

## Summary of Survey Responses

### The Sport Matters Group

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## Overview

In February, Sport Alberta sent out a follow-up survey to all participants in the provincial engagement process. The following is a brief summary/commentary on the outcomes of the survey process.

In total, there were 24 respondents to the survey

## Analysis by Question

***1. We recently distributed the Outcomes Report from the meeting in your community on a New Way Forward for Sport in Alberta. Does the report capture the tenor and substance of the discussion and the written submissions?***

The overwhelming response to this question was 'yes'

***2. What about the sessions did you find most useful?***

A number of respondents valued the diversity of the groups and the opportunity to share ideas and best practices. Interestingly, there do not seem to be many opportunities for sport leaders in communities to come together and discuss their issues and challenges.

***3. What could we improve upon when we next bring sport leaders together?***

Comments tended to be of two varieties, the first being the need to become more focused and targeted in terms of the questions being asked and the second being the need for a broader and more representative set of participants.

Another general concern, although not an area for improvement, was the need to see real concrete action come out of the sessions.

**4. Before and during the sessions, there was plenty of information sharing. What information was the most useful or valuable?**

The most important information/idea that emerged in the survey was the need to understand the sport system as a system and to introduce a single strong voice for the system.

In general, respondents enjoyed and valued the opportunity to exchange information, although no single piece or type of information was viewed as being the most valuable or influential.

**5. Do you think this session will lead to other outcomes in your own community? If so, what might they be?**

Respondents from Grand Prairie highlighted the emergence of the Grand Prairie Sport Council. Respondents from other municipalities expressed an interest in continuing to work more closely with the other sport leaders who participated in the sessions.

**6. Since the discussions, have you thought further about the changes or new strategies that ought to be priorities for our sport sector? If so, now is a good time to share them here.**

In general, there was support for a more coordinated and aligned sector building from a renewed sport policy for the province.

**7. Sport Alberta activities take place because sport leaders volunteer their time and make other kinds of contributions that focus on what sport can do for Alberta. If you would like to volunteer or contribute in some way, please take a moment to describe the contribution you'd like to make and provide us with your contact information.**

- A number of people responded that they would like to help but did not leave specific contact information. If you would still like to be involved please contact:

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