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1	Ms. Ruth Carter-Lynch on the phone?	1	the Chief Auditor.
2	MS. CARTER-LYNCH: Here.	2	MR. ERHARD: Bryan Erhard, Office of the
3	MR. JABOUIN: Ms. Rebecca Dahl?	3	Chief Auditor.
4	MS. DAHL: Here.	4	MS. MARQUARDT: Michele Marquardt, Office of
5	MR. JABOUIN: Mr. De Meo is in transit.	5	the Chief Auditor.
6	Ms. Mary Fertig on the phone?	6	MS. PRITYKINA: Elena Pritykina, Office of
7	BECON: Negative.	7	the Chief Auditor.
8	MR. JABOUIN: Okay. I understand she'll be	8	MS. RADCLIFF: Wanda Radcliff, Office of the
9	here soon.	9	Chief Auditor.
10	Ms. Itohan Ighodaro is in transit, as well.	10	MS. HARPALANI: Jennifer Harpalani, Assistant
11	Dr. Nathalie Lynch-Walsh?	11	Director, Audits.
12	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Here.	12	MS. GOULDBOURNE: Nakia Gouldbourne, Office
13	MR. JABOUIN: Mr. Robert Mayersohn on the	13	of the Chief Auditor.
14	phone?	14	MR. JABOUIN: Ms. Marte?
15	MR. MAYERSOHN: I'm here.	15	MRS. MARTE: Judith Marte, Deputy
16	MR. JABOUIN: Mr. Andrew Medvin.	16	Superintendent Finances and Operations.
17	MR. MEDVIN: Here.	17	MR. JABOUIN: Ms. Coker?
18	MR. JABOUIN: Mr. Pavel Menzul?	18	MS. COKER: Good morning, Ms. Coker, Director
19	MR. MENZUL: Present.	19	of Procurement & Warehousing Services.
20	MR. JABOUIN: Ms. Phyllis Shaw is excused.	20	MR. JABOUIN: Chair, I wanted to mention to
21	Ms. Jaclyn Strauss?	21	those here that there are some documents that are
22	MS. STRAUSS: Present.	22	in the front of the audit committee members'
23	MR. JABOUIN: Mr. Peter Turso?	23	areas. There is a memorandum from Ms. Marte's
24	MR. TURSO: Here.	24	office on fund balance.
25	MR. JABOUIN: And amongst District staff, I	25	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, that was the first
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1	am Joris Jabouin, the District's Chief Auditor.	1	question I was going to ask.
2	MS. ARCESE: Ali Arcese, Audit Director.	2	MR. JABOUIN: There also are documents that
3	MR. RHODES: Dave Rhodes, Audit Director.	3	we sent subsequent to delivery of the package
4	DR. PHILLIPS: Dr. Joe Phillips, Chief of IT.	4	that we've included here for the committee. And
5	MS. ARLOTTA: Gerri Arlotta, Assistant	5	then we also have some pages to Agenda Item
6	Director of Financial Reporting. I'm designee	6	Number 10. These are pages 6 and pages 12 from
7	today for Oleg Gorokhovsky, Director.	7	that report when that comes up.
8	MS. MOTIWALA: Erum Motiwala, Associate	8	I also wanted to mention that Deputy
9	Superintendent of Finance.	9	Superintendent Marte, Executive Director Andreu
10	MS. ANDREU: Jennifer Andreu, Executive	10	and Director Smith and Dorsett need to leave at
11	Director, Operations.	11	noon and this impacts Agenda Items 7, 8, 10, 11
12	MS. CZUBKOWSKI: Deborah Czubkowski, Chief	12	and 12. And Ms. Marte will serve as the
13	Facilities Officer.	13	Superintendent's designee as well as Dr.
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Menzul?

Phillips. And if they need to leave I'll take

DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Well, let's start by

All right. Good. We have quorum and we have

introducing our newest member and then we need to

approve the agenda because I wanted to shift

number 7 around. So -- and we just got another

a new member. So we have Mr. Pavel Menzul?

DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Please, if you

notes for the Superintendent, Chair.

member, so we now have quorum.

MR. MENZUL: Yes.

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MR. JABOUIN: The back row, please? The

MR. PROANO: Jim Proano AECOM.

Director, Physical Plant Operations.

MR. SPEAR: Dale Spear, Physical Plant

MR. DORSETT: Mark Dorsett, Executive

MR. SMITH: Ryan Smith, Director of Business

MR. CARTER: Jeremiah Carter, Office of the

MR. CARVAJAL: Gabriel Carvajal, Office of

gentleman on the right?

Operations.

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1	could, introduce yourself to the group as this is	1	Okay. Moved by Ms. Strauss. Second by
2	your first meeting.	2	Fertig?
3	MR. MENZUL: Hello. Hi. My name is Pavel	3	MS. FERTIG: Yes.
4	Menzul and I'm happy to be on this committee. My	4	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. All in favor
5	background is, actually, in supply chain and	5	any discussion on the minutes?
6	finance and I was a consultant before and, you	6	(No response.)
7	know, it's awesome to be here.	7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: We're good?
8	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Welcome.	8	All right. All in favor of approving the
9	All right. So next up on the agenda,	9	October 12th minutes?
10	Approval of the Agenda. So today, because the	10	COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Aye.
11	last time we did follow-up items and I've got, we	11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Any opposed?
12	have some issues on the follow-up items, we may	12	(No response.)
13	never get to the items that we need to approve if	13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. October 12th is
14	we do 7 before we do those. So what I was	14	approved.
15	looking to do is, except where they relate to an	15	October 19th minutes, need a motion to
16	agenda item, move number 7 to after 12 on the	16	
17	agenda. And then as the things pertain to agenda	17	approve. MS. FERTIG: So moved.
18	items we'll pull from there. Because there are	18	MS. STRAUSS: Second.
19	some things, like RSM is here, so we can ask	19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Moved by Fertig,
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21	about that, Business Support Center, but there	21	seconded by Strauss.
22	are some things in here, like the HR and	22	Any discussion?
23	Procurement Plan, if we start talking about that,	23	(No response.)
23	we're never going to get to Item Number 8. So	23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. All in favor of
25	that's the change that I'd like to make here.	24	approving the October 19th minutes?
20	And, otherwise, is there anything else on the	23	COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Aye.
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1	agenda or are we good with the rest of it?	1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Any opposed?
2	So I just want to move 7 down to after 12.	2	(No response.)
3	MS. FERTIG: Okay.	3	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. We moved Item
4	MS. STRAUSS: Okay.	4	7, so that brings us to the MSL Annual
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay? So you're seconding?	5	Comprehensive Financial Report.
6	MS. STRAUSS: Yes.	6	MR. JABOUIN: Chair, we have Mr. Castaneda
7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All in favor?	7	here to go over the documents. As we know from
8	COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Aye.	8	the committee these were presented on November
9	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Any opposed?	9	16th. The Board needed to approve those at their
10	(No response.)	10	
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Passes unanimous.	11	December meeting and they have moved forward with that. But Mr. Castaneda is here for this
12	So the agenda is now approved.	12	
13	<b>C</b>	13	presentation.
14	Do we have anyone for public comment?	14	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So, again, because
15	MR. JABOUIN: We do not. Ms. Arcese will	15	of timing, this went to the Board. When we met
16	check outside while she's looking.	16	in December we talked about the fund balance. So
17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Next up we have the minutes	17	that's one of the follow-up items that would be
18	from October 12th and October 19th. As soon as		relevant to this area and that we received a memo
10	we get confirmation about public comment. And	18	on. We had asked for an explanation and I hope
1.0	then, of course, the public can comment on any of	19	Mr. De Meo is okay because I think he was the one
19		20	that wanted the explanation.
20	the agenda items, but this is just if someone is		
20 21	there with a general comment.	21	The explanation would tell us where we are.
20 21 22	there with a general comment. MS. ARCESE: No.	21 22	So it looks like in June so as of these
20 21 22 23	there with a general comment. MS. ARCESE: No. DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Good.	21 22 23	So it looks like in June so as of these financial statements the fund balance was at 4.36
20 21 22	there with a general comment. MS. ARCESE: No.	21 22	So it looks like in June so as of these

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1	MS. MOTIWALA: Yes, that's correct.	1	someone explain the significance of this since we
2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. And then between	2	just got the memo and it can be I know Mr.
3	June and September 30th, 2023 we're now at 4.15	3	Castaneda, I don't know, because Mr. De Meo is
4	percent.	4	usually the one that has the most questions for
5	MS. MOTIWALA: Correct.	5	you and he's not here, and this already went to
6	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. I appreciate that	6	the Board
7	you guys brought the Florida Statutes because I	7	MR. CASTANEDA: Correct. Since all of our
8	went and pulled that last night, and then the	8	communications have been communicated both to the
9	policy. So but it's no longer September. So	9	audit committee as well as the Board, we never
10	we're now in January.	10	had a formal meeting because the one in November
11	MS. MOTIWALA: So the October interim	11	got cancelled, so I'm just here to if there's
12	financial statements will be presented to the	12	any questions or concerns with the ACFR that was
13	Board this month on the 23rd.	13	presented in November in December.
14	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. And do we have what	14	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, Mary.
15	was projected previously? Because that'll be	15	MS. FERTIG: Can I just ask a quick question?
16	where we are, actually, as of October; right?	16	I'm asking a quick question.
17	MS. MOTIWALA: Right.	17	I'm looking at all the papers, I printed off
18	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Do we have projections as	18	everything that was sent to us yesterday.
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20	to where we're going? Like a projection for where we would be?	20	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: This is from this morning. MS. FERTIG: And this is from this morning.
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22	MS. MOTIWALA: It was still above 4 percent.	22	So if I could just request, I know this is
23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: 4 percent for October?	23	difficult because this is a January date, but,
24	MS. MOTIWALA: No, for the year you're	24	you know, I think for most of us we try to print
25	asking?	25	it off and read it before we get here.
23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, to be 4 percent for	23	Is it possible that we could receive these
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1	June 30th, 2024?	1	I know this isn't exactly on your point, but
2	MS. MOTIWALA: Yes, it's above 4 percent.	2	MR. CASTANEDA: No, your fine.
3	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. That's the	3	MS. FERTIG: is it possible that we could
4	projection, and we're at 4.15.	4	receive these, you know, the day before so that
5	So what you're saying is that, in theory,	5	we have an opportunity to review them?
6	we're expected to go from 4.15 to 4 percent	6	MR. JABOUIN: Yeah, so, Ms. Fertig, yes. So
7	MS. MOTIWALA: No, I'm just saying it's	7	there is some due to the cancellation and the
8	expected to be above 4 percent. So it's in line	8	holiday factor, the normal delivery practices
9	with the projection for the year, the 4.15	9	where we send the documents out the Friday
10	percent as of September.	10	before, we couldn't follow that to a to a T.
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Uh-huh. Okay. And	11	But, obviously, for future meetings we will
12	then we'll find out as of October at the 23rd	12	operate in that spirit.
13	meeting. So is that backup available yet?	13	MS. FERTIG: And I don't have a problem with
14	Because the agenda's on-line.	14	the fact that you couldn't deliver it the week
15	MS. MOTIWALA: The interim financials are	15	before, it's just we got a number of attachments
16	posted	16	yesterday and I printed them off, went over them.
17	•	17	I just we were just sitting here trying to
18	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay.	18	
19	MS. MOTIWALA: already, based on the	19	figure out which one of those documents you were
	agenda item.	20	on and this is a new one. So I would just
20	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So then what's the	20	request that all of them come to us prior to a
21 22	October?	21	meeting so we have time to review them.
	MS. MOTIWALA: It's 4.17 percent.		MR. JABOUIN: So noted.
23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: 4.17?	23	MS. FERTIG: Thank you.
24	MS. MOTIWALA: Yes.	24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, I think, to your
25	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. All right. And can	25	point, the reason this occurred is, remember,
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1	everybody was off until the 8th. And by	1	3.5 or 3 percent, it would have been complete
2	"everybody", I mean the District. So then if	2	chaos.
3	they got updates subsequent to going off-line on	3	Yes, ma'am?
4	the 18th, I'm guessing this is what caused this.	4	MS. STRAUSS: I just wanted to ask, do we
5	So we, in theory, shouldn't see this again, where	5	have a basic standard that other districts
6	we're getting stuff the night before and the day	6	maintain as far as their percentage is concerned?
7	of because there isn't a holiday break in	7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: That's my next question.
8	between.	8	MS. STRAUSS: And I want to know how we
9	MS. FERTIG: Yeah, it's just this is dated	9	compare to that, please.
10	8th and	10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: You mean like Palm Beach
11	MR. JABOUIN: That is correct. So with most	11	and Dade?
12	of staff returning on Monday, a lot of these were	12	MS. STRAUSS: Yeah. Well, just, you know,
13	compiled on Monday and Tuesday before this	13	the districts, I guess, even across the nation
14	meeting. But this is not a usual situation, Ms.	14	that operate in more effective efficient ways
15	Fertig.	15	than this district does.
16	MS. FERTIG: I recognize that. I just my	16	MR. CASTANEDA: It's kind of hard to I
17	point being, that we got a lot of attachments	17	wouldn't benchmark Broward schools with other
18	yesterday. This, I think, could have come at the	18	districts unless it's like the higher ones; like
19	same time. And I know several times this has	19	Miami-Dade; or LA County; or Texas.
20	happened. That's not a criticism. I know how	20	MS. STRAUSS: Great. Yes.
21	hard your staff works. But I just think that	21	MR. CASTANEDA: But those those are out of
22	it's for what we're doing, it's important that	22	state and Florida's very specific with its own,
23	we have time to review it the night before.	23	the Florida DOE has it's own set of rules that
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, and, actually, to	24	other states do not, as well as Florida statutes
25	Mary's point that she pointed out, it was dated	25	that so it's hard it's
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1	the 8th. Because I hadn't looked at the date. I	1	MS. STRAUSS: So what about Miami-Dade?
2	started from the back. You would expect the	2	Let's start there.
3	date, since we're getting it this morning, to be	3	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And Palm Beach, just for
4	this morning, except for the part that I	4	fun.
5	distinctly remember asking we asked for the	5	MR. CASTANEDA: I don't have that
6	explanation at our meeting on the 20th. So,	6	benchmarked. But I don't like to compare, me,
7	right, that could have been done, but it wasn't.	7	personally, as an auditor, to see if you're on
8	So we have it now and the interim financials at	8	the right path because your entity is your own
9	4.17.	9	entity and you kind of benchmark against yourself
10	So then I guess we're back to the question,	10	and see if, for example, the minimum fund
11	if no one has any questions for Mr. Castaneda, my	11	balance, if it's going down or up, historically,
12	question is, I guess, Mr. Castaneda, this is part	12	within the district. But we can definitely pull
13	of the financials, so is this lower? Because	13	those benchmarks and we could present to you next
14	what we don't have is a historical look at this	14	meeting or
15	percentage. Historically, where has this been?	15	MS. STRAUSS: That would be great. As a
16	MR. CASTANEDA: Historically, since we've	16	previous auditor, myself, I would always look
17	been conducting the audit, it's hovered over 3	17	within industry, as well, as that is one of our
18	percent. It's never gone down below the minimum	18	standards; right?
19	fund balance policy that the District has.	19	MR. CASTANEDA: Sure.
20	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I'm asking, specifically,	20	MS. STRAUSS: Audit standards. So you said,
21	if we've been normally 5; 4.5; 5-and-something?	21	as auditor, you only like to look within. I
22	MR. CASTANEDA: I don't have that off the top	22	don't agree with that methodology. I like to
23	of my head.	23	look intra and intercompany as well as outside
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Yeah, I would I	24	market. So I would definitely like to know what
25	think I would have noticed if it had fallen at	25	that what that standard is and what others
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1	have been maintaining at. Because I have	1	do. So in the current governor's proposed budget
2	concerns for Broward. And, obviously, this	2	Palm Beach gets \$751 more per student than
3	this percentage seems pretty low to me.	3	Broward. Miami-Dade gets 300-plus, I don't
4	Especially with the size of our district, the	4	remember the exact number, but more than 300 more
5	population and the tax the tax bill that is	5	per student.
6	disproportionately given to Broward schools over	6	What does that translate into? If we were to
7	other things. It's the highest portion of our	7	be funded the way Palm Beach was, we would have
8	tax bills, our property tax bills.	8	an additional \$173 million in our budget. If we
9	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. Ms. Fertig?	9	were funded the way Miami does, we would have an
10	MS. FERTIG: Yeah, I guess I'm I'm not	10	additional 88 million.
11	trying to be unreasonable, but I would think I	11	And why do I know all these things in my
12	mean, Ms. Marte, can you answer that question?	12	head? Because we're actually working on a
13	There's got to be a file somewhere that's pretty	13	presentation because I share the audit
14	easily accessible that we would be able to find	14	committee's concern around fund balance and have
15	this information out today? Didn't we discuss	15	expressed that very, very clearly to the board.
16	this prior?	16	MS. FERTIG: No, I'm glad you're working on a
17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: We did.	17	presentation because it seems like if they're
18	MS. FERTIG: Okay. I would just be	18	making more that we might need to change some of
19	interested in knowing the last, at least last	19	our strategies in working in Tallahassee and all.
20	year's, but I would say five years. Yeah.	20	Is there an explanation why Palm Beach County
21	MRS. MARTE: Through the Chair?	21	gets so much more?
22	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, ma'am.	22	MRS. MARTE: So, yes, yes. So the base
23	MRS. MARTE: So in 2017, I don't have the	23	student allocation is similar. Although, for
24	percentages, I do have a graph that trends. This	24	some reason, and they don't call it the DCD
25	is not the lowest the fund balance has been in	25	anymore, Erum, they call it the commodities index
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1	the district. In 2018 the fund balance was	1	factor? Help me?
2	lower. Although it was above the required 3	2	MS. MOTIWALA: Yes. The wage factor.
3	percent. I would have to do the calculations of	3	MRS. MARTE: So they changed the DCD to a new
4	the percentages. But in 2018 and '19 it was	4	name last year. For some reason both Palm Beach
5	lower. We got the fund balance up in 2020, '21	5	and Miami-Dade get a higher DCD than we do. But
6	and '22 significantly higher than it had been	6	that's a small amount of the issue.
7	since 2014. And then last year, the size of	7	The issue is the tax base as it relates to
8	raises and the significant increase in the SRO	8	the number of students in the school. Both Palm
9	contracts that were not contemplated when the	9	Beach and Miami-Dade still have significant land
10	budget was developed caused a significant	10	to grow and increase their tax base. Miami-Dade
11	reduction.	11	is exploding down south near Homestead and
12	Again, we're not as low as we were in 2018	12	building houses like crazy. Palm Beach is still
13	and 2019. I've expressed to the Board, very	13	building out west. We're at capacity. So our
14	publicly, my concern about fund balance. How do	14	tax base per student is significantly lower than
15	we compare to Miami-Dade, where you all know I	15	theirs.
16	have significant history, and Palm Beach, we are	16	MS. FERTIG: If you lived in Fort Lauderdale,
17	significantly lower, ma'am. Yes, we are.	17	and perhaps you do, you would not think that we
18	MS. STRAUSS: What does "significantly lower"	18	are built out with what we see on a daily basis.
19	mean?	19	MRS. MARTE: So so what is happening
	MRS. MARTE: Significantly lower, I would	20	you're right Mrs. Fertig, but what is happening
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		21	is the unite being built in Fort Loudardala are
20	have to go look, but I believe both of them are	21	is the units being built in Fort Lauderdale are
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20 21 22 23	have to go look, but I believe both of them are above 5 percent, possibly above 6. MS. STRAUSS: Wow.	22 23	not necessarily the units that attract growing families. It's millenniums and retirees.
20 21 22	have to go look, but I believe both of them are above 5 percent, possibly above 6.	22	not necessarily the units that attract growing

