

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Vowles to the Minister for Education:

Official Travel to Singapore

1. *What is the total cost of your official trip to Singapore in December 2014?*

\$22 172.01 has been recorded in the Department of Education ledger for the trip.

2. *Who accompanied you on the trip to Singapore?*

Mr Ken Davies – Chief Executive, Department of Education

Mr Anthony Jarvis – Senior Ministerial Adviser

Mr Bruce Wilson – Director, The Education Business

3. *For each member of the official delegation what was the cost of:*

- (a) Airfares?*
- (b) Accommodation?*
- (c) Travelling Allowance?*
- (d) Official Hospitality?*
- (e) Other Costs?*

Itemised costs for each member paid for by the Department of Education are given in the table below. No costs were borne by the Department of Education for Mr Wilson's travel.

Singapore International School Study Tour Costs

Description	Minister Chandler (\$)	Anthony Jarvis (\$)	Ken Davies (\$)	Total (\$)
Airfares	4 958.33	4 958.33	5 968.73	15 885.39
Accommodation	1 730.00	1 432.00	718.00	3 880.00
Travelling Allowance			169.67	169.67
Official Hospitality		452.95		452.95
Other	339.00	1069.00	376.00	1784.00
TOTAL	7 027.33	7 912.28	7 232.40	22 172.01

4. *What was the itinerary for each member of the official delegation?*

The study tour itinerary is provided at Attachment A.

5. *Who approved the overseas travel for each member of the official delegation?*

Mr Davies' travel was approved by the Minister for Education. Minister Chandler and Mr Jarvis' travel was approved by the Chief Minister.

6. *What official duties did you undertake during the course of the trip and when?*

As per question 4, the study tour itinerary is provided at Attachment A.

STUDY TOUR TO SINGAPORE – DECEMBER 2014

Travelling party:

Hon Peter Chandler MLA, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Education

Ken Davies, Chief Executive, Department of Education

Anthony Jarvis, Senior Advisor, Minister for Education

Bruce Wilson, Director, The Education Business (consultant)

Tuesday 2 December	
1:30 pm	Minister and Advisor arrive Darwin Airport, travel to Singapore.
11:20 pm	Arrive Singapore
Wednesday 3 December	
8:00 am	Minister and Advisor meet
11:00 am 12:30 pm	Meeting with Energy company including tour regarding investments in Australia
2:00 pm	Chief Executive arrives Darwin Airport (Bruce Wilson travelling on same flight)
2:30pm	Meeting with Investment Company regarding investment plan for the Northern Territory
7:00 pm	Chief Executive arrives Singapore
9:00 pm	Minister and delegation meet at Marina Bay Sands to view Wonder-Full Light and Water Spectacular
Thursday 4 December	
7:00 am	Minister, Chief Executive, Advisor, Bruce Wilson meet
10:30 am – 12:00 noon	GEMS World Academy Meeting, tour of school and other program discussions
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Australian International School Meeting, tour of school and program discussions
6:00 pm	Arrive Singapore Airport
8:20 pm	Minister, Chief Executive and Advisor: Depart Singapore
Friday 5 December	
12:00 noon	Arrive Darwin