



WORLD PARAVOLLEY

Board of Directors Meeting Summary – 28-30 October 2022

This is a summary of the main items discussed at the 28-30 October 2022 World ParaVolley Board meeting held in Sarajevo, BIH. Please note that this Meeting Summary is 'DRAFT' until formally approved at the next WPV Board meeting.

1 Roll-call

Present:

- Barry Couzner, President
- Nicky Nieves, Athletes' Commission
- Ivan Cosic, Athletes' Commission
- Louise Ashcroft, Medical Director
- Jim Leask Marketing Director
- Lori Okimura, Sport Director
- Anton Raimondo, Development Director
- Branko Mihorko, President, PVE
- Joe Campbell, President, PVPA
- Ehab Hassanein, President, PVA
- Phil Allen, General Manager
- Benno Meijer, Treasurer

Apologies

- Cailiang Lu, President PVAO
- Wayne Hellquist, Vice President
- Jose Rebelo, Athletes' Commission Team Leader

Observers – A number of Observers attended for various periods of time

2 Welcome

- The President welcomed all members to the first face-to-face meeting for several years

3 Agenda Items

- The President delivered a paper entitled "Where have we been since 2018?" as a summary of Board issues and future considerations
- The Athletes' Commission spoke about issues of concern such as event planning, recruiting past athletes, communications and classification

- The Marketing Director delivered a paper about “The Business of Sports” with a focus on the WPV Foundation, WPV structure and the need to register “World ParaVolley” in the USA
- ParaVolley Europe addressed the topic of “Digitisation” and how this was used on the Zone for competition management
- The Marketing Director spoke about “Branding” and the need to protect our name and discipline names
- The Sport Director delivered a paper about the 2028 Paralympic Games in LA, competitions, ITOs, Safeguarding, Per Diem Policy and a competition management system
- The Medical Director delivered a paper about Anti-Doping, Classification, and Online Education
- The Development Director delivered a paper about the Coaches Commission, Courses, Development Centres, VolleySLIDE, Grant funding and Molten
- The Paris24 Sitting Volleyball Competition Manager, Mat Meriaux, delivered a paper about the preparations for the sitting volleyball competition in Paris, including the venue and training hall
- The Sport Director and Medical Director delivered a paper on Safeguarding and a Database and it was decided to establish a “Safeguarding and Integrity Commission” and seek support from the 2022 General Assembly for this move
- The 4 Zone Presidents tabled a Reports about their developments, plans and expectations for 2023
- The Communications Manager, Anna Tomas, presented data on the various external communication methods employed by WPV and spoke about the role of social media

4 Succession Planning

- The Board discussed succession planning and the upcoming General Assembly in December that was confidential

5 Motions

- Several Motions were passed on the following topics
 - USA Registration of WPV
 - Protection of terms used by WPV
 - Safeguarding Officer appointments to events
 - 4 Technical Delegate appointments
 - Review of the Per Diem Policy
 - Examination of digitisation for managing events
 - Expansion of the number of languages available for the Rules of the Game books
 - Seek support of the GA for the Safeguarding and Integrity Commission
 - To have a database of volunteers eligible for involvement in WPV events and to ensure their education about Safeguarding issues
 - To not require verbal and written English language competence for certain Position Descriptions
 - Board nominations were approved for the 2022 GA elections