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1	you look at some of the demographics in some of	1	So for our next meeting when is that going
2	the eastern schools, where they were 15 years ago	2	to the Board?
3	and where they are today, that you might question	3	MRS. MARTE: January.
4	that. I've always questioned it because all	4	MS. MOTIWALA: January 30th.
5	around the world people live in these high-rise	5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, that workshop?
6	apartments and high-rises, and so I don't know	6	MRS. MARTE: Yes, ma'am.
7	that we should discount it, but it might be an	7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So it's going to the
8	argument that we could work-up and move forward.	8	workshop January 30th, 1/30. When is our next
9	But, in any event, I'll let that go.	9	MR. JABOUIN: January 25th.
10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, we have the same	10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, so it would be
11	issue in Plantation. They always say, oh,	11	available. Because if it's going to the workshop
12	singles, you know, young professionals. I go,	12	on the 30th, the materials
13	they could have kids to get to the schools.	13	MRS. MARTE: It posts Tuesday, this coming
14	So the I think you asked most of the	14	Tuesday.
15	questions related to why.	15	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. All right. So
16	My question is whether the referendum dollars	16	oh. Well, when we look at our agenda for the
17	impacted the fund balance since it went up	17	25th we might be able to squeeze it in. Because
18	after in 2018-19?	18	then we don't meet we do meet February 8th
19	MRS. MARTE: So that had some impact on the	19	though. Oh, no, that's the special meeting.
20	fund balance during those years, but part of the	20	Then February 29th is our regular meeting.
21	impact during those years was the fact that we	21	MS. FERTIG: Actually, that might be a good
22	were closed for COVID and discretionary spending	22	time to do it because maybe we'll have a little
23	went down and was put into fund balance.	23	more time to discuss.
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So we stopped	24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: What, at the 8th?
25	spending like drunken sailors is the explanation.	25	MS. FERTIG: Yeah.
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1	Okay.	1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: At the special meeting?
2	MRS. MARTE: Well, that's not what I said.	2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: At the special meeting? MS. FERTIG: We can talk about that at the
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2	MRS. MARTE: So, it is, but it is a bigger
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so from last year to this year Miami-Dade, I'm talking the traditional head count in seats, not charter schools, not the vouchers, Miami-Dade lost a little over a thousand students in their traditional schools. Palm Beach grew, I'm doing round numbers, about 800 students. We lost 6,000.

MS. FERTIG: Okay. I'm going to send you this article, which is actually very interesting looking at some of the highest growth, like Clark County and all, that you can see this is a nationwide trend. But I'm not -- I don't want to go on with this. We have so much to do. I think this is an issue worth pursuing and maybe we set this on the 8th. And I will, meanwhile, give you a call to give you some of the documents.

I just want to say one thing. I have sat on Planning & Zoning of Fort Lauderdale for -- I'm terming out my second six-year period. So I just -- I just want to say that I've watched this conversation go on for a long time about what the high-rises were going to mean, and then I look at our schools and I see where we are. And I just

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1	MRS. MARTE: So we certainly can get with	1	I think in looking overall at schools; where
2	Jill Young and Joe and see what type of data they	2	students are; who's coming and so forth; we need
3	have.	3	to re-evaluate whether or not the theories of the
4	MS. FERTIG: I also have	4	early 2000s have become are reality or not.
5	MRS. MARTE: I need I want to be very	5	And I'm not sure they are.
6	clear though. We get funded for actual students.	6	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. Thank you.
7	So whatever materializes, we get funded for. The	7	Ms. Strauss?
8	issue is the tax base, not the FTE in those	8	MS. STRAUSS: Yes, just two final comments.
9	buildings. So we don't have the tax base growth	9	Number one, from my own personal experience, I
10	that both Palm Beach and Miami-Dade have.	10	know that there is a large high-rise near Bayview
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: But that's what Mary's	11	Elementary, for example, that many families
12	saying is, they have room to build out. Broward	12	purposely move to and rent. It's only for rent.
13	is continuing to rebuild and create new homes	13	They purposely move there so they can get into
14	that are potentially going to have families. So	14	Bayview Elementary School. So there are tons of
15	we don't have all this empty land, but they have	15	children in these high-rise buildings. So that
16	things they're tearing down and rebuilding. And	16	definitely needs to be assessed.
17	there are high-rises that are occurring.	17	Number two, I just want to put it on the
18	MRS. MARTE: So we certainly can try to put	18	record, the huge lack of enrollment by Broward
19	that together. But I think the slide that would	19	Schools in comparison to our neighbors to the
20	be helpful for you to understand is the taxable	20	north and the south, I think everybody in the
21	value as the factor of student count. We're also	21	room everybody at the district needs to ask
22	in significantly declining enrollment.	22	themselves, why? Why? Why is that going on?
23	MS. FERTIG: And I just read an article	23	And my theory is not because of the vouchers.
24	today, which I will be glad to send to you, that	24	Because at the end of the day that program was
25	this is a nationwide issue, not a Broward County	25	put into place so we step up our game so students
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MRS. MARTE: Okay.

you just said.

reality. So --

past 20 years?

wanted.

DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Basically, capturing what

MRS. MARTE: But with those additional pieces

DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, the past five years.

MRS. MARTE: Okay. Thank you. I just want

MS. FERTIG: I don't know if this is possible

-- we now have a trend of a couple decades to see

to do by when you present that to us, but I would

like someone to start looking at what the actual

what's coming out of high-rises, for example, in

Fort Lauderdale. I'd kind of like to see us look

if what everybody's theory is is born out in

basically, when they build them they're not

identified as being family so they don't project

saying is, in fact, has that been happening the

students from those units. But what Mary is

at some of that demographic information and see

DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Because they -- so,

of information that Mrs. Strauss and Mrs. Fertig

to be clear that I understand the mission.

DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yep. That is it.

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1	and parents don't want to leave Broward Schools	1	something that we look at for underlying trends
2	because first class education is being given in	2	and information that support financial
3	this district. However, it's not, obviously,	3	statements. I don't think it would hurt us to
4	being given, and, therefore, parents are opting	4	expand it a little bit. It's kind of broad.
5	to cash out and go to a school of their choice.	5	It's several pages. But just some thought.
6	So, if we want money, if we want to generate	6	Maybe a little more you know, down down to
7	money, if we want to get above this 3 percent or	7	some of the line items explain I know the
8	whatever this pitiful number is in reserves, then	8	broad stuff that was explained, the ad valorem
9	we need to keep students here and attract more	9	taxes and so on. But I think it would be useful
10	students.	10	for people to read this in conjunction with the
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Thank you.	11	financial statements to get a better
12	I've got one question. Lapsed salaries,	12	understanding of what's going on. So that's my
13	would that impact because they're sitting	13	comment.
14	there as expenses, is that going to have an	14	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Thank you.
15	impact on this percentage?	15	Any other comments?
16	MRS. MARTE: So lapsed salaries are not	16	(No response.)
17	•	17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. So we're going
18	sitting there as a percentage. Lapsed salaries	18	<b>.</b>
19	is built into the budget. When we build the	19	to have that for so we're trying for January 25th meeting to have what we requested, what Ms.
20	budget, we budget lapse as a contract to the	20	
21	budget and we look at past history around	21	Strauss and Ms. Fertig requested?
22	vacancies and all of that. So how much the lapse	22	MRS. MARTE: Yes, ma'am.
23	varies absolutely affects the projections.	23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay.
24	The Superintendent announced to the Board	24	MS. FERTIG: I would just can we talk at
25	last week that we are a memo will come out	25	the end about whether the 8th might be a better
	next week, there will be a hard hiring freeze.		time to have that kind of presentation?
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1	We need to look at downsizing the District to	1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, I'm not sure if the
2	address those 6,000 students we lost. That will	2	8th is on Teams. So, yeah, we'll talk at the end
3	favorably affect lapse and, hopefully, get fund	3	and confirm exactly which meeting so you know.
4	balance to trend upward.	4	MRS. MARTE: They'll let me know. Again, I'm
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. But are there	5	leaving at 12.
6	positions where they've been vacant and they're	6	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. So the
7	just sitting there like a rainy day fund, so to	7	whispering before, because we have Procurement,
8	speak? Because there was talk about	8	Mrs. Marte, we're going to move RSM down a little
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10	MRS. MARTE: They were budgeted. They were so we when we build the budget like	10	bit and go with CRI Procurement and Physical Plant Operations, Business Support Center items
11	-	11	
12	every other large school district in the country, you build or factor into your budget knowing	12	because they're here and some of them have to leave at noon.
13		13	Although, on the SMART Bond program we would
14	there will be a certain percentage of positions	14	
15	that sit vacant all year.	15	still need Ms. Andreu because there is an item that relates to that in here.
16	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. We'll probably	16	
17	revisit that.	17	MR. JABOUIN: Oh, does number 8 need a vote?
18	Okay. Anybody have any other questions	18	MS. FERTIG: I mean, why would we transmit
19	related to Item Number 8?	18	something that's already been
	Oh, Mr. De Meo does.		DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Transmitted to the Board.
20	MR. DE MEO: I noted that the financial	20	MS. FERTIG: Yeah. I was going to ask you
21 22	statements preparation were awarded both the	21	that, but I don't think we need a motion on it.
22	state and I guess another level of recognition.	22	Do we? Was there any change between when the
23	That's commendable.	23	Board saw it?
24	But I wanted to focus on the MD&A. I thought	24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: You know what, well, the
	that, perhaps, I would just comment that MD&A is	1 ~~	fund balance letter, but they already know, in

