

Regional Associations APC Meeting Minutes



Friday 31st July 2015
Regency Beach Resort
77 Gifford Rd
Dunsborough WA

Time	Agenda Item	
2:00 PM	1. Welcome, Apologies	Attendees
		Redmond Sweeny, Mark Aitken, Monica Radomiljac, Lyn Metcalfe, John Griffiths, Bruce Pearse, Stuart Watson, Simon Holthouse, Tony Davis, Anthony Wilkes, Redmond Sweeny, Brian Ede
		Apologies
		Josh Davenport, Bernie Worthington
2:05 PM	2. Introduction	The Regional Associations responses to proposed actions arising from the meeting on 4 th February 2015 (as outlined in the APC Summary Table- see attached) were noted. From this, it was determined that there was agreement on most issues. There were three issues that required further discussion to resolve. The resolution of each is recorded below.
	3.	Discussion and Resolution
2:15 PM	4. The composition of the Board of Wines of WA – ensuring a process is created to allow Regional Association engagement with the Board’s decision-making process	<p>Unanimous support for the Board Structure outlined below:</p> <p>Ten positions in total, consisting of:</p> <p>Five Regionally Appointed Positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 x Margaret River • 1 x Great Southern • 1 x Geographe • 1 x Southern Forests/Blackwood Valley • 1 x Swan Valley/Perth Hills/Peel <p>Three Scale of Production Elected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under 150 tonnes • 151 – 1000 tonnes • Above 1000 tonnes <p>1 x Wine Grape Growers of Australia State Representative</p> <p>1 x Appointment by Margaret River Wine Association Board</p>
		<p>Regional Committees will consist of:</p> <p>Southern Forest/Blackwood Valley Swan Valley/Perth Hills/Peel</p> <p>These will convene regularly to provide input to State based issues and to convey information to these Regions for consideration.</p> <p>In each year, each Regional Committee will appoint an individual to sit as their representative on the Board of Wines of WA. This will be allocated on a rotational basis, however, should there not be an individual available from a Region when required, the Regional Committee will appoint a replacement.</p> <p>A Board appointed representative of any of these Regional Associations can attend Wines of WA Board meetings as an observer upon prior written request.</p>

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3 PM	5. Refinement of the Wine Producers' Committee selection process	<p>The Industry Selection Panel (ISP) for the Wine Producers Committee will consist of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Regional Chairs (Vice – Chair can substitute as required) • Wines of WA Chair (Vice – Chair can substitute as required) <p>The decision-making process will require:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 75% of 100% of the Panel. Voting can be submitted by proxy or remote method. <p>The ISP will provide the resulting short list of candidates to the APC Commissioners for consideration.</p>
4 PM	6. Defining an industry based decision-making process	<p>A significant majority of 75% of available voting members will be used when a decision-making process is required.</p>
4:30 PM	7. Conclusion	<p>All in attendance agreed that, subject to formal Board ratification by Regional Associations, the WA Wine industry has provided a mandate to Wines of WA to formally proceed to establish an APC Producers' Committee for the purposes of supporting industry development. Wines of WA will work with Regional Associations to do so.</p> <p>All Regional Associations agreed to provide support in the formal education process of producers. The correspondence sent to the APC Commissioners will state that the establishment of an APC Producers' Committee has the support of all Regional Associations.</p> <p>Communication material will be developed by WoWA in collaboration with Regional Associations.</p> <p>Regional Associations should provide this formal ratification prior to Friday 21st August 2015.</p>