Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 Required Communication Letters Year Ended June 30, 2014

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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

Board of Education Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 Geneva, IL

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 financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 8, 2014.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304'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 the effectiveness of Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's internal control.

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. 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.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's financial statements are free from 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*.

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.

Klein Hall CPAs Aurora, Illinois October 8, 2014

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Board of Education Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 Geneva, IL

We have audited the financial statements of Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 for the year ended June 30, 2014 and have issued our report thereon dated October 8, 2014.

As stated in our report on internal accounting controls, our study and evaluation disclosed no material weaknesses in your accounting system.

We would, however, like to address the following items and offer recommendations for your consideration:

Professional Standards Update

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued Statement No. 68, which will change the accounting and financial reporting requirements for state and local governments that provide their employees with pensions. This Statement replaces the requirements of GASB Statement Nos. 27 and 50 as they relate to pensions that are provided through pension plans administered as trusts, or equivalent arrangements that meet certain criteria. These changes will affect your financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2015.

This Statement applies specifically to governments that provide their employees with pensions through pension plans in which a government's contributions to the trust used to administer a pension plan are (1) irrevocable, (2) restricted to paying pension benefits, and (3) beyond the reach of creditors.

Government employers that provide their employees with a defined benefit pension are classified in one of the following categories for this Statement:

- Single employer is an employer whose employees are provided with a defined benefit pension through a single employer pension plan (e.g., a municipal police pension plan)
- Agent employer is an employer whose employees are provided with a defined benefit pension through an agent multiple employer pension plan (e.g. IMRF)
- Cost-sharing employer is an employer whose employees are provided with a defined benefit pension through a cost-sharing multiple employer pension plan (e.g. TRS)

Under the new standards, in financial statements prepared using the economic resources measurement focus (accrual basis of accounting), the single or agent employer is required to recognize a liability

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equal to the net pension liability. The net pension liability is defined as the present value of projected benefit payments to be provided through the pension plan, to current and inactive employees, that is attributed to those employees' past periods of service (total pension liability), less the amount of the pension plan's net position. A cost-sharing employer is required to recognize its proportionate share of the net pension liability of the plan.

The new Statement contains requirements related to the actuarial cost method and certain other assumptions used in the preparation of an actuarial valuation. The Statement also requires that an actuarial valuation of the total pension liability be performed as least every two years, with more frequent valuations encouraged. In addition, this Statement also requires disclosing certain information in the notes to the financial statements, as well as presenting certain required supplementary information (RSI) for the ten most recent fiscal years.

For government employees that provide their employees with a defined contribution pension, the new standards generally carry forward the existing financial reporting requirements.

We are available to further discuss these changes and the impact on your financial statements.

Positive Attributes

Although the general purpose of this letter is to cover only matters needing consideration, we believe it is also important to point out that there are many positive attributes of the District's financial management systems, which are not specifically covered herein.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Business Office and their personnel for the cooperation and courtesies extended to us during our audit.

This report is intended solely for management and should not be used for any other purposes.

Sincerely,

Klein Hall CPAs Aurora, Illinois

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October 8, 2014





COMMUNICATION WITH THOSE CHARGED WITH GOVERNANCE

Board of Education Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 Geneva, Illinois

We have audited the financial statements of Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and have issued our report thereon dated October 8, 2014. Professional standards require that we advise you of the following matters relating to our audit.

Our Responsibility under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards and Government Auditing Standards

As communicated in our engagement letter dated October 30, 2013, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to form and express an opinion(s) about whether the financial statements that have been prepared by management with your oversight are presented fairly, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your respective responsibilities.

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. We also considered internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants, 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 is not an objective of our audit. Also in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, we examined, on a test basis, evidence about Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the "U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement" applicable to each of its major federal programs for the purpose of expressing an opinion on Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's compliance with those requirements. While our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion, it does not provide a legal determination on Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's compliance with those requirements.

Our responsibility for the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, as described by professional standards, is to evaluate the presentation of the supplementary information in relation to the financial statements as a whole and to report on whether the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Planned Scope and Timing of the Audit

We conducted our audit consistent with the planned scope and timing we previously communicated to you.

Compliance with All Ethics Requirements Regarding Independence

The engagement team, others in our firm, as appropriate, our firm, and our network firms have complied with all relevant ethical requirements regarding independence.

Qualitative Aspects of the Entity's Significant Accounting Practices

Significant Accounting Policies

Management has the responsibility to select and use appropriate accounting policies. A summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 is included in Note 1 to the financial statements. There have been no initial selection of accounting policies and no changes in significant accounting policies or their application during the year ended June 30, 2014. No matters have come to our attention that would require us, under professional standards, to inform you about (1) the methods used to account for significant unusual transactions and (2) the effect of significant accounting policies in controversial or emerging areas for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus.

Significant Accounting Estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's current judgments. Those judgments are normally based on knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ markedly from management's current judgments.

The most sensitive accounting estimates affecting the financial statements are the IMRF and OPEB actuarial accrued liabilities:

Management's estimate of the IMRF and OPEB actuarial accrued liabilities is based on actuarial valuations. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the IMRF and OPEB actuarial accrued liabilities in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Financial Statement Disclosures

Certain financial statement disclosures involve significant judgment and are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's financial statements relate to: revenue recognition, contingencies, and fair value estimates.

Significant Difficulties Encountered during the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management relating to the performance of the audit.

Uncorrected and Corrected Misstatements

For purposes of this communication, professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that we believe are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, which could be significant to Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's financial statements or the auditor's report. No such disagreements arose during the course of the audit.

Representations Requested from Management

We have requested certain written representations from management, which are included in the attached letter dated October 8, 2014.

Management's Consultations with Other Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters. Management informed us that, and to our knowledge, there were no consultations with other accountants regarding auditing and accounting matters.

Other Significant Matters, Findings, or Issues

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In the normal course of our professional association with Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304, we generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, operating and regulatory conditions affecting the entity, and operational plans and strategies that may affect the risks of material misstatement. None of the matters discussed resulted in a condition to our retention as Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304's auditors.

With respect to the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

This information is intended solely for the use of Board of Education and management of Geneva Community Unit School District No. 304 and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Klein, Hall CPAs Aurora, Illinois October 8, 2014