DENVILLE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF MORRIS
AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT REPORT ON
ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL,
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September 9, 2016

The Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Denville Township School District County of Morris, NJ

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 Denville Township School District in the County of Morris for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016, and have issued our report thereon dated September 9, 2016.

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 September 9, 2016, on the financial statements of the Board.

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

This report is intended for the information of the Denville Township School District's Board of Education, 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 Moneys, 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

<u>Name</u>	Position	 Coverage
Paula Hatch	Treasurer of School Monies Interim Board Secretary/School Business Administrator	\$ 350,000
Vincent Occhino	(from 5/17/2015 to 7/10/2015)	350,000
Damaris Gurowsky	Board Secretary/Business Administrator (from 7/13/2015)	350,000

Tuition Charges

A comparison of tentative tuition charges and actual certified tuition charges was made. The actual costs were different than estimated costs. The Board made a proper adjustment to the billings to sending districts for the change in per pupil costs in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-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 Superintendent and certified by the President of the Board and the School Business Administrator, and the Superintendent.

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 (superintendent, assistant superintendents, and business administrator) to the New Jersey Department of Treasury was filed by the March 15 due date.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Cont'd)

Payroll Account and Position Control Roster (Cont'd)

Finding:

During our review health benefit deductions it was noted that prescription benefit deductions were not properly calculated between July 2015 and December 2015 due to a system error. When the District switched to a new financial reporting system in January of 2016, the health benefit deduction calculation was done correctly. Since the issue has been resolved, no recommendation is deemed necessary.

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

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. In addition to randomly selecting a test sample, we also reviewed administrative coding classifications to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-8.2. We also reviewed the coding of all expenditures included in our compliance and single audit testing procedures.

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 herein 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, Title II and Title III of the No Child Left Behind Act.

The study of compliance for the N.C.L.B. did not indicate any area of noncompliance.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Cont'd)

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.

Finding:

During our review of T.P.A.F. reimbursements it was noted that one month was not filed correctly with the Department of Education, which resulted in a payable due to the State.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that all T.P.A.F. reimbursements be properly filed with the Department of Education.

Management Response:

Management will ensure that all T.P.A.F. reimbursements are properly filed with the Department of Education in the future.

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 form was remitted to the State of New Jersey prior to the required deadline of October 1, 2016. The reimbursement form was reviewed and no exceptions were noted.

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, 2015 and thereafter the bid thresholds in accordance with *N.J.S.A.* 18A:18A-2 and 18A:18A-3(a) are \$40,000 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agent) and \$29,000 (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 \$18,800.

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.

School Purchasing Programs (Cont'd)

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

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 school food service was not selected as a major federal and/or state program and state and federal program expenditures did not exceed \$100,000 in federal and/or state support.

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 information reported in the October 15, 2015 Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the disabled, low income and bilingual students. 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 no errors. The information 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 Audited Enrollments.

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

The District's written procedures appear to be adequate for the recording of student enrollment data.

Pupil Transportation

Our audit procedures included a test of on-roll status reported in the 2015-2016 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The information that was included on the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary Report with one error. 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. The bid specifications for the purchase of buses were in compliance with applicable statutes. 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 of the revenue and awarding of contracts for eligible facilities construction. No exceptions were noted.

Travel Expense and 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. Based on our testing of these regulations, general compliance was noted.

Management Suggestions:

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.

Deferred Compensation Plans

The District has a fiduciary responsibility to its employees related to the deferred compensation plans offered by the District. The District should consider a periodic review of the benefits, features, costs, and performance of its deferred compensation plans and make that information available to employees to assist employees in making suitable choices for investing their retirement funds while fulfilling the District's fiduciary responsibilities.

Cyber Security

Cyber-crime has become much more prevalent in the last few years. Websites and internal networks, including personally identifiable information ("PII"), have been hacked and resulted in significant losses to organizations, both financial and reputational. We suggest that the District consider options to test and protect the District from cyber-crime.

Status of Prior Year's Findings/Recommendations

There were no prior year recommendations.

2016-2017 Application for State School Aid Sample for Verification Reported on Reported on Sample Verified per Errors per A.S.S.A. Workpapers Selected from Registers Registers On Roll Workpapers On Roll On Roll On Roll **Errors** Full Shared Full Shared Full Shared Full Shared Full Shared Full Shared 9 9 Half Day Preschool 4 Years Old 9 9 123 Full Day Kindergarten 123 123 123 148 148 148 Grade One 148 Grade Two 151 151 151 151 Grade Three 139 139 139 139 165 165 165 Grade Four 165 141 Grade Five 141 141 141 145 Grade Six 145 145 145 162 162 Grade Seven 162 162 180 Grade Eight 180 180 180 1,363 1,363 Subtotal 1,363 1,363 Special Ed - Elementary 15 15 151 151 113 11 11 Special Ed - Middle School 113 26 26 264 264 Subtotal 1,627 1,389 1,389 **Totals** 1,627 Percentage Error 0.00% 0.00% 0.00% 0.00%

