

2023-06-13 SGM PART ! ZOOM CHAT

00:25:26 Marte Kinder: Meeting opened 750pm
00:25:48 Marte Kinder: Robin Chair, Vanessa Ernst
00:26:00 Marte Kinder: minutes
00:26:35 Marte Kinder: Acknowledgement of Country - Kathy
00:29:32 Vanessa Ernst: Please let me know if your name isn't
here:Robin MacphersonVanessa ErnstAndrew HosieAngela NealBrett
DaltonBryan IsaacsCharlie Dalton-TwistDarrell ReidDavid CameronEmma
BennetIan GrayIan HalesJessica TownsendKathy ErnstKevin TaylorKim
ChadwickLance NashLindy HuntMalcolm MatthewsMarte KinderRay
HigginsShardae ReidWalter Padovani
00:29:56 Vanessa Ernst: Or if I've spelled it wrong!
00:30:02 Marte Kinder: Previous minutes from March
00:30:29 Robin:
[https://dte.org.au/minutes/2023-03-07%20SGM%20\(Part%202\).pdf](https://dte.org.au/minutes/2023-03-07%20SGM%20(Part%202).pdf)
00:30:41 Shardae: @Vanessa Ernst its Shardae Reed not Reid
00:30:49 Shardae: ;)
00:31:04 Robin:
[https://dte.org.au/minutes/2023-02-28%20SGM%20\(Part%201\).pdf](https://dte.org.au/minutes/2023-02-28%20SGM%20(Part%201).pdf)
00:31:06 Vanessa Ernst: Replying to "@Vanessa Ernst its S..."

fixed, thanks :)

00:31:07 ahosie: Quite enough Reid's here tyvm
00:31:19 Shardae: Replying to "@Vanessa Ernst its S..."

Legend

00:34:53 Robin: That the Board receives an appropriation of
\$20,000 for the 2023/2024 financial year.
00:35:30 Kathy: financial info
<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1giMfdr4S0Pr-Jq22aY0x21fweXuPDNBg?usp=sharing>
00:35:42 Robin: The requested Board appropriation of \$20,000
includes \$3500 for Association Liability Insurance, \$1000 for Secretarial
expenses (postage, post box, lodgement fees, etc), \$500 memberships,
registrations, \$5500 legal fees (re Fair Work Commission, incurred but not yet
paid) and \$10,000 allowance for unpredicted consultants and/or legal advice.
00:40:51 Marte Kinder: Motion passed ny consensus
00:41:07 Robin: That the ConFest Committee receive an
appropriation of \$500,000 for the financial year 2023/2024 financial year.
00:41:25 Robin: the requested ConFest Committee appropriation is
\$500,000. This is based on the previous budget of 380,000 plus 50,000 for
unbudgeted expenses plus 70,000 to cover the crimped Autumn budgets for
areas such as first aid, infrastructure, and villages.
00:42:09 Marte Kinder: Lindy Hunt takes chair for Robin Mc to
speak to appropriation motion
00:53:53 Aaron 1735: I think weâ€™ve strayed off topic
00:58:32 Peter Tippett: Sect?
00:59:37 Shardae: A group of people with differing views ;)
00:59:58 Bryan PCV: Here here!

01:00:06 Shardae: Hey Bruce

01:00:20 Bryan PCV: Hi Bruce

01:00:24 Peter Tippett: I just muted Bruce

01:00:56 ahosie: Reacted to "I just muted Bruce" with â€œxï, ð

01:09:06 Peter Tippett: Number of registered attendees:
29 Tonight's Special General Meeting Attendance List. Aaron Shipperlee, Andrew Hosie, Angela Neal, Brett Dalton, Bruce Pinney, Bryan Isaacs, Charlie Dalton-Twist, Darrell Reid, David Cameron, David Cruise, David McDonald, Emma Bennett, Ian Gray, Ian Hales, Jessica Townsend, John Reid, Kathy Ernst, Kevin Taylor, Kim Chadwick, Lance Nash, Lindy Hunt, Malcolm Matthews, Marte Kinder, Peter Tippett, Ray Higgins, Robin Macpherson, Shardae Reed, Vanessa Ernst, Walter Padovani,

01:15:54 David Ramin McDonald: That was not a better description

01:22:22 Peter Tippett: There have been other reimbursements claimed since Confest and will probably be more.

