



Minutes

RSO Board/Exec Meeting: Mon June 12/23

Video conference call

Name	Position	Present
Martin Loveridge	President	yes
Brandon Pace	VP Performance	yes
Louis Cabardos	VP Navigation	yes
Kelly Mathew	Secretary	yes
David Maynard	Treasurer	yes
Warren Haywood	CARS Rally Director for RSO	Regrets
Ross Wood	Exec Assistant/ Equip Manager	yes
Roger Sanderson	Webmaster	yes
Chris Krepski	Chief Scrutineer	
Alasdair Robertson	Legislative affairs	
Martin Loveridge	KWRC representative	yes
Pete Gulliver	PMSC Representative	
Bruce Leonard	MLRC Representative	yes
Mike Koch	OSCC Representative	
	St Lac Representative	
	MCO Representative	
Trevor Hancher	SPDA Representative	yes
Graham Tullett	TAC Representative	yes

Agenda

1. **Approval of/additions to agenda.** To add on discussion re RSO Bylaws and the introduction of virtual meetings, AGMs and online proxies. Also add on information from Roger Sanderson re Richta Nav rally timing software. Moved for approval as amended. Maynard/Pace. Unanimous. Carried.
2. **Approval of the minutes of the last meeting (Apr 17, 2023)** Moved as presented. Mathew/Maynard. Unanimous. Carried

3. **Treasurer's report - David**

Outstanding from last meeting

- Affiliation fees from SPDA and MCO (TH to contact SPDA)
 - SPDA paid.
 - MCO - have been in touch but not yet paid - DM to keep following up
- 2 ORRC events had not been invoiced - PB x29 JJ x19. - These have been invoiced and paid.

Moved for approval as presented. Maynard/Pace. Unanimous. Carried

4. **CARS Regional Rally Director report - Warren**

From CARS BOD meeting May 24 2023

- a. Financials: St Lac affiliation rec'd. Finance on track for 23
- b. CRC:
 - i. Rocky well in hand (completed)
 - ii. RBDC everything in order
 - iii. RDefi looking for a more compact schedule for 23
- c. Future of Rally: Working with many sources to nail down the support needed for this project work on going.
- d. Organiser REP: Ross has stepped down from this position. 2 candidates stepped forth, a vote was taken and organisers have chosen David Brassard as the new organiser rep.
- e. GDS: Elise Racette is the new Office Manager for GDS. Nicki Lachapelle is the new CARS steward taking the FIA Steward training.
- f. Competitor Rep: Permanent number process continues
- g. Marketing: A new contract with AMP for sponsorship acquisition in the works.
- h. ARC:
 - i. Permanent car number work progressing
 - ii. FA and Medical review complete
 - iii. ROV tires complete
 - iv. Logbook revenue sharing complete
- i. Technical: A discussion was had regarding proto vehicles.

Next meeting June 21 2023.

Respectfully submitted,
Warren Haywood

Discussion:

Ross Wood & Bruce Leonard - This is the first time they are hearing of the vote results regarding the new organizer rep - nothing has yet been announced by CARS.

Organizers had sent in their votes for their preferred candidate but had not hear anything back yet.

Ross will be helping to bring the new organizer rep up to speed.

5. Old Business

- a. **ORRC promotion** - Feedback from the Spring Run Off entry form question of “how did you hear about the event” - mixed responses - some are regular competitors, some heard through the grapevine, others Instagram and Facebook.
- b. **Rally car licencing in Ontario** - Ross was to put David in touch with folks out west - this has been on hold for now
- c. **OPRC Permit** - Warren & Brandon were to work on a more applicable permit - no progress yet - still working on it
- d. **Navigational Rally Rules** - Louis to update the wording surrounding the check-in/time out rules in the navigational rally ruleset - on going
- e. **WIM Booth and promo material for Montreal GP - Warren** (via Kelly) - after looking into the logistics of it (accommodation, travel, hidden costs etc) it was determined it was going to be an expensive project for RSO. There will be no RSO representation at the upcoming WIM booth at the F1 in Montreal.
- f. **Lapping days (Growth) - Kelly** - still to discuss with TH - ongoing - TH mentioned a lapping day coming up on July 29 which might be a good opportunity to get some cross-motorsport promotion, as there will also be a number of Time Attack competitors there, along with the regular club attendees. - Kelly to do some brainstorming.

6. Navigational Rally Report - Louis

- a. The next ORRC event is this Saturday June 17th with Discover Ontario. Very few entries at the moment but there should be more by the time the event happens. It is also combined with a KWRC SNATr. Graham Tullett advised that they are struggling to find enough checkpoint crews at the moment so if Brooke seems distracted from promoting the event, that is probably why.
- b. **Richta Timing Software** - Roger discussed a relatively new timing app that events have been utilizing in the US and thinks that it might be worth looking into implementing for navigational rally in Ontario. Roger has been out testing it, but needs to do more to get a better handle on it. It can allow for unmanned checkpoints using GPS locating, so that when a competitor drives to the checkpoint it will automatically register your location and check you in. This could decrease the number of marshalls needed at an event. You don't necessarily need data out on the event but must have access to wifi/use data at the start and finish to upload results and event info. However, the downside of this is that HQ won't be able to update results for a competitor until the end of the event, if they aren't online throughout. Some things to work out on it yet, and determine how useful it would be to ORRC events. Although Roger has had limited success trying it out in the past, he thinks it has potential to be very helpful and just needs to do some more testing with it.. Lots of events in the US have been using it with success.

