MAYWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS -FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE JUNE 30, 2015

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> Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Maywood Board of Education Maywood, New Jersey

We have audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Maywood Board of Education in the County of Bergen as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, and have issued our report thereon dated November 20, 2015.

As part of our audit, we performed procedures required by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey and the findings and results thereof are disclosed on the following pages, as listed in the accompanying table of contents.

This report is intended for the information and use of management, the Board of Trustees, others within the District and the New Jersey State Department of Education. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Fair Lawn, New Jersey November 20, 2015

## Scope of Audit

The audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator and Treasurer of School Moneys, the activities of the Board of Education and the records of the various funds under the auspices of the Board of Education.

#### **Administrative Practices and Procedures**

#### Insurance

Fire insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on the Insurance Schedule contained in the district's CAFR.

## Official Bonds (N.J.S.A. 18A:17-26, 18A:17-32)

Name	Position	Amount
Jennifer Pfohl	Board Secretary/School Business Administrator	\$200,000
Charley Hargley	Treasurer of School Monies	300,000

There is a Public Employees' Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond with Utica Mutual Insurance Co. covering all other employees with multiple coverage of \$500,000.

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

#### Examination of Claims

An examination of claims paid during the period under review did not indicate any discrepancies with respect to signatures, certification or supporting documentation.

#### Payroll Account

The net salaries of all employees of the Board were deposited in the Payroll Account. Employees' payroll deductions and employer's share of fringe benefits were deposited in the Payroll Agency Account.

All payrolls tested were approved by the Superintendent and were certified by the President of the Board, the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator, and Chief School Administrator.

Salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including health benefits withholding.

Payrolls were delivered to the Treasurer of School Monies with a warrant made to his order for the full amount of each payroll.

## Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

A review of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30, for proper classification of orders as reserve for encumbrances and accounts payable.

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

## Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:23-2.2(f) as part of our test of transactions of randomly selected expenditure items. We also reviewed the coding of all expenditures included in our compliance and single audit testing procedures. In addition to randomly selecting a test sample, our sample selection specifically targeted administrative coding classifications to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-8.2. As a result of the procedures performed, no transaction errors were noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classification.

Finding 2015-001 – Our audit of travel and expense reimbursements revealed the district were not obtaining post travel reports.

Recommendation - Post travel reports be filed with the district.

#### Board Secretary's Records

The financial records, books of account and minutes maintained by the Board Secretary were in very good condition.

Our review of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary disclosed the following items:

Acknowledgment of the Board's receipt of the Board Secretary's and Treasurer's monthly financial reports was included in the minutes.

Bids received were summarized in the minutes (N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-21).

The capital asset records were updated for the additions and disposals of general fixed assets made during the year.

#### Treasurer's Records

The following items were noted during our review of the records of the Treasurer:

The Treasurer did perform cash reconciliations for the general operating account, payroll account and payroll agency account (N.J.S.A. 18A:17-36).

All cash receipts were promptly deposited.

#### Unemployment Compensation Insurance Trust Fund

The Board has adopted the direct reimbursement method and has established an Unemployment Compensation Insurance Trust Fund. The financial transactions of this fund are reported in the Fiduciary Fund.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.A.)/Improving America's Schools Act (IASA) as Reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001

The E.S.E.A./IASA financial exhibits are contained within the Special Revenue Fund of the CAFR. This section of the CAFR documents the financial position pertaining to projects under Title I, Title II, Title IV and Title V of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Our examination of the Federal and State funds on a test basis indicated that obligations and expenditures were incurred during the fiscal year or project period for which the project was approved.

# Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

## Other Special Federal and/or State Projects

The district's Special Projects were approved as listed on Exhibit K-3 and K-4 located in the CAFR.

Our examination of the Federal and State funds on a test basis indicated that obligations and expenditures were incurred during the fiscal year or project period for which the project was approved.

The financial exhibits contained herein represent a true statement of the financial position pertaining to the aforementioned special projects.

## T.P.A.F. Reimbursements

Our audit procedures included a test of the semi-monthly reimbursement forms filed with the Department of Education for district employees who are members of the Teachers Pension and Annuity Fund. No exceptions were noted.

