AUDITORS MANAGEMENT REPORT
ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE
BOROUGH OF SPRING LAKE
COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY
JUNE 30, 2021

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REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Borough of Spring Lake School District County of Monmouth, 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 Board of Education of the Borough of Spring Lake School District in the County of Monmouth for the year ended June 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated January 28, 2022.

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 report is intended solely for the information of the Borough of Spring Lake Board of Education'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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January 28, 2022

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS -</u> FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE REPORTING

Scope of Audit

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

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

Officials Bonds

Name

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Joannette Femia	Interim Business Administrator	\$200,000
Denise McCarthy	Business Administrator/Board Secretary	\$200,000

Position

There is a Public Employees' Dishonesty with Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond with New Jersey School Board Association Insurance Group covering all other employees with multiple coverage of \$500,000.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

Examination of Claims

An examination of claims submitted for payment during the period under review did not reveal any material 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 were approved by the Superintendent and were certified by the President of the Board and the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator.

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

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting, (continued)

Payroll Account, (continued)

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

Reporting of employee compensation for income tax related purposes did comply with federal and state regulations regarding the compensation which is required to be reported.

Position Control Roster

The Position Control Roster was reviewed and compared to payroll records, employee benefit records and charges made to the general ledger to ensure proper and consistent financial reporting and that employee benefits are only offered to current employees.

Reserve for Encumbrances, Liability for Accounts Payable

A review of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30, for goods not yet received or services not yet rendered and it was determined that no blanket purchase orders were included in the balance of the reserves for encumbrances. Also, unpaid purchase orders included in the balance of accounts payable were reviewed for propriety and to determine that goods were received and services were rendered, as of June 30.

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. Overall compliance was noted,

Board Secretary's Records

Our review of the financial and accounting records maintained by the Board Secretary were found to be in good condition, except for the following:

Finding 2021-01 (CAFR Finding 2021-1):

The General Fund and Special Revenue Fund subsidiary ledgers were not in agreement with the Board Secretary's report,

Recommendation:

That the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund subsidiary ledgers be in agreement and balanced to the Board Secretary's report on a monthly basis.

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting, (continued)

Board Secretary's Records, (continued)

Finding 2021-02 (CAFR Finding 2021-02):

There were budget transfers made that were not included in the minutes.

Recommendation:

That all transfers be approved in the minutes of the Board.

Fixed Assets

The general fixed asset records were updated for the additions and disposals of general fixed assets made through June 30, 2021.

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 the projects under Title I, Title II and Title IV of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended and reauthorized.

The study of compliance for E.S.E.A. indicated no areas of noncompliance and/or questionable costs.

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.

The study of compliance for the special projects indicated that there were no areas of noncompliance.

T.P.A.F. Reimbursement

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

Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting, (continued)

Non Public State Aid

Project completion reports were finalized and transmitted to the State Department of Education by the due date.

School Purchasing Programs

Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids

N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 contains definitions forterms used throughout N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq. It includes as subsection (p) the term 'competitive contracting', which is defined as "the method described in N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.1 through 18A:18A-4.5 and in rules promulgated by DCA at N.J.A.C. 5:34-4 of contracting for specialized goods and services in which formal proposals are solicited from vendors; formal proposals are evaluated by the purchasing agent or counsel or school business administrator; and the board of education awards a contract to a vendor or vendors from among the formal proposals received." Also, subsection (aa) defines the term 'concession' to exclude vending machines.

N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(a) sets forth the bid threshold and requires award by board resolution. There is a higher threshold when there is a "Qualified Purchasing Agent" (QPA) in the district as defined at N.J.A.C.5:34-1.1 and certified upon approval of an application submitted to DCA. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3(b), the bid threshold may be adjusted by the Governor, in consultation with the Department of Treasury, every five years.

N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4.4 provides boards of education the authority to pass a resolution authorizing the use of competitive contracting, 'In order to initiate competitive contracting, the board of education shall pass a resolution authorizing the use of competitive contracting each time specialized goods or services enumerated in sections 45 of L. 1999, c.440 are desired to be contracted."

Effective July 1, 2020 and thereafter, the bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-2 and 18A:18A-3(a) are \$44,000 (with a Qualified Purchasing Agency) and \$32,000 (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 \$19,600.

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 Solicitor'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. No violations were discovered.

School Purchasing Programs, (continued)

Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids, (continued)

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 contract or agreements for "Professional Services" per N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5.

School Food Services

The financial transactions and statistical records of the School Food Services were maintained in satisfactory condition. The financial accounts were reviewed on a test-check basis. No exceptions were noted.

The District did not operate the Food Service program during fiscal year June 30, 2021.

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

Student Activity Fund

During our review of the student activity funds, the following items were noted.

A cash receipts and disbursements record is maintained in satisfactory condition.

All receipts were promptly deposited in the bank.

Application for State School Aid

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 15, 2020 Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, low-income and bilingnal. 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 that was included on the workpapers was verified with no exceptions. 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 2020-2021 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. 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.

Testing for Lead of All Drinking Water in Educational Facilities

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

Follow-up on Prior Years' Findings

In accordance with government auditing standards, our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. Corrective action has been taken on all prior year findings with the exception of the following:

The General Fund and Special Revenue Fund subsidiary ledger should be reconciled and in agreement with the Board Secretary's report.

