

## Republic of the Philippines

## GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD TECHNICAL SUPPORT OFFICE



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MS. ESPERANZA OBATAY

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Re: Honoraria of Absent BAC/TWG members -

Dear Ms. Obatay:

This refers to your electronic mail inquiring whether members of the Bids and Awards Committee (BAC) and/or Technical Working Group (TWG) who were absent in some or all of the procurement activities are entitled to honoraria.

Section 11.2.4 of the 2016 revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184 provides that alternate members of the BAC, designated by the Head of the Procuring Entity (HoPE), and with the same qualifications as that of the original members designated under Section 11.2.2 of the 2016 IRR, shall attend meetings of the BAC and receive the proportionate honoraria, whenever the original members are absent.

As can be gleaned from the foregoing, the alternate BAC members are entitled to honoraria proportionate to the meetings they attended. Conversely, the original BAC members are also entitled to honoraria proportionate to the meetings they attended. Applying the same rule, the TWG¹ chair or member shall be entitled to honoraria for the meetings they have actually participated in.

In view of the foregoing, members of the BAC, whether original or alternate, including TWG members are entitled to honoraria for every procurement stage or meetings that they have actually participated in.

We hope that this opinion issued by the GPPB-TSO provided sufficient guidance on the matter. Note that this opinion is being issued on the basis of facts and particular situations presented, and may not be applicable given a different set of facts and circumstances. Should there be other concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,

Executive Director V

<sup>1</sup> In Non-Policy Matter Opinion No. 106-2016, dated 6 December 2016, this office had the opportunity to discuss that personnel duly assigned as chair or member of the TWG may be entitled to the payment of honoraria for successfully completed projects regardless of whether the personnel is occupying a plantilla position, or is engaged under a Contract of Service or Job Order.