332.018 Term of office; qualifications; stipend and expenses. Except as provided in ORS 255.400 to 255.424:

(1) The term of office of director is four years.

(2) A person is not eligible to serve as director unless the person is an elector of the district and has resided in the district for the period of one year immediately preceding the election or appointment.

(3)(a) A district school board may choose to provide each director who is a voting member of the board with a stipend in an amount determined by the board, not to exceed \$500 per month, as adjusted based on changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor.

(b) If the district school board provides a stipend, the board:

(A) Must allow individual directors to choose to not receive the stipend; and

(B) May provide, in addition to the stipend, reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred or paid by the director in the performance of the duties of the director.

(c) If the district school board does not provide a stipend, the board must provide reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred or paid by the director in the performance of the duties of the director.

(d) A stipend provided to a director constitutes part of the director's official compensation package for purposes of ORS 244.040, but a director who receives a stipend is not considered an employee of the school district. [1975 c.770 §13; 1983 c.350 §168a; 1983 c.379 §6; 2019 c.449 §30; 2023 c.321 §1]

Note: Section 2, chapter 321, Oregon Laws 2023, provides:

Sec. 2. Notwithstanding ORS 332.018 (3)(a), as amended by section 1 of this 2023 Act, the first adjustment of the stipend amount may not occur until July 1, 2024. [2023 c.321 §2]