

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

Tuesday, April 21, 2026 – 12:00 p.m.

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

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

Present Members: Ty Bair, Maureen Bayer, Derek Gauthier, Rebeka Dawit, Lynne Dzubow, Sage Ertman, Sara Ghafouri, David Hori, Mary Stites, Maureen McGee, Cassie Roberts, Chris Thomas, and Victor Xu.

Present Advisory Members: Hannah Goldblatt.

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

Excused: Jessica Bernardini, Olivier Jamin, Laura Kerr

Unexcused: None.

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

Meeting commenced at 12:02pm.

LOCATION

By Zoom Video Conferencing:

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

Meeting ID: 848 9533 1705

By Phone: +1 309 205 3325

1. Approval of Minutes (David Hori)

Mary Stites moves to approve; Sage Ertman seconds; unanimously approved.

2. Chair's Report (Sara Ghafouri)

Sara Ghafouri: I haven't heard anything from bar in terms of quarterly reports and other items or communications. Therefore, nothing really to report.

Stacy Owen: I checked in with Logan around our last time, but I haven't heard anything either.

3. Bar Liaison Report (Stacy Owen)

Stacy Owen: Nothing to report

4. Treasurer's Report (Cassie Roberts)

a. Financial Report (Cassie Roberts)

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

b. Budget Committee (Olivier Jamin and Cassie Roberts)

Cassie Roberts: One big expenditure of note was the down payment to the Edgefield for the Fall 2026 CLE. Also, our section membership is still down from this time last year.

Sara Ghafouri: Cassie, Olivier, and Sara met to discuss how to encourage section members to re-join. It seems like the group needs to follow-up with our list.

5. Publications

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

Sage Ertman: I circled back with the authors of the Hazardous Waste, the chapter is now in the authors' hands. A tentative deadline is for August 15th. The other chapter is stalled with other OSB publications. The other chapter under way is Oregon APA. High on the list for other topics has been NEPA, citizen suits, etc. have been held off due to the current administration potentially changing these areas of law and undermining efforts this year.

Sara Ghafouri: if we are going to prioritize topics, I would say Oregon specific sections as opposed to federal ones, like NEPA.

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

Mary Stites: we went out solicitation recently. Lots of interesting cases. We have them all accounted for. Summaries are due next week, and we can distribute them from there. Aiming to have them distributed sometime in May.

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

Chris Thomas: We just published the latest E-outlook edition. We are now starting to compile articles for the next one, aiming for mid- to late-June.

6. Education/CLE

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

Lynne Dzubow: Derek and I had our first meeting. We discussed forest issues and funding problems. Wondering if Sara has ideas for potential speakers. Other topics: agriculture.

b. Field Trips (Maureen Bayer and Lynne Dzubow)

Lynne Dzubow: we have schedule to Dairy Creek mitigation bank. 2 hours from 10am – 12pm May 2nd. This is a CLE providing information on mitigation and also wetland mitigation training. Perhaps some plantings as well. Bring boots and gloves if you want to participate.

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

Sara Ghafouri on behalf of Olivier Jamin: the venue is booked, 10/15 at the Edgefield. In addition to sponsorship ask for the Happy Hour, asking for an event sponsor to generate additional revenue to avoid a financial loss. We have one event sponsor for \$1,500. Rep John Lively is coming as a keynote speaker for the event.

7. Committees

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

Rebeka Dawit: We still working on our website's language. Summer event for 6/25, working on a flyer.

Sara Ghafouri: please bring law clerks from your summer programs.

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

Chris Thomas: We sent out solicitations. Three candidates. The subcommittee has made a recommendation of Nate Bellinger. Sage Ertman moved to approve. Maureen Bayer seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Chris Thomas: no update

d. Legislation (Maureen McGee)

Maureen McGee: Little to report, we are in the interim. Reminder: April 28th is the last day to register or to change affiliation. Primaries are May 19th.

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

Hannah Goldblatt: no updates.

Maureen Bayer: we want to make sure we post the upcoming Happy Hour

9. Other/New Business (Sara Ghafouri)

None

Meeting adjourned at 12:46pm.

