1. Roll Call

Present – Paul Batz, Billy Bishop, John Campbell, Lori Cunningham, Linda DeJong, Wyatt Fleming, Scott Glen, Peter Gonnet, Stephanie Goracke, Joe Haynes, Jeanine Henigin, Vicki Kidd, Russell McCord, Amanda Milliken, Terri Pelkey, Cy Peterson, Steve Rhidenour, Sue Schoen, Marianna Schreeder, Jamie Spring, Jan Stebbins, Fred Temple, Bob Washer Not Present - Bob Allen, Jennifer Boznos

2. Approval of Minutes 12/6/23 Board of Directors Meeting

Move Viki

Second Billy

Accepted unanimously

3. Financial Report (draft)

Move Paul

Second Jan

Financial – Report accepted unanimously

4. Finance Committee Report on interviews for Treasurer position.

The committee received two applications and reviewed both, met with both candidates and determined that Tony Luper was the best qualified candidate.

Vote to accept Tony Luper as the Treasurer

Move Steve

Second Bob Washer

Accepted Unanimously

5. 2025 Sheepdog Finals – Updated bid from Alturas Committee

Finance committee had some questions which were answered by the host committee.

- VIP income dog sponsorships
- Sheep costs includes transportation
- Venue fee is the field cost.
- Amanda had a question as to when the updated bid was received and whether the Board would vote on accepting it. Bid was received on Dec 29th and was sent to the Finance committee for review prior to their Jan meeting and will be presented to the Board for approval at the March meeting.
- 6. Nominations for Judges
 - a. Nominations open. Close Feb 28th.
- 7. Directors' Forum
 - a. A forum has been set up on the USBCHA website for the use of Directors. Directors have been given access to the forum
- 8. Google Workspace Account for USBCHA
 - a. For storing Assoc files, conferencing, email for officers, 5 accounts \$1080/yr.
 - i. Details to be posted on the forum, and approval sought at the March meeting.
- 9. Purina Nursery Field Trial Award (from Bruce Fogt)

a. Purina Pro Plan Award for the Outstanding Field Trial Nursery Dog Purina Pro Plan and the Purina Award Committee are expanding the Purina Award Program to recognize outstanding performance by our young dogs. The award will go to the high point nursery dog throughout the qualifying season. To determine the winner, we will be using the USBCHA tracking of points and find the highest total of "All Points" listed for the dog under the "View Details" section for each nursery dog. This includes one point gained for each qualification regardless of whether it was gained as a nursery or an open run. The competition will follow the annual USBCHA qualification season of August 1, through July 31.

As an example, for the 2023 trial season Scott Glen's Mist had the highest total, gaining 28 points.

In the event of a tie, the dog with the most first place wins receives the award; if that is equal, then it moves down to the dog with the most second place finishes and so on until we have a winner.

We would like to keep it timely and present award at the National Finals during current year of competition.

The award will begin with the 2024 trial season and will include a twenty by twenty four inch oil painting of the winning dog, along with a year's supply of Purina Pro Plan.

- 10. Finals Sponsorship Russell/Lori
 - a. Committee met and will schedule further discussions with Purina
- 11. Alicia Lund World Trial reimbursement request.
 - a. Alicia Lund submitted a request to have the Finance committee's denial of a portion of her World Trial expense claim reviewed by the Board. After considerable discussion, the Board voted 17/3 to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee.
 - b. Moved Amanda Milliken made a motion to reimburse Alicia all expenses less the \$500 farm sitter expense.

Second – Joe Haynes

In favor – Amanda Milliken, Paul Batz, Sue Schoen.

Opposed – Billy Bishop, Bob Washer, Cy Peterson, Fred Temple, Jamie Spring, Jan Stebbins, Jeanine Henigin, John Campbell, Lori Cunningham, Marianna Schreeder, Peter Gonnet, Russell McCord, Scott Glen, Steve Rhidenour, Stephanie Goracke, Wyatt Fleming, Vicki Kidd.

- 12. Membership Information
 - a. 909 current active members, 549 General and 354 Associate
 - b. Breakdowns by District at the bottom of the document.
- 13. Sheepdog Finals Webcast viewership
 - a. Average over 3000 views Tues Sat, 5364 on Sunday
 - b. Average time watched per view 40 minutes

- c. Total viewing time 14,981 hours, average 2000 hours/day Tues Sat 4278 hours Sunday.
- d. 57.8% of views were on phones

14. Other Business

a. Russell requested a vote on the 2024 Sheepdog Finals Committee proposal to add an extra day to the Sheepdog Finals. This was tabled to allow the host committee an opportunity to bring their proposal to the Board. An additional Board meeting will be scheduled within the next few weeks to allow the host committee this opportunity.

