ICHABOD CRANE 6600

## FISCAL ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING

The Board of Education insists on clear, complete and detailed accounting of all financial transactions for which the Board is held accountable.

Accounting and Reporting Systems

The system of accounts will conform to the Uniform System of Accounts for school Districts. In addition, accounting and reporting will adhere to generally accepted governmental accounting standards. The accounting system will yield information necessary for the Board to make policy decisions and perform its oversight function.

The Board directs the Business Manager to keep informed of changes in state and/or Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) accounting requirements and implement changes, as appropriate. The Board expects that the Business Manager will communicate new standards and/or requirements to the Board, as necessary, so that the Board can carry out its responsibilities.

Proposed expenditures will be budgeted under and the actual expenditures will be charged to categories that accurately describe the purpose for which monies are to be spent.

The Board directs the Superintendent of Schools to keep it informed of the current financial status of the district through monthly and annual reports. Monthly reports to include:

- Budget-status report
- Revenue estimates; and
- Actual and all warrants relating to currently monthly budget-status-report. The
  district will cooperate with government agencies as required by law for data
  concerning fiscal operations of the district.

The Board directs the Business Manager to keep it informed of the financial status of the district through monthly cash reconciliation and budget status reports and annual fiscal reports, including periodic projections of the end of year fund balance. The Business Manager should highlight any deviation in actual fiscal conditions from planned fiscal conditions and offer recommendations to the Board to remedy the situation. The Business Manager will prepare and submit, through the Superintendent, to the Board and the Commissioner of Education, such reports as are prescribed by law. These shall be filed with appropriate governmental bodies as required under law or regulation. The district will cooperate with governmental agencies and research organizations as required by law for data concerning the fiscal operations of the district.

The district shall be audited annually by an independent certified public accountant or a public accountant. The auditor's report shall be adopted by resolution and a copy shall be field with the Commissioner of Education.

The Superintendent is hereby directed to respond in writing to all audit findings and recommendations. Such response is to include a statement of the corrective actions taken or proposed, an explanation of reasons, as well as a statement on the status of corrective actions taken on findings or recommendations contained in any previous report of examination or external audit, or any management letter for which a response was required.

The Superintendent shall also ensure that the provisions contained in the General Municipal Law in regard to audit reports are followed.

Cross-ref: 1120, School District Records

6660, Independent/External Audit

Ref: Education Law §§1610; 1721; 2117; 2528; 2577; 2590-i

General Municipal Law §§33; 34 8 NYCRR §§155.1; 170.1; 170.2

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