

MSRBA General Membership Meeting
MSU Pavilion
September 21st, 2014

Officers and Members present: President Anthony Parker, Vice President Chris Garrett, Secretary Sherry Garrett, and Treasurer Russ Scott. Neva Sulpher, Ronda Hemenway, Janet Bowers, Carlene Bell, Donna Mallory, Bonnie Havlicek, Deb Snyder, Janet Scott, Henry Carpenter, Eriks Troms, Kelly Hansen, Jane Burt, Helena Hickerson, Glenda Weiss, Tiffany Weiss. Guests: Krista Hunt, Liliana Hunt.

Secretary's Report:

Motion to accept the minutes as printed with the date corrections by Donna Mallory, second by Chris Garrett. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Income: \$ 1,954.04
Expenses: \$ 2,018.62
CD August 2014 Rollover: \$ 2,054.39
Independent Bank Transfers: Closed Account
From Checking: \$ 381.10
From Savings – 4-H Account \$ 2,881.51
From Savings – Head Tax \$ 900.00
Total Transfers to Chemical: \$ 6,217.00

Current Account Balances:

Chemical Bank Checking: \$ 7,439.17
Chemical Bank Savings: \$ 9,874.28
Chemical Bank Funds Total: \$17,313.45

The report was sent to the audit committee.

Committee Reports:

Equipment: no report

4-H Report: Ronda Hemenway

Fairs have been going on.

Show Circuit: Carlene Bell

\$713.04 received in Head Tax plus \$83.33 with a balance in Head Tax of \$796.37

Verification of clubs doing public displays needs to be sent to Carlene Bell as verification that the event has taken place..

Audit Committee: no report

Promotional: Ronda Hemenway

There is a budgeted purchase available of up to \$250.00 for purchase of new items. There is a need for Large, 2XLg, and 3XLg. In tee-shirts and regular sweatshirts. Ronda Hemenway will get the numbers needed and sizes to President Anthony Parker for purchase.

Motion by Neva Sulpher, second by Donna Mallory to discount some items from the inventory as clearance items.

Motion carried. Jane Burt noted that she has two cases of travel mugs at her home for the judge's beverages.

Constitution: No changes

Publication: Jane Burt

Jane Burt and Russ Scott are able to track the newsletter distribution. We require a release to be signed by the youth and parent for all photos taken of youth for the Newsletter and the website.

Elections: Neva Sulpher

A verbal thank you was given to Jane Burt from Neva Sulpher for all of her support and assistance in preparation of the ballot for the newsletter. Sherry Garrett will remain as secretary. Current Vice President Chris Garrett, and Marcus Rhoden have both filed petitions to run for this position. The Election Table will open at 10:00 on Saturday morning of the Fall Show and the election will close at 2:00 p.m.

Resolutions: Russ Scott

None have been received yet.

Auction: Kelly Hansen

Kelly is contacting out of state judges and breeders to also participate with donation of quality animals for the auction along with some Michigan breeders.

Unfinished Business:

Fall Show 2014:

The host hotel will be the Holiday Inn Express in Okemos. Cost per room will be \$125.00 no matter what size of room is requested due to it being a home football weekend. Tony Parker has blocked a group of rooms.

The number of judges for Saturday needs to have a few more added and a reduction in the number on Sunday.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

2015 Convention:

- Chairperson is still needed. Tony Parker is working on this.
- Show Secretary to be determined.
- 16 Judges hired for Saturday
- **Judges Conference & Rabbit School:** Pam Jones has stated that it is all done. It is recommended that the committee needs to be informed with a current update on the status of this event.
- **Domestic Rabbits Ad:** This needs to be approved by December 10th. To be discussed at the fourth quarter Board of Directors meeting.
- **Convention Catalog:** Deadline to have all information to Jane for the Convention Catalog is by the fourth quarter MSRBA meeting at the Fall Show.
- **Awards Banquet 2015:** The 2015 Banquet will be at the University Club. There is a possible change of site being at the Holiday Inn Express for 2016.
- **Host Hotel Room Block 2015:** There will be a block of rooms for Convention. More information to follow.

Any Other New Business:

As a note, Jan Ery passed away, and will be removed from the secretary's data base.

Motion to adjourn by Janet Bowers, second by Carlene Bell. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted by:

Sherry Garrett, secretary