MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON
ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE
JUNE 30, 2015

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We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the basic financial statements of the Montville Township Public Schools as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, and have issued our report thereon dated December 23, 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 solely 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 December 23, 2015

Scope of Audit

The audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator and Superintendent of Schools, 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 Exhibit J-20, "Schedule of Insurance", as presented in the District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (the "CAFR").

Official Bonds

Name	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
James Tevis	Board Secretary/School	
	Business Administrator	\$350,000

There is a Public Employees' Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond with General Security Property and Casualty Company covering all other employees with multiple coverage of \$250,000.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

Examination of Claims

An examination of claims paid during the period under review revealed minor discrepancies with respect to signature certification, proper itemization or supporting documentation. Due to the immaterial nature of these discrepancies, no audit recommendation is warranted.

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 payroll taxes were deposited in the Payroll Agency Account.

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

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

Payroll Account (Continued)

Salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including health benefits contribution withholdings due to the General Fund. The School Business Administrator completed and filed the required Certification of Compliance with Federal and State Law respecting the reporting of compensation for certain employees.

Employee Position Control Roster

The District has implemented and maintains a personnel tracking and accounting (Position Control) system.

Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

A review of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30, for goods not yet received or services not yet rendered and it was determined that no blanket purchase orders were included in the balance of the reserve for encumbrances. Also, unpaid purchase orders included in the balance of accounts payable were reviewed for propriety and to determine that goods were received and services were rendered, as of June 30.

Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.2(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:23-8.3.

Board Secretary's Records

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

The prescribed contractual order system was followed.

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

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

The E.S.E.A./NCLB financial exhibits are contained within the Special Revenue section of the CAFR. This section of the CAFR documents the financial position pertaining to projects under Titles I, II and III of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended.

Our examination 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 Exhibit K-4 located in the Single Audit Section of the CAFR.

Our audit 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 amount of the expenditure charged to the current year's Final Report(s) for all federal awards for the school district to reimburse the State for the TPAF/FICA payments made by the State on-behalf of the school district for those employees whose salaries are identified as being paid from federal funds was made prior to the end of the 60 day grant liquidation period required by the Office of grants Management. The expenditure was reviewed subsequent to the reimbursement and no exceptions were noted.

School Purchasing Programs

Effective July 1, 2010 and thereafter, the bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 and 18A:18A-3(a) \$36,000 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) on \$26,000 (without a Qualified Purchasing Agent), respectively. The law regulating bidding for public school student transportation contracts under N.J.S.A. 18A:39-3 is currently \$18,300.

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 designated the School 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 contract year. Where question arises as to whether any contract or agreement might result in violation of the statute, the Board Attorney'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 the furnishing or hiring of any materials or supplies, the results of such an accumulation could not reasonably be ascertained. Disbursements were reviewed, however, to determine whether any clear-cut violations existed.

The system of records did not provide for an accumulation of purchases for which the school board used contracts

School Purchasing Programs (Continued)

The results of our examination did not indicate any individual payments, contracts or agreements which were made "for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any materials or supplies," in excess of the statutory thresholds where there had been no advertising for bids in accordance with the provision of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.

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

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; however, our testing revealed that the District utilized State contracts during 2014/15.

School Food Service

The financial transactions and statistical records of the school food services were maintained in satisfactory condition.

Expenditures were separately recorded as food, labor and other costs. 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.

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

The District had contracted with Pomptonian to operate and manage its food service program for 2014/15.

Provisions of the food service management company (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 \$37,652. The operating results provision was not met as the FSMC income statement reflected a profit of \$28,072.

Finding – Our audit indicated that Food Service fund revenues, as reported by the District, were not in agreement with those reported by the Food Service Management Company.

Recommendation – A reconciliation be performed of the monthly Food Service Management Company operating statement to ensure amounts reported are in agreement with District records.

Student Body Activity

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

Cash receipts and disbursements records for all schools were maintained in satisfactory condition.

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 disabled, 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. The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

The district did maintain workpapers on the prescribed state forms or their equivalent.

Finding – Out audit of the District's Application for State School Aid (ASSA) revealed that the number of students reported for low income and LEP low income did not always agree with supporting workpapers and documentation for the respective categories.

Recommendation – Information reported on the Application for State School Aid (A.S.SA.) be in agreement with the District workpapers and class registers.

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 immaterial exceptions. The results of our procedures, which indicate one isolated exception, 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. No exceptions were noted in our review of transportation related purchases of goods and services.

