



MINUTES – MEETING OF THE USA CRICKET BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By Conference call – August 27, 2022

Attendance

USA Cricket Board Directors

Atul Rai, Interim Chair, Individual Director (AR)

Avinash Gaje, Individual Director (AG), Venu Pisike, Individual Director (VP), Srinu Salver, Player Director (SS), Sushil Nadkarni, League Director (SN), Kuljit Nijjar, Club Director (KN), Nadia Gruny, Player Director (NG)

USA Cricket Staff

Dhruvkumar Barot, Minutes Recorder (DB)

1. Welcome Note

AR welcomed the board, agenda for today's meeting was discussed. CC was not available to provide updates on their respective responsibilities. KN's work is appreciated in getting the previous meeting minutes sorted and getting them to the audit firm.

2. NGC appointments (Cont.)

SN connected with Brian Walter, but he was unable to make any progress. VP updates on Vince Adams, impressive profile, and has a good understanding of USA Cricket constitution, and was recommended. Vince Adams was appointed as a board appointee for the NGC.

In favor: VP, SS

Abstain: NIL

Against: NIL

Recused for this item:

AR updates on the conversation with Jim Isch (JI), JI provided details on previous practices but was only conditionally available if Jagan Jagannathan (JJ) is on the NGC committee, the board previously agreed to replace JJ with a new candidate, hence JI resignation was accepted. ICC to be notified.

AR asked NG and SS to provide their perspectives on player representatives NG Recommended Sarah Farooq who previously served on NGC in 2019, SS recommended Nisarg Patel (NP) based on the challenging experience he had from the successfully concluded delayed 2020 election, AR suggested having both male and female nominations on NGC. NG further clarified the process that was implied in the past and based on the logical principle and past practice NG should be given an opportunity for this cycle, NG expressed concern on the personal relation of the male representative player and SS could be leading to a conflict. AR disagreed as an individual could not have any influence on the election outcome and suggested having both male and female player representatives on the NGC.

VP and AG advised AR to reach out to the US Olympic committee seeking their nomination for the NGC, and if the US Olympic committee does not respond or refuses to nominate then the board will move ahead without the US Olympic committee representative on the NGC.

KN expressed concern about not following the correct process in appointing two player



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representatives and would like to discuss this with NG and the directors to understand the logic behind this, as both candidates should be evaluated based on what they bring to the table for their appointment, NG dropped the call and hence this discussion was not completed. AG further clarified that both candidates have previously served on the NGC and have equal experience, and if the board cannot agree to the appointment, then the Chair of BOD has full authority to decide as practiced in the past. AG recommended deciding on the matter and moving to the next agenda, and KN agreed.

The Board resolved: To have both male and female representatives on the NGC and seek the nomination of ICC and the US Olympic committee respectively.

In favor: KN, VP, AG, SS

Abstain: NIL

Against: NIL

Recused for this item:

3. CEO Appointment (Cont.)

CC shared a draft note with the board if approved then AR sends the letter to the ICC.

The Board resolved: Directors present on the call approved the letter and agreed to send the proposal to ICC.

In favor: KN, VP, AG, SS, SN

Abstain: NIL

Against: NIL

Recused for this item:

4. T20 WC Update

NG to provide what was discussed during the ICC meeting. AR recommends having a meeting with the CWI board to further discuss MOU and long-term planning.

ICCA to fund the in-person board meeting mid to end of September.

VP provided his input from the recording communication between CWI and USAC where they expressed interest in having a 5-term development plan in the country. Also, would like to have updates from the ICC AGM on currently pressing issues regarding governance, and the ACE agreement, and requested AR to seek updates from NG and request to share details with the board through an email chain.

5. Committee Replacement

AR shared his recommendations with the board and suggested replacing Shahid Ahmed (from the finance committee to the cricket committee replacing Vince taking over the NGC) & Jeff Crow based on his inputs in the roles in the past and both individuals have a high level of cricketing experience.



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SN Expressed concerns around Vince may run into COI as several topics are discussed where he may not be able to make unbiased decisions. AG recommended having one member per committee and shall not allow individuals serving in multiple committees to get optimal benefits and results from appointees, SN suggested seeking advice from Vince Adams as he was an active member when the constitution was being established.

AR advised on no immediate requirement to form a new membership committee, the chair of BOD to directly work with DB, and the board will be updated on the activities. AR strongly advised the board to focus on establishing a stronger finance committee as the utmost priority.

SS questioned the timeline to form the league committee, VP asked for an update on the process, this was never constituted, this committee is chosen based on the membership, the two largest leagues in each zone + 4 members from the players appointed by the player's director. Advised to wait until September 15th and then DB to provide the data and then leagues to provide 1 representative for the league committee.

SN advised the board to be careful in interpreting the constitution regarding the committee appointments, VP clarified the process that was followed in the past was the chair of each committee can do the appointments for the replacement which needs to be approved by the board. VP proposed replacing Ajith Bhaskar with Kuljit Nijjar for the development committee. KN requested additional time and would like to refer to the committee organization chart to update himself before voting on any appointees.

Discussions around the committee are to be moved to the next meeting to finish the committee appointments.

6. Finance Update

KG got through the meeting minutes and has been submitted to the audit firm and is actively working with the audit firm to get them processed. KG working with RD on getting the q2 and q3 finance. The audit firm requested the firm-to-firm document handover. AR requested to share updates on other pressing financial issues, KN expressed his disappointment to the board about the current financial situation the board is left in and updated on incomplete financial reconciliation from the Ireland series, and other major outstanding reconciliation from ICC events. AR expressed disappointment as KN and advised the board to have better planning for future events and have better resources in place.

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