



STATE BAR of TEXAS
Environmental & Natural Resources Law Section

ENRLS COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, February 20, 2019
Hyatt Hill Country Resort
BRADY CONFERENCE ROOM
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AGENDA

I. Welcome and Introductions – Steve McMillen

II. Treasurer’s Report– Pete Wahl

III. Secretary’s Report –Nathan Block

Approval of Minutes of the November 1, 2018 Council meeting.

IV. SBOT Annual Meeting Planning – Steve McMillen

Brief discussion of the ENRLS presentation at the SBOT annual meeting and any additional planning.

Should we have a reception on Thursday evening?

V. Bylaws

Now approved by SBOT Board.

VI. Nominating Committee – Steve McMillen

Nominating Committee consists of:

Steve McMillen, Rebecca Skiba, Buck Benson, Scott Janoe, Chris Schlag, Helen Gilbert, Heather Palmer

Slate so far:

Susan Maxwell – Chair
David Klein – Chair-elect
Nathan Block – Vice Chair

Committee working on Secretary and three Executive Committee positions.

VII. Playbooks – Steve McMillen

Discuss best way to finish playbooks by the next quarterly meeting in May.

VIII. Committee Updates and Recommendations

- a. ***Publications & Communications Committee*** – Lyn Clancy & Aaron Vargas, Co-chairs
 - i. Update –
 - Communications: Sent out first newsletter with a brief recap of major 4Q meeting notes. Considering drafting a more interactive quarterly email with more narrative content and spotlights. Ideas or recommendations welcomed.
 - Publications: Lyn will be transitioning out of the TELJ Editor-in-Chief position over the course of next 9-10 months. Lyn has nominated Ashleigh Acevedo as incoming EIC, and Ashleigh has enthusiastically accepted.
 - Ashleigh is currently an environmental and natural resources lawyer with Pillsbury in Houston. She graduated from UT Law School in 2015 and was involved with the TELJ while there. She was highly recommended by Lyn.
 - The plan is for Ashleigh to shadow Lyn during completion of the current volume (49), to be issued in late spring and early fall, and take over in late fall for the next volume (50).
 - I invited Ashleigh to our 2Q meeting in Houston and, if she's able to attend, we'll have a chance to meet in person.
 - From Lyn: All on track for a smooth transition! Students have selected their incoming editorial board for next year; and are in the midst of cite checking for Vol. 49-2 while Ashleigh and I work on review of the articles for 49-1 before sending them on to the publisher. I'd anticipate a late March/early April publication for Vol. 49-1.
 - ii. Recommendations
- b. ***Law School Committee*** – Walt Shelton & Kristen Fancher, Co-chairs
 - i. Update – upcoming law school programs; internships and scholarships status.
 - Should we begin inviting Kimberly Kelly and Jon Bull to quarterly meetings, given their substantial involvement in the Law School Committee?
 - ii. Recommendations
- c. ***Education Committee*** – Lisa Dyar & Greg Ellis, Co-chairs
 - i. Update – discuss ELI involvement in Superconference. Discuss opening speaking slots to Texas Governor and Austin Mayor.
 - ii. Recommendations
- d. ***Pro Bono & Community Outreach Committee*** – David Klein & Pete Wahl, Co-chairs
 - i. Update – what are we doing this year?
 - ii. Recommendations
- e. ***Sponsorship & Membership Committee*** – Caroline Sweeney & Mike Dillinger, Co-chairs
 - i. Update
 - ii. Recommendations
- f. ***Website & Technology Committee*** – Rebecca Skiba & Connie Westfall, Co-chairs

- i. Update – update on new website development
- ii. Recommendations

IX. Adjourn for Dinner at Antlers (Reservation for 10 at 7:30)