

Dear DTE Members, Volunteers and Guests

You are invited to attend DTE's

2020 DIRECTOR NOMINEE FORUM

Wednesday 18th of November 2020

TIME: 7.30pm – 10.30pm (Melbourne daylight savings time)

We welcome you to join in online, Zoom meeting portal:

http://data.dte.org.au/meeting/current_meeting/portal.php (pass code: 123456) or

telephone: (02) 8015 2088 Meeting ID Number 2362803611

"ConFest is a not-for-profit community festival that encourages creativity through artistic expression, enables the healing arts, fosters inclusive engagement and provides a platform for environmental and social activism.

DTE is an independent organisation that facilitates the running of ConFest. It fosters participation, enables a safe working model for its volunteers and acts in a financial responsible manner to ensure its longevity". (Email Correspondence to DTE Active, Sunday, May 22, 2016 10:52 PM)

2020 DTE Director Nominees

GARY LASKY – ELISA BROCK - DAVID CRUISE – SUSIE HELSON – KATE SARAH SHAPIRO - ROBIN MACPHERSON

DTE 2020 AGM Director Nominee Forum Hosts

Lindy Hunt – John Reid – Tania Morsman

AGENDA

Acknowledgement of Country:

'We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the Country on which we meet today: from Quandamooka Sea and Land to the Yulin Nations and Wamba Wamba Country. We pay special respects and love to the Djabwurrang and recognise their continuing connection to land, waters, culture, spirit and the Directions Tree. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.

"To our People the land is a means of survival:

' It is their... food, spirit, identity and culture. Our lands have a spiritual value and not an economic one. If the land is destroyed so is our dreaming. Our dreaming is our story. It is what connects us to the beginning of time, back to our spirit ancestors, our creators." (<u>https://dwembassy.com/why-we-are-here/</u>)

Welcome: DTE Director Nominees & Members, Volunteers & Guests

- We welcome our new DTE Director Nominees and our members, volunteers and guests.
- Below is a series of questions that are directed at the DTE Director Nominees.
- In this Forum we ask that you try to speak from your heart and choose kindness in your self-expression.
- Lindy, John & Tania will address the questions to the Director Nominees
- Director Nominees have three minutes to answer each question.
- We ask that all nominees be succinct with their answers.
- Director Nominees have the opportunity to send through their responses to be read out if they are not able to be present at the forum. Please keep written responses to 3 minutes with an apology for absence.
- We ask that respect be offered to all Director Nominees and to all members, volunteers and guests.
- ♥ As a side note, we have Lindy who is not afraid to use the mute button!
- Three questions will be asked of the Nominees, and the floor will then have an opportunity for open questions. This will set the pattern for the evenings Q & A until we finish.

Questions:

- 1. Why do you want to be a DTE Director, what do you have to bring to this role that is unique to you and what if anything do yo hope to gain from your time on the DTE Board?
- 2. What do you consider the role of a director on the DTE Board to be? How do you see that fitting in with Rule 38 (3) that states "The Board must maintain a non-executive 'wise elder' role and ensure that the co-operative fulfils its legal and ethical obligations"? And what does this mean to you?
- **3.** Members have identified that DTE has a history of faction forming within the Board and this has caused problems for the co-operative.
 - a) Are you willing to work with everyone on the board?
 - b) In your opinion how can the board be more cohesive?

QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

- **4.** What makes ConFest meaningful to you, and are there any changes you would like to see?
- **5.** What do you understand DTE and Confest Core Principles and Values to be? How, as a Director, would you see these being implemented?
- 6. How much time can you offer to a position on the DTE Board?

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Thank you With love Tania Morsman 1820 Lindy Hunt John Reid