



**ASHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY
ASHLAND COUNTY**

AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2018-2017

OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

Ashland Public Library
Ashland County
224 Claremont Avenue
Ashland, Ohio 44805

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

This report only describes exceptions exceeding \$10.

Cash and Investments

1. We recalculated the December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 bank reconciliations. We found no exceptions.
2. We agreed the January 1, 2017 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Report to the December 31, 2016 balances in the prior year documentation in the prior year Agreed-Upon Procedures working papers. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the January 1, 2018 beginning fund balances recorded in the Fund Report to the December 31, 2017 balances in the Fund Report. We found no exceptions.
3. We agreed the totals per the bank reconciliations to the total of the December 31, 2018 and 2017 fund cash balances reported in the Fund Report. The amounts agreed.
4. We confirmed the December 31, 2018 bank account balances with the Library's financial institutions. We found no exceptions. We also agreed the confirmed balances to the amounts appearing in the December 31, 2018 bank reconciliation without exception.
5. We selected five reconciling debits (such as outstanding checks) haphazardly from the December 31, 2018 bank reconciliation:
 - a. We traced each debit to the subsequent January and February bank statements. We found no exceptions.
 - b. We traced the amounts and dates to the check register, to determine the debits were dated prior to December 31. There were no exceptions.

Cash and Investments (Continued)

6. We traced interbank account transfers occurring in December of 2018 and 2017 to the accounting records and bank statements to determine if they were properly recorded. We found no exceptions.
7. We inspected investments held at December 31, 2018 and December 31, 2017 to determine that they:
 - a. Were of a type authorized by Ohio Rev. Code Sections 135.13, 135.14 or 135.144. We found no exceptions.
 - b. Mature within the prescribed time limits noted in Ohio Rev. Code Section 135.13 or 135.14. We noted no exceptions.

Public Library Fund Receipts

We haphazardly selected two Public Library Fund (PLF) receipts from the County Distribution Transaction Lists from 2018 and two from 2017.

- a. We compared the amount from the County Distribution Transaction Lists to the amount recorded in the Detailed Revenue Report. The amounts agreed.
- b. We inspected the Detailed Revenue Report and observed these receipts were posted to the General Fund. We found no exceptions.
- c. We inspected the Detailed Revenue Report and observed the receipts were recorded in the proper year. We found no exceptions.
- d. We inspected the Detailed Revenue Report to determine whether it included one PLF receipt per month for 2018 and 2017. We found no exceptions.

Property Taxes

1. We haphazardly selected a property tax receipt from one *Statement of Semiannual Apportionment of Taxes* (the Statement) for 2018 and one from 2017:
 - a. We traced the gross receipts from the *Statement* to the amount recorded in the Detailed Revenue Report. The amounts agreed.
 - b. We inspected the Detailed Revenue Report to confirm whether the receipt was recorded in the proper year. The receipt was recorded in the proper year.
2. We inspected the Detailed Revenue Report to determine whether it included two real estate tax receipts for 2018 and 2017. The Detailed Revenue Report included the proper number of tax receipts for each year.

Debt

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

Payroll Cash Disbursements

1. We haphazardly selected one payroll check for five employees from 2018 and one payroll check for five employees from 2017 from the Payroll Check Register Report and:
 - a. We compared the hours and pay rate, or salary recorded in the Payroll Check Register Report to supporting documentation (timecard, legislatively or statutorily-approved rate or salary). We found no exceptions.
 - b. We inspected the fund and account codes to which the check was posted to determine the posting was reasonable based on the employees' duties as documented in the employees' personnel files and minute record. We also confirmed the payment was posted to the proper year. We found no exceptions.

2. For any new employees selected in procedure 1 we inspected the employees' personnel files and minute record for the following information and compared it with the information used to compute gross and net pay related to this check:
 - a. Name
 - b. Authorized salary or pay rate
 - c. Department(s) and fund(s) to which the check should be charged
 - d. Retirement system participation and payroll withholding
 - e. Federal, State & Local income tax withholding authorization and withholding
 - f. Any other deduction authorizations (deferred compensation, etc.)

We found no exceptions related to procedures a. – f. above.

3. We inspected the last remittance of tax and retirement withholdings for the year ended December 31, 2018 to confirm remittances were timely paid, and if the amounts paid agreed to the amounts withheld, plus the employer's share where applicable, during the final withholding period of 2018. We observed the following:

Withholding (plus employer share, where applicable)	Date Due	Date Paid	Amount Due	Amount Paid
Federal income taxes & Medicare (and social security, for employees not enrolled in pension system)	January 31, 2019	December 27, 2018	\$2,257.52	\$2,257.52
State income taxes	January 15, 2019	January 2, 2019	\$846.89	\$846.89
Local income taxes	January 15, 2019	January 2, 2019	\$1,027.85	\$1,027.85
School income taxes	January 15, 2019	January 2, 2019	\$134.73	\$134.73
OPERS retirement	January 30, 2019	January 2, 2019	\$12,581.21	\$12,581.21

4. We haphazardly selected and recomputed one termination payment (unused vacation, etc.) using the following information, and agreed the computation to the amount paid as recorded in the Payroll Check Register Report:
 - a. Accumulated leave records
 - b. The employee's pay rate in effect as of the termination date
 - c. The Library's payout policy.

The amount paid was consistent with the information recorded in a. through c. above.

Non-Payroll Cash Disbursements

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

Compliance – Budgetary

1. We compared total appropriations required by Ohio Admin. Code Section 117-8-02, to the amounts recorded in the Fund Report and YTD Combined Expense Report for 2018 and 2017 for the following funds: General Fund, Bookmobile Fund, and Building, Equipment, and Repair Funds. The amounts on the appropriation resolutions agreed to the amounts recorded in the YTD Combined Expense Report and Fund Report.
2. Ohio Admin. Code Section 117-8-02 prohibits spending in excess of budgeted amounts. We compared total expenditures to total appropriations for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 for the General Fund, Bookmobile Fund, and Building, Equipment, and Repair Funds, as recorded in the YTD Combined Expense Report. We observed that no funds for which expenditures exceeded appropriations.

Other Compliance

1. Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.38 requires libraries to file their financial information in the HINKLE system within 60 days after the close of the fiscal year. This statute also permits the Auditor of State to extend the deadline for filing a financial report and establish terms and conditions for any such extension. Auditor of State established policies, regarding the filing of complete financial statements, as defined in AOS Bulletin 2015-007 in the Hinkle System. We confirmed the Library filed their complete financial statements, as defined by AOS Bulletin 2015-007 and Auditor of State established policy within the allotted timeframe for the years ended December 31, 2018 and 2017 in the Hinkle system. There were no exceptions.
2. For all credit card accounts we obtained:
 - copies of existing internal control policies,
 - a list(s) of authorized users, and
 - a list of all credit card account transactions.
 - a. We inspected the established policies obtained above and determined they are:
 - i. in compliance with the HB 312 statutory requirements, and
 - ii. implemented by the entity.
 - b. We selected 3 credit card transactions from each of the Director and Fiscal Officer for testing. For selected transactions we inspected documentation to determine that:
 - i. Use was by an authorized user within the guidelines established in the policy, and
 - ii. Each transaction was supported with original invoices and for a proper public purpose.

We found no exceptions related to procedures a. and b. above.

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

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

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Keith Faber
Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

May 3, 2019

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OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE
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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

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MAY 21, 2019**