



香港草地滾球總會 Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association

Minutes of the Council of Management Meeting

管理委員會會議記錄

Date: 6 June, 2022 日期：二零二二年六月六日

Time: 7:00 p.m. 時間：下午七時正

Venue: Kowloon Cricket Club 地點：九龍木球會

Present Officers 出席執行委員

President (Chairman)	Vincent Cheung
Vice President	Heron Lau
Vice President	Walter Kwok
Vice President	Cindy Robinson
Vice President	Cyril Leung
Vice President	Claudius Lam
Hon. Secretary	David Tse
Asst. Hon. Secretary	Sandy Sit

Present Members 出席委員

ABC	Ricky Leung
AWASG	Ha Yung Kuen
AYFP	Nancy Choi*
BFC	Percy Chan
CCC	David Tso
CdeR	William To
CELBC	Edward Pang
CLBC	Connie Wong
ELBC	Lam Yau Chung
FC	Benjamin Chan
GLBC	William Wong
HKCC	Teresa Yung
HKE	Andy Lau
HKFC	Esmond Lee
HKJC	Hanson Ng
HKPBC	Charles Leung
KBGC	Alfred Pang
KCC	Bob Mehta
LCN	Steven Lee
SBSC	Terence Wong*
STSA	Eva Hui
TPLBC	Patrick Lo
TVLBC	Victor Chow
USRC	Annie Yeung
YLLBC	Stanley Chan*

Apologies 缺席者

CLP	Szeto Chi
CSD	Yau Yim Wai
FPLBA	Wivi Kwan
FSLBC	Benjamin So
GBLBC	Chung Kin Wah
HKSAP	Alice Lee
ILBC	Mak Chuen Chi
IRC	/
KFLBC	Chiu Wang
LBTC	Jacky Wong
PDLBC	Simon Yau
SBI	Robin Chok
TKOBC	James Cheng
TMSA	Leo Li
VLBC	Kevin Yu
WISC	Tommy Fung
WSC	Freud Cheung

Member In Attendance 列席委員

HKYD Coaching Director	Rita Shek	KBGC	John Lau
HKYDT Coordinator	Jerry Ng		
ELBC	Sam Chan		

Official In Attendance 列席職員

Staff	Cindy Lau	Staff	Howard Poon
Staff	Monzi Wong		

1 ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Having been circulated to all members of the Council of Management, the minutes of the council meeting held on 25 April, 2022 were taken as read, confirmed, and approved.

2 MATTERS ARISING

- 21 The Chairman reported that paragraph 3.1 of the Chinese Version of the Council of Management meeting minutes should be amended to 「總會收到香港傷殘人士體育協會通知，已於2022年4月1日正式由香港殘疾人奧委會暨傷殘人士體育協會更改名稱為香港傷殘人士體育協會。」
- 22 The Chairman reported that production of the windbreaker would be finished within two months. The size order form had been reissued to all clubs, which should be returned on or before 13 June.

3 CORRESPONDENCE

- 3.1 HKLBA received an invitation from World Bowls to send a team to participate in 2022 IIBC Junior World Championships. Details of the event were as follows:

Date: 5 – 9 December, 2022

Venue: Northern Ireland, U.K.

Discipline: Men and Ladies Single, plus Mixed Pair

4 TREASURER'S REPORT

- 4.1 The summary of outstanding payments as at 6 June, 2022 was tabled to all councilors. The Chairman instructed those clubs whose payments were overdue for more than 120 days were to settle their account as soon as possible.

5 NATIONAL LEAGUE

5.1 Delay in green maintenance

5.1.1 The green at POC would be closed from 14 May to 20 July for other official use. Meanwhile, opening of Tai Po green was deferred due to special maintenance required after long rainy days. The League Panel granted special approval to POC and Tai Po to defer their affected home games. However, these deferred games should be played on or before 10 August or within 22 days after green opening.

5.2 Request for change of home green

5.2.1 ELBC and TVLBC applied to change their home green from YCK and VP to ALC respectively. According to green occupancy record at ALC and suspension of LBTC in this League season, the use of ALC as home green had not reach its full capacity. There being no objection from the floor, the requests for change of home green by ELBC and TVBLC were approved by the Councillors.

5.3 Postponed games in LCSD venues

5.3.1 Owing to the enforcement of LCSD booking policy, postponed games could be

rescheduled within 14 days subject to green availability. The venue fee would be refunded to the club if the reschedule game/s took more than 14 days. However, teams should arrange the venue by themselves.

6 NATIONAL COMPETITION

VP (National Championship) reported the followings:

61 Indoor Pairs Competition 2021 – Semi-finals & Finals

6.1.1 We thanked SBI for providing their green and warm hospitality during finals on 3 June 2022. Congratulations to the winners below:

	Men's	Women's
Champions	Anthony So & Stanley Lai (CCC)	Dorothy Yu & Vivian Yip (CCC)
Runners-up	Ron Cheung & KC Fung (CdeR)	Janice Chung & Margery Ip (SBI)

62 National Championship Finals Day – Summer

6.2.1 CdeR and KCC expressed their interests to host the National Championships Finals Day on 7 August 2022. As KCC had not held any National Championships Finals Day since 2017 and CdeR was the host in 2019, the National Championship Panel selected KCC to host the National Championship Finals - Summer in 2022.

