

## Special General Meeting

# Minutes

**Date:** 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2021  
**Scheduled Start:** 7.30 PM  
**Venue:** Ceres Learning Centre, Lee St East Brunswick  
**Audio:** <http://dte.org.au/audiominutes>  
**Register on line:** <https://dte.coop/live.meeting>  
**Zoom Connect:** <https://dte.coop/to/zoom>  
**Phone Connect:** (02) 8015 2088 Meeting ID Number 2362803611

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1	<b><u>Acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional owners and ongoing custodians of the land</u></b>																																											
	We gather on the lands of many Aboriginal Nations. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. Indigenous sovereignty has never been ceded in Australia and we should endeavour to be mindful of this in everything we do, given our focus is gathering to create better ways of living in our society, not just for festival attendees but for all.																																											
2	<b><u>Meeting Started</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>																																										
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3	<b><u>Order of business</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>																																										
	1. Opening of meeting 2. Election of Chairperson & Minute Taker 3. Acknowledgement of Country 4. Acknowledgement of members 5. Ratification of previous meeting minutes 6. Presentation of reports (if applicable) 8. General business on notice 9. Board or OC to follow (if required)																																											
4	<b><u>Election of chair</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>																																										
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<b>6</b>	<b><u>Confirmation of previous minutes</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>
	<b>Minutes</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> November, 2020 SGM <b>Moved</b> Trevor Pitt <b>Seconded</b> Elise Brock <b>PBC</b> <b>Minutes</b> 18 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup> February, 2021 SGM <b>Moved</b> Troy Reid <b>Seconded</b> Coral Larke <b>PBC</b>	
<b>7</b>	<b><u>Reports</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>
	<b>Finance:</b> Melody Braithwaite <b>Code of Conduct:</b> Coral Larke	
<b>8</b>	<b><u>Sydney Confest CC Appropriation</u></b>	
	<b>Motion:</b> That the sum of \$32,000.00 be appropriated to the ConFest Committee for Sydney Confesters expenses covering their Spring (October 2021) and Summer (January 2022) gatherings.  <b>Agenda Details:</b> Sydney ConFesters (SC) is organising two 5-day gatherings in October 2021 and January 2022. For each gathering (limited to 120 attendees) a Covid-19 Safety Plan will be in place to reflect prevailing NSW Government health guidelines. Since the early 2000s Sydney ConFesters has been able to remit a profit after the deduction of expenses (100% of gate takings) back to DTE. For FY ending 30 June 2020 two gatherings incurred a minor loss of \$1270.31. Depending on attendee numbers approximately 70% of this appropriation goes to the cost to hire a commercial camping site. Sydney ConFesters aims through adjusting its attendance fees to achieve a cost neutral account for FY21/22	<b>Proposed</b> Melody Braithwaite <b>Supported</b> Lance Nash, Kevin Taylor <b>PBC</b>
<b>9</b>	<b><u>Confab Appropriation</u></b>	
	<b>Motion</b> That the ConFab Committee be appropriated the amount of \$2,500 dollars for the financial year ending 30th June 2022 for the purpose of purchasing equipment to use at ConFab events and for working capital to run ConFab events. <b>Explanation of motion</b> Over the last several months ConFab events have been held under a new format. These have been meal nights at Lentil as Anything and have each attracted about 25 people to each event. This may be mirrored in the future in Sydney. The people involved in ConFab are interested in expanding ConFab's activities in DTE. The following events have been discussed: A ConFab village at ConFest (when it returns) and at related events such as the Sydney ConFest ConFab could sponsor Sharings at these events and could re-establish "Morning Sharing". ConFab could appear at non DTE festivals and gatherings. ConFab is a concept which could share space with any event DTE runs online. Workshop days or weekends could be held on areas of interest which arise from ConFest. Social events similar to the original ConFab could be run.	<b>Proposed</b> Lance Nash <b>Supported</b> Troy Reid, Melody Braithwaite <b>PBC</b>
<b>10</b>	<b><u>Fincom Appropriation</u></b>	
	Motion FinCom seeks an Appropriation of \$28,557.31 For future payments of Bookkeeper Accountant Auditor Election and Xero expenses. Supporting information: Link to spreadsheet with past Payments and estimates for expected future costs <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lGEj9KgqBlQd0_8SlA1OcuNkVxhJvOgi9gwcpgfTPqM/edit#gid=0">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1lGEj9KgqBlQd0_8SlA1OcuNkVxhJvOgi9gwcpgfTPqM/edit#gid=0</a> <b>Amendment 1:</b> That FinCom be granted an Appropriation of \$28,557.31 For future payments of Bookkeeper Accountant Auditor Election and Xero expenses. <b>Moved</b> Skye FitzPatrick <b>Seconded</b> Elise Brock <b>Amendment 2:</b> An appropriation of \$28,557.31 is granted to the OC for FinCom for financial year ending 30 June 2022. And that the OC distributes the funds to Fincom in accordance with progressive budget applications.	<b>Proposed</b> Skye FitzPatrick <b>Supported</b> Robin Macpherson, Lance Nash, Kate Shapiro <b>Amended Motion 1</b> PBM <b>Amended Motion 2</b> Fail

<b>11</b>	<b><u>Meeting Extension</u></b>	
	At 10.27 <b>Motion:</b> To extend the meeting by an hour.	
<b>12</b>	<b><u>Next Meeting Date &amp; Time Confirmation</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>
	24 <sup>th</sup> June, 2021	
<b>13</b>	<b><u>Meeting Adjourned</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>
	11.06 PM	