

MILITARY AND VETERANS LAW SECTION
Executive Committee
November 10, 2015 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m., immediately after the annual meeting by the chair, Tom Flaherty, at the Oregon State Bar Center in Tigard, Oregon. Present were Tom Flaherty, Dave Kramer (chair elect), Mary Ellen Farr (secretary), executive committee members Daniel Zene Crow, and Paul Sundermier, and Troy Wood (OSB liaison). Present by telephone were Mark Ronning (past chair), Bryan Scott Wayson (treasurer), Robert Schulhof, Wesley Hill, and Mark Holady.

Minutes. The minutes of October 20, 2015 were approved unanimously.

Chair's Report. Flaherty reported he had attended the Oregon State Bar House of Delegates meeting the prior Friday and highlighted some of the issues facing the bar in the coming year. Flaherty also reported on the positive reception the section had received from the meeting at Lewis and Clark Law School regarding the section assisting members to propose a class and a legal clinic at the school. The committee members discussed the work Ronning has put into the class, and Kramer suggested he could work with Ronning's outline to organize a class for Lewis and Clark.

Willamette Law School Legal Clinic. Crowe reported that there had been some delays to starting the clinic but that Alicia Firestone had worked through the delays so that the clinic should begin in January. One of the primary focuses of the clinic will be housing stability. Crowe also indicated he had had preliminary conversations with representatives of the University of Oregon Law School regarding the possibility of assisting bar members to offer a practicum or pro bono services for veterans.

Willamette Law School Course Offering. Ronning reported he has made progress toward offering the class. It will be open to the general student population.

Southern Oregon CLE. Holady reported he has not received much assistance from the local bars for hosting the CLE in Southern Oregon. Wood suggested Holady speak to Karen Lee at the Bar regarding having the bar do some of the organizational work for the CLE.

Section Book. The committee members discussed working on a publication for use of the bench and bar regarding issues addressing the military and veterans as a potential project for the coming year.

There will be no meeting in December. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.