Facilities and Capital Assets

Our procedures included a review of the SDA grant agreements for consistency in recording SDA revenue and the awarding of contracts for eligible facilities construction.

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOOD SERVICE FUND NUMBER OF MILK SERVED AND (OVER)/UNDERCLAIM ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

NOT APPLICABLE

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FOOD SERVICE FUND
NET CASH RESOURCES
ENTERPRISE FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

NOT APPLICABLE

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS OCTOBER 15, 2014

	20	15-2016 /	Applicat	ion for Stat	te Schoo	l Aid	Sample for Verification				Private Schools for Disabled					
	Repoi	ted on	Repo	rted on			Sai	nple	Verifi	ed per	Erro	rs per	Reported on	Sample		
	A.S	.S.A.	Work	papers			Select	ed from	Reg	gister	Reg	isters	A.S.S.A. as	for		
	On	Roll	On	Roll	Erro	ors	Work	papers	On	Roll	On	Roll	Private	Verifi-	Sample	Sample
	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Schools	cation	Verified	Errors
Half Day Preschool - 3 years	14		14				14		14							
Half Day Preschool - 4 years	14		14				14		14							
Full Day Preschool - 3 years	14		1-4				1-1		17							
Full Day Preschool - 4 years																
Half Day Kindergarten	220		228				52		52							
Full Day Kindergarten	228						52 58		52 58							
One	259		259 228						44							
Two	228						44									
Three	219		219		(4)		42		42							
Four	256		257		(1))	63		63 49							
Five	224		224				49									
Six	277		277				277		277							
Seven	275		275				275		275							
Eight	262		262				262		262							
Nine	258		258				258		258							
Ten	251	0	251	^			251		251							
Eleven	275	2	275	2			275		275							
Twelve	275	6	275	6	- (4)		275		275		.	_		-	-	-
Subtotal	3,315	8	3,316	8	(1)) -	2,209	-	2,209	**	-	-				
Spec Ed - Elementary	244		243		(1))	39		39				20.0	17.0	17.0	
Spec Ed- Middle School	154		154				154		154				5.0	5.0	5.0	
Spec Ed - High School	175	3	175	3	_	•••	175		175		-	_	8.0	6.0	6.0	-
Subtotal	573	3	572	3	(1)) -	368		368	_	_		33.0	28.0	28.0	-
Totals	3,888	11	3,888	11	(2)	<u> </u>	2,577	-	2,577		-	_	33.0	28.0	28.0	
Percentage Error					-0.05%	0.00%					0.00%	0.00%				0.00%

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MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS OCTOBER 15, 2014

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		Low Income		Sampl	e for Verification	on	LI	EP Low Income		Sample for Verification			
	Reported on A.S.S.A as Low Income	Reported on Workpapers as Low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Application and Register	Sample Errors	Reported on A.S.S.A as Low Income		Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Application and Register	Sample Errors	
Full Day Kindergarten One	8.0 12.0	8.0 12.0		4.0 4.0	4.0 4.0		4.0	4.0		4.0	1.0	(3.0)	
Two Three	10.0 7.0	10.0 7.0		5.0 3.0	4.0 2.0	(1.0) (1.0)	1.0	1.0		1.0	1.0	(1.0)	
Four Five	5.0 7.0	5.0 7.0		2.0 3.0	2.0 3.0	()							
Six Seven	12.0 10.0	12.0 10.0		3.0 4.0	3.0 4.0		2.0	2.0		2.0	1.0	(1.0)	
Eight Nine	6.0 4.0	6.0 4.0		3.0 2.0	2.0 2.0	(1.0)							
Ten Eleven Twelve	7.0 7.0 10.0	7.0 7.0 10.0		2.0 4.0 5.0	2.0 3.0 4.0	(1.0) (1.0)	1.0 1.0	1.0 1.0		1.0 1.0	1.0 1.0		
Subtotal	105.0	105.0	-	44.0	39.0	(5.0)	9.0	9.0	<u> </u>	9.0	4.0	(5.0)	
Spec Ed - Elementary Spec Ed- Middle School	20.0 9.0	20.0		7.0 1.0	2.0 1.0	(5.0)	1.0 1.0	1.0	(1.0)	1.0	1.0		
Spec Ed - High School Subtotal	17.0 46.0	17.0 46.0	-	6.0 14.0	6.0 9.0	(5.0)	2.0	1.0	(1.0)	1.0	1.0		
Totals	151.0	151.0		58.0	48.0	(10.0)	11.0	10.0	(1.0)	10.0	5.0	(5.0)	
Percentage Error		:	0.00%			-17.24%			-9.09%	:	,	-50.00%	
			Transp	ortation									
	Reported on DRTRS by County	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors							

