



Minutes MRM CBT Board Meeting 18 February 2026

Venue: Online / Borroloola

Present: Marlene Karkadoo - Co-chairperson (MK)
Thomas Archbold-Manning - Co-chairperson (JQ)
Corrine Coombes - Director (CC)
Mike Burgess - Director (MB)
Mark Furlotte - Director (MF)
Ashley Garner - Director (AG)
Noel Dixon - Director (ND) (by phone)
Jim Gleeson - Project Officer (JG)
Marilyn Trad - Project Officer (MT)
Sam Carrick - Project Officer (SC)
Ryan McDade - Project Officer (RM)

Apologies: Samuel Evans - Director (SE)
Nikita Baker - Director (NB)
Emily Evans - Director (EE)
Elizabeth Gillett - Director (EG)
Sharon Hillen - Director (SH)

Presenters: Kylie Coy (KC), Deloitte
David Cope (DC), Morgans
Steve McAllan (SM), Gulf Youth and Community Service

Guests: Caleb Gotts (CG), C&R constructions

	1. Welcome and Introductions
Started: 09:30am	<p>1.1 Welcome / Acknowledgment of Country TAM opened and welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>1.2 Attendance acknowledged, and apologies noted</p>
	2. Minutes and Actions from previous meetings
09:40am	Minutes and Actions adopted.
	3. Governance
10:00am	<p>3.1 Welcome to newly appointed Male Community Representative - Ashley Garner</p> <p>JG - Welcomed AG AG - Introduced himself to the CBT Board</p> <p>3.2 Professional Development Priorities for August Board Meeting - Darwin</p>



<p>MF left meeting 10:15am</p>	<p>CBT Board acknowledged the need to change PD from May to August to accommodate Minister McCarthy's availability in May for a potential sod turning event at Jirribilyi - Borrooloola Central development site.</p> <p>Action: PO to add discussion and review of CBT constitution to PD Day. Action: JG to share updated Constitution with CC Action: PO to add the updated constitution to the website with guidance on key updates in the 2023 review. Action: PO to begin organising August meeting asap due to the Darwin Festival.</p> <p>3.3 CBT PO Debit/Credit Card for operational purposes</p> <p>Action: PO to discuss card options with Deloitte and bring to the CBT for approval.</p> <p>3.4 Updated Director Contact Information Process</p> <p>PO introduced a new Draft Google Docs form for annual updates to Director information.</p> <p>Action: PO to circulate the new Director information document to Directors after amendments are made.</p> <p>3.5 Declared Conflicts of Interest</p> <p>MK - declared a COI when discussing the Warralungku Arts Funding Application</p>
4. Finance and Operations	
<p>10:45am</p> <p>ND joined meeting by phone</p>	<p>4.1 Quarterly Board Report</p> <p>Presented by Kylie Coy, Deloitte Report accepted</p> <p>Action: KC to come back to the Board re BAS question</p> <p>4.2 2025 Audit update</p> <p>JG - thanked Deloitte for their efforts in adapting to the change in scope of works for the Trust with the addition of the NIAA requirements. TAM - valued the articulation of the auditing opinion. Appreciation of the approach and the work done with PO to unpack the issue and make it clear for the Board.</p>
5. Investment Strategy	
<p>11:00am</p>	<p>5.1 Portfolio Overview</p> <p>Presented by David Cope, Morgans Report accepted</p> <p>Action: POs to action new bank account options for Jirribilyi / NIAA funding</p>
6. Jirribilyi	
<p>11:30am</p> <p>CG joined meeting 11:30am</p>	<p>Jim Gleeson and Ryan McDade, Plan C</p> <p>JG - introduced Caleb Gotts from C&R Construction to the meeting CG - introduces himself & C&R to the CBT Board</p> <p>6.1 Project Update 6.2 Contract Awarded - C&R Constructions - credit reference</p> <p>JG & RM - shared the extensive work done to date on finalising the contract between the Trust and C&R Constructions.</p>



