



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

**Board of Directors Meeting Agenda**

March 22, 2022

12:00 p.m.

[Zoom Meeting](#)

**Meeting ID:** 823 9906 0824

**Passcode:** 2022

**Quorum = 6 Directors**

**Quorum Met:** Yes No

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Present</b>
1	Steven Hernandez	Director	<input type="checkbox"/>
2	Christopher Shaw	Director	<input type="checkbox"/>
3	Thomas Paterson	Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Bidtah Becker	Director	<input type="checkbox"/>
5	Sunnie Richardson	Director/Budget Officer	<input type="checkbox"/>
6	Melinda Branin	Director/Chair Elect	<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10	Paula Vance	YLD Liaison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
11	Louis Rose	Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
12	Maria Trujillo	UNM Student Liaison	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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1. Approval of the agenda
  - a. Moved, seconded, and unanimously approved
2. Approval of January 2022 meeting minutes (Lou Rose)
  - a. Moved, seconded, and approved with two abstentions (Mark and Joe)
3. 2022 Budget (Lou Rose)
  - a. Reviewed for informational purposes
4. Legislative session CLE (Melinda Branin)
  - a. Lou: it is scheduled for noon on March 31 and will be offered for CLE credit at a fee of \$49
  - b. Bill Kramer (Center for Legal Education of the State Bar): discussed the \$49 fee the State Bar charges, which is for overhead. The Center for Legal Education's cost is about \$36 and members

receive a \$5 discount from the \$49 price. He explained that they do everything from registration, advertising, confirming credits, etc., and that the section would be free to use other providers.

5. Status of Lawyer of the Year/Career Achievement Award plaque
  - a. Lou to present on this topic at the upcoming leadership meeting of the State Bar (April 21)
  - b. Tom: we want a plaque hung at the State Bar on which we can place the names of each year's winner of the Lawyer of the Year Award and Career Achievement Award
  - c. Lou: there are already examples of similar plaques hanging at the State Bar
6. New business
  - a. Bill Kramer: The State Bar is planning an in person annual meeting (for Aug 11-13, 2022). They are looking for an additional CLE session for an NREEL update. It would be a 1-hour CLE on a topic of our choosing. The State Bar needs to know whether we will participate by this coming Monday, and if we do participate, it would need the details (topic, title, and speakers) by mid-April.
  - b. Committee discussed possible topics—oil and gas, water, carbon dioxide sequestration
  - c. Moved to have the NREEL committee participate with a 1-hour CLE presentation and delegate to the CLE committee a topic, title, and speaker; seconded; approved unanimously
  - d. Lou to follow up by email with Melinda regarding topic, title, and speaker
7. Next meeting April 26, 2022