

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

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

Outcome: Agency: AITSL

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000303

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing

Also refer to previous hearing Question No. ED0513_15

AITSL: 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 Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) has provided the following response for the period 14 September 2015 to 10 February 2016:

1. \$16,123.69 (GST inc). For AITSL to report all details requested would be an unnecessary diversion of resources
2. Not Applicable

3. Each work group at AITSL has an approved hospitality expenses budget for 2015/16. This is a general budget that allows for hospitality as the need arises. Costs for Board and Committee meetings are planned in advance for each financial year. Meeting costs planned for the remainder of the 2015-16 year (to 30 June 2016) are outlined below:

Meeting	Date	Catering costs (incl GST)	Details	Location
Teacher Education Expert Standing Committee	17 March 2016	\$473.00	Morning tea and lunch	AITSL, Melbourne
Teaching Expert Standing Committee	22 March 2016	\$561.00	Morning tea and lunch	AITSL, Melbourne
Board Meeting	22 April 2016	\$825.00	Morning tea and lunch	AITSL, Melbourne
School Leadership Expert Standing Committee	4 May 2016	\$400.00	Morning tea and lunch	AITSL, Melbourne
Board Meeting	10 June 2016	\$825.00	Morning tea and lunch	AITSL, Melbourne
Teacher Education Expert Standing Committee	21 June 2016	\$473.00	Morning tea and lunch	AITSL, Melbourne
Total		\$3557.00		

4. Not Applicable