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<sup>1</sup> theory. Does the Board have this document; like	<sup>1</sup> MR. DE MEO: Yeah.
<sup>2</sup> they have the explanations?	<sup>2</sup> MRS. MARTE: Yes.
<sup>3</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Does the Board have this	<sup>3</sup> MR. DE MEO: Okay. So same position;
4 memorandum?	<sup>4</sup> different title?
<sup>5</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: The memo.	5 MRS. MARTE: The Chief Financial Officer
<sup>6</sup> MR. JABOUIN: I do recommend that the	<sup>6</sup> position was sunset under Dr. Smiley's org chart
<sup>7</sup> committee	<sup>7</sup> and Erum's title changed to Associate
<sup>8</sup> MRS. MARTE: It is not copied to the Board so	<sup>8</sup> Superintendent for Finance.
<sup>9</sup> they don't have it.	<sup>9</sup> MR. DE MEO: Duties and responsibilities the
<sup>10</sup> MS. FERTIG: All right. I'll move to	<sup>10</sup> same?
<sup>11</sup> transmit the old material and the new material.	<sup>11</sup> MRS. MARTE: Exactly the same.
<sup>12</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. We need a second.	<sup>12</sup> MR. DE MEO: Thank you.
<sup>13</sup> Motion to transmit moved by Ms. Fertig. Seconded	<sup>13</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I didn't understand why we
<sup>14</sup> by De Meo. Any further discussion?	<sup>14</sup> switched titles, but they did. It'll probably
<sup>15</sup> (No response.)	<sup>15</sup> change, you know, next year.
<sup>16</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. All in favor of	<sup>16</sup> All right. Okay. So Item Number 10.
<sup>17</sup> transmitting the old material and new material to	<sup>17</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Madam Chair?
<sup>18</sup> the Board for Item Number 8? All in favor?	<sup>18</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes.
<sup>19</sup> COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Aye.	<sup>19</sup> MR. JABOUIN: So this is one of two audits
<sup>20</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Any opposed?	<sup>20</sup> that will be done in the procurement process.
<sup>21</sup> (No response.)	<sup>21</sup> There are two pages that are included in the
<sup>22</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. It passes	<sup>22</sup> audit committee's area as it relates to this.
<sup>23</sup> unanimously. Okay. Thank you, Mr. Castaneda.	<sup>23</sup> This is pages 6 and 10. If you could please look
<sup>24</sup> All right. So we're shifting, moving RSM	<sup>24</sup> at those as CRI, we have partner Rob Broline is
<sup>25</sup> down slightly. The next item then would be the	<sup>25</sup> here as well as manager, Kayla Spellman, to go
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<sup>1</sup> Carr Riggs, Ingram.	<sup>1</sup> over this report.
<sup>2</sup> What, are they not ready?	<sup>2</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So the first one PPO
<sup>3</sup> MR. JABOUIN: They're on their way in.	<sup>3</sup> and Procurement, yeah, that's the only CRI
<sup>4</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Because I don't know that	<sup>4</sup> just did the PPO one. And there's an updated
<sup>5</sup> this bond what time is it? We could be fine.	<sup>5</sup> response on that, as well. All right.
<sup>6</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Chair, are we at Agenda Item	<sup>6</sup> MR. JABOUIN: And the reason for the update,
<sup>7</sup> number 10?	<sup>7</sup> of course, is because time has lapsed since
<sup>8</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: In theory.	<sup>8</sup> November 16th and we wanted to make sure that the
<sup>9</sup> MR. DE MEO: Madam Chair?	<sup>9</sup> audit committee, and this will be included in the
<sup>10</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, sir.	<sup>10</sup> Board package, has this information.
<sup>11</sup> MR. DE MEO: In the meantime, I apologize for	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So rather than have
<sup>12</sup> being late, but in the financial statements there	them go through does anyone have it usually
<sup>13</sup> are a list of the officers and so on. And do we	13 seems to work better if we go through our
<ul> <li>have a new chief financial officer?</li> <li>DR LYNCH-WALSH: New facilities officer</li> </ul>	<sup>14</sup> questions. Unless they want to summarize very <sup>15</sup> quickly the findings. So the purpose: the
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	are. Trinow that, for example, one was to have
Superintendent for Finance.	an estimated completion date of sandary 2024. Ob
MIN. DE MEO. ORay. 13 that 30 that we	we should that's going to be one of thy
<ul> <li>change</li> <li>MRS. MARTE: We changed titles?</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>questions to update, whether that's been done.</li> <li>So maybe they could, just, quickly.</li> </ul>
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1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. So just kind of	1	MR. TURSO: Madam Chair?
2	a quick summary and then we can look at the	2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes.
3	current status.	3	MR. TURSO: I have a more, general, broad
4	MR. JABOUIN: Mr. Broline?	4	question. And that is, when you are presented
5	MR. BROLINE: So, basically, our report kind	5	with purchase orders, walk me through, are you
6	of covered two broad areas. We looked at is	6	allowed to look at all of them and then you
7	my mike on? Can you guys hear me okay? There we	7	randomly pick; or are you presented with a sample
8	go. Is that better? Yes.	8	upon which you draw from?
9	So good afternoon. I guess, good morning.	9	MR. BROLINE: Right. So, yes, in terms of
10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Good morning.	10	the process, we get the whole population for that
11	MR. BROLINE: So, basically, you know, this	11	period of time and then we select the sample
12	is to audit the procurement function and the	12	ourselves.
13	focus was from looking at the initial procurement	13	MR. TURSO: So you get every purchase order
14	process, itself, through the issuance of a	14	for
15	purchase order, or in cases where there was a	15	MR. BROLINE: For that time period.
16	formal contract executed, that was the scope of	16	MR. TURSO: for that time period and
17	our of our internal audit. So we looked at a	17	you're free to pick whichever one you want?
18	selection of contracts, as you saw on there, and	18	MR. BROLINE: Correct. Yes. Correct.
19	we focused we really took a deep dive on terms	19	MR. TURSO: Okay. Thank you.
20	of the competitive solicitation process, took a	20	MR. BROLINE: Sure.
21	deep dive in those three contracts, as you can	21	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. Yes, Rebecca?
22	see by the findings related to that. We also	22	MS. DAHL: Just a note, when we have a new
23	took a broader view of purchase orders across the	23	member, it would be nice if we're looking at a
24	District and did a sample of those, as well.	24	packet that happened before that our new member
25	And, so, that's the two main parts and focus in	25	get the packet. Because I'm sharing with him at
			ger the packet. Decause this sharing with him at
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1	terms of the scope of our audit. And then in	1	the moment and there's a lot of things he needs
2	terms of a very high level, you see the summary	2	to look at. So, if we could provide that for
3	of our findings, our observations, on pages 3 and	3	them, I would greatly appreciate it.
4	4. We had a total of seven. And we broke it out	4	MR. JABOUIN: Yeah, so, Ms. Dahl, this is
5	by kind of three basic sections, kind of what's	5	only a this won't reoccur through our normal
6	overall in terms of our observations to kind of	6	process that you're familiar with.
7	more broadly overall in terms of that area of	7	MS. DAHL: I'm just asking.
8	procurement as a whole. And then we have	8	MR. JABOUIN: Sure.
9	specific observations related to our purchase	9	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So was he not provided this
10	order sample testing as well as the competitive	10	report electronically?
11	solicitation testing, itself. And you can see we	11	MR. JABOUIN: So Judith
12	had a number of observations related to that in	12	MS. DAHL: We're looking at a packet from
13	each of those areas.	13	last month. We're looking at a lot of stuff from
14	In terms of, I don't have much detail, I	14	last month.
15	mean, really, to get into the detail we'd have to	15	MS. FERTIG: We brought our packets from
16	go back to the matrix, itself, if you want to do	16	November.
17	that.	17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, yeah, I did, too.
	Do you want me to go through each one at a	18	MS. FERTIG: So he wasn't yeah.
18		10	MR. JABOUIN: This is really just a function
18 19	high level and tell you what they are or how do	19	
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2	MR. DE MEO: I'm sorry, sir, what is your	2	recommendation, itself, is meant to address that.
3	name?	3	Here's what you need to do to remediate this
4	MR. BROLINE: Rob Broline.	4	breakdown in the control. It could be a lack of
5	MR. DE MEO: The objective was to one of	5	control we're saying needs to be there; right?
6	the objectives was to assess whether the system	6	Or it could be there's a control there, but it's
7	of internal controls were adequate over this	7	not operating well because people aren't
8	area. Is that expressed anywhere in your	8	consistently utilizing that control. Again, or
9	conclusion expressed anywhere in this document?	9	it could be a compliance issue with the policy.
10	MR. BROLINE: Well, yeah, so each of the	10	MR. DE MEO: Are these material weaknesses,
11	observations is a reflection of some kind of	11	most of these?
12	weakness in the controls or there's two	12	MR. BROLINE: Well, so we that's an
13	aspects to the report. As you point out, one of	13	external audit assessment. We don't use that.
14	those is how are the controls in terms of over	14	And this was an internal audit. We don't talk
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16	this function. And the second piece is	16	about material weaknesses or significant items.
10	compliance oriented. And then along with that,	10	Each item addresses that within the nature of the
18	as part of our recommendations we'll often	18	observation. So we don't assess it from that
	provide what we, in addition to remediation for		perspective. That's an external audit
19	control weaknesses or issues or a lack of	19	requirement, which you're about to receive with
20	compliance with policy, we'll state that in the	20	the ACFR.
21	recommendation. Also, we'll often, where	21	MR. DE MEO: And so I'm still stuck with the
22	applicable, offer up what we consider process	22	objective, that is, internal controls, that they
23	improvements.	23	are adequate and appropriate for promoting and
24	So each of those, the fact that you have	24	encouraging the achievement of management's
25	those observations is a reflection of and within	25	objectives. It still doesn't answer that
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2	don't want to tell you how to run your shop or	<sup>2</sup> January 2024. And can you without going
3	anything, but this looks more like you did some	<sup>3</sup> there's like multiple charts in front of us, can
4	testing and you're reporting the results. Your	<sup>4</sup> we just ask Ms. Coker where we are in the process
5	objective was never to determine whether or not	<sup>5</sup> of number 3, which is, the ITB items were not
6	internal controls is adequate and appropriate. I	<sup>6</sup> sufficiently specific to ensure consistency among
7	mean, if it were, you would probably express an	<sup>7</sup> vendors.
8	opinion. I don't want to belabor this, but just	<sup>8</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Ms. Andreu, through Ms. Coker?
9	from the standpoint of this committee, what do we	<sup>9</sup> Or Ms. Andreu?
10	do with this information? This doesn't give us	<sup>10</sup> MS. ANDREU: Thank you, Madam Chair, for the
11	the tool that, you know, we think we need.	<sup>11</sup> question. So we have revised our ITB and our RFP
12	MR. BROLINE: I understand. Just again,	<sup>12</sup> templates recently. We worked with Procurement &
13	just to put it from our perspective, by virtue of	<sup>13</sup> Warehouse Services, Ms. Coker and her team, as
14	those recommendations, those are the actionable	<sup>14</sup> well as EDDC, Economic Development Diversity
15	items that we expect to be done. So, to us, that	<sup>15</sup> Compliance, and made revisions to the template.
16	is exactly what and, therefore, there's a	<sup>16</sup> They were actually given to General Counsel
17	required management response to that. So we do	<sup>17</sup> Monday, January 8th, for their review and
18	see there's as actionable items to remedy these	<sup>18</sup> approval. They will also be shared, obviously,
19	findings.	<sup>19</sup> with Mr. Jabouin for his review and approval, and
20	MR. DE MEO: Yeah, and they're well laid out.	<sup>20</sup> then they will go be launched live for use by our
21	Thank you.	<sup>21</sup> vendors.
22	MR. BROLINE: Okay. Sure.	<sup>22</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Mary, let me stick a pin
23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Ms. Fertig?	<sup>23</sup> right in that.
24	MS. FERTIG: Yeah, I'm just looking at number	<sup>24</sup> MS. FERTIG: Yeah.
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1	spending a great deal of time working through	1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, because, to your
2	these together to make sure that we address the	2	point, number 2 says August 2024 and it's not
3	concerns in this report and these issues.	3	clear well, it does say that yeah, the
4	So these are dates, but we intend to do our	4	revised checklist yeah, the templates are in
5	very best, as you said, Mrs. Fertig, to do them	5	number 2.
6	sooner than that. Once the auditor I'm sorry.	6	MS. FERTIG: Yeah, it's revised and at the
7	Once the attorney makes their comments on the	7	attorney, but that would if it's revised, that
8	templates Mrs. Andreu and Ms. Coker will meet	8	would imply to me there was a problem with it in
9	with Mr. Jabouin, make sure he goes through them,	9	the first place, so I'm just kind of
10	and then we are more than happy to make sure that	10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And that's kind of what
11	they're shared with the audit committee.	11	we'd like to know.
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13	MS. FERTIG: Okay. So this second one, which	13	MRS. MARTE: If I may, Madam Chair?
14	was a, it looks to me like people just didn't	14	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes.
15	follow what they were supposed to do, that is in	15	MRS. MARTE: Part of the date is to ensure
16	the process of a revised checklist to tell people	16	so part of the remedy for this concern is
10	what to do?	17	training. And some of our staff have their
18	MRS. MARTE: Yeah.	18	training over the summer. So they'll get memos
19	MS. FERTIG: And that has to go to the	19	telling them, this is the checklist, you must
20	attorney?	20	follow this. Ms. Coker's staff will be diligent
20	MRS. MARTE: So the second one is just	20	in making sure it's followed, but part of that
	revising a checklist. I'm talking, when I say	1	date is to make sure we have 100 percent of the
22	going to the attorney, actually is at the	22	people who do requisitioning trained, re-trained.
23	attorney, I was speaking to number 1.	23	There's training constantly. There's on-line
24	MS. FERTIG: Okay. And I'm just going to	24	training. We, because of this issue, have agreed
25	say, to me, there's a difference between having	25	that we want to bring all the clerical in over
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1	to revise what your procedures are and having to	1	the summer and do live training. So that's why
2	follow your procedures.	2	the date is that date.
3	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, that at the end	3	MS. FERTIG: Okay. And I guess I can see
4	we'll circle back to Mr. De Meo's comment.	4	that. Only that just goes to another question of
5	Because this audit is addressing symptoms which	5	how you're bringing people on board and not doing
6	are, you know, instances where people didn't do	6	training in the first place.
7	stuff, but he's speaking to the internal control	7	MRS. MARTE: That's that's that's not
8	system, which is whether, you know	8	what I said. So everybody who's brought on board
9	MS. FERTIG: Right. But, I mean, I think	9	with the with the who's allowed to
10	number 1 does get to some of the things that	10	requisition gets training. Ms. Coker's staff has
11	the fact that they they needed to make changes	11	done a great job of that for a very long time.
12	within that, the processes, but number 2, to me,	12	I'm talking about retraining everybody to make
13	is just people weren't following what was in	13	sure that they understand, again, what they've
14	place. There's a big difference between not	14	previously been trained on.
15	having proper procedures and not following the	15	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: That might get to Mr.
16	procedures.	16	Mayersohn's point that he's always jumping up and
17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And not having them at all.	17	down about.
18	MS. FERTIG: To me, there's a huge difference	18	Mr. Menzul?
19	in that.	19	MS. FERTIG: Okay. And I just want to say, I
20	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right.	20	know that we've made a lot of progress and I've
21	MS. FERTIG: So I would not see any delay in	21	been on this audit committee a long time, so I
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23	requiring people to follow what's already required.	23	know we always find there's always going to be something of noncompliance. But when you're
23	Okay. I'll let somebody else pick up here,	24	seeing it to the point where it's necessary to
25	but	25	retrain everybody in the District, that, to me,
	24.		

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1	is a different a whole different message.	<sup>1</sup> employee accommodations. And, you know, I'm just
2	So, again, we can have all the procedures in	<sup>2</sup> curious because there's
3	the world, we can have all the controls, but if	<sup>3</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I think that's a different
4	somebody doesn't do it, I	<sup>4</sup> audit. That's the internal funds one.
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: But that also gets to the	<sup>5</sup> MR. MENZUL: Right.
6	sufficiency of your internal controls. Because	<sup>6</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And we'll get to that.
7	if they weren't good in the first place you're	<sup>7</sup> Yeah, I think I know what you mean.
8	going to have to keep updating, making them	<sup>8</sup> MR. MENZUL: Right. But, I mean, yeah, it is
9	stronger and then training the people on the	<sup>9</sup> different, but it's still getting at the same
10	revised, you know, controls.	<sup>10</sup> issue, because I'm you know, I'm kind of
11	MS. FERTIG: I understand that. They they	<sup>11</sup> seeing a consistent, you know, point of failure
12	yeah.	<sup>12</sup> in these processes. And it seems that we need to
13	MR. MAYERSOHN: Madam Chair, can you put me	<sup>13</sup> know who's approving them, how how are
14	in the queue?	<sup>14</sup> all of these, you know I guess I'll just put
15	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, you'll be after Mr.	<sup>15</sup> it this way. There seems to be quite a bit of
16	Menzul.	<sup>16</sup> one, we need to see the documents. I guess I'd
17	Mr. Menzul?	<sup>17</sup> like to see all of the templates or, you know,
18	MR. MENZUL: Yes. Are you able to identify	<sup>18</sup> all SOPs.
19	all the single point of failures in number 1?	<sup>19</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: The supporting documents.
20	Because if you're speaking about requisition, it	<sup>20</sup> MR. MENZUL: Right.
21	would be good to see well, one, it would be	<sup>21</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And exhibits, a flow chart
22	good to see like a flowchart and to see, you	<sup>22</sup> showing more clarity around where the failures
23	know, from requisition, you know, once it starts	<sup>23</sup> are occurring in the process.
24	flowing, where exactly is you know, where	<sup>24</sup> MR. MENZUL: Right. And the actual failures,
25	exactly is the process failing?	too. So, for example, I think, you know, we have
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1	Because it's not clear you know, from	<sup>1</sup> this PO that was issued incorrectly, because that
2	reading this, it's not clear where the mistakes	<ul> <li>sounds like some of what's happening here is the</li> </ul>
3	are happening. And I agree with Ms. Shaw I	<sup>3</sup> requisitions and it would be nice to see examples
4	think	<sup>4</sup> of them. And, also, going back to, you know, the
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Fertig? Oh, put Phyllis's	<sup>5</sup> 30 I think Mr Mr the person that
6	sign	<sup>6</sup> mentioned 30, or was questioning about the
7	MR. MENZUL: Sorry about that. I agree with	<ul> <li><sup>7</sup> policy, I think we'd like to see maybe, you know,</li> </ul>
8	Ms. Fertig in because I don't necessarily	<sup>8</sup> more than 30 of these. You know, I understand
9	think training, I would say, is a part of	<sup>9</sup> that
10	this, but this can't be all training. Some of	<sup>10</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: In the sample size?
11	this, I would also imagine, and, again, I'm new	<sup>11</sup> MR. MENZUL: Yeah, in the sample size. And I
12	here and I would have to take a look, but, I	<sup>12</sup> think there has to be some control for how those
13	mean, I'd like to see this purchasing manual, the	<sup>13</sup> get picked as well. So I think this committee,
14	current one, and the one that's being developed.	<ul> <li><sup>14</sup> maybe I'm speaking for myself, I don't know if I</li> </ul>
15	And I think some of this would also lead into.	<sup>15</sup> should speak for the committee, I've got to still
16	you know, questions in accounting. Because if	<sup>16</sup> do these rules, but, you know, to me, it seems
17	if in our systems every PO is tied to, you know,	<sup>17</sup> that I don't know that this, based on what I'm
18	a cost account, then there theoretically should	<sup>18</sup> seeing here, I feel like there's more issues here
19	be no way for some of the stuff that I see here	<sup>19</sup> that were that we have not identified just
20	happening; right? Because I kept I think it's	<sup>20</sup> based on what I'm reading here.
21	not I don't see it here, but I saw it in the	<sup>21</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, yeah, I think
22	email where there was it's not in the same	<sup>22</sup> well, the overarching theme is lack of internal
23	line item, but there was, you know, it said that	<sup>23</sup> controls.
24	some some funds that were supposed to be used	<sup>24</sup> MR. MENZUL: Right. Right.
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24	for students in schools were being used for	<sup>25</sup> DR LYNCH-WAI SH <sup>•</sup> Okay Now let me move to
	for students in schools were being used for	<sup>25</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Now, let me move to

