

Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc.

General Membership Meeting Minutes

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing, MI

February 29th, 2020

Officers Present:

President: Edward Carpenter II

Vice President: Marcus Rhoden

Secretary: Sherry Garrett

Treasurer: Janet Bowers

Members Present: Bruce Carpenter, Glenda Weiss, Laura Dull, Polly Overmyer, John Rose, Diane Walter, Chris Garrett, Don Havlicek, Renea Slovak, Martha Woolston, Henry Carpenter, Rachel Ehnis, Tiffany Weiss, Alana Garrett, Mike Michael

Secretary Report: Sherry Garrett

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

Insurance paperwork is available at this meeting and following the meeting at the club secretaries table. The 2019 Secretary Financial Report was presented with a total income of \$5,190.00 which is the most taken in by the secretary.

Treasurer's Report: Janet Bowers, 01/01/2020 - 02/29/2020

Income: \$ 2,120.96

Checking: \$ 27,411.19

Expenses: \$ 8,097.21

Motion by Don Havlicek to accept the treasurer's report and send to Audit. Second by Henry Carpenter. Accepted.

President's Report: Edward Carpenter II

Booth Reservations: Over \$1,600.00 in booths.

Chairs and Table Rental: \$615.00

Dates for the Fall Show and Convention have been set with the facility for the next two years.

Vice President: Marcus Rhoden

Purchased a surge protector for Food Service protection and presented a bill to the treasurer.

Standing Committee Reports:

Equipment: President Carpenter

Great Lakes will be renting the equipment for three shows.

4-H Report: No report

Show Circuit: No Report

Auditing: Janet Bowers

The audit will be conducted within the next month or so.

Promotional: Chris Garrett

New items have been purchased for guys and are selling very well. Donations of some older stock will be donated to the banquet for door prizes.

Constitution: Chris Garrett

There has been communication issues between the Show Circuit chairperson and the All Breed Clubs in 2019 which has placed several clubs including the MSRBA in jeopardy of not having shows in 2020. The Constitution overrules the Show Circuit Rules so changes have been made to the Show Report Policy, named the All Breed Affiliated Club Show Report Policy which places it directly in line with the ARBA Show Report Policy.

Publication: Sherry Garrett

A new editor is needed, the information will be inserted into the upcoming newsletter. Sherry Garrett will publish the next newsletter ('s) until the new editor is approved by the board of directors.

Elections: Ed Carpenter

2020 Elections will be for the positions of Vice President and Secretary. All application forms will be available from the club secretary. Completed applications are due to be in the Election Chairpersons hands, Neva Sulpher by August 1st, 2020.

Webmaster: Ed Carpenter

President carpenter has spoken to Ethan Plank about updates to the website. Notation that the show dates and upcoming meetings need to be updated.

Resolutions: Henry Carpenter

Resolution #1: Motion by Henry Carpenter, second by Marcus Rhoden to accept Resolution #1. Motion carried.

Resolution #2: Motion by Bruce Carpenter, second by Renea Slovak to accept Resolution #2. Motion carried.

Resolution #3: Motion by Don Havlicek, second by Mike Michael to accept Resolution #3. Motion carried.

Resolution #4: Motion by Bruce Carpenter, second by Tiffany Weiss to accept Resolution #4. Motion carried.

Resolution #5: Motion by Henry Carpenter, second by Renea Slovak to accept Resolution #5. Motion carried.

Resolution #6: Motion by Mike Michael, second by Bruce Carpenter to accept Resolution #6. Motion carried.

Resolution #7: Motion by Marcus Rhoden, second by Bruce Carpenter to accept Resolution #7. Motion carried.

Rabbit School: Ed Carpenter

Over 65 people attended the Rabbit School last evening.

Banquet: Diane Walter & Diane Drier

Reservations are about the same in number as last year. It is important to have a printed copy available as several people sent in reservations on plain paper.

Unfinished Business:**Budget:**

The 2020 budget has been approved by the board of directors at their annual meeting. A new treasurer's laptop will be purchased. Discussion on the historical booth chairperson's need to go digital and have available for the historical booth of items within the collection of historical items, including photos.

Any Other Unfinished Business: None***New Business:*****4-H Workshops: Glenda Weiss**

Clinton County will have a 4-H Showmanship Clinic Sunday, March 8th at the Traverse City Great Wolf Lodge. There will be a workshop on Rabbit Care and the Standards at 9:30 a.m.

2020 Meeting Dates:

September 20th, 2020 12:30 p.m. site to be determined if MSU Pavilion is not available.

December 5th, 2020 8:30 a.m. site to be determined if the MSU Pavilion is not available.

Any Other New Business: None

Motion to adjourn by Chris Garrett, second by Laura Dull . Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Sherry Garrett, MSRBA Secretary