

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

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

**Outcome: Agency: ACARA**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000302**

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing

***ACARA: 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 Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) has provided the following response.

1. It would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to respond to this question
2. Not applicable
3. ACARA does not have a central plan of meeting activity and it would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to extract this information.
4. Not applicable