

# FINAL VERSION

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

National Silver Fox Rabbit Club Board of Directors Meeting  
May 18th; 8:08pm eastern standard time; Facebook messenger

Attendees: Hannah Yost, Margaret Funck, Hollie Kremer, Roxanna Dabney, Kara Perez,  
Jo Mladjenovich, Nancy Wollam, Bill Brockman, Vernon Brown

❖ Hannah Yost called the meeting to order with a quorum of four officers and five directors

### ❖ Unfinished Business

- Motion to approve February 7th, 2023 Board meeting minutes by Margaret Funck
  - Seconded by Nancy Wollam
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote
- National Review
  - Good Show
  - Youth activity bags were given out, only had 1 leftover
  - Record number of silver foxes shown
  - Had a discussion on weigh in
    - ARBA Minimum of top 5
    - Load classes then weigh, then call judge over for comments
- Motion to approve the National award overage, Banner cost and wooden name tags by Roxanna Dabney
  - Seconded by Hollie Kremer
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote
- Motion to approve the 2022 convention financial report from Lynn Fischbeck by Margaret Funck
  - Seconded by Hollie Kremer
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote
- Motion to dismiss the 33 cents Lynn Fischbeck owes the club from convention reimbursement that came from the silent auction by Hollie Kremer
  - Kara Perez seconded
  - 8 Ayes
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- Motion to add electric to 2023 convention booth by Kara Perez
  - Seconded by Bill Brockman
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote
- Tabled discussion on convention booth budget for decorations
- Motion to use Karen's total for the Youth balance sheet by Hollie Kremer
  - Seconded by Kara Perez
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote
- Website Update
  - Kara and Roxanna have purchased all things for the website
  - Still on track for convention roll out

## ❖ New Business

- Audit Committee
  - Vernon shared with the group his findings about the clubs state of affairs after talking to the Treasurer (Roxanna) and Secretary (Hollie)
    - Definitely systems in place and have those systems written down to pass on to next officers when the time comes
  - Hannah continues to work on all committees and officer/directors SOP
- Tabled discussion on sanctioning shows for same weekend as Nationals ➤  
Motion to move Secretary and Treasurer to advisory members and have Sheri Singer as a committee member by Nancy Wollam
  - Seconded by Bill Brockman
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote
- Motion to increase sanction fees to \$10/open and leave youth sanctions free with open paid sanction starting January 1, 2024 for new requests for sanctions by Hollie Kremer
  - Seconded by Kara Perez
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote
- Motion to send \$50 for the ARBA judges convention luncheon by Hollie Kremer
  - Seconded by Roxanna Dabney
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote
- Discussed incorporating club
  - Kara will ask Scott Rodriguez

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- Sweeps has less than 25 missing show reports out at this point
- Roxanna will reach out to Jesse Gross and his club about the banner they had at the 2022 Nationals to see how much they would want for the banner
- Congrats to Jo Mladjenovich for being awarded the Walter Garland Lifetime Achievement Award
- Motion to end meeting at 9:21pm by Nancy Wollam
  - Seconded by Margaret Funck
  - 8 Ayes
  - Motion passes by unanimous vote

## ❖ Officer/Committee Reports

### ➤ **Secretary's Report:**

It's been a busy spring! Lots of sanctions, memberships and Nationals has kept me hopping. lol!

#### **January-March**

Memberships:

Renewals: 23

New: 29

#### **Sanctions processed:**

Total:

Open: 181

Youth: 116

#### **April Memberships:**

Renewals: 6

New: 8

#### **April Sanctions Processed:**

Open: 30

Youth: 23

### ➤ **Treasurer's Report June 2023:**

Grand Total: \$30,116.92

US Bank: \$26,137.55

PayPal: \$50.00

Treasury Stipend: \$165.85

Secretary Stipend: \$108.49

Youth Scholarship Fund: \$3655.03

### ➤ **Website Report:**

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Website committee has purchased the necessary applications and is in the process of development. We are still on track to meet the Convention deadline rollout.

## ➤ **Social Media Committee Report:**

Nationals was a fantastic event, necessary improvements to record keeping were implemented. Thank you to everyone who helped and made the event successful.

## ➤ **Youth committee report:**

"Rabbit show survival packs" were assembled for the youth attending Nationals. They contained essentials like hand wipes, candy, a "for sale" sign for above their carriers, and a Sharpie. They were successfully distributed.

## ➤ **Awards committee report:**

Awards for nationals were obtained by the Nationals committee. Margaret Funck graciously transported placement ribbons in my absence. Thank you Margaret. Sweepstakes plaques were ordered from Crown Awards and sent to Nancy Wollam. She then transported them to Nationals where most were distributed. Thank you Nancy. If you didn't attend Nationals, you will be mailed your Sweepstakes awards. Please let the club know if you've had a change of address.

## ➤ **2023 Sweeps Committee**

Keep checking the Sweeps page on the Nationals Club Web site. The results are updated through February show reports received. 272 reports have been entered as of 31 March, and we are now entering March show results. If your numbers don't seem correct please contact us at [sweeps.nsfrc@gmail.com](mailto:sweeps.nsfrc@gmail.com). Please allow 5 business days for a reply.

