



## Meeting Minutes – CLASS ADVISORY SENATE 9 October 2018

1. **Call to Order:** Garry Dudley, '68, President of the CAS, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- Roll call was conducted
- Welcome to new CAS members: Jeff Schofield '67, AJ Ranft '73 & Joe Matchette '89

2. **Approval of Minutes:** Previous minutes are posted on the website

<https://s3.amazonaws.com/aog-websites/usafa-org/misc/casmeetingminutes9july2018forpostingv3.pdf>

All Things CAS - <https://www.usafa.org/AOG/ClassAdvisorySenate>

3. **Members in Attendance:** See **Attachment 1**

4. **Others in Attendance:** Col Shawn W. Campbell, Commander of the 10th Air Base Wing, USAFA; Col Robert C. Bearden, Vice Commander, 10<sup>th</sup> ABW; Marty Marcolongo '88, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Association of Graduates (AOG); Steve Simon, '77, AOG Executive Vice President; and Daniel Kuhn, AOG IT Support Specialist.

5. **Colonel Shawn Campbell, Commander of the 10th Air Base Wing, USAFA:**

Colonel Shawn Campbell, Commander of the 10th Air Base Wing addressed the AOG Class Senate and relayed that the 10th Air Base Wing is a 3,000 person enterprise dedicated solely to supporting the Academy and its mission of Developing Leaders of Character. To provide context for the challenge of maintaining the Academy's infrastructure, Colonel Campbell discussed the history of the facilities and specifically highlighted the fact that 75% of them were constructed in a very short timeframe. This has meant that much of the infrastructure has aged out or required major overhaul at roughly the same time. He then shared that this challenge of aging infrastructure has been exacerbated by a variety of budget challenges over the years which, fortunately, recent Academy leaders have made a concerted effort to correct. Finally, Colonel Campbell shared that all infrastructure issues at the Academy can be further complicated by the need to coordinate with diverse organizations like the State Historic Preservation Office and the tribal council.

Given that context, Colonel Campbell related that in the last two years alone we have seen an investment of more than \$200 million into the campus with planned construction and maintenance of \$1.5 billion over the next decade. He further shared that the Academy is in a really good place thanks to the investments that are being made and assured the members of the Class Advisory Senate they can have high confidence that their institution will remain viable into the future.

Finally, Colonel Campbell shared some perspective on how the Air Base Wing views the Academy specifically that the Academy is a weapon system, the cadets are the priority resource, and the Academy's contribution to Air Force lethality is the one thousand cadets who are commissioned each year. He illustrated how the Wing is carrying that view to stakeholders across the Air Force to ensure there is a shared understanding of the importance of the Academy mission and the unique requirements associated with that mission. He then engaged in a question and answer session with



the members of the Senate, covering topics from the Enhanced Use Lease for the new Visitor's Center and the Wing's efforts to deliver new and healthier dining options, to the future of Pine Valley housing and the role of the State Historic Preservation Office in facility design and renovation.

- Dan Beatty '77, asked if we interface with USMA and USNA about facility problems? We do, however, our facilities & challenges are different enough to not just be able to apply their solutions to our problems. One difference is in operation of the dining halls. USMA uses a vendor and we do not want to go in that direction. We will have to do more to improve our operations in Mitchell Hall.
- Curtis Cook '59, asked what we will do with the old Visitors Center once the new one is constructed. Col Campbell advised that the future use of the current Visitor's Center is undetermined but will be determined through the established Facility Utilization Board Process.
- Tom Hayden '74, asked whether the new Visitors Center has been approved? The concept has been approved, but not the details.
- Curtis Cook '59, asked if the new Visitors Center has to conform to the same architectural standards as the rest of the buildings on the Academy? No, but those designs still have to be approved by the Academy.
- Randy Helms '79, asked what will happen to the Pine Valley housing? The houses are rented out by a DoD partner and will all be demolished within the next 15 years. There are no firm plans to put any other structures on the land once the last house is gone, although there is discussion about possibly building quarters for the Athletic Director.

