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Minutes of the American Border Collie Association, Inc. Annual Membership Meeting

Carbondale, CO
September 13, 2011

The Annual meeting of the American Border Collie Association, Inc. was held at the trial site of the USBHCA/ABCA National Finals in Carbondale, CO at 7:00 p.m. at the Missouri Heights Schoolhouse, 498 County Road 102, Carbondale, CO. Following light snacks, Eileen Stein called the meeting to order. She thanked the caterers for the meal and meeting room set up.

Eileen asked Patty Rogers to present the proof of mailing of the meeting notice. She presented the letter from Destry Hariel who was contracted to handle the mailing and ballot counting of the proxies. There were 2,223 mailed to eligible voters and 492 votes were cast by mail and 9 were cast on site. This constituted more than a quorum of 10% of the eligible voters.

Roger Culbreath made a motion to accept the minutes as distributed. 2nd by Don Hobert. All approved.

Emil Luedecke made a presentation of the financial statement as prepared by Alexander, Van Loon, Sloan, Levens, and Favre. He stated that this was a 10 month report since the Board had voted to change the fiscal year from March 1 through February 28 to a calendar year. Motion was made by Bruce Fogt to approve the financial statement as presented. 2nd by Cy Peterson. All approved.

Eileen gave her President's update and thanked the Directors and members who had served on many committees and Patty Rogers for operation of the office. She stated that the Board welcomed input from the members. She gave an update on expenditures to include \$3,000 to be paid to Denise Wall for 3 video productions (the first would be available on the handler's webcast during the finals). \$1,000 had been awarded to a 4-H Stockdog program in Montana as well as support for Border Collie Exercise Induced Collapse and Early Onset Deafness. RFD was paid \$700 for the webcast from ABCA.

Eileen stated that the grant procedures had been clarified and that the Board had voted to discontinue the eye exam and clinic at the finals since testing for CEA was working. CEA, DNA collection clinic would be available during the finals at the reduced price. Dr. Julie Leaks had offered her veterinary services for collecting the samples. Eileen also reported that the certificates would soon be available to show the notation for CEA Normal. That cost would be \$4 plus required the original certificate be returned with the DNA report.

There were no committee reports except Eileen reported from Mark Billadeau and the Health & Genetics Committee. They had acted on two items:

1. Exercise and Collapse with the University of Saskatchewan and Michigan. It was noted that

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PRIZE MONIES PAID AT THE NATIONAL FINALS EACH YEAR

Sheep Finals - \$3000 to the Nursery Top 30 Qualifying

\$5000 to the Open Top 50 1st Go Round -\$100 each

\$2000 to the Open Top 20 2nd Go Round- \$100 each

\$500 to the Breeder of the Top ABCA registered Nursery and Open Dogs

Cattle Finals - \$500 to the Breeder of the Top ABCA registered Open and Nursery Dogs
Nursery – 1st-\$300, 2nd-\$200

Open – 1st Go Round – 1st-\$200, 2nd-4th- \$100 each

Open – 2nd Go Round – 1st- \$200, 2nd-4th - \$100 each

Open Finals– 1st- \$500, 2nd- \$400, 3rd- \$300, 4th- \$200, 5th-10th- \$100,
11th-20th- \$50



*HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS
DUE IN ABCA OFFICE BY JUNE 1, 2012*

Application forms available from the office or online at:

www.americanbordercollie.org

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS DUE BEFORE JANUARY 1, 2012

Reminder: Membership is required to be able to register dogs with ABCA.

All annual memberships expire on January 1 of each calendar year. To be eligible to vote in the 2012 elections, your membership must be paid prior to January 1, 2012. Be sure to mail your membership dues in as soon as possible. Annual membership fees are \$10 (\$11 if paid by credit card). Lifetime memberships are available for the cost of \$100 (\$110 if paid by credit card).

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their research showed that it was not the same gene as Labradors.

2. Deafness research was still looking for markers and they have a region identified. They need to have collections from a large number of dogs. They make available the cheek swabs for the testing and will send when requested via the internet.

Next Eileen asked for the results of the voting. Patty reported that there were four regular positions that would serve a three year term and one person would serve a one year term to complete the position of Dr. Leroy Boyd. The four that would serve three year terms were Linda Fogt, Mike Hanley, Emil Luedecke, and Michele Howard. Barbara Ray would serve the one year term. A question was asked how that was determined and it was stated that it was based on the number of votes.

Eileen asked if there were any questions or comments or input from the membership. It was suggested that the Association consider supplemental support for the Optigen costs that are currently \$135 for testing at the finals. Eileen stated that she would carry that recommendation from the membership to the Board of Directors.

Emil made a motion to adjourn. Motion was 2nd. All approved.

