Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op School District K001

Financial Statements
Year-End June 30, 2019



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Independent Auditor's Report

The Honorable Board of Education Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying fund type and account group financial statements of Tri-County Interlocal School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's regulatory financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility of the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of the Oklahoma State Department of Education as described in Note 1. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risks assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements 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 entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepting Accounting Principles

As described in Note 1, the financial statements are prepared by Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma, on the basis of the financial reporting provisions of Oklahoma State Department of Education, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to comply with the requirements of Oklahoma State Department of Education. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 1 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material.

Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles

In our opinion, because of the significance of the matter discussed in the "Basis for Adverse Opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles" paragraph, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph do not present fairly, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the financial position of Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma as of June 30, 2019, the changes in its financial position for the year then ended.

Unmodified Opinion on Regulatory Basis of Accounting

In our opinion the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the assets, liabilities and fund equity arising from regulatory basis transactions of each fund type and account group of Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma, as of June 30, 2019, and the revenues collected and expenses paid and budgetary results for the year then ended, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Oklahoma State Department of Education as described in Note 1.

Other Matters

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma financial statements as a whole. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The Oklahoma Department of Education requires the statement of statutory fidelity and honesty bonds and Schedule of Accountant's Professional Liability be presented to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not considered part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Oklahoma Department of Education, who considers it an essential part of the financial reporting. We have applied certain limited procedures to this supplemental information which consisted of inquires of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's response to our inquires, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 1, 2020 on our consideration of Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contract 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 Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards* in considering Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Ardmore, Oklahoma

April 1, 2020

Combined Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity Regulatory Basis – All Governmental Fund Types and Account Groups June 30, 2019

	Governmental Fund Types General			Account Groups	Total (memorandum only - Note 1)		
				General			
				xed Assets	Ju	ne 30, 2019	
ASSETS							
Cash	\$	940,887	\$	-	\$	940,887	
Capital assets		_		138,867		138,867	
Total Assets	<u>\$</u>	940,887	\$	138,867	\$	1,079,754	
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY							
Liabilities:							
Warrants payable	\$	168,018	\$	-	\$	168,018	
Encumbrances		463				463	
Total Liabilities	\$	168,481	\$		\$	168,481	
Fund Equity:							
Investment in capital assets	\$	-	\$	138,867	\$	138,867	
Undesignated		772,406		<u>-</u>		772,406	
Total Fund Equity Balances	\$	772,406	\$	138,867	\$	911,273	
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$	940,887	\$	138,867	\$	1,079,754	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Combined Statement of Revenues Collected, Expenditures Paid and Changes in Cash Fund Balance Regulatory Basis – All Governmental Fund Types Tri-County Interlocal School District For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Governmental Fund Types		
		General	
Revenues collected:			
Local sources	\$	1,323,878	
State sources		166,553	
Federal sources		686,842	
Total Revenues Collected	\$	2,177,273	
Expenditures paid/encumbered:			
Instruction	\$	578,941	
Support services		1,461,384	
Other outlays		789	
Total Expenditures Paid/Encumbered	\$	2,041,114	
Excess of revenues collected over			
expenditures paid/encumbered	\$	136,159	
Adjustment to prior year encumbrances		5,304	
Cash Fund Balances, beginning of year		630,943	
Cash Fund Balances, end of year	\$	772,406	

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Combined Statement of Revenues Collected, Expenditures Paid and Changes in Cash Fund Balances – Budget and Actual Regulatory Basis – Budgeted Governmental Fund Types

Tri-County Interlocal School District For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	General Fund										
		Original Budget		Final Budget		Actual	Variance				
Beginning cash fund balances:	\$	630,943	\$	630,943	\$	630,943		_			
Budgetary basis											
Revenues collected:											
Local sources	\$	916,676	\$	916,676	\$	1,323,878	\$	407,202			
State sources		115,953		115,953		166,553		50,600			
Federal sources		717,631		717,631		686,842		(30,789)			
Total Revenues Collected	\$	1,750,260	\$	1,750,260	\$	2,177,273	\$	427,013			
Expenditures paid/encumbered:											
Instruction	\$	600,000		600,000	\$	578,941	\$	21,059			
Support services		1,488,000		1,488,000		1,461,384		26,616			
Other outlays		293,203		293,203		789		292,414			
Total Expenditures paid/encumbered	\$	2,381,203	\$	2,381,203	\$	2,041,114	\$	340,089			
Excess of revenues collected and											
beginning cash fund balances over											
expenditures paid/encumbered	\$	-	\$		\$	767,102	\$	767,102			
Ending cash fund balances					\$	772,406					

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The basic financial statements of the Tri-County Interlocal School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma (the "District") have been prepared in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting prescribed or permitted by the Oklahoma State Department of Education, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The more significant of the District's accounting policies are described below.

