



Minutes

RSO Board/Exec Meeting: Mon Nov 13/23

Video conference call

| Name | Position | Present |
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| Martin Loveridge | President | yes |
| Brandon Pace | VP Performance | yes |
| Louis Cabardos | VP Navigation | no |
| Kelly Mathew | Secretary | yes |
| David Maynard | Treasurer | yes |
| Warren Haywood | CARS Rally Director for RSO | yes |
| Ross Wood | Exec Assistant/ Equip Manager | yes |
| Roger Sanderson | Webmaster | yes |
| % Warren Haywood | Chief Scrutineer | yes |
| Alasdair Robertson | Legislative affairs | no |
| Martin Loveridge | KWRC representative | yes |
| Pete Gulliver | PMSC Representative | no |
| Bruce Leonard | MLRC Representative | yes |
| Mike Koch | OSCC Representative | no |
| | St Lac Representative | |
| Lexi Nahwegiizhic | MCO Representative | no |
| Trevor Hancher | SPDA Representative | yes |
| Graham Tullett | TAC Representative | yes |

Agenda

1. **Approval of/additions to agenda.** Approved as presented. Maynard/Mathew. Unanimous. Carried
2. **Approval of the minutes of the last meeting (Sep 25, 2023)** Minutes as approved. Mathew/Pace. Unanimous. Carried
3. **Treasurer's report - David**

Previously Outstanding:

- RPN - Timing equipment fee paid
- Sponsorship money - second half still not received - David to send out a reminder
- OPRC Listing Fees & Entry fees- Defi has been invoiced with entry fees invoice. RTP will be invoiced after the event.

Moved as presented. Maynard/Haywood. Unanimous. Carried

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

From September 21 meeting:

- a. **Media:** Bowes media presented a plan going forward to further sell the TV program to potential sponsors. Chris will take direction away and prepare packages to begin the selling process.
- b. **Finance:** The 2024 draft budget was presented with little change over 23, fee increases if at all will be minimal.
- c. **CRC report:**
 - i. Defi shaping up well pre event, General observation was that the event has made huge improvements.
 - ii. PFR downgraded to a regional, the organizer will find a new date for 2024. ***Update: Regional also canceled***
 - iii. RDC Event working to address service times - the event is also looking very good.
 - iv. 2024 schedule is now due to be published YL is looking to initiate a call with Western events and region directors to firm up dates.
 - v. The introduction of a Power Stage for 2024 was agreed to in principal, YL to investigate and prepare a draft rule proposal.
- d. **Competitor rep:**
 - i. Developing rule change proposal for class structure.
 - ii. Development work is progressing on the creation of a "one stop" event registration for CRC events.
- e. **Marketing:** Discussion regarding the June - August social media reports.
- f. **Admin Rules:** Boost monitoring project continues to gather testing data, GB has established a connection that is working to create an app to work with data real time.

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Respectfully submitted,
Ontario Region Rally Director

Warren

5. **Old Business**

- a. **Rally car licencing in Ontario** - Warren/Dave M - Dave has been talking to Martin Burnley to establish what rally cars are exempt from in Alberta. Dave will draft a letter to the transportation minister (with BOD approval) asking for similar exemptions.
- b. **OPRC Sponsorship at Tall Pines** - Nothing organized - Bruce will ask Matt B if he wants to do anything promo wise.
- c. **Navigational Rally App** - committee was formed to discuss using an app to aid in navigational events. The Richta software will be tested at the Northern Lights Rally. Volunteers have been organized to test it. Won't be using it for scoring - just seeing how it would work. Roger is in charge of organizing the testing.
- d. **Ontario Scrutineer** -Warren is taking on the role for now. Job description has been written up and Warren has a few interviews scheduled for the end of November. Hopefully we will have someone from that.

6. Navigational Rally Report - Louis not present

Northern Lights event - Green crewed already and is looking in good shape

7. Performance Rally Report - Brandon

a. Performance:

- i. Rally of the Tall Pines - coming up - 19 regional entries so far.
- ii. 2024 - Looking like 5 events with RPN, Defi, RTP and standalone events SHannonville stages and Black Bear

b. Rallysprint: N/A

c. RallyCross:

- i. 2024 Championship: Online call to discuss the 2024 championship (3 event organizers present). General consensus for 3 main classes (2WD, 4WDn.a., 4WDf). MCO wasn't on the cal but they already divide their classes up this way. Discussion to try permanent car numbers.
- ii. 2023 Championship: 25 entries in 2023. PMSC owned the overall podiums. Great first season & showing good potential for 2024
- iii. 2024 promo - will need better promotion of the championship rules to avoid competitor confusion

8. Legislative Affairs Report - Alasdair - No report

9. Scrutineer's Report - % Warren Hayward

Several new cars being observed. 1 in the process of organizing an in-person meet up. 1 being logbook after final inspection, 1 already logbook by a different organization but will be need to be inspected for a CARS logbook.

10. Equipment Managers Report - Ross Wood

- a. **Rallye Perce Neige 2023 rental fee** - this has been paid
- b. **2024 Backup timing** - RSO team has been signed up for the 2024 RPN event
- c. **ECM Timing equipment management** - Ross to meet up with the Newell's regarding equipment maintenance going forward

11. Growth Initiatives -

12. New Business

- a. **Nomination and voting system for the Regional Rally Director for CARS (Kelly)** - Discussion into removing the RSO process as it is a duplicate of the CARS process. ML & KM to start email discussion to see how this could be presented to the Clubs. It would have to be a final decision made at the RSO AGM in March as we'd have to adjust the bylaws.

13. Club News

- a. **Kitchener-Waterloo Rally Club (KWRC) (per Martin Loveridge)**
Last rallycross of the season was canceled. Brandon won the 2WD championship. Automatic went well. Northern Lights is coming up this weekend. Jan 20 will be the annual dinner with speaker Jim Kenzie
- b. **Motorsport Club of Ottawa (MCO) (As per Lexi Nahwegiizhic)** . No update
- c. **Maple Leaf Rally Club (MLRC) (per Bruce Leonard)**
Currently 26 entries for RTP. Tuesday is the 'start order' draw. Then wednesday is volunteer assignment day. Currently 170 volunteers. Still looking for someone to host the VIP bus. VIP numbers are down this year. Forecasts aren't predicting frozen roads. Spectator info is now up on the website. More rallysafe units have been ordered. Tablets have been sent over from Charlevoix.
- d. **Ottawa Sports Car Club (OSCC) (per Mike Koch)** No update
- e. **Peterborough MotorSports Club (PMSC) (per Louis Cabardos)** .A PMSC member is competing as a codriver in the Baja 1000 this weekend
- f. **St Lawrence Automobile Club (St Lac)** No update
- g. **Sports Performance Drivers Association (SPDA) (per Trevor Hancher)**
Nothing to update. Recent volunteer dinner to thank all those that have helped a lot all season.
- h. **Toronto Autosport Club (TAC) (per Graham Tullett)** Graham is hoping TAC will take the Club championship at this weekend's ORRC event.

14. Next Meeting - Monday December 11th @ 730pm

Meeting Ended: 8:48pm