

expenses in order to accept the position, but whatever is paid him must be paid as salary, and not as moving expenses.

Neither is there any authority for boards of education to publish or pay for the publication of a school paper such as the "School Review" which you enclose. There are circumstances, however, where a publication of this kind might be justified as being incidental to courses of study in the school. Where a school maintains a printing department as a part of its trade school activities, there could be no objection to the activities of these departments taking the form of publishing a school paper. Where the editing and printing are both done as a part of the school work and in furtherance of the prescribed courses of study in the school it clearly would be lawful to print and publish such a paper.

Answering your questions specifically, it is my opinion :

First, a board of education has no authority to pay the expenses of an applicant for the position of teacher in the schools, to visit the board for an interview. Where, however, because of a lack of suitable applicants for teaching positions in the schools, it becomes necessary for a board of education to search for teachers in order to maintain the schools the board may in its discretion send for a prospective teacher and pay his necessary expenses in coming for a personal interview with the members of the board or the superintendent, with a view to determining his qualifications and the terms under which he will accept the position if found to be satisfactory.

Second, a board of education is unauthorized to pay the expenses of a person employed as superintendent of the schools in transporting his household goods from his former place of residence to the school district, except as the incurring of such expenses may be considered in fixing the salary of such employe.

Third, a village board of education is unauthorized to pay the traveling expenses of one of its members or its superintendent or other employe while in search of teachers, except when because of a lack of applicants, it becomes necessary to incur such expenses in order to employ teachers and maintain the schools.

Fourth, there is no authority for a board of education to pay for the publication of a school paper. Such paper may, however, be published as a part of the activities of a trade school maintained by a board of education.

Respectfully,
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