
Gov 6 **BOARD REMUNERATION**

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- **Background**

Section 88 of the Education Act 1989 states:

“(1) The Minister may from time to time, by notice in the Gazette, fix a scale of maximum fees and payments to be made to trustees.

(2) Subject to subsection (3) of this section, every trustee may be paid, out of the Board’s funds and in accordance with the scale, travel costs and attendance fees fixed by the Board.

(3) In determining the attendance fees paid to trustees, a Board shall have regard to both loss of income and to the cost of childcare.”

Boards have the right to decide if, and how much, their members are paid (within the confines of the law, above). At present the IRD provides for fees to be treated as a tax-free expense reimbursement, up to a level of \$605 per annum per member, and \$825 for the chair. As a member of the board, a principal is entitled to the same payment as other members (except the chair).

6.1 Each year, the Board will determine the amount of remuneration to be paid to trustees for the following year before completion of the draft budget for the following year. In determining the attendance fees paid to trustees, the Board will have regard to any scale fixed by the Minister of Education, loss of income, and cost of child care.

6.2 Currently trustees are reimbursed for attendance of Board meetings at the following rates:

All trustees except the Chair & including the Principal	\$55 per meeting
Chair	\$75 per meeting