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1	Mr. Mayersohn because we do have people that need	<sup>1</sup> implemented?	
2	to leave at noon, and I know that's more than an	<sup>2</sup> MRS. MARTE: Yes.	
3	hour off, but you'd be surprised.	<sup>3</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: What's the timefra	me for
4	Mr. Mayersohn?	<sup>4</sup> implementation.	
5	MR. MAYERSOHN: Yes, just I mean, and I'm	5 MRS. MARTE: June 30.	
6	going to give a broad observation and an opinion	<sup>6</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Of this year?	
7	or maybe more detailed in some instance, but it's	<sup>7</sup> Of 2024?	
8	frustrating for me, I think, Madam Chair, as you	<sup>8</sup> DR. PHILLIPS: Sorry. So Dr. Joe	
9	had explained, if people are trained, a lot of	<sup>9</sup> Phillips, Chief of Information & Technology.	So
10	these things that are missing, looking at item	<sup>10</sup> some modules of Ariba will be stood up by Ju	une of
11	number 2 here where it says that a vendor none	<sup>11</sup> 2024, however, the full project of all the	
12	of the awarded vendors provided safety this is	<sup>12</sup> modules we're looking at December of 2024.	
13	on page 25 where it's testing exceptions. So	<sup>13</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, the one that	would
14	none of them provided safety data sheets and	<sup>14</sup> fix this problem so that to Mr. Mayersohn's	
15	chemical labels for all pest control and termite	<sup>15</sup> point, if you can you have to check off like	
16	prevention treatment and chemicals included in	<sup>16</sup> they submit and then the system, itself, chec	ks
17	their bid submission. So they didn't submit it	<sup>17</sup> off they've submitted this, they've submitted	
18	in their bid, nor did they submit it when they	<sup>18</sup> that. Yes, a human would, in theory, have to	)
19	were awarded. I don't understand how that gets	<sup>19</sup> review it at some point, but you shouldn't be	
20	through the cracks. And to the point of internal	<sup>20</sup> able to submit a bid. Will it avoid some of	
21	controls, if we can't rely on human capital to be	<sup>21</sup> these audit findings?	
22	able to do that, maybe we would need to rely on	<sup>22</sup> DR. PHILLIPS: It will once it's fully	
23	some form of computer software that doesn't allow	<sup>23</sup> implemented. I'll have to do a follow-up on th	hat
24	you to submit a bid until those checklist items	<sup>24</sup> module, specifically, and what the timeline is	
25	are presented. And there may be other	<sup>25</sup> for it.	
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1	governmental agencies that have these things in	<sup>1</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So either June	e or
3	place. So I would suggest that that might be	<sup>2</sup> hopefully December? <sup>3</sup> DR PHILLIPS: Yes	
4	looked at as opposed to, we're making a	DIX. I HILLII O. 163.	
5	checklist, and somebody says, well, I forgot to		then
5	check it off.		
7	So, I mean, there are, as I said and the		tic
,	other part is, which I'm also kind of concerned,	7 question for the auditor. And that is	
8	is why are these, you know, some of these target	<sup>8</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Is your mike on?	
9	dates are in June and, obviously, this one is	<sup>9</sup> MR. TURSO: Yeah. Let's try it again. One	,
10	dates are in June and, obviously, this one is August. My personal opinion, again, is that they	<ul> <li>MR. TURSO: Yeah. Let's try it again. One,</li> <li>two? No? No, it's not. How about now? Now?</li> </ul>	, ?
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1	MR. TURSO: Thank you. I think that we need	1	document that will kind of outline the entirety
2	to make sure everybody heard that. Because that	2	of the project and what all the different parts
3	fits in with everything that has to do with	3	and pieces are.
4	Broward County at the current time.	4	MR. MENZUL: Well, that makes sense, but, you
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes. Mr. Menzul, back to	5	know, if these due dates are in June, so what are
6	you.	6	people doing right now is the other side that we
7	MR. MENZUL: So which specific modules are we	7	also need to look at.
8	having an issue with in Ariba, in terms of	8	DR. PHILLIPS: Understood. I'd have to look
9	getting them up and running? Because I'm I'd	9	at the project plan to see what modules we're
10	like to write this down.	10	currently
11	DR. PHILLIPS: So I wouldn't I wouldn't	11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I think to answer your last
12	say "issues", per se. What I'll say is, we're	12	question, the SOPs in place now related to those
13	having an Ariba re implementation process	13	processes. Yeah, so those three things, the
14	happening right now. So we had some modules of	14	contract, scope of work and the SOP related to
15	Ariba that we had already purchased, some we had	15	the processes that Ariba is part of. So that
16	not purchased. But what we've ended up doing now	16	should do it?
17	is procuring all of the Procure-To-Pay modules	17	MR. MENZUL: I mean, yes, but how it would
18	inside of Ariba as well as the implementation	18	also be good to see how how does it how are
19	module back to SAP and we're doing it almost like	19	we using it in relation to Maximo as well; right?
20	a new project. So we're re-implementing the	20	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: How it interphases with
21	modules that we've already implemented just to	21	Maximo? That should be in the SOPs.
22	make sure that they're done appropriately and up	22	MR. MENZUL: It should; I would think.
23	with industry best practices and that kind of	23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: It should.
24		24	
25	thing, and then we're also implementing the rest	25	MR. MENZUL: And the roll I guess it would
	of those that we have procured.		be also good to the specific because you
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1	MR. MENZUL: Can we see the list of these	1	can you know, you can assign are we it
2	modules, like the specific	2	sounds like it might just be an issue in some
3	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Contract? You want the	3	ways it might just be an issue, are we
4	contract?	4	assigning who has roles assigned, it would be
5	DR. PHILLIPS: Yeah, I can share the	5	good to know, in Maximo? Because, you know
6	contract, which will outline the modules.	6	and how many people, I guess, are added to a
7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, I think	7	typical project, you know, to sign off on
8	MR. MENZUL: Right. And the practices.	8	approval in these systems?
9	Well, because what what are we using right	9	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: You might be speaking to
10	now?	10	like a it sounds like a special meeting might
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, that's why you need	11	be forming to dig into procurement. But we're
12	the existing contract.	12	audit. Sometimes I get FTF and audit confused, I
13	MR. MENZUL: Right. So I think we need to	13	forget which meeting I'm in. But this is related
14	see what's being, you know, what's being used now	14	to internal controls of procurement, so that
15	and what we're aspiring to so those two don't get	15	would track with that.
16	conflated.	16	MR. MENZUL: Right, it would track with that.
17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. But there's some	17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So I think the SOPs to
18	yeah, so you want the contracts. So you're	18	start. It sounds like you would have plenty to
19	saying in the newest contract, the	19	review based on the list we just made, and start
20		20	-
21	re-implementation includes the additional. So	21	there, and then that'll generate probably 100
21	whatever contract is live now speaks to what we	21	questions for you, which will all be good.
22	currently have and will be implementing?	23	So let's get that first and then at our next
23	DR. PHILLIPS: Yeah, I think probably the	1	discussion dig in some more and then see if we
47	best thing to provide the committee with would be the contract as well as the scope of work	24	need a whole meeting to discuss. All right. Does anyone else have questions?
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1	I've got a couple.	1	And the reason I ask is EDDC is housed
2	MS. FERTIG: I just want to I just want to	2	under there's been a direct well, there was
3	note that number 6, the S/M/WBE, I thought so	3	a compliance officer a few months ago. EDDC
4	much time had been put into this. How did we get	4	falls under?
5	to a point where it's it's just not being	5	MS. ANDREU: Operations.
6	done? I mean, how did that happen?	6	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Now, but I mean during the
7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Number 6?	7	audit period fell under where?
8	MS. FERTIG: Yeah. I see now that we're	8	MR. BROLINE: So to answer your fist question
9	redoing, we're going to have this. I'm just	9	about the period, it's July 1, 2021 through April
10	wondering how we reached that point.	10	30th, 2022.
11	So, with that, I'm glad that you're moving	11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So and
12	ahead. I know Ms. Coker's done a lot since she	12	MR. BROLINE: It's on page 6.
13	came in from some of the previous people. I'm	13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, and how often were
14	glad we're moving ahead, but I hope we move ahead	14	reports on the progress going to the Board;
15	really quickly, because every day's a dollar, or	15	quarterly; monthly?
16	a whole bunch more dollars, to Peter's point. So	16	MR. BROLINE: I'm sorry, I don't understand
17	I would I would want to see these, in a	17	your question.
18	perfect world, if we could expedite all of this	18	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So just to pull out the
19	to make it happen a lot quicker.	19	EDDC piece so you understand that this is not
20	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And to follow up on your	20	happening in a vacuum. So there's progress
21	I have a follow-up question to your question for	21	reports that go to the Board, I just don't know
22	number 6. B2Gnow, how is that relevant to number	22	how often they go.
23	6?	23	MRS. MARTE: Monthly.
24	MS. ANDREU: B2Gnow is still being utilized	24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Monthly? So to have an
25	for compliance and it's, actually, hopefully,	25	audit finding with a problem is in spite of there
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1	with the approval of Mrs. Marte in the near	1	being progress reports going to the Board
2	future it will be expanded to also have a larger	2	monthly.
3	certification piece. So it is being used. The	3	MS. FERTIG: And that was my point. I mean,
4	new director for EDDC, as stated here, is using	4	there have been workshops on I mean, there's
5	the reciprocity that was already in the policy to	5	just been so much effort put into this, I don't
6	add to the pool of vendors, which I think was	6	know how you reach a point where it's not being
7	also a concern. And that's why the quotes	7	done, not a single thing.
8	weren't being given and utilized, because we need	8	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, yeah, there's more on
9	to expand the pool of vendors. So the new	9	that on the RSM one, too. Yeah.
10	director, that is one of her main objectives and	10	Okay. So I just wanted to pull that out.
11	she'll be expanding that pool, again, very soon.	11	If we're all good I've got a couple of
12	You may see June or August here, but, again, to	12	stickies on my own.
13	piggyback on what Mrs. Marte said, we are working	13	The first one is on page 13. Because I was
14	as quickly, expeditiously as we can. We take all	14	also trying to understand the process since we
15	of these findings seriously. It was a good time	15	don't necessarily have SOPs in here, we just have
16	to come in new and experience this because it	16	ITB macro process. So when they write the draft
17	gave us a great north star. And so we will be	17	solicitation it says information provided by the
18	expanding that pool so that we can get the	18	user. So would that be, in this case, PPO?
19	necessary to quote when we go out to bid. She'll	19	Okay. And what are they providing? It says
20	be doing a lot of innovative things that you'll	20	information provided by the user. Ms. Andreu?
21	be hearing and seeing on social media and hearing	21	MS. ANDREU: Through the Chair, it would be
22	about.	22	the specs as to the item, the good, the service
23	MS. FERTIG: Thank you.	23	that they need to procure.
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And just to clarify, what	24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. And that is because
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25	was the audit period that this covered?	25	Procurement

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1	MS. ANDREU: Procurement is the vehicle.	1	only place I saw this comment. So this was about
2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay.	2	they did not submit an equipment listing
3	MS. ANDREU: But we need to work in	3	satisfying the ITB minimum requirements
4	collaboration with the owner department to	4	completely or in the same level of detail,
5	service the needs of what they're looking for and	5	blah-blah-blah. It says the purchasing agent did
6	the specifics. Only they know that.	6	obtain bid approval from the originating location
7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. Okay. Responses to	7	but the vendor bids were incomplete and not
8	the bid in this process, it says PA reviews	8	materially responsive to the ITB terms.
9	responses, check for compliance with requirement	9	What does that mean, Ms. Andreu?
10	and lowest price. What does PA reviews	10	MS. ANDREU: 1 think maybe that should be a
11	responses, check for compliance with requirement	11	question for the auditor to explain a little more
12	mean? How is that what since this is just	12	detail.
13	a macro, at a micro level what does that mean?	13	
14	-	14	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, the process. What is
15	Because if you have a purchasing agency who needed a user department to identify the specs, I	15	bid approval? I guess, yeah, let me be more
16		16	specific. My question is about what do the words
17	have a hard time thinking that that same poor	17	"bid approval" mean? Is that part of a MS. SPELLMAN: So in this case
18	purchasing agent is wholly responsible for identifying compliance with the specs when they	18	
19		19	MR. BROLINE: I'm sorry, do you want us to
20	don't even know what the specs mean. So what are they doing it by themselves? Do they do it	20	respond to that?
21	in conjunction with the user department? How do	21	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. What was yeah,
22	they know	22	you respond and then if they need to explain the
23	-	23	process, we'll do that.
24	MS. ANDREU: The user department and the	24	MS. SPELLMAN: Hi, this is Kayla Spellman from CRI.
25	purchasing agent work collaboratively together	25	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Uh-huh.
	all the way from inception, to the intake form,		DR. LINCH-WALSH. UN-HUN.
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1	Page 78 to when the item goes to the Board for approval.	1	Page 80 MS. SPELLMAN: In this case the purchasing
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2	user department said that it was fine. That's	<sup>2</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, and then I'm going to
3	what you said, that procurement sent it over, PPO	<sup>3</sup> ask what bid approval actually means, again, I
4	said it was fine, but it actually wasn't.	<sup>4</sup> guess.
5	MS. SPELLMAN: Yeah, I would agree. I think	<sup>5</sup> Mrs. Marte?
6	that my my perception of this was that PPO	<sup>6</sup> MRS. MARTE: Thank you, Madam Chair.
7	wanted or not PPO, I'm sorry, PWS wanted to	<sup>7</sup> So, as Ms. Andreu said earlier, we rely on
8	get input from the user department because	<sup>8</sup> the department that's requesting the solicitation
9	they're, you know, more familiar with what	<sup>9</sup> for the scope. Then when it goes to Procurement,
10	they're actually wanting to obtain from the	
11		and I think us bringing you the template will
12	Vendor.	
13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. So much so that, in	
14	fact, the specs come from the user department.	
15	MS. SPELLMAN: Yes.	insulance as an example.
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17	to number 2?	<sup>17</sup> MRS. MARTE: But that's part of the that's
18	So the recommendations, you have about a	<sup>18</sup> part of what this is though.
19	checklist template used to identify track	<sup>19</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh.
20	required submittals, PWS will so how is the	<sup>20</sup> MRS. MARTE: So that's why they need to work
21	recommendation in number 2 going to address the	<sup>21</sup> together. It's not just the scope. The
22	issue in PPO? We see what what the	<sup>22</sup> solicitation includes everything. So if the
23	recommendation is to Purchasing, but what's the	<sup>23</sup> certificate of insurance is missing, PPO wouldn't
24	recommendation for PPO? Because they sent it	<sup>24</sup> be responsible to make sure that happens.
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1	highly detailed, very specific, and all you're	1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So there is
2	doing is, yep, yep, yep, yep, yep, we got it.	2	something. So bid approval consists of an actual
3	But a purchasing agent isn't going to know it and	3	document?
4	there's no way they could.	4	MRS. MARTE: Yes.
5	All right. So that's that's I think my	5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay.
6	other tab yeah, that's basically, the gist of	6	MRS. MARTE: That's what's being revised.
7	my tabs.	7	Yes, there's an actual document.
8	Mr. Menzul, did you have a and then we've	8	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And does it just have
9	got to move on to the next one so that we get	9	Purchasing signature lines or is it now going to
10	them out of here on time.	10	have user departments?
11	MR. MENZUL: So is there I guess, I'm not	11	MRS. MARTE: It always has had user
12	understanding. So the user if the user	12	department lines. We're just we're enhancing
13	department says they need this stuff, for	13	the document.
14	example, needs a specific item	14	MR. MENZUL: Does finance?
15	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Pest control.	15	MRS. MARTE: And we'll bring you both.
16	MR. MENZUL: Right. Pest control. That's	16	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Yeah, I think we
17	what I'm that's the page I'm looking at, I	17	need to see the actual one for this to see what
18	guess is there do we have	18	bid approval actually means.
19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: You want to see the ITB.	19	Yes, Mary. Wait let me make sure he was
20	MR. MENZUL: Yeah, but, also, is there not,	20	done this time so I'm not bouncing back and
21	are we not doing three-point matching so the	21	forth.
22	invoice, the PO and the receipt? Are they	22	Pavel, are you done?
23	just	23	MR. MENZUL: Does Finance have to approve any
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, now you're getting	24	of the like on which transactions like did
25	into accounts payable.	25	Finance approve this particular testing exception
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2	Quick question. Moving org charts, I can't	2	separate thing.
3	keep up sometimes. So who does Ms. Andreu report	3	MS. FERTIG: Adopting. Yeah, I'm back to
4	to?	4	where we started.
5	MRS. MARTE: Ms. Andreu is the Executive	5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay.
6	Director of Operations. She reports to the	6	MS. FERTIG: With our recommendation that the
7	Deputy Superintendent of Finance & Operations.	7	RFP template be provided to the Board to adopt.
8	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: She reports to you?	8	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, if you can change it
9	MRS. MARTE: Yes, ma'am.	9	to ITB?
10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Just clarifying.	10	MS. FERTIG: I will change it how about I
11	MRS. MARTE: But so does Ms. Motiwala	11	put both in there?
12	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I mean, genuinely, I	12	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Sure.
13	couldn't keep up with the org chart.	13	MS. FERTIG: ITB and RFP templates.
14	MRS. MARTE: All right. So Ms. Motiwala	14	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Put RFQ while you're at it.
15	so I'm Finance & Operations.	15	MS. FERTIG: Okay. Comma, RFP, comma, and
16	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes.	16	RFQ templates be presented to the Board for
17	MRS. MARTE: Ms. Motiwala is Finance. Ms.	17	adoption.
18	Andreu is Operations. Procurement is under	18	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. All right. And then
19	Operations. It's not under Finance.	19	we need a separate we'll do a separate one for
20	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. But it was under Ms.	20	our backup that we want.
21	Motiwala, though.	21	MS. FERTIG: Yeah, that's what I was
22	MRS. MARTE: During the period of this audit	22	thinking.
23	it was under the Chief Operating Officer, who	23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. I need a
24	was, acting, Dr. Fleming.	24	second.
25	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. But at one point,	25	MR. JABOUIN: Yeah, just to confirm that
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<sup>2</sup> MS. FERTIG: At our February 8th meeting.	<sup>2</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. I think we're
<sup>3</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: By yeah. And if not	<sup>3</sup> back, except for my
<sup>4</sup> yeah.	<sup>4</sup> All right. We're all back. We're going to
<sup>5</sup> MR. JABOUIN: And, Ms. Fertig, I just want to	5 do items 11 and 12, Business Support Center
<sup>6</sup> confirm, the backup was the work document, the	<sup>6</sup> Internal Funds and Business Support Center
<sup>7</sup> SOP, and the Ariba contracts. The scope of work,	<sup>7</sup> Payroll.
<sup>8</sup> the SOP and the current contracts. That's what I	<sup>8</sup> Thank you.
<sup>9</sup> have in my notes from the meeting.	<sup>9</sup> All right. So
<sup>10</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And then the ITB that the	<sup>10</sup> MR. JABOUIN: So we do have Chair, we do
<sup>11</sup> audit findings there may be more than one.	<sup>11</sup> have the Business here with respect to this, we
<sup>12</sup> MS. FERTIG: Right.	<sup>12</sup> do have Ms. Andreu and we have Mr. Smith with
<sup>13</sup> MR. DE MEO: It would be useful, not only	<sup>13</sup> respect to this area.
<sup>14</sup> that, but to have the policies that govern these	<sup>14</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. Audit committee
<sup>15</sup> transactions.	<sup>15</sup> members, do you want a summary of the scope and a
<sup>16</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, SOPs, policies, ITBs	<sup>16</sup> brief just to kind of bring us back and
<sup>17</sup> that were part of the audit. Basically, all the	<sup>17</sup> MS. DAHL: And what are we moving on to?
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<sup>19</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Just emailed to the audit	<sup>19</sup> Center Internal Funds and then Payroll.
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<sup>22</sup> us in advance so we could just	<sup>22</sup> refresher.
<sup>23</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Okay. So we'd gather them and	<sup>23</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Yeah, so we, historically, have
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1	attending the training at an upcoming date in the	1	Mind you, it is not a policy, it is a manual.
2	near future. So I don't have a lot of	2	And part of the findings and the improvements
3	information on it, if there's someone else who	3	that we have made is, before anyone is given a
4	can expand a little bit more.	4	purchasing card, there is an application that is
5	MR. JABOUIN: And we're tying to locate Ms.	5	mandated to be done annually. Therefore, in June
6	Coker. And when she comes back	6	of the prior year all purchasing cards for all
7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I believe I saw her out	7	users across the school district are shut off.
8	there. Isn't there a P-card manual? Again, SOP.	8	They're postponed or they're put in sleep mode,
9	MS. ANDREU: There is a manual, as well; yes.	9	they can't be used. And then effective July 1st
10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. And that is	10	everyone has to fill out a new application and do
11	is that part of this?	11	a mandatory training by the end of July 30th.
12	MR. JABOUIN: Ms. Andreu, Ms. Coker is back	12	Should those and we have internal processes
13	if you wish to	13	where we report a list of those that have done
14	MS. ANDREU: Ms. Coker Ms. Coker, if you	14	the application and haven't done the training or
15	can expand on the specifics of the P-card	15	vice versa. But in order for you to get a P-card
16	training?	16	you must have completed those. And they have to
17	MS. COKER: Good afternoon. Can I hear the	17	have been approved, the application, by their
18	question again? I'm sorry, I was	18	cabinet member. So, in addition to the
19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Robert?	19	application and the training which is on-line in
20	MR. MAYERSOHN: Yeah, can you walk me through	20	LAB, in our training system with the district,
21	the process of, I'm an employee of Broward County	21	they have to go through all of the robust
22	Schools, I get a or I have the ability to get	22	processes and requirements where they know that
23	a P-card, what then happens from the time that I	23	they can't get sales tax charged, or they can't
24	get trained before I get authorized one; what	24	buy software, et cetera. There's a list of
25	forms I have to fill out; what the requirements	25	things that are very specific related to

