# NEW HARMONY HIGH INSTITUTE d/b/a NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL

# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

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### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Board of Directors New Harmony High Institute d/b/a New Harmony High School

#### **Report on the Audits of the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of New Harmony High Institute (a nonprofit organization) d/b/a New Harmony High School (hereafter The School), which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The School as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of The School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about The School's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audits of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion.

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Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing the audits in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audits.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audits in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of The School's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about The School's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audits, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audits.

#### Supplementary Information

The accompanying Performance and Statistical Data Agreed Upon Procedures, the Schedule of Compensation, Benefits, and Other Payments to the School Leader, and the Statewide Agreed Upon Procedures are not a required part of the financial statements, but are supplementary information required by Louisiana State Law. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. We have applied certain limited procedures, which are described in the Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures. However, we did not audit this information and, accordingly, express no opinion on it.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 13, 2024, on our consideration of The School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of The School's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering The School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Daigrepont & Brian, APAC Baton Rouge, LA December 13, 2024

# NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

	2024	2023
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Cash	\$ 3,095,079	\$ 1,775,260
Grants receivable, net	453,916	994,460
Prepaids	22,765	29,558
Total Current Assets	3,571,760	2,799,278
Other Assets		
Deposits	21,833	21,833
Operating right of use asset	902,738	1,157,821
Total Other Assets	924,571	1,179,654
Total Assets	\$ 4,496,331	\$ 3,978,932
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 21,629	\$ 64,876
Accrued payroll	13,366	73,231
Operating lease liability, current portion	302,517	255,083
Total Current Liabilities	337,512	393,190
Long-Term Liabilities		
Operating lease liability, net of current portion	600,221	902,738
Total Long-Term Liabilities	600,221	902,738
Total Liabilities	937,733	1,295,928
Net Assets		
Net assets without donor restrictions	3,558,598	2,683,004
Total Net Assets	3,558,598	2,683,004
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 4,496,331	\$ 3,978,932

# NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

REVENUES	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Minimum Foundation Program	\$ 4,374,526	\$ -	\$ 4,374,526
Federal grants	493,945	-	493,945
Private grants and contributions	34,295	1,043,990	1,078,285
Other income	359,269	-	359,269
Changes in net asset restrictions:			
Released from restrictions	1,043,990	(1,043,990)	
Total Revenues	6,306,025	-	6,306,025
EXPENSES			
Program services	4,999,314	-	4,999,314
Management and general	431,117		431,117
Total Expenses	5,430,431	<u> </u>	5,430,431
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	875,594	-	875,594
Net assets - beginning of year	2,683,004		2,683,004
Net assets - end of year	\$ 3,558,598	\$	\$ 3,558,598

# NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

REVENUES	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total
Minimum Foundation Program	\$ 3,574,168	\$ -	\$ 3,574,168
Federal grants	602,378	-	602,378
Private grants and contributions	57,736	1,483,922	1,541,658
Other income	48,535	-	48,535
Changes in net asset restrictions:			
Released from restrictions	1,483,922	(1,483,922)	<u> </u>
Total Revenues	5,766,739	-	5,766,739
EXPENSES			
Program services	4,309,586	-	4,309,586
Management and general	615,982		615,982
Total Expenses	4,925,568		4,925,568
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	841,171	-	841,171
Net assets - beginning of year	1,841,833	-	1,841,833
Net assets - end of year	\$ 2,683,004	\$ -	\$ 2,683,004

# NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Program Services	Management & General	Total
Curriculum materials & software	\$ 180,825	\$ 9,989	\$ 190,814
Employee benefits	333,663	17,159	350,822
Food service	183,692	-	183,692
Insurance	28,728	9,576	38,304
Legal & professional	573,816	122,250	696,066
Miscellaneous	51,720	6,659	58,379
Office expenses	16,243	5,404	21,647
Payroll taxes	236,137	10,046	246,183
Professional development	23,370	-	23,370
Rent	230,554	76,851	307,405
Repairs & maintenance	27,918	18,611	46,529
Salaries & wages	2,727,847	120,846	2,848,693
Transportation	334,211	-	334,211
Utilities	50,590	33,726	84,316
	\$ 4,999,314	\$ 431,117	\$ 5,430,431

# NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Program Services	Management & General	Total
Bad debt	\$ 105,986	\$ -	\$ 105,986
Curriculum materials & software	142,569	1,436	144,005
Employee benefits	249,300	35,823	285,123
Food service	136,912	-	136,912
Insurance	27,488	9,162	36,650
Miscellaneous	78,699	16,684	95,383
Office expenses	4,437	13,310	17,747
Payroll taxes	192,825	21,709	214,534
Professional development	3,860	-	3,860
Rent	171,720	114,480	286,200
Repairs & maintenance	114,178	76,119	190,297
Salaries & wages	2,370,044	189,296	2,559,340
Technical & professional services	363,839	125,740	489,579
Transportation	329,393	-	329,393
Utilities	18,336	12,223	30,559
	\$ 4,309,586	\$ 615,982	\$ 4,925,568

# NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2024 AND 2023

	2024	2023
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Changes in net assets	\$ 875,594	\$ 841,171
Adjustments to reconcile net revenues over expenses to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	540,544	(227,900)
Decrease (increase) in prepaids	6,793	(8,100)
(Decrease) increase in accounts payable	(43,247)	44,915
(Decrease) increase in accrued payroll	 (59,865)	 17,330
Total adjustments	 444,225	 (173,755)
Net cash provided by operating activities	1,319,819	667,416
INCREASE IN CASH	1,319,819	667,416
CASH, BEGINNING OF YEAR	 1,775,260	 1,107,844
CASH, END OF YEAR	\$ 3,095,079	\$ 1,775,260

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### (a) Organization

The New Harmony High Institute (the School) was incorporated on October 31, 2016 as a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Louisiana. The school was approved as a Type 2 charter by the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) on July 1, 2018. The School opened for students beginning with the 2018-2019 school year.

The initial charter contract was effective for an initial period of four years and, upon its expiration on July 1, 2022, it was extended for an additional four years through June 30, 2026.

#### (b) Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the School have been prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("US GAAP"), which require the School to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to the following net asset classifications:

*Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions* are net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and are available for use at the organization's discretion.

*Net Assets With Donor Restrictions* are net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions that may or will be met, either by actions of the organization, and/or the passage of time. Once the restrictions are met, they are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions.

Donor restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets are reclassified from net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions in the statements of activities.

#### (c) <u>Revenues</u>

The School receives the majority of its revenue from the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP). The amount of the MFP funding is based on an allocation of funds provided by the State of Louisiana and local taxes. The allocation calculation is primarily based on the student enrollment at the School and is recognized monthly when received.

Federal and state funds are passed through the Louisiana Department of Education. The School's federal grant funding is on a cost reimbursement basis and is recognized as earned once the expenditures have been incurred, at which time all performance obligations have also been satisfied.

The School receives revenue from the XQ Institute (XQ) in the form of a five year grant to support the School's unique education curriculum. The grant is paid in accordance with a disbursement schedule, dictated by an annually approved grant budget. Revenue is recognized as restricted until budgeted expenditures have been incurred.

The School has determined that all performance obligations pertaining to unconditional promises to give are satisfied at the time of collection. Conditional promises to give, with a measurable performance or other barrier and a right of return are satisfied once the conditions on which they depend have been met. The School does not have any activity that would give rise to variable consideration.

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### (d) <u>Cash</u>

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased are considered cash equivalents. During the year, cash may consist of both unrestricted and restricted balances. Unrestricted cash balances represent cash available for general operating purposes.

#### (e) <u>Receivables</u>

Receivables represent amounts due under federal and state grant programs and, at times, contributions. The grant programs are reimbursable in nature and revenue is recognized as a receivable once the expenditures are incurred. Receivables are written off when deemed uncollectible by management and recoveries, if any, are recorded when received.

Contributions are recognized at estimated fair value when the donor makes a pledge to give when it is an unconditional promise. The School does not recognize a conditional promise to give until the conditions upon which the promise depends are substantially met. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in more than one year are recorded at fair value, which is measured as the present value of their future cash flows. Any discounts on those amounts are computed using risk-adjusted interest rates applicable to the years in which the promises are received. Amortization of the discounts is included in contribution revenue. Promises that remain uncollected more than one year after their due dates are written off unless the donors indicate that payment is merely postponed.

Receivables are written off when deemed uncollectible by management and recoveries, if any, are recorded when received. For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 total bad debt expense was \$0 and \$105,986, respectively.

(f) Functional Expenses

The School allocates its expenses on a functional basis among its various programs. Expenses that can be identified with a specific program, such as curriculum supplies, are allocated directly according to their natural expense classification. Other expenses that are attributable to both the program and general and administrative are based on management's estimate of time, percentage, or square footage used, among other factors.

## (g) Income Taxes

The School accounts for income taxes in accordance with FASB ASC 740-10, *Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes*. Management believes it has no material uncertain tax positions and, accordingly, has not recognized a liability for any unrecognized tax benefits.

The School is a not-for-profit organization that is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The School files information returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction. The School is not subject to U.S. federal income tax examinations by tax authorities beyond three years from the filing of those returns.

## 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

### (h) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

## 2. Concentrations

Financial instruments, which potentially subject the School to concentration of credit risk, consist of cash accounts held with a bank. Cash accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for up to \$250,000. The School maintains cash in financial institutions which often exceed the FDIC limits. Management does not believe that it is exposed to any significant credit risk on uninsured amounts.

The School receives the majority of its operating revenue from both private and public grant funding in the form of the XQ Super School Grant and the State of Louisiana funded Minimum Foundation Program. The percentage of revenue and receivables from these sources in excess of 10% is as follows:

2024	Revenue	Receivables
MFP	69%	N/A
Federal Grants	N/A	100%
Private Grants	17%	N/A
2023	Revenue	Receivables
2023 MFP	Revenue 62%	Receivables N/A

## 3. Leases

In April of 2019, the School entered into a lease agreement with Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church. Under this agreement, the lessor will provide the School with an adequate school building, cafeteria and parking space to conduct school activities. Per terms of the agreement, the School will pay \$24,158 per month for one year with increases in the monthly rent each the remaining years. Effective July 1, 2022, this agreement was renewed for five years. This lease applies to Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842).

