

## Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel

(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

<b>Ministry</b>	Executive Council
<b>Title of Travel</b>	Ministerial Conference on the Canadian Francophonie (MCCF)
<b>Location</b>	Gatineau, Quebec
<b>Date(s)</b>	June 22 - 23, 2017
<b>Participants</b>	Honourable Bronwyn Eyre, Minister of Advanced Education (on behalf of Provincial Secretary Nadine Wilson) Charles-Henri Warren, Executive Director, Francophone Affairs Branch, Intergovernmental Affairs
<b>Purpose of Travel</b>	Represent Saskatchewan at the annual meeting of the MCCF. The MCCF is the intergovernmental forum of Ministers responsible for Francophone Affairs
<b>Total Travel Expenditures for Participants</b>	
<b>Air Travel</b> (including airfare and airport service fees)	\$1,301.92
<b>Ground Travel</b> (including taxis, car rentals, parking, trains, and buses)	\$135.92
<b>Accommodation</b> (including room charges, incidentals, related taxes and fees)	\$1,303.05
<b>Meals</b> (personal per diem meal claims)	\$76.00
<b>Conference &amp; Registration Fees</b>	n/a
<b>Miscellaneous</b> (including temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and inoculation fees, laundry and dry cleaning, and other sundry expenditures)	n/a
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$2,816.89</b>
<b>General Travel Expenditures</b>	
<b>Business Hosting Expenses</b> (luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)	n/a
<b>Miscellaneous</b> (Including meeting rooms, translator and interpreter fees, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)	n/a
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,816.89</b>

## **Overview of Travel and Objectives**

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The MCCF agreed on the following outcomes:

- Increase information and services in French to their Francophone citizens;
- Review measures that could be taken to allow and facilitate the use of French in family law matters;
- Pursue dialogue with Ministers of Education regarding the shortage of French teachers and early childhood educators;
- Continue to work, as required, with Ministers of Immigration to implement the outcomes of the Forum on Francophone Immigration that was held in March 2017 in Moncton, New Brunswick;
- Monitor the development of the Francophone Heritage, Culture and Tourism Corridor and examine possible actions for collaboration at their meeting in 2018.

These outcomes advance Saskatchewan's interests in delivering citizen-centred services, maintaining fiscal prudence and addressing labour shortages.

In addition, Provincial and Territorial ministers called on the Federal government to increase funding under its bilateral agreements with Provinces and Territories for French-language services. Saskatchewan receives \$760K annually through its agreement with the Federal government. That amount has not increased in almost ten years.