

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Agency: ARC

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000291

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing.

ARC: Meeting costs

Question

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

1. How much has the Department/Agency spent on meeting costs? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.
3. What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.

Answer

The Australian Research Council (ARC) has provided the following response.

1. The ARC does not keep information in a way that allows this question to be disaggregated without a significant diversion of entity resources. The total spend to date is \$312,953.
2. N/A
3. The ARC is planning a number of meetings for the purpose of assessing grant applications, reviewing grant schemes, evaluating research and for the ARC Advisory Council. The estimated total spend for the remainder of the financial year is \$115,3632.36.
4. N/A