

**Combat Control Association
Board Meeting
6-09-2022
1500 Hrs.**

Call to order:

Members in attendance: President, Mike Lamonica (LA), Vice President, Mike West (MW), Secretary, Mark Nevatt (NT), Treasurer, Bernie Oder (OR), Board Member, Johnnie Yellock (YK), Board Member, Spencer Cocanour (SC)

Approval of previous minutes: LA motioned to approve May 2022 minutes, and MW seconded. All members approved the minutes and passed.

New Business:

Scholarship Fund: LA

- John and Mike spoke this past Monday... Historically we have 4 applicants with top scores that get \$2.5k each for a total of \$10k./ We have 15 to 18 applicants each year. We want to give out 10 at \$50k.
- Grady our host of the "Lets Golf scholarship said we raised approximately \$150k.
- Mike wanted to know if we need to look at the wording of the current scholarship and add certificate programs as well as trade schools.
- YK: Stated we needed to get this out on media

CCS Graduations: LA

- LA stated that Johnnie goes to all of the CCT graduations and the CCA has been spending money to send him there.
- LA further asked, "do we need a board member going or a board member not associated with the board? Maybe a Charlie McCarney
- YK: This might be a more economical way however, I enjoy doing it. If we need to save money we can send possibly Spencer Cocanour as he lives closer. YK said that If he can't go then get someone else to step up. Sean R, and Rob S could show up. Ricky Herrera will be joining me YK at this event.
- LA asked YK, "what is the average cost: \$800 / Flight and Rental car?"
- SC: Johnnie would be a good representative.
- MW: On board with Johnnie going. Anyone else that can go with Johnnie, and if he cant go then one of the guys Johnnies takes can pick up the graduation. CCA and CCF split the costs? A conversation with John G., also speaker should be vetted before being able to speak. There should be a vote.
- OR: Suggested that we need to create a vote for graduation for Johnnie to attend and any expense over \$500 needs a board vote.

Stand up of the Foundation: LA

- LA stated that raising money for the CCA. Expenditures annually \$20 to 30k. Most people will be giving to the CCF.
- LA: What are ways to raise money for the CCA?
- Advocate the LV reunion and they donate to us as we donate to them.
- LA: We have 4 board members on the CCA. People who aren't board members we can have that conversation. Sticky Subject and will talk to John.
- SC: Good idea, bringing in guest speakers for the big fundraisers that CCF does. Need to know who to bring, like a head hunting company.
- MW: If we had something as a fundraiser buying tickets for a CCT weapon?
- LA: Bring to the board spending money for social media websites and invest into the CCA such as social media. Raffling off most of the money we need. Not looking at rapidly raising money but enough. Where should we put our effort? Recruiting ? Fundraising?
- LA: A lot of the money goes to foundation / We still need to generate money for the CCA. We have approximately \$30k in expenditures annually. Downfall is most is going to the CCF. We need to discuss how to raise funds to fund things such as Conner Matthews.
- OR: Rough dollar figure in the CCA currently is approximately: \$27k
- LA: CCA keeps buying hats / shirts etc for the CCF. There is \$220k currently in the coffers.
- LA: STS Inc paying for memberships
- JY: Annual Mark Forester golf tournament / fundraiser in August / Get information to put out.
- MW: Small vote 15S OS Memorial that were in the PR crash. Offset costs \$1k per family. Foundation part as well.

Other Business:

- NT: NT has been in contact with CCA member Brock Rice regarding the CCA members map, and they are coordinating and working on "security" to get it up and running.
- NT: NT spoke about TAPS (Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors) . There organization is for the care of American fallen heroes. NT shared that he attended the TAPS event in DC during Memorial Day, and that Mark Rowland (Capt. Matthew Rolands father) is involved as well as other "Gold Star" families of CCT, i.e. Valerie Chapman. NT suggested putting a link on the CCA/CCF website so that families of our fallen could reach out and get involved.
- LA: John / Costs CCA social media platform
- MW: Suggested we have the possibility of raffling a car within the coming year to raise funds.