

# CARS Board Meeting Minutes

March 7th 2016

Item	Discussion
1A	<p>Meeting was called to order by John Hall at 9:00 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>Maxime Méconse-Laroque (RSQ Director)</p> <p>Clarke Paynter (Vice President, Atlantic Director)</p> <p>Patrick Rainville (RSQ Vice President)</p> <p>Absent</p> <p>Chris Kremer (Rally West Director)</p> <p>We have 4/5 directors making a Quorum</p>
	<p>This meeting was called to agree on our response to the request (attached) by Eric Tremblay for a meeting with Max Méconse on March 14<sup>th</sup> 2016</p> <p>Cont'd on next page</p>

BY E-MAIL

Levis, February 29, 2016

Mr. Maxime Larocque  
Rallye Sport Québec President  
Québec Regional Director, Canadian Association of Rally Sport

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**Subject: Meeting with Championnat Rallye Québec Series Manager**  
**(Please note: Any and all information exchanged during this meeting is to remain confidential and may not be used in any other litigation should that situation arise)**

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Your presence is requested at a meeting with Mr. Éric Tremblay, Championnat Rallye Québec Series Manager (Promoter) concerning the following points:

- The requirement for the Promoter to terminate the 3-year agreement with Pirelli in order to obtain the CARS permit to hold the Rallye Ville La Tuque (Ref: Doc 1);
- The requirement for the Promoter to terminate the new 3-year agreement (2017, 2018, and 2019) with Panta in order to obtain the CARS permit to hold the Rallye Ville La Tuque (Ref: Doc 1);
- The running of the Rallye de Charlevoix 2016 as a regional stand alone event that does not form part of the Championnat Rallye Québec calendar. See Article 3.e Obligations of the RSQ to the CRQ (Ref: Doc 2);
- The proposition put forward to the CARS council aiming to ban the Promoter from administering, promoting or organizing rally events after December 31, 2016. (Ref: Doc 3).

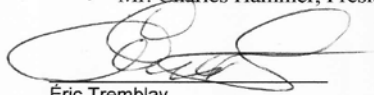
The meeting will take place in Montréal and you may choose one of the three following dates and times:

- March 14, day time or night time;
- March 15, day time ;
- March 16, day time.

Your confirmation is requested by Tuesday, March 10th at 12:00 PM or sooner.

Below is a list of participants already confirmed for this meeting and available for all 3 dates mentioned above:

- Mr. Orazio Mastracchio, Pirelli Tire America, PR Manager Pirelli Tire Canada & Férant Motorsport ALENA & Public Relations;
- Mr. Jean-Marc Alcaraz, Owner of LCS Compétition, Exclusive North American Distributor for PANTA and General Manager of TEKLUB Canada, a Distributor for Gulf
- Mr. Simon Losier, Owner of Boisvert Mitsubishi, Terrebonne Mitsubishi and St-Jérôme Mitsubishi
- Mr. Charles Hammer, President of CHAG Autosport.



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The group discussed the current CRQ situation and request at length and decided that it would be best for Max to respond and indicate that Patrick Rainville the RSQ Vice President would attend the meeting with him. The meeting should be held without prejudice, with only the invited participants and in accordance with the preset agenda.

Patrick did a good job of explaining the ongoing relationship between RSQ and CRQ and that Eric has and continues to flaunt the rules. The most recent example was the last minute request for approval of the WRC studs for Rallye Ville Le Tuque. That was received days before the event after contractual commitments had been made and competitors had already purchased the studded tires.

Board members got a good sense that Patrick has a clear view of the issues and is able to explain them well.

Patrick explained that meeting Eric and the four sponsors would provide a good opportunity for CARS and RSQ to explain how the CRQ has deviated from the rules and did not have approval to do much of what is has done.

All agreed that neither CARS nor RSQ would re-sign the contract with CRQ after it expires in 2016. The intent is that any regional championship in Quebec would be run by RSQ in compliance with CARS sanction rules, as is the case in the rest of the country.

The group discussed the reason Max asked Eric to change the sponsorship contract end dates to align with the end of his contract as the promoter. By doing this now it is clear that after the 2016 season Eric will not have a contract with RSQ & CARS. However if Eric wants to maintain his sponsorship contracts under these circumstances, CARS really has no objection. It is more a case of CARS and RSQ making sure that everyone understands Eric's ability to commit after the 2016 season.

The proposal made to ban Eric from future rally had been discussed at an earlier board meeting, at that time the board had not accepted the proposal. However we had not documented a formal vote, so tonight a formal motion was made to decline the request to ban Eric. The motion was seconded. The vote supported the motion. CARS does not intend to implement the proposal to ban Eric.

In further discussion on the topic the board recognizes a lot of good work that Eric does as an organizer of regional rallies and the group felt that we should encourage Eric to continue running the events and apply for regional status and to be part of the Quebec Regional Championship in 2017 and beyond and work within the system of amateur rally in Canada.

Max drafted his response to Eric's request as per the meeting.

Hello Mr. Tremblay,

I agree to meet you as well as the sponsors of the rally of the Quebec Championship. The chosen date is March 14 in the afternoon and evening.

I'll be there to represent CARS and will be accompanied by Patrick Rainville as representative of Rally Sport Québec.

To confirm, those present will be:

- Orazio Mastracchio, Pirelli Canada
- Charles Hammer, CHAG Auto Group
- Simon Losier, Boisvert Mitsubishi
- Jean-Marc Alcaraz, LCS Competition
- Éric Tremblay, Quebec Rally Championship promoter
- Patrick Rainville, Rallye Sport Québec
- Maxime Meconse-Larocque, Canadian Association of Rally Sport

The topics discussed will be:

- The obligation of the proponent to modify its sponsorship agreements so that they can be finished with the year 2016
- The holding of the Rallye de Charlevoix as a non-Championship CRQ
- The proposal to ban the promoter of the Championship

We would like to add to the agenda a point to discuss is the future of the Championship of the regional rallies in Quebec in 2017.

Thank you for the opportunity,

Maxime Meconse-Larocque  
Director Regional CARS

On Mar 7, 2016, at 20: 46, Maxime Larocque <[maxl@sthenri.ca](mailto:maxl@sthenri.ca)> wrote:

Bonjour M. Tremblay,

J'accepte de vous rencontrer ainsi que les commanditaires du Championnat de Rallye du Québec. La date retenue est celle du 14 Mars en après-midi et soirée.

J'y serai pour représenter CARS et serai accompagné de Patrick Rainville comme représentant de Rallye Sport Québec.

Pour confirmer, les personnes présentes seront :

- Orazio Mastracchio, Pirelli Canada
- Charles Hammer, CHAG Auto Group
- Simon Losier, Boisvert Mitsubishi
- Jean-Marc Alcaraz, LCS Compétition
- Éric Tremblay, Promoteur du Championnat de Rallye du Québec
- Patrick Rainville, Rallye Sport Québec
- Maxime Méconse-Larocque, Canadian Association of Rally Sport

Les sujets discutés seront :

- L'obligation du promoteur de modifier ses ententes de commandites de manière à ce qu'elles se terminent avec l'année 2016
- La tenue du Rallye de Charlevoix en tant qu'événement hors-championnat CRQ
- La proposition de bannir le promoteur du Championnat

Nous aimerions ajouter à l'agenda un point à discuter, soit l'avenir du Championnat des rallyes régionaux du Québec en 2017.

Merci de l'opportunité,

Maxime Méconse-Larocque  
Directeur Régional CARS

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 pm ET

Motion was seconded.

Motion Carried

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 PM ET