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EDUCATION

Educational Conferences

REGULATIONS, DATED 17TH JANUARY 1968, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER THE EDUCATION ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1947.

The Ministry of Education (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") in pursuance of the powers vested in it by Sections 79 and 112 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland) 1947(**a**), and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as The Educational Conferences (Local Education Authorities) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1968.

(2) The Educational Conferences (Local Education Authorities) Regulations 1964(**b**) are hereby revoked.

2. In these Regulations:

"authority" means local education authority;

"conference" means conference or meeting held for the purpose of discussing any matter connected with the discharge of the functions of local education authorities but does not include any conference or meeting organised primarily with a view to the advancement of the interest of any particular profession, class of officer or trade union;

"education association" means an association of local education authorities or other bodies the functions of which involve the regular discussion of questions relating to education.

3. An authority may incur reasonable expenditure:—

(*a*) for the purpose of paying or contributing towards yearly subscriptions to education associations;

(*b*) in organising or participating in the organisation of conferences;

(*c*) on purchasing reports of the proceedings of any conference;

(*d*) on the payment of travelling and subsistence expenses of any member or other person authorised by them to attend a conference;

(*e*) on the payment of a conference fee in respect of any member or other person authorised by them to attend a conference;

Provided that unless the prior approval of the Ministry to such authorisation is obtained—

(i) not more than three members and three other persons shall be authorised to attend a conference held in Northern Ireland;

(ii) not more than one member and one other person shall be authorised to attend a conference held elsewhere in the British Isles; and

(iii) no member or no other person shall be authorised to attend a conference outside the British Isles.

4. The payments which an authority may make under Regulation 3(*d*) of these Regulations towards expenditure on travelling or subsistence incurred

(a) 1947. c. 3. (b) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1964, No. 27.

by any member or other person authorised by them to attend a conference shall not exceed:—

(*a*) in the case of members of the authority the rates prescribed in the Local Government (Allowances to Members) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1955(**c**);

(*b*) in the case of other persons the approved rates applicable to officers of the authority.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 17th day of January 1968.

(L.S.) *J. M. Benn,*
Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This note is not part of the Regulations but is intended to indicate their general purport.*)

These Regulations prescribe the conditions in which a local education authority may incur reasonable expenditure in connection with educational conferences or meetings.

(c) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1955, No. 183.