

MINUTE OF THE 20TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE WESTERN PROVINCE CRICKET ASSOCIATION, HELD IN THE PRESIDENT'S SUITE AT SAHARA PARK NEWLANDS ON WEDNESDAY 27 JULY 2011 AT 18H10

PRESENT:

President: M Ebrahim

Deputy President: Adv N Kock

Vice President: B Williams

Treasurer: G James

Executive Members: D Barnes, T Blake, A Burns, F Mguqulwa, B Saunders, D Shandler, P Wyngard

Life Members: Adv. N Arendse, F Bing, C Druker, R Magiet, Prof. C O' Connor, P Saville

Local Leagues Convenor: Dr DV Basson

Clubs: Atlantis, Avendale, Belhar, Jameson Bellville, Bishop Lavis, Blue Bells, Bonteheuwel, Brooklyn-Telkom, Camps Bay, Cape Town, Claremont, Cravenby, Durbanville, Du Noon, Edgemead, Elsie's River, Fish Hoek, Glamorgan, Green Point CPUT, Gugulethu, Helderberg, Hottentots Holland, Kensington, Khayelitsha, Kuils River, Langa, Lentegeur, Macassar, Mfuleni, Milnerton, Mitchell's Plain, Montrose, Northerns Goodwood, Nyanga, Old Mutual, Ottoman, Peninsula, Phillippi, Pinelands, Primrose, Raithby, Rondebosch, Rylands, Seacrest, Sherwood-Manenberg, South Peninsula, St Augustines, Strandfontein, Tygerberg, UCT, Altius United, UWC, Victoria, Wesbank, Willows, WPCC, Wynberg, Yorkshire, WP Umpires Assoc, WP Youth Assoc, WP Disabilities, WP Women's, WP Coaches Assoc, WP Scorers Assoc

Non-voting: Prof. A Odendaal, N Dien, D Griqua, P Phillipson, A Smith, E Cagwe, C Du Preez, N Francis, T Zideba, C Adams, C van Vuuren, G Michaels, S Fish, J Jacobs, C Hearne, R Palanyandi, A Allie, O Sunday, R Adams, L Petrus, M Nikani, P Wessels, S Pluke, A Baddington, C Clacher

Scrutineer: G Odendaal (JAG Foundation)

Press: Z Adams

Apologies: R Masinda Mowbray

Absent:, Bellville South, Blue Downs, Hanover Park, Mandalay, Samora Machell, Sir Lowry's Pass, Somerset West

1. WELCOME AND NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

The President, M Ebrahim, extended a warm welcome to all delegates, associates, life members Adv N Arendse, F Bing, A Bloch, C Druker, R Magiet, Prof C O'Connor and P Saville, as well as Russell Adams from India, to the twentieth Annual General Meeting of the Western Province Cricket Association.

The notice convening the meeting was read by the General Manager, N Dien.

The President read out a special message from the Boland Cricket Board, Dr Peter Cyster, to wish the Association a successful meeting.

Council noted that the President had invited R Mali and representatives from SASCOC to the meeting, but they were not available.

The meeting paid reverence to and observed a moment's silence for the late Jordan Miller, Ronnie Siljeur, Tyrone Ferreira, Vincent Smith, Mariam Burns, Dopey February, Luke Fairweather, Jannie Momberg, Paul Rose, Abdullah Khan, Vernie Petersen, Raymond Uren, Trevor Chesterfield, Ashton Dunja, Winston Rhode, mother of Olivia Anderson, Desmond & Patricia October, Prof. Kader Asmal, Johnny Waite, Salie 'Lobo' Abed and Brian Gafney.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the 19th AGM and adjourned AGM were confirmed as a true reflection of the proceedings. The motion to adopt was moved by T Blake and seconded by A Wagner.

On a no objection basis, there were no matters arising from the minutes.

3. ANNUAL REPORT

The President read his address:

I want to plagiarise from Clem Druker, the first President of the united Western Province Cricket Association's, final soliloquy (words to the effect) "The phone calls have become fewer and shorter" ... and the frightening realisation that after tonight my opinions (and views) in an institution that had become part of my life over the last decade in terms of effort and personal contribution will not count neither will it matter going forward.

What follows is Mohamed's last sermon, so please indulge me and hopefully you will benefit prophetic wisdom for one last time.

This year is the twentieth anniversary of WPCA and of unity in cricket. It also marks the end of a very satisfying journey for me. After eleven years on the executive, effectively five as President, it is time for me to step down and hand over the reigns to my successor, Beresford Williams, with our cricket on a high.

What a season and what a way to go, with Western Province winning both the one-day and three-day titles and the Nashua Mobile Cape Cobras being double champions. In the first season under coach Richard Pybus, the Cobras defended the four-day SuperSport title and won the coveted Standard Bank Pro20 Championship. The latter is now THE trophy to win in SA cricket, as it opens the door to the lucrative Airtel Champions League in India and by far the most significant income stream in South African domestic cricket. It is a credit to Western Cape cricket that we are qualifying for this club world championship for the second time in three years and that we are this season, in effect, double/double champions in domestic cricket.

