

The West New York Board of Education, County of Hudson, State of New Jersey, convened in public session on November 12, 2008, at 5:30 p.m., in the Auditorium of PS#4, located at 6300 Palisade Avenue, West New York, New Jersey. The following members of the West New York Board of Education were present:

Richard Tedesco, President
Marie Bombino, Trustee
Cosmo Cirillo, Trustee
Vanessa Flores, Trustee

The following motion was offered by Vanessa Flores and seconded by Richard Tedesco and adopted by the West New York Board of Education by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: 4
Nays: 0
Abstentions: 0
Absent: 1

Text of Resolution:

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-5.6 requires a school district to discuss the findings of an OFAC audit at a public meeting of the district board of education no later than 30 days after receipt of the findings, and

WHEREAS, the West New York Board of Education Early Childhood Education Provider, Magical Rainbow, underwent such an audit for the 2006-2007 school year, and

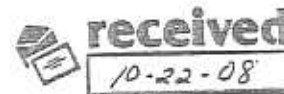
WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Education letter of Final Report dated October 16, 2008 was received by the District on October 22, 2008,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance, based upon their review, considers the Corrective Action Plan acceptable and complete, therefore, the file is closed for the audit of the 2006-2007 school year.

I, Rena G. Hendrick, Secretary of the West New York Board of Education in the county of Hudson, State of New Jersey, hereby certify that the foregoing extract from the minutes of the meeting of the West New York Board of Education duly called and held on November 12, 2008, has been compared by me with the original minutes as officially recorded in my office in the minutes book of said West New York Board of Education. This true, complete copy thereof, and or the whole of said original minutes, so far as the same related to the subject matter referred to in said contract. In witness I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the West New York Board of Education, this 17th day of November, 2008.



Rena G. Hendrick
Business Administrator/Board Secretary



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October 16, 2008

Ms. Maria Brizuela, Fiscal Specialist
West New York School District
6028 Broadway
West New York, NJ 07093

Dear Ms. Brizuela:

SUBJECT: West New York School District
Abbott Early Childhood Education
Magical Rainbow
OFAC Case #1565- Corrective Action Plan of Limited Review #1276

The Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance (OFAC) has completed a review of the corrective action plan (CAP) submitted by the West New York School District for Magical Rainbow, an Abbott early childhood provider. The CAP was submitted in response to the OFAC limited review of the 2006-2007 financial and administrative operations of the provider that detailed several concerns requiring corrective action by the district and the provider.

Based upon the OFAC review of the additional information received in this office, the CAP is considered acceptable and complete; therefore, this file is closed. A copy of the report is attached for your review.

If you have any questions, please contact Thomas C. Martin, Manager, Investigations Unit, at (609) 633-9615.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Cicchino, Director
Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance

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Attachment

c: John J. Hart	Robert Van Zanten
Rochelle Hendricks	Rena Hendrick
Kathryn Forsyth	Gisela Ferrer
James McBee	Rita Mendez
David Joye	Cynthia Nunez
Thomas C. Martin	Patricia L. Dickson
Vincent J. Costanza	Patricia Lagarenne

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
OFFICE OF FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

WEST NEW YORK SCHOOL DISTRICT
ABBOTT EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

REPORT ON CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

OCTOBER 2008

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Magical Rainbow Preschool and Daycare Center, Inc. (the provider) is a for-profit corporation established on August 18, 1999. Cynthia Nunez, the director and her mother Isabel Negrón, the clerical worker, are the only shareholders. They each hold 50% of the stock and devote 100% of the time to the center. The center is located at 6614 Broadway, West New York, New Jersey and consists of only four Abbott classrooms. The building is owned by 6614 Broadway Development Associates, a non-related party, and has negotiated a lease through July, 2008.

The Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance (OFAC) previously completed a limited review of the 2006-2007 contract, budget, and financial records of the Abbott early childhood provider in the West New York School District (the district). In reviewing the financial records and operations of the provider, several deficiencies were identified and addressed in the OFAC Report of Examination dated February 19, 2008. The district issued a corrective action plan (CAP) to the New Jersey Department of Education, Division of Early Childhood Education (DECE).

The CAP process identifies the corrective action(s) necessary for the provider to remain in compliance with the Abbott Early Childhood Education guidelines, and federal and state regulations. The CAP should be a collaborative effort between the provider and the district to develop and implement a plan of action, and correct inadequacies of the operations as reported in the OFAC Report of Examination. The district must coordinate the submission of the CAP with the provider and ensure that the corrective actions disclosed are those that have been implemented by the provider.

The OFAC review evaluates the CAP process to ensure it was prepared by both the provider and the district. The CAP is then verified to make certain it adequately and completely addresses the findings identified in the OFAC Report of Examination, and mandates the modifications to be implemented to correct those findings. The CAP review process is complete if the changes to the CAP were implemented by the provider and monitored by the district.

The CAP review included an examination of the supporting documentation, observations and conversations with the provider and the district to verify that the corrective actions have been implemented as disclosed in the CAP.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The CAP submitted by the district is acceptable and approved. The district has made an effort to ensure that the provider is in compliance with the Abbott contract and the DECE guidelines. Based on the review of the provider's submitted documentation, the OFAC concludes that the provider has corrected the issues disclosed in the OFAC Report of Examination.

Submitted by:


Thomas C. Martin, Manager
Investigations Unit

Approved by:


Robert J. Cicchino, Director
Office of Fiscal Accountability and Compliance

Special Investigator:

Patricia Lagarenne