

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

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

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Senator Carr, Kim provided in writing.

Office of Learning and Teaching Strategic Advisory Committee and Grants Standing Committee

Question

In regards to the Office of Learning and Teaching Strategic Advisory Committee:

- (a) Can you confirm that the OLT had a Strategic Advisory Committee, drawn from the sector?
- (b) Was this chaired by Professor Margaret Gardner, Vice-Chancellor of Monash University?
- (c) Would you say that this Committee provided useful input to the operations of the OLT?
- (d) Will the Advisory Committee be replicated under the new arrangements? If so, who will appoint the members of the Committee?
- (e) Can you confirm that the OLT also had a Grants Standing Committee? Who chaired that?
- (f) Has that also been abolished?
- (g) Will it be replicated under the new arrangements? If so, who will appoint the members of this Committee?

Answer

- (a) Yes.
- (b) Yes.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) It is expected that governance arrangements will be settled by the new institute and the government.
- (e) Yes, the Grants Standing Committee was chaired by Professor Jane den Hollander, Vice-Chancellor, Deakin University.
- (f) Yes, it was replaced by the Grants Specialist Panel, chaired by Professor Marnie Hughes-Warrington, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic), Australian National University.
- (g) Governance arrangements will be determined by the government.