

**Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES Policy**

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**Policy #1520 – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR BOARD MEMBERS**

The members of the Board are encouraged to engage in a continuous learning process by participating in professional development activities which will help them perform their functions effectively.

These professional development activities may include participation at meetings, workshops, conferences and training programs sponsored by the State Education Department and/or school boards associations, so as to provide training needed by the Board members and to ensure that the needs and accomplishments of the BOCES are communicated to those organizations. Furthermore, participation in professional development activities may also include, but is not limited to, meetings, workshops, conferences and training programs sponsored by other groups and determined by the Board to be appropriate to the needs of its members.

Funds may be included for participation in programs conducted at the state or national level, as well as local and regional programs.

A calendar of school Board conferences, conventions and workshops shall be maintained by the Board Clerk. The Board will periodically decide which meetings appear to be most promising in terms of producing direct and indirect benefits to the BOCES.

When a conference, convention or workshop is not attended by the full Board, those who do participate will be requested to share information, recommendations, and materials acquired at the meeting.

See also Regulation 5210R.1 on reimbursement of travel expenses.

General Municipal Law Section 77-b and 77-c

Education Law Section 2118

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