



Minutes

RSO Board/Executive Meeting – July 12, 2021

LOCATION – Video Conference Meeting @ 7:30pm

NAME	POSITION	PRESENT
Martin Loveridge	President	Yes
Warren Haywood	CARS Rally Director for RSO	Yes
Brandon Pace	Vice-President – Performance Rally	Yes
Louis Cabardos	Vice-President – Navigational Rally	Yes
Kelly Mathew	Secretary	Yes
David Maynard	Treasurer	Yes
Ross Wood	Executive Assistant / Equipment Manager	Yes
Roger Sanderson	Webmaster	Yes
Chris Krepski	Chief Scrutineer	Yes
	Growth Committee	
Alasdair Robertson	Legislative Affairs	
Martin Loveridge	KWRC Club Representative	Yes
Will Arnold	MCO Club Representative	No
Bruce Leonard	MLRC Club Representative	Yes
Mike Koch	OSCC Club Representative	Yes
Pete Gulliver	PMSC Club Representative	No
<i>Unknown</i>	St. LAC Club Representative	
Trevor Hancher	SPDA Club Representative	Yes
Graham Tullett	TAC Club Representative	No

Agenda

- 1. Approval of/additions to agenda** – .Additional item – Videoing RallyCross at TMP. Can be discussed under growth initiatives. Approved as amended. Mathew/Maynard. Unanimous. Carried
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting (Jun 7, 2021)** Approved as presented. Mathew/Maynard. Unanimous. Carried.
- 3. Treasurer’s Report – David** Financial documents were sent out ahead of the meeting. Approved as presented. Maynard/Koch. Unanimous. Carried. The transactions since the last report are:

- a. Invoice to Rallye Baie Des Chaleurs of \$1600 for timing
- b. Payment of \$852 to Stoneridge Insurance for trailer and timing equipment insurance. Up \$320 from last year. Kevin from Stoneridge is on vacation until July 19th. I will find out the reason for the big jump when he gets back

4. CARS update – Warren – From the CARS board meeting June 16th 2021

- a. Financial:
 - i. 2nd quarter update provided YTD deficit has reduced since last quarter as a result of license
 - ii. As events come back on line we should see our income levels increase
 - iii. Approx. 1000.00 of license credits donated back to CARS which is very much appreciated as it helps immensely with the finances of the association
- b. CRC:
 - i. BDC ready to go (has gone)
 - ii. Events have adjusted competition schedules BDC, RMR, Charlevoix, BW and PN will all be 1 day events in 21/22(RPN)
 - iii. DEFI and PFR will remain as 2 day events
- c. Sponsorship:
 - i. Subaru contract signed for 21 with it being a 1 year deal
 - ii. Conference call scheduled for July 12, 2021 to discuss the deliverables with Formula and put a plan in place to develop a strategy to provide coverage for the 8th event.
- d. Rally car registration:
 - i. Francois East has made significant inroads with Quebec registration of Rally vehicles, working on a proposal similar to that of ALTA and BC
 - ii. EV discussion took place at the same time, it was agreed that it would be good for our technical team to research and be prepared to put a rule set in place for EV rally competition vehicles for consideration.
- e. Medical delegate
 - i. We still do not have a delegate in place for QC or the rest of Canada.
 - ii. Drawing a blank for suitable candidates for this role
 - iii. John to draft an announcement
- f. Presidential nominations:
 - i. The board discussed the selection process for the new president
 - ii. Martin to draft a notice and release as a bulletin
- g. Vehicle tracking:
 - i. As reported from last meeting the board discussed vehicle tracking with some desire to standardize the system of preference.
 - ii. The directors have been tasked to discuss, Francois East is heading this team to report back to the greater board with a proposal.
 - iii. Deliverables to include required functionality, Cost benefit analysis, stakeholder input.
 - iv. A motion was made to adopt the mandate and approved.
- h. Request for exemption:

- i. A request for an exemption was tabled for discussion for BBR and non-licensed rally vehicle use.
- ii. Board discussed and based on the request an exemption was approved.
Next meeting was set for July 19th 2021.

Ontario Permits granted: Rallysprint events, Black Bear Rally and Rallycross events for MLRC and PMSC.

5. Old Business

- a. Rally car registration – No current update for Ontario – Warren working on this
 - b. Bylaw committee – No current update
 - c. Online Co-driver course - set for July 18. 50 attendees registered. Alan has done an excellent job putting together the material. Alan will be teaching the course with Kelly monitoring the chat feed for any questions during the presentation. Alan requested that it not be recorded. Course materials have been sent out and Martin will open the platform 15 mins early so that attendees can deal with any technical issues they may have before the course starts.
 - d. First Aid course – Warren has contacted Jan & she is keen to assist with hosting a course this year. There are some restrictions in place with respect to masks and or face shields and no partnering. Other than that she can host something if we wish. Kelly will put together a posting to gauge participant interest. This can be posted to FB and IG. Once we establish that a course is needed we can plan for September or October.
- 6. Navigational Rally Report – Louis** No rallies to date. 3 events left in the season but the rules say 4 for a championship. The 3 events will all be double headers for ORRC purposes so that there are 6 events in total this year. Each event will be split into 2 separate events.
- a. **Oct 2 – Automapic (KWRC)**
 - b. **Oct 23 – Spring Run off & President’s Prize (PMSC)**
 - c. **Nov 27 – Northern Lights (KWRC)**

7. Performance Rally Report – Brandon –

- a. **Performance Rally:**
 - i. **BBR** – Organization going well. 10 entries so far. Entry list won’t be posted until all criteria has been met by the entrants. Larry is strict on entry requirements. MNR has approved the road use. Safety plan is handed in to CARS and just waiting on confirmation of insurance. Organizers are just waiting on confirmation from the Catchacoma Community Centre that they have access to the facility during the day. Competitors and volunteers will have to complete the Ontario Online COVID Screening Tool within 24hrs of the event. This link will be sent to all competitors & crew the day before.

