## BOARD OF EDUCATION

MONMOUTH COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT (A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE COUNTY OF MONMOUTH)

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
AUDITOR'S MANAGEMENT REPORT ON ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL, COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE

FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

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## MONMOUTH COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

Honorable President and Members
of the Board of Education
Monmouth County Vocational School District
County of Monmouth, 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 Board of Education of the Monmouth County Vocational School District, a component unit of the County of Monmouth, in the County of Monmouth for the year ended June 30, 2022, and have issued our report thereon dated March 3, 2023.

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 Monmouth County Vocational School 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.


Gerard Stankiewicz
Certified Public Accountant Licensed Public School Accountant \#912


SAMUEL KLEIN AND COMPANY, LIP
Freehold, New Jersey
March 3, 2023

# ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE <br> JUNE 30, 2022 

## Scope of Audit

The audit covered the financial transactions of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator and the activities of the Board of Education and the records of the various funds under the auspices of the Board of Education. This report is filed in conjunction with the District's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR).

## Administrative Practices and Procedures

## Insurance

Fire insurance coverage was carried in the amounts as detailed on the Insurance Schedule contained in the Statistical Section ( $\mathrm{J}-20$ ) of the District's ACFR.

Officials' Bonds

| Name | Position | Amount |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Dr. Charles Ford, Ed. D. | Superintendent of Schools | $\$ 300,000.00$ |
| Kelly Brazelton | Board Secretary/Business Administrator | $\$ 100,000.00$ |

There is a Public Employees Faithful Performance Blanket Position Bond.

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting

## Examination of Claims

An examination of claims paid during the period under audit was made as to affidavit or signed declaration, proper itemization and proper authorization by officials. The Board's voucher system is in accordance with R.S. 18:6-34, which requires a signed declaration by the vendor in place of an affidavit. In addition, all vouchers are signed by the Board Secretary. The actual signature for receipt of goods or services rendered is on the receiving copy of the purchase order set, which is attached to the purchase order and filed alphabetically. All claims approved for payment are listed by fund total in the Minutes.

## 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.

## ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL

 COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2022
## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

## Payroll Account (Continued)

Compensation records were tested, and for those individuals examined; it was determined that salaries paid were in accordance with the amounts authorized by the Board.

Salary withholdings were promptly remitted to the proper agencies, including required health benefits withholdings.

## Tuition Charges

The Board made billings to the sending districts for the charge in per pupil costs and was consistently applied.

## Unemployment Compensation Insurance Trust Fund

The Board has adopted the direct reimbursement method and has established an Unemployment Compensation Insurance Reserve in the General Fund.

## Reserve for Encumbrances and Accounts Pavable

A review of outstanding issued purchase orders was made as of June 30, 2022 for proper classification of orders as reserved for encumbrances and accounts payable. The reserve for encumbrances and accounts payable have been determined to be proper.

## Classification of Expenditures

The coding of expenditures was tested for proper classification in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23-2.2(g) as part of our test of transactions of randomly selected expenditure items. We also examined 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 classification to determine overall reliability and compliance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-2.4. As a result of the procedures performed, no transaction error rate was noted and no additional procedures were deemed necessary to test the propriety of expenditure classification.

## Travel Reimbursement Policy

The required travel and related reimbursement policy was in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:23B-1.2(a).

# ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2022 

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

## Student Bodv Activities Funds

Cash receipts and cash disbursements records were maintained in satisfactory condition.

## Board Secretarv/School Business Administrator's Records

Our review of the financial and accounting records of the Board Secretary/School Business Administrator revealed that the records were properly maintained.

Acknowledgment of the Board's receipt of the Board Secretary's report was included in the minutes.

## Cash Records

The cash reports were found to be maintained properly.
Acknowledgment of the Board's receipt of the cash report was included in the minutes.

## Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) as Amended by Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

The ESEA financial exhibits are contained within the Special Revenue Section of the ACFR. This section of the ACFR documents the financial position pertaining to the project under Titles I and II-A of the ESSA as amended.

## Other Special Federal and/or State Proiects

The District's Special Projects were approved as listed on the Schedules of Federal and State Financial Assistance located in the ACFR.

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 ACFR. This section of the ACFR documents the financial position pertaining to the aforementioned special projects.

## T.P.A.F. Reimbursement

Our Audit procedures included a test of the bi-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.

# ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED) JUNE 30, 2022 

## Financial Planning, Accounting and Reporting (Continued)

T.P.A.F. Reimbursement 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 Office of Grants Management. The expenditure was reviewed subsequent to the reimbursement or state that no exceptions were noted.

## Expendable and Nonexpendable Trust Funds

The accounts within this fund have been properly administered.

## School Purchasing Programs

## Contracts and Aareements Requiring Advertisement for Bids

Effective July 1, 2020 and thereafter the bid thresholds in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-3 and 18A:39-3 are $\$ 32,000.00$ and $\$ 19,600.00$, respectively.

