WALLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION AUDITORS' MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS -FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE JUNE 30, 2020

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Honorable President and Members of the Board of Trustees Wallington Board of Education Wallington, New Jersey

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 Wallington Board of Education as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, and have issued our report thereon dated January 13, 2021.

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 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.

LERCH, VINCI & HIGGINS, LLP Certified Public Accountants

Public School Accountants

Gary W. Higgins

Public School Accountant

PSA Number CS00814

Fair Lawn, New Jersey January 13, 2021

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 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 the Insurance Schedule contained in the Statistical Section of the district's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (the "CAFR").

Official Bonds

Name	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Joseph Brunacki III	Board Secretary	\$200,000
Dorothy B. Siek	Treasurer of School Monies	250,000

There is an employee blanket dishonesty bond, including faithful performance for elected officials with coverage of \$500,000 per loss.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

Examination of Claims

An examination of claims paid during the period under review revealed no discrepancies with respect to signatures, certification or supporting documentation.

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 fringe benefits were deposited in the Payroll Agency Account.

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

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

The required certification (E-CERT1) of compliance with requirements for income tax on compensation of administrators to the New Jersey Department was filed by the March 15 due date.

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

Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund

The Board has adopted the direct reimbursement method and has established an Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund. The financial transactions of this fund are reported in the Expendable Trust Fund.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

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.

Payments made to employees for travel were in accordance with the approved travel policy.

Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.2(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 NJAC 6A:23A-8.3. As a result of the procedures performed, no errors were noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classification.

Board Secretary's Records

The records of the Board Secretary and Treasurer were in agreement.

The Board Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were presented monthly to the Board and were submitted to the Executive County Superintendent as prescribed by N.J.S.A. 18A:17-9 and 18A:17-36.

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 and Treasurer's monthly financial reports was included in the minutes.

Treasurer's Records

The Treasurer did perform cash reconciliations for the general operating account and payroll accounts.

The Treasurer's records were in agreement with the records of the Board Secretary.

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

The E.S.E.A. 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, IIA, III and IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended, and reauthorized.

Our examination of the Federal 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.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

I.D.E.A Part B

Separate accounting records were maintained for each approved project.

Grant application approvals and acceptance of grant funds were made by Board resolution.

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 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.

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. 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 reimbursement to the State for the amount of the expenditure charged to the current year's Final Report for all federal awards for the school district to reimburse the State for 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 subsequent to the end of the 90 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

Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids

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 District's Business Administrator is qualified and the bid threshold of \$40,000 has been established by Board resolution. The law regulating bidding for public school student transportation contracts under N.J.S.A. 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.

Based on the results of our examination, 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

COVID – 19 Emergency

In accordance with the Governor's Declaration of Emergency pertaining to the COVID 19 Virus all Public, Charter, Non-Public schools were ordered to close effective as of March 18, 2020 for an undetermined period to limit the spread of the virus. As a result, School Food Authorities (SFA) were required to institute alternate procedures to provide meals to Free and Reduced Price eligible students during the period of school closures.

Therefore, SFAs were authorized to solicit and award emergency noncompetitive procurements and contracts with Food Service Management Companies in accordance with 2 CFR 200.320 and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-7. The SFAs were also authorized to submit contract modifications to their existing Cost Reimbursable or Fixed Price contracts as necessary to ensure the feeding of Free and Reduced Price meal eligible students.

SFAs were notified of the requirement to maintain and report separate meal count records and financial records of all applicable costs incurred in providing meals to all free and reduced price meal eligible students during the emergency.

The school food service program was not selected as a major federal and/or State program. However, the program expenditures exceeded \$100,000 in federal and/or State support. Accordingly, we inquired of school management, or appropriate school food service personnel, as to whether the SFA had any Child Nutrition Program reimbursement overclaims or underclaims. No exceptions were noted.

We also inquired of school management, or appropriate school food service personnel, as to whether the SFA's expenditures of school food service revenues were limited to allowable direct and indirect costs. No exceptions were noted. In addition, non-program foods were not purchased, prepared, sold or offered for sale.

Non-program foods were not purchased, prepared, sold, or offered for sale by the District.

Finding – The Food Service Fund net cash resources exceeded the maximum amount permitted by the New Jersey State Department of Education.

Recommendation – Procedures be implemented to ensure that the year end net cash resources do not exceed three months average expenditures in the Food Service Fund.

Student Body Activities

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

Cash receipts and disbursements records were maintained and bank reconciliations were performed.

All receipts were promptly deposited.

Cash disbursements were supported by proper documentation.

