

Minutes
Veterans Action Committee Meeting
July 3, 2012, 10:00 – 11:00 pm, Mt. Bailey

Attendees: Chris Dalla, Jennie Spencer, Stephen Schultz, Casey Coulson, Joe Miranda, AJ Davila, Kristin Sayles, Nellie Stewart

Yellow Ribbon Event – Joe Miranda, Casey Coulson and Carl Thomas attended the Yellow Ribbon event held in Newport on June 22-24. Joe reported it as a great event with over 100 attendees! Carl presented two times, Joe and Casey spoke about their personal experiences as college students and an Oregon Tech table was set-up for the entire event. Other OUS schools were represented, including U of O. Devry University and Phoenix University also had tables. This event is repeated every three months with the next one to be held in August. Steve will check on dates/location.

Website – The Veterans Resource webpage is up and live on our website located at www.oit.edu/vets. Joel is still working on the navigation for this link and its locations. Currently you can find the page listed under Current Students and Resources.

Hootie's Halloo – Joe will check with Chris Frazier for the best date to arrange for the Rock Wall. Someone from the OVA will be present at the non-traditional session to present with Mike Benedict on Friday from 1:30pm-3:30pm.

Topics –

- a. Kristin Sayles let the group know that after Carl has submitted our application we are officially a "Vet-Friendly School" and listed accordingly.
- b. AJ talked about the Iron Owl Challenge and the lack of teams – date of event may be an issue. The OVA is hiring for a paid PR position to help with advertising and such.
- c. AJ talked about the Marine Corps Ball that was held at OIT last November. Not sure if this year's will repeat due to issues with Sodexo pricing and food details. It was suggested to speak with new catering manager David Hveem to fix any problems from last year or to look at Trapper's located at the military base.
- d. Group offered to help students in setting up of events or any way possible.

Reminders

Next Meeting – September 14

Bring topic suggestions.

Written by Nellie Stewart