

Down-To-Earth (Vic) Cooperative Society Limited

**Special General Meeting  
Continued from 17 June 2021**

**Minutes**

Date: **01/07/2021**  
 Time: **7:30pm**  
 Venue: **Online via Zoom**  
 Online: <https://dte.coop/live.meeting>

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1	<b><u>Acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional owners and ongoing custodians of the land</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>																														
	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>																														
	7:40pm																															
4	<b><u>Election of Chair</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>																														
	Confirmation of Chairperson: John Magor, Rick Gill chairs at 8:34pm, John at 8:40pm, Rick at 8:53pm, John at 8:56pm, Rick at 9:39pm, John at 9:41pm Confirm Minute Keeper: Vanessa Ernst																															
5	<b><u>Attendance</u></b>	<i>Procedural</i>																														
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	<b>Item 13291: Working With Children Register</b>																															
	<p>Agenda details: Please note that no system is perfect nor does any system need to be perfect to be effective. More information available here: <a href="https://dte.coop/to/w4rbg">https://dte.coop/to/w4rbg</a></p> <p>Motion: That the DTE Board is required to establish and maintain a publicly accessible register of all DTE active members who have successfully obtained a current Working With Children (WWC) Check in Victoria or an equivalent assessment scheme from another jurisdiction. This register must record the legal name of each active member, the member's shareholder number, which Australian state or territory provided the assessment, the unique ID identifying an assessment, the date a successful assessment was granted and date when the assessment</p>	<i>P.B.M.</i>																														

	<p>validity expires. The register will also record if an active member has not obtained an assessment. The DTE Board is also required to contact active members and encourage them to obtain a current WWC check in Victoria or equivalent from their jurisdiction and the Board shall provide active members any assistance necessary to facilitate their application of assessment.</p> <p>Item by: Troy Reid, Kate Scholem Shapiro, Aaron Shipperlee, Rohan Levy, Dan Smith, David, Cameron, Jude Murray, Kristen Tunney, Grant Waldram  <a href="https://dte.coop/to/w4rbg">https://dte.coop/to/w4rbg</a></p>	
<b>Item 13292: Climate Emergency Declaration</b>		
	<p>Agenda details: What is it?</p> <p>Motion: Down To Earth (DTE) recognises that we are in a state of climate emergency that requires urgent action by all levels of government and civil society. DTE commits to actively working toward reducing the impacts of our events on global warming aiming to run zero emissions or climate positive events as soon as possible. This include accounting for the emissions of participants made in order to attend the event.</p> <p>Item by: Aaron Shipperlee, Troy Reid, Kristen Tunney  <a href="https://data.dte.org.au/files/202106SGMNotice2.pdf">https://data.dte.org.au/files/202106SGMNotice2.pdf</a></p>	P.B.M.
<b>Carried Motions</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion: 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.</li> <li>• 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</li> <li>• That FinCom be granted an Appropriation of \$28,557.31 For future payments of Bookkeeper Accountant Auditor Election and Xero expenses.</li> <li>• Item 13288: That the CC be appropriated \$15,000.</li> <li>• Item 13289: That the Organising Committee be appropriated \$110,000 to be available until the end of FY 2021-22</li> <li>• Item 13290: That the ban on food purchases be lifted for revenue generating festivals.</li> <li>• Item 13291: That the DTE Board is required to establish and maintain a publicly accessible register of all DTE active members who have successfully obtained a current Working With Children (WWC) Check in Victoria or an equivalent assessment scheme from another jurisdiction. This register must record the legal name of each active member, the member's shareholder number, which Australian state or territory provided the assessment, the unique ID identifying an assessment, the date a successful assessment was granted and date when the assessment validity expires. The register will also record if an active member has not obtained an assessment. The DTE Board is also required to contact active members and encourage them to obtain a current WWC check in Victoria or equivalent from their jurisdiction and the Board shall provide active members any assistance necessary to facilitate their application of assessment.</li> <li>• Item 13292: Motion: Down To Earth (DTE) recognises that we are in a state of climate emergency that requires urgent action by all levels of government and civil society. DTE commits to actively working toward reducing the impacts of our events on global warming aiming to run zero emissions or climate positive events as soon as possible. This include accounting for the emissions of participants made in order to attend the event.</li> </ul>	
<b>Meeting Ended</b>		Procedural
10:08pm		