The board of education has elected to utilize the Qualified Purchasing Agent (QPA) higher bid threshold of $\$ 44,000.00$ since the School Business Administrator/Board Secretary is qualified as such.

The board of education has the responsibility of determining whether the expenditures in any category will exceed the statutory thresholds within the fiscal 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 is not designed to 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.

The results of our examination indicated that no individual payments, expenditures, contracts or agreements were made "for the performance of any work or the furnishing or hiring of any materials of 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.

It has been brought to our attention by the new Business Administrator that one item that related to garbage/recycling removal in multiple locations district-wide were not previously bid and possibly should have been. We have been advised that all expenditures will be reviewed by the new Business Administrator in order to ensure compliance.

# ADMINISTRATIVE FINDINGS - FINANCIAL COMPLIANCE AND PERFORMANCE (CONTINUED) <br> JUNE 30. 2022 

## School Purchasing Programs

Contracts and Aareements Requiring Advertisement for Bids (Continued)
Resolutions were adopted authorizing the awarding of contracts or agreements for "Professional Services" per N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-5.

The minutes indicate that bids were advertised for the following:
Perkins and Post-Secondary Equipment Instruction Supplies, Nursing
Perkins Equipment and Supplies
Cosmetology Kits
Landscaping
Sewer Line Repairs
Linen \& Laundry Services

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 revealed the following purchases were made through the use of State contracts.

Computer and Computer Related Products
Office Equipment and Supplies
HVAC Improvements

Custodial Supplies
Maintenance Supplies
Science Supplies

Purchases were made through various other cooperative and governmental agency purchasing arrangements as well.

## School Food Service

The District did not participate the National School Lunch Program during the fiscal year 2021-2022.

## Application for State School Aid (ASSA)

Our audit procedures included a test of information reported in the October 15, 2021 Application for State School Aid (ASSA) for on-roll. We also performed a review of the district procedures related to its completion. The information on the ASSA was compared to the district workpapers. The information that was included on the workpapers was verified with a minor 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 has adequate written procedures for the recording of student enrollment data.

## Capital Assets

Due to their nature the capital (fixed) assets should be monitored on an ongoing basis for accuracy.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

JUNE 30, 2022
None

## FOLLOW-UP ON PRIOR YEAR'S FINDINGS

None

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The foregoing comments and recommendations are not of sufficient materiality whereby they would affect our ability to express an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole.

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

Respectfully submitted,


Gerard Stankiewicz
Certified Public Accountant
Public School Accountant \#912
For The Firm
SAMUEL KLEIN AND COMPANY, LLP

## MONMOUTLI COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT <br> APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY

## ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15. 2021

| 2022-2023 Application for State School Aid |  |  |  |  |  | Sample for Verification |  |  |  |  |  | Private Schools |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | don | Reported on |  |  |  | Sample Selected from Workpapers |  | Verified per <br> Registers On Roll |  | Errors per <br> Registers <br> On Roll |  | Reported on A.S.S.A. as Private Schools | Sample |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | for |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Verifi- | Sample |  |  | Sample |
| Full | Shared | Full | Shared | Full | Shared | Full | Shared |  |  | Full | Shared |  | Full | Shared | cation | Verified | Errors |

Special Ed-Elementary
Special Ed - Middle Schoo Special Ed - High School
Subtotal


Percentage Error

## MONMOUTH COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT <br> APPLICATION FOR STATE SCHOOL AID SUMMARY

ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 15. 2021

Special Ed - Elementary Special Ed - Middle Special Ed - High
Subtotal

| Resident Low Income |  |  | Sample for Verification |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reported on | Reported on |  |  |  |
| A.S.S.A. as <br> Low <br> Income | Workpapers as Low Income | Errors | Sample Selected from Workpapers | Verified to Application and Register |


| Resident LEP Low Income |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Reported on | Reported on |  |
| A.S.S.A. as | Workpapers as |  |
| LEP low | LEP low |  |
| Income | Income |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |


| Sample for Verification |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Sample | Verified to |  |
| Selected from | Test Score |  |
| Sample |  |  |
| Workpapers | and Register |  |
|  |  |  |



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

## MONMOUTH COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

 COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30. 2022(UNAUDITED)

## EXCESS SURPLUS CALCULATION COUNTY VOCATIONAL DISTRICTS

## SECTION 1

## A. 6\% Calculation of Excess Surplus (2021-22 expenditures of $\$ 100$ million or less)

2021-22 Total General Fund Expenditures per the CAFR, Ex. C-1Increased by:Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund
\$ ..... 51,969,298.24 ..... (B)
Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund
\$
$\qquad$ (B1a)
Decreased byOn-Behalf TPAF Pension \& Social SecurityAssets Acquired Under Capital Leases\$ 10,964,333.14(B2a)
(B2b)
Adjusted 2021-22 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)-(B2s)]
\$ 41,004,965.10 ..... (B3)
6\% of Adjusted 2021-22 General Fund Expenditures[(B3) times .06]
Enter Greater of (B4) or \$250,000
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment*
\$ 2,460,297.91(B4)
\$ 2,460,297.91 ..... (B5)
\$ ..... (K)Maximum Unreserved/Undesignated Fund Balance [(B5)+(K)]

* This adjustment line (as detailed below) is to be utilized when applicable for: Impact Aid, Sale and Lease-back (Refer to the Audit Program Section II, Chapter 10), Extraordinary Aid, Additional Nonpublic School Aid and 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.


