# National Coaches Committee [NCC] Minutes

**Meeting:** Thursday 20\(^{th}\) May 2021  
**Duration:** via Zoom 01:40;00  
**Approved**

### Present
- Thanos Nikopoulos – World Triathlon  
- Gergely Markus - World Triathlon  
- Rolf Ebeling - World Triathlon  
- Leslie Buchanan - World Triathlon  
- Kate Murray - RSA  
- Claudia Beristain -MEX  
- Philippe Fattori - FRA  
- Stephen Sheldrake - NZL  
- Hideki Yamane - JPN  
- Rick Velati - GBR  
- Rodrigo Milazzo - BRA

### Absent
- Miles Stewart – World Triathlon  
- Antonio Arimany - World Triathlon

*For ease of minute taking only first names or initials of the members will be referred to in the minutes. You can see full names above.*
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<td>Opening remarks</td>
<td>- KM introduced agenda items;</td>
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| 2    | Feedback from Yokohama WTS 2021                      | - HY only NCC representative coach in Yokohama – gave positive feedback and submitted feedback to WT  
- TN submitted report prepared for IOC to NCC  
- Yokohama bubble environment successful and a ‘pre-cursor’ to what it will be like in Tokyo OG/PG.                                                                                                        | - Both reports submitted to NCC |
| 3    | Athletes manipulating racing for points / positions  | - GM had engaged NCC in opinion on GBR men in Yokohama and Japanese women in Asian championships regarding the issue of an athlete[s] not doing their best and conceding positions to athletes of their NOC to thereby gain more points [especially regarding a 3rd OG quota slot].  
- Difficulty / impossibility of judging an athlete’s best effort  
- Impact on gambling  
- Difference of this issue compared to ‘joint winning’ [e.g. GBR women Tokyo Test Event 2019]                                                                                           | -               |
<p>| 4    | Possibility of extending the substitution rule from 48 hours to 7 days | - Ongoing discussion on how to help federations organise around all the various Covid restrictions without compromising WT processes [e.g. media, organising committees expectations etc]                                                                                                                                           | -               |
| 5    | Feedback on the elimination format of racing         | - Well received explanation as to how the format came into discussion in the last Olympic cycle. Slight surprise as to the lack of consultation in the last 18 months. Clarity around the trial formats this year in Montreal and Bermuda.                                                                                                                                     | -               |</p>
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<th>Possibility of making Olympic qualification minimum criteria top 180 and not top 140 for LAR for MTR</th>
<th>- NCC put forward rationale for this – but seems too many legalities to change rules at this stage before Tokyo.</th>
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