

**MINUTES | Water Polo ACT Board Meeting**

<b>Date</b>	Monday 19th February 2024
<b>Time</b>	6:30pm-8:00pm
<b>Venue</b>	WPACT Offices - AIS
<b>Invited</b>	Matt Turnbull (MT) Tim Bennett (TB) Alexandra Spark (AS) Liam Shepherd (LS) Viviana Torres (VT) Ryan McDermott - CEO (RM) Nicola Johnson - Pathways Manager, Water Polo Australia (NJ)
<b>Apologies</b>	N/A
<b>Absent</b>	N/A

**1. Welcome**

A quorum was present and the meeting opened at 6:30pm.

An acknowledgement of country was given.

*Water Polo ACT acknowledges the Traditional Owners of Country the Ngunnawal and Nambri People and recognises their ongoing connection to lands, waters, and communities. We pay our respects to the continuation of cultural, spiritual, and educational practices of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and to Elders past, present and emerging.*

**2. Apologies**

No apologies received. All board members in attendance.

**3. Conflict of Interest Declarations**

No additional Conflict of Interest declarations were made.

**4. Approval of previous board minutes**

Did not occur.

**5. Action items**

Did not occur.

**6. WPA Pathways Presentation**

Nicola Johnston attended the WPACT Board meeting to present on Water Polo Australia (WPA) pathways.

The below items were **discussed**.

- An outline of the WPA pathways was provided.
- The role of states and clubs in the WPA pathway was discussed.
- ACT specific environment constraints and opportunities were discussed.

The board acknowledged and thanked Nicola for attending the WPA board meeting and speaking to the WPACT community.

Nicola Johnson left the meeting at 8pm.

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## **7. National State Championship**

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RM brought up current discussions around the National State Championships that are occurring between state CEO's and WPA.

The current options were **discussed** with pro's and con's analysed.

The board **approved** the WPACT CEO continuing discussions and feedback on behalf of WPACT.

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## **8. CGS Situation**

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The board **discussed** the current state of play with CGS water polo club since losing their technical director.

It was **agreed** that CGS Water Polo is an important part of the Water Polo ACT community and that they needed to be supported during this transition time.

The board **approved** the WPACT CEO providing support to CGS water polo if and when required.

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