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## STAFFORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### 0147.2 BOARD MEMBER CERTIFICATION AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

The Stafford Board of Education strongly believes in life long learning. In addition, the primary goal of any educational institution should be to facilitate the continuing education of its students, staff and administration. The Board of Education should model their belief by supporting learning opportunities for its individual Board members.

As a result, Board of Education members should, in addition to their mandated training as set forth in Bylaw 0144 and N.J.S.A. 18A:12-33, regularly participate in professional development opportunities and strive to attain New Jersey School Boards Association Board Member Certification. Therefore, the Stafford Board of Education will make every effort to annually budget the resources necessary to facilitate these professional development opportunities.

Regional and national conferences are excellent opportunities for Board member professional development. The following guidelines are established concerning Board member attendance at these conferences.

The Board believes that the greatest benefit can be derived from these conferences when Board members, administrators, and staff representatives attend as a "team". Board members should attend conferences that relate to their committee assignments and that reflect the current needs of the district. Each Board member shall be entitled to attend one regional or national conference per year. The maximum number of Board members attending any one conference should be two.

The following conferences are examples of regional and national opportunities:

- International Reading Association
- Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
- National Title I Conference
- National Reading Recovery and Early Literacy Conference
- National School Boards Association
- Technology, Reading and Learning Difficulties Conference

Registration and travel costs for such activities shall be paid for in accordance with Policy 6471 and application laws and regulations.

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