## T.P.A.F. Reimbursement to the State for Federal Salary Expenditures

The reimbursement to the State for the amount of the expenditure charged to the current year's Final Report(s) for all federal awards for the school district (or charter school or renaissance school project) to reimburse the State for the TPAF/FICA payments made by the State on-behalf of the school district (or charter school or renaissance school project) for those employees whose salaries are identified as being paid from federal funds was made subsequent to the end of the 60 day grant liquidation period, but prior to the 90 days required by *N.J.S.A.* 18A:66-90. Accordingly, the expenditure was made in accordance with State law (90) days) and properly reported as obligated and not expended and as an unliquidated balance in the current year's Final Report(s) for all federal awards.

#### School Purchasing Programs

## Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids

Effective July 1, 2010 and thereafter the bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 (as amended) and 18A:39-3 are \$36,000 and \$26,000, respectively. The law regulating bidding for public school student transportation contracts under N.J.S.A. 18A:39-3 is currently \$17,500.

If the purchasing agent is qualified pursuant to subsection b of section 9 of P.L. 1971, c. 198 (c.40A:11-9), the board of education may establish that the bid threshold may be up to \$36,000. Such authorization may be granted for each contract or by a general delegation of the power to negotiate and award such contracts pursuant to this section. The Board has not designated the business administrator as the qualified purchasing agent.

The board of education has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the statutory thresholds within the fiscal year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the Solicitor's opinion should be sought before a commitment is made.

Inasmuch as the system of records did not provide for an accumulation of payments for categories for the performance of any work or goods or service, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear-cut violations existed.

Resolutions were adopted authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "Professional Services" per N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5.

## School Purchasing Programs (Continued)

## Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids (Continued)

The system of records did not provide for an accumulation of purchases for which the school board used contracts entered into by the State Department of Purchase and Property pursuant to Ch. 114, P.L. 1977, therefore, the extent of such purchases could not reasonably be ascertained. Our examination did reveal, however, that the district purchased items through the use of State contracts.

## Food Service Fund

The financial transactions and statistical records of the school food services were maintained in satisfactory condition. The financial accounts, meal count records and eligibility applications were reviewed on a test-check basis.

Cash receipts and bank records were reviewed for timely deposit.

The district utilizes a food service management company (FSMC) and is depositing and expending program monies in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:17-34, and 19-1 through 19-4.1. Provisions of the FSMC contract/addendum were reviewed and audited. The FSMC contract includes an operating results provision which guarantees that the food service program will return a profit of at least \$4,000. The operating results provision has been met.

Applications for free and reduced price meals were reviewed for completeness and accuracy. The number of free and reduced price meals claimed as served did not exceed the number of valid applications on files, times the number of operating days, on a school by school basis. The free and reduced price meal and free milk policy is uniformly administered throughout the school system. The required verification procedures for free and reduced price applications were completed and available for review.

Expenditures were separately recorded as food, labor and other costs. Vendor invoices were reviewed and costs verified. Inventory records on food supply items were currently maintained and properly applied in determining the cost of food and supplies used.

The cash disbursements records reflected expenditures for program related goods and services. The appropriate revenue and expenditure records were maintained in order to substantiate the non-profit status of the school food service. Net cash resources did not exceed three months average expenditures.

U.S.D.A. commodities were received and a separate inventory was maintained on a first-in, first-out basis.

Exhibits reflecting Child Nutrition Program operations are included in the section entitled Enterprise Funds.

The District contracted with Pomptonian, Inc., to manage the operations of the school food services and deposited funds in accordance with applicable state statutes.

Finding 2015-002 – The District's food service receipts were not deposited promptly.

**Recommendation** – The District's food service receipts be deposited promptly.

#### **Student Activity Fund**

The Board has a policy, which clearly established the regulation of student activity funds.

## **Application for State School Aid**

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 15, 2014 Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, low-income and bilingual. We also performed a review of the district procedures related to its completion. The information on the A.S.S.A. was compared to the district workpapers with immaterial exceptions. The information that was included on the workpapers was verified with an isolated exception. The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

The district maintained workpapers on the prescribed State forms or their equivalent.

The District has adequate written procedures for the recording of student enrollment data.

## **Pupil Transportation**

Our audit procedures included a test of on roll status reported in the 2014-15 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The information that was included on the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary Report with an isolated exception. The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

Our procedures included a review of transportation-related contracts and purchases. Based on our review, the district complied with proper bidding procedures and award of contracts. One isolated exception was noted in our review of transportation related purchases of goods and services.

