

# **Alumni Council Virtual Meeting**

Wednesday February 15, 2023 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. ET/ 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. PT

## **Meeting URL:**

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Meeting ID: 986 4536 2350 Password: 744868

#### **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Garrett Abrahamson '07, MBA '08, President

- Greeting from Joe Manok, Clark's new VP of Advancement
- Good news from Stephanie Madden, Assistant Director of Alumni & Friends Engagement

## **Liaison Updates**

Tom Hicks '93, President-Elect

- Faculty Representative: Dr. Raphael Rogers '94 (Department of Education)
- Clark Black Alumni Association (CBAA): Stacey Lawrence '08
- Clark LGBTQ+ Alumni Association (CLAA): Miranda Valerio '11
- Clark GOLD Council: Alex Turgeon '16, MBA '17
- Student Alumni Relations Committee (SARC): Taylor Laflamme '23

#### **Committee Updates**

Garrett Abrahamson

- o Awards Committee: Brigid Palcic '11, MA '12
  - Award nominee solicitation method
  - Awards winners
- o Nominating Committee: Tom Hicks '93, President-Elect
  - Alumni-Appointed Trustee outcome
  - Selection of new Alumni Council members
- o Programming Committee: Sandra Abramson '68
  - Alumni Speaker Series kickoff in April

## Alumni & Friends Engagement and The Clark Fund Updates

Nicole Forgit, Executive Director of Alumni & Friends Engagement and The Clark Fund, Cindy Ironson, Director of Alumni & Friends Engagement, Patti Turcotte, Associate Director, Alumni & Friends Engagement

- Events
  - o Event Recap: Patti Turcotte/Cindy Ironson
    - "Night Lights" at New England Botanical Garden at Tower Hill: Dec. 1



- Clark's Snow Day at Wachusett Mt.: Feb. 11
- o Upcoming Engagement Events: Cindy Ironson
  - Black Alumni Homecoming Events: Feb. 24-26
  - Clark Choir at Carnegie Hall: March 11, 2023
  - Alumni & Friends Virtual Book Club: March 31 (Women's History Month
     Women Warriors: An Unexpected History, by Pamela D. Toler)
  - Post-event survey development
- o Reunion (May 19-21) update: Patti Turcotte/Nicole Forgit
  - Schedule highlights
  - Faculty lectures on Friday afternoon
  - Alumni Council Past-President Engagement at Awards Dinner
- The Clark Fund
  - Spring Fundraising: Nicole Forgit

#### **Upcoming Work**

Garrett Abrahamson, Nicole Forgit

- New Alumni Council members (nominations and selection)
- Next meeting: Tuesday, April 11: 5:00 p.m. ET/2:00 p.m. PT

## **Open Q&A/Comments:**

• Support graduating students in an unsure job market/financial climate (Sid Sharma MBA '10)