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Page 100 1 1 MR. MAYERSOHN: Let me just -- Ms. Coker, let are? I mean, I may be asking for more details 2 2 than necessary, but I guess when I'm reading here me just -- let me just interrupt you for one 3 3 some of these exceptions, it's kind of concerning second. So when you say, the training is 4 4 that somebody gets a P-card and they don't even on-line, is it a tutorial or is it live? 5 provide any backup to that. It just seems that 5 MS. COKER: No, it is a recorded training as 6 6 the internal controls, although, you know, in well as it's a training that -- it's not a live 7 7 this report it says, yeah, we'll do that, you person. It's a training where you go into your 8 8 know, these cards have not been issued a year system and you take the training. 9 ago. This is something that's been issued 10, 15 MR. MAYERSOHN: Are there questions and 10 years, 20 years. And I'm just surprised that we 10 answers that are required as part of that 11 11 don't have these internal controls in place and training or no? 12 12 that we're waiting to do an audit to find out MS. COKER: Yes, there is. 13 13 what's working and what's not. Can you just walk MR. MAYERSOHN: So if you don't get the 14 14 me through -questions right you'd have to go back and get 15 15 MS. COKER: Thank you, Mr. Mayersohn, for the them right or you can't move forward? 16 16 MS. COKER: Correct. question; yes. 17 17 MR. MAYERSOHN: Yeah, just walk me through MR. MAYERSOHN: Okay. Go ahead. Sorry. 18 18 what the process is. MS. COKER: I just want to make just one --19 19 MS. COKER: Okay. Thank you. I just want and I'm not familiar with this audit that is 20 20 to, I will -- Procurement & Warehousing Services being brought forth today, but I do need to make 21 21 oversees the P-card program. We have a P-card a distinction here. I oversee the P-card program 22 22 manual, of which has been revised in the last two and under my purview I have about 800 P-cards. 23 23 years based on an audit from the -- an Office of Within that amount there's P-cards that are 24 24 the Audit General. Therefore, we have really, in used for external funds, which are the ones that 25 25 the last couple of years, improved our manual. I am responsible for obtaining and getting copies

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1	of all the documentation and reviewing them to	1	we'll go back to that, you know, user and request
2	making sure there's compliance and we have a	2	them to get a refund. So they'll be put on this
3	process by which we follow to report any	3	list, and we have a spreadsheet which we can show
4	noncompliance.	4	you, that will show you that user, how many times
5	The internal cards, the internal fund cards	5	they have had an infraction, if you will. And
6	are only available through the Business Support	6	then, obviously, we have a it's a three-prong
7	Center and through an agreement with the Business	7	approach, tiered system, if you will, where if
8	Support Center and PWS, and I believe when we got	8	you've, obviously, been a person, a user, that
9	audited a few years ago they were going to	9	has had, you know, a significant amount of times
10	maintain their documentation, always ensuring	10	that you've made errors, obviously, then that is
11	that they were following those controls put by	11	escalated. And we have a process by which is for
12	our office. I just wanted to share that.	12	escalation eventually. I can tell you that since
13	MR. MAYERSOHN: Okay.	13	we were audited a few years, two years ago, that
14	MS. COKER: I don't know if I answered your	14	has reduced the amount of people not complying.
15	question or if there's anything else you need	15	But that control I have with external funds.
16	from me.	16	MR. MAYERSOHN: So if so if I'm a user and
17	MR. MAYERSOHN: Well, so let me let me ask	17	I don't reconcile my information or I don't I,
18	you this. So I'm a principal, I have a P-card,	18	you know, forget to oh, I'm, sorry I forgot to
19	what do I have to do to utilize that card?	19	hand you my, you know, sales tax exemption or I
20	Obviously, I have to go through training. Do I	20	forgot to get, you know, whatever it is, or,
21	have to fill out a request form that I'm going	21	again, it's common not common, but I used my
22	prior to utilizing it that I'm going to be	22	Bank Americard for shopping wherever it was and I
23	spending, you know, \$5,000 on X, Y and Z?	23	didn't realize it was my P-card, what you're
24	MS. COKER: No, they don't have to.	24	saying all of those infractions are tiered
25	MR. MAYERSOHN: Or do I have to reconcile	25	disciplinary infractions or is one is one
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1	and we make sure that if we identify sales tax	1	just so I'm clear, so the purchase is \$5,000 or
2	that they go back and get that refunded. We also	2	under 5,000, is that a monthly; weekly; annual;
3	track to make sure and follow up that that sales	3	or
4	tax is actually given as a credit in the next	4	MS. COKER: Per transaction.
5	statement.	5	MR. MAYERSOHN: Per transaction.
7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Mr. Mayersohn. Mr.	7	MS. COKER: Per transaction.
8	Mayersohn	8	MR. MAYERSOHN: So somebody could do is
9	MR. MAYERSOHN: Okay. Now, one other thing,	9	there a monthly limit?
10	and I don't want to monopolize, you know, the	10	MS. COKER: Yes, there is. As I said there's
11	whole time here, but, A, does the P-card have	11	a monthly limit of \$50,000.
12	limits on a daily basis; a transaction basis; and	12	MR. MAYERSOHN: Okay. MS. COKER: So so so when when
13	a monthly basis? That's number one. DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes.	13	there's departments, like the utilities
14	MR. MAYERSOHN: Number two is that, how do	14	department is a great example because they pay
15	you protect against, I'll call it breaking up	15	the utilities with P-card, we have a process with
16	purchase orders? So, for example, I'm purchasing	16	them, because, obviously, they pay more than
17	from X, Y and Z, maybe they're an approved vendor	17	\$50,000 in utilities. But to respond to you on
18	or not an approved vendor, and my limit, let's	18	that per transaction, can the person buy one
19	say, is \$3,000 a day. Well, today I purchase	19	thing today, another thing tomorrow and another
20	from that vendor 3,000, tomorrow I purchase	20	thing the next day, so I want you to know that,
21	3,000, the next day I purchase 3,000, and the	21	when you use a P-card, even if you're using a
22	following day I purchase 3,000. And, again,	22	P-card when there is a bid in place, which it is
23	let's say the procurement process which would	23	allowed for specific commodities, you can if
24	normally require some sort of solicitation or	24	you're going to use the P-card for Granger, for
25	require you to go seek, you know, three or four	25	example, and we have a bid with Granger, you can
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1	bids, I've usurped that by going around, how do	1	make a purchase of today of 3,000, make another
2	you protect against that?	2	one tomorrow, 3,000, and make you know, you
3	MS. COKER: So that's a great question. I'm	3	can make purchases every single day because
4	going to try to answer your tri multiple	4	they're on bid. What you cannot do is make those
5	questions in one.	5	types of purchases every single day if they're
6	The first one was, are there any thresholds?	6	not on bid.
7	Yes, there are thresholds. And that was part of	7	MR. MAYERSOHN: So how do you how do you
8	the finding that we had with the auditor a few	8	provide the internal controls for that?
9	years back where all the P-cards have a limit.	9	MS. COKER: So in the case of what I oversee,
10	In the case of, like let's say PPO, they	10	because most of those are my purchasing or my
11	auto-replenish, and those users, particularly the	11	buyers in the warehouse that support these areas,
12	ones that are in my area that support PPO	12	they know specifically what can and can't be
13	stockroom, they have \$50,000 where they can use	13	bought, what's on bid and what's not on bid. So
14	monthly. But each P-card, regardless of who you	14	those are direct out purchases, the ones that are
15	are, has a \$4,999 limit on the card. Therefore,	15	not on bid, and then what they do is, there's a
16	if you are a director trying to buy something for	16 17	process, particularly the one I oversee with PPO
17	HR, if it's more than \$5,000 it's not going to	17	where their manager has to sign if it's going to
18	allow you to do it. They normally call, send an	18	cost more than \$5,000 and they monitor that.
20	email, ask that they're going to buy this, it's	20	I want to keep stressing that the process I'm
20	approved, and we call Bank of America and we	21	defining to you is external funds.
22	allow for that amount to be increased, I don't	22	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right, and I'd like to get back to the audit.
23	know, to whatever that amount is going to be, \$10,000, then we bring it back once that purchase	23	MS. COKER: It has nothing to do with this
24	has been made. So we have very good controls.	24	audit because this is internal funds.
25	MR. MAYERSOHN: Wait. So the purchase so	25	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. So, Mr. Mayersohn