<u>Acknowledgment</u>

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

Respectfully submitted,

Paul J. Cuva, C.P.A. Licensed Public School Accountant No. 766

Wielkotz & Company, LCC WIELKOTZ & COMPANY, LLC Certified Public Accountants Pompton Lakes, New Jersey

January 28, 2022

BOROUGH OF SPRING LAKE, NEW JERSEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

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SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

BOROUGH OF SPRING LAKE, NEW JERSEY SCHOOL DISTRICT APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

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BOROUGH OF SPRING LAKE, NEW JERSEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS

APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15, 2020

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BOROUGH OF SPRINGLAKE, NEW JERSEY SCHOOL DISTRICT EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

REGULAR DISTRICT

SECTION 1

A	2% Calculation of Excess Surplus					
2020-21 Increase	Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR, Ex. C-1 d by:	\$	7,973,05 2	(B)		
Trai	nsfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund	\$		(B1a)		
Trai	nsfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund	\$		(B1b)		
	rsfer from General Fund to SRF for PreK - Regular nsfer from General Fund to SRF for PreK - Inclusion	\$		(B1c) (B1d)		
	Note that a state of the state	Ψ		(13.4)		
Decrease						
	Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security	\$	1,094,161			
ASS	ets Acquired Under Capital Leases	۵		(B 2 b)		
Adjusted	l 20-21 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)-(B2s)]	\$	6,878,891	(B 3)		
2% of A	djusted 2020-21 General Fund Expenditures					
r	[(B3) times .02]	\$	137,578			
	reater of (B4) or \$250,000 d by: Allowable Adjustment*	\$	250,000 157,1 2 8			
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Maximur	m Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)]			\$	407,1 2 8	_ (M)
SECTIO	<u>N 2</u>					
	eneral Fund - Fund Balances@ 6-30-21					
(Per CAI Decreas	FR Budgetary Comparison Schedule C-1) ed by:	\$	2,686,8 2 7	(C)		
	Year End Encumbrances	\$		(C1)		
	Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$		(C2)		
	Legally Restricted Excess Surplus - Designated for	Ψ		(02)		
	Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures**	\$	250,859	(C3)		
	Other Restricted Fund Balances****	\$	1,615,848			
	Assigned Fund Balance - Unreserved - Designated	_				
	for Subsequent Year's Expenditures	\$	124,141	(C 5)		
	Additional Assigned Fund Balance - Unreserved - Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures					
	July 1, 2020 - August 1, 2021	\$		(C 6)		
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Total Un	preserved/Undesignated Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)-(C6)]			\$	695,979	_(U1)
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<u>Recapit</u>	ulation of Excess Sur plus as of June 30, 2021					
Reserve	ed Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's					
	Expenditures**			\$	250,859	(C3)
Reserve	d Excess Surplus**[(E)]			\$	288,851	
Total E	70000 Curplus 1/C2\1/E\1			ø	E20 740	/I''''\
TOTAL EX	cess Surplus [(C3)+(E)]			\$	539,710	= (D)

Footnotes:

- * Allowable Adjustment to expenditures on line K must be detailed as follows. This adjustment line (as detailed below) is to be utilized when applicable for:
 - (H) Federal Impact Aid. The passage pf P.L. 2015, c. 46 amended N.J.S.A. 18A:7-F-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, 2016 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 not 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);
 - (1) Sale and Lease-back (Refer to the Audit Program Section !!, Chapter 10), Extraordinary Aid;
 - (J1) Extraordinary Aid;
 - (J1) Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid
 - (J3) Current Year School Bus Advertising Revenue Recognized
 - (J4) Family Crisis Transportation Aid.

Refer to the Audit Program Section II, Chapter 10 for restrictions on the inclusion of Extraordinary Aid and Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid.

Detail of Allowable Adjustments

Impact Ald	\$ (H)
Sale & Lease-back	\$ (1)
Extraordinary Aid	\$ 143,044 (J1)
Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid	\$ 14,084 (J2)
Current Year School Bus Advertising Revenue Recognized	\$ (J3)
Family Crisis Transportation Aid	\$ (J4)
Total Adjustments [(H)+(l)+(J1)+(J2)+(J3)+(J4)]	\$ 157,128_ (K)

- ** This amount represents the June 30, 2021 Excess Surplus (C3 above) and must be included in the Audit Summary Worksheet Line 90031.
- *** Amounts must agree to the June 30, 2021 CAFR and the sum of the two lines must agree to Audit Summary Worksheet Line 90030.
- **** Amount of Other Reserved Fund Balance 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 an other type of government, such as the judicial branch of government, must have Departmental approval. District requests should be submitted to the Division of Finance prior to September 30.

<u>Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance</u>

Statutory restrictions.	
Approved unspent separate proposal	\$
Sale/lease-back reserve	\$
Capital reserve	\$ 1,268,008
Maintenance reserve	\$ 249,977
Emergency reserve	\$ 67,592
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 General Fund Reserve (Sections 8007 and 8008)	\$
Other state/government mandated reserve	
[Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above]****	\$ 30,271
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance	\$1,615,848_ (C4)

SPRING LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT

AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

1.	Administrative	Practices	and	Procedures
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None

2. Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

Finding 2021-01 (CAFR Finding 2021-1):

The General Fund and Special Revenue Fund subsidiary ledgers were not in agreement with the Board Secretary's report.

Finding 2021-02 (CAFR Finding 2021-2):

There were budget transfers made that were not included in the minutes.

Recommendation:

That the General Fund and Special Revenue Fund subsidiary ledgers be in agreement and balanced to the Board Secretary's report on a monthly basis.

That all transfers be approved in the minutes of the Board.

3. School Purchasing Programs

None

4. School Food Services

None

5. Student Activity Fund

None

6. Application for State School Aid

None

7. Pupil Transportation

None

8. Facilities and Capital Assets

None

SPRING LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT

AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021 (Continued)

9. Miscellaneous

None

10. Status of Prior Year Audit Findings/Recommendations

A review was performed on the prior year recommendations and corrective action was taken on all prior year findings, except for the following:

The General Fund and Special Revenue Fund subsidiary ledger should be reconciled and in agreement with the Board Secretary's report.