

**Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Association, Inc.**  
**General Membership Meeting Minutes**  
**MSU Pavilion**  
**November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

**Members Present:**

President: Edward Carpenter II  
Vice President: Chris Garrett  
Secretary: Sherry Garrett  
Treasurer: Janet Bowers;  
Members Present: 14

**Secretary Report: Sherry Garrett**

Motion to approve the secretary's report by Sheldon Schaeding, second by Clyde Green. Motion carried.

***Treasurer's Report: Janet Bowers***

Income: (Fall Show)

Entries:	\$ 24,746.00
Auction:	\$ 1,130.00
Booths:	\$ 1,130.00
Publicity:	\$ 273.00
Breeder Paid Sanctions:	\$ 111.00
Total Income:	\$ 27,390.00

Previous Balance:

Checking account:	\$ 20,547.11
Savings account:	\$ 12,348.05
Total Prior to Show:	\$ 32,895.16
Show Income:	\$ 27,390.00
Total Balance:	\$ 60,285.16

The Safety Deposit Box has been closed.

**President's Report: Edward Carpenter II**

- The setup for the Fall Show went good.
- The website is awesome.

**Vice President: Chris Garrett**

- We have had great help in working the show.

***Standing Committee Reports:***

**Equipment: President Carpenter**

- Ed would like to update our show tables with a couple of prototype setups.
- 2" x 3" tabletop frame using 30" floor wire with supports for the table top frame.
- You can zip tie the show holes to the frame.
- Spread a coat of shavings on the floor under the judges tables.
- Motion by Kelly Hansen, second by Rachel Ehnis to allow Ed to develop two prototype tables, one for each size of the holes as new table designs. Motion carried.

**4-H Report: Glenda Weiss**

- The state 4-H show is slated for January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at the MSU Pavilion.
- Donations of awards is needed.
- State 4-H Show entry: Pay first on MSU's management system then go to the Easy2Show site. You can pay day of show – cash only.

**Awards: Renea Slovak**

- We have a nearly complete supply of Youth Cavy Show Awards on hand.
- It is suggested to not imprint Open or Youth on the awards so they may be utilized for either.

**Judges: Kelly Hansen**

- We have 14 judges and some extra's for Convention at this time.
- Discussion on the cost of cavy judges - \$1,864.00

**Promotional: Chris Garrett**

- Motion by Tiffany Weiss, second by Bryan Shirk to approve having a promotional booth at the State 4-H Show on 01/29/2022. Cost will be \$35.00.

**Publication:**

- Janet Bowers discussed ads in the MSRBA News.

**Website: Laura Dull**

- We have had almost 10,000 views on the website.
- It was discussed to include a map of the affiliated clubs locations on the website to help local clubs.
- Laura Dull, webmaster, donated her \$ 90.00 stipend to the Head Tax fund for this year.
- It was suggested to increase the size of fonts within the website.

**Head Tax:**

- Head Tax is \$ .08 per rabbit/cavy, meat pen, and fur for the show reports.

**Constitution: Chris Garrett**

- No changes have been made.

***Unfinished Business:*****Affiliated Clubs:**

- We are working on adding more All Breed Clubs. There is a new All Breed club forming in Northern Michigan and a new Specialty club.
- Discussion on some affiliated clubs taking dates held previously by other affiliated clubs.

**MSRBA Workshop:**

- The MSRBA Workshop at the Fall Show was well attended.
- Suggestions were made for future topics:
- Add Cavy specific topics
- "How to be a registrar".
- "Understanding the Standard of Perfection"
- "Genetics"

***Any Other Unfinished Business: None******New Business:*****Scholarship Committee:**

- Great Lakes Rabbit & Cavy Shows, Inc. will donate \$12,000.00 specifically to be earmarked for scholarships. A committee will be set up to approve funds dispersed to youth. A separate interest-bearing account will be set up to accommodate these funds.

**2022 Fall Show Dates: 11/25/2022 – 11/27/2022 MSU Pavilion**

- Superintendent: Bryan Shirk
- Secretary: Danielle Harubin
- Pam Jones volunteered to assist within taking entries.

**2022 Fall Show Specialties Declaration Deadline: September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022****2022 MSRBA BOD's & General Membership Meeting Dates:**

02/13/2022 Board of Directors Annual Meeting MSU Pavilion 10:00 AM

03/05/2022 General Membership Annual Meeting MSU Pavilion 9:00 AM

06/05/2022 Board of Directors/General Membership Meetings MSU Pavilion 10:00 AM

09/11/2022 Board of Directors/General Membership Meetings MSU Pavilion 10:00 AM

11/27/2022 Board of Directors/General Membership Meetings MSU Pavilion 15 minutes after Best in Show Open

A Special recognition and thank you is given to Joel Carpenter, Nolan Schaeding, Paul Koppin, Ellie and Luke Koppin for helping tear down the Fall Show and load the equipment trailer. You are very appreciated for your help and dedication to the Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Association.

***Any Other New Business: None***

Motion to adjourn by Bryan Shirk, second by Janet Bowers. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

*Sherry Garrett*, MSRBA Secretary