

# MINUTES

Veterans Action Committee Meeting  
May 30, 2014, 10:00 – 11:00 am  
Sunset

**Attendees:** Casey Coulson, Joseph Maurer, Jeff Parady, Steve Schultz, Rob Shaffer, Nellie Stewart, David Thaemert, Whitney Witherspoon

**Absent:** Barb Conner, Tyler Pinson, Carl Thomas

## Updates

- The Veteran Data benchmark graduation rate beginning 2007 was presented by Steve Schultz at the March 17 meeting. The data only includes students receiving veteran benefits.
- The Veteran Data self-report on admission application has been collected by Barb Conner. She will present at our next meeting.
- OVA update – Just wrapping up end of year activities. The OVA will be hiring two positions and hope to have summer hours for the lounge posted soon. The approved budget for 14-15 is \$14,000.
- Iron Owl Challenge – It's done! 3 Teams: University of Oregon, Local National Guard and The Air force Academy. The winner was the Air force Academy by a staggering 7 points.
- Yellow Ribbon Events – June date will depend on numbers. August is tentative to Steve Schultz summer vacation plans.
- New Student Orientation – OVA plans to host a breakfast for veterans. Currently working out the details with Campus Life and NSO team.
- LeAnn Maupin was contacted with an opportunity for Oregon Tech to build a new degree in Veteran's Program Administration. A presentation has been scheduled with Darryl Kehrer, MPA for Tuesday, June 3 at 3:00 pm in Mt. McLaughlin.

## Next Meeting

We will meet in August before the New Student Orientation Event.

*Written by Nellie Stewart*