15. Meeting adjourned

U S Border Collie Handlers Assoc Inc Profit & Loss

January through December 2023 Jan - Dec 23

	Jan - Dec 23	
Income		
ABCA Funds		
Cattle	8,750.00	
Sheep		
Finals Judges	10,000.00	
Sheep Fee	10,000.00	
Total Sheep	20,000.00	
Total ABCA Funds	28,750.00	
Interest Income	68.70	
Membership		
Life	7,700.00	
Yearly	10,850.00	
Total Membership	18,550.00	
Miscellaneous Income		
Late Fees	250.00	
Overpayments as Donations	205.22	
PayPal	89.44	
Miscellaneous Income - Other	-1,000.00	
Total Miscellaneous Income	-455.34	
National Finals Entries		
Cattle		
Nursery	6,750.00	
Open	10,250.00	
Total Cattle	17,000.00	
Sheep		
Nursery	14,400.00	
Open	38,400.00	
Total Sheep	52,800.00	
Total National Finals Entries	69,800.00	
Profit Share - Sheep Finals	1,349.66	2023 profit share
Sanctioning Fees		
Cattle		
Nursery (Current)	544.00	
Nursery (Next)	84.00	
Open (Current)	1,352.00	
Open (Next)	564.00	
Total Cattle	2,544.00	
Sheep		
Nursery (Current)	10,094.00	
Nursery (Next)	2,856.00	
Open (Current)	26,215.00	
Open (Next)	20,548.50	
Total Sheep	59,713.50	
Total Sanctioning Fees	62,257.50	
Sponsorships		
Cattle	1,000.00	Purina
Sheep	1,000.00	Purina

U S Border Collie Handlers Assoc Inc Profit & Loss

January through December 2023

January t	hrough December 2023
•	Jan - Dec 23
Awards	14,409.29
Stock Fee	5,750.00
Total General	20,159.29
Judges	
Expenses	1,943.88
Fees	4,000.00
Total Judges	5,943.88
Total National Finals - Cattle	27,256.17
National Finals - Other Yr Exp	
Sheep	
Host Committee (Next)	5,596.00 sanction fees to 2024 Finals
Total Sheep	5,596.00
National Finals - Other Yr Exp - Other	4,000.00 venue fee for 2024 Finals
Total National Finals - Other Yr Exp	9,596.00
National Finals - Sheep	
Administrative	
Miscellaneous	336.77
Printing	39.56
Total Administrative	376.33
General	
Announcer	4,660.00
Awards	41,568.54
Course Director	1,250.00
Set Out	5,600.00
Sheep & Related Costs	
Sheep Fee	10,673.00
Transportation	6,000.00
Total Sheep & Related Costs	16,673.00
Total General	69,751.54
Host Committee (Current)	10,459.00
Judges	
Fees	13,200.00
Lodging/Meals	1,004.28
Travel	5,348.13
Total Judges	19,552.41
Travel	
Fuel	923.09
Hotel	1,344.88
Total Travel	2,267.97
Total National Finals - Sheep	102,407.25
World Trial Teams	
World Trial Teams - Canada	5,000.00 HA donation
World Trial Teams - USA	11,000.00 HA donation
Total World Trial Teams	16,000.00
otal Expense	173,474.08
ne	<u>-11,917.52</u>

Net Income

U S Border Collie Handlers Assoc Inc Profit & Loss

January through December 2023

January through December 2023 Jan - Dec 23		
Total Sponsorships	2,000.00	
Video - Sheep Finals	2,000.00	
Donations		
ABCA	3,925.00	
Donations - Other	2,000.00 CBCA	
Total Donations	5,925.00	
less Webcast Expenses	-250.00	
Video - Sheep Finals - Other	-7,075.00 both cattle & sheep	
Total Video - Sheep Finals	-1,400.00	
World Trial Fund		
Auctions	19,655.45	
Dog Sponshorships	6,180.00	
Donations	36,275.07 includes ABCA \$11,000; Ghost trial \$12,500;	
WT - less Team Disbursements	-78,371.95 Gibson benefit, WA State handlers, Snepp	
WT - less Team Entry Fees	-3,102.53 entry fees paid from fundraising, not HA	
Total World Trial Fund	-19,363.96	
Total Income	161,556.56	
Gross Profit	161,556.56	
Expense		
Administrative Expenses		
Accounting		
Professional Fees	1,600.00	
Total Accounting	1,600.00	
Bank Charges		
Bank Charges	23.50	
Canadian Exchange Rate	19.00	
Total Bank Charges	42.50	
Computer Expense		
Software Subscriptions	676.80	
Web Server	1,512.00	
Total Computer Expense	2,188.80	
Contract Labor	0.027.50	
Secretary Total Contract Labor	8,027.50	
Insurance	8,027.50 2,890.00	
Meetings	2,090.00	
Annual Meeting	1,266.21	
Total Meetings	1,266.21	
Office Supplies	166.63	
Officer's Expense	2,033.02	
Total Administrative Expenses	18,214.66	
National Finals - Cattle		
Administrative		
Miscellaneous	153.00	
Sponsorships	1,000.00	
Total Administrative	1,153.00	

General