



Edmonton & District Cricket League

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Minutes of the Semi Annual General Meeting 2018

Date: March 3, 2018 Time: 12:30 pm

Place: Meadows Rec. Center @ 2704 17St NW Edmonton, AB - Room 208

Minutes Prepared By: Adeel Butt

EDCL Member Attend Meeting:

Adeel Butt	Hardik Patel	Yatin Patel	Amirt Brar
Jawad Choudhary	Ravinder Bhumbra	Mihir Brahmbhatt	Amol Bhatt
Tim Das	Mekul Palan	Asad Zia	Miraj Patel
Mahinder Bala	Kulwinder	Parin Modi	Salman Choudhary
Gurjeet Singh	Taimoor Jillani	Manas Deshpande	Ranjit Singh
Harjinder Dhillon	Salman Naseer	Noor Uddin	Haseeb
Saud	Dasaradh Mandava	Nitin Singh	Giri Srinivasan
Christi Marathalingam	Titto Jose	Josy Daniel	Arshdeep Badesha
Badshah Chadda	Binesh Bharathan	Kevin Jose	Ankit Patel
Bhargav Patel	Jaydesh Pandey	Sherin Mohammed	

Semi AGM Agenda:-

1. Sign In
2. Establish Quorum
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Approval of Previous Minutes
5. Presidents Report
6. Treasurers Report (Budget)
7. Junior Program
8. New Teams
9. Collection of Teams Dues
10. Practice Days Draw
11. AOB
 - a. Women Cricket – Coaching and Matches
 - b. Proposal of New Umpiring Fee Structure
 - c. Law of Cricket – Changes Effective from Oct 2017
 - d. Cricket Canada Umpire & Scorers Examination – April 22nd, 2018 (Venue: TBD)
 - e. Coaching Course in Edmonton – Update
 - f. Miracles Club Name Change
 - g. Banquet Incident
 - h. Bylaws Committee

1. Sign In

Members entered in the hall and signed the attendance sheet

2. Establish Quorum

Waited for 30 minutes to complete quorum.

- 14 (fourteen) clubs were present.

3. Adoption of Agenda

President welcomed everyone who are present and thanked everyone to attend the meeting

*The following items added to Any Other Business session

- Coaching Course in Edmonton – Update
- Miracles Club Name Change
- Banquet Incident
- Bylaws Committee

Agenda adopted (Salman Choudhary / Manas)

4. Approval of Previous Minutes

Minutes of November 2017 AGM were reviewed by body and adopted (Salman Choudhary / Sukhi)

5. President Report

There will be same number of grounds for upcoming Season 2018 as last year. Millwoods, Castle downs, Victoria Park, and St. Albert.

It depend on today's meeting, how many new teams will be added to the league. The additional games will be schedule in the existing available grounds.

We only have the option of Pusha ground if we are not able to adjust the new games in the schedule with available grounds and there could be a potential increase in dues. The current budget does not show acquiring of Pusha ground.

Salman Choudhary raised a questions, new teams can only be added in the AGM, and then why are we adding new teams? The bylaws allowed to take new teams in AGM or Semi AGM.

We are trying to improve the ground quality which was the main focus last year. There will be new scoreboard will be installed at St. Albert and Castle downs ground. We will require city permission to install these scoreboards.

The run up for St. Albert, Castle downs and Millwoods ground needs to be fixed. The body has to review the budget and add the cost accordingly.

ACA Update – We did not had any meeting with them. The kookaburra balls were coming through ACA from several past years but this year E&DCL will be buying them directly with some potential cost savings.

T20 Balls – There were problems last year with T20 pink balls, the seam was rip apart and this year we will be buying T20 pink balls directly from the seller. These balls are coming from India or Pakistan and there will be cost savings to remove the middle man.

We are planning to get the T20 balls at-least with one month supply so we can have them used in the field. We will be taking the feedback from the league members prior to complete the order.

Last year, we discussed to use the pink ball from Kookaburra but it will add cost approx. \$ 300 per team. The extra cost has to be approved by the body. There is no comparison with Kookaburra white to T20 pink ball currently being used.

The approved stamped copy of the bylaws shall also be available at the website instead of clean copy.

6. Treasurer's Report:

Asad Zia (treasurer) presented the budget for the Season 2018 and actual collection / spending of last year.

The first column shows the operating cost of last year with the deficit of \$ 7,163.97 with no annual dues increase this year.

Salman Choudhary. asked what potential savings to buy the balls directly from kookaburra instead of going through ACA. Asad explained ACA were making \$ 6 for 50 over game per ball and \$ 4 for 40 over game per ball. Amrit informed that we are in a process of getting the quotation from kookaburra.

The new Pusha ground is currently not in the budget to be used this year and if the need arise further discussion will happen within executives prior to present anything to the body.

For Season 2018 budget, there is a cost cut down in revenue for EDCL banquet as the motion was passed last year to have mandatory (5) tickets purchased for each club instead of (5) tickets for each team.

Asad requested to the body to review the cost to make sure we have enough funds for the banquet event in 2018. The trophy itself cost us approx. \$ 1,500 for last year banquet.

There will be cut down date to buy additional tickets for the banquet since the event will require 2-3 months of planning to book the hall.

The budget that is allocated to maintain the Millwoods ground practice nets were spent to replace the St. Albert matting to artificial turf last year. There is no funds allocated to repair the Millwoods practice nets this year.

The executives are planning to have a proposal to the city to build four (4) additional practice nets at Millwoods ground on grant matching basis. That is the reason no money allocated to repair the existing nets.

Girish from Scona raised concerns on the existing conditions of the Millwoods practice nets where player safety is more important for liability purposes. Some players got an ankle sprain during practices last year due to bowling run up landing is not level.

