

## ASU Board of Trustees

## History

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Original Member	<b>J. J. Bellamy</b> Smithville 1909 – 1912	<b>O. N. Hammett</b> Paragould 1909 – 1912	<b>W. Love Banks</b> Smithdale 1909 – 1946	<b>J. B. Lewis</b> Jonesboro 1909 – 1913	<b>C. E. Bush</b> Antioch 1909 – 1911		
Successor	<b>Richard Whitaker</b> Knobel 1912 – 1938	<b>I. C. Leggett</b> Paragould 1912 – 1914	<b>*A.W. Hall</b> Jonesboro 1917 *	<b>*Clay Sloan</b> Walnut Ridge 1913 *	<b>H. M. Cooley</b> Jonesboro 1911 - 1914		
Successor	<b>Will Mack</b> Jonesboro 1938 – 1947	<b>J. L. Conner</b> Augusta 1914 - 1917	<b>Gordon Lamb</b> Corning 1946 – 1951	<b>W. S. Danner</b> Clarksdale 1913 – 1933	<b>J. A. Blackford</b> Jonesboro 1914 – 1921		
Successor	<b>J. Orville Cheney</b> Calico Rock 1947 – 1952	<b>*James A. Horne</b> Paragould 1915 *	<b>Russell Owen</b> Marked Tree 1951 – 1971	<b>Maurice Block</b> Paragould 1933 – 1945	<b>Pearle Davis</b> Forrest City 1923 – 1948		
Successor	<b>*A.B. Whitfield</b> Calico Rock 1952 *	<b>R. E. Lee Wilson</b> Wilson 1917 – 1933	<b>Larry Brewer</b> Paragould 1971 – 1976	<b>Russell Phillips</b> Blytheville 1945 – 1949	<b>*H. K. Barwick</b> Wynne 1948 *		
Successor	<b>James Heath</b> Marion 1953 – 1957	<b>R. E. Lee Wilson, Jr.</b> Wilson 1933 – 1938	<b>Benjamin McGee</b> Marion 1976 – 1981	<b>William H. Wyatt</b> Blytheville 1949 – 1969	<b>Fred Pickens</b> Newport 1949 – 1953		
Successor	<b>J. H. Smith</b> Birdeye 1957 – 1967	<b>J. C. Johnson</b> West Memphis 1938 – 1943	<b>Rogers Ford</b> Joiner 1981 – 1986	<b>Austin Temple</b> Crossett 1969 – 1974	<b>Roland Hughes</b> Jonesboro 1953 – 1958		
Successor	<b>Joe Brooks</b> Jonesboro 1967 – 1972	<b>Henry Banks</b> Clarksdale 1943 – 1945	<b>Larry Ross</b> North Little Rock 1986 – 1996	<b>Mike Beebe</b> Searcy 1974 – 1979	<b>Van Smith</b> Tuckerman 1958 – 1968		

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Successor	<b>Phillip Hout</b> Newport 1972 – 1977	<b>William Stuck</b> Jonesboro 1945 – 1950	<b>Velmar Richmond</b> Jonesboro 1996 - 2001	<b>Johnny Allison</b> Conway 1979 – 1984	<b>W.P Gulley, Jr.</b> Little Rock 1968 – 1973		
Successor	<b>Stanley Langley</b> Jonesboro 1977 – 1982	<b>R. S. Rainwater</b> Walnut Ridge 1950 – 1955	<b>Florine Tousant Milligan</b> Forrest City 2001 - 2011	<b>Hasselle McCain</b> West Memphis 1984 – 1989	<b>Lou Mixon Angelo</b> Bono 1973 – 1983		
Successor	<b>Jerry Watkins</b> El Dorado 1982 – 1987	<b>Max Poe</b> Pocahontas 1955 – 1970	<b>Charles Luter</b> Paragould 2011 - 2016	<b>Charlotte Bradbury</b> Little Rock 1989 – 1999	<b>Bonnie Shaver</b> Wynne 1983 – 1988		
Successor	<b>Dennis Zolper</b> Jonesboro 1987 – 1992	<b>Dorothy Stuck</b> Marked Tree 1970	<b>Stacy Crawford</b> Jonesboro 2016 - 2021	<b>John Paul Hammerschmidt</b> Harrison 1999 - 2004	<b>Darrell Johnson</b> Pocahontas 1988 – 1993		
Successor	<b>Harold Thomas</b> West Memphis 1992 – 1997	<b>Elijah Coleman</b> Pine Bluff 1970 – 1975	<b>Paul Rowton</b> Harrisburg 2021 - 2028	<b>Mike Gibson</b> Osceola 2004 - 2014	<b>William R. Phillips</b> Conway 1993 – 1998	** <b>Bishop Robert G. Rudolph, Jr.</b> Bryant 2021 - 2027	** <b>Steve Eddington</b> Benton 2021 - 2026
Successor	<b>Richard Bell</b> Stuttgart 1997 – 2005	<b>Richard Herget</b> Little Rock 1975 – 1985		<b>Tim Langford</b> Little Rock 2014 – 2021	<b>James Pickens</b> Little Rock 1998 – 2001		<b>Heather Maxey</b> Mountain Home 2026-2033
Successor	<b>James Pickens</b> Little Rock 2005 – 2007	<b>Wayne Hartsfield</b> Searcy 1985 – 1995		<b>Jerry Morgan</b> Jonesboro 2021 - 2031	<b>Dallas Wood</b> Paragould 2001 - 2008		
Successor	<b>Howard L. Slinkard</b> Rogers 2007 - 2017	<b>Harold Perrin</b> Jonesboro 1995 – 2000			<b>Ron Rhodes</b> Cherokee Village 2008 - 2018		

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Successor	<b>Price Gardner</b> Little Rock 2017 - 2029	<b>Mike Medlock</b> Jonesboro 2000 - 2009 Deceased (10/28/2009)			<b>Christy Clark</b> Little Rock 2018 - 2023		
Successor		<b>Dan Pierce</b> Jonesboro 2010 - 2015			<b>Gary Harpole</b> Jonesboro 2023 - 2030		
Successor		<b>Niel Crowson</b> Jonesboro 2015 - 2023					
Successor		<b>Christy Clark</b> Little Rock 2023 - 2025					
Successor		<b>Carole Farmer</b> Fayetteville 2025 – 2032					
<b>* Appointed by the Governor but never confirmed by the Arkansas Senate</b>							
<b>** Board Expansion as specified by Act 18 of 2021</b>							