EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: ALL Output Group: ALL

DEST Question No. E498_06 – Final

Senator Wong asked on Wednesday 2 November 2005, EWRE Hansard page 6.

Refers to DEST Question Nos E645_03 and E408_05.

Question:

If it is to the date of the question, I will ask perhaps a further question on notice to have it updated to date to include the additional year.

Please list membership, meeting locations and all costs including travel, accommodation, sitting fees and food and beverages for all advisory groups and review committees convened by the Department for the financial years 2001/02, 2002/03, 2003/04 and for this financial year so far.

Answer:

Advisory Groups and Review Committees

This information is based on what was known at the date this question was asked. It is an update of information provided in the answer to E645 03 and E408 05.

		Schools Group			
Committee name Question number		Response			
NATIONAL INQUIRY INTO THE TEACHING OF LITERACY	1 membership	Terms of Reference The terms of reference for this Inquiry are available at: http://www.dest.gov.au/nitl/terms_of_reference.htm			
	2 meeting locations	The Inquiry was announced on 30 November 2004 and the final report was launched on 8 December 2005. There were a total of eight Committee meetings held between 1 December 2004 and 30 November 2005: 5 in Melbourne; 2 in Brisbane; and 1 in Canberra. There were a total of 3 meetings for the Reference Group, all of which were held in Melbourne.			
	3 costs	Review Committee and Reference Group costs from 1 November 2004 to 30 November 2005. Costs include travel, accommodation, venue hire, sitting fees and food and beverages. Note that GST is included where applicable. 2004-2005 5 Inquiry Committee meetings total - \$69,509 2 Reference Group meetings total - \$39,846 2005-2006 3 Inquiry Committee meetings total - \$52,948 1 Reference Group meeting total - \$23,490			

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STATE BASED ASSESSMENT ADVISORY PANELS	1 membership	Membership: There are five people who comprise the SAAP in each jurisdiction. These include a non voting representative from DEST and the relevant State Government Education Department. Voting representatives include a member from each of the following: Australian Primary Principals Association (APPA) Australian Secondary Principals Association (ASPA) Australian Council of State School Organisations (ACSSO)
	2 meeting locations	The Panels are convened in the DEST offices of each capital city.
	3 costs	Costs Meeting costs include members' travel, accommodation and catering. The total meeting costs for November 2004-November 2005 were \$4815.17. Sitting fees were paid in Victoria totalling \$8645.51. Contracts have also been entered into for the provision of support services and coordination of retired Principals with both ASPA and APPA totalling \$9441.50.

		Indigenous and Transitions Group			
Committee	Question	Response			
name	number				
NATIONAL	1	Membership			
YOUTH	membership	Stella Axarlis	National Training Quality Council		
CAREERS		Dr David Bennett (Clinical A/Prof)	NSW Centre for the Advancement of Adolescent Health		
AND		Steve Liebmann	Formerly with Nine Network		
TRANSITIO		Marea Moulton	South East Regional Training and Enterprise Centre (SERTEC)		
NS		Catherine O'Sullivan	Dept Primary Industries & Fisheries, Qld		
ADVISORY		Matthew Rhyne	AMEC Engineering		
GROUP		Father Chris Riley	Youth Off The Streets		
(NYCTAG)		Avril Salter	Whittlesea Secondary College		
,		Ian Spicer	National Disability Advisory Council		
		Geoff Spring	Spring Consultancy Services		
		Jim Stynes	CEO and co-founder of The Reach Foundation. Reach		
		Mary Trezise-Brown	Brotherhood of St Laurence, Vic		
		Gerri Walker	Youth Education Centre, SA		
		Com Walker	roun Eddodion Contro, Crt		
	2	The Advisory Group held its inaugural	meeting in Sydney on 23 February 2005 and subsequent meetings in Canberra		
	meeting		November 2005. The Advisory Group's first meeting in 2006 is scheduled for 28		
	locations	February and 1 March in Canberra.	The removed and the removed and the control of the removed and		
	3	The costs of the September 12 and 14 November 2005 meetings in Canberra were \$16,717.00 \$15,026.00			
	costs	respectively. The Chair of NYCTAG attended the School and Industry Leaders Forum in August 2005 at a cost of			
			teleconferences were held in 2005 - 25 August costing \$198.11 and 24 October		
			of the first meeting in 2006, scheduled for 28 February and 1 March in Canberra,		
		is \$15,000.			

