

Victoria and District Cricket Association



Minutes of Executive Meeting – Wednesday April 3, 2019 Fred
Maurice Pavilion, Beacon Hill Park, Victoria BC



Chair: Jim Wenman (VDCA President)

Attendees: sign-in sheet attached

Apologies: Javed Khan may be late.

17 members present; Quorum confirmed.

Call to order: 7:02pm

Approval of Previous Meetings' Minutes:

Minutes of the March meeting were read to members by Izak Brussow.

Motion accepting previous minutes: Alphonso Franco; Seconded by Bikramjit Singh; No objection.

Correspondence:

Please use the abbreviation "VDCA" in all subject lines of emails to Izak Brussow. This helps organize emails and will ensure that your email is received and reviewed.

Executive Reports

President's Report: Jim Wenman; Report attached in full.

1st Vice-President's Report: Not present.

2nd Vice-President's Report: Updates provided by Gurmit Sandhu regarding schedule release.

Treasurer's Report: Doug de la Mare; Report Attached in full.

Representative to Cricket BC: No report.

Committee Business

Weekend League:

1. Manrick has volunteered to lead the mat replacement at Beacon Hill. Correspond with Jim Wenman regarding keys and other relevant pavilion requirements. Mat needs to be in by the weekend of April 13th for Midweek Season start date.
2. **IMPORTANT: Member meeting to commence on April 24, 2019 to discuss all cricket related business for the coming season. Meeting will commence at 6:45pm in the Fred Maurice pavilion at Beacon Hill Park and run until completion. All VDCA and VISCUS members should attend.**

Midweek League: Midweek Cricket to start on April 15th at Beacon Hill.

Junior Cricket:

Please contact Alphonso Franco if you are aware of any juniors interested in playing the 2019 season.

Junior cricket report provided by Rick. Junior program to start first weekend of June for ages 6 – 12 years old. There is a significant amount of interest and contact has already been made through website.

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Reminder that if you plan on coaching Junior Cricket you need to undergo a Volunteer Record Check through the RCMP. Get in contact with Izak Brussow to receive a template form to provide at record check. The form will need to be filled in and signed by Jim Wenman.

Women's Cricket:

VISCUS:

Umpire schedule to be prepared by Doug de la Mare, Gopal Gowda and Izak Brussow. The schedule should be out shortly after the meeting.

Grounds & Facilities: As mentioned above re. Beacon Hill mat replacement.

Proposals:

- Motion to revise VDCA Playing Conditions to allocate 2 points to each team for a rained-out game.
 - Motioned by Gopal Gowda; Seconded by Izak Brussow.
 - Motion passed.
 - 11 votes for
 - 4 votes against
 - Motion attached in full in Appendix A.
- Motion to revise wording in playing conditions to allow qualified umpires from outside VISCUS.
 - Motioned by Doug de la Mare; Seconded by Rob White.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
 - Motion attached in full in Appendix A.
- Motion to define leg side wide as any ball outside of leg stump and passing behind the batsman.
 - Motioned by Izak Brussow; Seconded by Alphonso Franco.
 - Motion Passed.
 - 1 vote against
 - Motion attached in full in Appendix A.
- Motion for pre-approval of to edit the VDCA playing conditions to insert 2019 schedule related information.
 - Motioned by Gopal Gowda; Seconded by Alphonso Franco.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
 - Motion attached in full in Appendix A.
- Motion to Compensate teams financially for umpire no shows
 - Motioned by Izak Brussow; Seconded by Doug de la Mare.
 - Motion passed.
 - Motion attached in full in Appendix A.

Discipline: No report.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:08pm. (Alphonso Franco)

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of the VDCA Executive is scheduled for Wednesday May 1, 2019, to commence at 7:00pm in the Fred Maurice Pavilion at Beacon Hill Park, Victoria BC.

Attachments

1. President's Report, as prepared and presented by Jim Wenman
2. Treasurers Report, as prepared by Doug de la Mare
3. Attendance Sheet attached





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Executive Meeting Attendees – Wednesday 7th Feb 2018
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Society Directors

Office	Name	Signature
President	Jim Weir	<i>present</i>
1 st Vice-Pres	GURMIT SANDHU	<i>[Signature]</i>
2 nd Vice-Pres		
Treasurer	Douglas de la Mare	<i>[Signature]</i>
Secretary	Izak Brussow	<i>[Signature]</i>

