

STATE OF ILLINOIS OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #33 HENDERSON, KNOX, MERCER AND WARREN COUNTIES

FINANCIAL AUDIT (In Accordance with the Uniform Guidance) For the Year Ended: June 30, 2022 Release Date: May 24, 2023

| FINDINGS THIS AUDIT: 1 | | | | AGING SCHEDULE OF REPEATED FINDINGS | | | |
|------------------------|------------|---------------|--------------|--|----------|----------|----------|
| | | | | Repeated | Category | Category | Category |
| | <u>New</u> | <u>Repeat</u> | <u>Total</u> | Since | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Category 1: | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2016 | | 22-1 | |
| Category 2: | 0 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
| Category 3: | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | | | | |
| TOTAL | 0 | 1 | 1 | | | | |
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| FINDINGS LAST AUDIT: 4 | | | | | | | |

SYNOPSIS

• (22-1) The Regional Office of Education #33 did not have adequate internal control procedures.

Category 1: Findings that are **material weaknesses** in internal control and/or a **qualification** on compliance with State laws and regulations (material noncompliance).

Category 2: Findings that are **significant deficiencies** in internal control and/or **noncompliance** with State laws and regulations.

Category 3: Findings that have **no internal control issues but are in noncompliance** with federal and/or State laws and regulations.

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REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #33 HENDERSON, KNOX, MERCER AND WARREN COUNTIES

| | FY 2022 | FY 2021 |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| TOTAL REVENUES | \$9,559,682 | \$10,383,134 |
| Local Sources | \$1,332,833 | \$805,085 |
| % of Total Revenues | 13.94% | 7.75% |
| State Sources | \$7,069,001 | \$8,403,697 |
| % of Total Revenues | 73.95% | 80.94% |
| Federal Sources | \$1,157,848 | \$1,174,352 |
| % of Total Revenues | 12.11% | 11.31% |
| | | |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | \$9,473,227 | \$10,048,775 |
| Salaries and Benefits | \$4,406,515 | \$4,946,332 |
| % of Total Expenditures | 46.52% | 49.22% |
| Purchased Services | \$751,844 | \$665,454 |
| % of Total Expenditures | 7.94% | 6.62% |
| All Other Expenditures | \$4,314,868 | \$4,436,989 |
| % of Total Expenditures | 45.55% | 44.15% |
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| TOTAL NET POSITION | \$5,140,865 ¹ | \$2,574,432 |
| | | |
| INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS | \$0 | \$262,013 |
| ¹ The FY 2022 beginning net position was restated by | \$2,479,978 due to con | verting the financial |
| statements to the cash basis of accounting. | | |
| Percentages may not add due to rounding. | | |

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REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT

During Audit Period: Honorable Jodi Scott Currently: Honorable Jodi Scott

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Regional Office of Education #33 did not have adequate internal control procedures.

INADEQUATE INTERNAL CONTROL PROCEDURES

The Regional Office of Education #33 (ROE) did not have adequate internal control procedures. The ROE maintains 4 bank accounts. During the audit, auditors noted that in 2 bank accounts, dates were not evident as to when the monthly reconciliations were performed. As a result, auditors could not determine it was done timely for 12 out of 12 months (100%). In addition, 22 of 24 monthly bank reconciliations (92%) were reviewed more than 30 days after month-end (4 to 307 days late).

Effective internal control policies require complete and accurate accounting records of all transactions of the entity. Sound internal controls require bank reconciliations to be performed accurately and promptly. Reconciling items should be investigated immediately, and adjustments made to the general ledger. Bank reconciliations should also be reviewed and approved by a person independent of the preparer in a timely manner.

Regional Office officials indicated that a contractor's resignation and competing priorities resulted in the conditions noted above. (Finding 22-001, pages 15 - 16) This finding was first reported in 2016.

The auditors recommended the ROE should prepare and review monthly bank reconciliations on a timely basis. This would ensure that the cash balance per ledger is correct and cash transactions are fully accounted for.

ROE Response: The ROE has added additional bookkeeping staff. The accounts receivable staff member is specifically responsible for ensuring that the cash balance is correct and cash transactions are fully accounted for and approved by the Regional Superintendent in a timely manner. This finding has been corrected.

AUDITORS' OPINION

Our auditors state the Regional Office of Education #33's financial statements as of June 30, 2022 are fairly presented in all material respects.

This financial audit was conducted by the firm of Adelfia LLC.

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JOE BUTCHER Division Director

This report is transmitted in accordance with Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

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