VINELAND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COUNTY OF CUMBERLAND

AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS--FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015



VINELAND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

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AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Vineland Public Charter School County of Cumberland, 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 basic financial statements of the Board of Trustees of the Vineland Public Charter School, in the County of Cumberland, State of New Jersey, as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, which were separately issued in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report dated December 15, 2015.

As part of our audit, we also performed procedures required by the Division of Administration and 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 issued in conjunction with the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the Board of Trustees of the Vineland Public Charter School, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, and is intended for the information of the School District's management and the New Jersey Department of Education and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Respectfully submitted,

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Voorhees, New Jersey December 15, 2015

ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

SCOPE OF AUDIT

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

ADMINISTRATIVE PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES

Insurance

Fire insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on Exhibit J-20, Insurance Schedule, contained in the Charter School's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report ("CAFR").

Official Bonds (N.J.S.A. 18A: 17-26, 18A:17-32, 18A:13-13)

<u>Name</u>	Position	<u>Amount</u>
Douglas McGarry	Board Secretary / School Business Administrator	\$130,000.00
Kelly Brazelton	Treasurer of School Moneys (July 2014-Dec. 2014)	130,000.00
Christina Murphy	Treasurer of School Moneys (Jan. 2015-June 2015)	150,000.00

There is insurance coverage for employee dishonesty, forgery or alteration, theft, disappearance & destructions and computer fraud with The Philadelphia Indemnity Insurance Company covering all other employees with multiple coverages of \$1,000,000.00, \$500,000.00, \$50,000.00 and \$100,000.00, respectively.

FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING

Examination of Claims

Sampled claims paid during the fiscal year under audit did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to signatures, certification, or supporting documentation.

Payroll Account

The net salaries of sampled employees of the Charter School were deposited in the net payroll account. Employees' payroll deductions and the employer's share of fringe benefits were deposited in the agency payroll account.

Sampled payrolls were approved by the Head of School and were certified by the President of the Board and the Board Secretary / School Business Administrator.

Sampled salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including health benefit premium withholdings due to the General Fund.

Payrolls were delivered to the Board Secretary / School Business Administrator who then deposited warrants in separate bank accounts for net payroll and withholdings.

FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING (CONT'D)

Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

A sample of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30 for proper classification of orders as encumbrances and accounts payable. Our sample did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to classification of orders.

<u>Travel</u>

A sample of travel expenditures during the fiscal year under audit did not indicate any reportable noncompliance.

Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was inspected for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.2(f) as part of our randomly sampled expenditure transactions. We also inspected the coding of all expenditures included in our compliance and single audit sampling procedures. In addition, a sample was selected that specifically targeted administrative coding classifications to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-8.3. Our samples did not indicate any reportable noncompliance with respect to classification of expenditures.

Board Secretary's Records

Our inspection of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

Treasurer of School Moneys' Records

Our inspection of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Treasurer of School Moneys indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

<u>Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.A.) / Improving America's Schools Act (I.A.S.A.) as</u> reauthorized by the No Child Left Behind Act (N.C.L.B.) of 2001

The E.S.E.A. / N.C.L.B. financial exhibits are contained within the Special Revenue Section of the CAFR. This section of the CAFR documents the financial position pertaining to the projects under Titles I and II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended and reauthorized.

Other Special Federal and / or State Projects

The Charter School's Other Special Projects were approved as listed on Exhibits K-3 and K-4 located in the CAFR.

Our audit of the federal and state funds on a sample 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 other special projects.

The audit of compliance for Other Special Projects did not indicate any reportable noncompliance.

T.P.A.F. Reimbursement

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

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FINANCIAL PLANNING, ACCOUNTING, AND REPORTING (CONT'D)

TPAF 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 Charter School to reimburse the State for the TPAF/FICA payments made by the State on-behalf of the Charter School 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

N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq. (Public School Contracts Law), the associated rules and related information on the statute, and the school contracts in general, are available on the following website:

http://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dlgs/programs/lpcl.html

Current statute is posted on the New Jersey Legislature website at:

<u>http://lis.njleg.state.nj.us/cgi-</u> <u>bin/om_isapi.dll?clientID=1319801&depth=2&expandheadings=off&headingswithhits=on&infobase=statutes.nfo&s</u> oftpage=TOC Frame Pg42

Based on the results of our audit, we did not note any individual payments, contracts, or agreements made for the performance of any work or goods or services, 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, amended.