7. Performance Rally Report - Brandon

- a. **Performance** Not much to report at the moment. BBR supp regs are being reviewed. Stewards are set.
- b. **Rallysprint** - nothing to report
- c. **RallyCross**. - PMSC, MLRC and KWRC have all had events so far this year. It does look like the new RX Championship has encouraged competitors to travel to events they would not normally compete in. Brandon is updating the scores on the RSO website and will continue to do so. Most recent MRLC event results are not up in the championship scores yet, but will be ASAP.

8. Legislative Affairs Report - Alasdair - No report

9. Scrutineer's Report - Chris Krepski N/A - Chris can't scrutineer for BBR

10. Equipment Managers Report - Ross Wood Nothing really to report. Some equipment was used this past weekend at the MLRC RX event.

11. Growth Initiatives -

- a. **2023 OPRC Driver's Prize Fund - Brandon**
Matt Ballinger is back on board for 2023 and talks for 2024 with 5 dealerships contributing a total of \$15,000 for 2023 Driver prize fund. Same distribution as last year. Same eligibility requirements with the addition of "drivers must compete in at least one Ontario based event in 2023 to be eligible". We still have to work through some of the logistics, but the announcement has been made. We will need to work with events to see how we can promote the dealerships - Matt has an in-house team that can put together promotional material for events: banners, vinyls, etc. Information can be found through the RSO website and the www.oprc.online website as well as OPRC social media.
- b. **OPRC Instagram - Kelly** would like to set up an official OPRC Instagram page with the BOD's approval. No one was opposed to the idea and Kelly will go ahead with it.

12. New Business

- a. **Virtual Meetings in the RSO Bylaws - Kelly** - Do we need to amend the RSO Bylaws to allow for virtual meetings, virtual AGMs and proxies by email? It was agreed it would be a good idea to look into how this should be worded. David Maynard volunteered to take a look at the RSO Bylaws and the CARS Bylaws, as they have done something similar, to see how we would go about doing this. David has had experience with this outside of the BOD.

13. Club News

- a. **Kitchener-Waterloo Rally Club (KWRC) (per Martin Loveridge)**
 - RallyCross on June 3rd went very well. 39 entries with 28 competitors showing up on the day. Good weather for it with 7 runs in total.
 - The weekend before was a basic rallycross training day that went very well. A few new folks attended that then came back for the rallycross the next weekend.
 - The Club is going go-karting in August
 - A order of KWRC apparel has been placed
- b. **Motorsport Club of Ottawa (MCO)** No report
- c. **Maple Leaf Rally Club (MLRC) (per Bruce Leonard)**
 - Go-karting event, only a couple of folks turned up
 - Recent rallycross had 10 competitors. It started a little late but was a good day with 6 scoring runs and some fun runs afterwards. It was important to have the event go ahead.
 - July 9 is when the next event is supposed to happen but its the day after KWRC so the Club isn't sure how many competitors will attend. They're looking at rescheduling but are having issues finding a date that works.
 - Rally of the Tall Pines - The event has a new VIP coordinator in Evan Munroe. Evan recently moved from Calgary and has become involved in the club
 - BBR - prep is on-going
- d. **Ottawa Sports Car Club (OSCC) (per Mike Koch)** No update
- e. **Peterborough MotorSports Club (PMSC) (per Louis Cabardos)**

- Both Autocross and Rallycross seasons have started. The first autocross was canceled but the second event had 17 competitors. 24 at the rallycross.
 - President's Prize (ORRC event) being organised for this summer.
 - A couple of fun navigational events are planned for the summer as well.
- f. St Lawrence Automobile Club (St Lac) No report**
- g. Sports Performance Drivers Association (SPDA) (per Trevor Hancher)**
- Last month was their 2 day advanced driving clinic. 30 attendees
 - The 1st of 3 track days are coming up with plenty of Novice and advanced openings.
 - July 29 track day would be a good event to get some rally cars to if we want to do some cross promotion
- h. Toronto Autosport Club (TAC) (per Graham Tullett)**
- 1st time attack event was held at Cayuga
 - Next social event is a BBQ on July 9th weekend
 - Graham was scrutineering for SMP Cup and they had some volunteers from St Lac that were very eager to help out. Perhaps we could reach out to St Lac to get them involved with some rally events.

14. Next Meeting - Monday August 14th

Meeting Ended: 9pm