

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

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Question No: 171(i)

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Hansard Ref: Written, 19/02/2016

Topic: Boards (for Departments or agencies with boards)

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. how often has each board met, break down by board name;
2. what travel expenses have been incurred;
3. what has been the average attendance at board meetings;
4. List each member's attendance at meetings;
5. how does the board deal with conflict of interest;
6. what conflicts of interest have been registered;
7. what remuneration has been provided to board members;
8. how does the board dismiss board members who do not meet attendance standards?
9. Have any requests been made to ministers to dismiss board members?
10. Please list board members who have attended less than 51% of meetings
11. what have been the catering costs for the board meetings held during this period? Please break down the cost list.

Answer:

1. Two (2) – Bundanon Trust Board of Directors - 24 September 2015, 21 November 2015.
2. Travel expenses for Board meeting = \$123.73

14/10/2015	Travel - BOARD MEETING	\$	26.35
24/09/2015	Travel - Accommodation/Board n	\$	53.09
24/09/2015	Parking and dinner - Board meeti	\$	44.29
	Total	\$	123.73

3. 100% attendance.
4. **24 September** - Shane Simpson (Chair), Tony Emery, Paul Wellings, Helen Bauer, Mani Thiru, Anne Flanagan.
21 November - Shane Simpson (Chair), Tony Emery, Paul Wellings, Helen Bauer, Mani Thiru, Anne Flanagan.
5. Disclosure at each meeting.
6. Nil.

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7. Nil.
8. Bundanon's Constitution provides the authority to dismiss Board members. 17(g) of Constitution allows the dismissal of a member if they are "absent without permission of the Board from 3 consecutive meetings of the Board".
9. Nil.
10. Nil.
11. Catering – Board meeting = \$1,472.73