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REPORT TO THE MILWAUKEE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS: JULY 2021

The Office of Accountability and Efficiency (OAE) was established to enhance transparency, oversight, and accountability to the District's financial operations; to evaluate fiscal performance; and to recommend solutions in furtherance of fiscal stewardship of Milwaukee Public Schools. Each month, the OAE monthly report will provide a highlight of one area of the OAE Work Plan and Work Plan progress from the previous month.

The Office of Accountability and Efficiency completed the OAE FY21 Work Plan on June 30, 2021. Analysis of FY21 activities, outputs, and outcomes is underway and a final report on work completed as part of the FY21 Work Plan will be transmitted to the Board in the coming months. Additionally, the Office of Accountability and Efficiency began implementation of the OAE FY22 Work Plan on July 1, 2021.

Accountability and Efficiency Services

Between June 14, 2021 and July 18, 2021, Accountability and Efficiency Services fulfilled 19 requests for information/research, one constituent inquiry, six requests for data analysis, and four special projects. Accountability and Efficiency Services also completed the annual review and update of Independent Hearing Officer (IHO) contact information and completed one process improvement project. Additionally, 30 active projects and seven deferred projects were carried forward from FY21 to FY22.

Accountability and Efficiency Services also continued to support the District's implementation of Administrative Policies 3.09 and 6.35.

Contract Compliance Services

This month, Contract Compliance Services (CCS) met with the city of Wauwatosa to discuss equity within contracting. The meeting provided a brief history of Milwaukee Public Schools' Supplier Diversity Program as a reference for improving the city of Wauwatosa's compliance monitoring efforts and increasing diversity spend within its contracting efforts. Mission-aligned partnerships were also discussed as the CCS team has found support through its network to advance economic development for HUBs and workforce development opportunities for constituents and students.

Additionally, CCS added its first federal Mission Aligned Partner (MAP) to its network. STARBASE Wisconsin will serve as an alternative placement training and work-site for middle school and high school youth. The non-profit organization provides Milwaukee's future innovators engaging and challenging exploratory experiences in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). This interactive academic outreach program helps youth increase their knowledge in STEM.

Contract Compliance Services also provided its contributions to the annual work plan for the Office of Accountability and Efficiency, and will be preparing its report to the Milwaukee Board of School Directors with FY21 contractor performance metrics.

Contract Compliance Services also continued to support the District's implementation of Administrative Policies 3.10 and 3.13.