

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel

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

Ministry	Parks, Culture and Sport	
Title of Travel	2023 FPT Annual Meetings	
Location	Toronto, ON	
Date(s)	June 26-29, 2023	
Participants	Honourable Laura Ross, Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport Drew Lombard, Chief of Staff to Minister Ross, Parks Culture and Sport	
Purpose of Travel	To attend FPT meetings for Ministers responsible for Culture and Heritage	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)		\$1,531.80
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains and buses)		\$90.53
Accommodation (including room charges and all related taxes and fees)		\$2,292.60
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$245.00
Conference & Registration Fees		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (including incidentals, parking, temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and vaccination fees, and other sundry expenditures)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$4,159.93
General Travel Expenditures		
Business Hosting Expenses (expenses for luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, translator and interpreter fees, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$0.00
TOTAL		\$4,159.93

Overview of Travel and Objectives

FPT ministers responsible for culture and heritage held their annual meeting in Toronto to discuss common priorities for the 2023–24 year. Minister Ross represented Saskatchewan and the provincial sector interests at this meeting.

The meeting was hosted by the Honourable Pablo Rodriguez, Minister of Canadian Heritage, the Honourable Neil Lumsden, Ontario Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport and the Honourable Michael Ford, Ontario Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism.

It was a valuable opportunity to come together to share successes and explore innovative ways to support, strengthen and promote the country's culture and heritage sectors. This meeting reinforced the collective commitment to work together to honour Canada's history and create a brighter future for Canadian's.

Travel Activity:

While in Toronto, Minister Ross:

- Attended meetings discussing strengthening the creative economy, culture and heritage resources in Canada, and engagement and promotion in these sectors.
- Discussed the *Online Streaming Act*, Bill C-11 and *Online News Act*, Bill C-18.
- Participated in presentations of high-level data analysis and trends for culture and heritage.
- Met with national Indigenous groups to discuss topics of importance to these organizations.