A. The Reporting Entity

The District was created under Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes and is a separate entity for operating and financial reporting purposes. The District is comprised of seventeen (17) school districts who have entered into an interlocal cooperative agreement for the purpose of performing services, duties, functions, activities, obligations or responsibilities as demanded by the Boards of Education for the benefit of the students. The District is part of the public school system of Oklahoma under the general direction and control of the State Board of Education and the participating school districts and is financially dependent on State of Oklahoma for support. The general operating authority for the public school system is the Oklahoma School Code contained in Title 70, Oklahoma Statutes.

The governing body of the District is the Board of Education composed of superintendents of member schools. The appointed executive director is the executive officer of the District.

In evaluating how to define the district, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The basic, but not the only, criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service. Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the District and/or its citizens, or whether the activity is conducted within the geographic boundaries of the district and is generally available to its patrons.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – (continued)

A. The Reporting Entity – (continued)

A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the District is able to exercise oversight responsibilities. Based upon the application of these criteria, there are no potential component units included in the District's reporting entity.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses funds and account groups to report on its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain district functions or activities.

A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. An account group, on the other hand, is a financial reporting device designed to provide accountability for certain assets and liabilities that are not recorded in the funds because they do not directly affect net expendable available financial resources.

Funds are classified into two categories: governmental and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types." The District has one fund, general fund which is a governmental fund type, and one account group.

Governmental Fund Types

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked monies (special revenue funds), the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets (capital projects funds), and the servicing of general long-term debt (debt service funds).

<u>General Fund</u> - The general fund is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Major revenue sources include state funding under the Foundation and Incentive Aid Program and federal grants. Expenditures include all costs associated with the daily operations of the schools except for programs funded for building repairs and maintenance, school construction and debt service on bonds and other long-term debt. The general fund includes federal and state restricted monies that must be expended for specific programs.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – (continued)

B. Fund Accounting – (continued)

Account Groups

Account groups are not funds and consist of a self-balancing set of accounts used only to establish accounting control over long-term debt and general fixed assets not accounted for in proprietary funds.

<u>General Fixed Asset Account Group</u> - This account group is used to account for property, plant and equipment of the school district.

Memorandum Only - Total Column

The total column on the basic regulatory financial statements is captioned "memorandum only" to indicate that it is presented only to facilitate financial analysis. Data in this column does not present financial position, results of operations or cash flows in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

C. Basis of Accounting and Presentation

The District prepares its financial statements in a presentation format that is prescribed by the Oklahoma State Department of Education. This format is essentially the generally accepted form of presentation used by state and local governments prior to the effective date of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements-Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments*. This format significantly differs from that required by GASB 34.

The basic financial statements are essentially prepared on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements modified as required by the regulations of the Oklahoma State Department of Education (OSDE) as follows:

- Encumbrances represented by purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for the expenditure of monies and are recorded as expenditures when approved.
- Investments are recorded as assets when purchased.
- Warrants payable are recorded as liabilities when issued.
- Long-term debt is recorded when incurred.
- Accrued compensated absences are recorded as an expenditure and liability when the obligation is incurred.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – (continued)

C. Basis of Accounting and Presentation – (continued)

This regulatory basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require revenues to be recognized when they become available and measurable, or when they are earned, and expenditures or expenses to be recognized when the related liabilities are incurred for governmental fund types.

Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting requires the District to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results may differ from those estimates.

Noncash Transactions - The State of Oklahoma paid approximately \$8,119 directly to the teacher retirement fund on behalf of the District's employees.

D. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The District is required by state law to prepare an annual budget. A preliminary budget must be submitted to the Board of Education by December 31 for the fiscal year beginning the following July 1.

Prior to September 1, the District must file with the county excise board, a budget for the current fiscal year including an itemized statement of estimate of needs and probable income from all sources including ad valorem taxes. This budget, if not protested, becomes the legal budget for the District.

