RIDGEFIELD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS -FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE JUNE 30, 2018

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Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Ridgefield Park Board of Education Ridgefield Park, 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 Ridgefield Park Board of Education for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, and have issued our report thereon dated January 30, 2019.

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.

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Scope of Audit

The audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator and Accountant, 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

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

Official Bonds

Name Position Amount

Michael Steinmetz Board Secretary \$250,000

There is Public Employee Dishonesty with Faithful Performance coverage for all other employees in the amount of \$250,000.

Tuition Charges

A comparison of tentative tuition charges and actual certified tuition charges was made. The sending/receiving tuition contract procedures set forth no certified tuition adjustment for 2017-18 school year.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

Examination of Claims

An examination of claims paid during the period under review indicated that the required signatures and certifications were obtained on the respective purchase orders and/or vouchers.

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.

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

Finding - Our audit of the District's payroll reports revealed a difference between the IRS Form 941 quarterly reports and W-3 summary for gross wages in the amount of \$34,449.

Recommendation - The District's federal quarterly payroll reports be reviewed and reconciled.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

Payroll Account (Continued)

The required certification (E-CERTI) of compliance with requirements of income tax on compensation of District Administration was filed with the NJ Department of Treasury by the due date.

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

Payrolls were delivered to the Secretary of the Board who then deposited by wire transfers in separate bank accounts for net payrolls and withholdings.

The Board 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 proper classification of orders as reserve for encumbrances and accounts payable.

Travel

The District has an approved Board travel policy as required by N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-6.13 and N.J.S.A. 18A:11-12. No exceptions were noted pertaining to travel expense payments tested.

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:23A-8.2. As a result of the procedures performed no errors were noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classifications.

Board Secretary's Records

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

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

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

Finding — Our audit revealed the original budget included in the District's appropriation report for the Special Revenue Fund was not in agreement with the adopted budget as a result of including unbudgeted local grants.

Recommendation – The original budget included in the District's Special Revenue Fund appropriation report be in agreement with the adopted budget.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

Board Secretary's Records (Continued)

Finding (CAFR Finding 2018-001) — Our audit indicated that the District's cash balance in the General Fund general ledger and monthly reports was not reconciled to the monthly bank reconciliation.

Recommendation – The cash balances in the District's General Fund general ledger and monthly reports be reconciled to the bank reconciliation on a monthly basis.

Finding – Our audit of petty cash indicated that certain expenditures exceeded the maximum amount per transaction as stated in the Board policy.

Recommendation – Petty cash expenditures be made in accordance with the Board policy.

Finding – Our audit revealed the audited legal costs exceeded the 130% of the audited statewide average as published in the Taxpayer Guide to Education Spending.

Recommendation – A resolution (or memo) be presented for adoption by the Board regarding the audited legal costs exceeding 130% of the audited statewide average as published in the Taxpayer Guide to Education Spending and to report the control measures that will be implemented to reduce such costs, as appropriate.

Board Designee - Bank Reconciliations

The Board has appointed the accountant as the designee to perform cash reconciliations.

The Board designee did not perform cash reconciliations for certain District accounts (N.J.S.A. 18A:17-36).

The monthly records pertaining to cash reconciliations were not in agreement with the records of the Board Secretary and approved in the official minutes.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act (E.S.E.A.)/as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

The E.S.E.A./ESSA 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, III and IV 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.

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.

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. Reimbursements 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 90 day grant liquidation period required by the Offices of Grants Management. The expenditure was reviewed subsequent to the reimbursement and no exceptions were noted.

School Purchasing Programs

Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids

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 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 school business administrator has been designated as the qualified purchasing agent and the Board has approved by resolution the bid threshold at \$40,000. This law regulating bidding for public school transportation contracts under NJSA 18A:39-3 is currently \$19,000.

The District 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 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.

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 threshold 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. 18-A: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. Our examination did reveal, however, that purchases were made through the use of State contracts.

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-check basis.

Cash receipts and bank records were reviewed for timely deposit.

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 file, times the number of operating days, on a school basis. The free and reduced price meal policy is uniformly administered throughout the school system. The required verification procedures for free and reduced price applications was completed and available for review.

Time sheets were reviewed and labor costs verified. Payroll records were maintained on all School Food Services employees authorized by the board of education/board of trustees. 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 (Continued)

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 \$38,000. The operating results provision has been met. All vendor discounts, rebates, and credits from vendors and/or the FSMC were tracked and credited to the food service account and reconciled to supporting documentation at least annually.

