
**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
OF GEELONG MAJOR EVENTS COMMITTEE
MONDAY 21 JULY 2025 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM**

Held at Wurriki Nyal – 137-149 Mercer Street, Geelong (Hybrid Meeting)

PRESENT: Cr Anthony Aitken (Chair), Cr Andrew Katos, Cr Trent Sullivan, Cr E Kontelj, Tennille Bradley (CEO Proxy), Tracy Carter (Executive Director Tourism Greater Geelong & The Bellarine, Robyn Birrell, Brenden Caligari, Kent Boorman

Also present: Hannah Sidebottom (GME Executive Officer), Brendan Sanders (Manager, Economic & Cultural Development), Sue Arnold (A/Events Coordinator), Teresa Seg (Minutes)

OPENING: The Chairperson welcomed the Committee and declared the meeting open at 5.31pm.

1. PROCEDURAL MATTERS:

1.2 APOLOGIES: Shannan Gove, Julie Maxwell

1.3 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS: Cr Eddy Kontelj, Kent Boorman

1.4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MAY 2025 ORDINARY MEETING

A Katos moved, E Kontelj seconded –

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 19 May 2025 be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting and be confirmed and signed.

Carried

1.5 CORRESPONDENCE FOR NOTING: Nil.

1.6 QUESTION TIME: Nil.

2. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

3. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

Event Evaluations:

3.1 2025 Head of the Schoolgirls Regatta – Post Event Evaluation

R Birrell moved, A Katos seconded -

That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the meeting.

Carried

3.2 2025 IRONMAN 70.3 Geelong Pro Series- – Post Event Evaluation

**E Kontelj moved, T Carter seconded -
That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the
meeting.**

Carried

3.3 2025 3x3 Hustle Junior National Championships – Post Event Evaluation

**B Caligari moved, R Birrell seconded -
That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the
meeting.**

Carried

Sponsorship Requests:

3.4 2025 Melbourne Renegades

**A Katos moved, E Kontelj seconded -
That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the
meeting.**

Carried

3.5 2026 Vic Open Golf Championships

**T Sullivan moved, E Kontelj seconded -
That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the
meeting.**

Carried

3.6 2026 Melbourne Fashion Festival

**A Katos moved, T Carter seconded -
That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the
meeting.**

Carried

3.7 2026 – 2028 Head of the Schoolgirls Regatta

**R Birrell moved, E Kontelj seconded -
That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the
meeting.**

Carried

3.8 2026 & 2027 Pro Series (IRONMAN 70.3 Geelong)

B Caligari moved, T Carter seconded -

That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the meeting.

Carried

3.9 2026 – 2028 Geelong Running Festival

A Katos moved, B Caligari seconded -

That Geelong Major Events consider this matter in the confidential section of the meeting.

Carried

4. NEXT MEETING

The next GME meeting will be held on Monday 8 September 2025

CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting was closed at 5.37pm on Monday 21 July 2025.