Question number	Response		
1	Professor Marcia Langton (Chair), University of Melbourne		
	Professor Roger Thomas (Deputy Chair), University of Adelaide		
	Ms Clair Andersen, University of Tasmania		
	Ms Berice Anning		
	Ms Veronica Arbon		
	Professor MaryAnn Bin-Sallik, Charles Darwin University		
	Associate Professor Tracey Bunda, Flinders University		
	Dr Jeannie Herbert, Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education		
	Professor John Lester, Dept of Education, NSW		
	Mr Fred Maher, Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority		
	Ms Jill Milroy, University of Western Australia		
	Mr Sam Nona, Student, University of Adelaide,		
	Dr Mark Rose, Victoria Department of Education and Training		
	Mr Gary Shipp, Australian National University		
	Ms Vicki-Ann Speechley-Golden		
	Dr Maggie Walter, University of Tasmania		
	Observor: Mr Joel Wright, National Tertiary Education Union		
	Meeting 1: 16 March 2005 – Canberra		
	Meeting 2: 8-9 June 2005 – Canberra		
locations	Meeting 3: 31 Oct and 3 November 2005 – Canberra		
	Inaugural conference on Indigenous higher education – 1-2 November 2005 - Canberra		
2	Meeting 4: 27-28 February 2006 - Canberra		
•	1. \$33,821 March 2005		
COSIS	2. \$34,847 June 2005 3. \$36,982 Oct/Nov 2005		
	4. \$37,000 – estimated February 2006		
	5. Annual Conference - \$125,289.52 Nov 2005		
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	Note costs include travel and accommodation for member, venue hire, catering, printing, equipment hire and other		
	administrative expenses.		
	number		

		Vocational Education and Training Group			
Committee	Question	Response			
name	number				
ADULT	meetings	Meeting in Canberra on 8 June 2005 to shortlist applications for the 2005 Australian National Training Authority Adult			
LITERACY	&	Literacy National Project – Innovative Projects. The amount budgeted was \$5,000. Travel, accommodation, food and			
NATIONAL	costs	beverage costs were \$3,479.55.			
PROJECT					
MANAGEMENT					
COMMITTEE					

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NEW	1	2005/06 MEMBER	SHIP	
APPRENTICESHIPS	membership	Representatives from	om the Department of Education, Science and Training National and State Offices and one	
MARKETING	-		n a New Apprenticeships Centre in each State and Territory.	
ADVISORY GROUP				
		State/Territory	Representative	
		DEST	Wendy Walker (formerly McDowell)	
		DEST	Paul Daly/Andrew Mellowship	
		QLD	Mick McCabe	
		NSW	Duane Findley/Inessa Melnick	
		ACT	Gabby Morgan	
		VIC	Vicki Pope	
		TAS	Tin Ritchie/Scott Bellinger	
		SA	Matt Aubrey	
		WA	Helen Hitchcock/Lisa Fowler	
		NT	Danielle Sharp	
		The Marketing Adv	visory Group agree that membership would be reviewed at the annual Marketing Conference	
		hence, the change		
	2	2005/06 MEETING		
	meeting		ace to face meeting in Melbourne	
	locations	To September – Id	ice to tace meeting in melbourne	
	3	2005/06 The trav	vel costs are currently \$5,935, accommodation \$1,950 and food and beverages \$250 with plans	
	costs		ace to face meetings and approximately two teleconferences	

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NEW APPRENTICES ROUNDTABLE	1 membership	The 2005 New Apprentices Roundtable was established to provide New Apprentices with the opportunity to share with Minister Nelson and Minister Hardgrave information about their training and identify aspects that might help inform the development of strategies to address skills gaps.			
		2005 Membership Ms Casey Wynaden Mr David Ringswandl Mr Keith Hughes Mr Simon Pilepich Mr Brendan Bishop Mr Alex Hare Mr Graeme Scorer Ms Valda Thompson Mr Peter Elovaris Mr Matthew Newman Mr Freddy Davies Mr Matthew Williams Ms Tarni Thorp Mr Richard Stocker Mr Clint Barefoot Ms Stacie Hamilton Mr Matt Stringer			
	2 meeting locations	Mr Phillip Mayo The New Apprentices Roundtable met in Canberra on the 20-2	22 July 2005 and 2-3 November 2005.		
	3 costs	Combined costs for the 2005 July and November Meeting Travel – Airfares Travel – Bus Hire Accommodation Food Photography Reimbursement to employers of New Apprentices Wages Facilitator Total	\$25,379.14 \$452.00 \$11,065.00 \$4,019.85 \$2,788.50 \$2,832.26 \$28,314.00 \$74,850.75		