There is a car entered that will need the cage checking as it's had work since it last competed – Martin/Brandon to reach out to Steve Van Rees to check over the car as it's in the Kitchener area. Chris K will also take a look over it at the event.

Vasu had to withdraw from stewarding at BBR so the event stewards will now be Pete Gulliver and Steve Van Rees

- ii. **Defi** – all seems to be on track. All road permissions granted.
- iii. **RTP** – Tall Pines Committee had a quick phone call today (July 12) to discuss the rapidly changing COVID situation. The event now has to be prepared to accept spectators in November. Plans will still be in place to have a spectator free event but will also have to have alternative plans. Donna is currently looking at updating the route. There will be no VIP program or spectator guide. The event will be hosting double header OPRC events. Golton & Cross Country Stage will not be used.

- b. **RallySprint** - 2 of the 3 locations have been checked out. Hoping to host a test day on Aug 9th at Free Flow for registered competitors only.
- c. **RallyCross** - Going well. Lots of competitors registering. MLRC and PMSC are enjoying the Free Flow location. KWRC has been looking for a new location and has found Eagles Nest which has a motorcross track but they are developing a RallyX track.

8. Legislative Affairs Report – Alasdair –

- 9. Scrutineer's report – Chris Krepski** - Chris asked that BBR organizers remind competitors that they all need to make sure their car is logbooked before heading to the event. No logbooks will be granted at the event itself. Bruce will send Chris the entry list so far to make sure that all the vehicles are logbooked.

- 10. Equipment Managers report – Ross Wood** Timing team went to BDC (9 members). The intent was for it to be the back-up system to EZTrak but there were a few issues for EZTrak so the RSO Timing equipment was primary for about half of the event. The 2 systems did work very well together with very little discrepancy between the 2. One beam was run over at a flying finish. The Newells will report to Ross with the cost of repair.

- 11. Growth Initiatives** – RSO was approached by Honda to assist with the filming of a segment that wants to promote grassroots motorsport. Darin Mayes, Ian Wright, Bruce Leonard & Jeff Lantz joined them at TMP where they had rented the grass area to set up a rallycross course. The film crew had 2 drivers who had never competed in rallycross before using a 2003 Honda & they will be filming their progress over the next few weeks/events. Eric Vlasic was their driver coach & pacesetter. The rallycross

representatives discussed events, membership etc for the filming. The second event was supposed to happen July 13 but was called off due to the weather. KWRC are hoping to test their new rallycross course soon with an invitation-only event so they may incorporate the film crew at this event.

12. New Business –

- a. **Insurance** – Ross has been trying to assist the new competitors at BBR in obtaining insurance for their rallycars. There are 2 insurance brokers willing to issue insurance so he has referred a number of competitors to them. It appears to be cheaper than what they have quoted in the past.
- b. **Car Zero Report** – Bruce should have time to work on the next Car Zero Report on the weekend

13. Club News –

- a. **Kitchener–Waterloo Rally Club (KWRC) (per Martin Loveridge)**
KWRC will be hosting the first Ontario Navigational rally of the year this weekend with the SNATR event.
New rallycross location as mentioned earlier at Eagles Nest
- b. **Motorsport Club of Ottawa (MCO) (per Will Arnold).** Nothing to report
- c. **Maple Leaf Rally Club (MLRC) (per Bruce Leonard)** All news previously mentioned
- d. **Ottawa Sports Car Club (OSCC) (per Mike Koch)** Not a lot to report as the club hasn't been very active recently. Mike did want to draw attention to Operation Motorsport (which Jeannie has discussed in the past) and would like to know if there was some way rallying in Ontario could be involved. Mike has reached out to CARS but has not heard anything back. Kelly will double check with CARS before reaching out to Operation Motorsport and seeing if there is anything we can do in Ontario Rally to help out/collaborate with them in some way or another.
- e. **Peterborough Motor Sports Club (PMSC) (Per Pete Gulliver)** With Regulations starting to be relaxed PMSC has got back to hosting events. June 26th we held a Rally X at Free Flow which could also have been called Mud Bog racing. Rain in the days leading up to the event had been severe. After discussions between Track and Organizer it was decided to run. Day of the event was forecasting more rain. Drivers were warned at Drivers meeting (Physically distanced) that it was going to be slick. 33 cars started and slipped their way through Recce. History was made as a UTV ran which we believe is a first in Ontario Rally X

events. Run # 1 the track started to dry and by run #3 times came close to dry track conditions. Entrants really seemed to like the Challenge.

June 27th the club held its first Auto X of 2021 Entry a little low as bad weather predicted. PMSC used a revised version of Darin Mayes timing program so that results posted on web very quickly.

July is reasonably busy: July 11 Auto X #2 at time of writing around 20 entrants.

July 24 will be our second Rally X. Currently 47 entrants, which will be our largest RX and will be a challenge for workers to keep moving smoothly.

July 28 will be our 13th Annual Poker Run. These Fun runs replace our regular monthly meeting

f. St. Lawrence Automobile Club (St. LAC) (per Robert Switzer) - No Update

g. Subaru Performance Drivers' Association (SPDA) (per Trevor Hancher) Not much to report. Do have a track day set for BBR weekend. Trevor also mentioned that D-Labs Drones have expressed an interest in covering more rally events. Bruce was interested in this possibly for BBR. D-Labs have covered LHFR before and are fully insured & meet the CARS drone requirements.

h. Toronto Autosport Club (TAC) (per Graham Tullett)

14. Next Meeting - Monday Aug 23 @ 730pm

Meeting adjourned at: 8:47pm