



Western Australian Pharmacy Students' Association

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

22nd of September 2025 - Kaitlyn Campbell

Introduction

As my term as President comes to an end, I am proud to reflect on a year that has been both very busy and rewarding for WAPSA. Coming into this role, my goals were to revisit WAPSA's core purpose, strengthen our governance and develop a clear strategic plan to pass on to the next committee. I hope I have laid down the foundation for a future of not only stability but also growth, ensuring that the incoming team has a clear roadmap to guide them as they continue to build on our achievements and take WAPSA to new heights.

Achievements

Expansion of Facilities

This year, we completed a significant changeover to a new WAPSA room. This move was long overdue, and I am thrilled that we can now provide our members with a more functional and collaborative space to meet, study, and connect.

Governance

As President, I have focused on strengthening WAPSA's governance to ensure the association continues to operate effectively and sustainably. My first initiative was implementing the 2028 Strategic Plan, guided by our four pillars: People, Engagement, Connection, and Sustainability.

This plan has provided clear direction for our activities and helped align the committee's efforts with WAPSA's core purpose. In addition, we reviewed and updated our policies for both the internal committee and members.

These updates clarify roles and responsibilities, and promote transparency and accountability within the association. By prioritising governance, we have aimed to leave a strong foundation for the incoming committee to build upon.



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NAPSA Congress

In January, 15 WAPSA delegates attended NAPSA Congress in Brisbane. Jamie and I ensured that WAPSA covered 100% of the costs for delegates' wristbands and Battle Night costumes.

While the week was filled with networking and fun, we also focused on preparing for the year ahead. I arrived in Brisbane a day early to attend the National Council Meeting, which brought together NAPSA's board of directors, Chairs, and 19 national branch presidents.

At this meeting, I signed the affiliation agreement between WAPSA and NAPSA and successfully presented a bid for WAPSA to host NAPSA's Annual General Meeting. Congress provided a valuable opportunity to collaborate with other pharmacy student associations across Australia, share ideas, and strengthen WAPSA's national presence.

NAPSA Annual General Meeting

Hosting the NAPSA AGM in Western Australia was a tremendous honor. Feedback from attendees was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing how much they enjoyed their time in Perth. The weekend included a Welcome Night, the AGM itself, and concluded with a dinner with key stakeholders, further strengthening relationships within the pharmacy community.

Relationship with UWAMPS

This year, WAPSA hosted four collaborative events with the University of Western Australia Master of Pharmacy Society (UWAMPS): Quiz Night, Hospital Pharmacy Information Night, PSA Speed Mentoring and Campus Clash (Battle Night). These events have been an excellent way to build inter-university connections, support our peers, and create lasting memories. Moving forward, we aim to continue strengthening our relationship with UWAMPS through more collaborative events and legacy initiatives.



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Challenges

- Maintaining consistent committee responsiveness.
- Ensuring clear communication between the committee and the executive team.
- Meeting deadlines for events, applications, and administrative tasks.
- Negotiating with sponsors to support our initiatives.
- Encouraging students to respect the common room, including managing noise levels and being mindful of food that is stored but not intended for general use.

Recommendations for the Incoming Committee

- Having a full event calendar completed by March.
- Securing the ball venue by February and confirming sponsors by July.
- Contacting sponsors at the beginning of the year, as they generally have a federal budget which may be exhausted by April.
- Submitting event applications as early as possible.
- Encouraging 4th-year students to utilise their away blocks for WAPSA planning and participation.
- Holding regular meetings between chairs and the executive committee to improve coordination and communication.

Reflections & Looking Forward

Serving as WAPSA President has been an immensely rewarding experience, and I would like to sincerely thank the 2025 committee for their dedication and teamwork throughout the year. This year has focused on strengthening foundations, providing meaningful opportunities for our members, and contributing to a lasting legacy for WAPSA. I am confident that the incoming committee will continue this momentum, guided by the lessons we have learned and the systems we have put in place. I am so grateful for the memories, friendships, and experiences this year has brought, and I cannot wait to see what the incoming committee has in store for WAPSA.

Kaitlyn Campbell
2025 WAPSA President