For those of you new to how Sweepstakes and Sanctions work in an ARBA chartered national breed club, here is a brief explanation: any local, regional, or state rabbit club chartered with ARBA that is holding an ARBA Sanctioned All Breed Rabbit show may request to have NSFRC sanction Silver Fox rabbits at their show so that members can win sweepstakes points for their Silver Fox shown. The sweepstakes is an annual contest in which members in good standing can win awards based on the points won by their rabbits at sanctioned shows during the contest period. Sweeps points are awarded based on how well you rabbit performs. First, you have basic Class Points. Class Points are points earned in, yep, you guessed it – the class! They're awarded as follows for "regular" shows (ARBA Convention & Nationals are done differently) 1st Place: 6 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 1st place of 20 would be 120 pts) 2nd Place: 4 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 2nd place of 20 would be 80 pts) 3rd Place: 3 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 3rd place of 20 would be 60 pts)

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4th Place: 2 times the number of animals in the class (ex: 4th place of 20 would be 40 pts)

5th Place: 1 time the number of animals in the class (ex: 5th place of 20 would be 20 pts)

ARBA National Convention and National Silver Fox Show Class Points to be awarded as follows:

1st place in class = 12 points times the number of animals in the class. 2nd place in class = 9 points times the number of animals in the class. 3rd place in class = 8 points times the number of animals in the class. 4th place in class = 7 points times the number of animals in the class. 5th place in class = 6 points times the number of animals in the class. 6th place in class = 5 points times the number of animals in the class. 7th place in class = 4 points times the number of animals in the class. 8th place in class = 3 points times the number of animals in the class. 9th place in class = 2 points times the number of animals in the class. 10th place in class = 1-point times the number of animals in the class.

Then you have your bonus points. BOB: 1.5 points for every animal shown in the breed. BOS: 1 point for every opposite animal shown in the breed (ex: If a buck wins, and you have the BOS doe, you get one point for every doe shown in the breed) Best in Show 50 points, RIS 25 points, BOB Convention 100 points, BOS Nationals or Convention 50 points. Fur points are their own special animal and will be covered in future articles.

Sweeps points show how far our National Club has come. Our members are putting up good numbers of quality Silver Fox Rabbits. We are even starting to see Best in Show and Reserve in show placings. Awesome job.

## ➤ **Marketing Committee:**

Congratulations to Lisa Oliver Summey on her winning submission for 2023 Nationals in Canton Ohio. We had 37 shirt orders delivered to Nationals. I cannot wait to see the pictures. This could not have happened without the help of all the Marketing Committee members. Tiffany Taylor for her computer graphic skills. Roxanne Dabney for updating the web site to accept orders and actually ordering the shirt blanks, Lisa of course for allowing small modifications to her submission for ease of creation. And all for the great discussions held on choosing shirts, colors, fonts, design placement. I personally had a great time working with the group for this project and cannot wait to see what we come up with for the Convention in October.

If there are other items you would like marked with club logo or designs please let the marketing committee know. We can be reached at [nsfrc.mktg@gmail.com](mailto:nsfrc.mktg@gmail.com)

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Is this the shirt you want to wear at the 2023 Convention in October? Of course not. Convention 2022 and Nationals 2023 have shown us the creativity this groups possesses. So for the convention we are asking for a new design for shirts to display how awesome Silver Fox fanciers are. Contest as follows: Entries submitted by the end of June. (This gives all of May and June for design) July 15 winning design selected. Pre-orders by September 1 for delivery at Convention. I cannot wait to see what you can come up with.

## ➤ **2023 Silver Fox in Louisville Convention Planning:**

I left the 2021 convention in Louisville, KY with a ton of ideas that I want to explore for the 2023 Convention also in Louisville, KY. The 2023 ARBA convention will be the 100th , so it should be huge. I want our Silver Fox fanciers to leave the convention thinking it was the best show experience they have experienced. To do that will require planning and work starting after Reno is complete.

Ideas

- o Photo booth, maybe a backdrop that is the winning t-shirt logo?
- o Banquet

Need to figure out where and when

I want to be able to present sweeps and show awards at the banquet

Speech by the club president

- o Advertising and asking for donations for auctions/raffle table.
- o Do we want to host a rabbit auction?
- o Do we want to do raffle or silent auction for tabled items?
- o Lunch for the day of the show, I saw a group bring in pizza
- o Specialized t-shirt

Start with design ideas either as a competition or through the marketing group. (Reno and 2023 Nationals designs were awesome)

Once the designs are finalized, say by June, advertise for pre-orders for delivery at convention

- o 50/50 raffle, winner gets 50% of the pot and the club gets the other 50%. \$5 per ticket?
- o Packets of blue M&Ms for fundraiser for the blue COD
- o Solicit more fundraising ideas-this is just what I have thought of I obviously cannot do all this myself and if accepted as an idea I will take on getting the word out through the marketing groups and the social media group asking for volunteers for the various items, asking for any new idea, and then being a pain in the ass keeping everyone updated on the various items