01:23:53 Shardae: Hey Kristen

01:23:58 Shardae: HEY STRAWBERRY

01:24:04 Kristen Joy: can I be put on the attendance list

01:24:10 Peter Tippett: would like to be reimbursed \$814.68 for out of pocket expenses paid for food to support Volunteers/Members at Woorama during Working Bee, Set Up and Pack Down for ConFest 2023. be reimbursed \$1011.02 for fuel that was needed to bring his work vehicle and tools to Facilitate the site vehicle repairs at ConFest 2023 \$1267.90 be paid to Swan Hill Hire to cover the amount of the final invoice. (Invoice payment made straight out of the Confest Committee account <https://dte.org.au/minutes/2023-05-11%20CC%20Minutes.pdf>)

01:24:30 Kristen Joy: hi Shardae

01:24:36 Strawberry ðŸ˜ˆ: Hi ðŸ˜ˆ ðŸ˜ˆ ðŸ˜ˆ

01:27:33 Shardae: I think Aaron has a good point although potentially challenging for some! No one involved in the on site set up or site services has objected to the motion. That has to weigh in to the rationale of all members I hope.

01:29:40 Charlie DT (They/Them): Reacted to "I think Aaron has a ..." with â€œxï, ð

01:30:39 Peter Tippett: As someone who chaired one of those meetings John and advised the CC to do exactly that I agree with you.

01:31:04 Charlie DT (They/Them): Question in regards to that - was this due to the short amount of time to approve?

01:33:05 Peter Tippett: Limited funds available and a strong push by some to ignore the reality of the limited funds available. We were told Confest could not happen for less than \$400K. Confest did happen for less than \$300K I personally enjoyed not seeing so many disposable solar lights with batteries hanging from trees.

01:34:14 Peter Tippett: Those event people are the same people that say a second Confest cannot happen because they (one person) will be too tired.

01:34:19 Shardae: From memory each CC budget this year was highly scrutinised, the cooking circles budget was objected based on the speculation that our communal cooking areas was not essential infrastructure â€œ Budget

approvals saw to added pressure onto facilitators as a result

01:36:35 Jessica Townsend: Reacted to "From memory each CC ..." with 🙄

01:36:51 Charlie DT (They/Them): Replying to "Those event people a..."

It's not that it can't but it needs to be planned in advance. The idea that we can put on September this year on the backs of the folk who run autumn this year isn't viable IMO. If we plan for 2024 on the other hand we have time to recruit for a new team to run it and show them the ropes. Most of us aren't naysayers on this aren't against the idea in principle, they're wanting some realistic expectations set on that front.

01:36:51 Robin:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1HowjKaIxoWlaWZ9GiEseEE0sEh9VVh38VyJwpczIbDk/edit#gid=1654470089>

01:37:04 Charlie DT (They/Them): Reacted to "From memory each CC ..." with 🙄

01:37:13 Robin: Here is the link to the budgeted apps,

01:37:28 Charlie DT (They/Them): Reacted to "Limited funds availa..." with 🙄

01:37:33 David Cameron: Reacted to "Limited funds availa..." with 🙄

01:37:34 Jessica Townsend: opps still up from before.

01:37:47 Brett Dalton: Just a note on my comment about the container. I was not saying it needs to be replaced but it needs serious work, door replaced. Windows remounted. If that's an OC responsibility I'm happy to put an application there. But there is still other things that are needed to run safely

01:38:09 david cruise: from the information I can glean DTE Has circa \$940 cash this meeting allocating \$680 reserve \$260 what is the future?

01:38:49 David Cameron: Reacted to "From memory each CC ..." with 🙄

01:39:18 Jessica Townsend: the CC budget restrictions were not followed because they were practically unworkable which was proved in the way things played out .

