Board of Directors Amended Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2025 12:00 p.m.

Quorum = $\underline{6 \text{ Directors}}$ Quorum Met: $\boxtimes Yes \square No$

	Name	Position	Present
1	Kari Olson	Chair	\boxtimes
2	VACANT	Chair-elect / Director	
3	Bidtah Becker	Past Chair / Director	\boxtimes
4	Kristen Burby	Director	\boxtimes
5	Steve Hernandez	Director	\boxtimes
6	Zachary Ogaz	Director	
7	Maslyn Locke	Director	\boxtimes
8	J. Spenser Lotz	Director	\boxtimes
9	Yarithza Pena	Director	\boxtimes
10	Anne Minard	Director	\boxtimes
11	John Verheul	Director	\boxtimes
12	Benjamin Rossi	YLD Liaison	
13	Caitlyn Tullar	UNM Student Liaison	\boxtimes
14	Adrian Oglesby	UNM Faculty	\boxtimes

Agenda:

- 1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. November 2024
 - b. January 2025
- 2. Old Business
 - a. Action Item: Elect Chair Elect
 - Zachary Ogaz was nominated at January meeting. Vote deferred to March Meeting
 - b. Update on UNM Faculty Liaison
 - i. Adrian Oglesby will stay on as UNMSOL liaison and serve on CLE committee
- 3. New Business
 - a. Duncan Stewart, Center for Legal Education
 - i. recap of NREEL's 2024 CLEs.
 - 1. Institute in 2023 hosted 18 in person and 76 online.
 - 2. 2024, 20 in person and 44 online. Duncan did not have a sense of why we saw a drop in attendance. Reviews were generally positive.

- 3. EIJ CLE in June was well attended and has continued to be popular as an on-demand course.
- ii. Discussion about discount options for 2025:
 - Center for Legal Education can coordinate with State Bar, set up a coupon, available only to section members and could apply to courses that are available. Could limit the number of times it's eligible to be redeemed.
 - Scholarships limited number, application based, paid by NREEL's budget. Information about deadline will be out soon, in general registration should open two months ahead. That's for institutes; same for webinars. Need description, exact length of course, speakers, and their biographies.
- iii. **Action Item**: approve date for 2025 institute, December 12, 2025?
 - 1. Proposal to have institute Dec. 12, 2025 passed unanimously.
 - Intention is to do a legislative wrap-up on plethora of bills from the session. Likely in May – water quality primacy, strategic water supplies, funding for water agencies.
 - 3. EIJ CLE in summer. Or 3rd quarter, could be in law school. If at law school, Center for Legal Ed. not involved and can't be used as an online course.
 - 4. Law school hosting CLE March 27 no speakers or topics yet but social after
- b. Action Item: Approve UNM request for \$4000 Grant to fund 2025 Student Summer Stipend (Adrian/SOL Rep)
 Adrian requested summer stipend \$4200, two students with possibly a small amount to go for a third student. Natural Resource Committee does the selection. Discussion: Steve asked for a report at end of term. Kristin: projected dues revenue is 8750. To leave enough to carry forward and to leave enough to cover CLE expenses. \$4k is still a big chunk. UNMSOL committee should look at how to balance support for students and support for NREEL members. SH moved to approve. Unanimous.
- c. Adoption of 2025 budget

Budget approved as proposed, 9 in favor, one opposed.

4. Next Meeting Date: March 25, 2025, at noon

Meeting adjourned at 1:01 PM.