

ROADRALLY BOARD MINUTES

RRB BOARD MINUTES | Oct. 28, 2009

The RoadRally Board (RRB) met via conference call on Monday, November 2, 2009.

Attending were: Rick Beattie, Chairman; Members: Kevin Poirier, Jeanne English, Sasha Lanz and Lois Van Vleet. Also Duck Allen, Board of Directors Liaison and Pego Mack, National Office were in attendance. Member Jim Wakemen was not in attendance until later from Disney World.

Chairman Beattie called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm CST.

The Final October 5, 2009 RRB Minutes were approved. (Beattie)

Proceedings

1. USRRC Town Hall Meeting Minutes topics discussed in La Crosse:

- Year End Championship Trophies – The consensus was for First place to have nice trophies, the rest get nice certificates.
- Combining the Course and Tour Series into one – It was pointed out that the combining of classes happened years ago and that there were still Tour rallies and Course rallies and eventually split again. Someone suggested doing one rally that included a Course, a Tour and a GTA (Chippewa Trail style).
- Combining the RRR's and RFO's – did not discuss
- Regional Programs – did not discuss
- Safety Stewards License Renewals – did not discuss
- USRRC being the premier event of the year – Some want it to remain a Series.
Concerns: What happens to Lifetime Points, Gervais Award and Best Tour? Attendance versus Sponsorship? Someone suggested sponsors for the GTA program to grow the sport up to Tour and Course.
- GTA Rally in the USRRC – Safety concern having a GTA on a Friday (workday) and has too much traffic and locals. Some do not want it as part of the USRRC. Some do. Indy Region is very active in GTA's.
- 2010 USRRC Announcement – Washington DC Region, tentative for mid-October.

2. ITIS, Lead Car eBlast, One Page Instructions Request:

Discussion: All members received Rick Myers eBlast called 'Lead Car' announcement. English and Lanz commented back to Rick Myers on the link to ITIS not working and some spelling errors. Someone needs to work with Rick Myers on future additions and scheduling. Rick Myers wants a 'One Page, how to put on a RoadRally', to be an article in the next Lead Car eBlast. The Regional RoadRally Handbook on the website was referenced as a starting point for the one page article.

3. Consideration of new RRB Members:

Discussion: Kevin Poirier is leaving the RRB after his second term on the RRB. And Rick Beattie is resigning from the RRB as well as resigning as Chairman effective December 31st. The board did receive two resumes and after discussion they were approved to be invited on the board. Final approval will come from the BOD at their meeting in December.

4. RRB Responsibilities for 2010:

Discussion: 2010 RRB Assignments will be:

Chairman - Wakemen

Secretary - Van Vleet

Rules Committee Chairman - English

Communications/eBlast/Calendar – English

Divisional RoadRally Stewards Liaison - Lanz

5. Rules Committee Vacancy:

Discussion: J. Toney is resigning from the Rules Committee, effective December 31st, 2009. His position needs to be posted for applications.

6. Promotion – Manufacturer's Championship, Garmin:

Discussion: Can SCCA Marketing Department help us? A commission enticement to the person who makes the deal with the companies was suggested, for both RoadRally and RallyCross. The RRB is considering having members and non-board members to work together on a PR committee to develop a SCCA/Manufacturer's sponsor relationship. Lanz to post on the Yahoo RoadRally Group for committee volunteers.

7. Rule Changes, Rules Committee recommendations, Risk Management recommendations:

Discussion: Rule Change for the Historic Class (Appendix A) – adding a Halda Speed Pilot will be permitted. This needs to go to the December BOD's meeting for approval. A motion was made to allow Halda Speed Pilots. (Lanz/English) Risk Management recommendation was tabled until the December RRB meeting.

Discussion: Rule Change - RFO Chapter 24, Section C6 Average of Non-Max Scores – the Rules Committee does not want to change the wording in the current RFO's.

After much discussion the board agreed to leave it alone for now.

Discussion: Limiting the number of contestants. Rules Committee suggested making no changes because it is already covered in the RFO's.

Discussion: Rules committee recommended deleting reference to non-members paying a higher entry fee, but that a committee may charge an additional late fee of up to \$10. A motion was made to accept the Rules Committee recommendation (Poirier/Wakemen).

