Minutes Veterans Action Committee Meeting November 18, 2013, 3:30 4:30 pm Mt. Bailey/Thielson

Attendees: Nigel Bliss, Barb Conner, Joseph Maurer, Jeff Pardy, Stephen Schultz, Rob Shaffer, Nellie Stewart, Carl Thomas, Whitney Witherspoon

Absent: Casey Coulson, Max Crismon, AJ Davila, Joseph Miranda, Tyler Pinson, David Thaemert

Updates

Steve Schultz nominated Jeff Pardy as new Chair for the Veterans Action Committee. Barb Conner, Second, All in Favor.

Casey Coulson could not attend the meeting and sent Nigel Bliss in his place to report on OVA: Veteran's Day activities went well. OVA members were part of a Float in the downtown parade and served breakfast at Quail Park.

The Veteran's conference was well attended with good presentation and discussion topics. Miss Oregon participated as well. OVA would like to see a Mandatory Faculty Session take place each year. There were a few negative comments that should be addressed through materials and presentations so faculty can be aware of veterans in the classroom.

A shout out to all Veterans took place during the Basketball game. President Maples hosted a breakfast on campus for veterans on Tuesday, November 12 with good attendance.

The OVA is creating a schedule with weekly hours that the Lounge will be open with someone there to help out veterans. Whitney Witherspoon sends out an e-mail to all those veteran's receiving benefits. A Tech News Daily announcement will also be posted.

All Faculty Advisors will be given the Klamath Falls Veteran's Resources book for reference.

ACAD 207 did not go through as planned for Fall 2013. VA Benefits will not pay for the course

HB2158 has passed.

HB 2158 section 1.ORS 352.378

A public university listed in ORS 352.002 or community college shall charge an enrolled student who is not a resident of this state, and who is attending classes as an undergraduate on a public university or community college campus in this state, tuition and fees no greater than the resident rate if the student:

A. Served in the armed forces of the United States; and