

CARS Board Meeting Minutes

March 23rd, 2023

Item	Discussion
1	<p>Meeting was called to order by Jean Francois Guite on March 23rd, 2023, at 7:05pm ET</p> <p>In attendance by Zoom:</p> <p>JF Guite (CARS President and Chair) JF</p> <p>Martin Burnley (RPM Director) MB</p> <p>Mal Swann (Atlantic Director) CP</p> <p>Warren Haywood (RSO Director) WH</p> <p>Chris Kremer (RW Director & Secretary/Treasurer) CK</p> <p>François East (RSQ Director, Vice President) FE</p> <p>Ross Wood (Organizer Rep) RW</p> <p>André Leblanc (Competitor Representative) AL <i>Joined at 7.40 ET</i></p> <p>Graham Bruce (Technical Director) GB <i>Joined 7.30 ET</i></p> <p>Yannick Lefebvre (NSM) YL</p> <p>We have a Quorum.</p>
2	<p>Meeting Minutes:</p> <p>CARS Board meeting minutes of February 15th, 2023, were adopted by motion.</p>
3	<p>Finance:</p> <p>First Quarter revenues are strong due to successful rule book advertising sales and high license sales revenue.</p> <p>Discussion on revenue sharing from the log book issuing fee that CARS now charges. RSQ has been receiving this fee and has in turn shared it with other rally development stakeholders. Other regions leave the revenue at CARS. There was a feeling that we need to be consistent across the country with log book fees including any inspection fees that an individual inspector may charge. As an interim measure, the fees will be split \$60 to CARS and \$40 to the region, while the ARC revise and clarify the policy. JH/JF</p>
4	<p>CRC Report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No feedback from Rocky yet on sups or event preparations. • YL has been out for bids for replacement stage side banners, Arches and Podium backdrops. Various products were presented and discussed. MB is to determine the status of the Western items. YL is to select which items he would like to purchase and will work with JF and CK to determine cost limits and podium backdrop design/spacing/content etc. • The Subaru sponsorship contract is being discussed at Subaru Canada and we will know the outcome of those discussions in mid April. • PFR have increased their organizing group by recruiting several organizers from the rallycross clubs in the province. Also, it has been confirmed that some of the stage roads that the event uses have had the restrictions on them lifted by the province, thus allowing access to some of our usual stage roads for that event. YL will engage with PFR organizers a little earlier than usual to provide assistance if needed.

5	<p>GDS</p> <p>GDS have hired Elise Racette full time and will now be our primary point of contact.</p> <p>The FIA rally star competition has been reassigned from Peru to Uruguay due to safety concerns.</p>
	<p>In camera discussion regarding a personnel issue.</p>
6	<p>High speed Demonstration.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the pros and cons of allowing a non-competing rally car to run at high speeds to promote rally. The individual that is willing to do this has been contacted and he will make a proposal as to exactly what the details are surrounding the program.</p>
7	<p>Future of Rally in Canada initiative</p> <p>There was unanimous agreement within the board that this is an initiative that we would to see go forward this year. However, none of the board members felt that they had either the time, the knowledge or the skills to lead the initiative successfully. Discussion around looking outside the board for an individual or group to lead this initiative and names of possible leaders are to be submitted to JF. Action by all directors.</p> <p>WH will polish the mandate to make it more suitable for wider distribution.</p>
8	<p>RSQ issue with Sanair:</p> <p>FE outlined some issues around vehicle eligibility and waiver use at Sanair. Waivers in QC apparently do not absolve the event completely from liability. Discussion around the eligibility of Road Race prepared vehicles and the effect of using different roll cages and higher horsepower vehicles.</p> <p>A motion was made, seconded and carried to allow a one-time exemption to rule 27.2.1 that will allow Sanair to run on a paved surface.</p>
9	<p>ARC First Aid and Medical Rule Changes.</p> <p>Following up from a license group meeting that had been held previously, the Board reviewed a rule change submission that would put the medical fitness to compete responsibility on to the license applicants. The Board also reviewed and discussed the same principle for First Aid certification whereby CARS would develop an on-line annual safety protocol test rather than have a first aid certificate.</p> <p>The Board supported and adopted the rule change to discontinue the doctor's medical requirement and convert that to a self-declaration.</p> <p>The Board felt that dropping the requirement for competitors not to have a first aid certificate is premature and did not approve that rule change.</p>
10	<p>Organizer Rep:</p> <p>The mid-year meeting between the organizers and the CARS Board is well supported and will go ahead. RW will organize it.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the dissemination of information and what is appropriate. JF and RW are to work this out one on one to obtain a good understanding of what is needed to keep the organizers well informed yet remain onside with confidential items.</p> <p>YL and RW are to continue to work on the Standardization of Documents project.</p>

11	<p>Competitor Rep:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The Once per year registration process is now up and running at RSQ.2) The project to introduce permanent or annual car numbers rather than being issued for each event has now been outlined and passed over to the Admin Rules Committee.
12	<p>Marketing:</p> <p>There will be a meeting on Wednesday next week with the Marketing group to review the latest proposal.</p>
14	<p>Technical Rules:</p> <p>Boost Control project is all in hand, with the development of test components and the production of a new and more resilient box.</p>
15	<p>Next Meeting April 18th at 7.00 pm ET.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned by motion at 22.11 ET</p>