Oregon State Bar Statement of Activities - Actual vs Budget

	Month Ending March 31, 2026 <small>Actual</small>	Year To Date March 31, 2026 <small>Actual</small>	Year Ending December 31, 2026 <small>Budget</small>	December 31, 2026 <small>% of Budget</small>	Month Ending March 31, 2025 <small>Current Month-PY</small>	Year To Date March 31, 2025 <small>Prior Year</small>
Operating Revenue						
Registrations	0	0	13,000	0.0 %	0	0
Membership Fees	225	11,925	13,500	88.3 %	125	12,950
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 225	\$ 11,925	\$ 26,500	45.0 %	\$ 125	\$ 12,950
Expenditures						
Annual Event	0	0	2,000	0.0 %	0	0
Conferences / Seminars	3,150	3,150	11,000	28.6 %	3,150	3,150
Contributions	0	0	200	0.0 %	0	0
Education	0	0	3,500	0.0 %	0	0
Gifts & Awards	0	490	750	65.3 %	0	0
Luncheon CLE_Meetings	0	0	40	0.0 %	0	0
OSB Support Service Assessment	120	6,216	7,560	82.2 %	120	6,852
MCLE Sponsorship Applications Fee	0	0	200	0.0 %	0	0
Credit Card Fee	0	0	400	0.0 %	0	0
Telephone - Conference Calls	20	60	150	40.0 %	0	20
Miscellaneous Expense	0	1,817	750	242.3 %	0	1,669
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,290	\$ 11,733	\$ 26,550	44.2 %	\$ 3,270	\$ 11,691
Change In Net Assets	\$ (3,065)	\$ 192	\$ (50)	(383.8) %	\$ (3,145)	\$ 1,259
+ Net Assets - Beginning	\$ 14,202	\$ 10,945	\$ 0	0.0 %	\$ 15,393	\$ 10,990
Net Assets - Ending	\$ 11,137	\$ 11,137	\$ (50)	(22,274.7) %	\$ 12,248	\$ 12,248
Paid Headcount	477	477	0	0.0 %	518	518
Comp Headcount	41	41	0	0.0 %	53	53
Section Member Count	518	518	0	0.0 %	571	571

**Oregon State Bar
Section Detail Report
For Current Month (03/01/2026 to 03/31/2026)**

Posted dt.	Doc dt.	Doc	Memo/Description	Department	Project	Project name	Location	JNL	Debit	Credit	Balance
4405 - Membership Fees (Balance forward As of 03/01/2026)											0.00
03/07/2026	03/07/2026		2171 Aptify Orders Batch - 20260307		813	Section	Section	100 APTJ		100.00	(100.00)
03/14/2026	03/14/2026		2172 Aptify Orders Batch - 20260314		813	Section	Section	100 APTJ		25.00	(125.00)
03/21/2026	03/21/2026		2173 Aptify Orders Batch - 20260321		813	Section	Section	100 APTJ		75.00	(200.00)
03/31/2026	03/31/2026		2174 Aptify Orders Batch - 20260331		813	Section	Section	100 APTJ		25.00	(225.00)
Totals for 4405 - Membership Fees									0.00	225.00	(225.00)
Net change for - Membership Fees											(225.00)
7245 - Conferences / Seminars (Balance forward As of 03/01/2026)											0.00
03/04/2026	03/04/2026		Oct26 EventBill - McMenamins - Edgefield: Oct26 Dep, ENR An-Event Dep, ENR Annual CLE nual CLE		813	100000	No Project	100 APJ	3,150.00		3,150.00
Totals for 7245 - Conferences / Seminars									3,150.00	0.00	3,150.00
Net change for - Conferences / Seminars											3,150.00
7745 - OSB Support Service Assessment (Balance forward As of 03/01/2026)											0.00
03/31/2026	03/31/2026		Sec Admn Fee Sec Admn Fee		813	100000	No Project	100 GJ	120.00		120.00
Totals for 7745 - OSB Support Service Assessment									120.00	0.00	120.00
Net change for - OSB Support Service Assessment											120.00
7885 - Telephone - Conference Calls (Balance forward As of 03/01/2026)											0.00
03/31/2026	03/31/2026		Zoom SvcsZoom Svcs Mar26 Mar26		813	100000	No Project	100 GJ	20.00		20.00
Totals for 7885 - Telephone - Conference Calls									20.00	0.00	20.00
Net change for - Telephone - Conference Calls											20.00
Grand total									3,290.00	225.00	3,065.00