



MINUTES – MEETING OF THE USA CRICKET BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Teams Meeting – February 10th, 2024

Attendance

Virtually:

Venu Pisike, Chairman (VP), Arjun Gona, Individual Director (AG), Kuljit Nijjar, Individual Director (KN), Atul Rai, Club Director (AR), Nadia Gruny, Player Director (NG), Srinu Salver, Player Director (SS), Anj Balusu, League Director (AB), Patricia Whittaker, Independent Director (PW), David Haubert, Independent Director (DH), Pintoo Shah, Independent Director (PS), and Dr. Noor Murad (CEO).

Welcome Note and Agenda

VP welcomed the Members and announced a quorum is met. VP informed the board that the constitution amendments have been approved by the membership and will be effective as of Feb 6th, 2024. Also, informed the board that due to several ongoing high priority items board may need to meet few times in the next few months.

VP also assured to submit the minutes which are yet to be drafted.

Nadia wanted to add agenda item to appoint temporary women selection camp Coach and selection panel.

Chairman's Report

ACE Update: Met with ACE and USAC attorney. USAC attorney is currently drafting a response. We will also responding to ACE on their restructuring and submit USAC concerns.

ICC clarification on Media release related to World Cup: ICC has acknowledged that there was a oversight in the media release where it was mentioned 'MLC will be developing the sport in the USA'. ICC assured to correct future releases and reaffirmed that USAC is the governing body responsible for Cricket in the USA.

Documentary: The partner who offered to produce the Team USA Documentary is still working on finding a sponsor, they will have an update soon.

CEO Report

ICC Funding: Submitted email and had followed up with ICC Americas to request Q1 funding.

World Cup: Unfortunately, USAC is not part of T20WC operations. We are offered to be part of the Marketing, I will share the plan that is put to-gether. School Program, World Cup trophy tours, providing Net bowlers.

Membership Portal: working with cricclubs in delivering the membership portal in a timely manner. Cricclubs requested a document for registering new leagues, requesting the help of AB and AG. The



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contract has been signed and we are coordinating on membership and competitive management portal.

Head Coach: Stuart Law's VISA process has been initiated.

Women's Head Coach: Need to engage with the approved candidate.

Hiring: JD's are shared with specific members of the board. Received applications for posted jobs. A recruitment process will start soon after appointing the panels.

World Cup Preparations: Preparations are underway for Canada and Bangladesh bi-laterals. Matches will be held in PVCC. Working on the accreditation criteria for the PVCC for T20I. Waiting on PVCC to install the fence before submitting final report to ICC.

Women: Coordinating ODI's for women's team prior to Global qualifiers

CWI MoU: Waiting to hear the final approval from CWI. Discussed potential ODI matches with CWI or their A team prior to CWC series. There is specific discussion about women programs.

CEO onboarding: Attending the initial meeting by USOPC which was primarily a introduction meeting.

Zonal Trials: Discussions were underway to put together a guidelines document

NG requested to submit

Finance Report

KN reviewed the financial reports. For more clarifications it was agreed to schedule a call with accounting firm. Also, a decision on collecting membership dues from is postponed until next board meeting

Committee Report on Zonal Appointments

Committee submitted their report on the initial topic of Coach appointment process. After consulting with the Staff and gathering information committee of the opinion that the process is duly followed in making the zonal coach and selector appointments. There are no findings on any type of discrimination.

The committee did not review the second request assigned to them last week, to look into any influences in the appointment process. Process was published to public on January 9th, which is prepared by staff.

Committee to continue to investigate and submit final report, members are requested to submit their inputs to the committee.

NM requested if the appointed coaches can start working on the zonal trials, Board did not express any concerns so it was advised to engage the already appointed coaches.



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Women Selection Camp

In the importance of conducting the womens selection camp in Orlando NG proposed to approve the appointment of below individuals

Burt Cockley – Lead coach and S&C Trainer

Ravi Teki – Assistant Coach

Temp Selection panel to assist with the selection camp and until new selection panel appointed by the Women's Cricket Committee

1. Amer Afzaludhin – Chair
2. Marty Kain
3. Kalyani Dhokarikar

Motion proposed by: NG

Seconded by: SS

PW raised concerns about coaches being appointed having conflicts. It was clarified that conflicts should be declared and managed.

PS recommended not to appoint any Staff Members of ACE just to avoid conflicts. AR confirmed that BC is not an employee of ACE.

VP recommended to keep the selection panel a temporary until the new one is formally appointed by the Women's committee.

NM suggested to engage existing interim Coach rather than appointing a new one. SS clarified this is a selection camp to test the skills, but not a coaching camp so just need a coach who knows how to give them practice and fitness.

Approve: AR, AB, AG, PS, VP

Against: PW

Abstains: KN

Motion passed by majority(7:1:1)

NGC

1. Appointment of Rahul Khona as board nominee to NGC (temporary appointment until end of March or the independent dir appointment is completed)

Proposed by: VP.

Seconded by: NG.

Abstain: PS

Against: PW



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Motion passed by the majority.

VP requested members to share any recommendations to bring diversity into NGC, requested to share by end of the month.

Executive Session

VP proposed executive session for the board to discuss few important Staff and commercial partner items. PW mentioned she had to leave as it is too late for her.

Motion proposed by: VP
Seconded by: KN

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion from the executive session:

Termination of CEO services without cause.

Proposed by: SS
Seconded by: NG
Approve: PS, AB, AR, VP
Against: KN, AG
Abstain: DH

Motion passed with majority (6:2:1).

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