

CARS Board Meeting Minutes

Nov 4th 2019

Item	Discussion
1A	<p>The meeting was called to order at 7:00 ET</p> <p>Attendance included:</p> <p>John Hall (President) Simon Vincent (RSQ Director). Clarke Paynter (Atlantic Director) Martin Burnley (RPM Director) Ross Wood (Organizer Rep) Terry Epp (Series Manager) Chris Kremer (Sec/Treasurer & Rally West Director)</p> <p>Absent:</p> <p>Darryl Malone (RSO Director) Wim van der Poel (Competitor Rep) Graham Bruce (Tech Director)</p> <p>We have a Quorum with 4/5 directors present</p>
2A	<p>A motion was made to adopt the Oct 10th meeting minutes as presented in rev 3. The motion was seconded and adopted; the minutes are approved.</p>
2B	<p>Terry provided CRC updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Charlevoix overall went very well. Highlights included the prep of the stages and the last-minute adjustments required by CARS. Overall safety plan was good. Local community very enthusiastic. Start and finish facilities excellent. The event did learn a lot about running a national event, RallySafe tracking and timing did a great job although a few teething troubles with marshals as they learnt the tools. It was recognized that communications between all parties in the leadup to the event needs to improve. It was also mentioned that the event was too long as competitors needed to show up Wednesday evening. The event will be continuing in 2020 as a national event.2. Tall Pines has 20 entries and counting. Prep is well in hand. It was discussed that adding a 5th event in the east has put stress on the competitors and numbers are down slightly. Subaru will be at Tall Pines. Hoosier will also be at Pines.3. Big White is coming along. Sups are up on the website. Safety Plan is due this week.4. Terry has received supps from Perce Neige.5. Rule Book advertising campaign is underway. Discussed other possible advertisers including Amsoil, Cooper, Hoosier, Kamloops Race and Rally and provided contact info to Terry.
6B	<p>John reviewed AGM planning.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Deadline for Director nominations is Dec 11th.2. Deadline for President nominations is Dec 2nd3. Nominations for competitor rep are until Dec 1st

	4. Directors are reminded that YE reports are due to Debbie by Nov 30 th
3C	John reported that he has submitted a proposal to DirtFish for the 2020 season. Trevor has indicated that he will get back to us. We're hopeful
1D	John suggested that we hold a dedicated meeting which will be on Nov 18 th at 7:00pm ET to discuss the feedback and determine next steps, with respect to Bulletin 2019-05 that dealt with the rules for FIA cars in O4WD and O2WD classes. John will provide an overview discussion paper that has just been received back from translation along with the detailed feedback and a feedback summary in the next day or so.
2E	After 2-week review feedback consideration, a revised rule wording for section 13 was presented that included clarification that the requirement for tracking and electronic timing is for national status rallies only. It was discussed that we should mention that a backup system is required for national status rallies. A motion was made to adopt the rules as revised, the motion was seconded and adopted. These rule changes will be effective Jan 1 st 2020
3E	After 2-week review feedback consideration, a revised rule wording was presented for section 15 that deals with false starts. We did have discussion about the rules needing a statement regarding a tolerance or limit on when a false start penalty would be applied. It was agreed that this situation is like many penalty situations and the organizer/stewards need some flexibility in application of penalties. There was some discussion as to the accuracy of RallySafe timing when assessing false starts. A number of board members have observed the system in use and anecdotally it is very precise especially when you compare the normal starts times with a false start time. A motion was made to adopt the rule change with the addition of the word "stages" when referring to time calculations. The motion was seconded and adopted. These rule changes will be effective Jan 1 st 2020
3E	We did get into a discussion on the administrative change for section 11 that deals with the requirement to be a CARS license holder to be eligible for the Novice Championship. Terry suggested that we should remove the ability for a second place finisher to progress from Novice. A motion was made to adopt this change, it was seconded and adopted. This rule change will be effective Jan 1 st 2020 This led to further discussion about the fact that all 8 events count for Ladies and Novice Championships and by requiring 50% to qualify it may be putting an undue burden on novice teams. The Admin Rules committee will look at this and make a proposal to the board.
1J	The next meeting is set for Thursday Dec 12 th at 7:00pm ET
2J	The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm ET