

**Combat Control Association  
Board Meeting  
October 12, 2023  
1700CST**

**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 Geoffery Hitchcock (HK), Board Member, Spencer Cocanour (SC)

Approval of Minutes: LA motioned to approve the August 2023 minutes, and MW seconded the motion. September Meeting minutes approved.

**New Business:**

**Fund Raising – HK**

- Companies that are helping out can reach back out to meet our goals.
- 3 golf courses / CCA fundraising as HK is running it. 2<sup>nd</sup> shot after / mulligan /
- LA – people can donate and get company logo on the website. Reach out to your network and get logos on our website.
- Recurring revenue. Price point A) how many logos can we support?
- Ben Hubbert has put it together, and we are doing it for the CCA website.
- Exploit your network to assist the CCA.

**Boot Program - SC**

- Johnnie Yellock and Spencer Cocanour are working on a plan regarding getting cowboy boots out to our CCT community. Details to come!
- They will work together to come up with a flier to send out to our community, and will run it by the board to get a second set of eyes on it before pushing it out.

**CCA Donation – OR**

- OR discussed and brought to our attention that we need representation at “Boom Town” to pick up a check. OR said that he might have time to get there and pick it up.

**Gold Star Family Member – MW**

- MW stated that it was the CCA’s responsibility to reimburse our Gold Star Family Members when attending reunions such as; Atlantic City Reunion (Brent Sibley)

- LA brought up that we might want to consider having a reunion in the Raleigh/Durham area of North Carolina instead of Atlantic City as this might be a bigger draw due to location.

### **Jack Fanning Sand Bed – LA**

- JQ created a donation site that will launch within the week / CCF branded! This is a win/win as the CCF is sponsoring it.
- Jack will need the bed for 6-8 months. Buying one would require mainintenc and is expensive versus renting which is better as “maintenance” is included. Rental of the bed is approximately 4K per month and is a tax deduction for cheaper rate.

### **Commanders Conference: - LA**

- Next week, October 18, 2023 is the commanders conference. Dre will speak about the foundation.
- The Director of Training for the Honor Foundation in the Hurblurt area will be there and it will be a 3 month transition.
- NT, LA and Dre will have a sit down discussion pushing guys his way, and creating a campaign for the website. One ready platform (CMSgt Pietres)

### **Passing of John Butler – MW**

- Col. Silo is working with Steve Haggat to see where the spreading of Johns ashes will transpire at STTS.
- Questions: Who will be the invitees? Can the CCA help with food for everyone?
- There has been no date set as of yet, however, Steve Haggat
- MW suggested CCA be in coordination with the Butler family, and possibly have CCT invitees bring their beret and boots to make it more meaningful.

### **CCF Board Meeting in conjunction with CCS graduation – LA**

- The CCF Board meeting, December 12 – 15, 2023 will take place Pope AFB.
- Combat Control graduation class 23-3 will be graduating December 14, 2023 and both CCA and CCF members will be available to attend.

### **CCA Elections – Timeline: - NT**

- October 16: Reminder Email announcement there are two CCA positions open
- October 23 – November 3: Poll Start and stop
- November 6: Board Certifies results
- November 7: New members announced
- Possible candidates; Sean Gleffy, Jeff Guilme, Chris Grove, Travis Woodworth, Randy Blyth, Mark Nevatt and Bernie Oder

### **Take aways – CCA Board**

- MW said that the 24 SOW is moving different leadership next summer, losing civilians and there are two retirements.
- OR was curious as to what was going on with the CCA store.
- NT said KS and Ben H. were in talks about the possibility of opening a merchandise/tshirt store that would accommodate CCT wares.