

**Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Assoc.
General Membership Meeting
Lowell, MI
Kent Co. Fairgrounds
June 16th, 2007**

Meeting called to order by President Carpenter.

Motion by Jane Burt, second by Larry Walthorn to appoint Sherry Garrett as secretary pro-tem for the general membership meeting. Motion carried.

Bills Presented:

Motion to pay the bill for the Survey by Dean Daglow, second by Neva Sulpher of \$63.15. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Gail Samson

Income:	\$16,979.80
Expenses:	\$17,912.28
Deficit:	\$ 932.98

Show Circuit: Bonnie Hecksel wishes to be replaced as Open Sweepstakes Chairperson. Five persons are interested in this position. The top three will be interviewed at Cal-Bra-Hill in July.

Publications Department:

Newsletter: Jane Burt wishes to receive more informational articles for the newsletter. Bob Bolyard has a letter discussing the youth and open breeders for submission to the newsletter.

Master Breeder: Nominations are coming due.

Constitution Committee: They are working on membership renewals with changes to be sent to the Resolutions Committee.

Elections Committee: There is currently one nomination submitted to date for President. Nomination forms are due August 1st.

Convention 2008:

Banquet: Carlene has the Banquet set at the Clarion with any changes not to take effect until 2009.

Specialty Shows: One is scheduled so far with Shawn DeArmond.

Booths: Larry Walthorn will handle both the Fall Show and Convention requests for booths at \$50/booth space with cage dealers being \$100.00

Catalog: None yet

Rabbit School: Suggestion to ask Willis Plank to head this up.

Fall Show 2007:

Open Superintendent: George Carpenter

Open Secretary: Carlene Bell

Motion by Janet Bowers, support by Larry Walthorn to have Carlene and Jane get the MSRBA entry forms. Motion carried. Gail will order the remark cards from ARBA and have them sent to Carlene Bell.

Equipment: Carl Gustafson

Oakland County will be coming to pick up equipment that is being disbursed. Ingham County has already taken the holes they wanted. Carl is unsure what is left until Oakland County picks theirs up. There is about \$1582.00 in hand currently for equipment sales.

Bob Bolyard discussed that District 8 ARBA Director and ARBA Judge, Cathy Patrick died. The membership is encouraged to send their condolences. Neva Sulpher stated they have sent theirs. Jane is writing an article in the Newsletter, Chad is working on one for the website, and Gail will send a letter/card from MSRBA with condolences.

It was noted that Bob Swartz, ARBA Judge may be having some Health Problems.

New Business:

It was noted by President George Carpenter that Jackie DeArmond has resigned as secretary.

Darrel Howe made the motion to reinstate the points by Kathy Gustafson due to her lapse of paid membership which affects her parents also as they show together and reinstate the membership back to March. Neva Sulpher supported.

Discussion on notification of membership renewal of members with postcards versus on their Newsletter mailing labels.

Carlene Bell made the motion to end discussion. Bob Bolyard second. Motion carried.

Discussion on the validity of Darrel Howes motion according to the Constitution. Motion withdrawn.

Motion by Neva Sulpher, second by Shawn DeArmod to reinstate Kathy Gustafson's membership back to March. Motion carried.

President Carpenter stated that he is checking into a new Insurance Company to cut costs on insuring the trailer.

Motion to Adjourn by Larry Walthorn, second by Tony Parker. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by: **Sherry S. Garrett, secretary pro-tem**