



Collaboration for Early Childhood

MEMO

To: District 97, District 200, Village of Oak Park Board Members
From: Collaboration for Early Childhood
Date: November 17, 2021
Subject: Summary of FY21 Audit Report

In this packet are the Audited Financial Statements for the Collaboration for Early Childhood's fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

Our auditors from Tighe, Kress & Orr (TKO) gave an overview of their findings to the Collaboration's Board of Directors in October and the Board approved the audit.

Here are some high level notes from the audit:

- We do not need to refund anything to the IGA this year.
- Our income went up from last year primarily because we invoiced the IGA for all 6 available installments. Last year, we invoiced the IGA for 5 installments. Each installment is \$219,270.
- Our expenses were higher as well, with 1 full-time and 2 new part-time staff on board. We doubled the number of staff on our medical benefit plan (from 3 to 6 people) plus health care costs increased.
- Overall, our net assets were (\$52,764) in the red. This is primarily because we had grant expenses in FY21 related to grant income that came in later in FY20. The income hit the books in the prior fiscal year but all the expenses hit the books this past fiscal year.
- Our program expenses account for 75% of our overall expenses. Now that our Community Engagement activity is more established, we consider that to be a program area. Admin and fundraising account for 25% of our expenses. This is the same as last year.
- The fundraising expenses are higher than the previous year because we have re-coded our contract with HPS Chicago to go under that area. In the past, it has been included in Admin/Management/General. The audit report notes Fundraising as its own category, however, in our upcoming annual report we will continue to bundle it with the Admin/Management/General items since it is all non-program activity.
- More details on last year's income/expenses were provided at the Collaboration Board of Directors' September meeting. Those notes are in the September board packet, publicly available on the Collaboration's website, collab4kids.org