BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES

State law entitles each school board member to receive a per diem amount of sixty-seven dollars ($67.00) for no more than thirty-six (36) meetings of the school board during any one (1) fiscal year. In the alternative, state law entitles the board member to receive an annual salary of two thousand, four hundred dollars ($2,400.00).

The choice made by each school board member shall be irrevocable and shall remain in effect for all successive terms or periods of service of that member. Such compensation shall not entitle any school board member to receive or be eligible for any state employee group insurance, retirement or other fringe benefits.

Board members will be reimbursed for money actually expended by them while on bona fide school business including travel and living expenses while attending out-of-district meetings. Such reimbursement shall be in accordance with Section 25-3-41. The district will pay the expenses of its board members to the annual meeting of the State and National School Boards Associations and to other such meetings at which their attendance would be beneficial to the school district.

If a board member misses 20 percent or more of the school board meeting during a calendar year, except for absences caused by required military duty, the member must reimburse the district the portion of the total salary paid to the member that year which is proportionate to the number of meeting missed by the member in relation to the total number of school board meetings held during that year. Consideration may be given only to meetings of which public notice is required.

Before February 1, the board president shall submit a report to the State Board of Education listing the names of members who missed 20 percent or more of the school board meetings during the preceding calendar year.

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