

ELS MEETING, 5 p.m. July 23, 2015

5:05 pm: Meeting starts

Members in attendance: Alex Turnello, co-president; Anne Minard, co-president; Bryan Rowland, vice president; Colin McKenzie, secretary; Sarah Ebbers, treasurer.

April minutes approved.

Volunteer activity will be offered at Open Space Alliance, La Plazita, or both. The **volunteer activities** will be on **Friday, August 14th** commencing at approximately 1:30 (to ~4:00).

- Jodi Heredig, Open Space Alliance, will be back after vacation on Monday or Tuesday, direct number 505-897-8865.
 - Bryan and Anne will show up here.
- Left message for La Plazita.
 - Colin and Alex will go here.

Orientation tabling happens at **3:30-4:30 p.m.- Thursday, August 13th** in the Forum.

Bryan and Colin can run our table, with Anne and Alex stopping by often. Anne will keep trying to find our banner.

Student organization **officer training** has been scheduled for **Monday, August 24th at noon in 2404**, with 2015-2016 re-chartering to follow. All officers should attend, and bring laptops.

In April, Alex proposed putting together a **2-3 page brochure or flyer** about the environmental and natural resource-related happenings at UNM SOL, from ELS activities, Utton Center talks, CLEs, events, etc., to recent grad job placements.

- We will begin to collect items of interest and develop this late this semester.
 - We should highlight the placement of Lila Jones, past co-president, in the DOJ Environment and Natural Resource Division's Honors Program.
 - We can introduce our new faculty advisor, Cliff Villa.
 - Get photos at the orientation events!
- Might make a good vehicle for promoting our name change, if that happens.

Bryan suggested **partnering with the Federalist Society** in organizing talks, events of mutual interest, noting that such partnering—which the Federalist Society at UNM SOL has expressed interest in—might have the effect of broadening the ELS' perspective.

- Bryan will follow up with the Federalist Society.
- Anne will make contact with NALSA.
- Alex will find out the current leadership of SALDF and reach out to them.

The subject of a **name change** has come up repeatedly. We will solicit suggestions and have a vote, at the first general membership meeting?

Decided **tentative dates** for the earliest activities of the year:

- Board meeting in the forum at **10:30 a.m. Friday, Aug. 28**
- General meeting, **12 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 2.**
 - Room 240x reserved.
 - Anne will make a flyer.
 - **Can Sarah order the food?**
 - Initial agenda:
 - Introductions
 - Take nominations for a 1L Rep, set up an online vote (?)
 - Vote on a name change, or at least nominate new names
 - Announce the group hike and career mixer
- Group hike **Saturday, Sept. 12**
- Career mixer, **5 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 22**
- Career panel late January or early February
- "Green" fun run **Saturday, March 5**

Anne will reach out to Utton Center and Natural Resources Committee to add talks and other events.

Sarah Ebbers and Bryan Rowland will be our **representatives for the Natural Resources Committee**

Adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Approved

Prof. Villas
7/28/15