Application for State School Aid

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 15, 2019 Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, 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 no exceptions noted. 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 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 2019-2020 District Report of Transported Resident Students (DRTRS). The information that was included on the DRTRS was verified to the DRTRS Eligibility Summary without exception. The results of our procedures 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

The District had no SDA grant projects during the year.

The District maintained financial records pertaining to its capital assets.

Testing for Lead of all Drinking Water in Educational Facilities

The school district adhered to all requirements of N.J.A.C. 26-1.2 and 12.4 related to the testing for 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).

WALLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION FOOD SERVICE FUND NUMBER OF MEALS SERVED AND (OVER)/UNDERCLAIM ENTERPRISE FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

NOT APPLICABLE

WALLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION FOOD SERVICE ENTERPRISE FUND CALCULATION OF NET CASH RESOURCES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

Net Cash Resources

Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	41,287
Due from Other Governments		1,582
Other Accounts Receivable		
Current Liabilities		
Less:		
Unearned Revenue		
Accounts Payable		•
Net Cash Resources	\$	42,869
Adjusted Total Operating Expense:		
Total Operating Expenses	\$	110,099
Less Depreciation		(3,857)
Adjusted Total Operating Expense	<u>\$</u>	106,242
Average Monthly Operating Expense:	<u>\$</u>	10,624
Three Times Monthly Average:	<u>\$</u>	31,873
Total Net Cash Resources	\$	42,869
Three Times Monthly Average		31,873
Excess(Deficit) Cash Resources	\$	10,996

WALLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION

SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2019

	2020-21 Application for State School Aid					Sample for Verification						Private Schools for Disabled				
	Reported on A.S.S.A. On Roll		A.S.S.A. Workpapers On Roll On Roll Error			Samp Selected Workpa	from apers	Verified per Registers On Roll		Errors per Registers On Roll		Reported on A.S.S.A. as Private	Sample for Verifi-	Sample	Sample	
	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Full	Shared	Schools	cation	Verified	Errors
Half Day Preschool Full Day Preschool Half Day Kindegarten Full Day Kindergarten	73		73	-			51	-	51	_	-	-				
One	78	-	78	-	-	-	55	-	55	-	-	-				
Two	80		80	_	-	-	58	-	58	-	-	-				
Three	78	-	78	-	-	-	38	-	38	-	-	-				
Four	87	-	87	-	-	-	87	-	87	-	-	-				
Five	99	-	99	-	-	-	99	-	99	-	-	-				
Six	87	-	87	-	-	-	87	-	87	-	-	-				
Seven	94	-	94	-	-	-	94	-	94	-	-	-				
Eight	93	-	93	-	-	-	93	-	93	-	-	-				
Nine	83	1	83	1	-	-	83	1	83	1	-	-				
Ten	84	•	84	-	-	-	84	-	84	-	-	-				
Eleven	81	3	81	3	-	-	81	3	81	3	-	-				
Twelve	90	•	90	-	-	-	90	-	90	-	-	-				
Post-Graduate Adult H.S. (15+CR.) Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)	<u> </u>															
Subtotal	- 1,107 -	4 -	1,107	4 -			1,000 -	4 -	1,000 -	4	-	-	-	-		
Special Ed - Elementary	48	-	48	-	-	-	18	-	18	-	-	-	3	3	3	-
Special Ed - Middle School	36		36		-	-	16	-	16	-	-	-		-	-	-
Special Ed - High School	34		34	<u> </u>			15		15				5	5_	5	
Subtotal	118	4 -	118	4 -			49 -		49 -				8	8	8	<u> </u>
Co. Voc Regular Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec. Totals	1,225	8	1,225	8		-	1,049	4	1,049	4		-	8	8	8	-
				=	0.00%	0.00%					0.00%	0.00%				0.00%

SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

WALLINGTON <u>SCHOOL DISTRICT</u> <u>APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY</u> <u>ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2012</u>