My style as President, shaped in two decades of club administration, was a hands-on one which can be described as rolling up the sleeves and making sure the job gets done. It is not an exaggeration to say that in the modern world of cricket a WPCA President has to spend literally hundreds of hours per year on complex corporate, business, playing and national issues. While one is part of a team, there are also high demands on a personal and professional level as South African cricket moves towards becoming a billion rand a year industry. I am proud that I could dedicate that time often to the detriment of my family or business and make that input, while working effectively as an old-fashioned, volunteer, non-paid office bearer. (Part of the Exco's initial austerity programme was to cut allowances and perks to a minimum). And, in the past six months, I also enjoyed enormously the opportunity to stand in as WCC Acting Executive Chairman while our Chief Executive took a well-deserved sabbatical in which time he produced a book entitled WP Statistical History which will be launched in November with the Australian Test. The fact that the transition both in January and back to him again in July was fairly seamless shows both the successful structure we have built, the internal capacity we have in our cricket in Cape Town and the close knowledge demanded of elected leadership of every aspect of the business. I am proud to hand over the reigns with Western Province and Western Cape cricket standing so strong and thriving.

Looking back, I have been privileged to follow in the footsteps of five top presidents in Clem Druker, late Percy Sonn, Arnold Bloch, Norman Arendse and the late gentlemanly Solomon Makhosana after initially being spotted by Carol van Vuuren as being executive material and encouraged by Rushdi Magiet and Percy Sonn and my development being accelerated into leadership by Arnie, Norman and Solomon. The time spent as President has been memorable and enjoyable and has grown me as a person. Besides this season's successes, I will carry with me special memories of various other highlights, including:

1. Uniting a Council of clubs that was at times fractured into a cohesive and generally happy body – with club delegates being confident of being able to get a hearing at General Council and state club's perspective.
2. Being part of professionalising our administration and turning-around the business after looking over the abyss from 2004 to 2007.
3. Renegotiating with Cricket South Africa on the onerous loan agreement linked to the stadium purchase, effectively securing R11m for Western Province Cricket Association and realising the CEO's dream of holding onto the B Field (not selling it for ±R35million, which would allow us to redeem our debt and be cash flush).
4. Implementing the Presidential Plan to boost club cricket with an injection of over R1m in the 2010/11 season.
5. The Cobras winning performances against IPL champions, Rajasthan Royals, at Sahara Park Newlands with Vernon Philander and Rory Kleinveldt outstanding and beating the Royal Challenges Bangalore (including Kallis and Boucher) in Bangalore in front of 40 000 people with JP Duminy scoring a magnificent 99 not. Every time stalwarts Langeveldt and Herschelle play for the Cobras it raises goose bumps.
6. The many special events at SP Newlands, e.g. Elton John concert, Lionel Ritchie concert, the inaugural World T20 in 2007, the Unity dinner in May 2008, the opening of IPL 2 in April 2009 and more recently followed by the successful English and Indian tours.

Cricket (whether it is on the field or in the boardroom) is about team work, planning, decision making and execution and to that extent I must acknowledge the innovative and conceptually outstanding CEO (AO) and the meticulously methodical, loyal and disciplined General Manager (ND). On a different level, I know that they have benefited from the cut and thrust of my incisive and very direct no nonsense approach. As an ambassador

nationally and abroad, I am immensely proud of the business relationships, commercial relationships developed with partners, SuperSport and Boland, sponsors Nashua Mobile and JAG, Cricket South Africa, prospective stakeholders, well-wishers and friends.

It is never a good time to say farewell when one is romantic about cricket in the idyllic setting of Cape Town and the winelands. However, given our successes of recent years, one must adhere to the dictates of the constitution and hand over the leadership of this venerable institution. Thank you for the opportunity to lead you. Thank you to the Exco and the Council of clubs for your unwavering support and trusting my judgement on most things particularly on the Treasurer, Greg James, a person to whom I believe the association is eternally indebted. I know that he will chart us through a difficult financial course that lies ahead. The challenges for Western Province cricket going forward given the fact that we will be running into a cash deficit of between R3-R5million per annum over the next five years means that we have to work doubly hard at maximising profits at CSA events, lowering expenses, increasing suite sales and season ticket sales, increasing sponsorship and evaluating the contribution of every operational functionary and support staff. The fact that we have an asset in Sahara Park Newlands valued at between R250-R300million and that we have progressively reduced our liabilities from approximately R60million to ±R20million by any objective test must illustrate that my leadership and contribution has made a difference. There are a few sponsorship initiatives which still need to be concluded and I would be delighted to see it through to fruition if requested to. Similarly, a mission which I consider unfinished business and close to my heart that will come to its logical conclusion very shortly, maybe as soon as Friday, is the embarrassing saga that has surrounded Cricket South Africa and the cricketing fraternity over the past six months at an expensive cost of around R5million (which could very well have been applied into cricket).

An issue that we need to continue to manage is transformation and how we move towards being compliant in terms of the Sport and Recreation Bill of 2009.