8. 2009 Trophies:

Discussion: Pego Mack reported there are 24 First Place Champions. Only the First Place Winners can purchase a jacket, at their own expense, from SPS per Pego Mack. A motion was made to award the first places winners with trophies and all others will be certificates. (Lanz/English)

9. Photo Contest:

Discussion: The Photo Contest has eight entries and at least 16 photos. Pego Mack will forward them on to the judges. The Photo Contest winners will be announced at the 2010 Convention.

10. 2009 Regional, Divisional and Robert Ridges Awards:

Discussion: The RRB received many names for the Ridges Award. A winner was picked and will be announced and presented at the 2010 Convention, along with the Regional and Divisional Awards.

11. 2010 Convention Duties:

Discussion: Beattie to contact the Las Vegas RE to see if they would be willing to help put on a Subaru/Road Rally event at the Convention. A Rally School at one of the seminars and RoadRally Saturday afternoon was suggested. Sasha agreed to do a "How to Start a Regional RoadRally Program" seminar on Friday. Wakemen will do the RR Jeopardy and Wheel of Fortune. Beattie will take the 2010 STRAP.

Other Old Business

Discussion: Lanz to send out a survey for Divisional Stewards and ask them for their best practices in their regions. Getting a dialog going would be a good thing and maybe getting some results for the 2010 Convention to present at the Regional RR Program seminar.

New Business - none

Action items

Van Vleet: Send Pego USRRC Town Hall Meeting Minutes to post.

Next meeting

Monday, December 7, 2009 at 7:30 pm CST via conference call.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 pm CST (English/Poirier).

Submitted by Lois Van Vleet, RRB Secretary.

RALLYCROSS BOARD MINUTES

RXB BOARD MINUTES | Oct. 28, 2009

The RallyCross Board met via conference call Sept. 14. Attending were Bob Ricker, Chairman, Brent Blakley, Tom Nelson, Karl Sealander, Mark Utecht, Pego Mack (National Office), Howard Allen (SCCA Board of Directors Liaison) and John Sheridan (SCCA Board of Directors).

1. Call to order 8:07 pm CDT

2. Additions/corrections to agenda

Tom Nelson requested that the RXB address forming a Standing Court of Appeals (see New Business, below).

3. Minutes from August Meeting

The minutes from the July meeting were presented prior to the meeting. Karl Sealander motioned to accept those minutes as presented, Brent Blakley seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

4. Committee Reports

- a. RallyCross Safety Committee (Tom Nelson)

Nothing to report

- b. RallyCross Rules Committee (Mark Utecht)

Mark Utecht reported that only one comment has been received regarding car preparation rules, this being from Mike Byington requesting the tire size rule be stricken from the rules proposal. It was asked why, and after some discussion it was decided that no action be taken because of timeliness of the request, as it's too late to make changes for the 2009 RallyCross National Championship, and that it would set a bad precedent. Tom Nelson suggested getting more information. Mark Utecht will respond to Mike Byington explaining no motion was made and why. Mark Utecht motioned that the RXB present the car preparation rules as written to the BOD. Tom Nelson seconded the motion and the RXB passed the motion unanimously.

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

Supplemental Regulations proposal from Pego Mack: Pego requested approval on several changes to the Supplemental Regulations for the 2009 RallyCross National Championship. Regarding the proposal of parade laps and changes to the course, the RXB decided the Supplemental Regulations should read: "Drivers will receive one parade lap per course. No parade laps will be given for minor course changes or alterations. Drivers will be verbally notified of course changes at the start line." Also the question of red flagging a competitor with a flat tire was discussed. The RXB decided to remove any mention of flat tires and red flags from the Supplemental Regulations, leaving the decision to the Safety Steward as to whether a run is a DNF or subject to a rerun if a competitor is red flagged for a flat tire.

Standing Court of Appeals: The RXB formed a Standing Courts of Appeals consisting of the following individuals (pending agreement from the proposed individuals): Bob Ricker and Tom Nelson from the RXB, Chad Ones and Hal Denham to be contacted by Tom Nelson, Bill Martin to be contacted by Brent Blakley, and Brent Carlson to be contacted by Mark Utecht. The final Standing Court of Appeals will be posted at the event.

Minimum Tire Pressure: Mark Utecht suggested the RXB draft a regulation requiring a minimum tire pressure at all RallyCross events. This proposal was tabled until a future meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 pm CDT.

Minutes prepared by: Karl Sealander 9/20/2009