

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome: Agency: ACARA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000312

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing

ACARA: Hospitality and entertainment

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. What has been the Department/Agency's hospitality spend including any catering and drinks costs.
2. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
3. What has been the Department/Agency's entertainment spend? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
4. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
5. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
6. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
7. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
8. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
9. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

Answer

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) has provided the following response.

1. Christmas Party - \$2500
Board Members end of year refreshments - \$130
General Manager, Curriculum, farewell and Curriculum Director Welcome - \$127
Total - \$2757 excluding GST.
2. Not applicable.
3. Nil.
4. Not applicable.
5. ACARA's only planned hospitality event is the 2016 Christmas Party, spend is estimated at \$2500. The date and location have not been determined as yet.
6. Not applicable.

7. Nil.
8. Not applicable.
9. No.