#### Follow-up on Prior Year Findings

There were no prior year findings.

#### MAYWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION FOOD SERVICE FUND SCHEDULE OF MEAL COUNT ACTIVITY NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED AND (OVER)/UNDERCLAIM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

NOT APPLICABLE

#### FOOD SERVICE FUND NET CASH RESOURCE SCHEDULE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

NOT APPLICABLE

#### MAYWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014 SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

	2015-2016 Application for State School Aid					Sample fo	or Verifica	ation			Private	Schools for I	Disabled					
	Reported or	1	Reported				Sample		Verified		Errors pe		Reported on			Sample		
	A.S.S.A.		Workpap				Selected 1		Regist		Registers		A.S.S.A. as			for		
	On Roll		On Rol		Errors		Workpap		On Re		On Roll		Private	Private		Verifi-	Sample	Sample
	Full S	hared	Fuli	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full S	hared	Schools	Schools	Difference	cation	Verified	Errors
Half Day Preschool 3 Years Old	-		-		-		-		-		-							
Full Day Preschool 3 Years Old	-		-		-		-		-		-							
Half Day Preschool 4 Years Old	6		6	i	-		6		6		-							
Full Day Preschool 4 Years Old	-		-		-		-		-		-							
Half Day Kindergarten	-		-		-		-		-		-							
Full Day Kindergarten	87		87	•	-		87		87		-							
Grade 1	111		111		-		111		111		-							
Grade 2	99		99	•	~		99		99		-							
Grade 3	79		79	1	•		79		79		-							
Grade 4	97		97		-		97		97		-							
Grade 5	99		99	1	-		99		99		-							
Grade 6	79		79	i	-		. 79		79		-							
Grade 7	82		82	1	-		82		82		-							
Grade 8	81		81		-		81		81		-							
Subtotal	820	-	820		-	_	820	- (	820	-	-	_	-			-	-	-
Sp Ed - Elementary	89		89	1	-		35		34		1		1	1	-	1	1	-
Sp Ed - Middle School	34		34	ļ	-		14		14				3	3	-	2	2	-
Sp Ed - High School					-						-		4	4	-	3	3	-
Subtotal	123	-	123		-	-	4	9 ~	48	-	1		8	8	-	6	6	~
County Vocational - Regular					-						-							
County Vocational - F.T. Post-Second					-						-							
Subtotal	-	-	-	- *	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-			-	-	_
Totals	943	-	943	-	-		869	-	868	*	1		8	8		6	6	-
Percentage Error				=	0.00%	6					0.12%							0.00%

#### MAYWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014 SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

	Resident Low Income			Sample for Verification			Re	sident LEP Low Incom	Sample for Verification		
	Reported on A.S.S.A as Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers		Sample Errors	Reported on A.S.S.A. as LEP low Income	Reported on Workpapers as LEP low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Test Score and Register
Half Day Preschool 3 Years Old	_	_	_								
Full Day Preschool 3 Years Old			-	-	-	-		-	-	-	-
Haif Day Preschool 4 Years Old	_	_	-	-		_	-		-	_	-
Full Day Preschool 4 Years Old		_	_	-		-	_				_
Half Day Kindergarten			_		-	-	_	-	-		
Full Day Kindergarten	- 9	9	_	2	- 2	-	- 3	- 3	-	2	2
Grade 1	11	12	(1)	2 3	4	-	5	5	-	2	2
Grade 2	12	11	1	3	3	-	_		-	_	
Grade 3	16	16		3	3	-	-	-	-		-
Grade 4	18	18	-	4	4	-	- 1	- 1	~	- 1	- 1
Grade 5	18	18	-		4	-	1	1	-	4	1
Grade 6	19	10	_	4	4 5	-		1	-	,	1
Grade 7	15	15	-	3	3	-	-	-	-		•
Grade 8	15	13	- 1	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grade 9	14	15	1	4	3	-	-	•	-	-	-
Grade 10			-		4	-	-	-	-	-	~
	12	12 10	-	3	3	*	-	-	-	-	-
Grade 11	10		•	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grade 12	11			3	3	~					
Subtotal	181	180	1	44	44	-	5	5	-	4	4
Sp Ed - Elementary	20	21	(1)	5	5	-	1	1	-	1	1
Sp Ed - Middle School	18	18	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sp Ed - High School	10	10	-	3	3	-	+	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	*			-					
Subtotal	48	49	(1)	12	12	-	1	1	-	1	1
County Vocational - Regular County Vocational - F.T. Post-Second											
0.61444	-	*	-			-	·		-		
Subtotal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	229	229	-	56	56	-	6	6	-	5	5
Percentage Erro	r	-	0.00%	:	:	0.00%			0.00%		

