

CARS Board Meeting Minutes

July 22nd, 2020

Item	Discussion
1A	<p>Meeting was called to order by John Hall on July 22nd, 2020 at 17:04 MST</p> <p>John Hall (President) Martin Burnley (RPM Director) Chris Kremer (RW Director & Secretary/Treasurer) Warren Haywood (RSO Director) François East (RSQ Director & Vice President) Clarke Paynter (ARMS Director) Wim van der Poel (Competitor Representative) Graham Bruce (Technical Director) Ross Wood (Organizer Rep) Terry Epp (National Series Manager) Keith Morison (RPAC)</p> <p>We have Quorum at 5/5</p>
2A	<p>A motion was made to adopt the June 3rd board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and adopted.</p>
1B	<p>Chris reviewed the shifting landscape of events, entries and insurance cost recovery. Based on the most recent projects with reduced events and entries the current rates of \$160/car for National, \$125/car for Regional and \$90/car for Sprints will have the insurance account slightly under recovered, but close enough since the final numbers of events and entries are still in flux.</p> <p>Chris and John will continue to monitor insurance costs and recoveries.</p>
2B	<p>Terry reported that PFR is close to making a call on cancelling the event since they are not likely to get BC health dept okay to proceed... the final decision will be made within the next few days.</p> <p>Charlevoix is full steam ahead planning and expect the event to run as a 1-day event.</p> <p>Rocky is expecting to run as a 1-day event and currently sees no problem.</p> <p>Tall Pines is well into the planning stage and plan on running a slightly shorter 1-day event to ease the load on volunteer numbers.</p> <p>Big White expects to run in Dec also as a 1-day event.</p> <p>John asked the board to determine what might be the minimum number of events to be able to award the CRC. John shared that ARA have set the number at 4 events. After some discussion the board members agreed that 4 events would be a good number. With Perce Neige already in the bag, this means we will need at least 3 more events to run through the fall to complete the CRC championship.</p> <p>Warren suggested that we could maybe reduce a few other items to ease the load this year. It was agreed that Terry as NSM would go to some events virtually and that we would have a local person</p>

	<p>on the ground to work with him. This both reduces cost and minimizes the Covid19 exposure risk for Terry.</p> <p>Discussed the National Scrutineer. John indicated that we had already changed the NS for 2020 and will be using local people, Sebastien Richard in QC, Darryl Malone in ON, Matt Pullen and/or Jared Halpin in the west. Graham suggested that rather than eliminate that NS it would be better to reduce the number of scrutineering techs, maybe implement a little more self-declaration and focus on fewer key points, using fewer scrutineering people.</p>
3B	<p>John mentioned that the waivers are now all on the CARS website. It was pointed out that organizers must use Quebec only waivers in Quebec and Rest of Canada waivers elsewhere.</p> <p>Ross raised the question of why did the ROC parental consent require both parents to sign. John indicated that it was an insurance company requirement to make sure that both parents' consent. It was asked what happens if the other parent simply is not available. John indicated that that individual will need to discuss with Debbie to determine if an exemption can be made.</p> <p>Francois had asked if waivers could be signed and transferred electronically. John indicated that he would check with Debbie.</p>
4B	<p>John shared the letter from GDS requesting that we send an email asking to be affiliated with GDS and that this was likely a condition of continued participation in the development of the ASN.</p> <p>CASC-OR, ASQ and WCMA have all responded to GDS requesting affiliation. ARMS CACC and CARS have not as of this evening. In talking to CACC and ARMS both regions want to affiliate but want to see the details more flushed out before finalizing that decision.</p> <p>The CARS board discussed and feel similarly to ARMS and CACC. That is affiliating with a new association requires that the new association have a little more meat on the bones of their organization, so that we can make an informed decision. CARS would like to be affiliated with GDS but there are a number of conditions that should be met in order for us to feel that affiliating is mutually beneficial to both GDS and CARS.</p> <p>Items that CARS would like clarity on include;</p> <p>That CARS will have autonomy as the national sanctioning body for all rally sport in Canada and delegation of that authority by GDS.</p> <p>Understanding of the affiliation fee structure</p> <p>Agreement that CARS will continue to operate as it has in the past, its income source being rally licences up to and including national level rally licences.</p> <p>Clarification and understanding of how executive board member conflict of interest will be managed.</p> <p>Recognition and support for RPAC to continue its work to secure a WRC event for Canada.</p> <p>The CARS board would like the opportunity to continue supporting GDS through their organizational development phase with the intention of affiliating with GDS once we can be assured that CARS needs are being met.</p> <p>John will draft a response to GDS along these lines, will share with the board for feedback before sending to Francois Dumontier.</p>
1D	<p>Graham reported that he now has 4 boost monitors and is working with Dave Sharp to develop a reporting app that will simplify the user interface for the National Scrutineer and Stewards.</p>
5E	<p>John reported that he did not manage to get back to Stoneridge regarding the use of Drones, but will do so in the near future.</p>

