TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

## TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

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#### **REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS**

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Township of Springfield School District PO Box 210 Springfield, New Jersey 07081 County of Union

We have audited, in accordance with generally accepted audit standards 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 Township of Springfield School District in the County of Union for the year ended June 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated February 15, 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 for the information of the Township of Springfield School District 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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February 15, 2022

# ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

### 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

Insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on the Insurance Schedule contained in the Statistical Section of the District's CAFR.

Adequacy of insurance coverage is the responsibility of the Board of Education.

#### Official Bonds

Name	Position	<u>Amount</u>
Matthew A. Clarke	Board Secretary/School Business Administrator	\$ 105,000
Katherine Herrigal	Treasurer	\$ 285,000

There is a Public Employees Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond with the Selective Insurance Company in the amount of \$50,000.

#### Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

#### Examination of Claims

An examination of claims paid during the period under review did not indicate any 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/Business Administrator.

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

Payrolls were delivered to the treasurer of school moneys with a warrant made to his order for the full amount of each payroll.

Our review of the Payroll Account did not uncover any areas of non-compliance which are required to be reported.

#### Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Payable

All encumbrances and accounts payable at June 30, 2021 were properly recorded and classified.

#### **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-8.3. 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 Board Secretary's Records were found to be in order.

#### Treasurer's Records (optional position)

The Treasurer's Records were found to be in order.

#### Elementary and Secondary Education Act 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 Titles I and VI of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act as amended and reauthorized.

The study of compliance for E.S.E.A. did not indicate any 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 did not indicate any areas of noncompliance.

### T.P.A.F. Reimbursement

Our audit procedures included a test of the biweekly 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.

## School Purchasing Programs

#### Contracts and Agreements Requiring Advertisement for Bids

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 Agent) 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 \$19,000 for 2020-21.

Also, effective July 1, 2020, the maximum threshold for quotations for a board of education without a QPA is \$4,800; and for a board with a QPA the maximum threshold for quotations is \$6,600.

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 questions arise 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.

Based on the results of my examination, I 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.

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

# School Food Service

The school food service program was 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 District's expenditures of school food service revenues were limited to allowable direct and indirect costs. No exceptions were noted.

The financial transactions and statistical records of the school food services were maintained in satisfactory condition. 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.

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 were reviewed and audited. The FSMC contract includes an operating results provision which guarantees that the food service program will either break even, return a profit or incur a loss of not more than a specified amount. The operating results provision has been met.

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.

#### Finding 2021-1:

The net cash resources exceeded the three months average expenditures at June 30, 2021.

## **Recommendation:**

The School Food Authority should maintain on a monthly basis the net cash resource. If the net cash resource exceeds the three months average, the SFA should develop a plan to rectify the excess cash issue.

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 by school basis. The free and reduced price meal is uniformly administered throughout the school system. The required verification procedures for free and reduced price and reduced price meal is uniformly administered throughout the school system. The required verification procedures for free and reduced price applications were completed and available for review.

U.S.D.A. Food Distribution Program (food and/or commodities) were received and a separate inventory was maintained on a first-in, first-out basis. No exceptions were noted.

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.

The school district maintains the detailed revenue and expenditure information necessary in order to execute the USDA mandated Non-Program Food Revenue Tool at least annually.

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

# **Student Body Activities**

Our review of the Student Activity Funds did not find any areas of noncompliance.

#### Application for State School Aid

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October Application for State School Aid (A.S.S.A.) for on-roll, private schools for the handicapped, and low-income. 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. The information that was included on the workpapers was verified. Any errors or exceptions were rectified. 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. No exceptions were noted. 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.

#### Follow-up on Prior Year Findings

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, our procedures included a review of all prior year recommendations. Corrective action had not been taken on the following prior year finding:

#### Finding 2020-1:

The net cash resources exceeded the three months average expenditures at June 30, 2020.

#### **Acknowledgment**

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.

