

Foley Public Schools Adopted by the Board: 05/17/2021

## **251: BOARD COMPENSATION AND EXPENSE GUIDELINES**

### **I. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this policy is to clarify for all school board members the allowable stipend and expenses, and to enable the school board to stay within the applicable fiscal year budget for the school board.

### **II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**

- A. The Board will set the annual stipend amount at the Annual Organizational Meeting. The stipend will be paid quarterly.
- B. The following Guidelines shall apply to all school board members beginning July 1, 2011.

### **III. BOARD COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEES**

A. The following Board Committee shall have all seven Board members:

- 1. Superintendent Evaluation

B. The following Board Committees shall have three members:

- 1. Policy
- 2. Buildings and Grounds
- 3. Activities/Community Education
- 4. DACCS
- 5. Finance
- 6. Pandemic/Community Engagement
- 7. Certified Directors
- 8. Negotiations

C. The following Board Committees shall have at least two members:

- 1. Insurances
- 2. Recognition

D. All other committees will have at least one Board Representative.

- 1. MSBA
- 2. MSHSL
- 3. Health and Safety
- 4. Wellness
- 5. Peer Coaching

- D. Board Representation:
  - 1. Benton Stearns Educational District
  - 2. Foley Athletic Booster Club
  - 3. **Foley Area Foundation**

**IV. STIPEND AND OFFICER COMPENSATION**

- A. School Board Member Stipend: \$4000 per year
- B. Chairperson stipend: \$500 per year
- C. Clerk and Treasurer stipend: \$100 per year

**V. OTHER COMPENSATION**

Board members will be given at the beginning of the year board passes to all district events and a family pass to the field house. This amount will be in addition to the limits.

**VI. EXPENSE GUIDELINES**

- A. Meals at meetings outside the district follow the District Procedures Guidelines
  - 1. Itemized receipts for each meal must accompany request for reimbursement
  - 2. All meals not part of the conference fee will be reimbursed to a maximum established in the Teacher Master Agreement and subject to IRS rules.
  - 3. Meals inside the district are not allowable for expenses.
- B. Mileage is allowed for meetings outside of the district only. (From Foley Public Schools to the meeting, not from the border of the district)
- C. Lodging
  - 1. When attending a conference or training where overnight lodging is appropriate, we are encouraged but not required to share a room when there are two (or multiples of two) board members of the same gender.
  - 2. Hotel stay will not be reimbursed if the event is within 50 miles.
  - 3. Hotel stay will not be reimbursed the night before if the event begins after 10am and is within 1 ½ hours of normal travel time.

**VII. POLICY REVIEW**

- A. The School Board shall review this policy at its Organizational Meeting and may make changes to this policy by majority vote at that time without requiring two readings.

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