



Resolution on Allocation of Interest Earned on District Reserve Balances

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Whereas, New York State Education Law 2580 (Chapter 16) indicates that “funds raised or collected by authorities in a city for school purposes or to be used by the board of education for any purpose authorized in this chapter, or any other funds belonging to a city and received from any source whatsoever for similar purposes, shall be paid into the treasury of such city and shall be credited to the board of education” and “the funds received into such treasury shall be kept separate and distinct from any other funds received into the said treasury”;

Whereas, a conservative projection of interest earnings on District reserves totaled \$5,431,445 for the period of July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023; and

Whereas, an external financial audit by Lumsden & McCormick recommended corrective action for the BOE to work with the City to determine whether an allocation can be made for earned interest on all reserves per General Municipal and Education Law,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, the Buffalo BOE requests that the Buffalo City School District and the City of Buffalo provide the BOE with presentation and discussion on allocation of interest earned on District’s reserve balances.