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Policy 0175.1 School Board Conferences, Conventions, and Workshops

The Board of Education recognizes the value of membership and attendance at conferences and meetings at the local, County, State, and National level.

Attendance at local, County, State, State, and National workshops and conferences is encouraged.

(From our other policies...)

For purposes of this policy, a professional meeting shall be defined as:

- A. any meeting that is related to the activities, duties, or responsibilities of professional staff members.*
- B. a meeting through which direct value can be derived for the person in attendance for later use in the performance of District duties.*

(Adjusted language from Atlanta, Georgia Schools' policies...)

Board members will share a verbal or written report summarizing the most important ideas they learned with their colleagues after participating in a board-sponsored professional development activity or serving as a board representative to a policy leadership organization.

(The above might replace our following sentence? or be combined with it?) ~~Each Board member is expected to report back to the Board after a conference a conference at District expense?~~

Travel and personal expenses of spouse, children, or other guest traveling with a Board member shall be the responsibility of the Board member or of the individual. Expenses for convention functions attended as a group will be borne by the District within budgetary limits.

The President of the Board will regularly receive a record of Board member attendance at conferences.