	Transportation									
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors				
Reg Public Schools	68	68	-	17	17	-				
Transported - Non Public	95	95	-	24	24					
Regular - Special Ed			-							
Special Needs	56	56	<u> </u>	14	13					
	219	219	-	55	54	1				

Percentage Error

<u>0.0%</u>

<u>1.82%</u>

#### MAYWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014 SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

	R	esident LEP NOT Lov	v Income	Sample for Verification					
	Reported on A.S.S.A as NOT Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as NOT Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Application and Register	Sample Errors			
Half Day Preschool 3 Years Old	-	_	_	_	_	_			
Full Day Preschool 3 Years Old	_	_	_	_	_	_			
Half Day Preschool 4 Years Old	_	-	_	-	_	_			
Full Day Preschool 4 Years Old	_	-	_	_	_	-			
Half Day Kindergarten	_	_	_	_		_			
Full Day Kindergarten	5	5		5	- 5				
Grade 1	6	6	_	6	6				
Grade 2	5	5	_	5	5				
Grade 3	5	- J	-	5	5	-			
Grade 4	-		-		-	-			
Grade 5	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Grade 6	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Grade 7	_	-	-	-	-	-			
Grade 8	-	-	-	-	-	*			
Grade 9	_	-	-	-	-				
Grade 10	-	-	-	-	•				
Grade 11	-	•	-	-	-				
Grade 12	-	-	-	-	-				
			-		-				
Subtotal	16	16	-	16	16	-			
Sp Ed - Elementary	-	_	_	-	_	_			
Sp Ed - Middle School	_	-	_	_	_	-			
Sp Ed - High School	_	-	_			_			
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Subtotal		-							
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County Vocational - Regular County Vocational - F.T. Post-Second									
Subtotal			-		_				
Totals	16	16	-	16	16				
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%			

# MAYWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

# SECTION 1A - 2% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2014-2015 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR	\$ 19,351,415	
Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security	 (1,207,183)	
Adjusted 2014-2015 General Fund Expenditures	\$ 18,144,232	
2% of Adjusted 2014-2015 General Fund Expenditures	\$ 362,885	
Enter Greater of 2% of Adjusted 2014-15 General Fund Expenditures or \$250,000	\$ 362,885	
Increased by: Allowable Adjustments	 185,759	
Maximum Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance		\$ 548,644
SECTION 2		
Total General Fund - Fund Balances at June 30, 2015 (Per CAFR Budgetary Comparison schedule/statement)	\$ 2,129,129	
Decreased by: Year-end Encumbrance Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Capital Reserve ARRA/SEMI - Unreserved - Designated for Subsequent Years' Expenditures Assigned Fund Balance - Unreserved - Designated for Subsequent Years' Expenditures	\$ 120,139 565,427 98,994 2,058 341,889	
Total Unassigned Fund Balance		\$ 1,000,622
SECTION 3		
Restricted Fund Balance – Excess Surplus		\$ 451,978
Detail of Allowable Adjustments		
Extraordinary Aid - Unbudgeted Nonpublic Schoool Transportation Aid	\$ 175,177 10,582	
	\$ 185,759	

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

I. Administrative Practices and Procedures

There are none.

II. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

It is recommended that post travel reports be filed with the District.

III. School Purchasing Program

There are none.

IV. School Food Services

It is recommended that the District's food service receipts be deposited promptly.

V. Student Body Activities

There are none.

VI. Application for State School Aid

There are none.

VII. Pupil Transportation

There are none.

VIII. Facilities and Capital Assets

There are none.

IX. Miscellaneous

There are none.

X. Status of Prior Years' Audit Findings/Recommendations

There were none.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We received the complete cooperation of all the officials of the school district and we greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to us.

Respectfully submitted,

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Public School Accountant PSA Number CS00756