			International Group		
Committee name	Question number	Response			
INTERNATIONAL	number 2	Fourth meeting held on 27 May 2005 at DEST NO in Canberra			
EDUCATIONAL	meeting	Fourth meeting field on 27 May	2005 at DEST NO III Camberra		
ADVISORY BODY	locations				
(IEAB)					
	3 costs	Fourth mosting 27 May 2005	(DEST National Office, Canberra)		
	COSIS	Cost (GST exclusive)	(DEST National Office, Camberra)		
		-Travel:	\$3,814.93		
		-Accommodation:	\$ 434.30		
		-Sitting fees:	\$1,381.50		
		-Food/beverages:	\$nil		
		Total cost	\$5,630.73		
		10101	40,000		
		Scenarios Planning Workshop -	- 21-22 July 2005 (The Boathouse by the Lake, Canberra)		
		Cost (GST exclusive)			
		-Travel: \$5,523.07			
		-Accommodation:	\$ 953.19		
		-Sitting fees:	\$2,016.00		
		-Food/beverages:	\$3,461.94		
		Total cost	\$11,954.20		
		Fifth meeting – 5 September 20	05 (Parliament House, Canberra)		
		Cost (GST exclusive)			
		-Travel:	\$3,842.85		
		-Accommodation:	\$ 176.45		
		-Sitting fees:	\$1,728.00		
		-Food/beverages:	\$ 141.75		
		Total cost	\$5,889.05		
		Sixth Meeting – 29 November 2	005 (DEST National Office, Canberra)		
		Estimated cost (GST exclusive)			
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ADVISORY PANELS ON GENERAL ACADEMIC AND TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS	2 meeting locations	April 2005
	3 costs	April 2005 1 day meeting \$8,999

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INTERNATIONAL	2	Meeting schedule and location		
EDUCATION	meeting	26 August 2005 Hobart		
NETWORK	locations	18 November 2005 Perth		
		The network is ongoing.		
	3	Meeting costs (venue and catering) are shared between DEST and the hosting state. The States and Territories		
	costs	host meetings on a rotational basis. Cost of DEST attendance at meetings was \$18,847.27.		

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CONTRIBUTIONS REVIEW PANEL	2 meeting	Meeting Schedule and Location			
	locations	2004			
		1. 27 September 2004	Canberra		
		2. 12 October 2004	Canberra		
		3. 10 November 2004	Canberra		
		4. 13 December 2004	Canberra		
		2005			
		1. 10 August 2005	Canberra		
		2. 22 September 2005	Canberra		
		3. 8 November 2005	Held via tele	econference. Those membe	rs residing in Canberra attended in person.
	3	Costs associated with the	CRP meetings	include: sitting fees, accomn	nodation, and travel costs for Panel members,
	costs	as well as any incidental costs associated with running the meetings.			
		Year	•	Costs	
		2004/05		\$33,695	
		2005/06 to 27 Jar	nuary 2006	\$23,923	

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FOUNDATION STUDIES PROGRAMS WORKING GROUP	2 meeting locations	The Working Group met on 20 June 2005 in Canberra.		
	3	Costs:		
	costs	ITEM	COST	
		20 June 2005 Venue – ANU University House Catering Facilitator – Rosetta Consulting	\$230.00 \$625.00 \$3,150.00	

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PROMOTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE	1 membership	MEMBERSHIP Fiona Buffinton Anthony Fernando Robert Noakes Jenny Hannan (vacant) Professor Dean Forbes Anne Reynolds Sue Blundell Judith Vincent Mariana Lane Jeff Gunningham Meredith Jackson	DEST/AEI DEST/AEI DEST/AEI Australian Council for Private Education and Training (ACPET) Australian Council of Independent Vocational Colleges (ACIVC) Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee (AVCC) Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee (AVCC) English Australia (EA) Schools International Government Group (SIGG) Independent Schools' Council of Australia (ISCA) TAFE Directors Australia (TDA)		
	2 meeting locations	 3 December 2004 – 22 March 2005 – System 17 June 2005 – Tele 16 August 2005 – Ca 19 October 2005 - Tele 	dney conference anberra		
	3 costs	Costs: Costs include catering, venue 22 March – Sydney 16 August – Canberra TOTAL	ue and equipment hire, travel and facilitators (GST Inclusing MEETING	ve). COST \$7,847.30 \$2,752.54 \$10,599.84	

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GOVERNMENT	1	NAME	ORGANISATION	
INDUSTRY	membership	Lino Strangis	Austrade	
STAKEHOLDERS	-	Hian Yap	Austrade	
CONSULTATIONS		Paul O'Halloran	Australian Council of Independent Vocational Colleges	
		Dianne Potter	Australian Council of Independent Vocational Colleges	
		Tim Smith	Australian Council for Private Education and Training	
		Ruth Rosen	Australian Council for Private Education and Training	
		Ross Furness	Australian TAFE International Network	
		Dr. Bruce Mackintosh	Australian Universities International Directors' Forum	
		Alexia Bannikoff	Australian Universities International Directors' Forum	
		Anne Reynolds	Australian Vice Chancellors' Committee	
		Professor Dean Forbes	Australian Vice Chancellors' Committee	
		Louise Smith	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Ross Greenwood	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Julie Campbell	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		John Bloomfield	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Mike Kearney	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Cynthia Halloran	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Kenneth Truelsen	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Deborah Dawkings	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Elizabeth Campbell	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Kirrily Goodsell	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Meridian Bizia	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Katherine Bushell	Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	
		Associate Prof Seamus Fagan	English Australia	
		Sue Blundell	English Australia	
		Christine Bundesen	English Australia	
		Paula Dunstan	ISANA: International Education Association	
		Rachael Baron	ISANA: International Education Association	
		Linda Collings	Independent Schools Council of Australia	
		Caroline Miller	Independent Schools Council of Australia	
		Merril Land	National Catholic Education Commission	
		Akshray Saraf	National Liaison Committee for International Students in Australia	
		Judith Vincent	Schools International Government Group	

