Policy

7400 Travel

The Chancellor is authorized to attend conferences, meetings and other activities that are appropriate to the functions of the District.

The Chancellor shall establish procedures regarding the attendance of other employees at conferences, meetings, or activities. The procedures shall include authorized expenses, advance of funds, and reimbursement.

All travel outside California must be approved in advance by the Board, unless the timing is such that the individual(s) or District will be adversely affected.

The Board of Trustees will provide transportation for staff members for approved trips as District representatives. Travel requests for campus personnel shall be approved by the College President, and those for District personnel shall be approved by the Chancellor, prior to the trip. Out-of-state trips may be made only with the approval of the Chancellor and the Board.

Employees will be reimbursed for approved travel expenses in accordance with established administrative procedures. The Board will receive a report of staff travel expenses on a monthly basis.

References:
Education Code Section 87032

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Administrative Procedure

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I. The following procedures are applicable to staff travel.

A. Employees may use a District-owned vehicle for approved trips, if available. For use of District-owned vehicles, a “Pull Notice Authorization Form” and copy of Driver’s License must be submitted to the Transportation Department.

B. If employees use their own vehicles, a "Private Vehicle Authorization" form shall be filed annually with the colleges or with the Executive Vice Chancellor. Employee's insurance will be primary and the District's insurance secondary whenever the employee's personal vehicle is used for District travel.

C. Reimbursement rates for personal vehicles, meals, and incidental expenses will be at a rate to be reviewed and updated annually by the Executive Vice Chancellor.

   Note: Current reimbursement rates are published on the Controller’s Office website under Accounts Payable-Travel Requests. See also Federally Funded Grant Travel Guidelines and Procedures.

D. Reimbursement for lodging and conference fees will require an original receipt.

E. When budget limitations preclude the full reimbursement of expenses, supervisors may reimburse employees less than actual expenses if the lesser amount is agreed to prior to the trip.

F. Employees will not be reimbursed for alcoholic beverages, movies, or other expenses not necessary to business travel.

G. Short-term parking, bridge tolls, taxis, and miscellaneous business expenses with a combined total of less than $15 per day may be reimbursed without a receipt if they are itemized on the expense form. Reimbursement of $15 per day or greater will require original receipts.

H. Commercial travel will normally be procured by District purchase order. However, if an employee paid out-of-pocket for the travel, an original receipt will be required for reimbursement.

References:
Education Code Section 87032; 2 Code of Federal Regulations Part 200.474

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