

**Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc.**  
**Board of Director's Annual Meeting**  
**Ionia, MI**  
**February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Members Present:**

President:	Edward Carpenter II	Vice President:	Chris Garrett
Secretary:	Sherry Garrett	Central MI RBA:	Bruce Carpenter
Great Lakes R&CS	Bryan Shirk	Heart of Michigan:	Donna Carpenter
Mid Michigan RBA:	Kay Pettengill	Osceola R&CBA:	Katrina VanDenBeldt
Saginaw Valley R&CBA:	Renea Slovak	Western MI RBA:	Alana Garrett
MI Cavy Breeders	Elaine Hansen	MI Dutch Rabbit Club:	Charlene Hecht
Great Lakes Flemish:	Sandra Ziegler	MI Holland Lop Express:	Laura Dull
MI Mini Lop RC:	Kelly Hansen	MI New Zealand SC:	Henry Carpenter
MI Satin & Mini Satin:	Tiffany Weiss		

**Secretary Minutes: Sherry Garrett**

Motion to approve the minutes as printed by Henry Carpenter, second by Chris Garrett.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Balances as of 02/28/2021

Checking: \$ 21,014.42

Savings: \$ 12,014.71

Overall Total: \$ 33,387.15

2020 External Audit: Not scheduled yet.

**Officer Reports:**

**President: Edward Carpenter II**

- ❖ The trailers have been moved from the storage facility to Ed Carpenter's residence for storage.
- ❖ Possible shows are being planned.

**Vice President: Chris Garrett**

- ❖ Most of my report will follow later in the meeting.

**Secretary: Sherry Garrett**

- ❖ All ARBA Charters are due from Affiliated Clubs by March 15<sup>th</sup> to the club secretary.
- ❖ Members who have not paid their memberships will be purged during the upcoming week from the membership program with the exception of those within their 30 day grace period.
- ❖ There were six clubs who were not listed as being chartered with ARBA on the ARBA site as of 02/27/2021. Clubs were contacted to remind them to insure that their charters have been received by ARBA so they will not have to start over in the ARBA charter process on March 1<sup>st</sup>.
- ❖ 2020 Cancelled shows: Clubs will need to send a new sanction form to the secretary for any cancelled shows that are being rescheduled so you will not be charged again to reissue a sanction. Those will be transferred to 2021 or 2022 shows.
- ❖ MSU Journalism Student, Kirsten Rintelmann has contacted the secretary for an interview on the MSRBA, ARBA, and HRDV2 effects. I have provided information from our organization, referrals from ARBA and the ARBA site information on the virus. She is working with the MSU Vets to provide information to them on the efforts to eradicate the virus and breeders management procedures to protect their rabbitry's.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Sweepstakes Awards:**

- ❖ 2020 Head Tax: Great Lakes Single \$ 60.72
- ❖ 2020 Head Tax: Just for Fun RC \$ 75.44
- ❖ 2020 Sanctions: \$ 40.00
- ❖ Total for Sweepstakes Awards: \$176.16

- ❖ Motion by Bryan Shirk, second by Bruce Carpenter to provide certificates to the 2020 Sweepstake award winners and mail them out. Motion carried.

**Audit Report:** None

- ❖ Discussion on the need for complete reports on the treasury regularly, including income and expenses.

**Any Other Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:**

**July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Summer Picnic Show:**

- ❖ Motion by Bryan Shirk, second by Renea Slovak to hold the summer picnic show on July 20<sup>th</sup> at the Traverse City Fairgrounds. Motion carried.
- ❖ The show will be held at the Northwestern Michigan Fairgrounds, Traverse City, MI
- ❖ Motion by Kelly Hansen, second by Bryan Shirk to cover the cost of fuel for the vehicle pulling the trailer to this show plus \$100 wear and tear on the vehicle. Motion carried.
- ❖ Show will be pre-entry with the new show program.
- ❖ Awards: Top 12 Breeds and Top 3 Cavy Breeds for Best of Breed and Best Opposite. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons. Renea Slovak will handle the awards.
- ❖ Show Secretary, Danielle Harubin, Show Superintendent, Bryan Shirk
- ❖ The show will begin judging at 8:00 a.m. to be completed prior to later afternoon heat possibilities.
- ❖ Preference was given to run all shows as doubles but to also have set times for breeds to be judged.
- ❖ A food truck will need to be contracted.

**May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 MSRBA Spring Show:**

- ❖ Motion by Sherry Garrett, second by Henry Carpenter to sanction a May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 MSRBA show in Midland, MI at the Midland County Fairgrounds. Motion carried.
- ❖ Motion by Bruce Carpenter, second by Henry Carpenter to use the E-Z to Show program for all shows in 2021 as pre-entry shows. Motion carried.
- ❖ Show transport of the trailers to be paid for transportation fuel costs. Receipts to be provided for payment.
- ❖ Show secretary Bryan Shirk, Show Superintendent Tiffany Weiss
- ❖ Double open and youth shows.
- ❖ Awards: Top 12 Breeds and Top 3 Cavy Breeds for Best of Breed and Best Opposite. Best in Show & Reserve in show awards. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbons.
- ❖ Renea Slovak will handle the awards.

**Web Hosting: Laura Dull**

- ❖ Laura would like to have the hosting by Word Press for \$96/year and maintenance of the domain name for \$19 per year.
- ❖ Motion by Laura Dull, second by Kelly Hansen to pay the \$96/ per year and the domain name for \$19 per year. Motion carried.

**2021 MSRBA Budget:**

- ❖ Ed Carpenter will get the information on the finances for 2020 from Janet Bowers to create a current 2021 budget.

**Master Breeders Award:**

- ❖ A Master breeders submission was sent in for consideration. The Master Breeders Award will be presented at the May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 show in Midland.

**Youth Royalty 2021:**

- ❖ It was suggested to youth advisor, Ron Keen as to the possibility of having a youth royalty contest and giving the awards out at the May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 show in Midland. Ron will check with the youth to see if they are interested in doing this. He thought they could put one together for the youth.

**Youth Teams for Louisville ARBA Convention 2021:**

- ❖ Bryan Shirk asked youth advisor, Ron Keen if they youth will be participating in the youth contests in Louisville, KY at the ARBA Convention in October. Ron said they will be working with the youth to form the teams.

**2022 Judges Conference:**

- ❖ Bryan Shirk and Kelly Hansen will head up the conference at Convention. Katie Holcomb Assistant.

**MSRBA Committee's:**

Motion by Chris Garrett, second by Tiffany Weiss to approve the 2021 committees as presented at this time. Motion carried.

**General Membership meeting:**

- ❖ Motion by Kelly Hansen, second by Chris Garrett to cancel the General Membership meeting scheduled for next weekend due to Covid-19 restrictions. Motion carried.

**Upcoming Meeting Schedules:**

June 6<sup>th</sup> at the Lake Odessa Park: Board of Directors 12:30 p.m., General Membership at 2:00 p.m.

September 12<sup>th</sup> at the Lake Odessa Park: Board of Directors 12:30 p.m., General Membership at 2:00 p.m.

**Any Other New Business:**

Sherry Garrett was asked to check with the insurance agency in case they might give some credit on club's insurance riders because of the cancelation of 2020 shows.

**Elections:**

2021 Elections will be for the positions of President and Treasurer. Official applications may be requested from the club secretary. All applications must be turned into Rachel Ehnis by August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

Motion to adjourn by Bryan Shirk, second by Donna Carpenter. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by

*Sherry Garrett, secretary*