DRAFT GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE WORKPLAN 2023

OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM 2022

GC TOR CLAUSE	GC TOR REFERENCE	ACTIONS	WHEN BY	WHO	COMMENTS
3.2.1	WL Constitution, bylaws and policies - establish a process and schedule for their regular review to ensure they are serving the needs of the organisation and members	 Check C & BL now to confirm we are doing what we should be doing Hold a webinar with members to discuss work of GC and how policies will be decided in future 	30 April 25 th May	SB	Completed Completed = feedback to be discussed in June
3.2.2	Recommend which WL policies should be approved by the Board +and the GA and organise	 Process for approving policies was approved in 2022 Shared ideas with Members and refine as appropriate 	N/A May	N/A ALL	Completed Completed
	a minimum of one Stakeholder Engagement Webinar per year at which these can be discussed and appropriate routes to their approval agreed.	WL policies reviewed as appropriate	December	SB/IS	
3.2.5	Compliance and risk – consider issues of compliance and risk in relation to WL governance including national and/or international legal obligations	1.Review disclosure requirements under US non-profit law, e.g., 990 filing, and assure compliance 2.Review D&O coverage in place for volunteer leadership	30 Apr June 23	EP/AJ	Report back in June 2)Set up WG in June to discuss and report back
3.2.6	Advice to members – establish a process to receive, consider and	Determine Governance Committee meeting dates (even just the months)	15 June	MK/PD/WA	WG to meet and agree next steps in light of the actions in this

respond to governance	in advance; set 'query submission	section being finalised and
questions or concerns from	dates' which relate to the meetings	webinars. Report back in June
members	(say, last day of the preceding	
	month); publish both of these online	
	at https://worldlacrosse.sport/about-	
	world-lacrosse/governance/	
	2. Develop a Google Form for	
	submission of such queries, the link	
	for which should also be published on	
	the above website. The message at	
	the end of the Google Form should	
	confirm the timeframe in which a	
	response will be provided by the	
	Governance Committee (essentially,	
	shortly after the next meeting of the	
	Committee). There should also be a	
	link to download a Word version of	
	the Form to complete and email (to	
	the Secretary of the Governance	
	Committee).	
	3. The Secretary of the Governance	
	Committee should be responsible for	
	collating submissions and making	
	them available to the Governance	
	Committee members, in advance of	
	the next meeting.	
	4. Any such queries that are submitted	
	should be included on the agenda of	
	the relevant meeting of the	
	Governance Committee (a standing	
	item on the agenda, e.g. "Queries	
	Received" should suffice) so that the	
	Governance Committee as a whole is	
	able to consider any questions.	

3.2.7	Board and Committee effectiveness – work with the Nominations Committee to develop a skills matrix for the Board and all Committees and develop strategies to assist new and aspiring Board and Committee members to develop advanced governance knowledge	1.	Committee should nominate one member to respond to the person who submitted the query.	31 Oct 31 May	SM/AC	Revised date from 31 May to 31 Oct 2)Draft skills matrix is with the Board, NomCom and GC Members for comment. To be discussed at June meeting
3.2.8	Communications – help maintain effective governance communications between WL, the Board, the CFs and the individual member NGBs	2.	FOR COMMUNICATION FROM WL TO MEMBERS: Included on the site at https://worldlacrosse.sport/about- world-lacrosse/governance/-is 1) the WL Board; 2) Five Commissions; 3) Ten Committees; and 4) Working Groups. Ask the new WL Chief Brand & Communications Officer (Christy Cahill) for her initial views on how communications relating to all of these entities can dovetail together for the benefit of all members of WL. Maybe a Monthly Newsletter to all members encompassing all of these? FOR COMMUNICATION FROM MEMBERS TO WL AND OTHER MEMBERS: As above, seek the advice of the new	15 June	PD/MK/WA	WG to reconvene to discuss next steps in light of discussions with CC and feedback from webinars and report back to June meeting 1.

	New Actions for 2023	WL Chief Brand & Communications Officer (Christy Cahill) for her initial views on how communications between members and from members back to WL should work. 3. Invite Christy Cahill to meet members of our sub-group (Paul & Tak) in- person in Towson to have an initial discussion about the above two points. A written summary of ideas from that meeting will be developed. 4. Sub-Group to meet again (Michael, Paul, Tak) via Zoom to discuss outcomes of meeting with Christy			
3.2.3	Ensure generic operating procedures are being followed by all WL Committees, Commissions and Working Groups and annually review the Committee TORs with the Chairs;	1.Revise generic operating procedures 2.Ciruclate to Commissions and Committees 3.Committees and Commissions to review their TORs and send to GC by March 4. Revised TORs to go to the Board in June 5. Annual report to be completed by each Committee Oct - Dec	Jan Jan March Dec	SB/AJ	5) Committees requested to complete in October. To be discussed in Jan GC meeting
3.2.4	Roles and responsibilities – review these regularly to ensure appropriate balance between the GA, Board and Management Team	1. GC 101 to be shared with the GC	June	EP/AJ	To be discussed at June GC meeting

3.2.9	Performance evaluation – support the regular review and evaluation of overall and individual Board performance in relation to required Board roles and areas of responsibility;	1.Creat Board evaluation survey 2. Seek GC members' feedback 3. Circulate survey to Board members 4. Results to be shared with President 5.Create/implement an annual board performance assessment programme	Jan Feb Feb March June	SM/AC	1-4 Completed Results to be used for Board/Staff awayday in July Feedback from Board sought in July about the evaluation survey which will feed into next steps (5)
3.2.10	Organisation effectiveness – encourage implementation of standards and best practices, benchmarking WL governance documentation against comparable international sporting (and other similar corporate and/or not-for- profit) bodies to ensure alignment with international best practice.		June	WA	WA to benchmark WL governance documentation against comparable sporting bodies and report back in June