Executive Committee Voting Members

Representing...	Name	Signature
to Cricket BC		
Albion	MANRICK SINGH	<i>[Signature]</i>
Alcos	Andrew Richardson	<i>[Signature]</i>
Colts	KURIEN SAMUEL	<i>[Signature]</i>
Cowichan	HOWARD MARTIN	<i>[Signature]</i>
Incogs	Alphonso Franco	<i>[Signature]</i>
Islanders	JAS MAHAJAN	<i>[Signature]</i>
Metchosin	Robert White	<i>[Signature]</i>
Oak Bay	Bikramjit Singh	<i>[Signature]</i>
United Victoria		
University	Dhruval Patel, Jaimin Modi	<i>[Signature]</i>
Nanaimo	Harry Parmar	<i>[Signature]</i>
Midweek League	GRAHAM SMITH	<i>[Signature]</i>
VISCUS	Sybil	<i>[Signature]</i>



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Executive Committee Meeting Agenda – Wednesday April 3, 2019, 7:00pm
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Appendix A

Motion to revise VDCA Weekend Playing Conditions to allocate 2-points for a R/O Match

Doug, Izak and Gopal – April 3, 2019

Background

- Currently, VDCA Weekend Playing conditions allocates 4-points for a win, 2-points for a tie and zero-points for a R/O.
- The primary-decider is.. The team with most points advance to playoffs
- In case of two teams being equal on points....
- Secondary-decider isThe team with the higher number of Wins, regardless of the number of completed matches, shall be ranked higher;
- Tertiary-decider...If still equal, the team with the higher number of Wins over the other team(s) who have accumulated an equal number of points per completed match ('head to head') shall be ranked higher;
- Quaternary-decider... If still equal, the team with the highest Net Run Rate shall be ranked higher.

Problem

- Upon closer examination of our current points-allocation system and the “decider” wording, shows it is not equitable and could potentially disadvantage teams when deciding who should advance to the playoffs.
- Furthermore, there is a conflict between how the standings are decided and the supporting-wording that decides the eventual team to advance to the playoffs
- Hence, VDCA Playing Conditions need to be revised to provide clarity, ensure an equitable system to decide the standings, and eliminate potential errors.

Solution

- We have two options:
- **Option A:** change the wording for all levels of the “decider” and show the results as percentage of games won instead of points accumulated
- **Option B (this is the recommended and the simpler of the two):** – keep the current wording but allocate 2-points for each team for a R/O game as in a tied-game
- The following examples illustrate how errors could occur with the current system and how the proposed system would eliminate any such potential errors.

Example 1: Actual 2018 season-standings

TEAM	GP	GW	GL	R/O	Deflt	Deflt	TIE	Points	%
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					Won	Lost			WON
Incogs	13	7	6	0	0	0	0	28	53.85
Colts	13	7	5	1	0	0	0	28	58.33

- In 2018 season, Incogs and Colts were shown to be tied on points (based on our current points allocation system, where R/O allocated Zero points) using the primary-decider criteria.
- Based on the secondary-criteria (“number of wins regardless of completed games”) also made the two teams equal
- However, Colts eventually advanced based on the tertiary-decider wording “head-to-head” win over Incogs – fortunately in this case, the correct team advanced and no issues arose.
- In fact, there was never a need to go to the secondary or the tertiary-decider as Colts should have advanced based on the primary-decider itself if we had used the percentage-wins criteria rather than the points-criteria. The head-to-head win over Incogs should have been a moot point
- In the above example, if we look at the points-accumulated criteria only and if Incogs had a “head-to-head” win over colts, Incogs would have advanced erroneously (even though Colts had a higher %win)!

Point to note: Not allocating points in a R/O only works equitably if we use “percentage win -criteria”

Example 2: This example shows two identical hypothetical scenarios where a Potential problem could occur if we do not allocate points to a R/O match.

Scenario-1: Zero points for a R/O match

TEAM	GP	GW	GL	R/O	Deflt Won	Deflt Lost	TIE	Points	% WON
A	13	6	5	0	0	0	2	28	53.85
B	13	5	2	2	0	0	4	28	63.64

In scenario-1 above, Team A would advance as per the current points-allocation system (i.e. no points for R/O) and based on the current secondary decider wording “The team with the higher number of Wins, regardless of the number of completed matches, shall be ranked higher;”

This would be an error and unfair to team B as its percentage of wins is higher

Scenario-2: Allocate 2-points for a R/O match

TEAM	GP	GW	GL	R/O	Deflt Won	Deflt Lost	TIE	Points	% WON
A	13	6	5	0	0	0	2	28	53.85
B	13	5	2	2	0	0	4	32	63.64



In scenario-2 above, Team B would correctly advance if we assign points for a R/O match as it will have more points in addition to higher percentage wins

Point to note: Allocating points for a R/O match has a clear advantage of working equitably in both the points-system and %win-system.

What needs to be changed in the Playing Conditions?

1. Change Zero to 2-points in “abandoned/ No result” in 16.13 (a) Table
2. Change 16.13 (b) League standings, as follows:

Current wording:

(b) League standings

- The League standings during the Regular Season shall be determined by the number of points accumulated per completed match. Any match abandoned or declared a No Result shall not be counted as a completed match.
- In the event of teams accumulating equal points per completed match, the League standings shall be determined as follows:
 - The team with the higher number of Wins, regardless of the number of completed matches, shall be ranked higher;
 - If still equal, the team with the higher number of Wins over the other team(s) who have accumulated an equal number of points per completed match ('head to head') shall be ranked higher;
 - If still equal, the team with the highest Net Run Rate shall be ranked higher.

