

**Minutes**  
**Veterans Action Committee Meeting**  
**January 14, 2013, 4:00 – 5:00 pm, Sunset**

**Attendees:** Casey Coulson, Chris Dalla, AJ Davila, Joe Miranda, Jeff Pardy, Susan Richards, Stephen Schultz, Jennie Spencer, Nellie Stewart, Carl Thomas

*Guest: Joseph Maurer, Director of Campus Life*

*Introduce: Susan Richards, Registrar's Office Certifying Official*

Joseph Maurer – Guest

Joseph has been talking with Erik Jorgensen the Grant Director about possibilities for a Veteran's Center Coordinator Position on campus. This would be a support person to always be available in the office. More than likely an Office Specialist similar to Deanne's WRC Coordinator level. This brought up needing a bigger location and more space for a Veteran's Center. Erik is in the beginning stages of researching funding sources.

Joe and AJ shared that the space for Veteran's right now is good, but originally they had hopes of creating a building.

Chris mentioned a Webinar to be played on Friday, January 25: How to Create, Staff, and Fund A Thriving Center. The price is \$300 and the committee decided unless other funds were found from other sources it might be too expensive.

Jennie mentioned an alternative would be to read through articles like that of Florida State's project of building a center for Veterans.

The OVA website has been updated and looks great!

The Iron Owl has been set for May 17-19. OSU, U of O, and Air force out of Colorado have already verbally agreed to come with a team. Currently working on marketing and donations from community. Steve will bring this up to Kingsley Field for possible team and/or donations. Joe and AJ will work with Bill in Marketing for signage.

Kristin Sayles has left Oregon Tech. Susan Richards will take over her responsibilities with VA work. Susan has a lot of background and experience in this role.

Yellow Ribbon events – The next one is February 23. Steve and AJ will attend and Carl will send the PowerPoint to them.

### *Reminders*

**Next Meeting – Our next meeting will be scheduled for the last week of February.**

**Bring topic suggestions.**