



2019 Annual General Meeting

4:00pm on Saturday, May 2nd, 2020
Online virtual meeting

Unapproved Minutes

1. **The meeting was called to order** at 4pm, and a quorum was declared with 6 of 8 Clubs represented. The secretary reported that there were a total of 25 in attendance, with 70 registered votes.

President Martin Loveridge presented his opening remarks; welcoming everyone & thanking them for their continued support within the rallying community.

2. **Approval/Changes to the Agenda –**

Peter Gulliver (PMSC) requested that confirmation of the President's position be voted on during the elections .

Approved as amended. M/S Rob McAuley (TAC)/Roger Sanderson (KWRC). Unanimous. Carried.

3. **Introduction of the 2019 Board of Directors and Executive**

RSO President Martin Loveridge introduced the Board of Directors and the Executives to the delegates in attendance.

4. **Approval of the minutes** of 2018 AGM held on March 16th, 2019

Approved as written. Kelly Mathew (MLRC)/Pete Gulliver (PMSC). Unanimous. Carried.

5. **Director's Reports**

All Directors Reports were available ahead of time on the RSO website, as well as included in the Delegates Package. No questions were asked of the Director's reports.

Moved as presented. Bruce Leonard (MLRC)/Rob McAuley (TAC)

6. Financial Reports

Financial Reports had been sent out ahead of time to Club representatives and those who had expressed interest in joining the meeting.

The overall summary written by RSO Treasurer was also posted on the RSO website.

Financial Summary:

RallySport Ontario's financial position improved in 2019 when compared to 2018.

The most notable differences are net revenue increased from a deficit of \$5,428 to a surplus of \$3,893. The largest contributors to the improved result are:

- *Performance Rally revenue increased by \$2,307 to \$9,830*
- *Performance rally expenses including road damage decreased by \$6,355 to \$5,733*
- *Timing revenue increased to \$11,710 while timing expenses dropped to \$9,778*

The biggest change in 2019 was the start of the rally sprint series, the goal for the series of 3 events was to break even. The net fees collected were \$11,955 of which \$11,250 was given to the organizers to run the events. RallySport Ontario paid additional expenses of \$388 for total rally sprint series cost of \$11,638.

The surplus of \$3,893 was added to General Reserve Fund. At the end of 2019 the General Reserve Fund balance was \$23,536.

Some discussion of the financial reports.

Question from Peter Gulliver (PMSC) - Where was the \$50 per car road damage fee for the two MLRC rally sprint events shown? *This has been included in the OPRC Road damages – Treasurer David will look into the figures and send the separated information to the Club Reps, BOD and execs over the next couple of days.*

Moved to accept financial report as presented with the understanding that the Treasurer will determine where the road damage fees are recorded for ORSC. David Maynard (MLRC)/ Bruce Leonard (MLRC). All in favour. Carried.

7. **Old Business** – Nothing to discuss

8. **Confirmation of the Acts of the Board**

M/S Ross Wood (MLRC)/Dave Cotie (MLRC)). Unanimous. Carried.

9. **New Business** – No new business for the AGM. General discussion will be had after the meeting.

10. Elections

a. VP Navigational (two year term)

Ian Lalonde was nominated by Roger Sanderson (KWRC)/Dave Cotie (MLRC)

Louis Cabardos was nominated by Bruce Leonard (MLRC)/Peter Watt (PMSC)

Both candidates willing to run.

The members voted in favour of Louis Cabardos (PMSC)

Louis Cabardos elected.

b. Secretary (two year term)

Kelly Mathew was nominated by Rob McAuley (TAC)/Roger Sanderson (KWRC)

No other nominations

Kelly Mathew accepted.

Kelly Mathew acclaimed.

c. Interim President (1 year remaining of 2 year term)

Martin Loveridge was nominated by Alan Ockwell (MLRC)/Larry Flint (MLRC)

No other nominations

Martin Loveridge accepted

Martin Loveridge acclaimed

d. Trustee (three year term)

Ray Felice was nominated by Ross Wood (MLRC)/Bruce Leonard (MLRC)

Ray Felice acclaimed

11. Appointment of Reviewer of the Books

Jane Leonard appointed reviewer of the books. Dave Cotie (MLRC)/Ian Lalonde (MLRC)

12. Adjournment

M/S Pete Watt (PMSC)/Trevor Hancher (SPDA) moved that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

AGM adjourned at 4:46pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & DISCUSSION