<p>MF rejoined meeting 11:50am</p>	<p>6.3 Introduction of Caleb Gotts (C&R) to the CBT Board 6.4 Agreements with C&R - IEP Coordinator, local suppliers, community reference group, updates to board, community contact point</p> <p>JG - asked the Directors for their input on workers' camps and accommodation suggestions. The Board discussed options and the impact on the community at length.</p> <p>Action: POs to share the final Service Agreement for IEP (Indigenous Employment Plan) coordinator with Directors.</p> <p>6.5 Marketing and announcement</p> <p>The Board discussed the draft Marketing and Comms document. Opinions were given on logos, Social Media content and moderation, and opportunities to share comms with Ministers and MRM.</p> <p>Action: PO to develop a comprehensive calendar of JBC (Jirribilyi - Borroloola Central) key dates and events for the project advisory group.</p> <p>6.6 Timeline and next steps</p> <p>The Board discussed each agenda item at length.</p> <p>TAM - formally acknowledged the efforts of the PO and appreciated the work that's been done to date.</p>
<p>7. Gulf Youth and Community Service</p>	
<p>12:30pm</p>	<p>Presented by Steve McAllan, General Manager, Gulf Youth and Community Service</p> <p>7.1 Update on the Youth and Community Program Update provided by Steve on GYCS. All Directors are happy with the updates.</p> <p>TAM to send PO list of Students in BLA and RR to check against the Bursary list.</p> <p>Action: PO to add GYCS info tab/link on CBT webpage</p>
<p>8. CBT-led Projects</p>	
<p>1:30pm MB joined meeting 1:30pm</p>	<p>8.1 40 Anyula Street purchase and refurbishment - update 8.2 GYCS - Three-Year Funding - acquitted 8.3 Case study on GYCS, Community Benefit Assessment 8.4 PO Report</p> <p>The Board discussed each agenda item and was happy with the updates.</p>
<p>9. CBT Property Management</p>	
<p>1:45pm</p>	<p>9.1 38 Anyula Street - quotes & invoices</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air conditioner replacement • Plumbing works <p>Directors approved payment of the submitted quotes. Action: POs to action air conditioner and plumbing installation with GYCS</p> <p>9.2 40 Anyula Street - update</p> <p>TAM Happy to see this new agenda item included.</p>
<p>10. Current Grants / Project Management</p>	
<p>2:00pm</p>	



	<p>Project Updates noted</p> <p>MK left the room while the Board discussed the Warralungku Art Funding Application.</p> <p>10.2.4 GYGM - Major Establishment Funding</p> <p>Decision: Board approved payment of the final invoice for GYGM Grant.</p> <p>Action: PO to pay GYGM final invoice. Action: PO to write to GYGM requesting a letter to CBT advising of how they intend to use the underspend of grant funding.</p>
	<p>11. Funding Applications</p>
2:15 pm	<p>11.1 Expressions of Interest</p> <p>11.1.1 Gudanji For Country Aboriginal Corporation - Karranjini Rrumburriya Rangers</p> <p>Decision: Not supported Moved: TAM Seconded: MF Carried</p> <p>Resolution: PO to work with the applicant to revisit the request. POs to support looking for other funding</p> <p>Action: SC to start mapping Ranger Programs in the region as per the suggestion by CC.</p> <p>11.1.2 Namultja Aboriginal Corporation - Tractor for Marranbala Ranger Operations</p> <p>Decision: Supported partial, in-principle funding of \$30,000. Moved: MF Seconded: MB Carried</p> <p>Action: PO to build into the application a checklist of other funding sources</p> <p>11.1.3, 11.1.4, 11.1.5 GYGM Applications</p> <p>Decision: Not Supported Moved: TAM Seconded: MB Carried</p> <p>Resolution: POs to help GYGM to seek other sources of funding.</p> <p>11.2 Full Applications</p> <p>11.2.1 GYCS - Sports Trips 2.0</p> <p>Decision: Supported Moved: TAM Seconded: MF Carried</p>



	<p>11.2.2 Warralungku Arts - Markets & Promotional Events 2026</p> <p>Decision: Support funding the same amount as 2025 Moved: MB Seconded MF Carried</p> <p>Action: PO to ask Warralungku Arts to report back on how they will spend CBT funding. PO to give guidance on what the funding can go towards.</p> <p>11.2.3 GYCS - Malandarri Festival 2026</p> <p>Decision: Support funding of up to \$150,000, acknowledging GYCS is seeking other funding, with the door open to future requests from CBT. Moved: TAM Seconded: MF Carried</p> <p>Action: PO to advise all applicants of CBT Board decisions</p>
	<p>12. CBT Service Agreements.</p>
3:00pm	<p>12.1 Overview of Service Agreements 12.2 Service Agreement GYCS - 40 Anyula Street renovation</p> <p>JG gave an overview of Service Agreements and explained the difference between Funding Agreements and Service Agreements.</p> <p>Directors were happy with the process and updates.</p>
3:30pm	<p>13. Other Business</p>
	<p>13.1 Gift and Card for Jake</p> <p>Decision: PO approved to spend up to \$2,500 for JQ gift All in Favour</p> <p>Action: PO to source a gift for Jake and circulate an e-card.</p> <p>13.2. Next Board Meeting in Borroloola in May and Darwin PD Meeting in August.</p> <p>Proposed date of May Board Meeting in Borroloola - 20th or 21st May Proposed date of August Board Meeting in Darwin - 12th to 13th August</p> <p>Action: PO to send May and August meeting invitations to Directors when confirmed.</p>
4:00PM	<p>MEETING END</p>