

Program for the 47th Board Meeting

May 14–17, 2017



Sunday, May 14, 2017

3:00 p.m.

Lecture under the Auspices of the Robert St. John Chair in Objective Middle East Reporting:

organized by the Chaim Herzog Center for Middle East Studies and Diplomacy

Truth Under Siege: Reporting in the Age of Alternative Facts

Speaker: Journalist Jonathan Ferziger, Bloomberg News, Israel

Moderator: Prof. Lynn Schler, Department of Politics and Government

Helen Diller Family Center, Room 109

3:30 p.m.

Finance Committee Meeting

Chairperson: Dvora Tomer, Vice-Chairperson of the Executive Committee

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

5:45 p.m.

Tour of Beer-Sheva

Driving tour highlighting the city's growth and development,
followed by a walking tour of the Old City with an emphasis on art and culture
Departure from the bus stop behind the Zlotowski Student Center

8:00 p.m.

Welcome Dinner Hosted by President Prof. Rivka Carmi

Lauder Center, Old City of Beer-Sheva

(For registered participants)

Monday, May 15, 2017

10:00 a.m.

Opening Plenary Session of the 47th Board of Governors Meeting

Addresses:

Alexander M. Goren, Chairman of the Board of Governors

Prof. Zvi HaCohen, Rector

Ori Rath, Chairman of the Student Union

Counting Up to 50 – Opening Presentation:

Prof. Rivka Carmi, President

Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium

12:00 p.m.

Working Lunch for Board Members with President Prof. Rivka Carmi

Barkan Conference Hall, Zlotowski Student Administration Building

(For registered participants)

2:00 p.m.

Concert in Memory of Dr. Heinz-Horst Deichmann

Performed by the Israel Chamber Orchestra and Members of the Chamber Music Course at BGU

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, *Requiem K. 626*

Ariel Zuckermann, Conductor

Talia Or, Soprano

Avital Deri, Alto

Eitan Drori, Tenor

Oded Reich, Bass

The Tel Aviv Collegium Singers

Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium

3:30 p.m.

Annual Zlotowski Event

Public Reading by Author Nicole Krauss, USA

Distinguished Visitor, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, BGU

Presentation of the Zlotowski Admission Awards for Outstanding Students

Moderator: Prof. Steve Rosen, Vice-President for External Affairs

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

5:00 p.m.

Dedication of the Aron Bernstein Chair in Jewish History

Incumbent: Prof. Hanna Yablonka, Department of Jewish History

Panel: New and Fascinating Aspects in Holocaust Research

Showcasing BGU students and alumni from the Department of Jewish History:

Tehilla Malka

Dr. Amir Peleg

Dalit Danenberg

Moderator: Prof. Chaim Hames, Dean, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

6:30 p.m.

Ceremony Recognizing the University's New and Most Loyal Supporters

Plaza adjacent to the Ben-Gurion Wall

8:00 p.m.

Student Evening sponsored by American Associates, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

Student Performances, Personal Encounters, and Auction of Student Projects

Suzanne Zlotowski Garden

(For registered participants)

Tuesday, May 16, 2017

9:00 a.m.

Inauguration of the Carole and Marcus Weinstein Software and Information

Systems Engineering and Cyber Security Building

in the presence of Carole and Marcus Weinstein, USA

Dedication of the Carole Weinstein Chair in Information Systems Engineering

Incumbent: Prof. Bracha Shapira, Chair, Department of Software and Information Systems Engineering

Moderator: Prof. Dan Blumberg, Vice-President and Dean for Research & Development

Carole and Marcus Weinstein Software and Information Systems Engineering and Cyber Security Building

10:15 a.m.

Unveiling of the Sculpture The Acrobats by Theo Tobiassse

in the presence of Catherine Faust-Tobiassse, France

Moderator: Prof. Steve Rosen, Vice-President for External Affairs

Adjacent to the Abraham Ben David Ohayon Behavioral Sciences Complex

11:00 a.m.

Presentation of the University's Year in Review to the Board of Governors Screening of the Documentary Film *Ben-Gurion, Epilogue*,

Marking David Ben-Gurion's 130th Birthday, and Conversation with the Producer Yael Perlov

Abraham Ben David Ohayon Behavioral Sciences Complex

1:00 p.m.

Lunch

3:00 p.m.

Dedication of the Michael Feige Career Development Chair in Israeli Society

in the presence of the Feige Family

Incumbent: Dr. Ben Herzog, Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the Study of Israel and Zionism

Moderator: Prof. Ofer Shiff, Head of Research Hub, World Jewry in Israel, Center for Israel Studies

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

4:30 p.m.

Irene and Hyman Kreitman Annual Memorial Lecture Reflections on a Life of Purpose

Former Australian Prime Minister, the Hon. Julia Gillard

Moderator: Prof. Sharon Pardo, Chair, Department of Politics and Government and The Centre for the Study of European Politics and Society

W.A. Minkoff Senate Hall

7:30 p.m.

Conferment Ceremony of Honorary Doctoral Degrees upon:

Prof. Linda B. Buck, USA

Hon. Julia Gillard, Australia

Prof. Eric S. Lander, USA

Ellen S. Marcus, USA

Prof. Stanley B. Prusiner, USA

Carole and Marcus Weinstein, USA

Joya Claire Sonnenfeldt Auditorium

The ceremony will be followed by a reception in the Udi Garden

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

9:00 a.m.

Travel to Sede Boqer

10:00 a.m.

Ceremony Marking the Establishment of the Center for Israel Studies

in the presence of Danna Azrieli, Chair, Azrieli Group and Azrieli Foundation Israel

Panel: Promoting Research on Israel and Revitalizing Related Public Discourse

Featuring research fellows from the Center for Israel Studies, Ben-Gurion

Research Institute:

Adi Sherzer, PhD Student

Dr. Tanya Zion-Waldoks, Post-Doctoral Fellow

Dr. Dvir Tzur, Researcher

Moderator: Dr. Paula Kabalo, Director, Ben-Gurion Research Institute for the

Study of Israel and Zionism

George Evens Family Auditorium

11:30 a.m.

Annual Review: Jacob Blaustein Institutes for Desert Research

Prof. Boris Zaltzman, Director

Addresses:

Dr. Muhammad Bashouti, Swiss Institute for Dryland Environmental and Energy Research

Dr. Vered Tzin, French Associates Institute for Agriculture and Biotechnology of Drylands

Dr. Edo Bar-Zeev, Zuckerberg Institute for Water Research

George Evens Family Auditorium

12:30 p.m.

Personal Encounters and Lunch with Students from the Albert Katz International School for Desert Studies

Return to Hotel

Beer-Sheva

4:00 p.m.

Coffee and Refreshments

Leonardo Negev Hotel Lobby

7:30 p.m.

**Festive Closing Evening of the Board of Governors Meeting
Banquet and Dance**

Plaza adjacent to the Jusidman Science Center for Youth

(For registered participants)

Warm clothing recommended