Under current Oklahoma Statues a formal budget is required for all funds except for trust and agency funds. Budgets are presented for all funds that include the originally approved budgeted appropriations for expenditures and final budgeted appropriations as adjusted for supplemental appropriations and approved transfers between budget categories.

E. Assets Liabilities and Fund Equity

For budgetary purposes, appropriations lapse at the fiscal year end. Outstanding encumbrances at fiscal year end do not lapse until liquidated. Adjustments resulting from liquidated encumbrances are reflected as adjustments to prior year encumbrances in the statements of revenues and expenditures.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies – (continued)

E. Assets Liabilities and Fund Equity – (continued)

Investment Policy - The District's investment policies are governed by Oklahoma Statutes. Permissible investments include direct obligations of the United States government and agencies; certificates of deposit of savings and loan associations, and bank and trust companies; and savings accounts or savings certificates of savings and loan associations, banks and trust companies. Collateral is required for demand deposits and certificates of deposit for all amounts not covered by federal depository insurance.

Inventories - The value of consumable inventories at June 30, 2019 is not material to the financial statements.

Compensated Absences - Vested or accumulated vacation leave that is expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources is reported as an expenditure of the governmental funds that will pay it. There are no amounts of vested or accumulated vacation leave.

Fund Balance - Fund balance represents the funds not encumbered by purchase order, legal contracts, and outstanding warrants.

F. Revenue, Expenses and Expenditures

State Revenues - Revenues from state sources for current operations are primarily governed by the state aid formula under the provisions of Article XVIII, Title 70, Oklahoma Statutes. The State Board of Education administers the allocation of state aid funds to school districts based on information accumulated from the districts.

After review and verification of reports and supporting documentation, the State Department of Education may adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations of money for prior year errors disclosed by review. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions or additions of revenue of the year when the adjustment is made.

The District receives revenue from the state to administer certain categorical educational programs. State Board of Education rules require that revenue earmarked for these programs be expended only for the program for which the money is provided and require that the money not expended as of the close of the fiscal year be carried forward into the following year to be expended for the same categorical programs. The State Department of Education requires that categorical education program revenues be accounted for in the general fund.

2. Cash and Investments

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned or the District will not be able to recover collateral securities in the possession of an outside party. The District's policy requires collateral for demand deposits and certificates of deposit for all amounts not covered by federal deposit insurance. As of June 30, 2019, cash deposits were fully insured or collateralized by a pledging bank's agent in the District's name. All funds were held as demand deposits at a local bank.

3. Employee Retirement System

Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma

<u>Plan Description</u> – The System provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost of living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The ability to establish and amend benefit provisions is the responsibility of the state legislature. The System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the employees of the District. The System issues a publically available financial report that can be obtained at http://www.ok.gov/trs/.

Benefits Provided – The System provides defined retirement benefits based on members' final compensation, age, and term of service. In addition, the retirement program provides for benefits upon disability and to survivors upon the death of eligible members. Title 70 O.S. Sec. 17-105 defines all retirement benefits. The authority to establish and amend benefit provisions rests with the State Legislature.

Contributions – In accordance with *Oklahoma Statutes*, System members are required to contribute 7.00% of applicable compensation. For the year ended June 30, 2019, qualifying employee contributions were reduced by a retirement credit of \$7,862 provided by Enrolled House Bill 1873 and paid by the State of Oklahoma as on-behalf payments. For the year ended June 30, 2019, the District had a statutory contribution rate of 9.5% plus 7.70% as a match for salaries funded by federal programs. The contribution requirements of System members and the District are established and may be amended by the state legislature. For the year ended June 30, 2019, the District contributions to the System for were \$99,497.

3. Employee Retirement System (continued)

<u>Pension plan fiduciary net position</u> – Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS financial report that can be obtained at http://www.ok.gov/trs/.

4. Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)

In addition to the retirement plan described in Note 3, the District participates in the state-administered Supplemental Health Insurance Program (OPEB Plan) within Teachers' Retirement System of Oklahoma (the OPEB System), which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by the Teacher Retirement System (TRS).

<u>Plan Description</u> – The OPEB System provides pays a monthly health insurance premium supplement for each retired member who is enrolled in the health insurance plan provided by the State and Education Employees Group Health and Dental Insurance plan or in an insurance program provided by a participating education employer who provides health insurance coverage to former employees, provided the retired member had at least ten (10) years of Oklahoma service prior to retirement.

