

PUBLIC EDUCATION ENDOWMENT TRUST

7145. Mr P. PAPALIA to the Minister for Education:

- (1) Who are the current members of the Public Education Endowment Trust?
- (2) What grants were made in the 2009–10 and 2010–11 financial years?
- (3) What grants have been approved since the establishment of the new grant program on 8 June 2011?

Dr E. CONSTABLE replied:

- (1) The current members of the Trust include myself, Ms Sharyn O’Neill, Professor Keith Punch and Professor Lesley Parker.
- (2) There were no grants made in the 2009–10 and 2010–11 financial years.
- (3) None to date however a new focus for evidence-based research for 2011–2015, was announced during June 2011. The following research areas have been identified by the trustees as the focus: Early childhood education, Indigenous education, Technology, Attendance, Behaviour, Low socio-economic school communities and Boys’ education. Currently 19 applications are being considered and successful applicants are expected to be announced in the next two months.