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION COUNTY OF UNION

#### NET CASH RESOURCE SCHEDULE

### Net cash resources did exceed three months of expenditures Proprietary Funds - Food Service FYE 2021

Net Cash Resources:			Food Service B - 4/5							
CAFR * B-4	Current Assets Cash & Cash Equiv.	\$	287,637.00							
B-4 B-4 B-4	Due from Other Gov'ts Accounts Receivable Investments		64,400							
<b>CAFR</b> B-4 B-4 B-4	Current Liabilities Less Accounts Payable Less Accruals Less Due to Other Funds		36,912							
B-4	Less Deferred Revenue		26,253							
	Net Cash Resources	\$	288,872.00	(A)						
<u>Net Adj. Total Operati</u>										
B-5 B-5	Tot. Operating Exp. Less Depreciation		489,134 9,612							
	Adj. Tot. Oper. Exp.	\$	498,746.00	(B)						
Average Monthly Ope	rating Expense:									
	B / 10	\$	49,874.60	(C)						
Three times monthly	Average:									
	3 X C	\$	149,623.80	(D)						
TOTAL IN BOX A LESS TOTAL IN BOX NET	\$ 288,872.00 D \$ (149,623.80) <b>\$ 139,248.20</b>									
From above:										
A is greater than D each exceeds 2 V every monthly energing even page										

A is greater than D, cash exceeds 3 X average monthly operating expenses. D is greater than A, cash does not exceed 3 X average monthly operating expenses.

\* Inventories are not to be included in total current assets.

SOURCE - USDA resource management comprehensive review form

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF UNION SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF NOVEMBER 7, 2020

	2020-2021 Application for State School Aid				Sample for Verification					Private Schools for Disabled						
		ted on	•	rted on				mple		ed per		ors per	Reported on	Sample		
		.S.A.		papers	_			ed from		isters		gisters	A.S.S.A. as	for		
		Roll		Roll		ors		papers		Roll		n Roll	Private	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	71		71				71		71							
Full Day Kindergarten	118		117		1		118		117		1					
One	149		149				149		149							
Тwo	130		130				130		130							
Three	136		135		1		136		135		1					
Four	147		147				147		147							
Five	159		159				159		159							
Six	142		142				142		142							
Seven	165		165				165		165							
Eight	155		155				155		155							
Nine	123		123				123		123							
Ten	128	3	128	3			128	3	128	3						
Eleven	94	1	94	1			94	1	94	1						
Twelve	154	5	154	5			154	5	154	5						
Post-Graduate																
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)																
Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)																
Subtotal	1,871	9	1,869	9	2	0	1,871	9	1,869	9	2	0	0	0	0	0
Special Education:																
Elementary School	111		111				111		111				6.0	6.0	6.0	
Middle School	75		75				75		75				6.0	6.0	6.0	
High School	102	10	102	10			102	10	102	10			12.0	12.0	12.0	
Subtotal	288	10	288	10	0	0	288	10	288	10	0	0	24.0	24.0	24.0	0.0
Co. Voc Regular																
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.																
Totals	2,159	19	2,157	19	2	0	2,159	19	2,157	19	2	0	24.0	24.0	24.0	0.0
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Percentage Error					0.09%	0.00%					0.09%	0.00%				0.00%

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF UNION SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS (CONTINUED) APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF NOVEMBER 7, 2020

	Low Income			Sample	e for Verificat	ion	LE	P 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	7	7		7	7							
One	6	6		6	6							
Two	6	6		6	6		1	1		1	1	
Three	9	9		9	9		1	1		1	1	
Four	17	17		17	17		4	4		4	. 4	
Five	20	20		20	20		1	1		1	1	
Six	14	14		14	14		1	1		1	1	
Seven	20	20		20	20		1	1		1	1	
Eight	17	17		17	17			1			1	
Nine	17	17		17	17		2	2		2	2	
Ten	14	14		14	14		2	2		2	2	
Eleven	14	14		14	11							
Twelve	15	15		15	15							
Post-Graduate Adult H.S. (15+CR.) Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)												
Subtotal	173	173	0	173	173	0	11	11	0	11	11	(
Special Education:												
Elementary School	20	20		20	20		1	1		1	1	
Middle School	20 16	16		16	16		ı	1		1	I	
High School	26	26		26	26		1	1		1	1	
Subtotal	62	62	0	62	62	0	2	2	0	2	2	
	02	02		02	02		Z	2		<u>Z</u>	Z	
Co. Voc Regular												
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.												
Totals	235	235	0	235	235	0	13	13	0	13	13	C
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%			0.00%			0.00%
r ciccillage Enor			0.0076			0.0076			0,0076			0.00%
						Trans	portation					
	Reported	Reported				mana	pontation					
	on	on										
	DRTRS by	DRTRS by										Re-
	DOE	District	Errors	Tested	Verified	Errors					Reported	Calculate
Regular - Public Schools	318	318	0	318	318	0	Average Mil	eage Regular	Including (	Grade PK stude		5.1
Regular - Special Education	56	56	0	56	56	0				Grade PK stude		5.1 5.1
•	0C 0	96 0	0	56	56 0	0		eage - Regular eage - Special				
Transported - Non-Public		213	0		213	0	Average Mil	eage - Special	Eu with Sp	ecial needs	12.9	12.9
AIL Special Ed Spec	213		0	213	213 40							
Special Ed Spec	40	40		40		0						
Totals	627	627	0	627	627	0						
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#### BOARD OF EDUCATION TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF UNION SCHEDULE OF AUDITED ENROLLMENTS (CONTINUED) APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY ENROLLMENT AS OF NOVEMBER 7, 2020