1. **Bylaw Committee** - RSO would like to form a committee to look into the current RSO Bylaws and suggest appropriate changes &/or additions. There were a number of issues RSO came up against while discussing the resignation of the Regional Rally Director position & how it should be handled. Current bylaws do not address this. Members who volunteered for the committee: **Ross Wood/Martin Loveridge/Warren Haywood/Peter Gulliver & RSO will also ask Alasdair Robertson to join**

2. **Thoughts on Upcoming Events:** CARS has announced guidelines for when a decision needs to be made with regards to whether events are to be run or not.
 - a. **July MLRC Rallysprint** - Decision to be made by June 1st
 - b. **MLRC Black Bear Rally** – Usually applying for permits & road permissions 8 weeks prior to the event but currently MNR are not accepting any requests. BBR is up in the air until further announcements are made by the government. MLRC not in favour of moving event to September onwards as it's too close to Pines if that is to run
 - c. **OPRC Season** – Board will discuss the Championship – depends on what remaining events run as to whether a Championship is viable. BBR up in air. No decision made with regards to Defi but sporting events on hold in Quebec until end of August. If both of these cancelled it would leave Tall Pines & that is also under discussion depending on what other CRC events are running.
 - d. **OPRC Prize Fund** – Still under discussion with sponsors & will depend on how many more OPRC events will run this season – BOD to discuss further
 - e. **2020 Tall Pines** – Still under discussion. Will depend on other CRC events and CARS decision with regards to the National Championship. Question was posed – would Pines still run as a regional only – a scaled down version? Would still be ECRC as well if that Championship continues this season. Would people still be willing to enter an event if it wasn't part of a Championship? Tall Pines committee still to discuss these questions.
 - f. **CRC Championship** – This is on the agenda for discussion at the next CARS meeting. Scenarios being discussed if certain CRC events are cancelled and what that will look like for the championship.
 - g. **June PMSC Rallycross at Burnt River** – will probably not go ahead. Even if things start to open up a bit more they don't want to be insensitive by having competitors travelling through communities. PMSC will announce soon.
 - h. **Rescheduling Events for later in the year** – Could be difficult as it will be hard to fit all events in to limited spots. Also have to consider other aspects of daily life being postponed to later in the year; competitors being able to afford to compete; volunteers having the time & funds to be able to help out etc.
3. **Rallycross event insurance** – Just a reminder that Rallycrosses now need separate insurance 2 weeks in advance of the event – this request must go through Warren
4. **New ASN in Canada** – Nothing official yet – If a new ASN forms, CARS will evaluate the need to join it. Currently have insurance for events without being involved with ASN so will continue to monitor the situation.
5. **Timing Equipment usage in Quebec** - QC events will not be using RallySafe for tracking & will be using EZTrak instead. They are also hoping to use it for timing. Peter MacDonald does not recommend using it as the primary timing system but can be used as a back-up. This will put into question their use of the RSO Timing Equipment going forward. However, Ross assures RSO Timing equipment will always remain either revenue neutral or revenue positive.

6. **Virtual Road Rallies** - Navigational organizers are trying something a little different to keep people engaged.
 - a. **Virtual Road Rally #1** - organized by Louis C, who sent out instructions. 12 Expert entries and 6 novice. Went very well & the winner donated their money to charity.
 - b. **VRR #2** – Dennis to organize – Martin is hoping to hear from him soon with the details.
 - c. **VRR #3** - Bruce L has one planned that is focused more on the co-drivers.
7. **Rally Car Registration in Ontario** – Dave Cotie would like to see more effort being put back into this subject. (As well as insurance – but they are 2 separate topics).

Darryl is still interested in working on a committee to start looking into Registration Exemptions. Dave Cotie volunteered to join this team. Dave Maynard has some contacts that may be useful. Need to start researching laws & regulations. Dave Maynard is will to present to his contact with specific 'asks' but just needs help putting it together. Once we have the request for changes put together, a number of members were willing to pass it along to their MPPs. Need Alasdair on board in some form to assist. Group to put together some objectives & run it past the BOD.
8. **Conference Call Platforms** – There are currently a lot of options available to RSO with regards to platforms that can host the regular RSO meetings, RSO Club/Event meetings & the AGM. Many of them are cheaper than our current call system & therefore would be a good idea for RSO to switch in order to reduce costs.

Martin L & Roger Sanderson to look into lower cost alternatives for conference call platforms & present at the next RSO meeting.
9. **Modified HAM licencing** – Justin C informed the group that due to the current situation, HAM licencing has been modified in a way that may let some people exam over the phone/via video. This might be beneficial in order to get the outliers that haven't been able to get to examinations in the past.
10. **Final Thoughts** – Thank you to everyone for joining the call & for being patient while we got everything organized. Thank you to the BOD for their ongoing support.