

# MINUTES – MEETING OF THE USA CRICKET BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By Conference call – September 08, 2022

#### **Attendance**

**USA Cricket Board Directors** 

Atul Rai, Interim Chair, Club Director (AR)

Avinash Gaje, Individual Director (AG), Venu Pisike, Individual Director (VP), Nadia Gruny, Player Director (NG), Srini Salver, Player Director (SS), Kuljit Nijjar, Individual Director (KN), Catherine Carlson, Independent Director (CC)

<u>USA Cricket - Staff</u> Dhruvkumar Barot, Minute Taker (DB) Richard Done, Cricket Operations Director (RD)

Julie Abbott, Women's Cricket Coordinator (JA)

### 1. Welcome Note

Updates from AR discussion with Fara Gorsi pertaining to previously discussed current affairs and organizational needs. Dates and logistics for the AGM 2022 and Women's U19 Nationals were discussed and agreed upon.

### 2. Update on finances

- NG requested RD to update the board on the restructuring and reallocation proposal of the previously \$400,000(approx..) budget for several national competitions between Men's Senior and several other age groups following under it. RD was unable to prepare any proposal and advised the board to reconsider the organizational positioning now based on the current situation with the finances. RD provided updates on funding and reimbursements expected from the ICC and the member nations directly. NG expressed her concern that too many changes in the preapproved budget could possibly impact the women's and youth domestic events and pathway events. RD further clarified the breakdowns of the budget and refined the deficiency of \$500,000 approx. in the budget caused due to the removal of guaranteed funding from ACE, including a note of reduction in the expenses by nearly \$100,000 approx.
- NG wanted further clarification on the U19 female nations and updates regarding PR for the event. RD confirmed that the event budget was reduced due to limited cash flow. A possible change to the event date was also proposed by NG, which could not be accommodated due to the facility not being available on weekends during the proposed dates confirmed by JA. RD provided the board with the breakdown of available options and estimated costs budgeted around the event. JA presented to the board interest from FairBreak in partnering with USA Cricket and hosting the event in the US, this includes financial incentives and domestic women's cricket development for USA Cricket. Further development on this prospect is to be discussed during the next meeting between the USAC board and FairBreak.
- KN updates the board on the funds raised by NG for the women's events. KN assured that
  money raised from specific programs will be kept in the same program. Board was provided
  with financial updates on current outstanding and projected income for Q3 and Q4 2022. KN
  presented actuals payables outstanding and expected receivables including details on each



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itemized outstanding's, board requested KN to produce a simple financial report for the board. AR requested more clarification status of reconciliation for the Ireland series to RD, this is still in progress KN & RD are working together on it abstracting more information from Josh Dascombe (JD) who then was leading Ireland v USA project. RD informed the board about little to no cooperation from JD since his resignation from the position making it more difficult to overcome the task, AR offered RD to forward all the information pertaining to this task and will contact JD to provide the obligated support with the work. AR requested RD to update the board on the status of the audit report, where RD explained that all necessary information was submitted and is under review, the audit firm offered to provide a draft letter which could be forwarded to ICC seeking funding in advance till the audit review is completed. AR stressed the importance of his conversation with the ICC where USA Cricket in the past has missed several reporting deadlines and had further resulted in financial penalties as consequence, AR requested RD to assure that no further budget/reporting deadline shall be missed to avoid governable financial penalties.

## 3. Committee updates - Sushil, Venu, Nadia

VP updates the board on the progress made in the development committee since June'22 as previously decided by the board, they are overseeing the junior tournament and working directly with the volunteer and zoning coordinators. Key deadlines of the selection process were discussed along with the process identified in several zones and specific regions. Trials U13 are to be completed by mid-October and U15 by the 1<sup>st</sup> week of October was confirmed. Major support from local academies and corporates for these zonal tournaments, including monetary sponsorship, and VIK's. The development Manager will conduct an in-person workshop for the umpires in 6 cities between September and December. Further progress is being made to officially launch the L1 coaching certification which will be offered later in the year.

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