



Nomination for Honorary Trustee: Vivian Bull

Vivian Bull served as the 18th president of Linfield College, McMinnville, Oregon, from 1992 to June 2005, and as President of Drew University from July 1, 2012, through July 21, 2014. Before 1992, Bull taught for more than thirty years as a member of Drew's economics department and served for eight years as the university's Associate Dean of the College of Liberal Arts. She also directed the university's Semester on the European Community in Brussels four times and served on a total of twenty-one Drew-led archaeological expeditions in the Middle East. Indeed, by her count, she and her late husband Dr. Robert J. Bull only missed one or two summers in the Levant between the early 60s and 96.

Bull's academic specialty is in international economics with a specific focus on economic problems in the West Bank and Gaza. More specifically, she has described herself, especially in the first several years after the 1967 war, as serving as a link between the economic bank in Israel and Jordan. I eventually published a data collection that engaged a conversation about what was happening between the two parties." She has served on the executive committee of the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges (a regional accrediting organization) and on the board of directors of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. She previously served on the board of Fred Meyer Inc. and the Fred Meyer Foundation and the American National/Chemical Bank in NJ. She helped organize the College of Management and Administration of Africa University in Zimbabwe and is a former Trustee of the university, where she continues to serve as a consultant. She is also currently working with the Board of Higher Education and Ministry of the United Methodist Church, where she chairs the investment committee.

Her many awards include being named a Paul Harris Fellow by Rotary International in 1988 and a Distinguished Alumna of Albion College in 1979. Bull is also recipient of the Salute to Policy Makers Award, given by the Executive Women in New Jersey (1986), the John Woolman Peacemaking Award, given by George Fox College in 1994, and the Equal Opportunity Award of the Urban League of Portland, given in 1995.

Bull was a member of the ASOR Board from 1982-1990 and 2014-2019 and served, for the last six years, as a member of the Board's Development, Finance, and Officers Nominations Committees. She also served as Chair of the Board of Trustees of the W. F. Albright Institute for Archaeological Research (AIAR) for many years and now she serves as an Honorary Trustee of the Albright.

In November 2016, Bull received the Charles U. Harris Service Award, which is given in recognition of long term and/or special service as an ASOR officer or Trustee.