

SUMMARY OF AORCOM MEETING TUESDAY 4 May 2021

Commission Composition:

Ben Erceg	SA	BE	2021 – 2023 Chair	Jeremy Beck	WA	JB	2021 – 2023 Deputy Chair
Sam Beck	VIC	SB	2021 – 2023	Don Young	QLD	DY	2021 – 2023
Matthew Martin	WA	MM	2021 – 2023				

Board Member Portfolio Holder:

Nick Rahimtulla	NR
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Technical Delegate:

Daniel Rogers	DR
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Motorsport Australia Administration:

Michael Smith	MS	Director of Motor Sport & Commercial Operations/CEO Appointee to Commission
Scott McGrath	SMc	Division Manager – Technical
David Stuart	DS	Division Manager – Safety and Race Operations
Trent Price	EO	Sporting Commissions & Championship Manager / Commission Executive Officer

1. NEWLY AGENDERED BUSINESS

MIN 0636: DECISION PAPER: SXS Power Steering

A Decision Paper was presented by the EO, querying what current regulations permit power steering is permitted and may be added. The paper queries if this includes power steering upgrades.

After receiving a query from a competitor whether the SXS Power Steering Regulations allows for upgrades such as steering racks or steering quickeners?

After discussion, the Commission decided that any application should not be made by an individual, rather from a group or association preparing a Decision Paper.

MIN 0637: DECISION PAPER: Approval of Technical Working Group

A paper was presented by the EO proposing AORCOM to approve the formation and make-up of the Off-Road Working Group (ORWG).

To allow AORCOM to concentrate on Strategic matters, it is proposed that an Off-Road Technical Working Group (ORWG) be implemented to oversee Regulatory change proposals and questions relating to Off Road before reporting to AORCOM for final ratification.

Ultimately it was decided that the Commission should still approve technical requests/matters through consultation with the AORCOM Technical Delegate.

MIN 0638: DECISION PAPER: Reverse grid formats in State and Club level events

A paper was presented by the EO for AORCOM to consider if reverse grid formats are permitted in State and Club level events.

Currently there is no regulation in the Off-Road Standing Regulations that prohibits reverse grid formats. Furthermore, should it be authorised, there are no guidelines on how reverse grid formats are to be run.

Using the handicap reverse format, the slowest car starts first and, for example, could have 2 full laps before the next car starts. Going from the slowest car to the fastest, they are 'drip fed' onto the course based on their lap times from Saturday's section.

Using the 'normal' format of fastest car off first with second intervals, the slowest car at the back of the field would be caught and overtaken within the first few laps. The faster cars are then overtaking slower vehicles for the rest of the event.

After discussion, the Commission decided that a rule change or clarification was not required and proposed that a TRA that could be potentially used for other events.

NEXT MEETINGS

Tuesday 17th August Teleconferences commencing at 17:30 Melbourne time.