	Į	EP NOT Low Income	e	S	ample for Verification	
	Reported	Reported on		Sample	Verified to	
	on A.S.S.A.	Workpapers		Selected	Application	
	as NOT Low	as NOT Low		from	and	Sample
	Income	Income	Errors	Workpapers	Register	Errors
Half Day Preschool						
Full Day Preschool						
Half Day Kindegarten						
Full Day Kindergarten	3	3		3	3	
One	4	4		4	4	
Two	3	3		3	3	
Three	4	4		4	4	
Four						
Five						
Six	3	3		3	3	
Seven	2	2		2	2	
Eight	2	2		_	-	
Nine						
Ten	2	2		2	2	
Eleven	2	2		2	2	
Twelve	2	2		2	2	
Post-Graduate	2	2		2	2	
Adult H.S. (15+CR.)						
Adult H.S. (1-14 CR.)						
Subtotal	23	23	0	23	23	0
Special Education:						
Elementary School						
Middle School	1	1		1	1	
High School						
Subtotal	1	1	0	1	1	0
Co. Voc Regular						
Co. Voc. Ft. Post Sec.						
Totals	24	24	0	24	24	0
Percentage Error			0.00%			0.00%

#### THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION As of June 30, 2021

#### Section 1

#### A. 2% Calculation of Excess Surplus 2020-2021 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR \$ 47,024,522 Decreased by: On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Social Security 6,841,870 \$ Assets Acquired under Capital Leases Adjustment for Disallowed Expenditures per S1701 Adjusted 20-21 General Fund Expenditures \$ 40,182,652 4% of Adjusted 2020-21 General Fund Expenditures 1,607,306 \$ Increased by Allowable Adjustment 466,652 Maximum Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance 2,073,958 \$ Section 2 Total General Fund Balances @ 06/30/21 12,061,381 \$ Decreased by: Year-end Encumbrances \$ 2.835.916 Capital Reserve 5,006,908 Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus- Designated for Subsequent Year's 157,121 Expenditures 2,051,720 Other Restricted Fund Balances Assigned Fund Balance - Unreserved - Designated For Subsequent Year's Expenditures 221,649 Total Unassigned Fund Balance 1,788,067 \$ Increased by: Adjustment for Disallowed Transfers per S1701 \$ Total Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance for Excess Surplus Calculation \$ 1,788,067 Section 3 \$\_\_\_\_\_ Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30, 2021 Reserved Excess Surplus -- Designated for Subsequent Year's Expenditures \$ 157,121 Reserved Excess Surplus 157,121 Total \$ **Detail of Allowable Adjustments** Impact Aid \$ Sale and Lease-back Extraordinary Aid 404,882 Additional Non Public School Transportation Aid 61,770 Unbudgeted TPAF Wage Freeze Grant Funding 466,652 Total Adjustments \$ Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance Statuatory Restrictions: \$ Approved unspent separate proposal Capital Outlay for a district with a Capital Outlay cap waiver Sale/Lease-Back Reserve 1,250,000 Capital Reserve -year end transfer 500,000 Maintenance Reserve Emergency Reserve 250,000 Tuition Reserve 51,720 Other State/Government Mandated Reserve [Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above]

Total Other Restricted Fund Balance

\$ <u>2,051,72</u>0

## TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT Audit Recommendations Summary For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2021

Recommendations:

- 1. Administrative Practices and Procedures
- 2. Financial Planning. Accounting and Reporting
- 3. School Purchasing Programs
- 4. School Food Service

**Finding 2021-1**: The School Food Authority should maintain on a monthly basis the net cash resource. If the net cash resource exceeds the three months average, The SFA should develop a plan to rectify the excess cash issue.

- 5. Student Body Activities
- 6. Application for State School Aid
- 7. Pupil Transportation
- 8. Facilities and Capital Assets
- 9. Miscellaneous
- 10. Status of Prior Year Audit Findings/Recommendations

Corrective action had not been taken on the following prior year finding:

#### Finding 2020-1:

The net cash resources exceeded the three months average expenditures at June 30, 2020.