While the lease arrangement does not state an explicit rate, a discount rate of 3.81% was determined using the U.S. Treasury rate at the date of adoption. The School has an operating right of use asset related to this lease in the amount of \$902,738. Lease expense related to this agreement is \$303,024 and \$279,100 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

### 3. Leases (continued)

As of June 30, 2024 the weighted average of the remaining lease term was 3.08 years and the weighted average discount weight was 3.81%.

Future payments on the operating lease as of June 30, 2024 is as follows:

2025	\$ 302,517
2026	310,660
2027	319,117
2028	 26,652
Total lease payments	 958,946
Less: present value discount	 (56,208)
Lease liability	\$ 902,738

The School leases other office equipment that have terms that do not apply to Accounting Standards Update No. 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. Total rent expense for these leases are approximately \$4,381 and \$7,100 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

#### 4. Compensated Absences

Employees earn vacation and sick pay based on various factors such as length of service and job title. Any unused vacation is paid out at the end of the year and does not carry over to the following year. Therefore, there are no compensated absences accrued for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

## 5. Retirement Plan

The School offers a 401(k) retirement plan for eligible employees. Eligibility to participate in the plan is based on the employee's age, length of service, and various other factors. The School does not participate in the Teacher's Retirement System of Louisiana (TRSL).

For the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, the amount paid related to the School's retirement plan was \$67,369 and \$64,529, respectively.

## 6. Commitments and Contingencies

The School receives grants for specific purposes that are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to requests for reimbursement to the grantor agency for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant. It is the opinion of the School's management that its compliance with the terms of the grants will not result in any disallowed costs.

The continuation of the School is contingent upon legislative appropriation or allocation of funds necessary to fulfill the requirements of the charter contracts with BESE. If the legislature fails to appropriate sufficient monies to provide for the continuation of the charter contract, or if such appropriation is reduced by veto of the Governor or by any means provided in the appropriations act to prevent the appropriation for the year from exceeding revenues for that year, or for any other lawful purpose, and the effect of such reduction is to provide insufficient monies for the continuation of the charter contract, the contract shall terminate on the date of the beginning of the first fiscal year for which funds are not appropriated.

#### 7. Liquidity and Availability of Financial Assets

The following reflects the School's financial assets as of the statement of financial position date, reduced by amounts not available for general use because of a contractual or donor imposed restriction within one year of the statement of financial position date.

Financial Assets at Year End:	2024	2023
Cash	\$ 3,095,079	\$ 1,775,260
Grants Receivable, net	453,916	994,460
	\$ 3,548,995	\$ 2,769,720

As part of the School's liquidity management, cash is kept in a checking account that can be accessed to meet the daily needs of the organization.

#### 8. Subsequent Events

In preparing these financial statements, the School has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through December 13, 2024, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

# NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS, AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO THE SCHOOL LEADER FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

School Leader	J. V	Vashington
Salary Reimbursements	\$	143,713 560
	\$	144,273



### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Board of Directors New Harmony High Institute d/b/a New Harmony High School

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of New Harmony High Institute (a nonprofit organization) d/b/a New Harmony High School (hereafter The School), which comprise the statement of financial position as of June 30, 2024, and the related statements of activities, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 13, 2024.

#### **Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered The School's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of The School's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of The School's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements, on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether The School's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements.

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However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of This Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document. This report is intended solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management, and others within the organization, and the Legislative Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Daigrepont & Brian, APAC Baton Rouge, LA December 13, 2024

## NEW HARMONY HIGH INSTITUTE d/b/a NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

We have audited the financial statements of New Harmony High Institute (a non-profit organization), d/b/a New Harmony High School as of June 30, 2024 and for the year ended, and have issued our report thereon dated December 13, 2024. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Summary of Auditors' Reports

Financial Statements	
Type of auditors' report issued:	Unmodified
Material weakness(es) identified?	No
Significant deficiencies identified	
that are not considered to be material	
weaknesses?	No
Noncompliance material to	
financial statements noted?	No

#### Findings - Financial Statement Audit

There are no findings for the year ended June 30, 2024.

#### **Questioned Costs**

There are no questioned costs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

# NEW HARMONY HIGH INSTITUTE d/b/a NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

## **Summary of Prior Audit Findings**

There are no findings for the year ended June 30, 2023.

## **Questioned Costs**

There are no questioned costs for the year ended June 30, 2023.



