Each trustee shall receive compensation as prescribed by Education Code section 72024, provided the trustee attends all meetings held by the Board of Trustees during the month. The student trustee shall receive monthly compensation at one-half the amount paid to the publicly elected trustees. In any month during which a trustee or student trustee does not attend all scheduled meetings, the monthly compensation will be prorated to reflect any meeting(s) not attended.

A board member may be paid for any meeting when absent if the board by resolution duly adopted and included in its minutes finds that at the time of the meeting he or she is performing services outside the meeting for the community college district, he or she was ill or on jury duty, or the absence was due to a hardship deemed acceptable to the board.

Each trustee and student trustee may be reimbursed for mileage at the district's current mileage rate for attendance at annual, regular, adjourned, or special board meetings and at meetings when the trustee is on official board business, including official functions to which trustees are invited by virtue of their membership on the board.

On an annual basis, the Board of Trustees may increase the compensation of individual board members beyond the limits delineated in Education Code section 72024, in an amount not to exceed five percent based on the present monthly rate of compensation. Any increase made pursuant to this section shall be effective upon approval by the Board of Trustees.