## **Down-To-Earth (Vic) Cooperative Society Limited**

## DTE BOARD Meeting 02/12/2021

## **Minutes**

Date: **02/12/2021**Time: **7:30pm** 

Venue: Online via Zoom

Online: <a href="https://dte.coop/live.meeting">https://dte.coop/live.meeting</a>

| # | Item   |  | Raised by:       |
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|   | Acknowledgement of Country – Tania   |  |                  |
|   | I would like to acknowledge the Quandamooka people and country of which I am standing on and pay my respects to Elders past, present and emerging and their continuing connection to land and sea. |  |                  |
| 1 | Meeting Started  |  | Procedural       |
|   | 7.35PM   |  |                  |
| 2 | Election of Chair  |  | Procedural       |
|   | Confirmation of Chairperson: Tania Mo<br>10.20 Gary Lasky, 10.25 Robin Macphe<br>Confirm Minute Keeper: Kathy Ernst, 8<br>Host: Tania Morsman  |  |                  |
| 3 | <u>Attendance</u>  |  | Procedural       |
|   | Caryn Kettle David Cruise Elisa Brock Gary Lasky Linda Hunt John Magor John Reid Kate Sarah Kathy Ernst  | Lance Nash Malcolm Matthews Marte Kinder Peter Tippett Rick Gill (unable to voice check, verified in chat) Robin Macpherson Suzie Helson Tania Morsman Trevor Pitt |                  |
| 4 | Confirmation of Previous Meeting Min   | Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes   |                  |
|   |  |  | Moved: Seconded: |

| 5 | Task Check List  | Procedural                   |
|---|--|------------------------------|
|   | Gypsy Trailer  | No progress Work In Progress |
|   | 2020 08 06 Trailer from Jessica Townsend re Transfer of ownership- Transfer                      | COMPLETE                     |
|   | document - and Query 1500 in Bank account left there or deposited until the transfer             | NO LONGER RELEVANT           |
|   | of ownership is sighted* Asset Management will follow through - Keep on list                     | TAKEN OVER BY?               |
|   | 21/01/2021 01 21 Follow up OC registration of trailer in March – SUZIE TO FOLLOW                 |                              |
|   | UP - Suzie and Malcolm following up. IN PROGRESS   |                              |
|   | Con Bothler and five   |                              |
|   | Gas Bottles and fuel   |                              |
|   | 2021 02 04 Suzie to write to OC informing them of the motion about storage of gas                |                              |
|   | bottles and fuel – COMPLETED  Surio to write to OC anguising an progress IN PROCEESS             |                              |
|   | Suzie to write to OC enquiring on progress. IN PROGRESS  |                              |
|   | Covid Safe Plan  |                              |
|   | 2021 06 05 Troy Reid to contact Kate Shapiro about Covid Safe Plan                               |                              |
|   | 2021 03 18 Kate to work with others to make a Covid Safe Plan DEFERRED UNTIL AN                  |                              |
|   | EVENT IS BEING PLANNED – ONGOING   |                              |
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|   | Complaints File  |                              |
|   | 2021 07 01 Troy to help Elisa to set up a document library for complaint documents               |                              |
|   | IN PROGRESS  |                              |
|   | Complaints about inappropriate spending  |                              |
|   | 2021 07 01 Gary to draft the letter to send to people who send complaints or queries             |                              |
|   | about inappropriate spending.  |                              |
|   | Kathy has drafted a process and series of letters which has been sent to directors for           |                              |
|   | comment and will be presented to Board after the AGM. IN PROGRESS                                |                              |
|   | Trover Pitt  |                              |
|   | Trevor Pitt 2021 07 01 Troy and Elisa to write a letter to Trevor Pitt regarding his resignation |                              |
|   | REPLACED   |                              |
|   | 2021 08 19 Troy to carry out the actions in Trevor Pitt's resignation letter (removal of         |                              |
|   | all of Trevor Pitt's information unless legally required) NOT REQUIRED                           |                              |
|   | 2021 10 07 Kate to write a letter to Trevor Pitt thanking him for his years of work as a         |                              |
|   | member. IN PROGRESS  |                              |
|   | (Gary wrote to Trevor).  |                              |
|   | <u> </u>   |                              |
|   | <u>Inactive members</u>  |                              |
|   | Inactive members have been given notice regarding their removal (agenda item                     |                              |
|   | 13250). Some members have requested an extension of their inactive period. The                   |                              |
|   | Board needs to decide whether to grant an extension and inform these members                     |                              |
|   | accordingly and remove the other inactive members. TO BE ACTIONED                                |                              |
|   | 2021 08 19 Kate and Secretary to respond to Marty's letter ONGOING                               |                              |
|   | Tania Morsman Director's activity points ONGOING   |                              |
|   | Elisa to distribute Water NSW Q4 Regulated Customer Newsletter to OC                             |                              |
|   | Trevor Pitt assist the Board with the upcoming mediation Gary to respond                         |                              |

| 6 | Correspondence / Payments  | Procedural                       |  |
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| 7 | WH&S   | Procedural                       |  |
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| 8 | Agenda Item 13606  |                                  |  |
|   | Agenda item: Welcome to the new board  |                                  |  |
|   | Agenda details: I thought it would be nice to take a moment to welcome the new board.  |                                  |  |
|   | Motion:  |                                  |  |
|   | Item by: Peter Tippett   |                                  |  |
|   | Agenda Item 13610  |                                  |  |
|   | Agenda item: Appointment of New Secretary for DTE  | Moved:<br>Gary Lasky             |  |
|   | Agenda details: Item 13229 since May: It was decided at an informal gathering after the new directors were appointed that a new secretary would take over the duties and role of Secretary as the current Coop secretary Troy Reid was unable to fulfil the role/duties due to work commitments. | Seconded:<br>Suzie Helson<br>PBC |  |
|   | Motion: To appoint a Kathy Ernst as Secretary for the Cooperative to commence immediately.   |                                  |  |
|   | Item by: Gary Lasky  |                                  |  |
|   | Kate Shapiro asked the Chair to have our gratitude to the outgoing secretary minuted.  |                                  |  |
|   | Agenda Item 13608  |                                  |  |
|   | Agenda item: Transfer money to new Secretary   | Moved:<br>Kathy Ernst            |  |
|   | Agenda details: Troy Reid has resigned as Secretary. There is some Board money in his account which was approved for Secretarial expenses which may be needed by the new Secretary.  | Seconded:<br>Gary Lasky<br>PBC   |  |
|   | Motion: That the money on Troy Reid's directors Bendigo Bank account be transferred to the DTE Bendigo Bank account of the new Secretary.  |                                  |  |

| Item by: Kathy Ernst  |            |
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| Actions to be taken   |            |
| As the new Secretary, the balance of \$412.70 on Troy Reid's directors Bendigo Bank account be transferred to Kathy Ernst's Bendigo Bank card -Suzie to action.  Noted: Motions by circular not presented at this meeting need to be presented at next Board meeting.  Noted: Director Inactivity Credits not recorded in this meeting and this needs to be noted at next Board meeting |            |
| Next Meeting Date & Time Confirmation   | Procedural |
| Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2021 7.30 PM   |            |
| Meeting Ended   | Procedural |
| 10.30PM   |            |