

Nomination of Sheila Bishop as Honorary Trustee

Sheila Bishop has been an active ASOR member and generous donor for three decades. For the past 15 years she has been the driving force (and primary donor) for supporting Annual Meeting scholarships for students. She supported the Lindstrom Foundation, and for the past 10+ years has provided fellowships through the Foundation of Biblical Archaeology (the TFBA Fellows). She serves as the director of the Foundation for Biblical Archaeology, and in that capacity has been one of the key supporters of five excavations in Israel. She remains very involved in the publication phase of the Jezreel excavations (and ASOR-affiliated project). She has also funded numerous scholarships in partnership with ASOR and separately. She has contributed to ASOR for more than 15 consecutive years (the highest level that we track), and she is listed as a “Field Director” (between \$100,000 and \$249,999) in our Honor Roll of Lifetime Donors. She will likely “move up” to the “Dig Director” level (\$250,000 to \$499,999) in the next year with some anticipated endowment gifts.

Sheila is one of ASOR’s most loyal and passionate supporters, and she served on the Board of Trustees for exactly 10 years (ending on December 31, 2020). Because recent life events, she is not able to commit to attending board meetings, but she has expressed a willingness to be listed as an honorary trustee and to attend meetings (as a non-voting member) when she is able.

As a reminder, honorary trustees are invited to attend all Board meetings, but they are not listed as absent if they are not able to attend. They are non-voting members of the Board, and as such are not listed in the Form 990 that ASOR files with the IRS each year.