

Minutes of AGM 2021 held at Damazan on 5th March 2022

22 March 2022

Meeting started at 11:00 with Ian Brown, President, in Chair at Hotel Des Associations, Damazan.

Present:

Committee, without vote: Ian Brown, president (“**IB**”) and Peter Brown, treasurer (“**PB**”), Rajesh Gopalan, secretary (“**RG**”) & Malcolm Grant, umpire community manager (“**MG**”)

Clubs, with voting rights:

Bordeaux-Giscours: Apologies from Andy Smith (“**AS**”) (President)

Catus: Peter Stirling (“**PS**”) (President)

Damazan: Apologies from Gagan Singh. Proxy given to John Ayling (“**JA**”)

Eymet: Andrew Cardle (“**ACa**”) (President)

Mansle: Apologies from Caroline Beecroft (“**CB**”) (President)

Montpellier: Apologies from Gerard (President), proxy given to Nick Hobson (NH)

Midi: Apologies from Reginald Gratton (President)

Saint Aulaye: Peter Brown (“**PB**”) (President)

Toulouse: Philippe Fermanel (“**PF**”) (President)

In attendance, without vote:

Peter Townsend (PT), Damazan

Christophe Srikanth (CS), Mehul Dhorda (MD), Toulouse

Apologies from David Horlock, Competitions assistant (DH)

Agenda Item 1: Quorum/Proxies:

The quorum was reached. 3 out of 10 member clubs couldn't participate & excused. The rest were present in present at Damazan along with the committee members.

Agenda Item 2: Welcome and introductions:

IB welcomed each & everyone present in person (following the last year's deviation due to covid) which was arranged in accordance with sanitary requirements (including validation of sanitary pass) and followed by short introduction round

Agenda Item 3: Apologies:

IB took stock of all those who could not participate & informed prior (including proxy nominees)

Agenda Item 4: Minutes of AGM 2020:

Document pre-published on Web site. Reading not required. No significant matters arising.

Approval of AGM 2020 minutes: All clubs voted **Yes**; **Minutes approved**

Document to be signed post AGM by **IB & RG**.

Agenda Item 5: President's report / review of Season 2021 & Statement re France Cricket / FFBS:

Document pre-published on website & circulated to clubs prior to the AGM on 23rd February.

IB summarized the report and asked if there were any questions. With none forthcoming the President's Report was noted (not subject to vote).

PT also shared update on FFBS, France Cricket (FC) & the background history of it to the audiences.

Agenda Item 6: Treasurers Report and Financial Statement 2021:

Document pre-published on website & circulated to clubs prior to the AGM on 23rd February.

PB summarized the report and asked if there were any questions. With none-forthcoming the treasurer's report & finance statement of 2021 was noted (not subject to vote).

Agenda Item 7: Budget proposal 2022:

Document pre-published on website & circulated to clubs prior to the AGM on 23rd February.
No further questions were put forward.

Approval of proposed Budget 2021: All clubs voted **Yes**; **Budget approved.**

Agenda Item 8: Umpires Report:

Document pre-published on website & circulated to clubs prior to the AGM on 23rd February.

MG summarized the report and asked if there were any questions. The brainstorming of 2022 season's umpiring way of working happened (see results below in 10.3). The Umpiring Manager's Report was noted (not subject to vote).

Agenda Item 9: Secretary's Report:

Document pre-published on website & circulated to clubs prior to the AGM on 23rd February.
No questions were put forward. The Secretary's Report was noted (not subject to vote).

Agenda Item 10: Competitions Match planning for 2022 season:

10.1 Pools / Competition confirmation

10.1.1 League Pools - each club plays the others home and away, 40 overs per team unless mutually agreed (say due to time constraints, weather...).

SOUTH - CATUS MONTPELLIER BARRACUDAS NIMES TCC BEARS TCC WOLVES

NORTH - EYMET DAMAZAN ST AULAYE

10.1.2 BF Cup Pools - Quarter and Semifinals are based on the Pools, Draw made earlier, 35 overs per team

Final venue to be confirmed by the sponsor

SOUTH - MONTPELLIER BARRACUDAS NIMES TCC BEARS TCC WOLVES

NORTH - CATUS EYMET DAMAZAN ST AULAYE

10.1.3 ACCSO T20 - Round robin of matches each team playing the other two

SOUTH - At Pouzolles MONTPELLIER BARRACUDAS NIMES TCC X

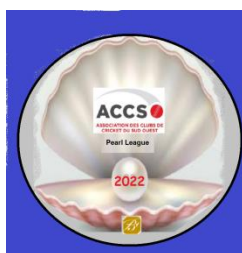
CENTRAL - At Sordelo TCC Y CATUS

TCC X and Y to be decided. A possibility of 3rd TCC team in Central team is being analyzed to have balance and equality in all pools

NORTH - At Eymet EYMET DAMAZAN ST AULAYE

10.2 ACCSO Thirtieth Anniversary

The proposition of naming league for this year as "**ACCSO Pearl League**" to mark the significance of 30 years existence has been agreed / voted by all clubs & approved.



10.3 Umpires and Umpiring

After several exchanges & brainstorming, following are the conclusions for umpires & umpiring:

NOTE: For later stages of competitions, ACCSO will try to help the home club by providing as many as available, previous pool or very experienced umpire(s).

LEVEL	UMPIRE 1	UMPIRE 2
Level 1 Ideal preference	One previously a pool umpire or a home team's ECB Stage 1 qualified / non playing umpire	As Umpire 1 (Main umpire) or a second Home team's ECB Stage1 qualified non playing umpire
Level 2	One home team's ECB Stage 1 qualified non playing umpire	As Umpire 1 (main umpire) or one batting team ECB stage 1 qualified playing umpire
Level 3 Minimum acceptable	One batting team ECB Stage 1 qualified playing umpire	One batting team ECB Stage 1 qualified playing umpire- OR Non-qualified umpire at square leg with the permission of the home non-playing qualified umpire

- 1st preference is to have one (previously) a pool umpire and one home team's qualified umpire
- 2nd preference is to have one non-playing home team's qualified umpire and 1 non-playing away team's qualified umpire
- 3rd preference is to have one qualified umpire each from home & away team (playing or non-playing)

NOTE:

- ACCSO will try to have (previously) pool umpires for Final matches but please be ready with non-playing qualified umpires from each club
- Each club president MUST ensure to have a group (at least 3 persons) of qualified umpires before the competitions start in May
- For those who are willing in training as an umpire the web address for enrolment is: <https://booking.ecb.co.uk/c/express/c2523c12-f0d1-4e4c-979b-4ea15c74abc8>
- Any deviation with respect to unable to fulfill the qualified umpires need, mutually agreed sanctions in consultation with ACCSO committee would be applied appropriately

10.4 ACCSO Regulations

Further to the discussions, it has been decided to have ACCSO regulations in place but mutually agreed by the two captains and officials at the start of the match on any relaxations. Moreover every club / players MUST respect the umpires decision which is final and any deviation would attract sanctions appropriately.

Agenda Item 11. Elections to Committee

1. Peter Brown has agreed for his name to be put forward for re-election. – **Voted YES by everyone; Approved**
2. Vice-president, charged with Development: No real interest in development by North teams and LOCC have their own scheme. The committee suggest we mothball this post for now. – **Voted OK by everyone not to have this position for 2022**
3. Umpire Manager, No longer required, MG agrees to coordinate any training. **Voted OK by everyone not to have this position**

Agenda Item 12: Any other business - None