

BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES

The Evangeline Parish School Board shall provide an expense allowance to and provide expense reimbursement for its members in accordance with state law. Each member of the Board shall be paid an allowance of \$600.00 per month and the President shall receive \$700.00 per month. Board members shall also be authorized to receive reimbursement for mileage going to and from meetings as well as reimbursement for actual travel and related expenses outside the jurisdictional boundaries of the Board while on official School Board business, all in accordance with Board policy.

A member who does not attend regular or special meetings of the Board, including committee meetings, may be required to forfeit up to one-third of their expense allowance for each nonattendance without reasonable excuse, the amount of said forfeiture to be determined by the Board.

Any action increasing the compensation for Board members shall require a ***two-thirds vote of the total membership***. Before any action is taken, however, the Board shall advertise in the official journal of the Board the time and place of a meeting to consider the increase. The advertisement shall appear on at least two (2) separate days during the fifteen (15) days immediately preceding such meeting.

Members of the Executive Committee may also receive an additional per diem per month payment of \$50.00, provided however, an Executive Committee member attending an Executive Committee meeting and a Board meeting on the same day shall not receive compensation for the Executive Committee meeting.

TRAVEL ALLOWANCES

The following allowances have been established for travel expenses for Board members and the Superintendent to attend conventions or other related meetings:

1. Transportation

Includes reimbursement for coach airfare or its equivalent, transportation to and from the convention site; and incidental transportation fees such as buses, cabs, or other public conveyances.

2. Fees and registration

Registration fees or comparable fees shall be reimbursed.

3. Hotel or motel accommodations

Hotel or motel rooms shall be reimbursed at the single room rate.

4. Meals and expenses

\$30.00 shall be allowed for meals (with receipts), with no distinction made for breakfast, lunch or dinner. There shall be a \$45.00 limit for high cost cities such as New Orleans, etc.

All transportation tickets or fares, other than cab fares, and hotel or motel receipts shall be submitted with expense vouchers. Procedures for reimbursement of travel expenses for Board members and the Superintendent shall be the same as for all other employees, in accordance with policy *DJD, Expense Reimbursement*.

Ref: Constitution of Louisiana, Art. VIII, Sec. 8; La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §17:56; Board minutes, 10-19-78, 4-18-01, 9-5-06, 2-7-07, 10-21-09.