Promotional Money Available Thru ABCA

Promotional Money is available upon request from any ABCA member to use to promote the working border collie in their area. Events often include trials, clinics, fun days, school projects, etc. A written request stating what your request is for, how it will promote the border collie, and the amount of money requested must be submitted to the office prior to the two deadlines of February 15 and July 15 of each year. Funding for these projects comes from a designated fund at the rate of \$1 per dog registered. Funds are allocated to the state of the breeder(member). Following is the amount available by state as of November 15, 2011.

Grant funds are also available from the ABCA. These grants often don't fall into a category for promotional funds and are not allocated by state. A Grant Request form is available on the website and the deadline for grant requests is January 15 of each year.

2012 ABCA OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS

On November 3, 2011, the 12 directors of the American Border Collie Association, Inc. elected Eileen Stein of Shady Side, MD as President and Michele Howard of Alturas, CA as Vice-President. Patty Rogers was re-elected as Secretary-Treasurer. Later in November, Juan Reyes resigned from the Board. The directors appointed Mike Neary from Brookston, IN to replace him as director.

The Board has elected Don Helsley, Emil Luedecke, and Linda Fogt to serve on the Executive Committee along with Eileen and Michele. The other committees and their members are:

Finance Committee: Liz Hubbard, Linda Fogt, Mike Hanley, and Elizabeth Baker

Nominating Committee: Barbara Ray and Don Helsley

Health & Genetics Committee: Mark Billadeau, Pearse Ward, Linda Fogt, Amy Coapman, Mike Neary, Sally Lacy, and Eileen Stein

Communications Committee: Liz Hubbard and Pearse Ward

Finals Committee--Sheep: Michele Howard and Liz Hubbard

Finals Committee--Cattle: Juan Reyes

Hall of Fame Committee: Mike Hanley, Barbara Ray and Juan Reyes

State	Amount Available
AB	\$ 565.50
AK	\$ 227.50
AL	\$ 1,457.00
AR	\$ 474.00
AZ	\$ 1,196.50
BC	\$ 216.00
CA	\$ 1,298.00
CO	\$ 333.50
CT	\$ 410.00
DC	\$ 2.00
DE	\$ 68.00
FL	\$ 320.00
GA	\$ 849.00
HI	\$ 4.50
IA	\$ 237.50
ID	\$ 503.50
IL	\$ 515.00
IN	\$ 1,867.00
KS	\$ 379.00
KY	\$ 1,244.00
LA	\$ 4,001.00
MA	\$ 894.00
MB	\$ 151.00
MD	\$ 199.00
ME	\$ 1,064.00
MI	\$ 1,278.00
MN	\$ 1,299.50
MO	\$ 753.00
MS	\$ 547.50
MT	\$ 1,094.00
NB	\$ 92.50
NC	\$ 1,126.50
ND	\$ 1,365.50
NE	\$ 1,501.50
NH	\$ 552.50
NJ	\$ 1,079.50
NM	\$ 692.00
NS	\$ 5.00
NV	\$ 545.50
NY	\$ 305.19
OH	\$ 2,606.00
OK	\$ 917.00
ON	\$ 486.00
OR	\$ 1,145.50
PA	\$ 879.00
PR	\$ 13.00
QC	\$ 524.50
RI	\$ 125.00
SC	\$ 923.50
SD	\$ 404.00
SK	\$ 247.50
TN	\$ 372.00
TX	\$ 1,509.00
UT	\$ 436.50
VA	\$ 1,197.50
VT	\$ 317.00
WA	\$ 299.00
WI	\$ 329.50
WV	\$ 1,335.00
WY	\$ 1,087.00

AMERICAN BORDER COLLIE ASSOCIATION, INC. STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FOR THE TEN MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010

REVENUES

Annual Memberships	\$ 12,962
Lifetime Memberships	10,130
Registration Fees	134,415
Transfer Fees	17,715
Miscellaneous	3,511
Investment Income	<u>12,820</u>
Total revenues	<u>191,553</u>

EXPENSES

Program Services	
Prize monies awarded	16,200
Promotional support to members	15,386
Research support	36,435
Trials sponsorship	<u>13,400</u>
Total program services	<u>81,421</u>

General and administrative

Advertising	1,835
Annual meeting expenses	630
Bank fees	1,458
Computer and technical support	10,050
Depreciation and amortization	1,800
File Storage	851
Insurance and bonding	1,438
Investment fees	5,109
Office supplies	1,702
Postage and delivery	7,246
Printing and reproduction	1,760
Professional fees	4,076
Rent	2,700
Secretarial fees	52,290
Telephone	5,167
Travel	1,361
Other office expenses	<u>1,518</u>
Total general and administrative expenses	<u>100,991</u>

Total expenses

182,412

OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)

Realized loss on investments	(3,254)
Other income	170
Total other income (expense)	<u>(3,084)</u>

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	6,057
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	726,988
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 733,045</u>