

**Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Association
Board of Directors Meeting
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing, MI
June 7th, 2009**

Discussion on Affiliations for Roll Call. The Club's ARBA Charter needs to be filed with the appropriate person from MSRBA.

Motion to allow the Clubs to participate today with a definite date of June 20th, 2009 whereas the Clubs Charter, completed affiliation form, Constitution & By-Laws, along with all persons listed on the Clubs Charter must be current members of the MSRBA, and due to the MSRBA secretary by that date by Carlene Bell, second by Chris Garrett. Motion carried.

Motion that a youth members cannot be listed as a State Director of the MSRBA without being an open of the MSRBA by Carlene Bell, second by Larry Walthorn. Motion carried, unanimous.

Roll Call of Director's & Officers:

President: Jane Burt	Saginaw Valley R & CBA:	Renea Slovak
Vice President: Willis Plank	Western MI RA:	Larry Walthorn
Secretary: Sherry Garrett	MI Angora Club	Don Havlicek
Treasurer: Gail Samson	Mi Dutch Rabbit Club:	Carlene Bell
Central MI RBA: Janet Bowers	Mi Florida White RBA:	Kathy Carpenter
Heart of MI: Neva Sulpher	MI Mini Lop RC:	Kelly Hansen
Mid MI RBA: George Carpenter	MI Mini Rex Club:	Sandy Doyle
Osceola R&C RBA: Chris Garrett	MI New Zealand RC:	Katie Carpenter
Great Lakes RCS: Ronda Hemenway		
Guest: Crème D'Argent pending: Sandy Carey		

Secretary's Report and Communications:

Motion by Don Havlicek, second by Sandy Doyle to accept the minutes as printed in the MSRBA News. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Income: \$24,283.57
Expenses; \$24,568.59
Total Income – Expenses: -\$285.02
Total Cash & Bank Accounts: \$3,367.19
Certificate of Deposit: \$2,958.00
Total Assets: \$6,056.47

Chris Garrett requested that the Financial Report be submitted to the Audit Committee.

Neva Sulpher made the motion, second by George Carpenter to reinvest the CD at the best interest rate possible. Motion carried.

Officer's Reports:

President:

- Jane Burt presented a Thank You from the Michigan 4-H Foundation for our support of the State 4-H Rabbit Award to be presented during Exploration Days in June.

The Quiet Water Symposium meeting that Jane, Willis and Kelly Hansen attended representing the MSRBA.

- In August they will do a walk-through of the Pavilion with MSRBA.
- It is recommended that we do not announce Group Classes and encourage exhibitors to view the printed Groups at the Show Secretary's tables, so to not make unnecessary announcements during the day.
- All Group classes will be held at one show table (Groups 1 – 4) plus Best in Show.
- No unnecessary announcements will be made during the show day.
- It is suggested that the breeds will be listed with the judges name who is judging that breed at the Show Secretary's table during the show.

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Secretary: Sherry Garrett reported to the board that \$1,909.00 has been taken in through the end of May, 2009 in open memberships.

Unfinished Business:

Budget:

The budget for specific items needs to be increased.

Banquet: formerly \$4,000.00 Increase by: \$734.31 Motion to approve by George Carpenter, second by Janet Bowers. Motion carried.

Awards: formerly \$1,600.00 Increase by: \$23.19 Motion by Sandy Doyle, second by Renae Slovak to approve. Motion carried.

Hotel Rooms: formerly \$900.00 Increase by: \$123.05 Motion by Renae Slovak, second by Larry Walthorn to approve. Motion carried.

Rental: formerly \$1,200.00 Increase by: \$696.62 Motion by Kelly Hansen, second by Renae Slovak to approve. Motion carried.

Supplies: \$110.00 Increase by: \$69.54 Motion by Don Havlicek, second by Larry Walthorn to approved. Motion carried.

Pre-approved: Officers Rooms: \$689.30 and Staff Rooms \$532.12 are o.k.

Specialty Show Expenses: \$4,000.00 Increase by \$2,754.59 Motion by Sandy Doyle, second by Ronda Hemenway. Motion carried.

The specialty clubs payback was determined to be 35%.

Any Other Old Business: None

New Business:

Web Site:

Motion by Sandy Doyle, second by Larry Walthorn to place the following on the MSRBA web site:

- Meeting dates, times and location on the web site.
- Constitution, By-Laws, and the Show Circuit Rules on the web site.
- Archive the minutes of the Board of Directors and the General Membership Meetings on the web site.

Motion carried unanimously.

Sweepstakes:

The webmaster wants a copy of the sweepstakes each month from the Sweepstakes points keepers, both open and youth. Motion by Gail Samson, second by Willis Plank that the updated Sweepstakes be received by the webmaster by the 1st of the month and the webmaster must have them posted by the 7th day of the month. Motion carried.

Discussion: Neva Sulpher asked that the webmaster acknowledge that he has received the updated Sweepstakes reports. Sherry Garrett, secretary, would like the Sweepstakes reports to be cc'd to her monthly for the record.

Affiliations:

Discussion on club affiliations. Affiliation forms will be changed along with the process for affiliation with MSRBA being updated.

Any other new business:

George Carpenter stated that Mid Michigan would like him to make a motion that MSRBA not pay for the motel rooms for officers and key staff members for the Convention, second by Carlene Bell. Discussion by the Board members present. Motion defeated, 6/8 by hand vote.

Motion by Neva Sulpher, second by Sandy Carey that MSRBA pays for one nights lodging for Convention. Motion defeated, 7/9 by hand vote.

Motion to adjourn by Don Havlicek, second by Chris Garrett. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Sherry S. Garrett. secretary