

**Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Assoc.
Board of Directors Meeting
MSU Pavilion
February 25th, 2007**

Roll Call:

Osceola 4-H Small Animal: Sherry Garrett

Michigan Dutch: Carlene Bell

Michigan Florida White: Jane Burt

Central MI RBA: Janet Bowers

North Central: Anthony Parker

Michigan Flemish Giant: Bob Bolyard

Western Michigan: Larry Walthorn

Cal Bra Hill: Lori Newberry

Great Lakes RCS: Dena Taylor

Michigan Angora Club: Jackie Carpenter

South Central: Jeff Granger

Heart of Michigan: Ronald Carpenter

2 Members of the executive board were present

Secretary: Jackie DeArmond absent due to illness

President George Carpenter requested Sherry Garrett, to take minutes in the absence of the secretary.

Secretary's Report: Motion by Tony Parker, second by Larry to accept as printed in the Michigan News. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report:

Total Income: \$7849.58

Expenses: \$5702.23

Overall Income: \$2147.35

Asset Total: \$12,937.85

Motion by Bob Bolyard, second by Carlene Bell to accept the treasurers report as provided. Motion carried.

Over Budget Item: Ribbons = Approximately \$57.75 to \$60.00 for line item. Motion by Jane Burt, second by Larry Walthorn to budget this line item. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Sweepstakes Open Points: Changes are being made. Almars will be providing a bill for 6 plate changes.

Quarterly Meeting Change: Motion to transfer the date to June 16th, to be held prior to the Lakeshore show in Lowell if Lakeshore approves by Bob Bolyard, second by Jane Burt. Motion carried.

Newsletter: Jane has purchased Adobe Creative Suites to use with the newsletter. There was a discussion by Bob Bolyard on the dates when membership dues are due to be renewed. Bob Bolyard made the motion to print in the newsletter: "Members: Please check your mailing label as to the renewal deadline for your dues." Motion carried.

Audit Committee: Janet Bowers made the motion from the Audit Committee that the Secretary lists the exact date of membership payment in her records, updated monthly to the Sweepstakes Chairperson and the News Editor. Motion carried.

Janet Bowers and Bob Bolyard made the recommendation that she (the secretary) adhere to the board's recommendation to send postcards 30 days prior to their expiration date.

Janet Bowers discussed the Inner Transfer Sheet. This needs dates to go by on membership payments made.

Tony Parker stated that there needs to be a guideline as to whom to check with on who takes in money for the Fall Show and Convention so to complete a final report on events by Superintendents.

Jackie Carpenter led a discussion on letters to the editor and the policy for printing. Tony Parker stated that items needed to be sent through the mail or emailed, rather than being dropped off with the editor at the shows so to prevent possible misplacement.

By Law Changes:

Motion by Jane Burt, second by Janet to recommend a nonsupport of the proposal to change the number of advisors from two to four persons. Motion carried.

Membership Proposal, Article II, Section 1: Motion by Bob Bolyard, second by Jane Burt to change the date to take effect to July 1st, 2007, so to coincide with the ARBA's fee changes for MSRBA fee changes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bob Bolyard, second by Tony Parker to recommend the By Laws membership fee changes Amendment. Motion carried.

Discussion on the Award Banquet and Awards Presentations. The Banquet Committee is to discuss the ideas and possible changes.

Master Breeder Listing, Memoir's of Dean Daglow: Print in the next issue of the listing.

Discussion on an Ad for the ARBA Convention Catalog.

New Business:

Bob Bolyard made a motion to put \$3,000 into a CD or Money Market account with Gail Samson checking into the best interest rate and bring back to the General Membership Meeting. Second by Janet Bowers. Motion carried.

Fall Show: George Carpenter stated that the Sunday Show is available. Carlene Bell is the Show Secretary. The dates are Saturday, November 24th, and Sunday, November 25th. He stated that Western Michigan is interested in one of the Sunday shows.

Motion by Bob Bolyard to "flip flop" the youth with the open every other year. Discussion, motion withdrawn.

Bob Bolyard would like to discuss the issue of "flip-flopping" the open and youth every other year at the Convention show.

Jane made a motion that President Carpenter appoint a committee of three with the suggestion to appoint Bob Bolyard to the committee. Motion died due to lack of a second. Discussion continued.

Bob will talk with the youth and get their feedback at the youth meeting at Convention. Dennis Sulpher also noted that he will also be there.

Motion to adjourn by Larry Walthorn. Second by Tony Parker. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by: **Sherry S. Garrett**