



Board Policy BBBE: Board Member Compensation and Expenses

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Red Lined Version

Each member of the DeKalb County Board of Education ~~will~~ shall be compensated in the amounts legislated by the ~~g~~General ~~a~~Assembly.

The ~~b~~Board further recognizes the importance of its members participating in professional and educational organizations whose primary purposes are to promote education and quality ~~service as a board member~~ boardsmanship. Board members ~~will~~ shall be reimbursed for documented actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with travel ~~on official Board business~~ as authorized by the ~~b~~Board ~~chair~~. All expenses must be properly documented and in compliance with the rules and regulations of the DeKalb County School District and the Georgia Department of Education.

During budget preparation, the ~~b~~Board ~~will~~ shall set a total professional travel budget for all ~~b~~Board members to be approved by the ~~b~~ Board and included as a line item in the budget. Each ~~b~~Board member ~~will~~ shall be allocated a proportionate share of the total travel budget. That amount ~~will~~ shall appear as a line item in the budget, and each ~~b~~Board member ~~will~~ shall be limited to the line item amount in the budget. Budgeted travel amounts not utilized by each ~~b~~Board member ~~will~~ shall remain in the general fund and shall be designated for educational projects for the subsequent fiscal year.

Separate from the travel budget, the board will set a total professional development budget for fees and other related costs. Each board member will be allocated a proportionate share of the total professional development budget. That amount will appear as a line-item in the budget, and each board member will be limited to the line-item amount in the budget. Budgeted professional development amounts not utilized by each board member will remain in the general fund.

Board members shall not be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred after either (1) the final date for qualifying to run for reelection if they do not so qualify or (2) the date of the school board election if they are defeated for reelection, except in instances where Board members have been selected as program participants prior to their defeat or failure to qualify.

The monthly financial statements prepared by the Chief Financial Officer ~~will~~ shall indicate, as a separate item, the total amount of travel reimbursed to Board members for the month as well as a cumulative total for the fiscal year.
