



中國香港草地滾球總會
Lawn Bowls Association of Hong Kong, China

Minutes of the Council of Management Meeting

管理委員會會議記錄

Date: 22 April 2024 日期：二零二四年四月二十二日
Time: 7:00 p.m. 時間：下午七時正
Venue: CCC 地點：紀利華木球會

Councillors in attendance 出席委員

Vice President Claudius Lam
Vice President Heron Lau
Vice President Cyril Leung
Hon. Secretary David Leung
Asst. Hon. Secretary Sandy Sit
Hon. Treasurer Roderic Yeung
Vice President Timmy Kwong
Vice President Sanie Ng
Councillor Edward Pang
Councillor Kung Chiu Man

Apologies 缺席者

President (Chairman) Vincent Cheung

Members In Attendance 出席會員

ABC Ricky Leung
AWASG Ha Yung Kuen
AYFP Nancy Choi*
BFC Percy Chan
CCC Lam Kin Keung
CdeR Edward Hung
CELBC Edward Pang
CLBC Connie Wong
CSD Chung Lai-Chu*
ELBC Joyce Au Yeung*
FC Wilson Poon*
GLBC Ricky Lai
HKCC Teresa Yung
HKE Andy Lau
HKFC Esmond Lee
HKJC Hanson Ng
HKPBC Suki Sit
HKSAP Esmond Lee*
ILBC Mak Chuen Chi
IRC Benson Fung
KBGC Chan Ho Yin
KCC Sarwar Mohamed
SBSC Cheung King Ho*
STSA Ng Yin Wa*
TMSA Kung Chiu Man*
TPLBC Joseph Yeung
TVLBC Victor Chow
ULBSC Top Wong
USRC Annie Yeung
WSC Freud Cheung
YLLBC Eddie Tang

Official In Attendance 列席職員

YDT Coaching Director Rita Shek
YDT Coaching Director Jerry Ng
Staff Shirley Sin
Staff Stephanie Lam
Staff Hei Wong

*To represent convenors in attending the Council of Management Meeting.

1 ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Having been circulated to all members of the Council of Management, the minutes of the council meeting held on 4 March 2024 were taken as read, confirmed, and approved.

2 MATTERS ARISING

NIL

3 CORRESPONDENCE

AWASG requested to hold the AWA 10th Anniversary Lawn Bowls Invitation Tournament in November at Ap Lei Chau Sports Centre/ Kai Tik Lawn Bowling Green. There being no objection from councillors, the above competition was approved.

KCC requested sanction for them to hold the KCC Mixed Fours Tournament 2024. It would be held on November 24th and December 1st as the contingency date. There being no objection from councillors, the above competition was approved.

We received two letters from SF&OC, both of which were related to SBI. Since SBI sent an email to SF&OC regarding the cancellation of their membership, the first letter from SF&OC requested that we submit a report regarding the cancellation of SBI's membership.

The second letter was received from SF&OC's reply to SBI. A copy was sent to the LBA. SF&OC stated that it was aware of the membership issue mentioned by SBI and that LBA had been handling it. In this regard, in our reply to SF & OC, we explained that regarding the cancellation of SBI's membership, the LBA's position is to perform its duties in accordance with the Articles of the Association. No further follow-up was received from SF&OC.

4 TREASURER'S REPORT

- 4.1 The summary of outstanding payments was tabled to all councillors. The Hon. Treasurer reported that there were only a few overdue 120 days payments borne by our members and these had to be settled as soon as possible.
- 4.2 The new bank account of the Hang Seng Bank was still processing, and our registration had been transferred to the policy session for review. The Hon. Treasurer hoped that he could bring good news to members by the next meeting. Besides, the Hon. Treasurer attended the meeting with the HSBC and BEA to discuss increasing the number of bank accounts. Their reply was expected within 2 weeks to 1.5 months.
- 4.3 Almost half of the affiliate clubs had settled the 2024/25 renewal membership fee. The Hon. Treasurer reminded the affiliate clubs to submit the related documents (such as Memorandum, Articles of Association and Business Registration Certificate) for our further records.

5 NATIONAL LEAGUE

VP (National League) reported the following -

5.1 Triples League 2023

All Triple League 2023 matches were completed on 17 March.

5.2 Premier League 2024

5.2.1 The most updated fixture, version 8 was issued on 8 April. Convenors and members please check it against the website to see if any errors to avoid the argument.

5.2.2 TMSA moved all their home green to WS. At the same time, some matches would be affected by ALC green under maintenance. Some matches of AYFP would be played at Mei Foo under mutually agreement.

5.2.3 The bowling tea arrangement would be the same as the Triple League. The home side would only provide drinks.

5.2.4 The League panel recommended allowing auto-allocation of women's evening games to all greens except the following five venues:

CLP (Castle Peak Power Station, Lung Kwu Tan)
TC (Tung Chung)
TCS (Tung Cheong Street, Tai Po)
TP (Waterfront Park, Tai Po)
WS (Wu Shan Park, Tuen Mun)

6 NATIONAL COMPETITION

VP (National Championship) reported the following -

6.1 Champion of Champions Championship 2023

The final was conducted at FC on 16 March 2024. The winners were Kelvin Yeung (TKOBC) and Gloria Ha (LBA).

6.2 Aitkenhead Lawn Bowls Fours Competition 2024

The Aitkenhead Lawn Bowls Fours Competition 2023 was completed on 7 April 2024. The men's winner was FC and the women's winner was CdeR.

