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REFEREE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Agenda Item	Discussion Points/Attachments
<p>1 Attendance & Apologies</p>	<p>Dani Francis (DF), Derek Scales (DS), Renae Harvey (RH) – Acting Chairperson, Reachelle Beasley (RB) – VWA Operation Manager, Stuart Carr (SC), Tayla Tenaglia (TT) – VWA Executive Officer</p> <p>Absent: Aaron Bailey, Greg Hunt</p> <p>Meeting started @ 6.15pm</p>
<p>2 Approval of previous meeting notes</p>	<p>2nd November 2020</p> <p>Approved by Dani Francis and seconded by Derek Scales</p>
<p>3 Updates</p> <p>3.1 VWA Staff Updates</p> <p>3.2 WA Open & KOTC Event</p>	<p>TT provided an update to the Referee committee of the recent staff changes at Volleyball WA:</p> <p>Reachelle Beasley – Operations Manager Sean Andrews – Juniors & Schools Coordinator Brad Barclay – SW Regional Development Paul Oldfield – Places to Play (replacing Tony) Sacha Stone – Marketing Comms Greg Hunt – moved to competitions.</p> <p>On behalf of Jackie Tamburri, a request was made for top-level referees to attend and referee the upcoming WA Open finals and the King of the Court round. DS suggested communicating it to the referee community via email and the Coach & Referee Facebook group. If they receive no interest from these communications, email DS for further action.</p> <p>A specific referee technical meeting was requested for the beginning of the WA Open competition. DS offered to hold it and asked for guidance in regard to the topics of discussion.</p>

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	<p>3.3 WAVL Survey & Criteria</p>	<p>TT provided an insight of the WAVL Club & Player survey results. The committee acknowledged the information and was advised that they will be notified when the 2021 WAVL Rules and Regulations are released.</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Business Arising from previous meeting.</p> <p>4.1 Referee Meeting at ATABT.</p> <p>4.2 Referee Committee support at ATABT events.</p> <p>4.3 Regional Zoom Referee Course</p> <p>4.4 Referee Goals and Development Plan.</p>	<p>DS noted that there was not enough time given prior to the first ATABT event therefore was unable to attend and hold the referee technical meeting. It was decided by the committee that the meetings should be targeted for the 1st event of the ATA Beach Tour and WA Open, therefore there is no requirement for the remainder of the season.</p> <p>SC arrived @ 6.25pm</p> <p>It was decided that DF would attend the Sunday of WA Open to assist and mentor with referees. It was suggested Sam Delany be contacted to attend Round 5 of the ATABT, DS said he will contact Sam.</p> <p>AB did not attend the meeting, so we were unable to select a date for a regional referee meeting via zoom.</p> <p>DF suggested that the WA Volleyball Junior League (WAVJL) could be used as selection for the Australian Junior Volleyball Championships (AJVC), DS raised his concern as to whether this competition would be at a suitable level of play for referees to gain the relevant experience needed for AJVC. RH suggested that the WAVJL competition could be used as a Talent Identification opportunity for referees that can be approached for further development.</p>

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	<p>4.5 Referee Committee Terms of Reference</p> <p>4.6 Referee Development Day</p>	<p>DF and TT will meet to begin developing an Individual Development Plan document for referees. It was recommended that the Volleyball Australia action plans be used for reference and consult with the Volleyball Australia Referee Committee (VARC).</p> <p>A concern was raised for the personal development of Level 3 and above referee's personal development opportunities with no domestic or international travel intended.</p> <p>DS suggested that the VWA Referee Committee Terms of Reference should mirror the VARC document. A review is needed for the process of rolling over committee members, nominations, and governance processes.</p> <p>It was proposed that the structure of the event changes from a day event, open to all level 2 and above referees, to an evening event for Level 3 and above referees and those potential level 3 candidates. Monday 17th May was proposed, and DF suggested a location. TT will seek approval for the location from Robyn. RH suggested that WAVL grading could be used to identify review items to discuss at the event. DS and DF are tasked with confirming roles and discussion items and reporting back to the committee.</p>
5	<p>VWA Strategic Plan</p> <p>5.1 Number of active referees. By end of 2021 have 200 new, active and accredited referees and increase Level 2 (& above) referees by 25%</p>	<p>DS was pleased to see that the number of Level 2 and 3 referees' is consistent. RB asked the committee members what the ideal number of referees would be, and DF responded with ideally everyone who plays should also have a referee accreditation. It was discussed what barriers there are for people wanting to develop their accreditations and SC suggested a cultural perception and lack of self-belief. It was proposed that in other sports, payment has been used to incentivize people to want to be involved. SC suggested that VWA approach clubs and offer to run club-based courses, and that club's should have referee advocates, pushing and encouraging their members to be involved. TT questioned why there is a significant number of individuals who attend the physical course but do not complete the task required to achieve accreditation: DS and SC suggested the physical paperwork and manually signing people off is a major barrier.</p>

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6	Planning 6.1 Development pathways.	DS confirmed that we should be focusing on mentoring and personal development plans to further develop the referees. Also, to refer to Volley Australia and their referee committee's resources.
7	General Business	<p>TT asked to lock in presenters for the 2021 Level 2 referee courses from the committee members; SC suggested offering referee courses to the club's directly first and then review if the planned courses are still needed.</p> <p>TT gave a brief update of the education changes that Volleyball Australia have proposed, starting in 2021.</p> <p>TT explained that an Action Register will be introduced to manage tasks required of committee members. DS requested that previous meeting minutes are sent out with meeting invites and agendas.</p>
8	Date of next Meeting	Monday 21 st June 2021.
		Close of meeting @ 7.35pm