Benefits Provided – All retirees are eligible except for special retirees (as defined) and spouses and beneficiaries as long as they have at least 10 years of service. Retirees who elect such coverage receive the smaller of (i) a Medicare supplement benefit, if eligible, or (ii) an amount between \$100 and \$105 per month, depending on service and final average compensation. Payments made on the retirees' behalf to the Employees Group Insurance Division of the Office of Management and Enterprise Services, if the member continues health coverage under that Plan, or (ii) to the member's former employer, if the member retains health coverage under a plan maintained by the former employer.

<u>Contributions</u> – Employer and employee contributions are made based upon the TRS Plan provisions contained in State Statute Title 70, as amended. However, the statutes do not specify or identify any particular contribution source to pay the health insurance subsidy. The cost of the subsidy averages 0.007% of normal cost, as determined by an actuarial valuation.

<u>OPEB plan fiduciary net position</u> – Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TRS financial report that can be obtained at http://www.ok.gov/trs/.

5. Contingencies

Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

6. Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; error and omissions and natural disasters for which the District carries commercial insurance. There have been no significant reduction in coverage from prior year and settlements have not exceeded coverage in the past three years.

7. Subsequent Event

The District has evaluated subsequent events through April 1, 2020, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

	Federal CFDA Number	Grantor's Project Number	Balance June 30, 2	_	Federal Grant Receipts		Federal Grant Expenditures		Balance June 30, 2019	
J.S. Dept. of Education										
Passed Through State Department of Educat	tion:									
Special Education - Flow-Through	84.027	621	\$	-	\$	648,625	\$	697,919	\$	(49,294)
Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173	641		_		37,386		37,386		_
Total Special Education Cluster						686,011		735,305		(49,294)
Passed Through OK State Department of Re	ehabilitation	n:								
Rehabilitation Services-Vocational										
Rehabilitation Grants To States	84.126	456	\$ (1	1,226)	\$	830	\$	787	\$	(1,183)
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ (1	1,226)	\$	686,841	\$	736,092	\$	(50,477)

Note A: Basis of Presentation

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The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2019. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of *Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma, it is not intended to and does not present the basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, of Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma.

Note B: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on using the cash basis of accounting. Some amounts presented in the schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, where certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

Note C: Indirect Cost Rate

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note D: Subrecipients

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma did not have any awards that have been passed through to subrecipients.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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 Education Tri-County Interlocal School District, Carter County, Oklahoma

We have audited, 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. the accompanying fund type and account group financial statements of Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County Oklahoma, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, which collectively comprise the Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County Oklahoma's regulatory financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated April 1, 2020. Our report included an adverse opinion on U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on effectiveness Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County, Oklahoma's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

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. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2019-002, 2019-003, 2019-004 to be material weaknesses.

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. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as items 2019-001 to be significant deficiencies.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County Oklahoma's financial statements are free of 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 determination of financial statement amounts. 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*.

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County Oklahoma's Response to Findings

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County Oklahoma's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, Carter County Oklahoma's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Ardmore, Oklahoma

Mary & Johnson & associates PLIC

April 1, 2020

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma Summary of Findings and Responses For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

2019-001 Financial Reporting

Condition: The District does not have a financial reporting system in place to ensure that all financial information is disclosed in the appropriate accounting period and in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting and State Department of Education guidelines.

Criteria: The responsibility for the financial statements remains with management even when the preparation of the financial statements is transferred to a service provider. An individual with sufficient awareness of disclosure requirements should be designated to oversee the preparation of the financial statements.

Cause: The internal control structure of the District focuses primarily on daily operations. The District does not currently have a system in place to determine appropriate financial statement disclosures. The District does have a system that determines the trial balances used in financial statement preparation are final.

Effect: A process to determine that the year-end financial reporting disclosures are in accordance with accounting and regulatory requirements does not exist.

Recommendation: We recommend that the District evaluate the costs of providing for the additional assistance needed for the year-end financial reporting process to determine it is in accordance with accounting and regulatory requirements.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: The District's current budget constraints do not allow for the addition of an outside consultant to assist in the year-end financial reporting process. Management reviews the disclosures as presented to determine that they are accurate.

2019-002 Lack of Reconciliation of District Billings

Condition: The subsidiary ledger for contract billings and collections did not agree with the accounting system.