	Peter Robinson	TAFE Directors' Australia
	Fiona Buffinton	Department of Education, Science and Training
	Anthony Fernando	Department of Education, Science and Training
	Linda Laker	Department of Education, Science and Training
	Greg Cox	Department of Education, Science and Training
	Robert Latta	Department of Education, Science and Training
	Lizzie Summerfield	Department of Education, Science and Training
	Shane Perris	Department of Education, Science and Training
2	Meeting schedule and loca	ation
meeting	21 October 2005. Two meet	ings of the group are anticipated each year. All meetings are held in Canberra.
locations		
3	\$5,098.00	
costs		

Committee name	Question number		Response	
OFFSHORE QUALITY REFERENCE GROUP	1 membership	The Offshore Quality Reference Group was established to develop the Transnational Quality Strategy. It comprise representatives of each education and training sector as nominated by peak bodies, as well as representatives of t Australian Education Systems Officials Committee (AESOC). A number of meetings were held between June and September 2005, often in conjunction with the Offshore Quality Government Roundtable. The Transnational Quality Strategy framework has since been endorsed by the Ministerial Council on Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs (MCEETYA) at its meeting on 17 November 2005.		
		Name Dr Wendy Jarvie Ms Linda Laker Mr Stephen Trengrove-Jones Ms Jenny Hannan Mr Paul O'Halloran Professor Ian Goulter Mr Alan Finch Ms Christine Bundesen Mr Russell Welch Mr Akshay Saraf Mr Dave Kilpatrick Mr Jeff Gunningham Mr Peter Harber Mr Wayne Chandler	Position Deputy Secretary, Department of Education, Science and Training Branch Manager, International Quality Branch, AEI, Department of Education, Science and Training Director, Offshore Quality Taskforce, International Quality Branch, Department of Education, Science & Training Director, Insearch UTS, (ACPET nominee) Director, Wollongong University College (ACIVC nominee) Vice-Chancellor, Charles Sturt University (AVCC nominee) Registrar and Company Secretary, Bond University(COPHE nominee) Director, Institute of Continuing & TESOL Education, The University of Queensland (EA nominee) Director, John Paul International College (ISCA nominee) National Convenor (NLC nominee) Manager International Services, Department of Education, Tasmania (SIGG nominee) Managing Director, Education and Training International, Department of Education and Training, WA (TDA nominee) Director, International Programs, Queensland Centre for Innovation and Development (AESOC nominee) Director, Schools and International Education, Department of Education and Training,	
	2 meeting locations	First Meeting: 22 June 2005 – I Focus Group Meeting (with the Second Meeting (with the Offs Focus Group Meeting (with the	ACT (AESOC nominee)	

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3	First Meeting: 22 June 2005 – \$2958.13 travel reimbursement.
costs	Focus Group Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Government Roundtable): 18 July 2005 – DEST National Office
	\$354.85 catering, \$2,522.89 travel reimbursement.
	Second Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Government Roundtable): 29 July 2005 – Hyatt Hotel Canberra –
	\$1,753.84 catering and venue hire, \$1,882.54 travel reimbursement.
	Focus Group Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Government Roundtable):24 August 2005 – DEST National Office - \$
	904.47 travel reimbursement, \$164.80 catering \$7.00 petty cash.
	Third Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Government Roundtable):14 September 2005 – DEST National Office –\$3.80
	petty cash, \$525.70 catering, \$6,641.71 travel reimbursement.
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	Note: For the joint meetings with the Offshore Quality Government Roundtable (below), venue and catering costs
	cover both groups. They are reported against both groups for the purpose of the convenience of the reader.
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OFFSHORE QUALITY GOVERNMENT ROUNDTABLE	1 membership	The Offshore Quality Government Roundtable was established as a forum for the Australian Government, and the State and Territory governments to develop the Transnational Quality Strategy, which aims to ensure the quality of education and training delivered offshore by Australian providers. The Roundtable comprised representatives of State, Territory and Australian education and training departments. This group often met in conjunction with the Offshore Quality Reference Group (see above). The Transnational Quality Strategy framework has since been endorsed by the Ministerial Council on Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs (MCEETYA) at its meeting on 17 November 2005.		
		Name	Position	
		Dr Wendy Jarvie	Deputy Secretary, Department of Education, Science and Training, Australian Government	
		Ms Linda Laker	Branch Manager, International Quality Branch, AEI, Department of Education, Science and Training, Australian Government	
		Mr Stephen Trengove-Jones	Director, Offshore Quality Taskforce, International Quality Branch, AEI, Department of Education, Science & Training, Australian Government	
		Ms Anne Houghton	Director, Training and Adult Education, Department of Education and Training, ACT	
		Mr Andrew Rolfe Mr David Collins	A/g Director, Higher Education Unit, Department of Education and Training, NSW R/General Manager, State Training Services, Department of Education and Training, NSW	
		Ms Kerry Moir	Director, International Services, Department of Employment, Education and Training, NT	
		Ms Marjorie Christensen	Manager, Training Initiatives Policy Unit, Training Division Department of Education and Training, QLD	
		Mr Ian Hawke	Director, Office of Higher Education, Queensland Department of Education and the Arts, QLD	
		Mr Laurie Vogler	General Manager, Education Queensland International, Queensland Department of Education and the Arts, QLD	
		Ms Ann Doolette	Director, Quality Employment & Skills Formation Directorate, Department of Further Education, Employment, Science & Technology, SA	
		Ms Paula Steenholdt	Manager, Quality Assurance, Tasmanian Qualifications Authority, TAS	
		Mr Don Hudgson	Manager, International Projects and Study Tours, International Division, Department of Education and Training, VIC	
		Mr Alan Marshall	Principal Policy Officer, Higher Education, Department of Education Services, WA	

