

Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc.

General Membership Meeting Minutes Ionia County Fairgrounds, Ionia, MI September 12th, 2021

Members Present:

President: Edward Carpenter II
Vice President: Chris Garrett
Secretary: Sherry Garrett
Treasurer: Absent

Members Present: Pamela Tooman, Donna Carpenter, Katrina VanDenBeldt, Renea Slovak, Alana Garrett, Elaine Hansen, Sheldon Shaeding, Sandra Zeigler, Kelly Hansen, Henry Carpenter, Tiffany Weiss, Ron Keen.

Secretary Report: Sherry Garrett

Motion to approve the secretary report with the addition of Pamela Tooman as attending by Alana Garrett, second by Donna Carpenter. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Janet Bowers

Absent, no report given.

President's Report: Edward Carpenter II

Pavilion contract was signed today. Doug King has been added to the Fall Show judges. Katie Holcomb stated in the report given to Ed that the State 4-H Show judges contracts have been shipped out.

Vice President: Chris Garrett

Discussion on youth at the fairs.

Standing Committee Reports:

Equipment: President Carpenter

- ❖ Wood is still high priced to repair the show tables.
- ❖ Sheldon Shaeding stated that new eyehooks need to be purchased for the show table legs along with chains.
- ❖ The weight of the show tables during setup and teardown was discussed.
- ❖ Kelly Hansen suggested to check into revamping them to mirror the Canton, OH show tables.
- ❖ Sherry Garrett provided photos of the Canton, OH show tables for Sheldon, and Henry to view. She will email the photos to them along with president Carpenter for reference.

4-H Report: Katie Holcomb

- ❖ The state 4-H show is slated for January 29th, 2022 at the MSU Pavilion.

Show Circuit: No report

Auditing: No report

- ❖ Treasurer files will need to be sent to Deb and Holly Mercer to audit.

Promotional: Chris/Alana Garrett

- ❖ There will be new items ordered for the Fall Show, especially more larger sizes for availability.
- ❖ \$2.00 will be added for all sizes above Xlg. to maintain cost viability.

Constitution: Chris Garrett

- ❖ No changes yet

Publication: Janis Hagyard

- ❖ All reports need to be to the editor, Janis Hagyard by the end of this week so the News may be published and out to the membership as soon as possible.

Website: Laura Dull

- ❖ The board of directors are happy with the way Laura Dull is maintaining a current website for the MSRBA.

Judges: Kelly Hansen

Fall Show judges: Becky Stock, Fayth Young, Jill Schmidt, Kyle Yacobucci, LeAnn McKinney, Mark Jacobs, Mike Mageles, Ryan Harrah, Steve Lussier, Todd Naragon, Doug King, Hannah Means, Zach Sauer.

We will add "local" judges on what show numbers look like at pre-entry, but they'll likely just be for Saturday.

Convention 2022 judges: Bill Bramble, Dana Bramble, Don Sheets, Hannah Means, Jill Schmidt, Kristi Adeleke, Kyle Yacobucci, LeAnn McKinney, Mark Jacobs, Michael Franke, Ryan Harrah, Steven Buell, Todd Naragon.

Elections:

President Ed Carpenter has been re-elected by acclimation. The new Treasurer will be Becky VanderVlugt who also was elected by acclimation so no election will be held at the MSRBA Fall Show.

Unfinished Business:

The already approved new treasurer's computer and related programs will be purchased prior to Becky VanderVlugt taking office. Transfer of files will be added to the computer. Sherry Garrett will handle the purchase of the computer working from the approved budget.

2021 Fall Show: November 26-28th

- ❖ Kelly Hansen is working on the room blocks at the Comfort Inn and the Best Western. Rates will be \$99.00 per night.
- ❖ The Awards Banquet will be held at the Conference Center next door to the hotels.
- ❖ Youth officers will be updated elections at the youth meeting at the Fall Show on Sunday morning.
- ❖ Masks will need to be worn per MSU requirements. Any updates will be provided via the Facebook and MSRBA webpage.

Master Breeders:

Per the previous vote of the Board of Directors, at the opening ceremonies of the Fall Show there will be a formal presentation of the 2020 Master Breeders and Master Breeder jackets provided.

Fall Show Workshop: Chris Garrett

- ❖ 11/26/2021 from 6:00 – 8:30 p.m. MSU Pavilion

Michigan State Showmanship Challenge: Penny Jackson

- ❖ 11/26/2021 Registration check-in at 4:00 p.m. MSU Pavilion

Any Other Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

2022 MSRBA Convention: March 4th – 6th

- ❖ Quad show weekend
- ❖ Convention Dedication: Motion by Chris Garrett, second by Donna Carpenter to nominate Juanita Carpenter for this award recognition. It was unanimously approved to dedicate the 2022 convention to Juanita Carpenter.
- ❖ All items are due to Sherry Garrett by December 1st for insertion into the Convention Catalog.

MSRBYA Youth Report:

- ❖ Not enough youth can to the meeting for an actual business meeting to be held.
- ❖ Interim youth board of directors due to aging out of officers is:
President Kaitlin Keen, Vice President Natalie Vis, Recording Secretary Emma Tidd, Corresponding Secretary Emilee Vis, Treasurer Morgan Tidd. Directors: Natalie Keen and Kayla Vis.
- ❖ The youth meeting will be Sunday of the Fall show, November 28th in the morning in the classrooms at 9:00 a.m.
- ❖ Ron Keen will send an update of information for the News, the Facebook pages and the website.
- ❖ Youth will be doing the artwork for the Convention logo to be inserted on the show catalog cover. He will be reminding the youth of upcoming due dates for submission of potential artwork.

Fourth Quarter BOD Meeting Dates:

November 28th, 2021, MSU Pavilion. 15 minutes after the open Best in Show has been chosen. Classrooms. General membership will follow immediately after the close of the Board of Director's meeting.

2022 Meeting Dates: Board of Directors and General Membership

President Carpenter will be meeting with Scott after the meeting to set up the requested dates for these meetings.

Any Other New Business: None

Motion to adjourn by Donna Carpenter, second by Kelly Hansen. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: *Sherry Garrett*, MSRBA Secretary