	Private Schools for Disabled			Resident Low Income						
	Reported on A.S.S.A. as Private Schools	Sample for Verification	Sample Verified	Sample Errors	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
Full Day Kindergarten Grade One Grade Two					6 4 1	6 4 1		2	2	
Grade Three Grade Four Grade Five Grade Six					6 4 5 2	6 4 5 2		2 1 1	2 1 1	
Grade Seven Grade Eight Subtotal					3 7 38	3 7 38		2 9	9	
Special Ed - Elementary Special Ed - Middle School Subtotal	4.5 7 11.5	1 2 3.0	1 2 3		9 7 16	9 7 16		2 2 4	2 2 4	
Totals	11.5	3.0	3		54	54		13	13	
Percentage Erro	r			0.00%			0.00%			0.00%

			Resident LE	P Low Income		
	Reported on	Reported on		Sample	Verified to	
	A.S.S.A. as	Workpapers		Selected	Test Scores,	
	LEP Low	LEP Low		from	Application	Sample
	Income	Income	Errors	Workpapers	and Register	Errors
Full Day Kindegarten	4	4		1	1	
Grade One	1	1		1	1	
Subtotal	5	5		2	2	
Special Ed - Elementary	1	1		1	1	
Subtotal	1	1	MALES AND	1	1	
Totals	6	6		3	3	
	Percentage Error		0.00%			0.00%

Full Day Kindergarten

Special Education:

Special Ed - Middle School

Grade One Grade Two Subtotal

Elementary

Subtotal

Totals

		Resident LEP	Not Low Income		
Reported on	Reported on		Sample		
A.S.S.A. as	Workpapers		Selected	Verified to	
LEP Not Low	LEP Not Low		from	Test Scores	Sample
Income	Income	Errors	Workpapers	and Register	Errors
4	4		1	1	
1	1		1	1	
4	4		2	2	
9	9		3	3	
1	1				
1] 1		1	1	
	1		<u></u>		
2	2		<u> </u>	1	
11	11		4	4	

Percentage Error	0.00%	0.00%

DENVILLE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2015

Transportation

	Transportation						
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors	
Regular - Public Schools	731	731		25	25		
Regular - Special Education	177	177		18	17	1	
AIL - Non Public	13	13		5	5		
Transported - Non Public	106	106		11	11		
Special Needs	7	7		3	3		
Totals	1,034	1,034		62	61	1	
Pe	ercentage Error		0.00%			1.61%	

	Reported	Recalculated
Average Mileage - Regular Including Grade PK Students	3.7	3.7
Average Mileage - Regular Excluding Grade PK Students	3.7	3.7
Average Mileage - Special Education with Special Needs	5.5	5.5

DENVILLE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

REGULAR DISTRICT

SECTION 1

2% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2015-2016 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR, Ex. C-1 Increased by: Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund Transfer to Student Activity Agency Fund	\$30,563,720 (B) (B1a) \$ (B1b) \$ (B1d)
Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension and Social Security Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases Adjustment for Disallowed Expenditures per S1701 Adjusted 2015-2016 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1's)-(B2's)]	\$ 2,816,849 (B2a) \$ 45,131 (B2b) \$ (B2c) \$27,701,740 (B3)
2% of Adjusted 2015-2016 General Fund Expenditures [(B3) times .02] Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000 Increased by: Allowable Adjustments	\$ 554,035 (B4) \$ 554,035 (B5) \$ 136,109 (K)
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)] SECTION 2	<u>\$ 690,144</u> (M)
Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/2016 (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 Balance Assigned - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$ 5,408,546 (C) \$ 1,072,407 (C1) \$ (C2) \$ 300,271 (C3) \$ 2,275,185 (C4) \$ (C5)
Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)]	\$ 1,760,683 (U1)

DENVILLE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016 (Continued)

SECTION 3

Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus [(U1)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE, ENTER -0-	\$ 1,070,539 (E)
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2016	
Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Excess Surplus [(E)]	\$ 300,271 (C3) \$ 1,070,539 (E)
Total $[(C3)+(E)]$	\$ 1,370,810 (D)
Detail of Allowable Adjustments	
Impact Aid Sale & Lease-back Extraordinary Aid Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid Above Average Enrollment Growth	\$ -0- (H) \$ -0- (I) \$ 117,665 (J1) \$ 18,444 (J2) \$ -0- (J3)
Total Adjustments [(H)+(I)+(J1)+(J2)+(J3)]	\$ 136,109 (K)
Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance	
Statutory Restrictions: Approved Unspent Separate Proposal Sale/Lease-back Reserve Capital Reserve Emergency Reserve Maintenance Reserve Tuition Reserve Other State/Government Mandated Reserve Other Restricted Fund Balance Not Noted Above	\$ -0- \$ 932,266 \$ -0- \$ 1,342,919 \$ -0- \$ -0- \$ -0-
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance	\$ 2,275,185 (C4)

DENVILLE TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

It is recommended that:

1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

None

2. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

All T.P.A.F. reimbursements be properly filed with the Department of Education.

3. School Purchasing Program

None

4. School Food Service

None

5. Student Body Activities

None

6. Application for State School Aid

None

7. Pupil Transportation

None

8. Facilities and Capital Assets

None

9. Status of Prior Year's Findings/Recommendations

There were no prior year recommendations.