Michigan State Rabbit Breeders Association Board of Directors Meeting December 7th, 2008

Minutes

Roll Call of Directors & Officers:

President: Jane Burt
Vice President: Willis Plank
Secretary: Sherry Garrett

Osceola R & C Breeders: Chris Garrett
South Central MI RBA: Jeff Granger
Western MI RBA: Larry Walthorn

Treasurer: Gail Samson Michigan Cavy Breeders: Helena Hickerson

Central MI RBA: Janet Bowers

Great Lakes R & C Shows: Ronda Hemenway

Heart of Michigan: Henry Carpenter

Mid Michigan RBA: George Carpenter

Mid State Mini Rex Club: Sandy Doyle

Secretary's Report: Sherry Garrett

Motion by Chris Garrett, second by Sandy Doyle to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Income: \$1,681.51 Expenses: \$4,042.48 Deficit: -\$2,360.97

Total Cash & Bank Accounts Assets: \$ 986.07 Certificate of Deposit: \$5,870.13 Total Assets: \$6,856.20

Report to be sent to the Audit Committee.

The deposit from Saturday's shows will go into the savings account. We need to maintain \$4,000.00 to not have service charges. We can transfer back and forth into the check account easily between the savings account and our checking account.

Officer Reports:

Secretary Report: The ARBA Charter is ready to go to ARBA. We need to ship the current Constitution and By-Laws to ARBA

President's Report: There was a discussion on the BOD meeting change of time to 10:0 a.m. from 12:30 p.m. for the December meeting. We need to increase participation by the membership and our directors in our meetings and activities.

- Newsletter: It would be nice to have more directors reports from the 29 affiliated clubs for the newsletter to keep the membership informed.
- Board of Directors Annual Meeting: February 8th, 12:30 at the MSU Pavilion
- General Membership Annual Meeting: Saturday a.m., March 7th, 2009 at the MSU Pavilion
- Upcoming 2009 Board of Directors and General Membership Meeting dates:
 Sunday, June 7th; Sunday September 27th; December 6th, the day after the MSRBA Fall Shows.

New Business:

2009 Budget:

Suggested income: \$52,510.00 Line Item Expenses: \$48.250.00

Motion to increase the budget on Youth Sweepstakes Donation due to the double MSRBA Fall shows by \$50.00 by Janet Bowers, second Jeff Granger. Motion carried.

Larry Walthorn made the motion to approve the 2009 budget as adjusted. Second by Carlene Bell. Motion carried.

Newsletter:

The Post Office is going to charge us for every returned or non-deliverable item that comes back to us. Motion by Sandy Doyle, second by Chris Garrett to adopt a standing Postal Return rate rule, exclusive of the life members of MSRBA stating: "Postal Return rates to be charged to the member who has not provided an address change to the secretary." Motion Carried.

Master Breeder:

Dennis Keefer needs all nominations for the Master Breeder Award to him by January 2nd. Sherry Garrett will provide him with the current copy of those members who have had 20 continuous years of paid membership in the MSRBA.

2009 Committee Members:

Motion by Chris Garrett, second by Henry Carpenter to accept the Committee's as presented to the Board of Directors. Motion carried.

Breeder Listing:

Motion by Chris Garrett, second by Sandy Doyle to place a breeder listing on the website and within the newsletter at a cost for both listings of \$10.00. The MSRBA website will have a link to the breeders website. Motion carried. The secretary will adjust the membership form to allow for this addition.

Late Convention Booth Requests:

Motion by George Carpenter, second by Sandy Doyle, to double the fee for Convention Booths if they do not file their contract by December 31st. Motion carried with one against the motion.

Motion to adjourn by Larry Walthorn, second by Ronda Hemenway. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Sherry S. Garrett