



Approved Minutes

RSO Board/Executive Meeting – Apr 18, 2017 Minutes

LOCATION – Teleconference – Meeting @ 7:30pm

NAME	POSITION	PRESENT
Bruce Leonard	President	Yes
Darryl Malone	CARS Rally Director for RSO	Yes
Warren Haywood	Vice-President – Performance Rally	Yes
Darin Mayes	Vice-President – Navigational Rally	Yes
Kelly Mathew	Secretary	Yes
David Maynard	Treasurer	Yes
Ross Wood	Executive Assistant / Equipment Manager	Yes
Roger Sanderson	Webmaster	
Steve van Rees	Chief Scrutineer	
	Growth Committee	
Alasdair Robertson	Legislative Affairs	
Bob McCallum	BEMC Club Representative	
Martin Loveridge	KWRC Club Representative	Yes
Mike Koch	MCO Club Representative	Regrets
Derek Vincent	MLRC Club Representative	Regrets
Lindsay Webster	PMSC Club Representative	Yes
Robert Switzer	St. LAC Club Representative	
Bryce Deathe	SPDA Club Representative	Yes
Dietmar Seelenmayer	TAC Club Representative	

Agenda

- 1. Approval of/additions to agenda** – - If guest Robinson Kelly joins the call we will discuss rally marketing – if not, the agenda stays as written. Mathew/Maynard. Unanimous. Carried
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting (Feb 13, 2017)** Moved for approval of the minutes as written. Mathew/Haywood. Unanimous. Carried.

3. Treasurer's Report – David Financial documents were sent out ahead of the meeting.

Monies outstanding :

RPN accommodation costs for timing team – RW to send costs to treasurer. BEMC affiliation fees (\$100)

Transfer of the signing authority – Was completed but scanned copy wasn't legible so David will be dropping off completed forms tomorrow at the bank. Also a change of address will have to be sent out to Clubs etc. David will have anything sent to Pete Gulliver forwarded to him

Motion for acceptance of the treasurer's report as submitted. Maynard/

4. CARS update – Darryl Malone

- a. Direction for vehicle tracking – CARS currently awaiting the results of the recent petition with regards to tracking devices
RSO stance – Let each region & event chose what tracking system they want to use & not mandate a particular system
- b. CARS looking at changing O4WD (lower costs, lower speeds of top cars) -
Darryl is hoping to encourage them to only look at rule changes that will affect the top tier of cars, so as not to make it more expensive by introducing changes that all other team also have to spend the money to make changes.
- c. CARS signed sponsors (Subaru, Motul, Formula Photographic) – ***not a lot of information on this yet.***
- d. CARS regional scrutineer network – ***Looking for a regional representative to work with scrutineers in other provinces to discuss general trends in issues or improvements that need to be made across the board – Needs to be someone with experience in scrutineering – Warren will stand as this position for now – would be good to get more scrutineers trained up and involved. KWRC has a number of members that may be interested in getting into scrutineering. Bruce also suggested Jason Crandall as a trainee scrutineer.***
- e. CARS tech committee has been form (Bruce, Ray, Boris, Chris, Darryl)
- f. Helmet rules to be updated – ***Been a push to change the rules to only allow FIA spec helmets – still under discussion***
- g. Concussion test in research - ***Researching a concussion test that can be applied to competitors involved in accidents during the event to establish appropriate medical attention – research still on going***
- h. RSO member rally cross rule change proposals going to Admin Rules committee – ***Clarification requested by some club members with regards to rallycross rules (specifically location of obstacles at the***

side of the course) – Discussion was held earlier this evening – Minutes currently being typed up

5. Old Business –

- a. **RSO Website - Update from Darin (Sent info via email 2 weeks ago)** – Minor updates – moving things around to make them more accessible. New RPN video, February approved minutes & next meeting date to be added following the meeting.
- b. **OPRC Results 2017** – Rallye Perce Neige (results were inaccurate – do we have final results now?) – Results now accurate – WH to post online ASAP

ACTION: WARREN TO POST UPDATED OPRC RESULTS TO RSO WEBSITE

- c. **HAM Radio course – Ross** – Instructors would now like to hold it in the Fall. Ross will discuss it with them at LHFR

ACTION: ROSS TO DISCUSS HAM RADIO COURSE WITH INSTRUCTORS AT LHFR

- d. **Motorama** – Event went very well – Event roundup email sent to BOD after Motorama
- e. **Rally Sprint Rule Change Recommendations** – sent to CARS – some feedback from John Hall – Majority of suggestions made can be regional level regulations (licencing, course cars/medics etc) – Not enough data for average speed adjustments.
2 main areas that were to be discussed at the CARS Rules Admin Committee meeting earlier tonight was
 - i. Length of event – Maximum 40km & not to allow events to hold 2 events on the same day – supposed to be stepping stone – 40km is good distance for beginners
 - ii. Restrictors in Forced-induction vehicles – RSO would like vehicles to follow CARS rules

Discussion was had tonight (Tues Apr 18 – CARS Rules Admin Committee) & results of that discussion will be forwarded to Kelly for RSO.

