

Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Australian Film, Television and Radio School

Additional Estimates 12 February 2013

Question: 131

Topic: Electricity Expenses for Australian Film, Television and Radio School

Asked By: Senator BRANDIS

Type of Question: Written

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 5 April 2013

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In response to Questions on Notice 40 and 41, October 2012, the school reported a significant increase in expenditure for electricity.

- a. Has the school been compensated by the Commonwealth for this increase in electricity expenditure?
- b. How much did the school spend on electricity in 2011-12?
- c. How much does the school now expect it will now spend on electricity in 2012-13?
- d. From where will the school find the additional funds to pay for this increase?
- e. To what does the school attribute this increase in electricity cost?
- f. Did the school have in place energy saving measures prior to June 2012?
 - i. Please detail the energy saving measures in place prior to June 2012.

Answer:

- a. No
- b. The Australian Film, Television and Radio School expended \$327,448.93 on electricity in 2011-12.
- c. The Australian Film, Television and Radio School expects these levels to be maintained.
- d. The Australian Film, Television and Radio School's operating budget changes year to year, electricity is included in that budget..
- e. This is a matter for the electricity supplier.
- f. Yes.
 - i. Initiatives implemented in 2011-12: included:
 - Improving the functionality of the Building Management System enabling more sophisticated controls for air conditioning systems;

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- Reconfiguring the air conditioning control strategy to respond to the average of the room demands rather than the maximum room demand to assist with issues of overcooling and help reduce chiller energy consumption;
- Allowing for motion sensor control for air conditioning units and exhaust fans so they run only when required; and
- Providing signs on all lighting control panels and manual switches to turn lights off when spaces are no longer used.

Other initiatives prior to June 2012 are outlined in previous Australian Film, Television and Radio School Annual Reports.

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Question: 132

Topic: Number of staff at the Australian Film, Television and Radio School

Asked By: Senator BRANDIS

Type of Question: Written

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For each of the financial years from 2007-08 to 2015-16, please provide the number of staff, or projected number of staff, employed by the school.

Answer:

- 2007-08) refer to the 2007-08 annual report
- 2008-09) refer to the 2008-09 annual report
- 2009-10) refer to the 2009-10 annual report
- 2010-11) refer to the 2010-11 annual report
- 2011-12) refer to the 2011-12 annual report
- 2012-13) 127 (ASL) Portfolio Budget Statements (estimates)

Staffing projections are likely to be consistent with current levels.

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Question: 133

Topic: Number of Students at the Australian Film, Television and Radio School

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Type of Question: Written

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For each of the financial years from 2007-08 to 2015-16, please provide the number, or projected number of students studying through the school.

Answer:

- 2007-08) refer to the 2007-08 annual report
- 2008-09) refer to the 2008-09 annual report
- 2009-10) refer to the 2009-10 annual report
- 2010-11) refer to the 2010-11 annual report
- 2011-12) refer to the 2011-12 annual report
- 2012-13) 294 (ASL) Portfolio Budget Statements (estimates)

Staff projections are likely to be consistent with current levels.

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Topic: Ministerial Attendance at Australian Film, Television and Radio School

Functions

Asked By: Senator BRANDIS

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When did the Minister, or the Prime Minister attend a function or visit your facilities in:

- a. 2013
- b. 2012
- c. 2011
- d. 2010
- e. 2009
- f. 2008

Answer:

- a. 2013 – None to date.
- b. 2012 – 21 December 2012, the former Minister, the Hon. Simon Crean MP, Minister for the Arts attended meeting of National Cultural Policy reference group held at the Australian Film, Television and Radio School.
- c. 2011 – 9 December 2011, the former Minister, the Hon. Simon Crean MP, Minister for the Arts, gave keynote address at the Australian Film, Television and Radio School Graduation Ceremony held at CarriageWorks.
- d. 2010 - Nil
- e. 2009 – 4 December 2009, The Hon. Peter Garrett AM MP, Minister for Environment Protection, Heritage and the Arts gave the Australian Film, Television and Radio School Graduation Ceremony keynote address.
- f. 2008 – 22 May 2008, The Hon. Peter Garrett AM MP, Minister for Environment, Heritage and the Arts attended the official opening of the School's new building at Fox Studios.