

POLICY 5 TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION FOR STUDY SCHOLARSHIPS AND SUBSIDIES

SCHOLARSHIP: financial aid provided for a scholar because of academic value

SUBSIDY: a monetary aid, grant, or contribution

ANNUAL AND SPECIAL CONVENTIONS:

- The Annual Convention sets the budget for the convention. This budget is recommended by the Management Team and is based on where the Convention is held. The Management Team in setting the costs for any Convention must work within this budget.
- The budget for Convention covers the cost of the Guest Speaker and subsidization for delegates attending the Convention.
- The National President, National Vice-President, National Treasurer and the Education Coordinator shall be reimbursed reasonable travel and approved accommodation expenses plus their non-refundable registration fee from the Convention budget.
- All Delegates shall be reimbursed reasonable travel expenses from the funds of the Society.

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- That the National Council, at the recommendation of the management team, sets the subsidy for the accommodation costs of all members staying at the NZ School of Theosophy. These subsidy costs will be paid from the NZ School of Theosophy budget.
- The New Zealand Section is able to provide some assistance to members wishing to travel to the School of Theosophy. Members who are taking an active interest in the Society's work at local and national levels are welcome to apply. Each applicant for travel assistance shall fill in and return, a completed application form, to Headquarters by the required date,. All reasonable action is to be taken by branches to where possible share transport, as preference will be given to one application per branch.
- The Guest Keynote Speaker shall be paid reasonable travel expenses and approved accommodation from the New Zealand School of Theosophy budget.
- The National President and Education Coordinator shall be reimbursed reasonable travel and approved accommodation expenses plus their non-refundable registration fee from the funds of the Society.
- Participating Tutors shall be reimbursed reasonable travel expenses from the funds of the Society on application.

OVERSEAS TRAVEL

- The New Zealand Section is able to provide some assistance to members wishing to further their understanding of theosophical principles through study at other theosophical centres throughout the world. These scholarships can be applied for through the national headquarters and it is the responsibility of the National Council to approve the scholarship from the Society funds.

RETURNS TO THE SOCIETY

Service is an integral part of the Theosophical Society ethos. Assistance is given on the understanding that the recipient will share with members, by way of presentations, seminars, workshops, etc as appropriate, their new knowledge, perspective or understanding.

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