2 meeting locations	First Meeting: 21 June 2005 – DEST National Office Focus Group Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Reference Group): 18 July 2005 – DEST National Office Second Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Reference Group): 29 July 2005 – Hyatt Hotel Canberra Focus Group Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Reference Group): 24 August 2005 – DEST National Office Third Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Reference Group): 14 September 2005 – DEST National Office
	Time incoming (man are energic energic energy). The deptember 2000 - 2001 manerial embe
3	First Meeting: 21 June 2005 – no costs.
costs	Focus Group Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Reference Group): 18 July 2005 – \$354.85 catering Second Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Reference Group): 29 July 2005 – \$1,753.84 catering and venue hire Focus Group Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Reference Group):24 August 2005 – \$164.80 catering, \$7.00 petty cash
	Third Meeting (with the Offshore Quality Reference Group):14 September 2005 – \$3.80 petty cash, \$525.70 catering Note: For the joint meetings with the Offshore Quality Reference Group (above), venue and catering costs were
	shared and are not additional to those charges shown against the Reference Group. They are reported against both groups for the purpose of the convenience of the reader.

Committee name	Question number		Ro	esponse		
AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION SYSTEMS	1 membership	The National Code Action Group (NCAG) was established on 24 June 2005 to draft a revised National				
OFFICIALS COMMITTEE NATIONAL CODE ACTION GROUP (NCAG)		MEMBERSHIP Ms Linda Laker Ms Sue Hepperlin Mr David Collins Ms Pam Edwards Mr Terry Stokes Mr Vic Korobacz Mr Brad Viney Ms Paula Steenholdt Ms Kerry Moir Mr Adam Carlon	State Training Services, NSW Department of Education and Training Office of Non-State Education, QLD - Queensland Department of Education Office of Training and Tertiary Education (OTTE), Victorian Department of Ed Higher Education & Overseas, SA - Department of Education Training & Emp WA – Dept of Education Services, Office of Non-Govt & International Education			
	2 meeting locations	The National Code Actio 18 August 2005 8 September 2005 28-29 September 2005 14 - 15 November 2005 15 December 2005 24 February 2006 6 April 2006 11 May 2006	n Group Meeting schedule and Canberra Canberra Sydney Melbourne Canberra Canberra TBC TBC	location		
	3 costs	Committee members me FINANCIAL YEAR 2003/2004 2004/2005	et own airfare, accommodation ITEM Nil 18 August Meeting 8 September Meeting 27-28 September Meeting 14-15 November Meeting	and incidental costs in attending meetings. COST Nil \$72.00 \$78.70 \$192.40 Costs met by VIC Department of Education \$343.10		

			Science Group
Committee name	Question number		Response
PRIME MINISTER'S SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & INNOVATION COUNCIL (PMSEIC) STANDING COMMITTEE OF PMSEIC	3 costs	Costs 2005-06	\$223,289.41 (as at 31 January 2006)
Note: this answer covers the period from January 2002 when DEST assumed responsibility for PMSEIC from the former Department of Industry, Science and Resources.			