2G	<p>We discussed the Quebec organizer letter that we received some months ago, we set up a team to review the concerns but could not get any of the Quebec organizers to participate, after 3 requests the BDC organization did offer two volunteers.</p> <p>The board discussed the interest level and decided to not proceed with the team, but will continue to work with organizers on specific items to make sure that they feel an integral part of the decision-making process.</p> <p>Francois indicated that a cheaper insurance quote was received from another insurance company for rally events. The quote was sent to Debbie for translation. John will follow up with to see why the costs are different.</p>
3G	<p>Martin thanked the board for their support of the new Squamish Brackendale Rally Cross Club by email vote and indicated that they have filed their affiliation papers and paid their fee.</p> <p>To formalize a motion was made to formally accept SBRCC's affiliation request, the motion was seconded and adopted.</p>
2H	<p>Francois informed the board that BDC intends to run a Rally Sprint on an upcoming Sat and a Rally Cross on the Sunday. These events will be in accordance with the rules and the information was a courtesy only.</p> <p>Defi have plans to run a 120Km regional on an upcoming Saturday expecting about 15 entries. They also plan to run a 37 Km Rally Sprint on some of the same roads. The Rally Sprint will follow the Regionals Rally. Zero car will run ahead of the Sprint.</p> <p>Francois requested that the board provide an exemption to the 5Km limit on stage length to allow them to use a 6.4 km stage and a 5.8 km stage.</p> <p>Board members discussed and a motion was made to extend the stage distance on two stages in the Rally sprint event. The motion was seconded and adopted.</p>
3H	<p>John presented a proposed COVID19 transmission prevention document that is intended for use by event organizers.</p> <p>After some discussion the board members supported issue of the document as presented.</p>
4H	<p>Chris reported that the Federal Government have suggested that not for Profit corporations should conduct their AGM virtually as a way of reducing the risk of COVID19 transmission.</p> <p>The Federal website indicated that corporations with by-laws that do not allow virtual AGM's can change the by-laws with board approval to allow for a virtual AGM at which time the by-law change will be ratified or rejected by the membership.</p> <p>The board discussed and see a number of advantages in going to a virtual AGM, primarily to protect the rather large group of attendees from exposure to COVID19. A secondary advantage is that in a year where we are struggling financially because of the lack of rallying, the membership and CARS not having to travel will save a significant amount of money.</p> <p>A motion was made to change 4.07.4.4 as follows;</p> <p><i>4.07.4.4 Attendance by a Member at a meeting by electronic means, in part or entirely, is not permitted</i></p> <p>Changing virtual attendance to be permitted.</p> <p>The motion was seconded and carried.</p> <p>John will draft an announcement that can be sent to the membership letting them know of this change.</p>
	<p>Martin requested a discussion about how CARS can help our membership and the events get through these tough times.</p>

	<p>We want to see as many events as possible go ahead, however it is recognized that in times like this we all need to be flexible. CARS will do whatever it can to assist clubs and event organizers.</p> <p>A couple of items were discussed as follows;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Going to a virtual AGM will reduce cost burden on member clubs as well as eliminate a large part of CARS AGM costs.• CARS will waive the national event permit fees up to and including Perce Neige 2021
1J	The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday Sept 9th 7:00pm ET
2J	A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 9:56pm ET.