

MINUTES – MEETING OF THE USA CRICKET BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By Conference call - April 4th, 2023

Attendance

USA Cricket Board Directors

Kuljit Nijjar, (Chair) Individual Director (KN)

Avinash Gaje, Individual Director (AG), Venu Pisike, Individual Director (VP), Srini Salver, Player Director (SS), Sushil Nadkarni, League Director (SN), Kuljit Nijjar, Club Director (KN), Nadia Gruny, Player Director (NG), Atul Rai, Individual Director (AR), Patricia Whittaker (PW), David Haubert (DH) and Pintoo Shah (PS) Independent Directors

Meeting Captured by Kuljit-Singh Nijjar

1. TV Series on USAC national team

Al Edgington and James Stewart presented a proposal to shoot a series on USA national team leading up to the World Cup. The series will be on the same lines as 'cricket fever' shot on Mumbai Indians. Al and James were part of cricket fever series, and they want to work with Apple TV to build a proposal once USAC Board gives consent to move forward. Given the world cup year, board felt this could help with marketing the national team, bring additional revenue and telling a great story of our player's diverse background and the raise to national team. Nadia Gruny facilitated the conversation between board and Al and James.

AI: USAC Board will convene internally and provide updates to Al and James

2. NGC and 2022 elections update

Kuljit Nijjar informed the team he spoke to Fara Gorsi from ICC on her help seeking USA Olympics committee representative to join USAC NGC. Fara confirmed that USA Olympics committee doesn't want to provide any representative to NGC and she asked USAC to continue with the existing committee.

Kuljit Nijjar proposed to conduct 2022 elections with membership data available as of December 2022 wherein a member is eligible to vote if he or she is eligible member for 2021 and 2022.

Atul Rai suggested we should allow additional registrations and payments till March/April of 2023. KN explained since we did not paid the dues to Fungage and opened it for renewals it will take longer time to do that way, and USAC will not be able to meet ICC compliance deadline.

Patricia Whittaker wanted to know, if the proposal was to follow the past elections, and Venu Pisike and Kuljit Nijjar replied YES. 2022 elections should be completed by July to be complaint with ICC. Kuljit reminded that the membership portal has been broken for many months and no action took place.

Motion: 2022 election to be conducted with below voter eligibility criteria



Registered as a Individual Member before Dec 31st, 2021 Valid Member and paid dues by Dec 31st, 2022

Proposed by: Kuljit Singh

Seconded by: Patricia Whittaker

Voting

Yes: KN, SS, PW, NG, PS

No: AR

Abstain: SN, AG and VP (VP abstaining due to the election is for his position)

(NG and PS requested motion in writing before they provide approval. Both later approved via Email to

KN)

3. MLC and MiLC sanctioning update

Kuljit Nijjar provided the following update on MLC and MILC sanctioning:

The working group(WG) has been meeting regularly as well as with ACE. While everyone is onboard that MLC, MILC should go on, WG felt the fundamental issues around the contract, definition of local players, national players not being part of MLC hasn't been addressed properly. ICC has intervened and have agreed to facilitate the conversation with USAC and ACE. Once we have a final 'terms of refence', that information will be shared to the board.

Nadia asked if there is any timeline by which this has be sanctioned, Kuljit responded stating with ICC intervention, we will speed up the process and have a response shortly.

4. Sponsorships for junior pathways

Venu Pisike provided an update that in February, Pavilion Sports came forward with a request to provide a letter of intent from USAC to raise corporate funding to sponsor junior pathways. He informed the board that Vinay and Pintoo Shah along with him attended a call with Pavilion Sports, USAC is looking for a \$500k+ sponsorship.

Patricia Whittaker(PW) backed by Nadia Gruny suggested to create a USAC Policy on partnership/ sponsorships, open competitive bid process. Venu suggested that it is good idea to create policy but given someone is already knocking USAC door, it is better to provide non-binding intent letter so that process can move forward. Pintoo shah stated lot more work must be done with Pavilion sports to get to definitive agreement but providing non-binding intent letter has no harm.

Atul suggested he had some other conversation on similar sponsorships but with better funding, Kuljit recommended to pursue that option as well.

AI: Venu to draft non-binding intent letter and share with Kuljit to sign

5. Financial Update

Kuljit Nijjar provided following updates:

- USAC owes Cricket Scotland about \$25k. Kuljit to send an apology letter to Cricket Scotland and pay their dues with ICC Q2 funding.
- Employees will be paid till May 1st with existing bank balance
- April 20th is the deadline for Q1 report submission to ICC, Kuljit will seek Pintoo's help in completing the report
- Most of expenses are captured in Xero tool, few transactions from Vinay are to be reconciled, Kuljit is working with Kirk to reconcile them.

6. Other business

- Kuljit Congratulated the national team for successful Namibia tour
- Atul suggested to send a congratulation email to players and media note
- Srini informed the board that players felt good about the preparatory tour and they wanted something similar before Zimbabwe tour
- Kuljit stated his priority is to get board meeting minutes out to the members faster than ever before. Currently the process takes 3 days of employee listening to videos and preparing meeting minutes. Kuljit suggested using transcript solution of zoom to build text content of the call. There are 11 meeting that need meeting minutes to be current, between Dhruv, Kuljit and others, they will be completed soon.
- Avi Gaje and Sushil Nadkarni were thanked by the board for their services to USAC and wished them good luck. Avi and Sushil offered to support USAC in any possible ways going forward.

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