

Bernstein is an Appalachian Trail 2,000-miler (someone who has hiked the entire A.T.), has been a Trail maintainer for over 20 years, and is a life member of the ATC. He currently chairs the Stewardship Council's Land and Resource Protection Committee, which is made up individuals with expertise in trail-management and visitor-use issues that advise the Board of. Lenny has a Ph.D. in chemical engineering and had a 40-year career in the petroleum industry. He was a Convening Lead Author for the United Nation's Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Fourth Assessment Report, and has taught courses on climate change and energy at the University of North Carolina at Asheville's College for Seniors, a noncredit, life-long learning program.

The Board is responsible for communicating the mission and the purpose of the ATC. They establish and maintain relationships with the stewardship council, clubs, partners, members and other stakeholders. While enhancing the public standing of the ATC, they also ensure legal and ethical integrity and maintain accountability.

Also elected to the board were newcomers Rich Daileader, Arthur Foley, Mary Higley, Terry Lierman, and Mike Marziale. Robert Almand, Kara Bell, Marcia Fairweather, Brian Fitzgerald, Sandi Marra, Charles Maynard, William Plouffe, Betsy Thompson, and Clark Wright are all returning Board Members.