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

Board of Directors New Harmony High Institute dba New Harmony High School

We have performed the procedures included in the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide* and enumerated below, which were agreed to by the management of New Harmony High Institute (a non-profit organization) d/b/a New Harmony High School (hereafter The School) and the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, on the performance and statistical data accompanying the annual financial statements of The School for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024; and to determine specified schedules are free of obvious errors and omissions as provided by the Board of Elementary and Secondary Education in compliance with Louisiana Revised Statute 24:514.1. Management of The School is responsible for its performance and statistical data. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified users of 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.

Our procedures and findings relate to the accompanying schedules of supplemental information and are as follows:

General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources (Schedule 1)

## Procedure #1

We selected a random sample of 25 transactions and reviewed supporting documentation to determine if the sampled expenditures/revenues are classified correctly and are reported in the proper amounts for each of the following amounts on the Schedule:

Total General Fund Expenditures Total General Fund Equipment Expenditures Total Local Taxation Revenue Total Local Earnings on Investment in Real Property Total State Revenue in Lieu of Taxes Nonpublic Textbook Revenue Nonpublic Transportation Revenue

#### Results of Procedure #1

In performing the testing on the sample of expenditures/revenues we noted no transactions that were inappropriately classified or were recorded at an inappropriate amount.

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## Class Size Characteristics (Schedule 2)

## Procedure #2

We obtained a list of classes by school, school type, and class size as reported on the Schedule. We then traced a random sample of 10 classes to the October 1st roll books for those classes and determined if the class was properly classified on the Schedule.

## Results of Procedure #2

No discrepancies were noted between the classes reported on the Schedule and those in the roll books.

## Education Levels/Experience of Public School Staff (No Schedule)

## Procedure #3

We obtained October 1st PEP data submitted to the Department of Education (or equivalent listing prepared by management), including full-time teachers, principals, and assistant principals by classification, as well as their level of education and experience, and obtained management's representation that the data/listing was complete. We then selected a sample of 25 individuals, traced to each individual's personnel file, and observed that each individual's education level and experience was properly classified on the PEP data or equivalent listing.

## Results of Procedure #3

No differences were noted between the PEP data information provided and the information in the personnel files.

## Public School Staff Data: Average Salaries (No Schedule)

## Procedure #4

We obtained June 30th PEP data submitted to the Department of Education (or equivalent listing provided by management) of all classroom teachers including their base salary, extra compensation, and ROTC or rehired retiree status as well as full-time equivalents, and obtained management's representation that the data/list was complete. We then selected 25 individuals, traced to each individual's salary, extra compensation, and full-time equivalents were properly included on the PEP data (or equivalent listing prepared by management).

## Results of Procedure #4

No differences were noted between the salary information reported on the PEP data report provided by management and the supporting records.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was performed in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, and the standards applicable to attestation engagements contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the United States Comptroller General. 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 performance and statistical data. Accordingly, we do not express such 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 purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of testing performed on the performance and statistical data accompanying the annual financial statements of The School, as required by Louisiana Revised Statue 24:514.1, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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December 13, 2024

# <u>NEW HARMONY HIGH INSTITUTE d/b/a</u> <u>NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL</u> <u>BATON ROUGE, LA</u>

Schedules Required by State Law (R.S. 24:514 – Performance and Statistical Data) As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2024

Schedule 1 - General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources

This schedule includes general fund instructional and equipment expenditures. It also contains local taxation revenue, earnings on investments, revenue in lieu of taxes, and nonpublic textbook and transportation revenue. This data is used either in the Minimum Foundation Program (MFP) formula or is presented annually in the MFP 70% Expenditure Requirement Report.

Schedule 2 - Class Size Characteristics

This schedule includes the percent and number of classes with student enrollment in the following ranges: 1-20, 21-26, 27-33, and 34+ students. This data is currently reported to the Legislature in the Annual Financial and Statistical Report (AFSR).

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# General Fund Instructional and Support Expenditures and Certain Local Revenue Sources For the Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Column A	Column B
<b>General Fund Instructional and Equipment Expenditures</b>		
General Fund Instructional Expenditures:		
Teacher and Student Interaction Activities:		
Classroom Teacher Salaries	\$ 1,707,209	
Other Instructional Staff Activities	212,687	
Instructional Staff Employee Benefits	355,175	
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	104,513	
Instructional Materials and Supplies	146,896	
Instructional Equipment	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Total Teacher and Student Interaction Activities		2,526,480
Other Instructional Activities		13,115
Pupil Support Activities	337,689	
Less: Equipment for Pupil Support Activities	- <u> </u>	
Net Pupil Support Activities		337,689
Instructional Staff Services	23,370	
Less: Equipment for Instructional Staff Services	- <u>-</u>	
Net Instructional Staff Services		23,370
School Administration	739,454	
Less: Equipment for School Administration	-	
Net School Administration		739,454
Total General Fund Instructional Expenditures		\$ 3,640,108
Total General Fund Equipment Expenditures		\$ -

See accompanying independent accountants' report on applying agreed-upon procedures

# NEW HARMONY HIGH INSTITUTE d/b/a NEW HARMONY HIGH SCHOOL BATON ROUGE, LA

## Class Size Characteristics As of October 1, 2023

	Class Size Range							
	1 - 20		21 - 26		27 - 33		34+	
School Type	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number
Elementary								
Elementary Activity Classes								
Middle/Jr. High								
Middle/Jr. High Activity Classes								
High	60%	111	24%	44	14%	25	2%	5
High Activity Classes	55%	6	18%	2	18%	2	9%	1
Combination								
Combination Activity Classes								

**Note:** The Board of Elementary and Secondary Education has set specific limits on the maximum size of classes at various grade levels. The maximum enrollment in grades K-3 is 26 students and maximum enrollment in grades 4-12 is 33 students. These limits do not apply to activity classes such as physical education, chorus, band, and other classes without maximum enrollment standards. Therefore, these classes are included only as separate line items.



## INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

To the Board of Directors New Harmony High Institute d/b/a New Harmony High School and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor:

We have performed the procedures enumerated below on the control and compliance (C/C) areas identified in the Louisiana Legislative Auditor's (LLA's) Statewide Agreed-Upon Procedures (SAUPs) for the fiscal period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. New Harmony High Institute d/b/a New Harmony High School's (hereafter School) management is responsible for those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs.

The School has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate to meet the intended purpose of the engagement, which is to perform specified procedures on the C/C areas identified in LLA's SAUPs for the fiscal period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Additionally, LLA has agreed to and acknowledged that the procedures performed are appropriate for its purposes. This report may not be suitable for any other purpose. The procedures performed may not address all the items of interest to a user of this report and may not meet the needs of all users of this report and, as such, users are responsible for determining whether the procedures performed are appropriate for their purposes.

The procedures and associated findings are as follows:

#### Written Policies and Procedures

- 1. Obtain and inspect the entity's written policies and procedures and observe whether they address each of the following categories and subcategories if applicable to public funds and the entity's operations:
  - a) *Budgeting*, including preparing, adopting, monitoring, and amending the budget.
  - b) *Purchasing*, including (1) how purchases are initiated; (2) how vendors are added to the vendor list; (3) the preparation and approval process of purchase requisitions and purchase orders; (4) controls to ensure compliance with the Public Bid Law; and (5) documentation required to be maintained for all bids and price quotes.
  - c) *Disbursements*, including processing, reviewing, and approving.
  - d) *Receipts/Collections*, including receiving, recording, and preparing deposits. Also, policies and procedures should include management's actions to determine the completeness of all collections for each type of revenue or agency fund additions (e.g., periodic confirmation with outside parties, reconciliation to utility billing after cutoff procedures, reconciliation of traffic ticket number sequences, agency fund forfeiture monies confirmation).

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- e) *Payroll/Personnel*, including (1) payroll processing, (2) reviewing and approving time and attendance records, including leave and overtime worked, and (3) approval process for employee(s) rate of pay or approval and maintenance of pay rate schedules.
- f) *Contracting*, including (1) types of services requiring written contracts, (2) standard terms and conditions, (3) legal review, (4) approval process, and (5) monitoring process.
- g) *Credit Cards (and debit cards, fuel cards, P-Cards, if applicable)*, including (1) how cards are to be controlled, (2) allowable business uses, (3) documentation requirements, (4) required approvers of statements, and (5) monitoring card usage (e.g., determining the reasonableness of fuel card purchases).
- h) *Travel and Expense Reimbursement*, including (1) allowable expenses, (2) dollar thresholds by category of expense, (3) documentation requirements, and (4) required approvers.
- *Ethics*, including (1) the prohibitions as defined in Louisiana Revised Statute (R.S.) 42:1111-1121,
  (2) actions to be taken if an ethics violation takes place, (3) system to monitor possible ethics violations, and (4) a requirement that documentation is maintained to demonstrate that all employees and officials were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy.
- j) *Debt Service*, including (1) debt issuance approval, (2) continuing disclosure/EMMA reporting requirements, (3) debt reserve requirements, and (4) debt service requirements.
- k) Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity, including (1) identification of critical data and frequency of data backups, (2) storage of backups in a separate physical location isolated from the network, (3) periodic testing/verification that backups can be restored, (4) use of antivirus software on all systems, (5) timely application of all available system and software patches/updates, and (6) identification of personnel, processes, and tools needed to recover operations after a critical event.
- 1) *Sexual Harassment*, including R.S. 42:342-344 requirements for (1) agency responsibilities and prohibitions, (2) annual employee training, and (3) annual reporting.

Exception: The School has no Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity policies.