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1	yeah, Mr. Mayersohn, we have people that need	1	MR. JABOUIN: update document to agenda
2	to leave, I think, in eight minutes.	2	item number 11.
3	MR. MAYERSOHN: No, go ahead. Go ahead. I'm	3	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, hold on. This is 11.
4	done.	4	Hang on. I pulled 12. Hang on.
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I forget how many have to	5	Okay. So you're on page 2?
6	leave in eight minutes?	6	MS. FERTIG: I'm on page 2. I'm the third
7	MR. JABOUIN: We do have	7	bullet point down. And if you look in the second
8	MRS. MARTE: I have to leave at 12:15 and Ms.	8	column it says, we do not have the staff
9	Coker, Ms. Andreu, Mr. Smith.	9	resources available to perform those duties.
10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: 12:15? All right.	10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Whose response whose
11	So, yeah. So as Mary	11	response is that though?
12	MRS. MARTE: And I'm sorry, Madam Chair, it's	12	MS. FERTIG: And when you go over
13	a hard stop at 12:15 because we've got to be	13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, no, I know it says PWS,
14		14	-
15	somewhere and it's going to take us that long to get there.	15	but my question is, who did the response we don't have the staff to perform?
16	5	16	-
17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I only have two stickies on between both audits. So I'm good.	17	MS. FERTIG: I'm working between multiple documents here. I don't have a clue.
18	-	18	
19	Anybody else specific to the audit?	19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I'm not asking you. I'm
20	MS. FERTIG: I just wanted to ask on page 2	20	asking them who
21	of your update hold up. I just wanted to ask,	21	MS. ANDREU: I I believe that is a very
22	I'll repeat it exactly, on page 2 of the update,	22	stale dated response from the Business Support
23	the fourth item third item, Purchase Card	23	Center. But, please, rest assured that we do have the resources available.
24	Internal Funds, program administrator performs a	24	
25	statistical audit. From what you just answered	25	MS. FERTIG: That was my that was my
	Mr. Mayersohn		question. So if you get over to Current Status,
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1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I'm not sure I'm hearing	1	it says, it puts it under PWS and says so, I'm
2	MS. FERTIG: Can you hear me?	2	just after listening to this whole
3	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I can, but	3	conversation I was wondering if that's one that
4	MS. FERTIG: Okay. Let me try closer.	4	we should might, maybe, change that column that
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: There you go. That's	5	current status and she can put that she does have
6	better.	6	the resources.
7	MS. FERTIG: Did you hear me, Ms. Coker? I'm	7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, hold up. I'm not
8	sorry, I'm asking you this, I guess.	8	convinced that that was Mary's response.
9	On the third bullet point down, Purchase	9	MS. FERTIG: I don't think it was.
10	Cards Internal Funds, you perform statistical	10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: No. So let's go back. So
11	audit of statements. The first answer was, we do	11	this is a finding on page 5 of actual audit.
12	not have the staff, but as I look over and listen	12	MS. FERTIG: Okay. Thank you.
13	to your explanation	13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So let's start there.
14	MS. COKER: Internal funds are not under me	14	We're going to audit our response process.
15	and I haven't seen that response.	15	MS. FERTIG: Yeah, because I'm just looking
16	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, yeah, we're getting	16	at what the update is. I'm just asking that the
17	commingled.	17	update be corrected if
18	MS. FERTIG: Well, I just, what she's talking	18	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: But we've got to first
19	about doing, I'm just wondering, here it says, we	19	figure out okay. So there's on page 5
20	don't have the staff to do it, but then over here	20	MS. FERTIG: 5, that's where I am. Okay,
21	it says, per the purchase card manual this is a	21	thank you.
22	function of PWS P-card administrator.	22	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: It has the findings having
23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Which document are you on?	23	to do with the P-card. And it says, straight up,
24	MR. JABOUIN: She's on the	24	we recommend the Business Support Center director
25	MS. FERTIG: I'm on the update.	25	review the requirements of the P-card manual with
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1	the internal accounts manager and internal funds	1	Yes, Ms. Andreu?
2	manual as it states, the P-card manual. The BSC	2	
3		3	MS. ANDREU: Madam Chair, could I suggest
4	oversees the P-cards funded by schools internal	4	maybe a friendly amendment and we do a slash,
5	funds. The accounting system used is Great	5	because we don't want to not put PWS and the
6	Plains. If it's external then that's when PWS	6	manual states it's PWS.
7	comes in.	7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, of course, right.
	So the statement, program administrator	8	MS. ANDREU: So maybe we have a slash, that
8	performs a statistical audit of statements and		way we indicate it's both.
9	receipts to monitor compliance with policies and	9	MS. FERTIG: Okay. And I don't really I'm
10	procedures, that's in the manual, but the	10	not really I just want it to reflect what the
11	recommendation was made to whom? It was made to	11	actual situation is. It seems like there's some
12	the Business Support Center. Is the internal	12	contradictory things along this line.
13	accounts manager and internal funds supervisor,	13	MR. JABOUIN: We can request an update for
14	who are they? Where are they?	14	the document that is ultimately transmitted to
15	MS. ANDREU: They're with the Business	15	reflect those adjustments, Ms. Fertig.
16	Support Center.	16	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. All we're all
17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. And then the P-card	17	Mary's getting at is, we clearly understand that
18	manual states that the program administrator	18	internal funds are the responsibility of the
19	performs a statistical audit of statements and	19	Business Support Center. This recommendation was
20	receipts to monitor compliance. In this context	20	pertained to internal funds. I don't know who
21	who would that be? Who is the program	21	said they don't have the staff. It wasn't Coker,
22	administrator if we're talking internal funds?	22	I'm thinking. And then Current Status, per the
23	MR. SMITH: Ryan Smith, Director of Business	23	P-card manual this is a function of PWS. No,
24	Support Center. In this specific instance we	24	internal funds is not. External funds are.
25	probably just need some alignment on language.	25	Internal funds are the Business Support Center.
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1	According to the P-card manual it is specific to	1	So, actually, the current status, to Mary's
2	the PWS P-card administrator, the director of	2	point, should say something like although the
3	audits. Ali Arcese and I reviewed this together.	3	P-card manual, you know, responsibility for
4	So I think, internally, we'll get some alignment.	4	external funds are housed with PWS, however you
5	If it belongs with the BSC we're happy to ensure	5	wanted to wordsmith it, we will add language to
6	that that's performed, but we don't want to		
		6	clarify that internal funds are the
7	overstep.	7	clarify that internal funds are the responsibility or whatever of BSC. This didn't
7 8	overstep. DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Because what this	6 7 8	-
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2	delayed, but it's not clear whether we're doing	<sup>2</sup> MR. JABOUIN: It is a manual.
3	that.	<sup>3</sup> MS. FERTIG: So I'm just going to go ahead
4	MS. DAHL: What page are you on?	<sup>4</sup> and put this out and then we can keep talking,
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, sorry. Still page 5.	<sup>5</sup> but just because I know we only have these people
6	Checking account balance. Because they had all	<sup>6</sup> for a few more minutes, so can I make a motion to
7	of that temporarily idle, funds were just sitting	<sup>7</sup> transmit with a recommendation that a P-card
8	there. And according to standard practice	<sup>8</sup> policy be developed and adopted by the Board?
9	bulletin I301 section J, they shall adopt	<sup>9</sup> MS. ANDREU: I'm sorry, Madam chair?
10	policies pertaining to the investment of school	<sup>10</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, ma'am.
11	funds not needed for immediate expenditures. The	<sup>11</sup> MS. ANDREU: So the P-card does not have a
12	adopted policies, yada-yada. The purpose	<sup>12</sup> separate policy in and of itself. It is embedded
13	MS. FERTIG: It looks like, if you look at	<sup>13</sup> in the procurement policy, Policy 3320, which is,
14	the update list, this is my problem is going	<sup>14</sup> actually, being revised as we speak and should be
15	between the two of them, that this was completed	<sup>15</sup> going to the Board in February for rule making.
16	in August. Is that accurate?	<sup>16</sup> MS. COKER: Ms. Andreu, I'm sorry, I
17	MR. JABOUIN: Ms. Andreu?	<sup>17</sup> apologize, the P-card is not in Policy 3320. I'm
18	MS. ANDREU: Yes. And those funds are being	<sup>18</sup> Sorry.
19	transferred.	<sup>19</sup> MS. FERTIG: I'm just going to suggest that
20	MR. JABOUIN: And part of the reason, to the	<sup>20</sup> whether it is
21	committee, these reports were originally	<sup>21</sup> MS. COKER: It's always been kept separate.
22	scheduled for the August 3rd meeting, and so,	<sup>22</sup> And when we were audited a few years ago there
23	obviously, enough time has passed.	<sup>23</sup> was discussion to do a policy and then we didn't
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. But we get that,	<sup>24</sup> do the policy. But, I mean, there's discussion,
25	but then we just got some of these updates. So	there's things in the policy 3320 that talk about
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1	the updates needed updates, I think.	<sup>1</sup> being able to do P-cards, but there is a P-card
2	MS. FERTIG: And it's confusing. It's a	<sup>2</sup> manual that's specific to P-card usage that has
3	little confusing.	<sup>3</sup> its own manual. But it is not in Policy 3320.
4	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, I'm struggling to	<sup>4</sup> MS. FERTIG: Can I just suggest that whether
5	keep my sheets of paper straight.	<ul> <li>it is or whether it isn't, we just ask for a</li> </ul>
6	MS. FERTIG: Yeah.	<sup>6</sup> separate P-card policy?
7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. I believe somewhere	<sup>7</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Sure.
8	in Mary's explanation there's a P-card manual,	<sup>8</sup> MS. FERTIG: Because this seems like an
9	but no policy on P-cards.	<sup>9</sup> important enough topic that it should have its
10	So, if I were making a recommendation, it	<sup>10</sup> own policy and it would make it easier for people
11	sounds like and policy yes, procedures and	<sup>11</sup> to be familiar with. So that's my motion, is
12	manuals are part of internal controls, but a	<sup>12</sup> that we transmit this with a recommendation for a
13	policy is something you can hold people	<sup>13</sup> P-card, for the development and adoption of a
14	accountable to, theoretically. So it seems like	<sup>14</sup> P-card policy.
15	we're missing a policy.	<sup>15</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. We need a second and
16	MS. FERTIG: So is that part of the motion to	then I'll go to Ms
17	transmit, that you want a there should be a	<sup>17</sup> MS. DAHL: Second.
18	policy?	<sup>18</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Second by Ms. Dahl. Did
19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, a P-card policy	<sup>19</sup> you have a comment?
20		<sup>20</sup> MS. DAHL: No.
	that yes, just a P-card yeah, that they	
21	should initiate rule development on a P-card	<sup>21</sup> MRS. MARTE: The P-card is part of
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1	we're addressing it, none at all. But I want to	1	separate. But it is not in Policy 3320.
2	make sure, P-card is part of Purchasing and is	2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And I probably believe you.
3	governed by that policy and it's in there. I	3	I can't pull it up right now. For some reason I
4	just want to be clear about that.	4	can't pull up policy.
5	MS. FERTIG: And just to just to state, I	5	Okay. So moved, seconded. Discussion?
6	think it's easy if you just have a separate	6	MS. FERTIG: And I think it's the better way
7	policy on this that people can go to on this one	7	anyways, so, okay, I'm done.
8	thing without having to go through multiple	8	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. And then you refer
9	policies and maybe have to look for a name that's	9	to it in the purchasing policy.
10	not there. So anyways	10	MS. FERTIG: Yes.
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Any further	11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. All in favor?
12	discussion?	12	COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Aye.
13	Yes, Mr. Menzul?	13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Any opposed?
14	MR. MENZUL: I would say if it's going to be	14	(No response.)
15	separate it needs to have it's own account;	15	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. All right. Passes
16	right? So the issue you could potentially run	16	unanimously.
17	into having it separately is, you know,	17	Moving on to the payroll audit. We're not
18	ultimately someone has ownership of it; right?	18	missing anybody. Oh, we lost temporarily Jaclyn,
19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, it's just separating	19	but
20	the policy out from the one that the regular	20	MR. JABOUIN: So with the payroll audit it
21	purchasing policy. That's all this is about.	21	would be the same individuals who can respond to
22	MR. MENZUL: But my question is, given what	22	committee questions.
23	Ms. Coker had said where it is used for POs,	23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes. And we need to have
24	right, so, for example, if something is over	24	them done by 12:15. We've got eight minutes.
25	\$5,000 and has three bids, P-cards are used for	25	Does anyone have any specific questions?
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1	that. So there is still going to be some sort of	1	I have one on page 4. With the authorized
2	overlap or there needs to be some control to make	2	individuals. There were eight employees.
3	sure that it's not used for that.	3	MS. FERTIG: You go ahead. I had the same
4	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. Well, this would be	4	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. All right. I don't
5	policy dictating that would be spelling out	5	see any hands.
6	all of those rules.	6	Mr. Mayersohn; everyone on the phone good?
7	MR. MENZUL: Okay.	7	MR. MAYERSOHN: I'm good.
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1	MR. SMITH: So thank you for the question.	<sup>1</sup> of Work.
2	So, no, no employees have been overpaid. I want	<sup>2</sup> MR. JABOUIN: They're on their way in. And
3	to make that abundantly clear. In this case	<sup>3</sup> we have
4	these employees had additional positions from	<sup>4</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: We don't have any updates
5	previous years that were not removed. So they	<sup>5</sup> for Item Number 9?
6	weren't active, they weren't accruing payroll for	<sup>6</sup> MR. JABOUIN: No, we do not, Chair.
7	it. They were just still on our payroll reports	<sup>7</sup> So RSM's report, which has their new
8	and our policy dictates they should be removed	<sup>8</sup> observations and prior observations are here. We
9	annually. They have since been removed.	<sup>9</sup> do have Matthew Blondell and Chris Gums, from
10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So they weren't being paid?	<sup>10</sup> RSM, that's here. And we have Ms. Czubkowski and
11	MR. SMITH: Correct.	<sup>11</sup> her team, as well, for any questions from the
12		<sup>12</sup> committee.
13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Were not. Okay.	<sup>13</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay.
14	And the remaining two additional positions	
15	are valid where they're actually performing a function and being paid	<ul> <li><sup>14</sup> MS. DAHL: Nathalie, can I see what it looks</li> <li><sup>15</sup> like? I've kind of got all my stuff mixed up.</li> </ul>
16	function and being paid.	like: The kind of got all thy stull thiked up.
17	MR. SMITH: They are. That is correct.	DR. ETNOLEWALSH. Teah, Thear you. Tou know
18	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Do they have two full-time	the one that s landscaped.
19	jobs?	NO. DATIE. THATK you.
20	MR. SMITH: These additional positions	DR. ETNOIT-WALSH. SO Maybe have a quick
21	account for about anywhere from three to five	
22	hours a week and these are 35 hour employees, 35	WIN. JABOOIN. Okay. We could have WI.
23	hour per week employees; correct. So they're not	Diolideir of Wit. Cullis do 30.
24	full-time additional positions. They're	DR. ETNORWALOR. Tes. Are mey
25	part-time.	MIR. JADOOIN. THEY TE HELE.
23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. That was my	<sup>25</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, they're back there.
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1	question. I think that was my my only	<sup>1</sup> Can they move up so they're not behind half the
2	question.	<sup>2</sup> committee?
3	Mary, do you have anything?	<sup>3</sup> MR. JABOUIN: So they could move to the empty
4	MS. FERTIG: No, that was mine, too, so thank	<sup>4</sup> spots from the committee members there, from Ms.
5	you.	<ul> <li>Ighodaro's side.</li> </ul>
6	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. All right anyone	<sup>6</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Yeah, that would
7	else?	<sup>7</sup> help. I don't want to split them up. Yeah, we
8	(No response.)	<ul> <li><sup>8</sup> have two spots. Okay. Yeah, no, that's fine.</li> </ul>
9	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. Do I hear	<sup>9</sup> All right. So you guys had one current
10	MS. FERTIG: Move to transmit.	<sup>10</sup> period observation, I believe, which, just to
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Need a second.	<sup>11</sup> refresh everyone's memory, this report is from
12	MS. DAHL: I'll second.	<sup>12</sup> November.
13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. Thank you.	<sup>13</sup> MR. BLONDELL: Yes, would you like us to give
14	Any further discussion?	WIN. DECINDELE. Tes, would you like us to give
15	•	<ul> <li>you a brief overview of that observation?</li> <li>Okay. Sure, I'll turn it over to Chris. We</li> </ul>
16	(No response.)	Okay. Sule, In turn it over to offils. We
17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All in favor?	
18		Chair mentioned, this is a report that was
19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Any opposed?	originally propared, I annik, for the November
20	(No response.)	audit committee meeting. So a bit dated, but
	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. Motion passes	happy to go through this. Office:
21	unanimously.	wirk. Oolwo. oure. Onno Ourio, Kow manager.
22	We are done with Items 10, 11 and 12, moving	So for this report we had one new observation and
23	back to RSM, which was Item Number 9, the SMART	<sup>23</sup> six prior observations that we performed
24	Bond Program Management. And since they will be	<sup>24</sup> follow-up on. Of those six prior findings we
25	here we'll also discuss the RSM Big 3 Statement	<sup>25</sup> were able to close two and the remaining four are

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1	either partially complete or open.	1	13, PM/OR compliance with reporting requirements.
2	So I'll quickly just walk through observation	2	So, just a little bit of background here. This
3	number 1 here starting on page 4. So as we	3	relates to the reporting requirements within
4	previously discussed at previous meetings,	4	AECOM's RFQ and their agreement and also the
5	AECOM's actual M/WBE participation was lower than	5	deliverables provided within their monthly
6	the commitment specified in their agreement in	6	reports. So for this report we reviewed the
7	their RFQ. As we show in the table here, we	7	SMART Program monthly reporting packages for the
8	quantified the difference between that commitment	8	period of February 2023 through June 2023 and we
9	and the actual amounts invoiced by the	9	found that there were still two categories of
10	subcontractors through June 2023.	10	deliverables that were not provided within those
11	The Board, as you all know, has since	11	packages. And those were Stakeholder
12	approved an amendment to AECOM's agreement, which	12	Satisfaction and EDDC Compliance. We, actually,
13	effectively increased their M/WBE commitment	13	had discussions with AECOM and with the EDDC
14	percentage to 53.47 percent to essentially make	14	department, and my understanding is that, since
15	up for that variance.	15	this report, AECOM now has access to B2G and also
16	So, as part of those remediation efforts, we	16	has the capability to report on EDDC compliance.
17	reviewed and recalculated AECOM's Year 4 staffing	17	So both of those two bullet points and
18	plan and found that the projected M/WBE	18	deliverable categories that we report on are
19	participation was less than that 53.47 percent,	19	either in process or completed, but I'd defer to
20	as I stated earlier. So our recommendation	20	AECOM on further comment on the progress of that.
21	moving forward in regards to that staffing plan	21	MS. FERTIG: Can I just ask for an
22	is to restructure it so that it's structured in a	22	explanation oh, thank you. An explanation of
23	way that clearly shows the projected amounts that	23	the stakeholder satisfaction; what's being done?
24	are going to these subcontractors. And that we'd	24	As we get ready to celebrate, this summer we're
25	clearly be able to track and better report on	25	going to have a party, right, Nathalie, the tenth
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1	that M/WBE utilization.	1	anniversary of when we talk about putting these
2	Just quickly touching on their response, as	2	programs through. So I would just I just
3	AECOM noted, they're continuing to work with the	3	wanted to, could you give us a quick, what's
4	subs and helping with the hiring process and are	4	being done to determine stakeholder satisfaction?
5	also tracking M/WBE participation against those	5	MR. JABOUIN: Should we go through Ms.
6	commitments as they provide in the tables and the	6	Czubkowski first?
7	charts that are on the pages that follow.	7	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, stakeholder
8	Moving on to the prior observations	8	satisfaction, is that even included why is
9	follow-up, now on page 10, so this is contract	9	that there, actually? I thought we took that

- <sup>10</sup> time modifications and schedule updates. This
- <sup>11</sup> observations has been open since February 2020.
- <sup>12</sup> It relates to change orders that are executed for
- time modifications and the incorporation of those changes into the contractors' project schedule
- changes into the contractors' project schedule,
   which are included in the monthly pay application
- packages.
   So for this report we retested a sample of
- <sup>18</sup> three change orders. Two of those three failed
- <sup>19</sup> testing. Again, as they noted in their response,
- <sup>20</sup> AECOM has provided additional training to
- contractors and also PMs on this process,
   specifically But until further testing we keep
- specifically. But until further testing we kept
   this one opening considering the results of our
- this one of
   testing.

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Prior observation number 2, moving on to page

- that there, actually? I thought we took that out. It was -- okay. If you have an instrument and it doesn't measure what it purports to measure because FTF looked at the stakeholder satisfaction survey and it was very subjective. So I'm a little confused.
- And since it's AECOM, Kathleen, I haven't seen you in forever, but I think I know what you look like, and that looks like Kathleen Langan, the program director. Can she move up here? I didn't see you behind Mr. Medvin before.
- MS. FERTIG: Yeah, if she could just answer that?
- DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, next to Czubkowski, please. That way you're not behind people and they're not breaking their necks to see you. MR. JABOUIN: And Ms. Carpenter can probably
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1	move up, too.	1	review over the course of the next, I would say,
2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, and Ashley. Oh, and	2	you know, weeks. We're focused on developing an
3	I see Shelley back there hiding.	3	RFP for some of the new projects we've been
4	MS. LANGAN: Good afternoon. Don't forget,	4	assigned. But, nonetheless, it will really focus
5	I'm part-time.	5	on the project and the satisfaction of the
6	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I know.	6	stakeholders to the project.
7	MS. LANGAN: Okay.	7	MS. FERTIG: And how are you defining
8	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So as a result of item	8	stakeholders? Because I just heard you talking
9	number 1, and I'll get back to that because I was	9	about architects and
10	reading this late last night and nearly lost my	10	MS. LANGAN: Well, the architects, because
11	mind, Kathleen is now a .24 of a person. Because	11	they are responsible for the design and they were
12	in order to make the numbers work, we had to cut	12	the ones working with the stakeholders being the
13	the full-time program director from AECOM down to	13	principals, the people who were and I'm not
14	.24 of a person. I know, that's why I barely	14	going to remember the name, I might need Shelley
15	ever see you anymore.	15	to help me, it was done before we got here, it's
16	MS. LANGAN: But I did give the I do give	16	the project the charter, the project charter.
17	the District weekends. So I work every Saturday	17	So, to us, the people who were involved in the
18	and Sunday for the District. So the District	18	project charter who developed and defined the
19	does get more time, it's just they don't get	19	project once it hit each of the schools, those,
20	charged for it.	20	to us, are the stakeholders.
21	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, I hear you.	21	MS. MELONI: The end users.
22	MS. FERTIG: That doesn't seem right. I'm	22	MS. LANGAN: The end users; yeah. Thank you.
23	sorry.	23	MS. FERTIG: I'm still not understanding, but
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: It was to make the numbers	24	I'll just tell you this.
25	work.	25	MS. LANGAN: Okay.
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1	MS. LANGAN: Well, maybe maybe year 5 will	1	MS. FERTIG: We're 10 years into this. We
2	change.	2	thought at five years we would be asking for more
3	Regarding the stakeholder satisfaction, so	3	money because, of course, there was this overly
4	actually the program originated Kathleen	4	optimistic sense in the boardroom that they would
5	Langan, Program Director, AECOM. Actually, when	5	actually do this in five years. And I think
6	the program started Garth had developed a	6	knowing how the public feels about the project
7	stakeholder satisfaction document. It was really	7	that they get is critically important,
8	focused on, did the principal like the PM? It	8	particularly with the conversation we had earlier
9	was all about the PM. And so when AECOM started	9	about declining enrollment and everything else.
10	we recommended that we really look more at the	10	If we don't have an instrument for how the
11	project. What we're used to seeing is, at the	11	community feels, it needs to be added. And I
12	end of a project when the architect does the	12	would make that recommendation to the Board.
13	12-month walkthrough, they come and sit down and	13	Because the day is going to come when we're going
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15	meet with the principal and the PM/OR and	15	to have to go back to the community.
16	Shelley's group and they talk about the satisfaction of what was done. So, you know, the	16	Of course when the first bond was done in '86 or '87 it took a long time to do that. But
17	•	17	or '87 it took a long time to do that. But,
18	HVAC systems, have they been working, what's	18	ultimately, how the community feels is going to
19	you know, do they satisfy the requirements of the	19	be reflected in everything that happens with the
20	school? Did the media center design, is that	20	school district.
20	sufficient? You know, those kinds of things so	20	So, when I see stakeholder survey, I'm just
21	that there's a dialogue between the school and the architects and the District.	22	thinking of those of us that sat in this room and
			those of us out in the communities in the
23		23	
23 24	So we have been in development of an updated	23	individual schools that tried to help with this,
24	So we have been in development of an updated document. We were hoping to have it by now. I	24	individual schools that tried to help with this, I would like to know how they feel about your end
	So we have been in development of an updated		individual schools that tried to help with this,

