

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

September 13, 2016

SUBJECT:

Policy BID –Amendments to Board Policy BID Board Member Compensation and Expenses – Final Reading

BACKGROUND:

Policy BID establishes the compensation guidelines for members of the school board and area advisory councils. There has been no substantive change in the policy since September 1992. Board and area council pay has remained unchanged for more than 20 years.

The Board approved this document to increase compensation on First Reading at its August 23, 2016 meeting.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONSIDERATION:

Board members are currently paid \$100 for each regular meeting, special meeting, and/or study session attended. Area advisory council members are paid \$45 per meeting attended, up to 24 meetings per year. The 2016-17 budgets for board and area council pay are sufficient to accommodate a 50% increase in per-meeting pay, based upon analysis of past years' expenditures. Pay would increase to \$150 and \$67.50 per meeting with approval of the policy changes.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Final Reading of the amendments to Board Policy BID

ATTACHMENT:

Policy BID as amended

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Policy BID Board Member Compensation and Expenses

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Purpose: To establish the basic structure for payment of board expenses.

Board members will be paid \$150 for attendance at each regular meeting, special meeting and/or study/session. Members will be reimbursed for authorized travel expenses incurred to attend actual meetings of the Aiken County Board of Education. Members will submit a request for reimbursement documented with a Trip Record Form showing destination and mileage. The district will reimburse mileage at the prevailing rate allowed by the Internal Revenue Service. No other local travel may be authorized.

The board may attend any meeting or conference within the state of South Carolina at their discretion within the limits of the budget.

The district will reimburse board members for all reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in attending any meeting or conference within the state of South Carolina when on official business of the board or the school district. Such expenses may include the cost of attendance at conferences of school boards associations and other professional meetings/visitations when these costs are within the budget.

The board must approve any travel outside the state in advance. In the event of long distance travel out of state (over 600 miles round trip) and considerable expected travel expense, a majority of the board will designate how many may attend at district expense. In the event that more wish to attend than is designated, the board may have the option of setting a limit on total expenditures and dividing this equally so that more may attend partially at their own expense.

Advisory council member compensation

Members of each area advisory council will receive \$67.50 per meeting attended up to a maximum of 24 meetings per year.

(Cf. DKC)

Adopted 11/9/71; Revised 9/28/82, 8/14/90, 9/22/92, 7/17/01

Legal references:

S.C. Code, 1976, as amended:

Section 8-15-10 - Compensation of public officials.

Section 59-1-350 - Compensation of board members.

S.C. Acts and Joint Resolutions:

1982 Act No. 503 - An act to establish all the area of Aiken County and a portion of Saluda County as the School District of Aiken County.

The School District of Aiken County