New wording: (underlined wording from above is deleted, and a new word “overall” added)

(b) League standings

- The League standings during the Regular Season shall be determined by the number of **overall** points accumulated
- In the event of teams accumulating **overall** equal points, the League standings shall be determined as follows:
 - The team with the higher number of Wins, regardless of the number of completed matches, shall be ranked higher;
 - the team with the higher number of Wins over the other team(s) who have accumulated an equal number of points ('head to head') shall be ranked higher;
 - If still equal, the team with the highest Net Run Rate shall be ranked higher.



Motion to Revise Wording to Accommodate Qualified Umpires Outside of VISCUS

Izak, Doug and Gopal-April 3, 2019

Background

The current wording in the VDCA Playing Conditions restricts appointed umpires to have a valid qualification from Cricket Canada Umpiring body, only. The intention of this motion is to revise the wording to accommodate qualified umpires who hold a valid/certified accreditation from a recognized cricket organization outside of Cricket Canada.

Current Wording

The current wording in Section – Law 2 – The Umpires and 2.1 – Appointment and Attendance; states that: “.....The definition of “competent” (umpire) shall be a person who has a valid Cricket Canada Umpiring qualification and who also shall be a fully paid up and insured Full Member of the VISCUS.....”

What is Proposed

The Motion is to change the wording to: (new wording is in RED)

“.....The definition of “competent” (umpire) shall be a person who has a valid Cricket Canada Umpiring qualification or equivalent from a recognized cricketing body, and who also shall be a fully paid up and insured Full Member of the VISCUS.....” **The acceptance of such umpires from outside of Cricket Canada certification shall be subject to the approval of VISCUS.**

Benefits

- will create opportunities to expand our pool of qualified umpires
- will not impose on those already qualified/knowledgeable cricketers, who are competent enough to umpire, take Cricket Canada umpiring course
- will encourage more umpires to come forward to umpire in the VDCA



Motion to define and provide clarity for the leg-side wides

Doug and Izak –April 3, 2019

Background

- The VDCA Playing Conditions follows the ICC ruling for judging “wides” on both sides of the wicket
- Accordingly, the current VDCA playing conditions has provided definition and guidance, to the umpires, for judging the off-side wides
- However, the VDCA has not provided any such definition/guidance for judging the leg-side wides

What is proposed

To maintain consistency with the off-side guidance, it is proposed to add wording to provide definition, guidance and clarity for the leg-side wides also

Proposed options

The following options are presented to allow the clubs (Reps) to select a suitable wording. The selected wording will be added under a new Section 7.6 – Leg-side Wides

Option 1: Anything on the leg-side is a wide

Option 2: Up to the umpire’s discretion

Option 3: Add a 10.4-inch (measured from the outer edge of the leg stump) guide Line as we had prior to 2017 and allow umpires to use discretion to judge wides



Motion to request pre-approval to proceed to edit the VDCA Playing Conditions to insert 2019-schedule related information

By Gopal – April 3, 2019

Background

As the 2019 season is expected to begin end of April and the next scheduled meeting is not until May 1, we will not have an opportunity to approve the expected changes before the season starts.

What is Requested

- I am requesting the membership to approve this motion to allow me to go ahead and edit the appropriate sections to accommodate 2019-schedule information.

Benefits of this pre-approval

- This will allow me to do a final update of the VDCA Playing Conditions before the 2019 season starts
- Provide a fully revised and up to date Playing Conditions before the start of the season



Motion to compensate teams financially for umpire no shows.

By: Blair Boardman

Background

- Currently clubs participating in the VDCA league pay fees to cover costs to supply VISCUS qualified umpires for their games.
- I am proposing that teams recover these costs if umpires do not show up
- The rationale for this proposition is provided below.

Rationale

- Currently teams are fined \$70 for not providing an umpire, paid to the VDCA.
- Currently teams pay \$2500 in dues in which a portion of this covers umpire costs.

This current situation has the VDCA collecting money twice for games in which umpires don't show up. They do not need to pay the \$40/\$80 reimbursement to VISCUS (which the clubs have paid in advance), and then they receive an extra \$70/\$140 for the fine.

Please note that I am not proposing to change the fine structure as I believe \$70 per umpire to be more than fair. I feel this motion will not harm the VDCA financially as they will still keep \$30 for each fine received.

Motion

- I propose that a proportion of the fines received by the VDCA for umpire no shows be split between teams involved in that game. If no umpires show up, \$40 per team. One umpire, \$20.00 per team.