

SSLC Meeting Minutes  
January 14, 2016

1. Attendees

- a. Melissa Romero, Co-Vice Chair
- b. Alex McShiras, Co-Vice Chair
- c. Jamie Jackson, Co-Secretary

2. Calendar of Events

- a. Legal Nights: January 19 at Mi Casa; February 3 at Centro San Juan Diego; February 16 at Mi Casa.
- b. Greeley Legal Nights: March 22, May 4, July 26, September 27
- c. SSLC Happy Hour: February 11, 2016, 5:30 p.m. (location TBD). Potential venues include Highland Tavern, Mariscos El Licenciado, La Cocinita, Comida at The Source, Machete, Margs Taco Bistro, Lola, Blue Bonnet, Rioja, and Tamayo. We welcome any suggestions or endorsements of these potential venues.
- d. SSLC Mentoring Event: February 18, 2016, 5:00 pm. We are still looking for young attorneys and law students as mentees! Currently we have several fantastic mentors, including several Supreme Court justices and federal judges.
- e. **Note: May SSLC meeting date changed to Tuesday, May 10 at noon.**

3. San Luis Valley Legal Fair

- a. The Immigrant Resource Center in Alamosa is very interested in hosting an alternative spring break/legal fair in the spring. Courtney Butler and Jessica Rehms will meet to discuss.

4. Spanish-Speaking Mentoring Program – Speed Mentoring Event, Feb. 18, 2016, 5:00 pm

- a. We are still looking for lots of mentees – young lawyers and law students alike!

5. Volunteer Appreciation Event – Date TBD, likely March

- a. Because several SSLC, CBA, and CHBA events are already scheduled in January and February, this event will likely be held in March, pending any conflicts with CBA/CHBA/DBA/PILG events. More details to follow once the venue and date are finalized.

6. REFORMA 2016 Mini-Conference Proposal

- a. REFORMA is having their 2016 Mini-Conference on May 6, 2016 from 1-5 at the Denver Public Library. We are in the process of submitting a proposal to give a 50 minute presentation on our outreach in the community and pro bono options for Spanish speakers. We will likely also discuss common FAQs for Spanish-speaking clients in the areas of wage theft, family law, criminal law, immigration, etc.
- b. We are in touch with Our Courts to see if they want to propose the immigration presentation as well.
- c. We also may contact Towards Justice to inquire about a potential presentation.

7. CLE based on Webinar
  - a. This event will likely be held in the summer or fall.
  
8. Presentation by Carlos Duarte Vega
  - a. Professor Vega is a law professor and lawyer in Mexico. The presentation will be entirely in Spanish. This will likely be scheduled on April 11 or April 18, depending on his schedule. Suggested discussion topics include domestic violence, child welfare, and family law.
  
9. Outreach to Local Students
  - a. We are reaching out to Brian Firooz, Manager of Enrichment Services at Denver Kids, to discuss possible outreach to local students.
  
10. Other Ideas/Events?
  - a. The May meeting will be changed to **5/10** rather than 5/12
  - b. We will send out a list of SSLC meeting dates for 2016 and provide email reminders before each meeting.