Committee name	Question number	Response
COOPERATIVE RESEARCH CENTRES (CRC) COMMITTEE CRC APPRAISAL PANEL	1 membership	CRC Committee Membership and terms of Reference: Details of the CRC Committee and Appraisal Panel, including membership, are available at: https://www.crc.gov.au/Information/ShowInformation.aspx?Doc=about_programme&key=information-about-programme&Heading=About the Programme CRC Committee Membership: Dr Peter Jonson (Chair Professor Henry d'Assumpcao AO Dr Laurie Hammond Mr Denis Hanley AM Dr Merillyn Sleigh Professor Geoff Wilson AM Dr Warren King Dr Robert Frater AO Professor Elizabeth Deane Ex-Officio Members: Professor Peter Hoj, Chief Executive Officer, Australian Research Council Mr Grahame Cook, Deputy Secretary, Department of Education, Science and Training Ms Patricia Kelly, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources Appraisal Panel Membership: The Appraisal Panel is appointed by the CRC Committee to assist with the assessment of applications and the review of CRCs. The panel for the 2006 Selection Round is under consideration by the CRC Committee and will be advised shortly.
	2 meeting locations	The CRC Committee generally meets in Canberra. In some circumstances meetings can be held in other capital cities where there is a requirement to do so.
	3 costs	2005/06: \$ 46,223 (Expenditure at 31/01/2006)

			Innovation and Research Systems Group			
	Question number	Response				
AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH &	1 membership	Membership as a	30 November 2005			
EDUCATION			Chair	Dr Mike Sargent		
NETWORK			DEST	Dr Evan Arthur		
ADVISORY			ARC	Prof Ah Chung Tsoi		
COMMITTEE			AVCC	Prof Neil Furlong		
(ARENAC)			Council of Australian Directors in IT (CAUDIT)	Mr Nick Tate		
			CSIRO	Ms Rozanne Frost		
			DCITA	Ms Andrea Grosvenor		
			AARNet	Prof Deane Terrell		
			AARNet	Mr Chris Hancock		
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	3	2005 Total	\$37,556			
	costs					

	Question number	Response
NATIONAL COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE STRATEGY (NCRIS) ADVISORY COMMITTEE	2 meeting locations	Meetings The Advisory Committee held four meetings in Canberra, on 5 November 2004, 19 January 2005, 14 April 2005 and 22 June 2005. The NCRIS Advisory Committee completed its work in July 2005.
	3 costs	Aggregate of all costs for advertising, travel, accommodation, sitting fees and food and beverages Expenditure for the NCRIS Advisory Committee up to 30 November 2005 is \$118,808 (GST exclusive). This includes costs for meetings and consultations.

	Question	Response
	number	
NATIONAL	1	The National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy (NCRIS) committee was appointed in August 2005 to
COLLABORATIVE	membership	oversee the implementation of NCRIS. The main focus of the NCRIS Committee in the second half of 2005 has
RESEARCH		been the development of the NCRIS Strategic Roadmap to guide infrastructure investment under NCRIS. To aid in
INFRASTRUCTURE		this task the NCRIS Committee convened 4 expert subcommittees, broadly organised around the National
STRATEGY		Research Priorities. The Committee's work during 2006 will be focussed on the implementation of the Roadmap.
(NCRIS)		
COMMITTEE		Membership
		1) NCRIS Committee
		Dr Mike Sargent (Chair), Director, MA Sargent & Associates Pty Ltd
		Dr Evan Arthur, Group Manager, Innovation and Research Systems, DEST
		Professor David Beanland, Emeritus Professor, RMIT University
		Dr Roger Lough, Chief Defence Scientist
		Dr Phil McFadden, Chief Scientist, GeoScience Australia
		Professor Alan Pettigrew, Chief Executive Officer, National Health and Medical Research Council

Dr Leanna Read, Managing Director and CEO, TGR BioSciences Pty Ltd

Dr Stephen Walker, Executive Director Engineering and Environmental Sciences, Australian Research Council Chief Scientist (when appointed)

2) Environmentally sustainable Australia subcommittee

Dr Phil McFadden (Chair), NCRIS Committee

Dr John Church, CSIRO Marine Research and Antarctic Climate and Ecosystems CRC

Dr Wendy Craik, Chief Executive, Murray-Darling Basin Commission

Professor Peter Cullen, Division of Health, Design and Science, University of Canberra

Professor Andrew Gleadow, School of Earth Sciences, The University of Melbourne

Dr Bruce Godfrey, Principal, Wyld Group Pty Ltd

Dr Steve Morton, Group Executive, CSIRO Environment and Natural Resources

Dr Ian Poiner, CEO, Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS)

Dr John Radcliffe, Commissioner, National Water Commission

Professor Tim Reeves, Principal, Timothy G. Reeves and Assoc. Pty. Ltd

3) Frontier technologies subcommittee

Dr Stephen Walker (Chair), NCRIS Committee

Professor Tony Bacic, Director, Plant Cell Biology Research Centre, The University of Melbourne

Dr Brian B Boyle, Director, Australian Telescope National Facility, CSIRO

Dr George Collins, Chief of Research (Acting), Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation

Professor Stuart Cunningham, Acting Dean, Creative Industries Faculty, Queensland University of Technology

