

SPORT VOLUNTEER COALITION COMMUNIQUE

Meeting #2 of the Sport Volunteer Coalition

Thursday 7th April 2022

Members of the Sport Volunteer Coalition met for the second time on Thursday 7th April 2022. Scott Tutton was welcomed as a member of the Sport Volunteer Coalition. The meeting provided an opportunity for Coalition members to reflect on the inaugural meeting, commence discussion on defining volunteering including the parameters of the Coalition plan, and begin planning for the development of a four-year Coalition Plan.

Volunteering Definition

After a healthy discussion on defining volunteering, it was agreed to by most of the Coalition and confirmed by the Chair that *'Volunteering is time willingly given for the common good without financial gain'*. Whilst this definition could evolve as the plan develops, the coalition acknowledges that the definition aligns with Volunteering Australia definition of Volunteering more broadly.

Four-Year Coalition Plan

Coalition members discussed commencing the development of the four-year Coalition Plan. There was much excitement in the virtual room as members will be meeting for the first time, face-to-face, for a full day workshop to be held at the AIS Campus in Canberra on 19 April 2022. The Chair asked Coalition members to consider these key themes ahead of the workshop:

- Recruitment
- Retention
- Reward and Recognition

The workshop will set the scene to begin writing a plan that delivers Sport Australia's sport volunteering vision and enables increased participation in sport.

Sport Volunteer Coalition Members

- Dr Lindsey Reece – Sport Australia [Chair]
- Sarah Wilson – Volunteering Australia
- David Brett – NSW Government
- Jessica Cook – QLD Government
- Adam Weir – Surf Life Saving Australia
- Lisa Hasker – Vicsport
- Jamie Parsons – Badminton Australia
- Megan Carr – Golf Australia
- Scott Tutton – Cricket Australia
- Molina Asthana – Multicultural Women in Sport
- Garry West-Bail – Australian Sporting Alliance for People with Disability