

CARS Board & Organizer Meeting Minutes

January 7th, 2022

Item	Discussion
1D	<p>Meeting was called to order by John Hall on Jan 6th at 7:05pm ET</p> <p>In attendance:</p> <p>John Hall (President)</p> <p>Martin Burnley (RPM Director)</p> <p>Chris Kremer (RW Director & Secretary/Treasurer)</p> <p>Warren Haywood (RSO Director)</p> <p>François East (RSQ Director & Vice President)</p> <p>Terry Epp (National Series Manager)</p> <p>Graham Bruce (Technical Director)</p> <p>Clarke Paynter (ARMS Director)</p> <p>Ross Wood (Organizer Rep)</p> <p>André Leblanc (Competitor Representative)</p> <p>Jean-Francois (JF) Guité (President Elect)</p> <p>Debbie Dyer (Office Manager)</p> <p>Warwick Patterson</p> <p>We have Quorum at 5/5</p> <p>Organizer Representatives</p> <p>Donald LeBlanc</p> <p>Keith Morison</p> <p>Danny Hudon</p> <p>Luc Martel</p> <p>Lisa Cleary</p> <p>Max Meconse</p> <p>Marc Dimock</p> <p>Bruce Leonard</p> <p>Amanda Ann</p> <p>Cezery Maciocha</p> <p>Paul Westwick</p> <p>David Brassard</p> <p>Mike Koch</p> <p>Fawn Hall</p> <p>All introduced themselves</p>

2D	John briefly reviewed the CARS goals with the group. The main change is the introduction of RallySafe for the national series.
3D	John shared the 2022 version of the CARS/Event responsibilities document in both French and English. Only change was the addition of CARS responsibilities with respect to implementation of a RallySafe management and costing system.
4D	John shared the affiliation agreement that we signed back in February 2021 with GDS. Discussed that GDS don't seem to have made much progress, they are issuing FIA licenses but the motorsport territories have not had any discussions with GDS all year.
5D	Current insurance rates will expire in March 2022. New rates could see an increase. The board will respond to the new premiums as quickly as possible once received. If Insurance rates for events change that will probably have to be worked into the premiums for the balance of the year.
6D	John shared the 2022 budget proposal that will go to the membership at the AGM tomorrow. The budget is balanced and includes no fee increases. No concerns raised.
7D	<p>The Subaru contract expires in April and will need to be re-negotiated. John will introduce JF Guité to the Subaru marketing people so that he can be involved.</p> <p>A question was asked as to why Subaru are moving away from rally, or appear to be. John shared some thoughts on the topic. Subaru Canada is still very supportive of rally and fund a very good contingency program for Subaru drivers, they fund the CRC so that the TV series can be produced. They did eliminate the factory car a few years ago but that was seen as a sensible business move which in fact may have helped balance the competition a little. The new rally car build subsidy was dropped because no-one had used the program during its time.</p>
8D	<p>Martin shared the Implementation of RallySafe presentation which outlined the plan to roll out RallySafe. Currently 4 events already use RallySafe and with this program the other 4 nationals will be required to use the system, including the timing program. The cost is planned at \$225/car for use at national events. There has been overall support from competitors for the adoption of RallySafe as it improves the safety of the competition crews. There is still some concern from some regional rallies that going to Rallysafe will drive up the cost too much.</p> <p>The board have developed an approach that will leave the regional rallies with choices, so that the cost will vary depending upon the degree of RallySafe implementation they choose. Full implementation will be subsidized by the national and although some regional pricing from SAS is still coming it is expected that the cost will be approx. \$35 - \$40/car less than the national rate. Without using the timing system, approximately a further \$25 - \$30/car will be reduced. Then if a regional event has full cell service, they will be able to use the RallySafe lite app approximately \$225/event + \$25/car, this app is scheduled for release mid-year. Finally, a regional event will be able to choose not to use RallySafe at all, use another system of their choice or simply run the event totally manual.</p> <p>John will create a bulletin aimed primarily at competitors with information on how to get ready for RallySafe.</p>
9D	Terry had sent out the Steward assignments for 2022
10D	A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:30pm ET. The motion was seconded and carried.