I would like to dedicate my time spent in office to the many role players in Western Province cricket prior to unity who were far better leaders and administrators than what I could ever have aspired to be. How much more value would they not have added and how much more prosperous could WPCA not have been?

Mohamed Ebrahim, President

The President proposed the adoption of the annual report.

4. ADOPTION OF AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Treasurer read his report:

I am pleased to deliver my first treasurer's report. The previous years of consolidation of various activities at WPCA, has continued with great success. A big thank you to all involved.

WPCA generated R2.4million in operating cash (before interest of R2million) which is pleasing, considering that revenue was down by R4million. The resultant drop in revenue was attributable to no income from IPL, England played South Africa in the Newlands test in 2009/10. We also received a recovery from rates and taxes of R2.3million. Thus the net decrease in revenue was R1.7million. A significant cost reduction was implemented and this resulted in expenses staying in line with the previous year.

With the cash generated from operations, R621,000 was applied to improvements to facilities. WPCA had surplus cash of R4.4million brought forward from the previous year. Part of these funds were used to repay debt of R3.2million.

During the 2012 year, the WPCA must continue to ensure that the financial disciplines and initiatives that we have implemented are maintained and that our overheads are continuously reviewed.

My thanks to the Chief Executive Officer and the Financial Manager who have continued to ensure that our finances are managed effectively in very difficult times. Finally, we need to recognise that support of our sponsors and advertisers, without whom, we would not be able to function as a successful cricket franchise. Our long term relationship with SuperSport continues to realise tangible benefits and we thank them for their close participation in the WPCA through our joint subsidiary WPPC.

Greg James, Treasurer

The Treasurer proposed the adoption of the audited financial report.

5. SECONDING OF ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Deputy President, Adv N Kock then formally seconded the Annual Report and Audited Financial Statement.

There being no objections, the Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements were accepted.

6. CONFIRM THE APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The Treasurer reported that the audit fees were excessive and was being reviewed by the Audit & Risk Committee. The Treasurer proposed an adjournment for the Audit & Risk Committee to propose the change in auditors.

There being no objections, this part of the meeting was adjourned to 27 September 2011.

7. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

The following members were elected:

7.1 President

Beresford Williams

The new President paid tribute to Mohamed Ebrahim and stated that he had big shoes to fill. Mr Williams acknowledged the immense contribution and sacrifices made by Mr Ebrahim. He thanked Mr Ebrahim for this contribution and wished him well for the future.

Mr Williams further reported that his new executive team will continue to pursue the democratic values, enhance the corporate governance, decisions taken and continue to build the brand and also ensure that we are the leaders on the franchise level. We (Executive) are here to serve you (clubs). He thanked Council for unanimously electing him as President.

7.2 Deputy President

Adv Nic Kock, elected unopposed

7.3 Vice President

David Shandler

7.4 Treasurer

Greg James, elected unopposed

7.5 Executive members

Johannes Adams, Desmond Barnes, Trevor Blake, Ashraf Burns, Ronald Masinda, Fezile Mguqulwa, Barry Saunders and Patrick Wyngaard

7.6 Convenor of Local Leagues

Dr De Vries Basson, elected unopposed

Due process was followed and the votes for the above were audited by Gerhardi Odendaal of Sagitta Group and observed by Adv Norman Arendse, Prof Cyril O'Connor and David Griqua (WPCA Finance Manager).

8. CONSIDER ALTERATIONS OR AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS OR CODE OF BEHAVIOUR IN TERMS OF RULE 22.3.10

8.1 Constitution

The Deputy President took the meeting through the amendments to the Constitution for adoption at the AGM, namely, Clauses 9.1.2 and 16.3.

There being no objections, Council unanimously accepted the proposals.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 Retirement of Carol van Vuuren – The President reported that Carol was often described as the jewel in the crown and an institution in WP cricket. She will be retiring after 30 years of uninterrupted service. The Executive have reluctantly but in a spirit of co-operation agreed to work with Carol and her advisors to find the best exit strategy for Carol.

9.2 Frank Brache also retired at the end of April at the age of 80 years and WPCA values the contribution he had made.

Council wished all Muslim members well over the month of Ramadaan.

This, the 20th Annual General Meeting was adjourned to Wednesday 28 September at 18h00 to conclude the appointment of the Auditors

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 19h30.

PRESIDENT

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MINUTE OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL COUNCIL MEETING OF THE WESTERN PROVINCE CRICKET ASSOCIATION, HELD IN THE PRESIDENT'S SUITE AT SAHARA PARK NEWLANDS ON WEDNESDAY 27 JULY 2011 AFTER THE AGM

Mr N Dien, read the notice to convene the Special General Council Meeting at 19h30.

1. ELECTION OF 7 ADDITIONAL MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL LEAGUES COMMITTEE

The seven additional elected members of the Local Leagues Committee were:
Stan Fish, Joseph Fondling, Precious Kopani, Graham October, Omar Sunday, Pat Wessels, Juan van Boom.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 19h40.

PRESIDENT

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