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.

Food distribution program commodities were received and a separate inventory was maintained on a first-in, first-out basis.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Assets (CAFR Schedule B-5) does separate program and non-program revenue and program and non-program cost of goods sold.

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

The District has contracted with Pomptonian, Inc. to operate its school food service program.

Student Body Activities

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

All cash receipts were promptly deposited.

All cash disbursements had proper supporting documentation.

Finding – Our audit of the Student Activity accounts revealed the following:

- Formal bank reconciliations were not performed for Thomas Jefferson School, Athletic Revenue and Athletic Expense bank accounts.
- Old outstanding checks exist on the Athletic expense bank reconciliation.
- Pre-numbered receipts were not always utilized at the Elementary Schools.
- Athletic officials' payroll listing forms are not approved by a supervisor.

Recommendation – Internal controls over the Student Activity funds be reviewed and enhanced.

Application for State School Aid

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 13, 2017 Application for State School Aid (ASSA) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, related services, 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 exceptions. 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.

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 2017-2018 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The information that was included on the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary Report with exceptions.

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

The District had no SDA grant projects during the year.

The District maintained detailed capital assets financial records.

Testing for Lead of all Drinking Water in Education Facilities

The school district adhered to all requirements of N.J.A.C. 26-1.2 and 12.4 related to the testing of lead of all drinking water in educational facilities.

The school district submitted the annual Statement of Assurance to the Department of Education, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:26-12.4(g).

Suggestions to Management

• Continued efforts be made to ensure contributions for employees eligible to participate in DCRP are properly funded for both prior and current years.

RIDGEFIELD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION FOOD SERVICE FUND SCHEDULE OF MEAL COUNT ACTIVITY NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED AND (OVER)/UNDERCLAIM ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

SCHEDULE OF MEAL COUNT ACTIVITY

Program	Meals <u>Category</u>	Meals <u>Claimed</u>	Meals <u>Tested</u>	Meals <u>Verified</u>	Difference	Rate	Under (Over) <u>Claim</u>
National School Lunch (Regular Rate)	Paid	104,340	34,971	34,971	-	\$ 0.31	-
	Reduced	25,527	8,276	8,276	-	2.83	-
	Free	84,453	28,145	28,145		3.23	
		214,320	71,392	71,392	-		w .
National School Lunch	HHFKA-PB Lunch Only	214,320	71,392	71,392	-	0.06	
National School Breakfast	TO 1.1	10.450	4 400			0.20	
(Severe Needs)	Paid	13,472	4,423	4,423	-	0.30	-
	Reduced	3,438	1,148	1,148	-	1.79	-
	Free	23,236	7,864	7,864		2.09	-
		40,146	13,435	13,435	-		

RIDGEFIELD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION FOOD SERVICE ENTERPRISE FUND CALCULATION OF NET CASH RESOURCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Net Cash Resources

Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 78,992
Due from Other Governments	84,666
Accounts Receivable	61,861
Current Liabilities	
Less:	
Accounts Payable	(19,543)
Net Cash Resources	\$ 205,976
Adjusted Total Operating Expense:	
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 981,420
Less Depreciation	(9,829)
Adjusted Total Operating Expense	\$ 971,591
Average Monthly Operating Expense:	\$ 97,159
Three Times Monthly Average:	\$ 291,477
Total Net Cash Resources	\$ 205,976
Three Times Monthly Average	291,477
Excess(Deficit) Cash Resources	\$ (85,501)

RIDGEFIELD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 14, 2016 SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