6.3 Upcoming event – Reunification Cup 2024

The Reunification Cup 2024 was scheduled for 30 June and 1st July. The fixture and format of games would be issued later.

6.4 National Championship Finals Day – Summer

Owing to the increment weather, the National Single Competition was postponed for one week. The date of the Finals Day – Summer would be affected. The updated date would be notified to all clubs by email.

7 DEVELOPMENT

VP (Development) reported the following -

7.1 School demonstration at St. Joesph's College

The bowls trial week at St. Joesph's College was conducted on 16th, 17th and 19th April 2024 to introduce lawn bowls sport to secondary school students. We would like to thank the efforts of the coach team and assistants.

7.2 Inter-school Lawn Bowls Competition

The Inter-school Lawn Bowls Competition was scheduled on 1st May at ALC. A total of 27 teams for the Secondary School Section and 15 teams for the Primary School Section participated in the competition.

8 **TECHNICAL**

VP (Technical) reported the following -

8.1 The umpire training course invitation was issued last week.

8.2 Venue updates

8.2.1 Mei Foo Indoor Lawn Bowls Green was opened. The details of rink renting had been posted on the LBA website.

8.2.2 The Hong Kong Buddhist Association opened its lawn bowls green at Tung Chung. This venue was endorsed to use for League game and National Championship.

8.2.3 The refurbishment of VP (6 rinks) would be started in June 2024.

8.2.4 The refurbishment of WS was postponed until further notice. TMSA would move their home green backed to WS.

8.2.5 The maintenance of ALC was scheduled in Dec, the estimated completion date would be at least six months. Further notice would be sent to all members later.

9 **INTERNATIONAL**

VP (International) reported the following -

9.1 The Hong Kong China Lawn Bowls team completed their journey at the Asia Championships and Asian U25 Championships in Pattaya. They performed satisfactory in the above competitions with five silver medals and 4 bronze medals.

9.2 The Greater Bay Lawn Bowls invitational tournament was held on 31 March 2024 in Shenzhen. A total of 18 teams from Hong Kong, Macau, Shenzhen, Guangzhou and Zhongshan participated in the two-days tournament, which was played in triples format. The Lawn Bowls Association of Hong Kong China team won the Greater Bay Lawn Bowls invitational tournament.

9.3 The Hong Kong China Squad Team would participate in the following upcoming competition,

The China National Lawn Bowls Championship in late May.

The Lion City Cup in Singapore in late-July.
Kuala Lumpur Lawn Bowls Men Open Fours & Women Open Fours Championships
2024 in Malaysia in August.

10 DISCIPLINARY PANEL

NIL

11 HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL BOWLS CLASSIC 2024

The Hong Kong International Bowls Classic 2024 was expected to be held at the Hong Kong district on 9-17 November 2024. The related clubs' convenors (CCC, HKFC, IRC) would be invited to hold the Classic Organizing Committee meeting at our officers meeting. Overseas players from twelve/ thirteen countries, Men and women players from Division One and teams from the hosting club would be invited to participate in the above competition.

The World U25 Championship was scheduled to be held in Hong Kong on 2 – 8 December 2024. The invitation letter to request clubs to provide indoor green had been sent to HKFC & CCC. We also invited CdeR to provide rinks for backup purposes.

12 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

12.1 The IRC Invitation Triples was organized by IRC for many years. Owing to the IRC green condition had been refurbished and was able to hold tournaments, IRC Convenor Mr Benson Fung hoped that LBA would continue to support the IRC Invitation Triples in the future. The councilors agreed to allocate a date for this event and put it into our National Championship Yearly Event Calendar. The VP (National Championship) would further discuss the date and details with the IRC Convenor.

12.2 Recently, it was discovered that the Secretary for Culture, Sports, and Tourism Bureau issued a congratulatory message to the Multi Bowls Association of Hong Kong, China for hosting three events: Tiger Bowls World Invitation, Hong Kong International Petanque Open Doubles, and Hong Kong International Raffa Open Doubles. LBA understood that as a government department, it had the responsibility to promote and encourage Hong Kong's organizations to organize international competitions, but LBA believed that this was slightly inappropriate.

Regarding this matter, LBA had formally written to the Secretary for Culture, Sports, and Tourism Bureau to clarify that this event was not recognized by LBA. Furthermore, disciplinary actions against the director of the Multi Bowls Association, Mr. Jacky Wong, were still in force until April 2025.

Since this matter involved the Sports Industry in Hong Kong, a copy had also been sent to the President of the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China (SF&OC). Additionally, the Multi Bowls Association of Hong Kong is not a National Sports Association but only an affiliate club of the Sports for All Confederation of Hong Kong China Limited. Therefore, the same copy had also been sent to Mr. Pui Kawn Kay, the president of Sports for All Confederation of Hong Kong China Limited, for his reference.

Relevant associations used the above congratulatory letters to request the Leisure and Cultural Services Department venue managers to rent venues for them. We have also copied the letter to the Director of Leisure and Cultural Services to address this issue.

13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Council of Management would be held on Monday, 3rd Jun 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at KBGC.

Forthcoming Meetings in 2024-2025

Date	Venue
3 Jun 2024	KBGC
22 Jul 2024	KCC
9 Sep 2024	CCC
28 Oct 2024	IRC
16 Dec 2024	HKFC
3 Feb 2025	FC