

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

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

**Outcome: Agency: ASQA**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000299**

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing

***ASQA: 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 Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) has provided the following response:

1. For the period 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016 ASQA has spent \$528 (incl. GST) on meeting costs. These meeting were:
  - A working lunch with the Australian Council for Private Education and Training on 3 December 2015 in Melbourne. The costs associated with this working lunch were:
    - Catering - \$224
    - Drinks - \$96
  - A working lunch with ASQA's Provider Roundtable on 9 December 2015 in Sydney. The costs associated with the working lunch were:
    - Catering - \$133
    - Drinks - \$75
2. N/A
3. ASQA has no plans in relation to meeting spends at this point in time.
4. N/A