		2016-17 Application for State School Aid				Sample for Verification					Private Schools for Disabled					
	Report A.S.	S.A.	Reported on Sample Verified per Errors per Workpapers Selected from Registers Registers			Workpapers		Reported on A.S.S.A. as	Sample for							
	On I	Kou Shared	Full	On Roll Shared	Full_	Shared	Workp Full	apers Shared	On F Full	Shared	On Full	Roll Shared	Private Schools	Verifi- cation	Sample Verified	Sample Errors
Half Day Preschool					_	_										
Full Day Preschool - 3yr					_	_										
Full Day Preschool - 4yr					-	-										
Half Day Kindegarten					•	-										
Full Day Kindergarten	119,0	-	119.0	-	-		119.0	-	119.0	-	-	-				
One	135.0	-	135.0	-	-	-	135.0	-	135.0	-	-	-				
Two	140.0	-	140.0	-	-	-	48.0	-	48.0	-	-	-				
Three	143,0	-	143.0	-	-	-	45.0	-	45.0	-	-	~				
Four	143.0	-	143.0	-	-	-	31.0	-	31.0	-	-	-				
Five	150.0	-	150.0	=	-	-	43.0	-	43.0	-	-	+				
Sìx	137.0	-	137.0	-	-	-	54.0	-	54.0	-	-	-				
Seven	132.0	-	132.0	*	-	-	132.0	-	132.0	-	-	-				
Eight	106.0	-	106.0	-	-	-	106.0	-	106.0	-	-	-				
Nine	200.0	4,0	200.0	4.0	-	-	200.0	4.0	200.0	4.0	-	-				
Ten	217.0	6.0	217.0	6.0	-	-	217.0	6.0	217.0	6.0	-	-				
Eleven	228.0	2.0	228.0	2.0	-	-	228.0	2.0	228.0	2.0	~	_				
Twelve	199.0	3.0	199.0	3.0	-	-	199.0	3.0	199.0	3.0	-	-				
Post-Graduate																
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)																
Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)					***************************************	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,										
Subtotal	~ 2,049.0	- 15.0 -	2,049.0	- 15.0			1,557.0	- 15.0 •	1,557.0	- 15.0	-	-	-	-		-
Special Ed - Elementary	112.0	-	112.0	-	-	_	21.0	_	21,0	-	-	_	5.0	5.0	5.0	_
Special Ed - Middle School	61.0	-	61.0	-	-	-	11.0	-	11.0	-	-	_	2,0	2,0	2.0	
Special Ed ~ High School	103.0	6.0	103.0	6.0			19.0	1.0	19.0	1.0	-	-	7.5	5.0	5.0	_
Subtotal	276.0	6.0 -	276.0	6,0	- ===		51.0	- 1.0 ~	51.0	- 1.0			14.5	12,0	12.0	-
Co. Voc Regular																
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.																
Totals	2,325.0	21.0	2,325.0	21.0			1,608.0	16.0	1,608.0	16.0			14.5	12.0	12.0	
Percentage Error					0,00%	0.00%					0.00%	0.009/				0.009/
1 Groontage Error					0,0076	0.0078					0.0076	0,00%				0.00%

RIDGEFIELD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 14, 2016 SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

	Resident Low Income			Samp	le for Verification		Reside	ent LEP 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 LEP low Income	Reported on Workpapers as LEP low Income	Errors	Sample Selected from Workpapers	Verified to Test Score and Register	Sample Errors	
Half Day Preschool													
Full Day Preschool													
Half Day Kindegarten													
Full Day Kindergarten	39.0	39.0	-	3.0	3.0	-	6.0	6,0	*	6.0	6.0	-	
One	44.0	44.0	*	5.0	4.0	1.0	5.0	5.0	-	5,0	5.0	-	
Two	66.0	66.0	-	6.0	6.0	-	7.0	7.0	P+	7.0	7.0	-	
Three	45.0	45.0	-	5.0	4.0	1.0	3.0	3.0	-	3.0	3.0	•	
Four	56.0	56.0	-	6.0	6.0	-	3.0	3.0	-	3.0	3.0	•	
Five	59.0	59.0	-	6.0	6.0	-	-	-		=	-	-	
Six	43.0	43.0	-	4.0	4.0	-	- 40	-	-	-	-	-	
Seven	47.0	47.0	-	4.0	4.0	-	4.0	4.0	-	4.0	4.0	-	
Eight	28.0	28.0	-	2.0	2.0 4.0	-	-	6,0	-	6,0	6.0	*	
Nine Ten	54.0 50.0	54.0 50.0	-	4.0 4.0	4.0 4.0	-	6.0 2.0	2.0	-	2.0	2.0	-	
Eleven	47.0	47.0	-4	4.0	4.0	_	1.0	1.0	_	1.0	1.0	-	
Twelve	43.5	43.5	-	3.0	3.0	_	3.0	3.0	_	3.0	3.0	-	
Post-Graduate	43.3	43.5	-	3.0	3.0	-	5.0	3.0	-	5.0	٠.٠	-	
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)													
Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)													
Subtotal	621.5	621.5		56.0	54.0	2.0	40.0	40.0		40.0	40.0		
buotom	021.3	021.5		50.0	54.0	2.0	40.0	40.0		70.0	70.0		
Special Ed - Elementary	48.0	48.0	-	4.0	4.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Special Ed - Middle	24.0	24.0	-	3.0	3.0	-	1.0	1.0	-	1.0	1.0	*	
Special Ed - High	38.0	38.0		3.0	3.0		0.5	0.5		0.5	0.5		
Subtotal	110.0	110.0	-	10.0	10.0	-	1.5	1.5	-	1.5	1.5	-	
Co. Voc Regular													
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.													
Totals	731.5	731.5		66.0	64.0	2.0	41.5	41.5		41.5	41.5		
Percentage Error			0.00%			3.03%			0.00%			0.00%	
	Reported on	Reported on	Transp	ortation									
	DRTRS by	DRTRS by											
	DOE/county	District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors							
Reg Public Schools, col. I	18.0	18.0	-	8.0	8.0	_							
Reg -SpEd, col. 4	35.0	35.0	_	15.0	14.0	1.0							
Transported - Non-Public, col. 3			_			-							
Special Ed Spec, col. 6	69.0	69.0	-	29.0	29.0	-							
Totals	122.0	122,0		52.0	51.0	1.0							
Percentage Error						1.92%							

