# **International Travel Final Report**

Honourable Jeff Johnson, Minister of Education Mission to New Zealand, Australia and Singapore March 20 to April 2, 2014



#### Overview

Education Minister focused on teacher excellence at international summit in New Zealand.

# Names of participants travelling

- Jeff Johnson, Minister of Education
- Thomas Bradley, Chief of Staff

#### Dates of travel

March 20, 2014 to April 02, 2014

# **Places visited**

- Wellington, New Zealand
- Sydney and Melbourne, Australia
- Singapore

### **Purpose of travel**

From March 28-29, education ministers from across the globe shared ideas, insights, and best practices at the fourth International Summit on the Teaching Profession. Roundtable discussions and presentations focused on topics such as professional development, attracting and retaining high quality teachers and school leaders, and inclusive education. Prior to attending the summit and immediately following, Minister Johnson also visited Australia and Singapore to meet with officials and explore innovative practices in areas ranging from Aboriginal education to teacher training.

#### News release

<u>Education Minister to focus on teacher excellence at international summit</u> (March 14, 2014) (includes itinerary)

# **Expenses**

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# **International Travel Final Expenses**

Expenditures by Participants	Amount
<b>Travel</b> (includes airfare, airport service fees, ground transportation costs, including taxis, car rentals, parking, trains, buses as well as mileage to/from airport or taxis to/from airport in Alberta, including any cancellation fees)	\$8,042.06
<b>Accommodation</b> (room charges and related taxes, including any cancellation fees)	\$3,234.25
<b>Meals</b> (includes restaurant bills and tips, meals on hotel bills, per diem meal claims, share of group meals or working sessions)	\$266.41
Incidental and Miscellaneous (includes cell phone rental charges, incremental costs for all electronic devices such as roaming charges for cell phones, iPads and costs associated with communications such as the costs incurred for media call-backs, conference/registration fees, including cancellation fees, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and inoculation fees, laundry and dry cleaning, baggage handling, out-of-country per diems, and other sundry expenditures)	\$230.23
Sub-Total	\$11,772.95
General Mission Expenditures	Amount
<b>Receptions and Hosting</b> (receptions, luncheons, dinners, and events that are hosted by the GoA that are specific to the mission and include meeting related costs for room rental, room rental for hosted events, food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, entertainment, flowers)	\$502.16
Incidental and Miscellaneous (includes translation of documents fees, publications, shipping charges, gifts purchased specifically for mission, Canadian Embassy/High Commission/Consulate charges for services provided to the GoA)	
Sub-Total	\$502.16
Total Costs	\$12,275.11