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001

Carter County, Oklahoma

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Criteria: Internal controls should involve a reconciliation process and monitoring of the revenues and expenditures being recorded in the accounting system to the subsidiary

ledger kept by Executive Director.

Cause: Failure to reconcile accounting system to the subsidiary ledger.

Context: \$4,600 in overpayment identified.

Effect: Risk overstatement or understatement of revenues and misappropriations of

assets.

Recommendation: We recommend that reconciliation between Treasurer and Executive

Director needs to be completed monthly to ensure that invoices are being received

timely, and carried forward to subsequent year, if not paid as of year-end.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: The District is working

on new reconciliation process completed by Treasurer. Executive Director will have monthly meetings with Treasurer to ensure they are reconciling subsidiary ledger with

the accounting system.

2019-003 Expenditures

Condition: Amount paid was not in agreement with invoice.

Criteria: Internal controls should involve monitoring of checks prepared are in

agreement with corresponding invoices.

Cause: Clerical keying error.

Context: 1 of 25 invoice tested was overpaid.

Effect: Overpayment of \$2,000.

Recommendation: We recommend the treasurer agree checks issued to supporting

invoices before signature.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: The District will

implement recommendation and have treasurer review invoices to checks.

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Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma Summary of Findings and Responses For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

2019-004 Grants Management

Condition: Grant claim was overstated

Criteria: Amounts claimed on the expenditures summary should be in agreement with invoices attached, for expense reimbursement from the pass thru entity.

Cause: Overpayment of invoice that was claimed.

Context: An overpayment of \$2,000 was identified during testing of expenditures. The overpaid amount was included on the claim.

Effect: Risk misappropriations of assets.

Recommendation: We recommend a person other than the claim preparer reconcile amounts claimed to supporting invoices.

Views of Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Actions: The District will have a person independent from the preparer to review that amounts claimed are in agreement with invoiced amounts attached, to support the request amount to reimburse.

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma Summary of Prior Year Findings For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

2018-001

Condition: The District does not have a financial reporting system in place to ensure that all financial information is disclosed in the appropriate accounting period and in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting and State Department of Education guidelines.

Recommendation: The auditor recommended that the District evaluate the costs of providing for the additional assistance needed for the year-end financial reporting process to determine it is in accordance with accounting and regulatory requirements.

Current Status: Condition still exists. See 2019-001

2018-002

Condition: Contract billings and collections from Co-Op members are not being reconciled between the accounting system and the subsidiary ledger kept by Executive Director. Incorrect amounts were used in federal allocation amounts.

Recommendation: The auditor recommended the following:

- 1. Superintendents of participating districts need review the monthly invoices received from executive director to ensure federal allocations are in agreement, with the respective district's federal final allocation notices, especially after mid-term allocation adjustments.
- 2. Reconciliation between Treasurer and Executive Director needs to be completed monthly to ensure that invoices are being received timely, and carried forward to subsequent year, if not paid as of year-end.

Current Status: Allocation amounts have been resolved, reconciling between accounting system and executive director still exists, see 2019-002.

Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001 Carter County, Oklahoma Statement of Statutory Fidelity, and Honesty Bonds (unaudited) For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

The District has a blanket bond with Western Surety Company, bond number 6143398, for the penal sum of \$100,0000 for Superintendent, \$50,000 Treasurer and \$1,000 for Encumbrance Clerk and Minutes Clerk for the term August 8, 2018 to August 8, 2019.

Schedule of Accountant's Professional Liability Insurance Affidavit (unaudited)
For the Year Ended June 30, 2019

State of Oklahoma)
County of Carter)
The undersigned auditing firm of lawful age, being first duly sworn on oath, says that said firm had in full force and effect Accountant's Professional Liability Insurance in accordance with the "Oklahoma Public School Audit Law" at the time of audit contract and during the entire audit engagement with Tri-County Interlocal Co-Op, School District K001, for the audit year 2018-2019.
MARY E. JOHNSON & ASSOCIATES, PLLC
Mary E. Johnson
Authorized Agent
Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 2 nd day of, April , 2020.
Jellan Sulen
Notary Public
Commission Number: NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF OKLAHOMA COMMISSION # 17008742 My Commission Expires Sept. 20, 2021
My commission expires on: Bonded Through RLI Insurance Company