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	Resident	LEP NOT Low Inc	ome	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									
Full Day Preschool									
Half Day Kindegarten									
Full Day Kindergarten	10.0	10.0	•	10.0	10.0	-			
One	12.0	12.0	-	12.0	12.0	-			
Two	4.0	4.0	-	4.0	4.0	-			
Three	3.0	3.0	•	3.0	3.0	-			
Four	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	-	-	-	-	-			
Five	1.0	1.0	-	1.0	1.0	-			
Six	2.0	-	-	2.0	2.0	•			
Seven	3.0	3.0	-	3.0	3.0	•			
Eight	5.0	5.0	-	5.0	5.0	-			
Nine	3.0	3.0	-	3.0	3.0	-			
Ten	3.0	3.0	•	3.0	3.0 3.0	-			
Eleven Twelve	3.0	3.0 2.0	-	3.0 2.0	2.0	-			
	2.0	2.0	-	2.0	2.0	-			
Post-Graduate									
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)									
Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.) Subtotal	49.0	49.0		49.0	49.0				
Subtotat	. 49.0	49.0	-	49.0	49.0	-			
Special Ed - Elementary	-	_	_	_	_	-			
Special Ed - Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Special Ed - High	-	_	-	-	-	-			
Subtotal	-	_		_	_				
Co. Voc Regular									
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.									
Totals	49.0	49.0		49.0	49.0				
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%			

RIDGEFIELD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION CALCULATION OF EXCESS SURPLUS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

SECTION 1A - 1.5% Calculation of Excess Surplus

2017-2018 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR		\$	42,005,445
Decreased by: Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security			170,320 5,734,694
Adjusted 2017-2018 General Fund Expenditures		\$	36,100,431
1.5% of Adjusted 2017-2018 General Fund Expenditures		\$	541,506
Enter Greater of 1.5% of Adjusted 2017-2018 General Fund Expenditures or \$250,000		\$	541,506
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance		\$	541,506
SECTION 2			
Total General Fund - Fund Balance at June 30, 2018		\$	4,129,252
Decreased by: Restricted - Capital Reserve Restricted - Maintenance Reserve Committed - Year End Encumbrances Assigned - Year End Encumbrances	\$ 1,504,224 300,000 336,435 1,447,087		3,587,746
Total Unassigned Fund Balance		<u>\$</u>	541,506
SECTION 3			
Excess Surplus		\$	***

RIDGEFIELD PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION RECOMMENDATIONS

I. Administrative Practice and Procedures

There are none.

II. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

It is recommended that:

- 1. The original budget included in the District's Special Revenue Fund appropriation report be in agreement with the adopted budget.
- 2. The cash balances in the District's General Fund general ledger and monthly reports be reconciled to the bank reconciliation on a monthly basis.
- 3. Petty cash expenditures be made in accordance with the Board policy.
- 4. The District's federal quarterly payroll reports be reviewed and reconciled.
- 5. A resolution (or memo) be presented for adoption by the Board regarding the audited legal costs exceeding 130% of the audited statewide average as published in the Taxpayer Guide to Education Spending and to report the control measures that will be implemented to reduce such costs, as appropriate.

III. School Purchasing Program

There are none.

IV. School Food Service Program

There are none.

V. Student Body Activities

* It is recommended that internal controls over the Student Activity funds be reviewed and enhanced.

VI. Application for State School

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

A review was performed on all prior years' recommendation and corrective action was taken on all, except those denoted with an asterisk (*).

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Respectfully submitted,

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