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# BLUFFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY ALLEN COUNTY Agreed-Upon Procedures For the Years Ended December 31, 2018 and 2017



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Board of Trustees Bluffton Public Library 145 South Main Street Bluffton, OH 45817

We have reviewed the *Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures* of the Bluffton Public Library, Allen County, prepared by Perry & Associates, Certified Public Accountants, A.C., for the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018. Based upon this review, we have accepted this report in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Bluffton Public Library is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Keith Faber Auditor of State Columbus, Ohio

July 1, 2019



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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

June 7, 2019

Bluffton Public Library Allen County 145 South Main Street Bluffton, OH 45817

To the Board of Trustees:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board of Trustees and the management of **Bluffton Public Library**, **Allen County**, (the Library) and the Auditor of State, on the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the Library's cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 and certain compliance requirements related to those transactions and balances, included in the information provided to us by the management of the Library. The Library is responsible for the receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in the cash basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances included in the information provided to us by the Library. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the parties specified in this report. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

#### **Cash and Investments**

- 1. We recalculated the December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We agreed the January 1, 2017 beginning fund balances recorded in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances to the December 31, 2016 balances in the prior year documentation in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2018 beginning fund balances recorded in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances to the December 31, 2017 balances in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances. We found no exceptions.
- 3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliation to the totals of the December 31, 2018 and 2017 fund cash balances reported in the Combined Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances. The amounts agreed.

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# **Cash and Investments (Continued)**

- 4. We confirmed the December 31, 2018 bank account balances with the Library's financial institutions. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2018 bank reconciliation without exception.
- 5. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) from the December 31, 2018 bank reconciliation:
  - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January bank statement. We found no exceptions.
  - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. There were no exceptions.
- 6. We Inspected investments held at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 to determine that they:
  - a. Were of a type authorized by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 135.13, 135.14 or 135.144. We found no exceptions.
  - b. Mature within the prescribed time limits noted in Ohio Rev. Code Section 135.13 or 135.14. We noted no exceptions.

# **Public Library Fund Receipts**

- 1. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of two Public Library Fund (PLF) receipts from the Allen County Vender Invoice List from 2018 and two from 2017. In addition, we selected a sample (agreed upon) of two PLF receipts from the Hancock County Vender Invoice List from 2018 and two from 2017.
  - a. We compared the amount from the Allen County Vender Invoice List and the Hancock County Vender Invoice List to the amounts recorded in the Revenue Ledger. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Revenue Ledger and observed these receipts were posted to the General Fund. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We inspected the Revenue Ledger and observed the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
  - d. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether it included one PLF receipt per month for 2018 and 2017. We found no exceptions.

# **Property Taxes and Intergovernmental Receipts**

- 1. We selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2018 and one from 2017 for each of the counties from which taxes are levied:
  - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Revenue Ledger. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to confirm whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
- We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2018 and 2017 from each county. The Revenue Ledger included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.
- 3. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of five receipts from the State Distribution Transaction List (DTL) from 2018 and five from 2017. We also selected a sample (agreed upon) of five receipts from the Hancock County Vender List and Allen County Vender Invoice List from 2018 and five from 2017.
  - a. We compared the amount from the above reports to the amount recorded in the Revenue Ledger. The amounts agreed.
  - b. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine that these receipts were allocated to the proper fund. We found no exceptions.
  - c. We inspected the Revenue Ledger to determine whether the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.

#### Debt

- 1. The prior agreed-upon procedures documentation disclosed no debt outstanding as of December 31, 2016
- 2. We inquired of management, and scanned the Revenue Ledger and Appropriation Ledger for evidence of debt issued during 2018 or 2017 or debt payment activity during 2018 or 2017. There were no new debt issuances, nor any debt payment activity during 2018 or 2017.

#### **Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected one payroll check for five employees from 2018 and one payroll check for five employees from 2017 from the Wage Detail Reports and:
  - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Wage Detail Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively, or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
  - b. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the minute record. We also determined whether the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- 2. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2018 to confirm the remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2018. We observed the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare (and social security, for employees not enrolled in pension system)	January 31, 2019	January 2, 2019	\$977.96	\$977.96
State Income Taxes	January 15, 2019	January 3, 2019	\$217.69	\$217.69
OPERS Retirement	January 30, 2019	January 3, 2019	\$3,581.55	\$3,581.55
School District Tax	January 15, 2019	January 3, 2019	\$127.36	\$127.36
Local Income Tax	January 15, 2019	January 11, 2019	\$555.93	\$555.93

# **Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements**

- 1. We selected a sample (agreed upon) of 10 disbursements from the Payment Register Detail Report for the year ended December 31, 2018 and 10 from the year ended 2017 and determined whether:
  - a. The disbursements were for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
  - b. The check number, date, payee name and amount recorded on the returned, canceled check agreed to the check number, date, payee name and amount recorded in the Payment Register Detail Report and to the names and amounts on the supporting invoices. We found no exceptions.
  - c. The payment was posted to a fund consistent with the restricted purpose for which the fund's cash can be used. We found no exceptions.

# **Compliance – Budgetary**

- We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Admin. Code Section 117-8-02, to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report for 2018 and 2017 for the following funds: General Fund and Capital Projects Fund. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the Appropriation Status Report.
- 2. Ohio Admin. Code Section 117-8-02 prohibits spending in excess of budgeted amounts. We compared total expenditures to total appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 for the General and Capital Projects funds, as recorded in the Appropriation Status Report. We observed no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.
- We inspected the Appropriation Ledger Report for the Florence R. Duffield Endowment Fund. The
  Association eliminated the Florence R. Duffield Endowment Fund and transferred the proceeds to the
  Bluffton Public Library Foundation. We inspected the documentation of court approval. No exceptions
  were noted.

# **Other Compliance**

- 1. Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires libraries to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the Library filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.
- 2. For all credit card accounts we obtained:
  - copies of existing internal control policies,
  - a list(s) of authorized users, and
  - a list of all credit card account transactions.
  - a. We inspected the established policy(ies) obtained above and determined it is:
    - i. in compliance with the HB 312 statutory requirements, and
    - ii. implemented by the entity.

We found no exceptions.

- b. We selected 3 credit card transactions for testing. For selected transactions we inspected documentation to determine that:
  - i. Each transaction was supported with original invoices and for a proper public purpose. We found no exceptions.
- c. For cash withdraws made. We selected all cash withdraws and inspected supporting documentation to determine:
  - i. The policy explicitly allowed for cash withdraws and when related legislative or administrative action was passed.
  - ii. Appropriate and specific additional controls were implemented for cash withdraw transactions.

We found no exceptions.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants attestation standards and applicable attestation engagement standards included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to, and did not conduct an examination, or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively on the Library's receipts, disbursements, balances and compliance with certain laws and regulations. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is to provide assistance in the evaluation of the Library's receipts, disbursements and balances recorded in their cash-basis accounting records for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017, and certain compliance requirements related to these transactions and balances and is not suitable for any other purpose.

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#### **BLUFFTON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

## **ALLEN COUNTY**

#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

This is a true and correct copy of the report which is required to be filed in the Office of the Auditor of State pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in Columbus, Ohio.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED JULY 11, 2019