

# **Graham Independent School District**

## **Board Agenda Item Synopsis**

**Subject: Consider Approval of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for the Fiscal Year Ending August 31, 2024**

**Authority / Board Policy Reference:**

Board Policy CFC (Legal)

ACCOUNTING

AUDITS

The board shall have its district fiscal accounts audited annually at district expense by a certified or public accountant holding a permit from the State Board of Public Accountancy. The audit must be completed following the close of each fiscal year.

The independent audit must meet at least the minimum requirements and be in the format prescribed by the State Board of Education (SBOE), subject to review and comment by the state auditor. The audit shall include an audit of the accuracy of the fiscal information provided by the district through the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS).

**Background Information:**

Pursuant to Board Policy CFC (Legal) and Texas Education Code 44.008(a)(b), the board shall have a district's fiscal accounts audited annually at the district expense by a Texas certified or public accountant holding a permit from the State Board of Public Accountancy.

The audit shall be completed following the close of each fiscal year, and shall meet at least the minimum requirements and be in the format prescribed by the State Board of Education (SBOE), subject to review and comment by the state auditor. The audit shall include an audit of the accuracy of the fiscal information provided by a district through the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS).

The District must file the annual financial report with TEA no later than 150 days after the end of the fiscal year.

**Administrative Consideration:**

Representatives from the auditing firm of Merritt, McLane, and Hamby will present the audit report to the Board of Trustees. The following is a brief summary of the Audit Results:

- An unmodified opinion, which is the highest level of assurance, was given by auditors.
- There were no deficiencies in internal control that are considered to be material weaknesses.
- The results of the tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.
- Related to Federal Funds and the Uniform Guidance, the district complied in all material respects with the compliance requirements per the OMB Compliance Supplement.
- The General Fund Balance decreased \$2,839,560, due to the capital expenditures of \$4,270,496.

- The Child Nutrition Fund Balance decreased \$41,982. The District did not need to supplement the Child Nutrition Fund in the current year, as there is a remaining fund balance from prior years that is being spent slowly. The remaining balance is \$229,692.
- The Debt Service Fund Balance increased \$150,839, resulting in an end balance of \$1,598,091.

**Budgetary Impact:**  
Informational Only.

**Recommendation:**

The Administration recommends that the Board of Trustees approve the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ending August 31, 2024 as presented.

**Meeting Date:** December 11, 2024