

CBAA February 2008 Minutes

Wednesday 6 Feb - Village Inn - Laramie, WY

Monthly CBAA meeting – members present

1. Harry Whitlock
2. Fred Nasredine
3. Joe Huss
4. Jim Leas
5. Paul Hesco
6. Jason Ruff
7. Brent Reinhardt
8. Clay Fuller
9. Ray Rasmussen
10. Cadet Mason Heimer
11. Dale Wood

Items discussed-

1. Hall of Fame Nominee - LTC Reinhardt brought forward a request of Bob Sims to nominate and elect COL) _____ into the CBAA Hall of Fame. Question arose if the person had to be a certain rank, still alive....the group unanimously decided rank was irrelevant as was whether the nominee was still living or deceased. Dale Wood will conduct research to see if he can obtain a biography of COL _____. The group decided to formally vote next month on his election into the Hall of Fame.
2. Hall of Fame Plaque - LTC Reinhardt proposed that CBAA purchase a permanent plaque to be put in WYO Hall, on the UW campus showing who was elected into the CBAA Hall of Fame. The members present authorized the purchase of the plaque not to exceed \$100. The plaque will hold the current 13 members (Simpson, Schoomaker, Jackson,,,,,,)and still leave room to add up to 25 names. The ROTC cadre will research the best quality and price for a plaque and order the engraving for the plaque.
3. Honorary Member - LTC Jim SHuto - The CBAA group unanimously agreed to grant LTC James Shuto an honorary 1 year membership for his huge contribution of hosting the ROTC 10 Mile Team in his VA home last Oct.
4. 2008 - Events - LTC Reinhardt proposed that the CBAA again focus on 3 events in 2008.
1- the Annual CBAA Reunion, Medicine Bow Hike Alumni invite to hike 29 August 2008, and the Military Appreciation Day Football Game TBD, but probably in November 2008
5. Bataan Death March CBAA Support - Cadet Mason Heimer, the Bataan Death March 2008 captain and member off the Fall 2007 !) miler Team thanked the CBAA for supporting the 10 miler team and asked that the CBAA support the Bataan team. The group discussed the request of \$300 and after discussion unanimously agreed to donate \$400 to this years Bataan Death March Team. The tentative team plan is to drive down in a GSA van, spend Friday night in a

hotel, camp out Saturday night, and stay in a hotel again Sunday night. The team has 9 members. Cadet Heimer owes the CBAA an article with the March results and plans on joining CBAA after he commissions in May 2008.

6. July 2008 CBAA Reunion - ROTC has sent out hard copy and electronic invites and locked down the reunion date of Saturday 12 July. Harry will ensure the invite gets on the CBAA website, so that members can start anticipating and planning on participating in the annual event each year. The preference was to ensure that the CBAA reunion coincided with the Laramie Jubilee Days. It was also recommended that the CBAA reunion only be a 1 day event on Saturday. It was agreed that the Cheyenne CBAA members and alumni would coordinate the Saturday golf outing at Jacoby and the Laramie CBAA/Alumni would coordinate the afternoon bar b que. The group agreed to go ahead and reserve a cover at Washington Park. The cost is \$100. Due Out: next month we decided to finalize a sequence of events, assign responsibility, and fill in the details of the CBAA Reunion.

Next month's CBAA meeting --- is 5 March in Cheyenne at CB Potts at 1200. LT Ruff will reserve the room and remind the Cheyenne NG alumni of the date and time. LTC Reinhardt offered to drive any CBAA/Alum to Cheyenne next month. RSVP's will come in through the ROTC department Beverly and we can easily coordinate to drive anyone over there for lunch.

CBAA Officers - LTC Reinhardt recommended that we discuss and vote on CBAA officers, particularly since LTC Ray Kent the President will be deploying shortly. After a brief discussion and twisting Harry's arm, Harry Whitlock agreed to be the CBAA president until a formal nomination and vote occur at this Summer's reunion. The group nominated MAJ Fred Fitchner to become the Vice President. Fred was previously elected Treasurer, but did not formally assume these duties yet. The group thought it best if CBAA had some Cheyenne representation and agreed Fred was a good candidate, despite his marginal undergraduate record as a cadet. MAJ Paul Hesco agreed to accept and continue serving as the CBAA Treasurer. LT Ruff accepted and was voted in as the CBAA secretary.

So the current CBAA officers are:

President - Harry Whitlock

Vice President - Fred Fitchner

Treasurer - Paul Hesco

Secretary - Jason Ruff

Membership. Harry will draft a letter to alumni seeking their continued financial support. LT Ruff requested the alumni list to see if he could leverage some WYNG officers into joining CBAA. Dale Wood volunteered to research and place an ad for the CBAA in the Retiree Newsletter. Mr. Rasmussen said he would spread the word and ask Bob Willis to join CBAA.

Alibi's - Minutes Posted - Mr Rasmussen requested that the CBAA minutes of today and in the future be posted on the web- site. The group agreed this was a great idea and they will be posted from this meeting forward. LTC Reinhardt will publish the minutes this month and then pass the duty to the new secretary LT Ruff beginning next month.

CBAA Members

Lifetime: 42

Annual: 33

TOTAL: 75