- f. **AGM** - Guest speaker came to discuss distracted driving laws with regards to HAM radio operators – RSO & Clubs encouraged to write to individuals with details of why HAM operators are important to their events etc. – **Bruce will be contacting clubs & individual events with regards to these letters; as well as Alasdair.**

ACTION: BRUCE TO CONTACT CLUBS, EVENTS AND ALASDAIR ROBERTSON WITH REGARDS TO WRITING LETTERS DETAILING THE IMPORTANCE OF HAM RADIO OPERATORS TO OUR SPORT

6. ORRC Report – Darin

Last event was in February – Polar Bear Rally – very good turnout (27 entries plus 5 Bear Cub entries) – lots of new people at the event
In 2 weeks it is Spring Run Off (PMSC) – been green crewed & start location confirmed

Brooke has put out a call for workers for his event in June (BL is green crew)
SNATR (KWRC) this weekend

Warren has had some interest in starting up an event in the Ottawa area (one has run there in the past) – some discussion into what a Nav event should be – keep it simple – ML will send WH templates for info

7. OPRC Report – Warren

- a. **LHFR** – routework was done on the weekend. A LOT of work but should be a good event. Roads are in pretty good shape – just need to dry up (some snow still in there) Township agreed to the pre & post inspection
Everything else is going well
103km of stage road.
Very technical.
Supp regs are out & registration is open through motoreg.com
HQ facility is great - service area might be a bit tight but if organized well, shouldn't be an issue
- b. **Voyageurs** – No big update. Planning on going. Under control at the moment

8. Legislative Affairs Report – Alasdair

9. Scrutineer's report – Steve van Rees, Chief Scrutineer

10. Equipment Managers report – Ross Wood

- a. **Timing** – all set for LHFR – **Kelly to send Start/FF coordinates to Ross**
- b. **Recce signs for ATC etc** – had some new ones made as a few had gone missing

11. Growth Initiatives –

- a. **Rally Perce Neige Video** – Released Monday April 17th – posted on social media, OPRC & RSO websites
- b. **CDN Rally Media Program 2017 – Warren** – Covering costs for the program (request from Growth Committee) Media program for 2017 requires \$6600 to cover costs. The Growth Committee asked that discussion was had into committing to CDNRally for the 2017 coverage.
Mixed views on the coverage itself & how valuable it is. We don't need the money up front but CDNRally is looking for a commitment to the full season (5 remaining events) & we can pay per event.
Each Board member was asked to give their opinion of the program & their thoughts on where we should go from here. The growth committee is committed to drumming up

the sponsorship required for the program but there are concerns that enough money won't be raised & RSO will have to pay the balance.

Motion: RSO will provide CDNRally with direction to go ahead with the program with the understanding that the growth committee will offset the \$6600 cost through sponsorship Haywood/Maynard. 3 voted for/3 voted against. Tie vote. Remain status quo. Motion is defeated.

Discussion:

Deemed too much of a risk to commit to it at this point in time

Ross suggested maybe Clubs would like to opportunity to raise the money themselves.

Martin noted from an organizer point of view – they don't have any extra money to put towards the program without increasing fees on competitors.

RSO will not commit to the CDNRally program for 2017

12. New Business –

a. RSO Organizer Forum – Darryl

Would like to create an RSO Organizer forum to meet a couple of times a year to discuss events, issues, ideas to improve them etc.

Would like to have a conference call with current/past organizers & their assistants to float ideas around & possibly work on an organizers handbook

Darryl will contact the organizers to get them interested in it –

Peter Watt had been working on the handbook previously – Contact him with regards to status.

ACTION: DARRYL TO CONTACT EVENT ORGANIZERS WITH REGARDS TO THE RSO ORGANIZER FORUM

b. LHFR Provided Notes – Darryl

CARS gave approval for LHFR to supplied organizer prepared notes for the event (based on the individuals writing the notes)

13. Club News –

a. British Empire Motor Club (BEMC) (per Bob McCallum)

b. Kitchener–Waterloo Rally Club (KWRC) (per Martin Loveridge)

SNATR this weekend

Rally Cross May 13

Blossom (ORRC & SNATR) May 20

SNATR June 10

- c. Motorsport Club of Ottawa (MCO) (per Mike Koch)**
- d. Maple Leaf Rally Club (MLRC) (per Derek Vincent)**
MLRC will be hosting a Rally Sprint on June 24th in the Bancroft area. We will be using a similar route and schedule as last year. The MLRC RallyCross will be the 25th at the Golton Field. Other than that things are on track for the Rally Cross and the Bear.
- e. Peterborough Motor Sports Club (PMSC) (per Pete Gulliver)**
- f. St. Lawrence Automobile Club (St. LAC) (per Robert Switzer)**
- g. Subaru Performance Drivers' Association (SPDA) (per Bryce Deathe) Nothing to report**
- h. Toronto Autosport Club (TAC) (per Dietmar Seelenmayer)**

Meeting adjourned at: 9:35pm

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday May 23rd, 2017 730pm