#### **Board or Finance Committee**

- 2. Obtain and inspect the board/finance committee minutes for the fiscal period, as well as the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or equivalent document in effect during the fiscal period, and:
  - a) Observe that the board/finance committee met with a quorum at least monthly, or on a frequency in accordance with the board's enabling legislation, charter, bylaws, or other equivalent document.
  - b) For those entities reporting on the governmental accounting model, observe whether the minutes referenced or included monthly budget-to-actual comparisons on the general fund, quarterly budget-to-actual, at a minimum, on proprietary funds, and semi-annual budget- to-actual, at a minimum, on all special revenue funds. *Alternately, for those entities reporting on the nonprofit accounting model, observe that the minutes referenced or included financial activity relating to public funds if those public funds comprised more than 10% of the entity's collections during the fiscal period.*
  - c) For governmental entities, obtain the prior year audit report and observe the unassigned fund balance in the general fund. If the general fund had a negative ending unassigned fund balance in the prior year audit report, observe that the minutes for at least one meeting during the fiscal period referenced or included a formal plan to eliminate the negative unassigned fund balance in the general fund.

d) Observe whether the board/finance committee received written updates of the progress of resolving audit finding(s), according to management's corrective action plan at each meeting until the findings are considered fully resolved.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

#### Bank Reconciliations

- 3. Obtain a listing of entity bank accounts for the fiscal period from management and management's representation that the listing is complete. Ask management to identify the entity's main operating account. Select the entity's main operating account and randomly select 4 additional accounts (or all accounts if less than 5). Randomly select one month from the fiscal period, obtain and inspect the corresponding bank statement and reconciliation for each selected account, and observe that:
  - a) Bank reconciliations include evidence that they were prepared within 2 months of the related statement closing date (e.g., initialed and dated or electronically logged);
  - b) Bank reconciliations include evidence that a member of management/board member who does not handle cash, post ledgers, or issue checks has reviewed each bank reconciliation (e.g., initialed and dated, electronically logged); and
  - c) Management has documentation reflecting it has researched reconciling items that have been outstanding for more than 12 months from the statement closing date, if applicable.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

#### Collections (excluding electronic funds transfers)

- 4. Obtain a listing of deposit sites for the fiscal period where deposits for cash/checks/money orders (cash) are prepared and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 deposit sites (or all deposit sites if less than 5).
- 5. For each deposit site selected, obtain a listing of collection locations and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one collection location for each deposit site (i.e., 5 collection locations for 5 deposit sites), obtain and inspect written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if no written policies or procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties) at each collection location, and observe that job duties are properly segregated at each collection location such that:
  - a) Employees responsible for cash collections do not share cash drawers/registers.
  - b) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for preparing/making bank deposits, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling collection documentation (e.g., pre-numbered receipts) to the deposit.
  - c) Each employee responsible for collecting cash is not responsible for posting collection entries to the general ledger or subsidiary ledgers, unless another employee/official is responsible for reconciling ledger postings to each other and to the deposit.
  - d) The employee(s) responsible for reconciling cash collections to the general ledger and/or subsidiary ledgers, by revenue source and/or agency fund additions, are not responsible for collecting cash, unless another employee/official verifies the reconciliation.
- 6. Obtain from management a copy of the bond or insurance policy for theft covering all employees who have access to cash. Observe the bond or insurance policy for theft was enforced during the fiscal period.

- 7. Randomly select two deposit dates for each of the 5 bank accounts selected for procedure #3 under "Bank Reconciliations" above (select the next deposit date chronologically if no deposits were made on the dates randomly selected and randomly select a deposit if multiple deposits are made on the same day). *Alternately, the practitioner may use a source document other than bank statements when selecting the deposit dates for testing, such as a cash collection log, daily revenue report, receipt book, etc.* Obtain supporting documentation for each of the 10 deposits and:
  - a) Observe that receipts are sequentially pre-numbered.
  - b) Trace sequentially pre-numbered receipts, system reports, and other related collection documentation to the deposit slip.
  - c) Trace the deposit slip total to the actual deposit per the bank statement.
  - d) Observe the deposit was made within one business day of receipt at the collection location (within one week if the depository is more than 10 miles from the collection location or the deposit is less than \$100 and the cash is stored securely in a locked safe or drawer).
  - e) Trace the actual deposit per the bank statement to the general ledger.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

# Non-Payroll Disbursements (excluding card purchases/payments, travel reimbursements, and petty cash purchases)

- 8. Obtain a listing of locations that process payments for the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 locations (or all locations if less than 5).
- 9. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain a listing of those employees involved with nonpayroll purchasing and payment functions. Obtain written policies and procedures relating to employee job duties (if the agency has no written policies and procedures, inquire of employees about their job duties), and observe that job duties are properly segregated such that:
  - a) At least two employees are involved in initiating a purchase request, approving a purchase, and placing an order/making the purchase.
  - b) At least two employees are involved in processing and approving payments to vendors.
  - c) The employee responsible for processing payments is prohibited from adding/modifying vendor files, unless another employee is responsible for periodically reviewing changes to vendor files.
  - d) Either the employee/official responsible for signing checks mails the payment or gives the signed checks to an employee to mail who is not responsible for processing payments.
  - e) Only employees/officials authorized to sign checks approve the electronic disbursement (release) of funds, whether through automated clearinghouse (ACH), electronic funds transfer (ETF), wire transfer, or some other electronic means.
- 10. For each location selected under #8 above, obtain the entity's non-payroll disbursement transaction population (excluding cards and travel reimbursements) and obtain management's representation that the population is complete. Randomly select 5 disbursements for each location, obtain supporting documentation for each transaction, and:
  - a) Observe whether the disbursement matched the related original itemized invoice and supporting documentation indicates deliverables included on the invoice were received by the entity.
  - b) Observe whether the disbursement documentation included evidence (e.g., initial/date, electronic logging) of segregation of duties tested under #9, as applicable.