Professor George Dracoulis' Department of Nuclear Physics, ANU

Professor Calum J. Drummond, Chief Research Scientist, CSIRO Molecular and Health Technologies

Professor Hugh Durrant-Whyte, Research Director, ARC Centre of Excellence for Autonomous Systems, ACFR Dr TJ Higgins, CSIRO Plant Industry

Dr Robert Hobbs, Foundation Chairman, CRC for MicroTechnology

Dr Barry Inglis, CEO and Chief Metrologist, National Measurement Institute

Professor Max Lu, Director, ARC Centre for Functional Nanomaterials

Professor James A Piper, Professor of Physics and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), Macquarie University

4) Promoting and maintaining good health subcommittee

Professor Alan Pettigrew (Chair), NCRIS Committee

Professor Judith Black, Department of Pharmacology, University of Sydney

A/Professor Gary P Anderson, Department of Pharmacology, University of Melbourne

Professor David J Hill, Cancer Council Victoria

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2 meeting ocations	Meetings The NCRIS Committee has been appointed for an initial term of 2 years from August 2005 to August 2007 and will be holding further meetings during 2006. The expert subcommittees have finalised their work. In addition, the committee led consultations on the development of NCRIS in all State and Territories. 1) NCRIS Committee 16 September 2005, 25 October 2005, 15 December 2005. The next meeting of the NCRIS Committee is scheduled to take place in February 2006. 2) Environmentally sustainable Australia subcommittee 12 September 2005, 30 September 2005, 10 October 2005. 3) Frontier technologies subcommittee 13 September 2005, 27 September 2005 (Melbourne), 14 October 2005 4) Promoting and maintaining good health subcommittee 22 September 2005, 12 October 2005 5) Safeguarding Australia subcommittee 15 September 2005, 20 October 2005 6) Subcommittee Chairs

	All meetings took place in Canberra unless otherwise noted.
3 costs	Aggregate of all costs for advertising, travel, accommodation, sitting fees and food and beverages Expenditure for the NCRIS Committee up to 30 November 2005 was \$95,071 (GST exclusive)
	Note: this includes the costs of meetings and consultations carried out by the NCRIS committee and subcommittees.

	Question number	Response
RESEARCH QUALITY FRAMEWORK: EXPERT ADVISORY	2 meeting locations	There have been 5 Face to face meetings in June, August, October and December 2005. The Expert Advisory Group held its four meetings to 30 November 2005 in Canberra.
GROUP	3 costs	Aggregate of all costs for travel, accommodation, sitting fees and food and beverages Expenditure for the EAG was \$226,484 as at 30 November 2005.

	Question number			Response
AUSTRALIAN	1	Membership as a	at 30 November 2005	
RESEARCH	membership			
INFORMATION		Vacant (Chair)		
INFRASTRUCTURE		Professor Neil Mo	cLean	
ADVISORY		Mr John Shipp		
COMMITTEE (ARIIC)		Professor Ah Chu	ung Tsoi	
(FORMERLY		Dr Evan Arthur		
HIGHER		Dr Warwick Cath	ro	
EDUCATION		Mr Derek Whitehead		
INFORMATION		Mr Tom Cochrane		
INFRASTRUCTURE		Mr Grahame Turner		
ADVISORY		Mr Geoffrey Dengate		
COMMITTEE -				
HEIIAC)				
	2	The ARIIC has me	et in Sydney on 3 occasion	ons and in Canberra on 3 occasions.
	meeting locations			
	3	2005	Total	\$63,643.50
	costs			

	Question number	Response	
NATIONAL RESEARCH PRIORITIES – STANDING COMMITTEE	1 membership	Responsible for providing feedback to NRP-reporting agencies about their: revised NRP implementation plans; and NRP-Implementation Progress Reports for 2004 and for 2005; and will also decide on a future reporting arrangement Membership Dr Robin Batterham – Commonwealth Chief Scientist (Chair) Dr Jim Peacock (Acting Chair for second meeting in absence of an appointed Chief Scientist) Professor d'Assumpcao Mr Hugh Morgan Professor Sue Rowley Mr Terry Enright Associate Professor Bob Beeton Professor Suzanne Cory Professor Brian Anderson	
	2 meeting locations	Two meetings in Canberra. 31 March 2005.and 24 November 2005.	
	3 costs	\$9,334.42 for the 31 March 2005 meeting. \$3,767.34 to date for the 24 November meeting. This cost was incurred but not paid by 30 November 2005. DEST has yet to be invoiced for reimbursement by all the members. To date the aggregate cost is \$13,101.76 This cost includes catering, sitting fees, airfares, taxis and accommodation allowance.	