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

SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE

The financial transactions and statistical records of the school food service fund were examined. The financial accounts, meal count records, and eligibility applications were inspected on a sample basis. No exceptions were noted.

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

Vendor invoices were inspected and costs verified. No exceptions were noted.

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.

Sampled time sheets were inspected and labor costs verified. Payroll records were maintained on all School food service employees authorized by the School District. No exceptions were noted.

The number of meals claimed for reimbursement was 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.

SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE (CONT'D)

Sampled applications for free and reduced price meals were inspected for completeness and accuracy. The free and reduced price meal policy was inspected for uniform administration throughout the school system. The required verification procedures for free and reduced price applications were completed and available for audit.

No Food Distribution Program commodities were received by the Charter School.

Exhibits reflecting Child Nutrition Program operations are included in the section entitled Enterprise Funds, Section G of the CAFR.

STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES

Our audit of the financial and accounting records for student activities indicated that they were in satisfactory condition.

ENROLLMENT COUNTS AND SUBMISSIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT

Our audit procedures included a sample of enrollment information on October 15, 2014 and the last day of school for on-roll, special education, bilingual and low-income. The results of our procedures are presented in the Schedule of Audited Enrollments.

The Charter School maintained written procedures that appear to be adequate for the recording of student enrollment data.

MISCELLANEOUS

Continuing Disclosure Agreements

Not applicable – no outstanding bonds

FOLLOW-UP ON PRIOR YEAR'S FINDINGS

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. Corrective action had been taken on all prior year findings.

There were no Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance audit reports issued during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We received the complete cooperation of all of the officials of the Charter School and we greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to the members of the audit team.

Respectfully submitted,

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VINELAND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICATION FOR CHARTER SCHOOL AID

ENROLLMENT COUNT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2014

	Submission to							Sample						
	DOE reported	Reported on	Verified signed		Verified		Special Ed &	Verified		Verified # days			Verified	
Grade	On Roll	Workpapers	Registration Forms	Errors	# days enrolled	Errors	or Bilingual	Documentation	Errors	Service Provided	Errors	Low Income	Documentation	Errors
Kindergarten	36	12			12							9	9	
One	36	19			19		1	1		1		11	11	
Two	37	22			22							10	10	,
Three	36	17			17		3	3	3	3		7	7	
Four	48	23			23		3	3	3	3		15	15	,
Five	36	17			17		2	2	2	2		9	9	,
Six	36	21			21							9	9	,
Seven	35	19			19		2	2	2	2		6	6	,
Eight														
Nine														
Ten														
Eleven														
Twelve														
Total	300	150	-	-	150	-	11	11	-	11	-	76	76	-

Percentage

VINELAND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

APPLICATION FOR CHARTER SCHOOL AID ENROLLMENT COUNT AS OF LAST DAY OF SCHOOL YEAR 2015

	Submission to							Sample						
	DOE reported	Reported on	Verified signed		Verified		Special Ed &	Verified		Verified # days			Verified	
Grade	On Roll	Workpapers	Registration Forms	Errors	# days enrolled	Errors	or Bilingual	Documentation	Errors	Service Provided	Errors	Low Income	Documentation	Errors
Kindergarten	36	24			24							13	13	
One	36	17	,		17							8	8	
Two	37	15	i		15							8	8	
Three	36	19)		19		1	1		1		12	12	
Four	48	25	i		25		5	5		5		10	10	
Five	36	19	1		19		1	1		1		12	12	
Six	36	15	i		15		3	3		3		6	6	
Seven	35	16	i		16							7	7	
Eight														
Nine														
Ten														
Eleven														
Twelve														
-														
Total	300	150	-	-	150	-	10	10	-	10	-	76	76	-

