

(5) Those members of the board not already holding a public office shall receive FROM THE SERVICE:

(i) Per diem compensation [in accordance with the State budget] AS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD; and

(ii) Reimbursement for expenses under Standard State Travel Regulations.

(6) The term of a member who is not an officer of the Service is 4 years.

(7) The terms of members who are not officers of the Service are staggered as required by the terms provided for those members of the board on July 1, [1986] 1993.

(8) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(9) A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only the remainder of that term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

(c) (1) The director is both the administrative head of the Service and the presiding officer of the Board [of Directors]. THE DIRECTOR IS DIRECTLY RESPONSIBLE TO THE BOARD AND SHALL ADVISE THE BOARD ON ALL MATTERS ASSIGNED TO THE SERVICE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL CARRY OUT THE BOARD'S POLICIES RELATED TO THE SERVICE. He is responsible for the exercise of all powers and duties conferred upon the Service by the provisions of this subtitle except for those powers and duties specifically conferred by this subtitle on the secretary, treasurer, or board.

(2) The deputy director shall have the duties provided by law or delegated by the director.

(d) [(1) The staff of the Service consists, in part, of the State employees necessary to carry out the duties of the Service. The director appoints and removes these employees in accordance with the provisions and restrictions of the State Merit System Law, except that the positions which are designated by the director, with the approval of the Secretary of Natural Resources, as technical, administrative, and professional positions for the operation and support of the Service are unclassified positions which receive the salaries set by the Secretary of Natural Resources and provided in the budget. The other State employees of the Service are classified employees. Provision shall be made in the budget for compensation of the State employees of the Service.

(2) The staff of the Service consists, in part, of employees who are not State employees but who are necessary to carry out the duties of the Service. The director appoints and removes, and sets the compensation for, these employees in accordance with guidelines and procedures approved by the board of directors of the Service.

(e) (1) The secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the board [of directors] and be custodian of all books, documents, and papers filed with the Service and of the minute book or journal of the Service and its official seal. He may have copies made of all minutes, records, and documents of the Service and certify them to be true copies under the official seal of the Service. Any person dealing with the Service may rely