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1	stakeholder.	1	MS. FERTIG: Yeah. I mean, that's
2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Agreed, but you have to	2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. So I wanted to
3	you would be surveying them on the scope of work	3	go back to 1 and 2 after everybody's done.
4	versus what was delivered because they could have	4	Rebecca?
5	a totally different opinion on what they thought	5	MS. DAHL: When you go back into whether or
6	was going to happen.	6	not they're satisfied or not satisfied, I think
7	MS. FERTIG: I would say Garth is more than	7	one of the things that you're going to find out
8	capable of developing that survey. They've been	8	when you do this is that most of the stakeholders
9	doing this for a long time. They're very	9	in the community really thought that their
10	familiar with the District. So, if not, I'm sure	10	schools were going to be magically perfect, that,
11	some of our parent groups would be happy to help	11	you know, whatever amount of money it was, that
12	them.	12	the school was going to turn out to look like one
13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Well, they're getting paid,	13	of the western schools.
14	which is going to be one of my issues.	14	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right.
15	MS. FERTIG: 1 I just think it's if	15	MS. DAHL: Which, of course, we know was not
16	we're not surveying the ultimated end user of	16	going to happen. But when you because I sat
17	this product to find out how they are satisfied	17	in a couple of these meetings when they were
18	with what's happened, I think we're making a huge	18	describing them to the schools, that they were
19	mistake. So, yeah, there may be a cost to it,	19	just so excited. So if you ask the stakeholders
20	I'm sure there is, there's a cost to everything,	20	when whatever got finished got finished, I think
21	but when I I I just think stakeholders	21	you're going to get a very poor response
22 23	better include the community.	22	because they didn't get what they thought they
23	MS. LANGAN: Noted.	23	were getting. They didn't get a, you know, a
24	MS. FERTIG: So that's my comment.	24 25	brand new building. They didn't get the
20	MS. LANGAN: Noted.	25	bathrooms in the main buildings fixed. And I
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2	they'd vote for it.	2	new so I don't think we can sit here and
3	MS. DAHL: Yes. Absolutely. Because that	3	judge. I think we have to let the public weigh
4	was part of the issue in these meetings, that	4	in on how they feel about this project. Because
5	they really thought and one of the items that	5	going forward we're going to find ourselves in
6	became such a thing that they wanted to have was	6	the same position again.
7	that \$100,000. They thought they could purchase	7	I, personally, as we all know, don't think
8	the world with \$100,000 that was given to the	8	there's anything more important than knowing how
9	schools. And you know you can't. Most of the	9	the stakeholders feel.
10	schools couldn't even purchase a playground if	10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: No, agreed.
11	they wanted to do it for \$100,000.	11	Ms. Strauss?
12	So I don't know how you're going to do that,	12	MS. STRAUSS: Okay. So I agree, community
13	because the customer satisfaction, based upon	13	input, stakeholders deserve to have their voice
14	what they were supposed to get compared to what	14	heard, absolutely. It's their money that the
15	they thought they were going to get, is two	15	District has spent; correct?
16	different things.	16	However, I think we all know that this has
17	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: No, agreed. And I don't	17	been a massive failure; okay? It's everybody
18	want to get too far into surveying and	18	knows this. 10 years later, here we are, we're
19	instrumentation, but you could survey and look	19	overspent, we're over time, nobody's happy. So
20	at, you know, this was your scope of work, did	20	we're going to get survey results that are likely
21	you get this, and then have additional questions,	21	not going to be positive. So I think that we can
22	is this what you thought you were going to get?	22	all assume that the survey results from
23	Because those are going to be two different	23	stakeholders at the schools are not going to come
24	responses.	24	in positive.
25	I have Mary then Jaclyn.	25	So, now, instead of continuing to, you know,
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2	have some clues as to what the people like that	<sup>2</sup> All right. So any other comments on this
3	got done and what they didn't.	<sup>3</sup> one? Because then I've got a couple on 1 and 2.
4	And as much as we can sit here and complain	<sup>4</sup> (No response.)
5	about what didn't get done, there's also the	<sup>5</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So first up on observation
6	other side of that about what did get done. I	<sup>6</sup> number 1, a few so when the contract was
7	MS. STRAUSS: But a stakeholder is not	<sup>7</sup> getting renewed and this started coming up, when
8	going they're always going to point out the	<sup>8</sup> AECOM came on board they got they agreed to,
9	negative and they're not going look at the what	<sup>9</sup> was it 45 percent? I was not on that selection
10	did get done.	<sup>10</sup> committee. There were machinations that happened
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So just to clarify,	<sup>11</sup> that I was not there. Because if I were there I
12	for the purpose of this quarterly report, the	<sup>12</sup> would have been like, this is insane. The only
13	stakeholders are all of the people in theory,	<sup>13</sup> way you're ever going to meet 45 is if you fluff
14	are all the people along the way so that they can	<sup>14</sup> up services, which was done under Heery. So then
15	improve their services. So that survey that	<sup>15</sup> under AECOM they had a team of people that they
16	you're talking about is something the district	<sup>16</sup> had to give time to to make up the 45 percent.
17	can do independent. It has nothing to do with	
18 19	AECOM's services, because their stakeholders,	Know why this became a scope where they addited
20	yes, are the schools, and the the stakeholder	
20	survey was primarily aimed at, I think,	nausean at an of the in nont of the Doard.
22	principals, but there are stakeholders, as I	
23	said, throughout all the phases that they need to	the begindw software where EDDC produced reports
24	know so that they can improve, continuously	showing these results. So we paid money for an
25	improve what they're doing.	audit when we alleady had all of this.
-	I don't disagree with a stakeholder survey	<sup>25</sup> So I'm not quite understanding unless we
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2	primes that perform the work themselves and	2	Board we would report in our monthly report and
3	sometimes they don't. So with Bach, and I think	3	in the BOC. So I think it's been about a month
4	I filtered it for African American because that's	4	since we worked with Jennifer and her team to get
5	been the most underrepresented, with Bach they	5	access to about the B2G so we can now start using
6	made commitments of 24.7 million and payments of	6	that to report on.
7	46 sorry, 46 percent, it's 11 million.	7	MS. STRAUSS: You know, something
8	Actually, you know what, here. I gave this to	8	interesting, through Broward County, the Office
9	if you don't mind? Sorry.	9	of Economic Development, Sandy McDonald is the
10	So commitments, 24.7 million; payments, 11.3	10	director over there, they do a fantastic job.
11	That's in total. Bach, commitments of 11;	11	And, first of all, they provide the link if you
12	payments of 8. They were at 72.85 percent of	12	want to be a provider and look at all the bids
13	commitment when I did my spreadsheet, which was	13	and RFPs that are out there as a minority-owned
14	before this. This was back in July.	14	business; okay? So they provide all that. And
15	When I filtered out the self-performing	15	there's actually one for Broward County School
16	primes, with Bach the participation was 22.94;	16	District. I went. There's nothing there. We're
17	without Bach, 12.95 percent. I would have to go	17	not looking for anything right now, apparently.
18	dig up to put it on screen.	18	There's nothing. But, in any event, they do a
19	The point being that the actual M/WBE	19	really good job in the reporting. And they
20	participation for the entire program, the SMART	20	actually share it weekly to give an update of how
21	Program, for African Americans, if you take out	21	much is invested in these businesses. Okay? How
22	Bach Real Estate and put in the self-performing	22	much they had to spend versus how much is
23	primes, one of which was Dwight Stephenson who	23	invested. They put calls out for projects.
24	had a commitment of 24 million but no payment,	24	There's like rail projects, things going on.
25	you're the 12.95 percent of the commitment.	25	It's completely transparent.
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3	these millions of dollars committed and not being	3	somewhat effective so we can align? Because
4	utilized much, which means you'll never pay them.	4	that's the office that's driving this direction
5	You can only pay them if you utilize them. Or	5	and I've actually been involved with them,
6	sometimes. Sometimes we pay 'em.	6	personally, as a female-owned business and worked
7	So on page 13 of this report, the bullet	7	with Mr. McDonald and his team.
8	after stakeholder satisfaction, actually,	8	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Unfortunately, we lost, you
9	mentioned that they did not do hold on. I'm	9	know, Ms. Andreu because we flipped things
10	almost there. Did not do the EDDC diversity	10	around. Because, in theory, she'd be the person
11	compliance. While the PM/OR began reporting on	11	to answer that
12	S/M/WBE participation in June of 2023,	12	MS. STRAUSS: Okay. Okay.
13	deliverables related to EDDC were not provided.	13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: I'm sure. But they work
14	So but there's a whole EDDC department.	14	together.
15	So I guess my question, Kathleen, are you	15	Ms. Czubkowski, did you have a comment?
16	guys not getting the report from EDDC to include	16	MS. CZUBKOWSKI: That was exactly what I was
17	in your packet?	17	going to say.
18	MS. LANGAN: That was correct. It has now	18	MS. STRAUSS: Oh, thank you.
19	been corrected based on the findings of the	19	MS. LANGAN: But I think when you're looking
20	audit. And now we have access to where we can	20	at what's available, part of it is because we
21	coordinate with EDDC. Otherwise, they were	21	only have two projects that they were bid. There
22	reporting. And this was under Mr. Ballou when he	22	were recommendations made and they went into a
23	didn't see the point of AECOM reporting on EDDC	23	bid protest, which, obviously, there's a cone of
24	and the percentages because they were.	24	silence that we can't discuss. But everything in
25	So now that we have access, we have been	25	the SMART program has been bid. So that's

