OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT <u>COUNTY OF SUSSEX</u> <u>AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT REPORT ON</u> <u>ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL,</u> <u>COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE</u> <u>FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015</u>

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November 23, 2015

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Ogdensburg Borough School District County of Sussex, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Board of Education of the Ogdensburg Borough School District in the County of Sussex for the year ended June 30, 2015, and have issued our report thereon dated November 23, 2015.

As part of our audit, we performed procedures required by the New Jersey Department of Education, and the findings and results thereof are disclosed on the following pages, as listed in the accompanying table of contents. This letter does not affect our report dated November 23, 2015, on the financial statements of the Board.

We will review the status of our suggestion during our next audit engagement. We have already discussed the suggestion with various management personnel, and we will be pleased to discuss the suggestion in further detail at your convenience, to perform any additional study of this matter, or to assist you in implementing the suggestions

This report is intended for the information of the Ogdensburg Borough School District's management and the New Jersey Department of Education. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

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# Scope of Audit

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

## Administrative Practices and Procedures

# Insurance

Multi-peril insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on Exhibit J-20, Insurance Schedule contained in the District's CAFR.

## Officials in Office and Surety Bonds

Name	Position	C	overage
Linda Padula	Treasurer of School Monies	\$	160,000
Marilyn A. Cuykendall	Business Administrator/Board Secretary		160,000

## Tuition Charges

A comparison of tentative tuition charges and actual certified tuition charges was made. The actual costs were less than estimated costs. The Board made a proper adjustment to the billings to sending districts for the decrease in per pupil costs in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-3.1(f)3.

# Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

# Examination of Claims

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

# Payroll Account and Position Control Roster

The net salaries of 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 Chief School Administrator and certified by the President of the Board, the School Business Administrator and the Chief School Administrator.

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

The required certification (E-CERT1) of compliance with requirements for income tax on compensation of administrators (superintendents, assistant superintendents and business administrator) to the New Jersey Department of Treasury was filed by March 15<sup>th</sup> due date.

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Cont'd)

### Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

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

#### Classification of Expenditures - General and Administrative

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-16.2(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 as a test sample, our sample selection specifically targeted administrative coding classifications to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-8.2.

#### Board Secretary's Records

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Board, we considered the condition of the Board Secretary's records for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide specific assurance on the condition of the records. Based on these procedures, we have no comments.

#### Treasurer's Records

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Board, we considered the condition of the Treasurer's records for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide specific assurance on the condition of the records. Based on these procedures, we have no comments.

#### No Child Left Behind (N.C.L.B.)

The N.C.L.B. financial exhibits are contained within the Special Revenue Section of the District's CAFR. This section of the CAFR documents the financial position pertaining to projects under Title I and Title II of the No Child Left Behind Grant.

#### Other Special Federal and/or State Projects

The District's Special Projects were approved as listed on Schedule A and Schedule B located in 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 are contained within the Special Revenue Section of the CAFR. This section of the CAFR documents the financial position pertaining to the aforementioned special projects.

#### T.P.A.F. Reimbursement

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

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Cont'd)

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

The T.P.A.F. Reimbursement to the State for Federal Salary Expenditures was remitted to the State of New Jersey prior to the required deadline of October 1, 2015. The reimbursement form was reviewed and no exceptions were noted.

## Travel Expenses and Travel Reimbursement Policy

Travel regulations require each District to adopt a formal policy and procedure pertaining to travel and expense reimbursement for its employees and board members. The regulations include requirements for the District to establish a maximum travel amount for the year and to ensure that the maximum amount is not exceeded. The regulations also require that all travel must be preapproved by the Board of Education and Superintendent and that a brief report detailing the key issues addressed at the travel event must be submitted after the travel event has occurred. No exceptions were noted in our testing.

## School Purchasing Programs

## Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids

## N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 states:

a. "When the cost or price of any contract awarded by the purchasing agent in the aggregate, does not exceed in a contract year the total sum of \$17,500, the contract may be awarded by a purchasing agent when so authorized by resolution of the Board of Education without public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except that the Board of Education may adopt a resolution to set a lower threshold for the receipt of public bids or the solicitation of competitive quotations. If the purchasing agent is qualified pursuant to subsection b. of section 9 of P.L.1971, c. 198 the Board of Education may establish that the bid threshold may be up to \$25,000. 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.

b. Commencing in the fifth year after the year in which P.L.1999, c. 440 takes effect and every five years thereafter, the Governor, in consultation with the Department of Treasury, shall adjust the threshold amount and the higher threshold amount which the Board of Education is permitted to establish as set forth in subsection a. of this section or the threshold amount resulting from any adjustment under this subsection, in direct proportion to the rise or fall of the index rate as that term is defined in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2, and shall round the adjustment to the nearest \$1,000. The Governor shall notify all local school districts of the adjustment no later than June 1 of every fifth year. The adjustment shall become effective on July 1 of the year in which it is made . . . ."