Salman Choudhary asked why we do not replace the Victoria Park turf to the artificial and save the \$25K for maintenance that we are spending every year. That money can be spent to develop new practice nets at different ground since we have funding issues to maintain and create additional practice nets. It will be a long process to start with the city if the motion is passed today to replace the turf with artificial turf at Victoria Park.

Christi asked if anyone approached the city with their concerns for Millwoods practice nets condition. The city considered us an adult league and does not entertain most of our requests as their expectation to look after our own business.

Girish and Pandey volunteer as a labor to come and fix the bowling run up at Millwoods practice nets.

Motion: The run up landing at the Millwoods ground practice nets shall be fixed. \$ 1,500 added to the current budget for Millwoods practice nets and \$ 1,000 for St. Albert ground pitch run up to be fixed.

All in favor – Motion Passed

Victoria Park practice net area is for storage only. All the equipment including the shed has to be inside of that area as per city's email. In the executive meeting, we had discussion to have soft net which can be utilized on the concrete pad pending permission from the city. The practice can only be held on game days off to avoid any interference.

ASCA planning to build two batting cages at Coronation Park, which can be utilized in the future as practice nets.

Not all teams can practice at the Millwoods ground and require to expand in different areas of city grounds with additional practice nets.

\$ 500 added to the budget for women cricket equipment. Challengers cricket club volunteer to provide the funding of grounds for women cricket matches during the Season 2018.

Motion: Budget is approved with negative \$ 4000. (All in favor)

7. Junior Coordinator's Report:

Since we lost the Casino, the funding is an issue for junior program and becomes very challenging. The budget has been doubled this year to spend on junior programs.

The plan to have the incremental increase in the junior program on the yearly basis with up to \$ 40k with the funding of Casino.

Our plan to push the current U19 players who represented Canada in the U19 tournaments to the national level. Most of the U19 players are aging and will be playing in the league as regular players.

The plan to develop different age groups in the junior program for long term and to achieve that we have added more practice sessions, year around coaching and more exposure to play games with in/out of provinces by participating in tournaments.

Junior coordinator needs to be more involved with other association junior cricket programs in the city. Better integration required with ASCA to bring the junior's in EDCL programs and develop their game.

Christi mention when Mr. Steel was president of ACA and started the program. The intention to have the ASCA as an association member of EDCL and junior coordinator will become part of the ASCA board.

The ACA funds that has been utilized for junior program will be determined once all the investigation of ACA accounts are completed. The ACA membership dues will be paid with deduction of balls, casino participation, junior programs and any other outstanding cost that is not paid by ACA.

8. New Teams:

Scona Cricket Club – Entering 40 over and T20 Team

Shakti Cricket Club – Entering 40 over and T20 Team

Panther Cricket Club – Entering 40 over Team

Motion: Approval to add the above mentioned teams in upcoming Season 2018
All in favor except Salman Choudhary – Motion Passed

That will create the new division (fourth) in the E&DCL league. The top eight (8) will remain in the third division and the bottom teams will go into the fourth division with the newly added team.

The clubs will not be asked this year to provide their preferred weekend or days off. This is very hard for the scheduler to manage since we have added new teams and created a new division.

9. Collection of Team Dues:

The annual dues are collected at the meeting. The turnout was low and due date to collect the annual due is March 31, 2018. Any club failing to clear or pay their dues will no longer be member of EDCL.

10. Practice Day Draws:

Due to the time constraint, the practice draws will be completed at the later date and communicated to the body. The clubs that are present at the Semi AGM will be given first preference.

11.AOB:

a. Women Cricket – Coaching and Matches:

Women cricket club provided a letter to request for a coach in the upcoming season 2018. They have recommended Zohaib Shafiq's as their coach since Tyson facility is closed. Edmonton Cricket Club came up as a volunteer to cover the coaching cost for women cricket. The coronation park ground will be booked for women's cricket once a week for their practice sessions.

b. Proposal of New Umpiring Fee Structure

Anmol presented the proposed umpiring fee structure. The body presented the motion to increase the fee which will be effective the following year - Season 2019 and further evaluation will be completed on the proposed fee structure which will increase the annual dues for the clubs.

Motion: The umpiring fee will be increased considering the minimum wage and other leagues umpiring fee structure. The increase fees for umpiring will be decided in 2018 AGM.
All in favor – Motion Passed.

c. Law of Cricket – Changes Effective from Oct 2017

The summary of new laws are presented and will be reviewed by the executives. These laws will be implemented and communicated to the Captains/Umpires prior to start of the season.

d. Cricket Canada Umpire & Scorers Examination – April 22nd, 2018 (Venue: TBD)

The Cricket Canada will be conducting the umpire and scoring examination on April 22, 2018. The venue and cost for writing an exam will be shared with the body once available.

e. Coaching Course in Edmonton – Update

The Alberta Cricket Association (ACA) had a coaching clinic in Fort McMurray and Edmonton last year. There are seven (7) coaches from Edmonton who were certified and are still awaiting their certificate.

f. Miracles Club Name Change

The Miracles cricket club requested to have their club name changed to “Edmonton Lions Cricket Club”. The main reason to have the uniformity as they are playing at different venues to represent themselves. All the registered players will remain the same for their existing T40 and T20 teams.

Motion: Change the club name from Miracles cricket club name to Edmonton Lions cricket club. All the players and team structure will remain the same.

All in favor – Passed.

Bylaws need to be added for the procedure to change the club name. The executives asked all the clubs to register themselves under the society act.

g. Banquet Incident

Salman Naseer asked the body regarding the banquet incident that happened last year since then no official response was received back from the executives. The official response of the executive decision will be sent to him.

h. Bylaws Committee

Due to the time constraint the bylaw committee did not get established.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm