

Michigan State Bar: Environmental Law Section
Minutes of April 30, 2026 Meeting

- Present: Lauren Teichner, Kyle Konwinski, Paul Beach, Kurt Kissling, Scott Watson, Ross Hammersley, Brian Considine, Nick Maloof, Scott Watson, Erica Sarver, Scott Sinkwitts, Jill Kamp, Charlie Denton, Arthur Seigel, Susan Johnson, James Enright, Kris Dighe, Beth Gotthelf, Norrel Hemphill, and Todd Schebor
- Secretary Report: Circulated draft of March 24, 2026 in advance of meeting, motion to approve by Server, seconded. Motion carries.
- Administrator Report: Summer Program. Working on setting that up.
- Treasurer Report / Budget Discussion: Nothing new to report. Will start working on Annual Report.
- New Business:
 - Summer Program!
 - Kowinski: We need a date. August 20?
 - Server: August 20 works
 - Kowinski: No objection to August 20. August 20 is tentative date.
 - Konwinski: Looking into locations for Summer Program
 - Maloof/ Bodwin: Lets have it at the MSU Law School
 - Konwinski: Content?
 - Hammersley: What about a presentation on dam removal issues?
 - Denton: What about having a speaker on potential new laws that are pending before the state legislature?
 - Server: There is a lobbying group we could have speak.
 - Environmental and Insurance Co-Sponsoring Event – Oak Pointe Country Club in Brighton
 - Konwinski: This event will be at Oak Point Country Club, May 20, 2026, there will be panel followed by a happy hour.
 - Superfund Library Project

- Watson: This relates to 18 boxes of records that were assembled in the late 1980s and early 1990s. We could have them available online for \$2,800 dollars. Lets just let the library hang on to this and not spend the \$2,800. We do not know if they are already in the database.
 - Kowinski: Lets let them hang out to the documents. Motion to let the Wayne State Ruther Library be able to hold and care for.
 - Bodwin: Seconded. Motion carries.
 - Clearing the Air Conference
 - Kissling: Meeting tomorrow to finalize the titles of presentations. Finalize the agenda. We would like to keep the room for a section meeting after the conference.
 - Kissling/ Konwinski: We will likely set the section meeting on that day, around 3 pm and then a happy hour.
 - Kissling/ Server: Partial proceeds from the Clearing the Air Conference, it went into the incorrect bucket. Contact Alpa, the money should go into the conference revenue.
 - Kowinski: MECC Conference June 9-10
- Subject Matter Committees (updates, if any):
 - Air
 - Clearing the Air Conference above.
 - Administrative
 - Nothing new, but maybe a caselaw update to come.
 - Great Lakes and Inland Waters (Hammersley):
 - Considine: Working on webinar or presentation for the summer program.
 - Hazardous/ Brownfield
 - Enright: We have been working on things, but nothing new to report.
 - Maloof: working on topics, we came up with two topics, working on a webinar
 - Server: question on case/ issue

- Natural Resources and Sustainability
 - Hall: No updates.
- Deskbook
 - Watson: Nothing new to report.
- Program Committee
 - Nothing new other than the summer program.
- Date for next meeting: June 2, 2026 at 3:00 PM, can attend in person or via zoom.

Adjourn meeting at 12:57 PM.