- 11. Using the entity's main operating account and the month selected in Bank Reconciliations procedure #3, randomly select 5 non-payroll-related electronic disbursements (or all electronic disbursements if less than 5) and observe that each electronic disbursement was:
  - a) Approved by only those persons authorized to disburse funds per the entity's policy.
  - b) Approved by the required number of authorized signers per the entity's policy.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

### Credit Cards/Debit Cards/Fuel Cards/P-Cards

- 12. Obtain from management a listing of all active credit cards, bank debit cards, fuel cards, and P-cards (cards) for the fiscal period, including the card numbers and the names of the persons who maintained possession of the cards. Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete.
- 13. Using the listing prepared by management, randomly select 5 cards (or all cards if less than 5) that were used during the fiscal period. Randomly select one monthly statement or combined statement for each card (for a debit card, randomly select one monthly bank statement), obtain supporting documentation, and:
  - a) Observe whether there is evidence that the monthly statement or combined statement and supporting documentation (e.g., original receipts for credit/debit card purchases, exception reports for excessive fuel card usage) were reviewed and approved, in writing (or electronically approved), by someone other than the authorized card holder.
  - b) Observe that finance charges and late fees were not assessed on the selected statements.
- 14. Using the monthly statements or combined statements selected under #13 above, <u>excluding fuel cards</u>, randomly select 10 transactions (or all transactions if less than 10) from each statement, and obtain supporting documentation for the transactions (i.e., each card should have 10 transactions subject to testing). For each transaction, observe it is supported by (1) an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased, (2) written documentation of the business/public purpose, and (3) documentation of the individuals participating in meals (for meal charges only). For missing receipts, the practitioner should describe the nature of the transaction and note whether management had a compensating control to address missing receipts, such as a "missing receipt statement" that is subject to increased scrutiny.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

## Travel and Travel-Related Expense Reimbursements (excluding card transactions)

- 15. Obtain from management a listing of all travel and travel-related expense reimbursements during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing or general ledger is complete. Randomly select 5 reimbursements, obtain the related expense reimbursement forms/prepaid expense documentation of each selected reimbursement, as well as the supporting documentation. For each of the 5 reimbursements selected:
  - a) If reimbursed using a per diem, observe the approved reimbursement rate is no more than those rates established either by the State of Louisiana or the U.S. General Services Administration (www.gsa.gov).
  - b) If reimbursed using actual costs, observe the reimbursement is supported by an original itemized receipt that identifies precisely what was purchased.

- c) Observe each reimbursement is supported by documentation of the business/public purpose (for meal charges, observe that the documentation includes the names of those individuals participating) and other documentation required by written policy (procedure #1h).
- d) Observe each reimbursement was reviewed and approved, in writing, by someone other than the person receiving reimbursement.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

#### **Contracts**

- 16. Obtain from management a listing of all agreements/contracts for professional services, materials and supplies, leases, and construction activities that were initiated or renewed during the fiscal period. *Alternately, the practitioner may use an equivalent selection source, such as an active vendor list.* Obtain management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 contracts (or all contracts if less than 5) from the listing, excluding the practitioner's contract, and:
  - a) Observe whether the contract was bid in accordance with the Louisiana Public Bid Law (e.g., solicited quotes or bids, advertised), if required by law.
  - b) Observe whether the contract was approved by the governing body/board, if required by policy or law (e.g., Lawrason Act, Home Rule Charter).
  - c) If the contract was amended (e.g., change order), observe the original contract terms provided for such an amendment and that amendments were made in compliance with the contract terms (e.g., if approval is required for any amendment, was approval documented).
  - d) Randomly select one payment from the fiscal period for each of the 5 contracts, obtain the supporting invoice, agree the invoice to the contract terms, and observe the invoice and related payment agreed to the terms and conditions of the contract.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

#### **Payroll and Personnel**

- 17. Obtain a listing of employees and officials employed during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 employees or officials, obtain related paid salaries and personnel files, and agree paid salaries to authorized salaries/pay rates in the personnel files.
- 18. Randomly select one pay period during the fiscal period. For the 5 employees or officials selected under #17 above, obtain attendance records and leave documentation for the pay period, and:
  - a) Observe all selected employees or officials documented their daily attendance and leave (e.g., vacation, sick, compensatory).
  - b) Observe whether supervisors approved the attendance and leave of the selected employees or officials.
  - c) Observe any leave accrued or taken during the pay period is reflected in the entity's cumulative leave records.
  - d) Observe the rate paid to the employees or officials agree to the authorized salary/pay rate found within the personnel file.
- 19. Obtain a listing of those employees or officials that received termination payments during the fiscal period and management's representation that the list is complete. Randomly select two employees or

officials, obtain related documentation of the hours and pay rates used in management's termination payment calculations and the entity's policy on termination payments. Agree the hours to the employee or officials' cumulative leave records, agree the pay rates to the employee or officials' authorized pay rates in the employee or officials' personnel files, and agree the termination payment to entity policy.