63 Reunification Cup Competition for Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Establishment of the HKSAR

6.3.1 We apologized for the short registration period and thanked for the understanding and support of all member clubs. Over 200 entries were received after the deadline. The fixture and Condition of Play would be issued accordingly.

64 Notification for change to neutral venue in National Competitions

6.4.1 The Panel issued its first warning and suspended penalty to a home team for its failure to notify their opponent at least 72 hours before the next scheduled match. The National Championship Panel would like to remind all teams/competitors to observe the Bye-law 6.9.g.3 (v.17).

65 Shortage of players in National Competitions

6.5.1 Members of the Council were reminded of Bye-law 6.8.a as follows, quote "Any team or competitor failing to appear on the green ready to play a match on the date and at the appointed or mutually agreed time shall forfeit the match to the opponent" unquote. If one or more players were absent from a team, the defaulting team should forfeit the game to their opponents.

66 POC green closed between 14 May and 20 July 2022

6.6.1 HKPBC informed HKLBA that their green at POC would be closed for official functions between 14 May and 20 July 2022. The National Championship Panel

granted a special permission, allowing HKPBC teams to change their home green from POC to PSRC for the remaining matches in the Mixed Pairs Competition and Novice Singles Competition 2022.

67 Provision of Rinks

6.7.1 We would like to thank the following Clubs for hosting the semi-finals of the National Competitions 2022 in May and June:

CdeR (Men's National Singles)
FC (Women's National Singles).

7 **DEVELOPMENT**

7.1 Under-25 Single Championship 2021

7.1.1 Under-25 Singles Championship 2021 was successfully held on 4 June 2022. We thanked KCC for providing their green for the finals. The winners were Kenneth Yiu (HKFC) and Mavis Chan (HKYDT).

7.2 Young Athletes Lawn Bowls Training Scheme (YAS)

7.2.1 LCSD had allowed YAS to organize the full program from August 2022. Registration had already been opened and the deadline would be 24 June 2022.

7.3 Young Athletes Advanced Lawn Bowls Scheme (YAAS)

7.3.1 LCSD had also allowed YAAS to organize the full program from August 2022. Invitation had been sent to potential athletes from 2021 YAS and current members.

7.4 POCARI SWEAT Sponsorship

7.4.1 HKLBA had successfully agreed with POCARI SWEAT of their sponsorship to the Hong Kong Youth Development Team as well as other potential athletes. Details of the sponsorship would be provided in the next council meeting.

8 **TECHNICAL**

8.1 VP (Technical) reported that the next umpire training course would be held on 16 June, 2022. There were 27 applicants for this course.

8.2 We received an update from LCSD that the bowling green at Lai Chi Kok would increase from four to six rinks. We would keep the Councillors updated in due course.

8.3 A complaint on the pace of green was lodged by FSLBC against CLP relating to a league game at CLP home green. While the weather was suitable for the game to be played, the pace of green was below our standard (nine seconds) despite their efforts in rolling the turf. After evaluation, both the Green Panel and the League Panel agreed that slow green pace could be expected and understandable after long period of rainy days. However, the green pace as reported by FSLBC was unacceptable. A letter had therefore been sent to CLP, advising them to ensure that conditions of their green should meet the minimum requirement of HKLBA before deciding upon its suitability to play.

8.4 As requested by the bowls convenor of GLBC in the last CoM Meeting, changes in the proposed Version 18 of the Bye-laws were highlighted to facilitate members to compare

them with the old Version 17. There being no comment received before deadline, the new Bye-Laws (Version 18) was approved by the Council of Management. The new version would be uploaded to website and members were encouraged to familiarize with it.

9 INTERNATIONAL

- 9.1 Mr. Arthur Lam (National Squad member) and Ms. Gloria Ha (Youth Development Team member) represented Hong Kong, China to participate in the 2022 World Bowls Indoor Championships in April. Congratulation to Gloria, who performed very well and became the first runner-up of the competition.

10 DISCIPLINARY PANEL

Nil

11 HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL BOWLS CLASSIC & CLASSIC CARNIVAL 2022

- 11.1 The Hong Kong International Bowls Classic & Classic Carnival 2022 would be cancelled this year. We would keep it in view until 2023.

12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 12.1 Hon. Secretary reported that the audit conducted by the SF&OC Corporate Governance Team was still in progress and some of the issues involving clubs and HKLBA would have to be beefed up.
- 12.2 Hon. Secretary reported that the Memorandum and Articles of the Association would be amended and changed into an Articles of Association (A.o.A.). In view of the technicalities involved, the task was contracted out to the Hong Kong Institute of Directors. Members of the Council would be updated with details of the changes, if required and the final version of A.o.A. would be sent to all councillors for perusal.

13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 13.1 The next meeting of Council of Management would be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday 18 July, 2022 at CCC (To be confirmed).

- 13.2 Forthcoming Meetings in 2022-2023

Date	Venue
18 July, 2022	CCC (T.B.C.)
29 August, 2022	USRC
10 October, 2022	HKFC
21 November, 2022	FC
9 January, 2023	CdeR