



State Bar of New Mexico
Natural Resources, Energy
and Environmental Law Section

Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

November 22, 2022

12:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 823 9906 0824

Passcode: 2022

Quorum = 6 Directors

Quorum Met: Yes No

	Name	Position	Present
1	Steven Hernandez	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2	Christopher Shaw	Director	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Thomas Paterson	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Bidtah Becker	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	Sunnie Richardson	Director/Budget Officer	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Melinda Branin	Director/Chair Elect	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7	Kari Olson	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	Mark Rosebrough	Past Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9	Joseph Schremmer	UNM Faculty Rep/Secr.	<input type="checkbox"/>
10	Paula Vance	YLD Liaison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	Louis Rose	Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	Maria Trujillo	UNM Student Rep	<input type="checkbox"/>

1. Approval of the agenda
 - a. Paterson moves; Rosebrough seconds; motion passes
2. Approval of the October 2022 meeting minutes (Joseph Schremmer)
 - a. Hernandez moves; Paterson seconds; motion passes
3. 2022 budget/expenditures update (Sunnie Richardson)
 - a. No action taken as Richardson is not participating in the meeting
4. CLE update, including water policy and infrastructure task force CLE and December 16, 2022 CLE (Melinda Branin)
 - a. The Bar has not yet sent out emails advertising the NREEL CLE; it was advertised in the bar bulletin
 - b. Branin will send a request to the Bar staff today to increase advertising
 - c. Reminder that there is automatic 10% discount for NREEL section members and the Board voted to include an additional \$50 discount for the first 50 members who register
 - d. Branin provided an update on the water update panel that Adrian Oglesby is meeting with Mike Hammond. Branin informed Oglesby

that a lawyer has to be on the panel to receive CLE credit.

Paterson suggested it would be very helpful if the panel discussed the actionable recommendations being provided by the Water Policy and Infrastructure Task Force.

- e. Branin informed the Board that the speaker gifts will be given again this year and she needs to make some quick decisions on numbers of gifts even though the exact number of speakers is not yet known
 - f. Rosebrough offered to assist with the awards as Branin is in Roswell and needs assistance in getting the awards engraved
5. Lawyer of the year/career achievement awards update (Tom Paterson)
 - a. No nominations received for lawyer of the year
 - b. Selected two individuals to receive lifetime achievement awards: Bill Carr – oil and gas; Pat S. Ortiz – PNM; both are inactive
 - c. Awards have been ordered
 - d. The Directors agreed that this year the presentation of the awards will be done during the CLE luncheon in the auditorium so hybrid attendees can observe the award ceremony
 - e. For future consideration is having the lawyer of the year nomination come from within the Board and the committee as well as member nominations; it was suggested that a more aggressive approach be taken than email outreach only; having the Board be a committee of the whole to make the nomination may be the best approach
 6. NREEL funding for CITES (Joe Schremmer)
 - a. Deferred to January agenda when Schremmer is in attendance
 7. Board elections (Morgan Pettit)
 - a. Rose will send out an email with the results;
 8. New business
 9. Next meeting December 16, 2022 Annual Meeting
 - a. Paterson moved to adjourn; Hernandez seconded; motion passes