

Continuation of SGM Meeting 09/08/2021

Minutes

Date: **16/08/2021**
 Time: **7:30pm**
 Venue: **Online via Zoom**
 Online: <https://dte.coop/live.meeting>

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	<u>Acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional owners and ongoing custodians of the land</u>																																	
	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.																																	
1	<u>Meeting Started</u>	<i>Procedural</i>																																
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2	<u>Election of Chair</u>	<i>Procedural</i>																																
	Confirmation of Chairperson: Gary Lasky/ Trevor Pitt/ John Major Confirm Minute Keeper: Suzie Helson Host:																																	
3	<u>Attendance</u>	<i>Procedural</i>																																
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	Elizabeth Bell Ellen Brogan Gary Lasky Graham Fleming Ian Hales John Magor	Trevor Pitt Troy Reid Vanessa Ernst Walter Padovani Apologies – Skye Fitzpatrick	
4	<u>Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes</u>		<i>Procedural</i>
			Moved: Seconded:
5	<u>Task Check List</u>		<i>Procedural</i>
			No progress Work In Progress Complete No longer relevant Taken Over By ?
6	<u>Correspondence / Payments</u>		<i>Procedural</i>
7	<u>WH&S</u>		<i>Procedural</i>
8	<u>Agenda Items</u>		
	<p>Agenda item ID: 13364/13406</p> <p>Agenda item: Set aside funds for Confests</p> <p>Agenda details: That \$550k in funds is put aside for Confest Committee to run the next three festivals. This budget is for \$250k for the next festival, \$200k for the following festival, and \$100k for the third, allowing for the recovery of funds and reuse of infrastructure from between the festivals if both should fail.</p> <p>Motion: That \$550k in funds is put aside for Confest Committee to run the next three festivals. This budget is for \$250k for the next festival, \$200k for the following festival, and \$100k for the third, allowing for the recovery of funds and reuse of infrastructure from between the festivals if both should fail.</p> <p>Item by: Steve Poynton, Peter Tippett, Tania Morsman Agenda item ID: 13365/13407</p>		<i>P.B.M.</i>

Agenda item: Appoint an Auditor

Agenda details: Explanation: 1. David Taplin of TBT has resigned as DTE's auditor. 2. It is good practice to change auditors every few years to avoid developing relationships which compromise the auditor's independence. 3. DTE's accountant is also employed by TBT. It is not ideal to have the auditor and accountant working for the same company. If the auditor and accountant are employed by the same company they must work independently and this has not happened with TBT. 4. David Taplin of TBT does not work in Xero which is the accounting software used by DTE. 5. There were errors in the Financial Reports presented at the 2020 AGM including

- The 2020/21 audit was done with the incorrect legislation i.e. the Associations Incorporations Reform Act was used but DTE is a Co-operative and should be following Co-operatives National Law Application Act 2013 and the Corporations Act 2001.
- "Account Receivables" have been allocated to the In cash account which is incorrect.
- Some of the account balances listed in the Financial Reports presented at the 2020 AGM do not match the balances at Bendigo Bank at 30 June 2020.
- The depreciation schedule is out of date.

6. At the 2020 AGM, TBT could not answer all the questions about the Financial Report and members were told to submit their unanswered questions in writing to get an answer. At least one member has submitted questions several times and not received answers or even an acknowledgement that emails have been received. 7. Ax3 has provided fixed prices:

- For the scope of the audit functions \$5,000
- Redrafting the financial statements to comply with the Co-operatives National Law Application Act 2013 and Australian Accounting Standards - \$2,500
- Review Process and Controls of the Cooperation and report to the board of directors - \$4,000

8. Documents related to this motion can be found at

Motion: That DTE appoints Daniel Tai of Ax3 Partners as DTE's auditor starting with the 2020/2021 Financial Reports for the 2021 AGM.

Item By: Suzie Helson, John Major, Deborah Moerkerken, Malcolm Matthews.

Amendment to this motion: The members request the Board to appoint Daniel Tai of Ax3 Partners as DTE's auditor starting with the 2020/2021 Financial Reports for the 2021 AGM.

	<p>MOVED : Kathy Ernst SECONDED : Malcolm Matthews P.B.M.</p> <p>Amended Motion : The members request the Board to appoint Daniel Tai of Ax3 Partners as DTE’s auditor starting with the 2020/2021 Financial Reports for the 2021 AGM.</p> <p>P.B.M.</p>	
	<p><u>Next Meeting Date & Time Confirmation</u></p>	<p><i>Procedural</i></p>
	<p><u>Meeting Ended</u></p>	<p><i>Procedural</i></p>
	<p>10.49pm</p>	