

**Combat Control Association
Board Meeting
September 7, 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 September 2023 minutes, and MW seconded the motion. September Meeting minutes approved.

New Business:

Passing of John Butler CCT - LA

- The family has announced on Facebook the passing of Combat Controller John Butler.
- The family has stated their will be no funeral, however, there will be Celebration of life, and the information will be made available when they are prepared. Standby.

2 x 1911's CCT Commemorative Firearms - SC

- Jack Shands wanted to donate a 1911A .45 caliber firearm to the Association or Foundation. Possibly auction it off? We will revisit this after having another conversation.
- SC spoke to Dre and is going to get a program for a live auction online.
- Intent; talking it up, surprise, dropping hints on what were auctioning, when we auction; 1) raise money for the foundation, All money goes to the CCF as a 501C3 versus 501C19.
- Rules and regulations to follow as this is a work in progress.
- If this works we can replicate this to make it smoother. Drive for Veterans Day date to auction the pistol.
- HK asked if its possible doing another run of pistols for individuals to have another chance to purchase. Should we do an internal run as this is a 70th anniversary pistol?
- SC said yes, we could do a run. 25 members is what we need for engraving and running these again.
- MW suggested that we could possibly turn this into a raffle and SC personally would prefer to do an auction.
- LA: Regardless if our teammate wants to donate we can run an online auction. Tim Hoye is donating a car which we can funnel to a reunion.

- SC would like to reach out to his contact regarding the particulars that need to be worked out. TACP's are all in on this and SC will reach out to the PJ's.

Special Endeavors – SC

- SC will have the financial support for special endeavors ready to put out for a vote to the CCA board by the end of the month.
- NT will prepare and push out the vote to the board as soon as the “special endeavors” piece is finalized.

Brent Sibley: Gold Star Family Member – LA

- LA motions to suggest the CCA pay for GS family member travel expenses for Brent Sibley to run the CCA store at the Atlantic City Reunion.
- All members agreed to pay for GS family member, Brent Sibley's travel expenses to run the CCA store at the Atlantic City Reunion.

Elections – Timeline: - NT

- NT put together the timeline for elections:
- October 6: Draft Announcement
- October 9: Initial Announcement, call for candidates, update email addresses, repeat on social media.
- October 16: Reminder Email announcement
- October 23 – November 3: Poll Start and stop
- November 6: Board Certifies results
- November 7: New members announced

Notes:

- 1) Lets get people to volunteer to run, call them up and ask to run quality people
- 2) Strategy committee, back up VP, fundraising
- 3) What does this look like?

New CCA Website – NT

- NT and JQ (CCF) will be meeting with Aaron with LeadHub to discuss data directory and members map for the CCA website. NT has been creating the data directory according to Last name, First name, CCA graduation year and class number.
- NT had stated that as members continue to sign in to the CCA website, address information, phone numbers and other pertinent information will be updated accordingly. The information is only as good as the members inputting it into the database.