	Question number		Response
E-RESEARCH	1	Membership as at 30 November 2005	
COORDINATING	membership	Membership as at 30 Novel	mber 2005
COMMITTEE	membersinp	Dr Miko Sorgant AM	Chair
		Dr Mike Sargent AM Dr Chris Nicol	
(e-RCC)			Agere Systems Australia
		•	Australian Research Council
			Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee
		Ms Cathrine Harboe-Ree	Council of Australian University Librarians
		Dr Alex Zelinsky	CSIRO
			National Academies Forum
		Professor Brian Anderson	National ICT Australia
		Professor Alan Pettigrew	National Health and Medical Research Council
		Mr Nick Tate	Council of Australian University Directors of IT
		Dr Evan Arthur	Australian Government Department of Education, Science and Training
		Dr Rod Badger	Australian Govt Department of Communications, Information Technology and the Arts
		Ms Kerri Hartland	Australian Government Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources
	2	All e-RCC meetings have be	en held in the DEST offices in Canberra on 13 May, 1 July, 11 August, 21 September
	meeting		separate rounds of consultations were undertaken in June and November.
	locations		
	3	Aggregate cost of e-RCC e	xpenses
	costs	2005 Total \$31,347	
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		Questacon
Committee name	Question number	Response
QUESTACON ADVISORY COUNCIL	2 meeting locations	Questacon – The National Science and Technology Centre, Canberra on, 14 February 2005, 9 May 2005, 8 August 2005 and 14 November 2005.
NOTE: Questacon – The National Science and Technology Centre became a DEST portfolio agency on 1 July 2003, so information is provided for the period since that date.		
	3	Costs (including travel, accommodation, sitting fees and hospitality)
	costs	Financial Year 2004-05: \$42,017 1 July 2005 to 30 November 2005: \$13,213

		Higher Education Group		
Committee name	Question number	Response		
BUSINESS/ INDUSTRY/ HIGHER EDUCATION COLLABORATION COUNCIL (BIHECC)	1 membership	Context A major theme of the changes to the higher education sector announced in the 2003 Budget is the importance of enhancing collaboration between universities, other education providers, business and industry, regions and communities. The Government recognises that closer relationships between the higher education sector and business and industry will ensure that graduates are better prepared for the labour market and that the commercial potential of innovation and research is maximised. Scope The Council's role is to advise the Minister on ways to increase collaboration between the higher education sector and other public and private business, industry, community and educational organisations. It will focus particularly on:		
		 developing strategies to encourage greater business/industry involvement in the higher education sector; facilitating collaboration between Australian universities; and 		
		 improving the interface between higher education and vocational education and training. 		
		The Council also has scope to advise on:		
		 setting priorities for selecting business/industry/university collaboration projects for funding from the Collaboration and Structural Reform (CASR) Fund for approval by the Minister; 		
		 marketing the Graduate Skills Assessment (GSA) to a broad range of employers; 		
		facilitating the involvement of small and medium enterprises in collaborative arrangements;		
		 promoting regional engagement between universities and business and industry; 		
		establishing and administering new Awards for Business/University Collaborations; and		
		initiatives to further facilitate the commercialisation of intellectual property.		

	Membership Mr David Murray (Chair) Mr Peter Hendy Mr Phillip Bullock Mr Trevor Carroll Ms Catherine Livingstone Professor Gavin Brown Professor Ian Goulter Professor John Yovich Mr Paul Byrne Professor Ashley Goldsworthy Ms Lisa Paul	Commonwealth Bank Australian Chamber of Commerce and Industry IBM Australia Electrolux Australia CSIRO University of Sydney Charles Sturt University Murdoch University Australian National Training Authority Business-Higher Education Round Table Department of Education, Science and Training
2 meeting locations	November 2004. Three council meetings we were held at the Commonwealth Bank head which was held in the Department of Educat described in (3) below. The Council has a V Canberra of by teleconference. The Council	The two Council meetings were held in August and ere held in 2005, in April, August and November. Meetings office in Sydney, except for the November 2005 meeting, ion, Science and Training office in Sydney. Costs are Vorking Group that either meets at the DEST office in I has not conducted any external community consultations, casion has contacted selected stakeholders in the university
3 costs	The total expenditure for 2004-05 was \$49,6 \$3,164.	553; the total cost to 30 November 2005 for 2005-06 is

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LEARNING AND	3	Aggregated costs for travel, accommodation, sitting fees, food and beverages in 2004-05 were
TEACHING	costs	\$13,980.
PERFORMANCE FUND		
ADVISORY GROUP		

Committee name	Question	Response
	number	
WORKING	2	The Working Party has met five times to date, in October and November 2004 and February, June and
GROUP ON	meeting	September 2005. The Working Party will meet once more, as part of a larger consultation at DEST National
QUALITY AUDIT	locations	Office in Canberra on 20 February 2006. All earlier meetings were held at the DEST Offices in Melbourne.
OF NON SELF-		
ACCREDITING		
HIGHER		
EDUCATION		
PROVIDERS		
	3	The average cost per meeting is around \$3,000 for travel (no accommodation) and catering.
	costs	