

to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which his predecessor was appointed shall be appointed only for the remainder of such term; but upon the expiration of his term of office a member shall continue to serve until his successor is appointed and shall have qualified.

(2) The members of the Board may be removed by the President for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or malfeasance in office. No more than three of the members shall be appointed from the same political party. The President shall designate annually one of the members of the Board to serve as chairman and one of the members to serve as vice chairman, who shall act as chairman in the absence or incapacity of the chairman. Each member of the Board shall receive a salary at the rate of \$20,000 per annum, except that the member serving as chairman shall receive a salary at the rate of \$20,500 per annum.

#### Qualifications of Members

(b) The members of the Board shall be appointed with due regard to their fitness for the efficient dispatch of the powers and duties vested in and imposed upon the Board by this Act. Each member of the Board shall be a citizen of the United States and no member of the Board shall have any pecuniary interest in or own any stock in or Bonds of any civil aeronautics enterprise. No member of the Board shall engage in any other business, vocation, or employment.

#### Quorum, Principal Office, and Seal

(c) Three of the members shall constitute a quorum of the Board. The principal office of the Board shall be in the District of Columbia where its general sessions shall be held, but whenever the convenience of the public or of the parties may be promoted, or delay or expense may be prevented, the Board may hold hearings or other proceedings at any other place. The Board shall have an official seal which shall be judicially noticed and which shall be preserved in the custody of the secretary of the Board.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

##### Officers and Employees

SEC. 202. [72 Stat. 741, 49 U.S.C. 1322] (a) The Board is authorized, without regard to the civil-service and classification laws,<sup>1</sup> to appoint and prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of a secretary of the Board, and to fix the compensation of a secretary and an administrative assistant for each member, and subject to the civil-service and classification laws,<sup>2</sup> to select, employ, appoint, and fix the compensation of such officers, employees, attorneys, and agents as shall be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, and to define their authority and duties.

##### Supergrades

(b) Subject to the standards and procedures of section 505 of the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, the Board is authorized to

<sup>1</sup> But see Act of November 26, 1940, 54 Stat. 1211, 5 U.S.C. 631a.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*