

MILITARY AND VETERANS LAW SECTION

April 2022 MEETING MINUTES

The April 2022 meeting of the Military and Veterans Law Section was held at 12:00 P.M. on April 19, 2022 by Zoom Video Conference with virtual attendance by the Oregon State Bar Center in Tigard, Oregon. In attendance at the meeting was:

In Person	By Zoom	Unable to Attend	Position	Name
	x		Chairperson	Ms. Leah Eccles Watson
	x		Past Chair	Mr. Michael Hajarizadeh
	x		Chair-Elect	Ryan Adams
	x		Secretary	Ms. Leslie A. Nelson
	x		Treasurer	Mr. Ross Neher
	x		Member-At-Large and CLE Committee Chair	Ms. Tracy E. Connor
			Member-At-Large and Legislative Committee Chair	Mr. Trevor R. Caldwell
	x		Member-At-Large	Ms. Rowan C. Hardenbrook
			Member-At-Large	
	x		Member-At-Large	Mr. Daniel O. Schmidt
			Member-At-Large	Mr. Joel W. Stevens
				<i>Bik Na Han</i>
				Josh
			Advisory Member	Mr. Jesse Wm Barton
	x		Advisory Member	Mr. Mark John Holady
			Advisory Member	Mr. James 'Jim' Gordon Rice
			Advisory Member	Mr. Wesley A. Hill
			Law School Liaison	
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			Bar Liaison	Ms. Natalie Batiste
	x		Bar Liaison	Mr. Troy J. Wood
			BOG Representative	

Opening Remarks: Briefed by Chairperson, Leah Watson

- Welcome

Updates: -- Fly Boys event was a big success. It was great to get together in person again.

Roll of Attendees: Brief by Secretary, Leslie Nelson

- 10 people in attendance by mid-meeting to include 9 members, 8 voting members, and 1 OSB Liaison.
- Minutes for January, February and March of 2022 were approved unanimously.

- Motion to allow future minutes to be approved by a majority of attendees passed unanimously.

Standing Committee Reports:

Membership Report: Brief by Treasure, Ross Neher. \$2,728.00 in the treasury.

- 97 total members currently, 17 complimentary.

CLE & Events: Briefed by Leah

- Family law CLE is still in the works, but no firm date yet. The CLE committee is also working on another CLE with Ryan and Trevor, but no date is set for that yet.
- Fly Boys was a great event the CLE/Events committee will work on setting another one soon.
- This committee is working on getting this section involved in Stand Down events in Multnomah and Washington Counties and possibly other counties.
- There was a discussion of whether to have social and CLE events in the Portland area or if it makes sense to try to branch out to areas outside the Portland area. One idea is to try to partner with the local bar in various smaller town areas outside of Portland.
- Leah will be offering an informal open house event at Kingsley Field in Klamath Falls for anyone from this section who is in the area or wants to come down for that.

Website: Mark will update the minutes on the website.

Legislative /Update: No updates on this topic.

Law School Representatives: We discussed getting a professor contact as a liaison for the students at the three law schools to help us keep the connection with the law schools.

Tracy will contact Connor, the student who attended our Fly Boys event. Connor had talked about being involved in our section.

- None present to brief for the schools
 - University of Oregon Law
 - Willamette Law
 - Lewis & Clark Law

New Business/Announcements:

- Lawyers for literacy reached out to us asking for a financial donation. This group decided not to participate in this due to lack of nexus with our section.
- Some companies want to advertise on our website or be listed as resources. The only resources we have listed in the past have been non-profit resources and Mark Halady believes the OSB rules might prohibit us from advertising other resources on our website. Mark is going to follow up with the OSB to confirm what their rules are on this.

Closing Remarks: Briefed by Leah

- Thank you all for attending
- Next meeting is May 17th at noon, via Zoom

Wrap-Up/Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 12:48 pm