	Transportation									
	Reported on DRTRS by County	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors				
Regular- Public Schools	1290.0	1,291.0	(1.0)	54.0	54.0	-				
Transported- Non- Public	53.0	54.0	(1.0)	3.0	3.0					
Sp. Ed. (w/o sp. needs) in district	213.0	213.0		9.0	9.0					
Sp. Ed (with sp. needs)	136.0	139.0	(3.0)	3.0	3.0					
Sp. Ed. (w/o sp. needs) out of district	7.0	7.0		1.0	1.0					
Totals	1,699.0	1,704.0	(5.0)	70.0	70.0	_				
		:	-0.29%		=	0.00%				

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS OCTOBER 15, 2014

	Residen	t LEP Not Low Inc	Sample for Verification				
	Reported on	Reported on					
	A.S.S.A as	Workpapers as		Sample			
	Not Low	Not Low		Selected from	Verified to	Sample	
	Income	Income	Errors	Workpapers	Register	Errors	
Tull Day Kindagaanahaa	10.0	16.0		44.0	440		
Full Day Kindergarten	16.0	16.0		14.0	14.0		
One	16.0	16.0		14.0	14.0		
Two	9.0	9.0		8.0	8.0		
Three	1.0	1.0		1.0	1.0		
Four	1.0	1.0		1.0	1.0		
Five	1.0	1.0		1.0	1.0		
Six	4.0	2.0	(2.0)	3.0	3.0		
Seven	3.0	3.0		2.0	2.0		
Eight	4.0	1.0	(3.0)	1.0	1.0		
Nine	8.0	7.0	(1.0)	7.0	7.0		
Ten	1.0	1.0		1.0	1.0		
Eleven	1.0	1.0		1.0	1.0		
Twelve	1.0	1.0	-	1.0	1.0	-	
Subtotal	66.0	60.0	(6.0)	55.0	55.0	_	
Spec Ed - Elementary	3.0	2.0	(1.0)	1.0	1.0		
Spec Ed- Middle School	3.0	2.0	(1.0)	1.0	1.0		
Spec Ed - High School	3.0	2.0	(1.0)		1.0	_	
Subtotal	9.0	6.0	(3.0)	2.0	2.0		
Outcour	<u> </u>	0.0	(0.0)				
Totals	75.0	66.0	(9.0)	57.0	57.0	_	
Percentage Error			-12.00%			0.00%	

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS CALCULATION OF EXCESS SURPLUS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

2014-2015 Total General Fund Budgetary Expenditures			\$ 75,419,052
Decreased by: Assets Acquired Under Capital Lease On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security	\$ 	(366,971) (6,937,561)	(7,304,532)
Adjusted 2014-2015 General Fund Expenditures			\$ 68,114,520
2% of Adjustment 2014-2015 General Fund Expenditures	\$	1,362,290	
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment *		1,859,282	
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance			\$ 3,221,572
Total General Fund - Fund Balance at June 30, 2015 (Per CAFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule C-1)		11,546,095	
Decreased by: Year End Encumbrances Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Budget Restricted Fund Balance Capital Reserve Maintenance Reserve Assigned - Designated for Subsequent Year's Budget		(717,715) (901,592) (4,946,211) (325,000) (600,000)	
Total Unassigned Fund Balance			 4,055,577
Fund Balance - Excess Surplus			\$ 834,005
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus at June 30, 2015	•		
Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Budget Excess Surplus			\$ 901,592 834,005
* <u>Detail of Allowable Adjustment</u> Extraordinary Aid Non Public Transportation			\$ 1,735,597 1,818,449 40,833
			\$ 1,859,282

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS RECOMMENDATIONS

I. Administrative Practices and Procedures

There are none.

II. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

There are none.

III. School Purchasing Program

There are none.

IV. School Food Services

It is recommended that a reconciliation be performed of the monthly Food Service Management Company operating statement to ensure amounts reported are in agreement with District records.

V. Student Body Activity

There are none.

VI. Application for State School Aid

It is recommended that information reported on the Application for State School Aid (A.S.SA.) be in agreement with the District workpapers and class registers.

VII. Pupil Transportation

There are none.

VIII. Facilities and Capital Assets

There are none.

IX. 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 would like to thank the Business Office, Superintendent's Office and their staff for the courtesies extended to us.

Respectfully submitted, LERCH, VINCI & HIGGINS, LLP

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