Percentage

EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION

REGULAR DISTRICT / CHARTER SCHOOL / RENAISSANCE SCHOOL PROJECT

SECTION 1

2% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2014-15 Total General Fund Expenditures Reported on CAFR Exhibit C-1 Increased by: Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund Transfer from General Fund to SRF for PreK-Regular Transfer from General Fund to SRF for PreK-Inclusion	<u>\$ 3,158,334.73</u> (B) <u>-</u> (B1a) <u>-</u> (B1b) <u>-</u> (B1c) <u>-</u> (B1d)
Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases Adjusted 2014-15 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)-(B2s)]	215,106.02 (B2a) 23,612.00 (B2b) \$ 2,919,616.71 (B3)
2% of Adjusted 2014-15 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .02] Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000 Increased by: Allowable Adjustment * Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance [(B5) + (K)]	\$ 58,392.33 (B4) 250,000.00 (B5) - (K) \$ 250,000.00 (M)
SECTION 2	
Total General Fund - Fund Balances at June 30, 2015 (Per CAFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule, Ex. C-1) Decreased by: Year-End Encumbrances Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures ** Other Restricted Fund Balances **** Assigned Fund Balance - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	97,775.80 (C) 41,910.52 (C1) - (C2) - (C3) - (C4) - (C5)
Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)]	<u>55,865.28</u> (U1)
SECTION 3	
Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus *** [(U1)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTER -0-	(E)
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2015	
Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures ** Restricted - Excess Surplus *** [(E)]	(C3) (E)
Total Excess Surplus [(C3)+(E)]	(D)

EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION (CONT'D)

REGULAR DISTRICT / CHARTER SCHOOL / RENAISSANCE SCHOOL PROJECT

Footnotes:

* This adjustment line (as detailed below) is to be utilized when applicable for:

Federal Impact Aid. The passage of P.L.2015, c46 amended N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-41 to permit a board of education to appropriate federal impact aid funds to establish or supplement a federal impact aid legal reserve in the general fund. Accordingly, effective for the year ending June 30, 2015 the Federal Impact Aid adjustment to expenditures is limited to the portion of Federal Impact Aid Section 8002 and Section 8003 received during the fiscal year and recognized as revenue on the General Fund Budgetary Comparison Schedule, but <u>not</u> transferred to the Federal Impact Aid Reserve - General (8002 or 8003) by board resolution during June 1 to June 30 of the fiscal year under audit. Amounts transferred to the reserve are captured on line (C4).

Sale & Lease-back, Extraordinary Aid, Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid, Recognized current year School Bus Advertising Revenue, and Family Crisis Transportation Aid. Refer to the Audit Program Section II, Chapter 10.

Detail of Allowable Adjustments

Federal Impact Aid	- (H))
Sale & Lease-back	- (l)	
Extraordinary Aid	- (J1	I)
Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid	- (J2	2)
Current Year School Bus Advertising Revenue Recognized	- (J3	3)
Family Crisis Transportation Aid	(J4	1)
Total Adjustments [(H)+(I)+(J1)+(J2)+(J3)+(J4)]	(K))

** This amount represents the June 30, 2014 Excess Surplus (C3 above) and must be included in the Audit Summary Line 90031. This amount was to be appropriated in the 2015-2016 general fund budget.

- *** Amounts must agree to the June 30, 2015 CAFR and must agree to Audit Summary Line 90030.
- **** Amount for Other Restricted Fund Balances must be detailed for each source. Use in the excess surplus calculation of any legal reserve that is not State mandated or that is not legally imposed by another type of government, such as the judicial branch of government, must have departmental approval. District requests should be submitted to the Division of Administration and Finance prior to September 30.

Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance

Statutory restrictions:	
Approved unspent separate proposal	
Sale/lease-back reserve	
Capital reserve	
Maintenance reserve	
Emergency reserve	
Tuition reserve	
School bus advertising 50% fuel offset reserve - current year	
School bus advertising 50% fuel offset reserve - prior year	
Impact Aid General Fund Reserve (Sections 8002 and 8003)	
Impact Aid Capital Fund Reserve (Sections 8007 and 8008)	
Other state/government mandated reserves	
[Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above]****	
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance	(C4)