

CARS Board Meeting Minutes

March 12th 2014

Item	Discussion
1A	<p>Meeting was called to order by John Hall at 7:00 pm EST</p> <p>Attendance included:</p> <p>John Hall (President)</p> <p>Martin Burnley (Treasurer, RPM Director)</p> <p>Peter Watt (RSO Director)</p> <p>Ivan Butikofer (Vice President, RSQ Director)</p> <p>Clarke Paynter (Atlantic Director)</p> <p>Keith Morison (Marketing Manager)</p> <p>Ross Wood (Organizer Rep)</p> <p>Darryl Malone (Technical Director)</p> <p>Chris Martin (Competitor Rep)</p> <p>We have a Quorum 4/5 Continue meeting</p>
2A	<p>The meeting minutes from Jan 29th were discussed. No concerns were raised.</p> <p>Martin made a motion to adopt the minutes as presented.</p> <p>Clarke seconded the motion.</p> <p>Vote count 4/4</p> <p>Motion Carried</p> <p>Jan 29th 2014 meeting minutes adopted</p>
1B	<p>Martin reported on the Financials.</p> <p>CARS are now able to accept credit card payments.</p> <p>Working on setting up E-Transfers and on-line bill payments but not yet complete. Currently have a Biz account with BMO that has zero fees because of our NFP status but they do not do biz E-Transfers.</p> <p>Developed a check log to show all checks issued by the corporation. This will allow board members to review all spending on an ongoing basis.</p> <p>1st qtr. financials will be reported at the next meeting, but in the meantime Martin reported that income from licenses is slightly ahead of plan and that income from sponsors is on track. Made our first payment to Formula Photographic tied into Perce Neige.</p> <p>Martin expressed some concern that we still don't have adequate sponsorship funding committed to cover all of our media production costs. This is an area to keep our eye on.</p> <p>Martin presented a final version of the CARS expense policy, it now includes the requirement for rental vehicle insurance coverage.</p> <p>Clarke motioned to adopt the CARS Expense policy.</p> <p>Martin seconded and the policy was adopted on a 4/4 vote in favor</p>

2B	<p>Keith reported on Sponsorship and Marketing.</p> <p>Formula Photographic are working hard on the Perce Neige Teaser video which is expected by the end of this week.</p> <p>Keith is starting to plan follow up with sponsors for some time in April. This will include follow up with existing and potential sponsors.</p> <p>Social media activity has picked up considerably since Dean has taken over. We are seeing lots of twitter and FB posts about CRC</p> <p>John mentioned that he would like Keith to accompany him to the ASN meeting in April as it could benefit CARS for Keith to get the networking with and exposure to the rest of the Canadian motorsport community. All of the directors were in favor.</p>
1C 6C	<p>Darryl presented a proposal for updating and backdating of Production 4WD & 2WD. This would allow updating and backdating of both Production 2WD and Production 4WD from the same model generation.</p> <p>The board supported this change and it will go out for 2 week rally community review and input before finalizing and presenting to the board to approval</p>
2C	<p>Darryl presented a proposal for production class air filter housing and intake tube rule changes.</p> <p>The board supported this change and it will go out for 2 week rally community review and input before finalizing and presenting to the board to approval</p>
3C	<p>Darryl presented a Rule clarification for restrictors on O2WD as there was previously a contradiction between the restrictor and weight rules for O2WD.</p> <p>The board supported this change and it will go out for 2 week rally community review and input before finalizing and presenting to the board to approval</p>
4C	<p>A proposal was received by the TRC to look at studded tires for use in the CRC. Darryl proposed that he go to the rally community for input to help the TRC make a decision. The board did suggest that we needed to be clear that we're talking about DOT approved street studs and not WRC type studs.</p> <p>The board supported this change and it will go out for 2 week rally community review and input before presenting a proposal to the board to approval</p>
5C	<p>Darryl presented a proposal for the weight of P4WD</p> <p>The board supported this change and it will go out for 2 week rally community review and input before finalizing and presenting to the board to approval</p>
7C	<p>Darryl presented a proposal on Rally car noise levels. The proposal includes a noise limit for Rally Cars on Transit of 94 dbA and a 3500 rpm idling noise level of 86 dbA at 15 meters.</p> <p>The board supported this change and it will go out for 2 week rally community review and input before finalizing and presenting to the board to approval</p>
8C	<p>John presented a competitors question about the future direction of weight limitations for the O2WD class.</p> <p>"What's the thinking on the future of the 2.5L ballast rule on 2wd? I'm deciding whether to rebuild the 2.6 in the car or buy a 1991 Dodge Ram 50 pickup with a more-powerful 2.4 in it that will fit"</p> <p>The board all felt that we needed to leave the rules as they currently are unless we continue to hear concerns in which case we consider a review committee. John reminded the board that we did indicate that we would continue to monitor the O2WD class to make sure that we addressed competitor concerns.</p>

1D	<p>Re-Start Rules</p> <p>John reviewed the rally community input that was received on the proposed re-start rules bulletin. Each suggestion was reviewed, some valid points that will be acted upon.</p> <p>The ARC will review the re-start rules in light of the comments and present a finalized set of rules back to the board for approval.</p> <p>John also committed to respond to each person that provided email input</p>
4D	<p>Speed Factor</p> <p>We looked at the output from both the Peter Watt speed factor system and the Rally America system. Both provide a similar ordered list of drivers. The Peter Watt system has the fastest time set at 100% and each subsequent driver set as a percentage of the fastest. The Rally America system uses the distribution around the mean to get a spread of speed factors with a SF of 50 being the median.</p> <p>The board felt that either system would provide organizers with speed data to help with start order but felt that the added value of using the Rally America system was that cross border competitors could be more accurately slotted into a start order.</p> <p>CARS will continue to use the seed system but the start order within the seed could use the speed factor. Plus having a speed factor would allow organizers to resolve exceptions that might have a very fast newcomer slotted in above his seed.</p> <p>Clarke motioned to adopt the Rally America speed factor tool</p> <p>Martin seconded and 4/4 voted in favor</p> <p>ARC will work on an announcement that explains the new speed factor use.</p>
5D	<p>2 Pass Recce</p> <p>The board agrees that 2-pass recce should be part of the basic standard criteria for a national event.</p> <p>Ross will dig up the CRC standards and principle document that lays out what national events should look like. The ARC will look at adding 2 pass recce to this document and bring an updated version to the board for review and support.</p>
4E	<p>RallySafe</p> <p>Keith reported on a very successful trial of Rallysafe at the Cochrane Rally in March. In many areas the tools exceeded expectations. Including in a rollover when the antennas are broken off. Timing also proved very accurate.</p> <p>Discussion took place regarding coverage and Keith explained that the system uses the Iridium Satellites gaining much better coverage because of the Polar orbit.</p> <p>There was a real sense that CARS should implement Rallysafe but we need to find financial support to make it affordable to the competitors.</p>
1H	<p>The next board meeting is set for April 16th at 7:00pm ET</p>
2H	<p>Clarke motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 ET</p> <p>Peter seconded and vote was 4/4 in favor.</p>