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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. 742, as amended by 75 Stat. 785, 49 U.S.C. 1322]

(a) The Board is authorized, without regard to the civil-service and classification laws,¹ 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,² 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(b) [Repealed by Act of October 4, 1961, 75 Stat. 785.]

Temporary Personnel

(c) The Board may, from time to time, without regard to the provisions of the civil-service laws, engage for temporary service such duly qualified consulting engineers or agencies, or other qualified persons as are necessary in the exercise and performance of the powers and duties of each, and fix the compensation of such engineers, agencies, or persons without regard to the Classification Act of 1949, as amended, and the expenses of such employment shall be paid out of sums appropriated for the expenses of the Board.

Cooperation With Other Federal Agencies

(d) The Board is authorized to use, with their consent, the available services, equipment, personnel, and facilities of other civilian or military agencies and instrumentalities of the Federal Government, on a reimbursable basis when appropriate, and on a similar basis to cooperate with such other agencies and instrumentalities in the establishment and use of services, equipment, and facilities of the Board.

AUTHORIZATION OF EXPENDITURES AND TRAVEL

General Authority

SEC. 203. [72 Stat. 742, as amended by 76 Stat. 921, 49 U.S.C. 1323]

(a) The Board is empowered to make such expenditures at the seat of government and elsewhere as may be necessary for the exercise and performance of the powers and duties vested in and imposed upon the Board by law, and as from time to time may be appropriated for by

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

² *Ibid.*