



Athlete and Coach Pathways Committee

September 24, 2021

Minutes

Attendance: Brian Newman (Chair), Dawna Sales (Vice Chair), Julien Boucher, Ed Drakich, Keith Hansen, Monette Boudreau-Carroll, Kerry MacDonald, Jim Plakas

1. Approval of the Agenda - Approved
2. Approval of the Previous Minutes - Approved
3. Terms of Reference
 - a. The terms of reference for the athlete and coach pathways committee was approved by the board of directors. The TOR will reflect an updated committee structure with term limits as well as a defined scope of responsibilities.
4. Return to Volleyball
 - a. VC will may host a townhall concept to support return to play – focus would be on grant opportunities, challenges, and recognition that each jurisdiction is unique.
5. Exceptional Substitutions for Concussion Evaluation
 - a. The committee approved the inclusion of an exception substitution into the rulebook for suspected concussion evaluation.
6. Registration system
 - a. Sportlomo is now live as the Volleyball Canada national registration system. The platform will improve the ability to collect Information and data to support athlete and coach development and communication.
7. Athlete Pathways Update
 - a. Team Canada 2021
 - i. U19 Men included 29 athletes born in 2003 or later, trained for 17 days in Vancouver. Successful camp. Unable to travel due to border restrictions
 - b. NEP
 - i. 18 athletes arrived on Sept 7
 - ii. Team Canada U18 (12 athletes) selected to attend World Championships – Sept 20-29
 - iii. Head Coach – Shannon Winzer with Carolyn O’Dwyer (NextGen HC) supporting
 - iv. Exhibition planned for Douglas College tourney, UBCO/TRU, UBC/UCFV/TWU
 - c. Canada Games
 - i. Planning – ongoing. Indoor – 12 men/13 women, beach – 13 men/12 women teams.
 - ii. Schedule revisions underway
 - d. Athlete ID
 - i. Discussion continues with GMTM as a provider of virtual ID process in Canada. Working to include all PTAs.
8. Coach Pathways
 - a. National Championship Coach Eligibility 2022/2023
 - i. The eligibility requirements remain consistent to 2020/2021. The registration system will support the verification of credentials but workshop and evaluation offerings will need to increase due to backlog.



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- b. NCCP Course Delivery – Dev/AdvDev/Performance
 - i. Development coach workshops are in testing phase with PTAs
 - ii. Advanced Development workshops have not been revised but pilots are being offered in Ontario
 - iii. Performance Coach – Indoor Workshops held in Calgary, Halifax with Canada Games coaches as priority. Beach to be held in December. Evaluations will be ongoing.
 - c. Coach Educator Community
 - i. There is an identified need to ensure all coach educators, facilitators and evaluators are receiving the resource support necessary to offer services. This will be a priority of the coaching department.
9. Age Categories
- a. Policy for 2022
 - i. The policy has been updated and approved to reflect the adjusted birth years for the 2022 season.
10. Long Term Development Update
- a. Rule Book updates and reorg
 - i. The play section and first contact information has been updated in the rulebook as well as the website continues to undergo revisions
 - b. LTD Manual
 - i. Draft is of 3.0 is available and currently in feedback stage for any revisions
11. Next Meeting – February 4, 2022 – 9am PST
12. Adjournment – Meeting Adjourned at 10:30 PST