	Resident Low Income			Sample for Verification				esident 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 Kindegarten Full Day Kindergarten	22.0	22.0	-	3.0	3.0	-	6	6	_	5	5	_	
One	28.0	28.0	-	4.0	4.0	-	5	•		4	4	-	
Two	23.0	23.0	-	3.0	3.0	-	-	-	_	•	-		
Three	28.0	28.0		4.0	4.0	_	4	<u>.</u>	-	3	3	_	
Four	36.0	36.0		5.0	5.0		5	5		4	4	-	
Five	32.0	32.0		5.0	5.0	-	3	3	-	3	3	_	
	27.0	27.0	-	4.0	4.0	-	1	1		1	1	-	
Six		34.0	-	5.0	5.0		1	Ē		1		•	
Seven	34.0 17.0	34.0 17.0	-	3.0	3.0	-	2	2	•	2	2	-	
Eight		21.0	-	3.0		-	2	2	-	2	2	-	
Nine	21.0		-	3.0	3.0	-		-	-	2	_	-	
Ten	19.0	19.0	-		3.0	-	-	-	-	-	•	-	
Eleven	20.0	20.0	-	3.0	3.0	-	-	•	-	-	•	-	
Twelve	24.0	24.0		4.0	4.0								
Post-Graduate Adult H.S. (15+CR.) Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)													
Subtotal	331	331		49	49		28	28		24	24		
Special Ed - Elementary	37.0	37.0	-	5.0	5.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Special Ed - Middle	20.0	20.0	•	3.0	3.0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Special Ed - High	23.0	23.0	-	3.0	3.0	-					-		
Subtotal	80,0	80.0	-	11.0	11.0	-	-	-	•	-	•	-	
Co. Voc Regular Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.													
Totals	411	411		60	60	-	28	28	-	24	24	-	
Percentage Error		-	0.00%		-	0.00%		-	0,00%			0.00%	
	Transpoi			ortation									
	Reported on DRTRS by DOE/county	Reported on DRTRS by District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors							
				19	19	-							
Reg Public Schools, col. 1	47	47	-										
Reg -SpEd, col. 4	7	47 7	-	7	7	-							
Reg -SpEd, col. 4 Transported - Non-Public, col. 3	7	7 -	- - -	7	7	:							
Reg -SpEd, col. 4 Transported - Non-Public, col. 3 Special Ed Spec, col. 6	7 - 44	7 - 44	-	7 - 22	7 22	- -							
Reg -SpEd, col. 4 Transported - Non-Public, col. 3	7	7 -	- - -	7	7	-							

WALLINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

<u>APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY</u> <u>ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2019</u>

	Resid	dent LEP NOT Low Incom	ne	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	14	14	-	12	12	-		
One	10	10	-	9	9	-		
Two	2	2	-	2	2	-		
Three	7	7	-	6	6	-		
Four	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Five	2	2	-	2	2	-		
Six	1	1	-	1	1	-		
Seven	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Eight	5	5	-	4	4	=		
Nine	12	12	-	10	10	-		
Ten	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Eleven	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Twelve	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Post-Graduate								
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)								
Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)								
Subtotal	53	53	-	46	46	-		
Special Ed - Elementary	- .	-	-	-	-	-		
Special Ed - Middle	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Special Ed - High	1	1	-	1	1_			
Subtotal	1	1	-	1	1	-		
Co. Voc Regular								
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.								
Totals	54	54	-	47	47	_		
Percentage Error		_	0.00%		-	0.00%		
					=			

WALLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION CALCULATION OF EXCESS SURPLUS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

SECTION 1

A 2% Calculation of Excess Surplus 2019-2020 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR, Ex. C-1		\$	24,470,513
Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security			(2,885,758)
Adjusted 2019-2020 General Fund Expenditures		<u>\$</u>	21,584,755
2% of Adjusted 2019-2020 General Fund Expenditures		<u>\$</u>	431,695
Enter Greater of 2% or \$250,000		\$	431,695
Allowable Adjustment - Extraordinary Aid			69,050
Maximum Unassigned Fund Balance		\$	500,745
SECTION 2			
Total General Fund - Fund Balances at June 30, 2020 Decreased by: Year End Encumbrances Restricted for Capital Reserve Restricted - Excess Surplus Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Assigned, Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$ 471,315 149,058 1,092,875 163,951	\$	4,072,967 1,877,199
Total Unassigned Fund Balance		<u>\$</u>	2,195,768
SECTION 3			
Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus		\$	1,695,023
Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2020 Restricted for Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures Restricted for Excess Surplus		\$	1,092,875 1,695,023
		\$	2,787,898

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 procedures be implemented to ensure that the year end net cash resources do not exceed three months average expenditures in the Food Service Fund.

V. Student Body Activities

There are none.

VI. Scholarships

There are none.

VII. Application for State School Aid

There are none.

VIII. Pupil Transportation

There are none.

IX. Miscellaneous

There are none.

X. Status of Prior Year Findings/Recommendations

There were no prior year recommendations.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We received the complete cooperation of all the officials of the school district and we greatly appreciate the courtesies extended to us.

Respectfully submitted,

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