

WPWACI EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**MINUTES****Tuesday 21st June 2016 @ 7pm***By Teleconference***Meeting Opened: 7pm****Required:**

POSITION	NAME	POSITION	NAME
PRESIDENT	Justin Angove	VICE PRESIDENT	Ray Pead
TREASURER	Scott Gerhardt	SECRETARY	Anouska Angove
COMMITTEE MEMBER	Alice Rotheram	COMMITTEE MEMBER	Gary Payne
COMMITTEE MEMBER	Tibor Seress	WPWAI CEO	Dale Ballantyne

Apologies: Tibor Seress, Ray Pead

- 1. Host Centre for 2018 State Country Champs (Justin)**
Nomination received from Hedland. No other nomination and objections.
Hedland Water Polo Association will host the State Country Champs in 2018.
- 2. WPWACI/WPWAI Country Development Funds (Anouska/Dale)**
Dale explained that currently WPWAI collects \$10 from senior and junior member fees which is set aside for country development (WPWACI invoice WPWAI annually). These funds have previously been put towards supporting the travelling WA State Country representative sides.

Dale suggested that WPWAI increase the country development funds from \$3000 to \$4,500 (\$1500 increase). WPWAI would also look after Peel to reduce WPWACI costs to five regional Associations.

This would eliminate the need for country associations to put two applications in to WPWACI and WPWAI and just apply to WPWACI. WPWACI would then solely administer Country Development Fund applications and ensure that requests are coaching and umpiring related.

WPWAI would require an annual report from WPWACI including photos and a breakdown of all funds put towards Country Development Fund applications.

After much discussion it was agreed by the committee that the Country Development Funds will be set at \$400 with an option for each regional association to apply twice a financial year. Further applications may be considered by the WPWACI Executive Committee.

Action: Scott to invoice WPWAI \$4500 around 1st Oct for country development funding.

Action: Anouska to amend the WPWAI Country Development Fund Criteria (See attached) with all information and criteria agreed to in the minutes and circulate for committee approval prior to sending to all Assoc and uploading on WPWAI website.

3. Association name change and ABN

(Anouska)

Anouska advised that our name has been officially changed with the Dept of Commerce and the Australian Business Register to Water Polo WA Country Assoc Inc.

4. Change WPWAI Bank details

(Scott)

Scott and Anouska have been working with Tash O-Neil to change the authorities waiting on forms to arrive from Bendigo Bank.

Refer to attached treasurer's report for current account status.

Dale will soon be sending further information to all Associations regarding the changes that may affect regional water polo Associations under the new *Associations Incorporation Act*.

5. WPWAI Website

(Tibor/Anouska)

Action: Anouska to work with Dale and Tibor to upload Bylaws, Constitution, Country Development Funds.

Action: Ryan from WPWAI (only works on Wednesday) is the best person to talk to about changes to country association websites. All country Associations should email Ryan with any queries on waterpolowa@gmail.com.

Action: Alice to arrange to upload results for 2015 Bunbury State Country Champs and Anouska to upload the 2016 Karratha State Country Champs results.

6. Australian Countries

(Dale)

(Gary) Bangkok : This year Australian Country Water Polo has nominated two teams to attend the Princess Chulabhorn Cup in Bangkok from 25-27th November 2016. Gary suggested that this is the way of the future for Australian Country water polo and will be a lot cheaper than travelling to Hawaii. This is the first trial year and if successful will become an annual tournament.

(Dale) Other states don't really have a country water polo association and WA is leading the way in this respect. Dale will be attending a EO conference in July to discuss the future of Australian Country Water Polo. Dale asked the Country Water Polo Committee to forward any comments and suggestions to him to bring up at the conference. He agrees that we need to look at alternative options for the locations, time of year and who competes in the Australian Country tournaments.

Action: Justin and Gary to put some comments together for Dale on behalf of WA Country Water Polo.

7. WPWACI By-laws: Life Membership Criteria (All)

It was unanimously agreed to change WPWACI Life Member criteria in the bylaws WPWAI's Life Member Policy.

Action: Anouska to amend WPWACI's bylaws to align with WPWAI's Life Member Policy (attached).

Natasha O'Neils nomination for life membership will need to be submitted at least two months prior to the AGM in Geraldton next year (2017).

Action: Alice to amend and resubmit the nomination for Natasha O'Neil to align with the new criteria. (Alice)

8. WPWACI By-laws: Fee for not supplying a referee (All)

After much discussion the following amendments to the bylaws regarding failure to supply a referee were unanimously agreed to.

4. State Country Carnival By-Laws

4.1 General e)

The Host centre must request that the names of at least one referee per Association be submitted with all nomination forms. Referee names are to be forwarded to the Referee Director for the tournament appointed by WPWACI.

- (i) *If an Association is unable to supply a referee they may pay for a referee from outside their Association to attend the tournament.*
- (ii) *Failure to supply a referee will result in a fee of \$400. This fee will be required to be paid upfront by all Associations and will be built in to the nomination fee. Each Association will be reimbursed \$400 two weeks after the conclusion of the tournament provided they have met all their required tournament commitments as outlined in the competition rules.*

Action: Anouska to amend the WPWACI bylaws and discuss these changes with Ray Pead (Geraldton) as they will be hosting in 2017.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Dale

Dale advised that Gary Payne received Life Membership from WPWAI. He was congratulated by all committee members.

- **WPWAI AGM:** Scheduled for **9am Sunday 11th September 2016** at the Royal Life Saving training room in Perth. The WPWAI strategic plan is also due for review –

*this will also be done on Sunday. **Justin and Gary will be attending on behalf of WPWACI.***

- Dale also advised that the WPWAI meet every second Thursday. Dale posts summaries on the website and encouraged everyone to review them to be kept up to date and in the loop.

Funding

- HealthWay Funding has been secured for another 12 months for Flippa Ball. Dale will try get Flippa Ball packs ready for start of Term 4 \$20 per pack.
Action: Dale to send a photo out of pack contents and Anouska to assist with coordinating total number of packs required for all country Associations.
- HealthWay will also be sponsoring the Association/Club of the Year award for this season.
- Auspole will support us for next 2 years and continue to supply water polo balls.
- Aussie Loans Referrals: Association can earn \$200 per transaction.

Action: Dale to send out further information regarding all of the above in the near future.

- Fox Sports Pulse: Tibor is ready to assist with competition management. Please contact him for assistance.
- Fees for 2016/2017 Season: Dale will be able to send out capitation amounts for season 2016/2017 in the next couple of weeks.

Justin

- WPWAI (Tibor/Dale) can help to source coaches for country teams for the State Country Champs. Justin encouraged all Associations to approach Tibor or himself for assistance and to make use of the Country Development Funds.

NEXT MEETING: AGM IN GERALDTON AT COUNTRY CHAMPS 2017 TBA

Meeting Closed: 8.35pm