

or place-kicker Rob Beard. The conduct of both men was completely inexcusable in nature and cannot under any circumstances be condoned. I have certainly been highly critical of both men. At least LaMichael James was man enough to issue a public apology and take full responsibility in his statement. But the simple truth is that neither man was ever accused, much less charged, of anything even remotely constituting a sexual assault. Neither have any media reports indicated any such allegations. For her to mention these Duck football players in the very same sentence together with the rape of children by Catholic priests is absolutely preposterous. It is outlandish in the extreme.

So while James and Beard both deserve criticism for their behavior, Taylor also deserves to be condemned for spreading such outright fiction within our community. How she could allege that these UO football players committed sex crimes is quite incomprehensible. Making such

a fantastical assertion certainly greatly impugns her credibility in general.

Lance Jacobs
Springfield

NO PUBLIC PROCESS

I just got an invitation for EWEB's fourth open house regarding the redesign of their site. Their last event at the Eugene Hilton attracted nearly 300 people. Even if you don't like everything they are proposing, with that many people involved, we're bound to get a better plan with greater buy-in than if EWEB's consultants just rolled out a plan.

What a contrast to the UO. They plan on constructing an office building and giant parking lot for ORI on the land they own next door to EWEB, but the university hasn't held a single public meeting about the project. So much for public participation and democracy!

Isaac McCoy-Sulentic
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