



***Alabama's Must See Attraction!***

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## **Birmingham Zoo Announces 2016 Board of Directors and Officers**

**BIRMINGHAM, AL** – The Birmingham Zoo is pleased to introduce new members and welcome back former members to the Board of Directors and the Board Officers for the Zoo. The Board is composed of twenty professionals in the Birmingham area, who share the Zoo's belief in "Inspiring Passion for the Natural World." The Board welcomes two new members this year, Doug Jones and Britt Redden. The 2016 Board Officers are Wally Nall III, Chairman, Cissy Jackson, Vice Chairman, James Priester, Treasurer, David Loper, Secretary and Jesse Vogtle Jr., Immediate Past Chairman. The newly announced Board of Directors are Robert Aland, Leigh Collier, Jack Darnall, Robin Sparks Davis, Nancy Collat Goedecke, Gaynell H. Hendricks, Anna B. James, Doug Jones, Randall Jordan, Roddy McKinney, Laura Pitts, Britt Redden, Oliver Robinson, Jr., Thomas E. Sisson and Steven Spencer. Paving the way in providing insight and innovative ideas as the Zoo moves towards the future is part of the board's progressive goal. "The Birmingham Zoo appreciates these individuals and their efforts for inspiring passion for the natural world. I am grateful for their continued support in helping Alabama's must see attraction grow and in helping the Zoo expand and improve during our Capital Campaign," says Dr. William R. Foster, President and CEO of the Birmingham Zoo.

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In addition to announcing the new Board of Directors, the Zoo welcomes the newly elected Junior Board members, all of whom share a passion for the Zoo and its continued success. The officers are Stephen Armstrong, President, Amanda Hawkins, Vice President, Lauren DeMoss, Secretary, Matthew Hottle, Treasurer and Erin Donohoo, Past President, Advisor. The members are Rosemary Alexander, Ambre Amari, Frank Anderson, Bettina Boateng, Turner Burton, Courtney DeShazo, Joey Dumontier, Kathryn Gay, Joe Gribbin Jr., Raymond Harbert Jr., Fontaine Haskell, Tim Hennesey Jr., Julie Herring, Lexi Holdbrooks, J. Chris Mason, Madison Merrill, Amy O'Brien, Eve Toomey, Drew Weil, Dana N. Williams and Whitney Wright.

*Approximately 950 animals of 230 species call the Birmingham Zoo home, including sea lions, zebras, rhinos and endangered species from six continents. The Birmingham Zoo is open daily from 9am to 5pm. Regular admission is \$16\* for adults and \$14\* for senior citizens and military and \$11\* for children ages 2-12 (\*Price not including tax). All Birmingham Zoo Members and children under two-years-old receive free admission.*

*For more information about the Birmingham Zoo, please visit the Zoo on Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest and Twitter, or at [birminghamzoo.com](http://birminghamzoo.com).*

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