N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4 states, "Every contract for the provision or performance of any goods or services the cost of which in the aggregate exceeds the bid threshold, shall be awarded only by resolution of the Board of Education to the lowest responsible bidder after public advertising for bids and bidding therefore, except as is provided otherwise in this chapter or specifically by any other law ....."

Effective July 1, 2010, the bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 and 18A:18A-3(a) are \$36,000 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) and \$17,500 (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.

## School Purchasing Programs (Cont'd)

# Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids (Cont'd)

As per N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(a), the Board passed a resolution authorizing the Business Administrator as a qualified purchasing agent and increasing the bid threshold to \$36,000.

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 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. General compliance was noted.

The results of our examination indicated that no individual payments, contracts, or agreements were made "for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring 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.

#### School Food Service

The financial transactions and statistical records of the School Food Service Fund were reviewed. The financial accounts, meal count records and eligibility applications were reviewed on a test basis. Food Service accounting records maintained by the District's central administration office were reconciled with the records maintained by the food service contractor.

The number of meals and milks claimed for reimbursement were compared to sales and meal count records. As part of the claims review process, the Edit Check Worksheet was completed. Reimbursement claims were submitted/certified in a timely manner.

Applications for free and reduced price meals were reviewed for completeness and accuracy. The number of free and reduced price meals claimed as served was compared to the number valid applications on file, times the number of operating days, on a school by school basis. The free and reduced price meal policy appeared to be 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 on a test basis. Inventory records on food supply items were currently maintained and properly applied in determining the cost of food and supplies used.

### School Food Service (Cont'd)

The cash disbursement records reflected expenditures for program related goods and services. The appropriate revenue and expenditure records were maintained in order to substantiate the nonprofit status of the School Food Service Fund. Net cash resources did not exceed three months average expenditures.

Cash receipts and bank records were reviewed for timely deposit. No exceptions were noted.

The District utilizes a food service management company (FMSC) and is depositing and expending program monies in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:17-34, and 19-1 through 19-4.1. The FMSC contract includes an operating results provision which guarantees that the food service program will break even. The operating results provision has been met.

Time sheets were reviewed and labor costs verified on a test basis. No exceptions were noted.

Food Distribution Program commodities were received and a separate inventory was maintained on a first-in first-out basis. No exceptions were noted.

Exhibits reflecting Child Nutrition Program operations are included in the section entitled Proprietary Funds, Section G of the District's CAFR.

The District has a Type 2 SOC1 report (Service Organization Controls Report) of the food service management company on file as required by state requirements.

#### Student Body Activities

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the Board, we considered the condition of the records of the Student Activities Fund for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide specific assurance on the condition of the records. Based on these procedures, we have no comments.

#### Application for State School Aid

Our audit procedures included a test of enrollments and related services reported in the October 15, 2014 Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the disabled, bilingual and low income. 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 without exception. The information on that was included on the workpapers was verified on a test basis without exception. The results of our procedures are presented in the schedule of Audit Enrollments.

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

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

# Pupil Transportation

Our audit procedures included a test of on-roll status reported in the 2014-2015 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The information that was included on the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary Report without exception. The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

Our procedures also 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 with recording SDA revenue, transfer of local funds from the General Fund or from the Capital Reserve Account and awarding of contracts for eligible facilities construction.

## Management Suggestions:

# Single Audit

Effective for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, there will be significant changes to the Single Audit. These changes include the following:

- An increase in the single audit threshold
- Low risk auditee criteria
- Type A and B threshold
- Coverage requirements for major programs tested for both low risk and non-low risk auditees.

Additionally, the cost principles and administrative requirements such as A-87 have been consolidated under the *OMB Uniform Guidance: Cost Principles, Audit and Administrative Requirements for Federal Awards.* This guidance was effective December 26, 2014 for all new federal awards and for any additional funding for existing awards made after December 26, 2014.

# Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements:

The next Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") statement which will have a significant impact on the District will be GASB#75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions, will be effective for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. This standard replaces GASB#45, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions. It is similar to GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions GASB#68 in that successful implementation of this standard will require the provision of certain key financial and non-financial information from the New Jersey Division of Pensions.

# Status of Prior Year's Findings/Recommendations

There were no prior year recommendations.

# OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014

	2015-2016 Application for State School Aid					Sample for Verification						
	Repor	rted on	Repo	rted on	******		Sar	nple	Verif	ied per	Error	s per
	A.S	.S.A.	Work	appers			Select	ed from	Reg	isters	Regi	sters
	On	Roll	On	Roll	En	ors	Work	papers	On	Roll	On Roll	
	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared
Half Day Preschool	3		3				3		3			
-	28		28				28		28			
Full Day Kindergarten												
Grade One	22		22				22		22			
Grade Two	32		32				32		32			
Grade Three	18		18				18		18			
Grade Four	29		29				29		29			
Grade Five	21		21				21		21			
Grade Six	28		28				28		28			
Grade Seven	15		15				15		15			
Grade Eight	23		23				23		23			
Subtotal	219		219				219	<u></u>	219			
Special Ed - Elementary	22		22				5		5			
Special Ed - Middle School	32		32				8		8			
Subtotal	54		54				13		13			
Totals	273		273			<u></u>	232		232			
Percentage Error					0.00%	0.00%					0.00%	0.00%

# OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014

	Private Schools for Disabled			Resident Low Income						
	Reported on A.S.S.A. as	Sample			Reported on A.S.S.A.	Reported on Workpapers		Sample Selected	Verified to	
	Private	for	Sample	Sample	as Low	as Low		from	Application	Sample
	Schools	Verification	Verified	Errors	Income	Income	Errors	Workpapers	and Register	Errors
Half Day Kindergarten					4	4				
Grade One					4	4		1	1	
Grade Two					6	6		1	1	
Grade Three					9	9		1	1	
Grade Four					5	5				
Grade Five					6	6		1	1	
Grade Six					10	10		1	1	
Grade Seven					2	2				
Grade Eight					7	7				
Subtotal	<u></u>		I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I		53	53		5	5	
Special Ed - Elementary					9	9		2	2	
Special Ed - Middle School					13	13		3	3	
Subtotal					22	22	<b>-</b>	5	5	
Totals	-0-				75	75		10	10	
Percentage Erro	r			0.00%						0.00%

# OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS - RESIDENT LEP LOW INCOME ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014

			Resident LEP	Not Low Income		
	Reported on A.S.S.A. as LEP	Reported on Workpapers as LEP	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Test Scores, Application and Register	Sample Errors
Grade Six Subtotal	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Totals	1	1	Mary Constant of South States	1	1	
Percentage E	rror		0.00%			0.00%

# OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS - RESIDENT LEP LOW INCOME ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014

NOT APPLICABLE

# OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014

	Transportation						
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors	
Regular - Public Schools	3	3		3	3		
Transported - Non Public	16	16		4	4		
AIL - Non Public	1	1		1	1		
Special Needs	4	4		2	2		
Totals	24	24	-0-	10	10	-0-	
Pe	ercentage Error		0.00%			0.00%	

	Reported	Recalculated
Average Mileage - Regular Including Grade PK Students	5.4	5.42
Average Mileage - Regular Excluding Grade PK Students	5.4	5.42
Average Mileage - Special Education with Special Needs	7.2	7.2

# OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

# EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION

## Section 1 - REGULAR DISTRICT

2014-2015 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR Increased by: Transfer to Food Service Fund Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension and Social Security Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases			
Adjusted 2014-2015 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1's)-(B2's)]	\$ 4,628,614 (B3)		
2% of Adjusted 2014-2015 General Fund Expenditures [(B5) times .02] Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000 Increased by: Allowable Adjustment	\$   92,572   (B4)     \$   250,000   (B5)     \$   2,167   (K)		
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)]		\$	(M)
Section 2			
Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/2015 (Per CAFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule C-1) Decreased by: Year-End Encumbrances Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Other Restricted Fund Balances Assigned - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	<u>\$ 367,101</u> (C) <u>\$ 10,957</u> (C1) <u>\$ -0-</u> (C2) <u>\$ -0-</u> (C3) <u>\$ 72,513</u> (C4) <u>\$ 31,464</u> (C5)		
Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)]		\$	(U1)
Section 3			
Restricted Fund Balance-Excess Surplus [(U1)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE, ENTER	R -0-	\$	<u>-0-</u> (E)
<u>Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2015</u>			
Restricted Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Restricted Excess Surplus [(E)]		\$\$	<u>-0-</u> (C3) <u>-0-</u> (E)
Total [(C3)+(E)+(F)]		\$	<u>-0-</u> (D)

# OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

## **Detail of Allowable Adjustments**

Impact Aid Sale and Lease Back Extraordinary Aid Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid	\$ \$ \$ \$	-0- -0- -0- 2,167
Total Adjustments [(H)+(I)+(J1)+(J2)]   Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance   Statutomy Destrictions	<u> </u>	2,167
Statutory Restrictions Approved Unspent Separate Proposal	\$	-0-
Sale/Lease-Back Reserve	\$	-0-
Capital Reserve	\$	72,513
Maintenance Reserve	\$	-0-
Tuition Reserve	\$	-0-
Other State/Governmental Mandated Reserve	\$	-0-
Other Restricted Fund Balance not Noted Above	\$	-0-
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance	\$	72,513

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# OGDENSBURG BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

It is recommended that:

1. <u>Administrative Practices and Procedures</u>

None

- 2. <u>Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting</u> None
- 3. <u>School Purchasing Program</u>

None

4. <u>School Food Service</u>

None

5. <u>Student Body Activities</u>

## None

- 6. <u>Application for State School Aid</u> None
- 7. <u>Pupil Transportation</u>

None

8. <u>Facilities and Capital Assets</u>

None

9. <u>Status of Prior Year's Findings/Recommendations</u>

There were no recommendations in the prior year.