

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Agency - Fair Work Building & Construction

Department of Employment Question No.

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

FWBC - Boards

"Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014 for each board in the portfolio or agencies:

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. The FWBC Advisory Board did not meet during this period.
2. None.
3. No meetings in specified time period.
4. No meetings in specified time period.
5. Members must clearly indicate to the Chair if they have any conflicts of interest with any matters brought forward on the agenda. Where such conflicts arise, members will disclose the same to the Advisory Board for it to be recorded in the minutes.
6. None.
7. None.
8. Members are appointed by the Minister. Any decision to dismiss Board members who do not meet attendance standards would be made by the Minister.
9. No.
10. No meetings in specified time period.
11. No meetings in specified time period.