01:40:16 David Cameron: Reacted to "Those event people ..." with 🙄

01:41:07 Marte Kinder: Peter Tippet

01:42:52 Bryan Isaacs PCV: Is this off topic?

01:43:17 Charlie DT (They/Them): There are also issues with folk taking care of assets onsite which is adding to costs. I don't have answers but it's certainly an expense

01:43:24 Peter Tippet: CC budget restrictions were not followed BY SOME. Some were able to reduce their budgets before putting them to the CC. Some were after being knocked back by the CC.

01:43:54 Charlie DT (They/Them): Reacted to "CC budget restrictio..." with 🙄

01:44:16 Charlie DT (They/Them): Removed a 🙄 reaction from "CC budget restrictio..."

01:44:21 Charlie DT (They/Them): Reacted to "CC budget

restrictio..." with ðŸ

01:46:57 Peter Tippett: Many said Confest could not happen. It would be a failed Confest. That they would not be able to feed people...I say they are obsessed with \$\$\$ and have been proven wrong.

01:48:12 ahosie: ...haven't heard any mention of radical self-sufficiency yet...

01:49:17 David Cameron: Reacted to "CC budget restrictio" with ðŸ

01:49:19 Shardae: As the facilitator for the Hive catering I disagree with you Peter. Feeding people isn't something someone obsessed with money can gain or benefit from.

01:50:28 Peter Tippett: 9:15 Peter chair

01:55:26 Lindy and John: ammendment: that the c.c. get an appropriation of \$50,000, with a further \$350,000 to appropriated at a later date.

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01:58:41 Peter Tippett: amendment: that the c.c. get an appropriation of \$50,000, with a further appropriation at a later date.

01:58:58 David Cameron: Who knows the rates of interest paid on the various accounts?

There was mention of depositing some funds with a different institution.

Who would authorises this rearrangement of our finances?

Will it need its own SGM motion ?

02:02:32 Peter Tippett: amendment: that the c.c. get an appropriation of \$50,000, with a further appropriation at a later date.

02:03:00 Peter Tippett: Moved by Lindy 2nded Malcolm

02:03:52 Jessica Townsend: Not sure if this ties in to site opps. but the pressure put on the local mobile recption did not endear us to the town. Is there a plan to address this ?

02:04:34 Peter Tippett: Contact the teclos and see what they can suggest maybe?

02:04:42 Charlie DT (They/Them): Replying to "Not sure if this tie..."

Is there anything we can actually do about that?

02:04:46 Charlie DT (They/Them): Reacted to "Contact the teclos a..." with ðŸ

02:04:53 Robin: Starlink

02:04:56 Robin: 3 units

02:05:06 Robin: one all year roiund

02:05:08 David Cameron: Reacted to "Not sure if this tie" with ðŸ

02:05:20 Robin: 2 activated for fest

02:05:29 Jessica Townsend: Replying to "Not sure if this tie..."

I believe so, but not my wheelhouse

02:05:44 Peter Tippett: Are you suggesting providing mobile comms for attendees Robin?

02:06:11 Lindy and John: sept tember is still 5 months before

confest

02:07:19 ahosie: True as that all is, we only had 3 weeks of coverage under the insurance. No amount of debate or personal decision making would have changed that

02:07:26 Peter Tippett: Lindy is no Confest planned at this stage.

02:07:42 Charlie DT (They/Them): Reacted to "sept tember is still..." with ðŸ˜

02:10:40 david cruise: the amendment is aimed to support the present not supprtes the future

02:11:23 ahosie: Reacted to "the amendment is aim..." with ðŸ˜

02:12:40 Peter Tippett: amendment: that the c.c. get an appropriation of \$50,000, with a further appropriation at a later date.

