#### **BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION**

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### **BOARD POLICY**

# 1. Payment for Board meetings.

- 1.1. Each person serving as a member of the school board of any school district school board member shall receive per diem in the amount of sixty-seven dollars (\$67.00) for no more than thirty-six (36) meetings of the school Board during any one fiscal year or, in his/her discretion, irrevocably may choose to receive as compensation for his/her services an annual salary in the amount of two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400), which choice shall remain in force for all successive terms or periods of service of that member.
- 1.2. The receipt of said compensation shall not entitle any Board member of a school board to receive or be eligible for any state employee group insurance, retirement or other fringe benefits. However, after the effective date of House Bill No. 1222, 1996 Regular Session (Laws, 1996 Ch. 550), all school board members who are also federal employees shall receive per diem as provided in Section 25-3-69 for his or her services.
- 1.3. Each member shall be reimbursed for the necessary expenses and mileage in attending Board meetings. of the school board.
- 1.4. In addition to the foregoing, All members may be reimbursed for mileage and actual expenses incurred in the further performance of their duties, including attendance at any mandatory school board training session or at regional or national education meetings, when such mileage and other expenses are authorized by the Board prior to the date on which they occur. Detailed vouchers shall be submitted for reimbursement for all such expenses. authorized by this section. Such reimbursement shall be in accordance with Mississippi Code Annotated § 25-3-41
  1.5. Such expenses shall be paid on order of the school board by pay certificates issued by the superintendent of the school district involved against the funds available for payment of the administrative expense of said the District.

## 2. Consequences for Excessive Absences

- 2.1. If a board member misses twenty percent (20%) or more of the Board meetings (of which public notice is required) during a calendar year, except for absences caused by required military duty, the member must reimburse the school District that portion of the total salary paid to the member that year which is proportionate to the number of meetings missed by the member in relation to the total number of Board meetings held during that year.
- 2.2. Before February 1 of each year, the Board president shall submit a report to the State Board of Education containing the names of any Board members who missed twenty percent (20%) or more of the Board meetings during the preceding calendar year.

Legal Reference: Section 37-6-13: Mississippi Code of 1972 as amended

**REFERENCES**MCA §§ 37-6-13; 25-3-41