

ATRBA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
INDIANAPOLIS, IN - NOVEMBER 1, 2011

President Glen Carr called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. with the following present: vice president Brigitte Armstrong, secretary/treasurer Tina Reif, directors Kim Glass, Cindy Wickizer, Tim Branham, Susan Pohto. Missing were directors Dera Oldofredi and Carrol Hooks. There were 59 members in attendance.

President Carr asked for a motion to approve minutes from the 2010 membership meeting. The motion was made by John Soper; second by Tim Branham.

President Carr told the members that due to Carrol's absence, the secretary's report would not be available. He also mentioned that the finances were in transition due to the recent change in treasurer.

President Carr introduced new secretary/treasurer, Tina Reif to the members in attendance. He took this opportunity to ask members to encourage those who may have allowed their memberships to expire to remain with the club. Continuing a strong membership is important to the club. He thanked Tina for her work.

President Carr introduced new webmaster, Andrea Ross. Andrea spoke of her work on the website, stating that it had been updated, that the information from the old website had all been transferred, and that she was in the process of archiving the old newsletters. She encouraged suggestions, as this is the club's website. Glen thanked Andrea for her work on the new website.

President Carr offered encouragement to the strong youth presence in our club. He encouraged an even greater involvement in the club. To help promote our youth member Rob Pape of Indiana has been appointed by the board to oversee a youth committee.

Mr. Pape gave greetings to the youth members and announced the formation of a ATRBA youth Facebook page.

President Carr offered his appreciation to those who had worked at this National Convention: Teri Hendrix as both the booth chairperson, and breed chairperson. He reminded the members that they would need to see Teri to check out their rabbits before leaving the convention. John Soper as our judge for both open and youth. Both did an excellent job!

President Carr called on member Duane Holman to give an update on Thrianta Nationals 2012 scheduled for April in Fort Worth, TX. The Texas Thrianta RBC will be the sponsors. Duane reported that volunteers were stepping in to help, but that more help could be used. Glen announced to Duane that the board had voted to give the club \$300 to help with national's expenses. Member Krystal Willhite was asked during the meeting to help with the breakfast planning for the national show. She has agreed to help.

President Carr announced that Thrianta Nationals 2013 will once again return to Columbus, OH. The show will be in May. Director Susan and member Tammy Ashley will be in charge of the show's details. Tammy announced that they are planning a Mexican theme.

President Carr brought a request from our Domestic Rabbit magazine reporter, Gail McDonald. She asked that members send her ideas about what we would like to see her mention in the DR. Glen reminded us that the DR is the one place where the entire ARBA membership has a chance to read about our rabbits and our club.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Reif
Secretary

