

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO.22 (VERNON)

BOARD POLICY NO: 4.6

Trustee Professional Learning	
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The Board will invest in its governance capacity.

The Board encourages the participation of trustees at appropriate conferences, workshops, and conventions, recognizing the need for and the value in taking advantage of professional learning opportunities available to trustees.

Trustees shall, each year, have the option of attending the following:

- BCSTA Annual General Meeting
- BCSTA Trustee Academy
- Okanagan Branch Meetings

The Chair or designate is expected to attend the Provincial Chairperson's meeting, and the BCSTA Provincial Council designate is expected to attend the BCSTA Provincial Council.

Trustees appointed as the Board's designated representatives for BCPSEA, BCSTA, and other associations and committees, shall be eligible for expense reimbursement for meeting attendance.

In addition to the above, the Board shall establish an annual travel budget of \$3,000 for each trustee to attend other conferences, workshops and conventions.

Reimbursement of associated expenses shall be in a manner consistent with procedures established by the Superintendent for the reimbursement of staff for travel expenses. Reimbursement for expenses for out-of-province activities other than the Canadian School Boards Association National Gathering and Congress require the prior approval of the Board.

Trustees attending other conferences or workshops shall make a report to the Board within one month of attending the conference/workshop, and that any relevant conference or workshop materials will be made available.

Trustee travel budgets not used in a budget year can be carried forward and accumulated for future use within the same term of office.

Trustees shall actively participate in all sessions offered at conferences they attend.