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GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, STAFF, UNFILLED AND ACTING POSITIONS

- 32. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Education; Sport and Recreation; Indigenous Affairs
- (1) How many unfilled positions are there in the portfolios of the Minister?
- (2) Of those positions that are unfilled, how many are occupied in an acting position?
- (3) What is the length of time each position has had an occupant in an acting position?

Mr A.J. CARPENTER replied:

Department of Indigenous Affairs

- (1) 19
- (2) 6
- (3) 1 4 months
 - 2 12 months
 - 3 5 months
 - 4 10 months
 - 5 4 months
 - 6 12 months

Department of Education and Country High School Hostels Authority

(1) Central Office

15 SES – 8 not filled substantively due to the restructure underway.

Level 8 and below – due to the restructure, vacant positions are being filled through a process of identifying and re-locating staff internally.

District Offices

23 SES - 2 not filled substantively

(2) Central Office

All 8 SES positions unfilled are held in an acting capacity.

District Offices

2 SES positions vacant

Schools

Of the 802 Principal positions –

170 (acting) at 5 June 2002 - in order for substantive occupants to manage various leave arrangements

180 (acting) at 14 March 2002

190 (acting) at 2 November 2001

(3) Central Office

8 SES (acting) since 1 July 2001

District Offices

2 SES (acting) from 1 July 2001 to January 2002

Western Australia Institute of Sport

- (1) 2
- (2) Nil
- (3) Not Applicable

Western Australia Sport Centre Trust

- (1) Nil
- (2) Not Applicable
- (3) Not Applicable

Department of Sport and Recreation

- (1) Six
- (2) Five

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(3) See below:

Please note all of the following positions have been advertised however the recruitment and selection process has not yet reached the stage of recommendation:

Length of acting:

12 weeks

4 weeks

13 weeks

9 weeks

20 weeks

nil

Curriculum Council

- (1) 4
- (2) 2
- (3) 8 months and 9 months respectively

Department of Education Services

- (1) 1
- (2) 1
- (3) 8 months

DEFINITION:

When looking at this question for the Curriculum Council and Department of Education Services the term 'unfilled positions' was defined as being 'those positions which had no substantive incumbent and could be advertised and filled on a permanent basis'. Not included are those 'vacated' through acting commitments:

eg. Director of Curriculum = Acting CEO

Curriculum Manager = Acting Director of Curriculum

These are positions that remain substantively filled with their incumbent Acting in another position.

The two newly created permanent level 2 Administrative Assistant positions were included (endorsed through Corp Exec (Classification Committee) 23 July 2002.) Not included: the two temporary Level 6 PCI Curriculum Officer positions.