02:17:53 Lindy and John: 14y, 12 n

02:17:56 Malcolm: for 14 ag 12

02:18:21 Peter Tippett: Results:Yes: 14No: 13Abstain: 0Motion passed by majority

02:18:52 Peter Tippett: PBM

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02:19:25 Peter Tippett: PBC

02:19:38 Peter Tippett: 9:44 Lindy chair

02:20:13 Peter Tippett: Agenda item ID: 14264Date: 2023-05-13

09:33:27Meeting: Special General MeetingAgenda item: Organising Committee appropriationAgenda details: OC expenses as per attached chart 60000.00

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\$160000.00 for financial year 2023/2024.Item by: Proposed by: Malcolm Matthews Supported by: Kevin Taylor, Andrew

Wilkinsonhttps://data.dte.org.au/files/get_file.php?id=1441

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02:25:13 Shardae: Once again Confest budgets dictated by non-facilitators. I would like this to change for fair regulation within the co-operative.

02:25:49 Peter Tippett: Ask facilitators to attend!

02:26:19 Peter Tippett: FYI we are no discussing OC

appropriation

02:26:34 Brett Dalton: There are a number of facilitators here including myself

02:26:43 Shardae: Their contributions to the motion was opposed.

02:27:21 Strawberry 🍓: Nite nite everyone
02:27:43 ahosie: Reacted to "Nite nite everyone " with 🍓
02:27:51 Peter Tippett: Lindy was the only person who moved an amendment.
02:27:57 Strawberry 🍓: Reacted to "Nite nite everyone " with 🍓
02:27:58 Strawberry 🍓: Removed a 🍓 reaction from "Nite nite everyone "
02:28:00 Strawberry 🍓: Reacted to "Nite nite everyone " with 🍓
02:28:07 Peter Tippett: Agenda item ID: 14265 Date: 2023-05-13
09:35:00 Meeting: Special General Meeting Agenda item: Rescind Confest budget motions Agenda details: We have on the books an unworkable motion that restricted this past event to \$250K, which we all saw was nowhere near enough. We ended up having to spend more than the appropriation for the year. We technically broke our own rules because of this unworkable motion. Motion: That all previous motions in place referring to the Confest budget are rescinded from 13th June 2023. Item by: Proposed by: Robin Macpherson Supported by: Suzie Helson, Lance Nash, Mark Rasmussen
02:29:17 Strawberry 🍓: Removed a 🍓 reaction from "Nite nite everyone "
02:29:24 Emma B: Super sad the CC hasn't been empowered to make decisions about running the next confest. It's a shame we can't look forward and support those that are making the money for DTE to spend. Please support this next motion to remove restrictions.
02:29:41 Strawberry 🍓: Reacted to "Super sad the CC has..." with 🍓
02:30:05 David Ramin McDonald: Reacted to "Super sad the CC has..." with 🍓
02:30:06 David Ramin McDonald: Removed a 🍓 reaction from "Super sad the CC has..."
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02:30:24 Jessica Townsend: Reacted to "Super sad the CC has..." with 🍓
02:32:57 Peter Tippett: What Rubbish. The CC can always ask for an appropriation once a Confest is scheduled or any time before. CC can also request the OC or board to schedule an SGM at any time. If facilitators care that much then they will become ACTIVE and involved in the CC. ,It is one night a month. Not that much effort.
02:33:22 david cruise: this motion need to specify all motions to be recinded..
02:33:43 Peter Tippett: I agree David.
02:35:14 David Ramin McDonald: Less is more, when it comes to a more participatory Confest.

There'd be so much energy from many more Confesters if people/ facilitators didn't sit on things like they own it, and of course; if people like myself weren't forced out, and far more people weren't turned off by the DTE culture, etc.

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02:37:56 david cruise: this is a "magic" motion
02:38:28 Peter Tippett: I just lowered Bretts hand for him
02:39:02 Charlie DT (They/Them): Replying to "I just lowered Brett..."

