

# Minutes of October 20, 2012 Business Meeting of the C-7A Caribou Association Held in Dover, Delaware

Al Cunliffe, Secretary announced at 10:05 AM that a quorum, 51 members, was present.

President, Pat Hanavan called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Pat Hanavan.

Invocation by Jon Drury.

A motion to adopt the agenda as published was made by Gary Sanger, seconded by Al Rice, and carried unanimously.

A motion to accept the minutes of the 2011 business meeting as published on the Association website was made. The motion was seconded by Bill Buesking and passed unanimously.

## Officer and Committee Reports:

### Secretary Report — Al Cunliffe:

The secretary presented a report on the motions considered and passed by the Board of Directors for the previous year.

<b>20110903:</b>	<b>Title:</b> Honorary Lifetime Member Status for Al Cunliffe
<b>20110924:</b>	<b>Title:</b> Lockwood Honorary Associate Membership
<b>20110927:</b>	<b>Title:</b> Chairman of the Board Election
<b>20111119:</b>	<b>Title:</b> Multiprint Invoice
<b>20120615:</b>	<b>Title:</b> Reunion Expenses
<b>20120618:</b>	<b>Title:</b> Multiprint Invoice
<b>20120829:</b>	<b>Title:</b> Honorary Lifetime Member Status for General Jumper

### Bereavement Committee Report — Jay Baker

Jay was unable to attend so Pat Hanavan provided a report of the previous year's activities, which consisted primarily of providing a letter of condolence or suitable condolence card to the deceased's family, and an offer for the widow to become an Honorary Associate Member of the C-7A Caribou Association if they so desire. A special Retreat Ceremony recognizing our 39 lost aircrew members was performed at Cape May, New Jersey on 18 Oct.

### Reunion Committee Report — Pat Hanavan.

Pat Hanavan thanked the Dover area members who helped with the planning and execution of the reunion, Pat and Suzanne Ford, Joe and Becky Kurtyka, and Bill Shaw

### Report on the Roster — Pat Hanavan

Pat Hanavan provided an update of current membership; we have 805 active members and approximately 5,686 names listed on the roster, of these 736 are deceased.

**Audit Committee Report** — Pat Hanavan provided a review of the audit committee's finding. Bill Buesking provided answers to questions raised by Randy Smith as to the rationale used in determining the value of the memorabilia inventory.

**Treasurer's Report** — Our Treasurer, Mike Murphy, was unable to attend due to a death in the family. Pat Hanavan provided a summary of the association's financial status which was also included in the registration packet given to each attendee.

#### **Nominating Committee:**

Bill Buesking, member of the Nominating Committee reported on the work of the Nominating Committee and presented the following names for positions on the Board of Directors:

**President:** Pat Hanavan  
**Vice President:** Peter Bird  
**Treasurer:** Mike Murphy  
**Secretary:** Al Cunliffe  
**At-Large Members:** Doug Boston  
                                    Bob Neumayer  
                                    Pat Phillips

#### **Old Business:**

2013 Seattle Reunion, the 2013 reunion will be held 10-14 October 2013 in Seattle, WA. A tour of the Boeing factory in Everett, WA will be included as an activity.

**Hats:** A motion was made in 2011 by Ken Hocutt and seconded by Stoney Faubus that the current denim hat be deleted from the Memorabilia Collection and a baseball cap style hat take its place. A spirited discussion followed. The motion passed with the proviso that possible colors and materials for the hat will be finalized after discussions with a vendor. **Update:** The new hats have been a great success, all available hats were sold. **Item Closed**

**Data Plate Trading Cards:** A small quantity of aluminum aircraft data plate trading cards will be obtained for a "test the waters" sale for the memorabilia inventory. **Update:** Stoney Faubus provided 40 data plate cards, all were sold. **Item Closed**

**2014 and Future Reunion Sites:** Possible sites for reunions in 2014 and beyond were briefly discussed, with no action being taken at this time. The sites were – Colorado Springs, CO; Fairfield, CA; Fort Walton Beach, FL; Kansas City, MO; Portland, OR; Tucson, AZ; and Windsor Locks, CT

**Update:** A "straw poll" ballot has been distributed to the members for tabulation.

#### **New Business:**

**Enlisted Heritage Hall Memorial Bench:** Pat Hanavan provided details concerning the possibility of placing a Memorial Bench at the Air Force Enlisted Heritage Hall at Maxwell AFB, Gunter Annex in Montgomery, Alabama. The proposed bench would have the names of the 16 Enlisted members lost in Vietnam on one panel of the bench base with the names of the Officers on the reverse. Dodd Monuments in Xenia, Ohio has been contacted and they have quoted the same price for this bench as the three previous benches we have purchased. The staff of the Enlisted Heritage Hall has shown enthusiasm and a willingness to work with the association to get the bench in place.

Stoney Faubus made the motion to purchase the bench.

The motion was seconded by Frank Godek who also pledged \$500 towards the purchase of the bench.

Bob Dugan and Ken Pacholka also pledged \$500 each towards the purchase of the bench. The motion passed unanimously.

**Dover Fire Department 9/11 Memorial:** During our visit to the Dover AFB Fire Department on our base Tour we saw two steel girders from one of the World Trade Center towers which will be used as components of a 9/11 memorial sponsored by the Dover AFB Fire Department. A motion was made and seconded that the association donate \$500 towards the construction of the memorial. A brick will be stamped with the name of the Association. The motion passed unanimously.

**Election of Officers:** A call for open floor nominations was made to the members. There were no floor nominations for any position.

Bob Davis made a motion, seconded by Al Rice that the names submitted by the Nominating Committee be accepted.

Stoney Faubus made a motion that the members submitted by the Nominating Committee be elected to the Board of Directors by acclamation, the motion was seconded by Al Rice. The motion passed unanimously.

**Free Room Nights:** A drawing for 13 free room nights produced the following winners: Tawes, Woznicki, Yamashiro, Ricks, Pszenny, Everson, Dugan, Spann, McCorkle, Kowalski, Bailey, Record, and Westman.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45.

Respectfully submitted

Hillis "Al" Cunliffe  
Secretary  
C-7A Caribou Association