Table 3. Description of sport governance studies based upon Henry and Lee’s (2004) types of governance

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| Governance type | Description | Authors (e.g.,) | Example topic areas |
| Organizational/  Corporate | “*concerned with normative, ethically-informed standards of managerial behavior*” (Henry & Lee, 2004, p. 24)  Looks at how sport organizations conform to wider societal expectations of good business practice | Adriaanse (2016); Adriaanse & Schofield (2014); Claringbould & Knoppers (2012); Ferkins & Shilbury (2012); Ferkins et al. (2005); Hoye & Cuskelly (2003); Inglis (1997); O’Boyle (2012); Shilbury et al. (2013) | * Governing boards overseeing sport organizations * Board strategic capability * Board performance * Board structure (roles and responsibilities) * Board decision-making * Board conflict * Board-management relations * Good governance (accountability, democracy, transparency etc.) |
| Systemic | “*concerned with the competition, cooperation and mutual adjustment between organisations in business and/or policy systems*” (Henry & Lee, 2004, p. 24)  Concerned with the need for mutual adjustment between sport organizations and stakeholders | Barnes & Cousens (2007); Grix (2010);  Goodwin & Grix (2011); Girginov (2012); O’Boyle & Shilbury (2016)  Parent (2016)  Phillpots, Grix & Quarmby (2010); Parent (2016) | * Sport governance systems and structures * Shifts from hierarchical to network governance * Increasing stakeholder plurality in overseeing/ governing sport * Inter-organizational relationships/dynamics * Role of actors in network governance * Collaborative governance |
| Political | “*concerned with how governments or governing bodies in sport ‘steer’, rather than directly control, the behaviour of organisations*” (Henry & Lee, 2004, p. 24)  Government or governmental agency role in steering rather than commanding change within and across sport | Garcia (2009); Garcia & Weatheril (2012); Geeraert (2014); Geeraert et al. (2013); Grix (2009, 2010); Green & Houlihan (2009); Grix (2009; 2010); Lusted & O’Gorman (2010); Parent et al. (2011); Serby (2016) | * Changing relationships between state (government) and society (sport) * Role and influence of governmental agencies/ governing bodies on sport (e.g., FIFA/NCAA) * Role and influence of supranational entities (e.g., European Union) * Government involvement in sport |