’s e-newsletter that is dedicated to outreach, *The ANE Today*. Lanier also serves as a Trustee of the W. F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research (AIAR).

## **Joe D. Seger**

Joe D. Seger is Professor Emeritus in the Department of Anthropology and Middle Eastern Cultures and Director Emeritus of the Cobb Institute of Archaeology at Mississippi State University, whose faculty he joined in 1982. His research interests include Near Eastern archaeology and field methods, Old Testament history and literature, ancient Semitic languages, and ancient Near Eastern religions and cultures. He is an expert in ceramic analysis and excavation techniques.

Seger’s career as a field archaeologist began with the Joint Expedition to Tell Balatah, biblical Shechem, in 1962. He returned for the 1964 season and became Field Director in 1969. Since 1975 he has been the Project Director of the Lahav Research Project excavations at Tell Halif in Israel.

Seger first joined the ASOR Board in 1986 and has served on the Board ever since. From 1996-2002, he served as the ASOR President. Seger also served as the President of the W.F. Albright Institute of Archaeological Research (AIAR) from 1988-1994 and now he serves as an Honorary Trustee of the Albright. He also currently serves the ASOR Board as the Chair of the Officers Nominations Committee and as a member of the Development Committee.

In 2006, Seger received ASOR’s most prestigious award, the Richard J. Scheuer Medal, for lifetime achievement and professional service. The recently established Joe D. Seger Excavation Fund also honors his long-standing service to ASOR.