20. Obtain management's representation that employer and employee portions of third-party payroll related amounts (e.g., payroll taxes, retirement contributions, health insurance premiums, garnishments, workers' compensation premiums, etc.) have been paid, and any associated forms have been filed, by required deadlines.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

#### Ethics

- 21. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #17 under "Payroll and Personnel" above obtain ethics documentation from management, and:
  - a. Observe whether the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed one hour of ethics training during the fiscal period.
  - b. Observe whether the entity maintains documentation which demonstrates each employee and official were notified of any changes to the entity's ethics policy during the fiscal period, as applicable.
- 22. Inquire and/or observe whether the agency has appointed an ethics designee as required by R.S. 42:1170.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

#### **Debt Service**

- 23. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes and other debt instruments issued during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all debt instruments on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe State Bond Commission approval was obtained for each debt instrument issued.
- 24. Obtain a listing of bonds/notes outstanding at the end of the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select one bond/note, inspect debt covenants, obtain supporting documentation for the reserve balance and payments, and agree actual reserve balances and payments to those required by debt covenants (including contingency funds, short-lived asset funds, or other funds required by the debt covenants).

Results: Not applicable as the School did not issue debt during the fiscal year.

#### Fraud Notice

- 25. Obtain a listing of misappropriations of public funds and assets during the fiscal period and management's representation that the listing is complete. Select all misappropriations on the listing, obtain supporting documentation, and observe that the entity reported the misappropriation(s) to the legislative auditor and the district attorney of the parish in which the entity is domiciled.
- 26. Observe the entity has posted, on its premises and website, the notice required by R.S. 24:523.1 concerning the reporting of misappropriation, fraud, waste, or abuse of public funds.

Results: No exceptions noted as a result of applying this procedure.

#### Information Technology Disaster Recovery/Business Continuity

- 27. Perform the following procedures, verbally discuss the results with management, and report "We performed the procedure and discussed the results with management."
  - a) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has backed up its critical data (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for backing up critical data) and observe evidence that such backup (a) occurred within the past week, (b) was not stored on the government's local server or network, and (c) was encrypted.
  - b) Obtain and inspect the entity's most recent documentation that it has tested/verified that its backups can be restored (if no written documentation, inquire of personnel responsible for testing/verifying backup restoration) and observe evidence that the test/verification was successfully performed within the past 3 months.
  - c) Obtain a listing of the entity's computers currently in use and their related locations, and management's representation that the listing is complete. Randomly select 5 computers and observe while management demonstrates that the selected computers have current and active antivirus software and that the operating system and accounting system software in use are currently supported by the vendor.
  - 28. Randomly select 5 terminated employees (or all terminated employees if less than 5) using the list of terminated employees previously obtained. Observe evidence that the selected terminated employees have been removed or disabled from the network.
  - 29. Using the 5 randomly selected employees from procedure #17 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain cybersecurity training documentation from management, and observe that the documentation demonstrates that the following employees with access to the School's information technology assets have completed cybersecurity training as required by R.S. 42:1267. The requirements are as follows:
    - Hired before June 9, 2020 completed the training, and
    - Hired on or after June 9, 2020 completed the training within 30 days of initial service or employment.

Results: We performed the procedures and discussed the results with management.

#### Sexual Harassment

- 30. Using the 5 randomly selected employees/officials from procedure #17 under "Payroll and Personnel" above, obtain sexual harassment training documentation from management, and observe the documentation demonstrates each employee/official completed at least one hour of sexual harassment training during the calendar year.
- 31. Observe the entity has posted its sexual harassment policy and complaint procedure on its website (or in a conspicuous location on the entity's premises if the entity does not have a website).
- 32. Obtain the entity's annual sexual harassment report for the current fiscal period, observe that the report was dated on or before February 1, and observe it includes the applicable requirements of R.S. 42:344:
  - a) Number and percentage of public servants in the agency who have completed the training requirements;

- b) Number of sexual harassment complaints received by the agency;
- c) Number of complaints which resulted in a finding that sexual harassment occurred;
- d) Number of complaints in which the finding of sexual harassment resulted in discipline or corrective action; and
- e) Amount of time it took to resolve each complaint.

Results: The School is a nonprofit organization so this procedure does not apply.

Management's Response: We have reviewed the independent accountant's report on applying agreed-upon procedures and agree with the exceptions noted. We will review our policies and procedures and update accordingly to include the best practices suggested by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor.

We were engaged by the School to perform this agreed-upon procedures engagement and conducted our engagement in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and applicable standards of *Government Auditing Standards*. We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination or review engagement, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion or conclusion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

We are required to be independent of The School and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements related to our agreed-upon procedures engagement.

This report is intended solely to describe the scope of testing performed on those C/C areas identified in the SAUPs, and the result of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on control or compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the LLA as a public document.

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