**6. Cathy McClain '82, Chairwoman AOG Board of Directors:**

- Chairwoman McClain joined the meeting via teleconferencing to emphasize the importance of the coming AOG elections & ratification votes. She strongly supports the establishment of a Single CEO for both the AOG and USAFA Endowment. The last vote showed strong support from AOG members, however, we did not have enough members participate to have a quorum.
- The next step would be to combine the boards for both organizations

**7. Marty Marcolongo '88, President/CEO, AOG:**

- President Marcolongo '88, detailed the many activities the AOG is conducting or participating in. Please see the attached slides for details. Attachment 2
- The AOG will soon send out info on the election.

**7. Garry Dudley's Remarks:**

- The most recent *Checkpoints* has an excellent article on the CAS and what we do. Please include the copy Garry sent to your email address with your next newsletter to your class.

**8. Round Table:**

- Mush Brower '72, Tom Hayden '74 & Mark Volcheff '75 attended the last BOD meeting as guests.

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- Mush's take away was the observation of the very large financial responsibility the BOD is entrusted with. He also enjoyed interfacing with the other guests during breakfast, lunch and the time spent outside of the board room during the Board's closed sessions.
- Tom enjoyed being in on the Board's activities, however, was alarmed at the very poor attendance of the Board members. There were only about half of the members physically in attendance, with a few other call-ins. They have been elected by their fellow AOG members to represent us on this very important organization and they only meet 4 times a year so they should be there in person. Complimented the Chair on her excellent leadership and facilitating skills. . .

### 10. Next Meetings:

<https://s3.amazonaws.com/aog-websites/usafa-org/documents/aog/governance/CAS/CASMeetingSchedule-Updated-2019-2021-V2.pdf>

- AOG Board, 9 November 2018
- CAS Executive Council, 10 December 2018
- CAS, Tuesday, 15 January 2018

### 11. Close/Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.  
Minutes Submitted by: Doug Brower '72, CAS Vice President  
Minutes posted by: Garry Dudley '68, CAS President

### Links:

- Col Campbell - <https://www.usafa.af.mil/News/Biographies/Display/Article/1220638/col-shawn-w-campbell/>
- Col Bearden - <https://www.usafa.af.mil/News/Biographies/Display/Article/1572521/colonel-robert-c-bearden/>
- See Cathy McClain's video! - <https://www.usafa.org/Election> -
- *Forged in Blue* - ring ingot program - <https://usafawebguy.com/Blog/Entry/2284>

### Attachments:

- Attachment 1 - Members in Attendance
- Attachment 2 - Marty Marcolongo's Slides

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**Attachment 1:** Members in attendance (in-person or by phone)

Curtis Cook	59
Dick Sexton	60
Tom Eller	61 BU
Dave Holt	62
Lou Matjasko	63 BU
Denny Murphy	65
Larry Bagley	66
Jeff Schofield	67
Garry Dudley	68
Tom Fleming	69
Tom Berry	71
Mush Brower	72
A.J. Ranft	73
Tom Hayden	74
Dan Beatty	76
Randy Helms	79
David Hollenbach	87
Joe Matchette	89
Cathy Almand	90
Jerry Siegel	93
Andi Vinyard	96
Jason Harris	01
Heidi Schlagheck	03
Joe Bledsoe	11

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July

16<sup>th</sup> Commandant's Quarterly Meeting

August

2<sup>nd</sup> BCT Heritage Day

3<sup>rd</sup> AOG Board Meeting

9<sup>th</sup> [Ring Melt](#)

23<sup>rd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> Service Academy Career Conference in San Diego

29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> Chapter Presidents Conference

September

1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Parents Weekend

7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Florida Atlantic University (Socials and Tailgate)

2<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> Reunions for 1978, 1983, and 1988

October

3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Reunions for 1963, 1968, 1973

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24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> Reunions for 1993, 1998, 2008

November

1<sup>st</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> Service Academy Career Conference in San Antonio

2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Army Game Events

9<sup>th</sup> AOG Board Meeting

9<sup>th</sup> Jabara Airmanship Award Dinner (Maj. Marc P. Catalano '06)

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Themes

[Heritage Access through Website and Social Media](#)

*“Communicate Academy Heritage to those who can’t get to Colorado Springs”*

[Service for a Lifetime](#)

*“When it comes to serving others, there is no finish line for an Academy graduate.”*



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## Service Before Self

*“When it comes to serving others,  
there is no finish line for an  
Academy graduate.”*

*What can I do?*

*I'm just one person.*

*I can't change the world.*

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*But can you change  
the world for one?*

*How?*



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of their stories  
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new ways to  
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