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1	probably why. So now EDDC's focus would be	<sup>1</sup> Yeah. But not for these. For all the little
2	compliance with all the contractors that are	<sup>2</sup> mom-and-pops that are supposed to be doing all of
3	performing construction. So I just wanted to	<sup>3</sup> the trades, all of the construction, all of the
4	make that	<sup>4</sup> people that don't get paid if the primes don't
5	MS. STRAUSS: And so then you would report it	5 pay them that can't make payroll that I
б	in a similar fashion that Sandy McDonald	<sup>6</sup> occasionally get emails from. All of those
7	Sandy's team does.	<sup>7</sup> little businesses are the ones that this will be
8	MS. LANGAN: Right. Well, I am not the	<sup>8</sup> true for. These guys send their attorneys and
9	expert on B2G, believe me. I do know that they	<sup>9</sup> their lobbyists and canoodle with people and cry
10	run far behind. When you look at AECOM's	<sup>10</sup> if you don't pay them the millions of dollars,
11	reporting, we report on actuals that we calculate	<sup>11</sup> but they're getting paid, Bach, to make sure that
12	monthly. But then we also report on projections	<sup>12</sup> this 12.95 percent doesn't happen.
13	so that EDDC, the public, the Board, knows	<sup>13</sup> So that's the thing I'd like to see improved,
14	exactly where we are and what's happening.	<sup>14</sup> and that's and we, a few years ago, tore apart
15	Quickly, for example, right now the subs did	<sup>15</sup> the Garth invoices, remember, because they're a
16	not hire as quickly as needed to, so there are	<sup>16</sup> sub. We never did that exercise for anybody else
17	gaps and we have submitted to EDDC and Jennifer,	<sup>17</sup> other than Garth. And we asked for it to be done
18	in particular, a plan as to, if they approve it,	<sup>18</sup> for Bach and that hasn't happened. Instead we
19	how we can meet the numbers that the Board asked	<sup>19</sup> got this.
20	for when we got our fourth year renewal.	<sup>20</sup> MS. FERTIG: I'm just going to remind of
21	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: You're talking about,	<sup>21</sup> finding number 6 on the card.
22	though, your subs, not the subs for the program.	<sup>22</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: On what?
23	MS. LANGAN: That's correct. That's correct.	<sup>23</sup> MS. FERTIG: On where we started, the audit
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So what she's saying is,	<sup>24</sup> we started on, the small business women
25	despite the commitment that they're being held	<sup>25</sup> S/M/WBE vendor quotes found in that, too. So it
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<sup>3</sup> MR. TURSO: All the audits; all things with	<sup>3</sup> breakdown and in total all the audit costs, RSM,
<sup>4</sup> little addendums amendments without a clear	<sup>4</sup> and if there are any others that have been
<sup>5</sup> methodology; all the	<sup>5</sup> associated with the SMART Bond.
<sup>6</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So two separate questions.	<sup>6</sup> MR. JABOUIN: These are soft costs?
<sup>7</sup> One is easy enough to answer for AECOM and	<sup>7</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: No, no, that's
<sup>8</sup> Atkins. They can get numbers on construction	<sup>8</sup> MR. TURSO: Can I add to that? Can I add to
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<sup>12</sup> very little input into scope. And this	<sup>12</sup> you're the one in charge of audits, how much have
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<sup>19</sup> MS. LANGAN: We can do that.	<sup>19</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: They can break down what
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2	MS. FERTIG: All right. So we just want just	<sup>2</sup> MR. DE MEO: So we had considerable
3	a motion to transmit, just the plain	<sup>3</sup> discussion over a number of meetings to refine
4	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Yeah.	<sup>4</sup> exactly what we wanted to get out of this. So
5	MS. FERTIG: Yeah.	the scope of work should reflect that; right?
6	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. We need a	<sup>6</sup> And what we want to get out of it is, we want to
7	second.	<ul> <li><sup>7</sup> know in simple terms, was there any lack of</li> </ul>
8	MR. DE MEO: Second.	<sup>8</sup> compliance with the plan for those schools that
9	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. Moved by Fertig, De	<sup>9</sup> were identified that should have had work done on
10	Meo seconded.	
11		
12	Any discussion? I think we discussed. All	that what this means?
13		
14	COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Aye.	of work, it is influed to the big 5. You know,
15	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Any opposed?	as a result of this analysis we can and have, you
	(No response.)	<sup>15</sup> know, gained further insight into the program
16	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Hearing none, motion passes	<sup>16</sup> level. But, generally, for this scope of work in
17	unanimously. We're done with item number 9 and	<sup>17</sup> particular we did not and have not to date
18	now we're doubling back to sort of our last bit,	<sup>18</sup> performed an analysis to compare these schools to
19	7, the Follow-Up, and then Agenda Planning, just	<sup>19</sup> the rest of the District.
20	to make sure we're all on the same page for the	<sup>20</sup> MR. DE MEO: Well, how when we get your
21	25th, which will be our regular January meeting.	<sup>21</sup> report, how will we know if the priority of the
22	MS. FERTIG: So now we're on number 7?	<sup>22</sup> work and the order of the work that was performed
23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, because RSM is still	<sup>23</sup> was in accordance with the plans that were laid
24	here, before we let them out the door lock the	<sup>24</sup> out, the deficiency listings? Because that's the
25	door. And I'm pulling up their items.	essence of why we asked you to do this. Was
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2	presented with information and they chose to do	2	because it kind of makes it sound like it's at a
3	one of those Big 3 at some time before or	3	project level when this is really bigger than a
4	afterwards, then that decision, assuming that the	4	project level. It's like you're saying, you
5	board has all the information is up to them.	5	know, how well did such-and-such construction
6	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: That's not what Mary's	6	company do on this project? Well, the
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8	talking about. MR. DE MEO: But that's fine. That's fine.	8	construction company is just part of what went
9		9	wrong with the project. Or whether the
10	MS. FERTIG: Joris, I don't think that I	10	construction company did anything wrong? They
11	think if you could prove to us that the Board	11	may not have. They may have come in on time and
12	consciously made the decision, that would sure be	12	on budget but the planning you know, but
13	great. I think our concern is that we've been	13	something went wrong in the other phases. And,
14	articulating is that none of those conversations	14	actually, I don't know that I see phases
	they didn't necessarily vote to delay		mentioned here.
15	Stranahan or Northeast or Blanche Ely in favor of	15	So most of the procedures that are listed
16	school X, Y, Z, so I don't pick a name to offend	16	here, you know, they all make sense. Yes,
17	anybody, it just happened.	17	Castaldi, five-year plan, deficiency listings as
18	Dave's nodding. I know you know what	18	the starting point. Because what got listed as a
19	we're saying. These things just happened. Those	19	deficiency, roofs at Stranahan, there's some
20	were the ones that were used to sell it and they	20	dispute over whether the roofs are part of the
21	were going to be done. And I'm going to point	21	walkways include part of a roof and that's how
22	out the Northeast roofs, the Northeast roofs were	22	that got left out is because, they're like, oh,
23	what they showed on the news night, after night,	23	no, that's a walkway, not the roof.
24	after night. But those roofs were finished long	24	MS. FERTIG: The walkways were supposed to be
25	after other roofs. And that's one of the things	25	included.
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1	that we're like the time element in this.	1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: No, I know. But it all
2	Were these roofs done first? And you've already	2	comes down to semantics, so you know, behind
3	done a roof audit, so that should help. Were	3	the scenes. So I think they mentioned looking at
4	these roofs done in a timely manner as to what	4	contract documents.
5	was promised to the public or were other roofs	5	But to Mr. De Meo's point, I mean, it says
6	put in front of them?	6	you'll perform a comparative analysis of the
7	MR. JABOUIN: So just to, on the floor,	7	school deficiency listings developed as part of
8	question to RSM as we do this, though, obviously	8	the 2014 needs assessment and the various scopes
9	with doing the Big 3, are we able to analyze that	9	of work executed. That would get you the
10	information as we do one of the Big 3 versus the	10	deficiency versus what was done. And then are
11	original schedule and prioritization and be able	11	you going to view it through the lens of all of
12	to opine on that or comment on that?	12	these procedures? Like are you going to say at
13	MR. GUMS: Certainly.	13	Stranahan the scope of work let's say Building
14	MR. JABOUIN: Okay.	14	6, which is the art building, the scope, you
15	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So does anyone have any	15	know, the architect may so the deficiency may
16	other questions; comments?	16	have suggested if you performed a Castaldi, it
17	(No response.)	17	has Castaldis on, I think, all the buildings at
18	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Okay. So the first thing	18	Stranahan. So using Stranahan, because it is one
	that jumped out at me is the title, CMAR Project	19	of the Big 3, you have Castaldis. A Castaldi
19		20	tells you that it's more economical to replace
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1	should be torn down. Is the kiln room attached	1	MR. DE MEO: why. And why was a school
2	to Building 6 yet?	2	given a priority over another school? Or was a
3	MS. LANGAN: We just got the approval for the	3	school or was a project given priority over
4	funds. So that change order for the kilns is	4	another school?
5	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And this is not them. This	5	MR. JABOUIN: And that's regarding the Big 3.
б	is what happens when you try to renovate	6	So, for example, if these were supposed to be the
7	something that you should have just demolished	7	first three schools that were done and they were,
8	and start over. The kiln room	8	whatever, 10th, 11th, or 12th, then
9	MS. FERTIG: And just to stop you, Northeast	9	MR. DE MEO: Precisely. That's even a better
10	is also a Castaldi school, so	10	description, a shorter description. Do you
11	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, yeah. We have a list.	11	understand what we're getting at?
12	So they can so if you don't if they ignored	12	MR. GUMS: Sure.
13	the Castaldi and went against best practices, my	13	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. And their last
14	expectation is that that's going to be a finding.	14	bullet, obtain an understanding of the District's
15	Best practices dictate that this should have	15	processes and procedures for monitoring
16	happened. For all three schools, instead, the	16	compliance with SREF, District standards, and
17	District decided to do this. Because, otherwise,	17	inquire of management whether potential or known
18	what's the point of you determining what analyses	18	instances of noncompliance exist, I don't even
19	were performed, meaning, Castaldis, and they	19	understand that. Because you guys should be able
20	didn't do destructive testing. Because that sets	20	to determine from looking at SREF and the
21	the stage for everything that comes after, is	21	District standards, if you're supposed to have a
22	whether they ignored the Castaldis, which they	22	bathroom, so many bathrooms here and you don't or
23	did.	23	if they're supposed to be a certain size, because
24	Project scope development, so I guess I'm	24	l've heard complaints about Northeast, as well,
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2	MR. DE MEO: Well, if you're not if your	<sup>2</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Probably the better title, an	
3	scope doesn't include anything but these three	<sup>3</sup> I'll just get some comments from RSM would h	ave
4	schools, all we're going to end up with is a	<sup>4</sup> been, maybe, Big 3 Project Analysis then.	
5	listing, it would appear to me, of deficiency,	<sup>5</sup> MR. DE MEO: Yeah, I think that sums it up	
6	scope, difference, that's really not useful to	<sup>6</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right.	
7	us. And I don't want you to spend hundreds of	<sup>7</sup> MR. JABOUIN: But we understand that from	m
8	thousands of dollars on because we didn't give	<sup>8</sup> this meeting. I mean, this engagement letter's	
9	you good	<sup>9</sup> already been executed and it's been in the files	
10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Scope.	<sup>10</sup> for a bit, but we understand the comments from	
11	MR. DE MEO: Good direction.	<sup>11</sup> this meeting and the prior meetings as well. B	ut
12	MR. JABOUIN: The Board did want those three	<sup>12</sup> this provides very good clarification from the	
13	done though, Mr. De Meo.	<sup>13</sup> committee, and, particularly, from Mr. De Meo	and
14	MS. FERTIG: They wanted them done, but I	<sup>14</sup> Ms. Fertig. Thank you.	
15	think that okay. So one way to get what he's	<sup>15</sup> MS. FERTIG: And I'm glad you're going ba	ck
16	talking at is you look at what and if you need	<sup>16</sup> and looking at those original analyses of what	
17	these documents, I'm sure one of us can provide	<sup>17</sup> was to be done, what the deficiencies were an	
18	it to you, you can look at when they were	<sup>18</sup> how, ultimately, many of those were addressed	<b>1</b> ,
19	supposed to be done and then look at who was done	<sup>19</sup> because I think that will help tell us, too.	
20	first.	<sup>20</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: All right. The rest	SO
21	MR. JABOUIN: Yes, I understand that part.	<sup>21</sup> the rest of the follow-up are we good, sort	
22	MS. FERTIG: Look at the schools that were	<sup>22</sup> of, or do you want to make a motion?	
23 24	done first.	<sup>23</sup> MR. DE MEO: Well, I think those you kno	ow,
24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. Compare the	<sup>24</sup> I focused on, I start at the top, right, and then	
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<sup>1</sup> great, so you might just start taking a look at	<sup>1</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes.
$^2$ that.	<sup>2</sup> MS. FERTIG: After hearing community comments
<sup>3</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: How that was yeah, how	<sup>3</sup> over a period of years they asked for it.
<sup>4</sup> that was done.	<sup>4</sup> You know, I just think it goes to what I said
<sup>5</sup> Oh, Mr. Medvin?	<sup>5</sup> earlier about stakeholders. We're going to have
<sup>6</sup> MR. MEDVIN: Yeah, I've been quietly	<sup>6</sup> to at some point find a way to fix our schools.
<sup>7</sup> listening to all of this, and perhaps the Board	<sup>7</sup> And, ultimately, that's going to mean going out
<sup>8</sup> wants this information, but it seems to me,	<sup>8</sup> to the public. And I think it's important for us
<sup>9</sup> there's no question about the problems and the	<sup>9</sup> to know what we did right and what we did wrong,
<sup>10</sup> timing of all these projects, but is it necessary	<sup>10</sup> not in what we think. And you know, and I
<sup>11</sup> to spend significant dollars to get a very fine	<sup>11</sup> will tell you as someone whose children and now
<sup>12</sup> report from you guys, RSM, when it's just a	<sup>12</sup> grandchildren have gone through these schools, so
<sup>13</sup> calendar listing? We can't go back and look at	<sup>13</sup> for anyone that's in a new school to tell us that
<sup>14</sup> the dates when the jobs were done and be done	<sup>14</sup> certain things didn't matter, well, they did
<sup>15</sup> with it? This, again, becomes a big project. We	<sup>15</sup> matter. They mattered very much to the people
<sup>16</sup> all know there were screw ups and foul-ups and	<sup>16</sup> that were sitting there and still are. And I
<sup>17</sup> irregularities and everything else. And, like	<sup>17</sup> think we have an obligation to try to quantify
<sup>18</sup> you said, maybe it's because of people who	<sup>18</sup> that so we can address it in the future.
<sup>19</sup> screwed up 10, 12 years ago who are long gone.	<sup>19</sup> MR. MEDVIN: Yeah, but, Mary, you know better
<sup>20</sup> Is it reasonable or necessary to spend whatever	<sup>20</sup> than anybody, probably.
<sup>21</sup> guys are going to charge to do a very thorough,	<sup>21</sup> MS. FERTIG: I do and I
<sup>22</sup> good job at what you're asked to do or do we	<sup>22</sup> MR. MEDVIN: And do we need to spend the
<sup>23</sup> really need it? That's my point.	<sup>23</sup> money to list and quantify it again when we
<sup>24</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: It's already in fieldwork,	<sup>24</sup> already know that? You know it.
<sup>25</sup> I believe.	<sup>25</sup> MS. FERTIG: Do you want to know if I'm still
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<sup>1</sup> Mr. Turso?	<sup>1</sup> annoyed that the walkways somehow disappeared
<sup>2</sup> MR. TURSO: So I'm just going to echo what	<sup>2</sup> from the scope? No, I am still annoyed about
<sup>3</sup> Mr. Medvin said. I mean, I feel like I'm one of	<sup>3</sup> that.
<sup>4</sup> the people here that tries to be as fiscally	<sup>4</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And that's something,
<sup>5</sup> logically minded, and the work's already been	<sup>5</sup> though, that we know.
<sup>6</sup> done. You know the dates that it was done, you	<sup>6</sup> Let me get Mr. Menzul, and because I think
<sup>7</sup> know dates it was supposed to start. I'm just	<sup>7</sup> we may have a solution. What?
<sup>8</sup> going to end up repeating what he said during our	<sup>8</sup> MS. DAHL: We need to adjourn.
<sup>9</sup> valuable time here. But spending more money to	<sup>9</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, that, too.
<sup>10</sup> find that out, and we already know why the other	<sup>10</sup> So quick comments, because, yeah, we have,
<sup>11</sup> schools got done in front of the Big 3, you may	<sup>11</sup> what, five minutes? Okay. People are starting
<sup>12</sup> not be able to say it, but everybody knows it.	<sup>12</sup> to getting rowdy.
<sup>13</sup> So why let's not spend any more money on that.	<sup>13</sup> MR. MENZUL: Well, if the school board asked
<sup>14</sup> Let's move forward. Let's get the schools that	<sup>14</sup> for it, can we see what they asked for and you
<sup>15</sup> need to get done.	<sup>15</sup> know
<sup>16</sup> MS. DAHL: Didn't the School Board ask for	<sup>16</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: No, that's the whole point.
<sup>17</sup> this?	<sup>17</sup> They just said do an audit of the Big 3.
<sup>18</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Yes, the School Board did ask	<sup>18</sup> MR. JABOUIN: Yeah, usually, when these
<sup>19</sup> for this.	<sup>19</sup> instructions come, they're rather broad.
<sup>20</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: So they would have to	<sup>20</sup> MR. MENZUL: Well, if they're six figure
<sup>21</sup> decide not to do it.	<sup>21</sup> projects, right, we you know, we've got to see
<sup>22</sup> MR. DE MEO: After we asked for it.	<sup>22</sup> what we're getting beforehand before you know,
<sup>23</sup> MR. JABOUIN: No, no, they asked for it	<sup>23</sup> because if they do their report, they're going to
<sup>24</sup> before.	<sup>24</sup> just say, here, you go, this cost us a hundred
<sup>25</sup> MR. DE MEO: Oh, they did?	25 thousand dollars, are we expected to pay this?

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1	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. We labored over the	1	recommendation.
2	behavioral threat assessment audit and nickeled	2	MR. JABOUIN: Yeah, it is. Ultimately, the
8	and dimed that, but we have no idea how much this	3	motions are, they're not mandatory
	is going to cost.	4	MR. MENZUL: They're not binding.
	So for our meeting on the 25th, and before	5	MR. JABOUIN: they're advisory in nature,
	that, we need to know how much this audit is	6	but the Board has determined that at the dais at
	going to cost.	7	a public meeting already.
	MR. MENZUL: We shouldn't be cutting any	8	MR. MENZUL: For this project?
	checks unless it's what we ordered.	9	MR. JABOUIN: For the Big 3 project.
	MR. JABOUIN: So here's the situation. So	10	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: But he's free he is free
	there is a budget for RSM of \$230,000 a year. So	11	to make a motion, though.
	that is the budget. So if we have projects that	12	MR. JABOUIN: Oh, that's true.
	take longer, then that's all part of that same	13	MS. FERTIG: But then we could wait until we
	budget.	14	get the response.
	MR. MENZUL: But who approves who approves	15	MR. MENZUL: But they have not approved
	those projects?	16	what I'm saying is, they what essentially I'm
	MR. JABOUIN: Well, the budget is approved by	17	hearing is, they said they wanted something, but
	the Board when they approve	18	do they know that it's going to cost \$100,000?
	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: And the Board approved this	19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: No, they don't know that.
	audit. What we don't know is how much of that	20	And we don't know that either.
	230 this is going to cost. So if we can get	21	So, how about this, hold that motion until
	that	22	the 25th.
	MR. JABOUIN: And I can discuss that with	23	MR. MENZUL: Okay.
	them as to how much it is taking, but let's also	24	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Because we're going to get
	remember that the more that this takes the less	25	the cost, and if it's 5 grand, that's one way,
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	that there is available for the quarterly	1	and if it's 100 grand, I think I'm being
	reports. Because \$230,000	2	silly.
	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: That's what we're getting	3	All right. So
	at, we don't know how much this is going to be.	4	MR. DE MEO: I have one other thing.
	MR. JABOUIN: But we can I mean, now that	5	MS. FERTIG: Okay. And I have one thing.
	we've got some direction and so forth, I'll be	6	MR. DE MEO: Briefly, we've discussed this in
	we've got some direction and so forth, I'll be able to analyze with Matt and Chris on that	6 7	MR. DE MEO: Briefly, we've discussed this in the past. I think it's important for this
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<sup>2</sup> MS. FERTIG: That's what I think that	<sup>2</sup> much later and got done at 1:00 or 1:30. We're
<sup>3</sup> I'm assuming that's what he asked for. If we	<sup>3</sup> now starting them at 9:30 and we're getting done
<sup>4</sup> just had that page so we don't have to go through	<sup>4</sup> at 1:30. When did we decide that we wanted to do
5 the whole	<sup>5</sup> a four hour audit meeting? That's the same thing
<sup>6</sup> MR. JABOUIN: That page; yes.	<sup>6</sup> with BAC, they now added another half hour to
<sup>7</sup> MR. DE MEO: Because I'm concerned that	<sup>7</sup> what they want. When did we decide as members of
<sup>8</sup> briefly, you know, we're an audit committee and	<sup>8</sup> this committee that we want to add this much
<sup>9</sup> we're charged with, you know, making sure there	<sup>9</sup> time? And I know we have a lot of stuff to
<sup>10</sup> are proper controls and funds aren't being wasted	<sup>10</sup> discuss, but I can't function past three to three
<sup>11</sup> and so forth. But we also have a responsibility	<sup>11</sup> and a half hours. I just don't function well.
<sup>12</sup> to be very focused in our requests of the chief	<sup>12</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: No, I had to go get a
<sup>13</sup> auditor, especially those that require him to go	<sup>13</sup> Snickers, myself. So the next meeting, and this
<sup>14</sup> outside and pay I'm going to take a guess	<sup>14</sup> is after trying to make it so we didn't have too
<sup>15</sup> we're spending millions on outside auditors,	<sup>15</sup> much there, when we get internal controls under
<sup>16</sup> millions. Okay? And I've got to tell you, I	<sup>16</sup> control so there are less audit findings, that's
<sup>17</sup> think we really need to take a hard look at that.	<sup>17</sup> when the meetings will get shorter.
<sup>18</sup> MR. JABOUIN: The Board, when they do their	<sup>18</sup> MR. JABOUIN: I have a question for February
<sup>19</sup> budget proposals, there are various meetings	<sup>19</sup> 8th, Chair. Did you want to find out if this is
<sup>20</sup> during the year, I am prepared to discuss every	<sup>20</sup> an in-person meeting?
<sup>21</sup> component of the office's budget. And, so, yes,	<sup>21</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, was the intent
<sup>22</sup> for example, I have been asked to reduce	<sup>22</sup> in-person? I thought it was Teams.
<sup>23</sup> consulting expenses as a result of some of the	<sup>23</sup> MS. FERTIG: We've had so much that I think
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<sup>25</sup> board is all over this. And so that information	<sup>25</sup> just, for purpose of quorum, I told Mr. Jabouin I
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1	MR. JABOUIN: Virtual or in-person, Chair?	<sup>1</sup> adjourn.
2	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Oh, in-person or virtual?	<sup>2</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Right. So we're adjourned
3	MR. JABOUIN: February 8th.	<sup>3</sup> at 1:20.
4	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: 8th.	<sup>4</sup> MR. TURSO: By default.
5	MS. FERTIG: I mean, I can do it. I'm fine	<sup>5</sup> DR. LYNCH-WALSH: By default.
6	either way, but	<sup>6</sup> (Meeting was concluded at 1:20 p.m.)
7	MR. DE MEO: I come all the way from	7
8	Parkland. Come on.	8
9	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yeah, I'm fine with	9
10	virtual, just know, obviously, we can't vote	10
11	until the 29th. We'd have to bring it I don't	11
12	think the intent was in-person. Yeah, Teams.	12
13	MR. JABOUIN: Yeah, I just didn't keep	13
14	complete notes. I apologize for that. I don't	14
15	remember.	15
16	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Teams.	16
17	MR. JABOUIN: So it is Teams for February	17
18	8th. Thank you.	18
19	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Yes, Teams. So we need a	19
20	link. And I need a motion to adjourn. I believe	20 21
21	we lost quorum. But we need the invites for the	22
22	remaining meetings. Even though they're not on	22
23	Teams, we still need an Outlook invite sent to	
24 25	everybody.	24 25
25	MR. JABOUIN: Okay. I thought we may have	23
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1	done that already, but we will make sure that	
2	there's	<sup>2</sup> STATE OF FLORIDA <sup>3</sup> COUNTY OF BROWARD
3	MR. DE MEO: Mr. Chief Auditor, I want to	
5	address the comment I made before about the	<ul> <li>I, Timothy R. Bass, Court Reporter and Notary</li> <li>Public in and for the State of Florida at Large,</li> </ul>
5	budget was for us to show restraint, fiscal	<ul> <li><sup>6</sup> hereby certify that I was authorized to and did</li> </ul>
7	restraint and responsibility, not that the Board	<ul> <li><sup>7</sup> stenographically report the foregoing proceedings, and</li> </ul>
8	isn't overseeing the budget. You know what I'm	<ul> <li>that the transcript is a true and complete record of</li> </ul>
9	saying?	<sup>9</sup> my stenographic notes thereof.
10	MR. JABOUIN: Yes, yes, of course.	<sup>10</sup> Dated this 22nd day of January, 2024, Fort
11	MR. DE MEO: We've got to be restrained in	Lauderdale, Broward County, Florid
12	our requests for you because you have limited resources and so does the district.	12 $() D$
12	MR. JABOUIN: Absolutely. Thank you.	$13$ $J-t_1 + t_2 + t_3 + t_4 + t_4$
14		14 TIMOTHY R. BASS
15	And I can respond to any questions the	Court Reporter
16	committee has, just like the Board members may	15
17	have as well. But I think it does provide	16
18	visibility to the committee on what we're trying	17
19	to manage as far as costs. Also, in the future	18
20	environment where cost reduction will be part of what the district is about too	19
20	what the district is about, too.	20
22	MR. JABOUIN: Chair, did we adjourn? Motion	21 22
22	to adjourn?	22
23	DR. LYNCH-WALSH: Motion well, we can't	23
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