## B. 6\% Calculation of Excess Surplus (2021-22 expenditures greater than $\$ 100$ million)

2021-22 Total General Fund Expenditures
Increased by:
Transfer from Capital Outlay to Capital Projects Fund
Transfer from Capital Reserve to Capital Projects Fund
Decreased by:
On-Behalf TPAF Pension \& Social Security
Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases
Adjusted 2021-22 General Fund Expenditures [(B)+(B1s)-(B2s)]
2021-22 General Fund Expenditures in excess of $\$ 100$ million
[(B3) minus $\$ 100,000,000$ (B1a)
3\% of General Fund Expenditures in excess of $\$ 100$ million
[(B4) times .03]
(B5) Plus $\$ 6,000,000$
Increased by: Allowable Adjustment *

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## MONMOUTH COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF MONMOUTH. NEW JERSEY <br> FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 <br> (UNAUDITED) <br> (CONTINUED)

## SECTION 2

Total General Fund - Fund Balances @ 6/30/2022
(Per CAFR Budgetary Comparison Schedule-C1)
Decreased by:
Year-end Encumbrances
Legally Restricted - Designated for Subsequent Year's

| Expenditures |
| :--- |
| Legally Restricted - Excess Surplus - Designated for |
| $\quad$ Subsequent Year's Expenditures** |


| Other Restricted Fund Balances **** |
| :--- |


| Assigned Fund Balance - Unreserved - Designated |
| :--- |
| for Subsequent Year's Expenditures |

(C2)

Total Unassigned Fund Balance [(C)-(C1)-(C2)-(C3)-(C4)-(C5)]
\$
831,176.62

## SECTION 3

Restricted Fund Balance - Excess Surplus***(U1)-(M)] IF NEGATIVE ENTER -0-
\$
0.00 (E)

## Recapitulation of Excess Surplus as of June 30. 2022

Reserved Excess Surplus - Designated for Subsequent Year's
Expenditures**
\$
\$
Reserved Excess Surplus***[(E)]
\$ $\qquad$ (D)

Footnotes:

* This adjustment line (as detailed below) is to be utilized for Impact Aid when applicable for: Impact Aid, Sale and Lease-back (Refer to the Audit Program Section II, Chapter 10), Extraordinary Aid, Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid, and Unbudgeted TPAF Wage Freeze Grant Funding. 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 Adiustments

| Impact Aid | $\$ \square$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Sale \& Lease-back | $\$ \square$ |
| Extraordinary Aid | $\$ \square$ |
| Additional Nonpublic School Transportation Aid | (H) |
| Current Year School Bus Advertising Revenue Recognized | $\$ \square$ |
| Family Crisis Transportation Aid | (J) |
| $\quad$ (Jotal Adjustments $[(\mathrm{H})+(\mathrm{I})+(\mathrm{J} 1)+(\mathrm{J} 2)+(\mathrm{J} 3)]$ | $\$ \square$ |
| (J2) |  |
| (J3) |  |
| (J4) |  |

*** Amount must agree to the June 30, 2022 CAFR and Audit Summary Line 90030

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

## MONMOUTH COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30. 2022 <br> (UNAUDITED) <br> (CONTINUED)

**** Amount for Other Reserved Fund Balances 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.

## Detail of Other Restricted Fund Balance

Statutory restrictions:
Approved unspent separate proposal
Capital outlay for a district with a capital outlay cap waiver
Sale/lease-back reserve
Capital reserve
Maintenance reserve
Emergency reserve
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
Impact Aid capital fund reserve
Other state/government mandated reserve
Other Restricted Fund Balance not noted above**** $\qquad$
Total Other Restricted Fund Balance
\$ $\qquad$ (C4)


# MONMOUTH COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, NEW JERSEY 

NET CASH RESOURCE SCHEDULE
Net Cash Resources Did Not Exceed Three Months of Expenditures
Proprietary Funds - Food Service
FYE 2022


Average Monthly Operating Expense:

$$
\text { B / } 10
$$

5,149.50 (C)

Three Times Monthly Average:
$3 \times C$
\$ 15,448.50 (D)

| TOTAL IN BOX A | $\$$ | $7,953.00$ |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| LESS TOTAL IN BOX D | $\$$ | $15,448.50$ |
| NET | $\$$ | $(7,495.50)$ |

From above:
$A$ 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 MONMOUTH COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 

AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS SUMMARY
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022

Recommendations:

1. Administrative Practices and Procedures

None
2. Financial Planning. Accounting and Reporting

None.
3. School Purchasing Programs

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. Miscellaneous

None
10. Status of Prior Year Audit Findings/Recommendations

There were no prior year audit findings/recommendations.

