

**OSB ENVIRONMENTAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECTION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday, January 20, 2026 – 12:00 p.m.

Members: Ty Bair, Maureen Bayer, Jessica Bernardini, Derek Gauthier, Rebeka Dawit, Lynne Dzubow, Sage Ertman, Sara Ghafouri, Hannah Goldblatt, David Hori, Olivier Jamin, Laura Kerr, Mary Stites, Lindsay Thane, Maureen McGee, Cassie Roberts, Chris Thomas, and Victor Xu.

Advisory Members: Hannah Goldblatt, Melissa Powers, and Lindsay Thane.

Present Members: Ty Bair, Derek Gauthier, Rebeka Dawit, Lynne Dzubow, Sage Ertman, Sara Ghafouri, David Hori, Olivier Jamin, Laura Kerr, Mary Stites, Lindsay Thane, Maureen McGee, Chris Thomas.

Present Advisory Members: Hannah Goldblatt and Lindsay Thane.

Quorum (minimum of 9 of 16) – Quorum reached.

Excused: Jessica Bernardini, Cassie Roberts, and Maureen Bayer

Unexcused:

Section Members & General Public (non-EC): Stacy Owen (OSB)

Meeting commenced at 12:01pm.

LOCATION

By Zoom Video Conferencing:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84895331705>

Meeting ID: 848 9533 1705

By Phone: +1 309 205 3325

AGENDA¹

1. Approval of Minutes (David Hori)

Laura Kerr moved to approve November minutes; Sara Ghafouri seconded. Unanimously approved.

2. Chair's Report (Sara Ghafouri)

Nothing to report.

3. Bar Liaison Report (Stacy Owen)

Nothing to report.

4. Treasurer's Report (Cassie Roberts)

Link to Financials: <https://www.osbar.org/sections/financials.html>

¹ A quorum of the ENR EC requires the attendance of at least 9 of the 16 members.

Cassie has nothing to report. December and January financials are not uploaded yet. Olivier reached out to OSB, but no word yet. Next update will be next meeting.

5. Publications

a. ENR Deskbook (Sage Ertman, Derek Gauthier, Victor Xu, and Mary Stites)

Sage reported. Started on the next chapter that is being updated: Waste & Hazardous Substances. Editors in the process now to make initial comments. 2026 goal is to get two additional chapters started, hopefully more.

b. Case Notes (Hannah Goldblatt, Mary Stites, and Jessica Bernardini)

Hannah reported. Working on 2025 Q4. Hannah is planning on stepping down for maternity leave. Looking for someone to step in for her. Mary Stites has volunteered to step in. Cassie Roberts offered to help out if a third person is helpful.

c. E-Outlooks (Chris Thomas, Jessica Bernardini, and David Hori)

Chris reported. This is Chris' last year on the Executive Committee, so one more member would be helpful. Goals: secure additional firms/authors that have not been used yet to increase diversity. Cassie Roberts is willing to help this year.

6. Education

a. Brownbags (Lynne Dzubow, Derek Gauthier, and Melissa Powers)

Olivier reported. Olivier is looking to step down because of Annual CLE duties. Another person would likely be helpful. Lynne Dzubow has volunteered. Derek Gauthier is happy to take the lead with Olivier stepping down. Goals: More of a federal focus, perhaps SEPA/NEPA discussion.

b. Field Trips (Maureen Bayer and Lynne Dzubow)

Lynne Dzubow reported. Two people are sufficient. One field trip in the works: Dairy Creek Mitigation Bank. Goal: potentially a second field trip, but TBD.

7. Annual CLE (Olivier Jamin, Sara Ghafouri, Hannah Goldblatt, Mauren Bayer, Cassie Roberts, Jessica Bernardini, Melissa Powers, Lynne Dzubow, Victor Xu, Rebeka Dawit, Maureen McGee, and Mary Stites)

Sara Ghafouri reported. Olivier will chair and Sara will help with the transition. Lynne, Mary, Rebeka, Victor, Olivier, and Cassie Roberts are staying. Hannah is leaving. Jessica TBD, Maureen Bayer TBD. Maureen McGee is joining.

8. Committees

a. Diversity (Sara Ghafouri, Rebeka Dawit, Laura Kerr, and David Hori)

Rebeka reported. OSB stipend, heats up in February. Diversity Career Panel remains challenging. Goals: 1) Add a happy hour event connecting practicing attorneys. Attorneys also bring interns. Start in PDX for first event. Consider Salem next year for a second event. Considering June 25 for the Happy Hour. Second Goal: updating the diversity webpage, currently bare bones. Sage is leaving.

b. Executive Committee Membership (Sara Ghafouri, Chris Thomas, and non-EC member)

Sara reported. No additional members necessary right now, three is fine. Chris: bylaws might also restrict membership.

c. Annual Award/Meeting (Lindsay Thane, Chris Thomas, and non-EC member)

Chris reported. Event will be held at Tonkon Torp on January 29th from 6-8pm. Invite has been sent. New members joining would be helpful. Lindsay: encouraged people to join.

d. Legislative Committee (Maureen McGee)

Maureen McGee reported. No real need for additional members. Going into a short session. This session will likely be about budget, but will be proposal about battery plug-in, solar, blue economy, and some VC funding. Sara: asked about a legislative update at the end? Chris will coordinate with Maureen when something notable comes

9. Technology (Hannah Goldblatt, Maureen Bayer, and Rebeka Dawit)

Hannah Goldblatt reported. Current group likely sufficient for this year.

10. Other/New Business (Sara Ghafouri)

Big goal would be to engage law students. Hannah proposed 1L representative. Other Bar sections have done something like this. Perhaps Diversity Subcommittee could work on this.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50pm.