Thanks Peter

02:39:18 ahosie: Reacted to "I just lowered Brett..." with 🙄
02:39:37 david cruise: it covers all motions that have the word CONFEST
02:40:54 Peter Tippett: Even the clarification is vague.
02:41:32 david cruise: this is a shotgun motion
02:42:56 ahosie: Many, maybe not most, but many of the motions that have passed were done in good faith in order to address issues we have encountered... Throwing out ALL prior motions without knowing what they are, or even ALL BUDGET motions since 2018... Just seems like throwing the baby out with the bathwater
02:44:57 david cruise: If passed this motion will be used as a weapon to control random matters
02:46:14 ahosie: If this was amended to specify the motion affecting the 250k budget limit, it would probably pass right now
02:46:23 Charlie DT (They/Them): Reacted to "If this was amended ..." with 🙄
02:46:45 Kathy: it is not a budget motion
02:47:03 Peter Tippett: First we need to discuss it until we are down to our last 10 minutes then pass and amendment in the last 12.. ;-)
02:47:07 Kathy: or even an appropriation motion
02:47:22 ahosie: Reacted to "First we need to dis..." with 🙄
02:51:02 david cruise: it is easy to find the motions that are thought troublesome <https://dte.org.au/minutes/> they are all here
02:51:40 David Ramin McDonald: There's not an appropriate moment... And I can't send it via email.
So, I expect to be reinstated onto email lists.

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02:54:07 Emma B:I love you all but I need to go to bed. Hopefully see some of you at the next CC.

02:54:13 David Ramin McDonald: Reacted to "I love you all but I..." with 🙄

02:54:19 ahosie: Reacted to "I love you all but I..." with 🙄

02:54:26 Sharda: Sleep well Emma! Love love!

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02:54:51 Shardae: David this behaviour is inappropriate

02:55:12 David Ramin McDonald: How Shardae?

I need as many witnesses as possible

02:55:19 David Ramin McDonald: Real things

02:55:54 David Ramin McDonald: I've been receiving death threats recently

02:56:37 David Ramin McDonald: Would have done it in an email

02:57:26 Shardae: I agree please remove from chat

02:57:32 David Ramin McDonald: And I want to live

02:58:02 David Ramin McDonald: Just wean yourself off the money

02:58:08 David Ramin McDonald: You'll be fine

02:58:32 Peter Tippett: What time did this meeting start?

02:58:42 David Ramin McDonald: Too traumatising to be listening

02:58:45 Charlie DT (They/Them): Replying to "

What time did this ..."

7:30pm

02:58:46 ahosie: Reacted to "I agree please remov..." with â~ï, □

02:59:18 David Ramin McDonald: So, Confest.

Build the container and they'll come

02:59:30 Angela Neal: Replying to "

What time did this â€¡"

7.50

03:00:26 David Ramin McDonald: No need for \$ for the likes of Bike shed, \$\$\$ silent disco

The people being the music

03:00:35 David Ramin McDonald: And are the music

03:00:47 David Ramin McDonald: Less money this year was such a beautiful thing

03:00:57 Shardae: This meeting is descending fast

03:01:30 Charlie DT (They/Them): Replying to "This meeting is desc..."

truth

03:01:35 David Cameron: Replying to "

What time did this â€¡"

7.50 was the time Kathy Ernst welcomed all to this meeting on First Nation lands and acknowledged their elders.

03:02:00 Peter Tippett: Do not think you can Lindy.

03:02:05 ahosie: 19:47ish

03:02:41 David Ramin McDonald: At one time I was jamming on Arts beach

There was jamming in the jam tent

A group of about 5 were wonderfully singing (bloody) Hamilton a few metres away in front of a fire

03:02:47 David Ramin McDonald: Wait

There's more

03:03:43 David Ramin McDonald: There were at least two other jams within about 20m
People were singing together in the spa.

...

And sauna

03:04:17 David Ramin McDonald: Less money this year
Helped feed the music in everyone

It was the most musical place ever

03:04:32 Angela Neal: Iâ€™m against

03:04:33 ahosie: Reacted to "At one time I was ja..." with ðŸ˜Ÿ

03:05:01 Vanessa Ernst: I changed to against

03:07:09 Peter Tippett: Good job Lindy.

03:07:24 Shardae: Thanks for chairing Lindy

03:09:51 Peter Tippett: (02) 8015 2088 Meeting ID Number
2362803699

03:10:08 DarrellReid1689: Thanks for your chairing of a difficult meeting Lindy

03:10:51 Angela Neal: Thanks Lindy for chairing

03:11:10 Angela Neal: Goodnight

03:11:34 David Cameron: Thank youLindy for your chair tonight