

Northern Zone – Centre Advisory Group

Meeting held: Tuesday 17th May, 11am via Zoom

Present: Mangonui NC, Rose Kapa; Whangarei NC, Sue Robertson; Netball North Harbour, Lynette Brady; Netball Waitakere, Murray Gardiner; Pukekohe NC, Maree Bernasconi; Shirley Hooper, Independent Facilitator; Karyne Ross, Northern Zone Community Netball Manager

Apologies: Auckland NC, Dianne Lasenby

Item 1: Shirley outlined Waikato Bay of Plenty WaiBoP CAG

The key points made were that WaiBoP was under NNZ Administration and with no Zone staff in place it was important to have a communication link between WaiBop and NNZ staff appointed to administer, especially with regards to finance. WaiBoP Zone had enjoyed good centre support however lacked strategic input from Centres. Mainland was set up differently - different Zones have different needs, demographics and requirements.

The WaiBoP CAG addressed operational matters to ensure the ongoing development and growth of the WaiBoP Centres. These matters covered 1. Coach and umpire development; 2. Understand the Zone budget and to seperate franchise budget from community budget; 3. Scope out role of Centre Netball Relationship Manager role, which eventuated in engagement of Leanne Knox who then took over CAG/TOA (CAG was renamed Te ohu awhina o Waikato Bay of Plenty (TOA); 4. Zone tournament structure and identifying the gap in provision; 5. Cluster models; 6. Performance Advisory Group established.

Currently WaiBoP continues under NNZ administration, with no Zone CEO in place, however Coach Lead, Umpire Lead, and CRM roles are in place. TOA meets monthly continuing to identify projects to collectively work on.

Item 2: Northern Zone CAG purpose:

Meeting discussed overall purpose should cover centre sharing, understanding why things are prioritised, why resource goes to a certain area; and the value proposition of Zone and Netball NZ. Centres/Community need to feed into strategy but require a clear vision. Improve communication between Netball NZ, Zone and Centres – feed up and feed down equally.

Item 3: Priority Topics (projects) for Northern Zone CAG

Project: How do Centres tap into demographic growth for netball.
Project: Pathway for rep players + Performance Space.
Project: Zone budget and resourcing.
Project: Strategy development - to feed Zone and NNZ.
Project: Collective Purchasing power.
Project: Balance is Better - season length and competition structures.

Action: to identify what are the high level projects or challenges at Centre level and bring to group for discussion. A questionnaire to go out to Centres and add those topics to above for next Hui where they will be ranked into a priority order.

Item 4: Terms of Reference CAG

Meeting reviewed draft TOR and made adjustments to add Independent Chair (Clause 5b) + variations to TOR objectives to be recommended by CAG (Clause 9-Other) + meet monthly for 6 months then review (Clause 7).

Action: TOR to be presented to Northern Zone Board for ratification.

Next Steps:

- 1. Zone to send out Comms to Centres about CAG and purpose.
- 2. Minutes sent to all Centres, along with meeting schedule. CAG reps to link with other Centres to ensure all voices heard and everyone kept in loop.
- 3 Zone to send Survey to ascertain key topics for discussion for CAG next Hui.
- 4 Zone to source Independent Facilitator
- 5 Zone to send schedule of meetings and calendar invites to CAG members plus make available to all Centres.