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**MILLER CITY – NEW CLEVELAND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PUTNAM COUNTY**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Miller City – New Cleveland Local School District
Putnam County
P.O. Box 38
200 North Main Street
Miller City, Ohio 45864-0038

To the Board of Education:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Miller City - New Cleveland Local School District, Putnam County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the cash accounting basis Note 2 describes. This responsibility includes determining that the cash accounting basis is acceptable for the circumstances. Management is also responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on these financial statements based on our audit. We audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the financial audit standards in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe the audit evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to support our audit opinions.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the respective changes in cash financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General fund thereof for the years then ended in accordance with the accounting basis described in Note 2.

Accounting Basis

Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis applied to these statements. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Emphasis of Matters

As discussed in Note 17 to the 2021 and the 2020 financial statements, the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the District. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

As discussed in Note 3 to the 2020 financial statements, during 2020, the District adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 84, "*Fiduciary Activities*". We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 10, 2022, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

May 10, 2022

**MILLER CITY-NEW CLEVELAND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PUTNAM COUNTY**

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
JUNE 30, 2021

| | Governmental Activities |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Assets: | |
| Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents | <u>\$ 6,382,810</u> |
| Net position: | |
| Restricted for: | |
| Classroom facilities maintenance | \$ 66,475 |
| Debt service | 247,829 |
| State funded programs | 11,402 |
| Food service operations | 26,630 |
| Student activities | 91,413 |
| Other purposes | 150,527 |
| Unrestricted | <u>5,788,534</u> |
| Total net position | <u>\$ 6,382,810</u> |

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**MILLER CITY-NEW CLEVELAND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PUTNAM COUNTY**

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

| | Disbursements | Program Receipts | | | Net (Cash Disbursements) Cash Receipts and Changes in Net Cash Position |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| | | Charges for Services and Sales | Operating Grants and Contributions | Capital Grants and Contributions | |
| Governmental activities: | | | | | |
| Instruction: | | | | | |
| Regular | \$ 3,026,057 | \$ 759,362 | \$ 21,727 | \$ - | \$ (2,244,968) |
| Special | 674,249 | - | 240,859 | - | (433,390) |
| Vocational | 253,377 | - | 77,147 | - | (176,230) |
| Support services: | | | | | |
| Pupil | 231,135 | - | 30,682 | - | (200,453) |
| Instructional staff | 213,688 | - | 61,833 | - | (151,855) |
| Board of education | 59,661 | - | 218 | - | (59,443) |
| Administration | 509,925 | - | - | - | (509,925) |
| Fiscal | 11,883 | - | 6,317 | - | (5,566) |
| Operations and maintenance | 672,147 | 19,850 | 52,149 | - | (600,148) |
| Pupil transportation | 344,662 | - | 12,765 | 37,752 | (294,145) |
| Central | 5,305 | - | - | - | (5,305) |
| Operation of non-instructional services: | | | | | |
| Food service operations | 260,792 | 55,947 | 207,677 | - | 2,832 |
| Other non-instructional services | 29,002 | - | 8,887 | - | (20,115) |
| Extracurricular activities | 342,247 | 159,093 | 13,389 | - | (169,765) |
| Debt service: | | | | | |
| Principal retirement | 78,000 | - | - | - | (78,000) |
| Interest and fiscal charges | 21,926 | - | - | - | (21,926) |
| Total governmental activities | \$ 6,734,056 | \$ 994,252 | \$ 733,650 | \$ 37,752 | (4,968,402) |

General receipts:

| | |
|---|---------------------|
| Property taxes levied for: | |
| General purposes | 1,247,586 |
| Special revenue | 17,326 |
| School district income tax | 791,970 |
| Payments in lieu of taxes | 8,100 |
| Grants and entitlements not restricted to specific programs | 3,169,313 |
| Investment income | 64,051 |
| Miscellaneous | 17,125 |
| Total general receipts | 5,315,471 |
| Change in net position | 347,069 |
| Net position at beginning of year | 6,035,741 |
| Net position at end of year | \$ 6,382,810 |

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**MILLER CITY-NEW CLEVELAND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PUTNAM COUNTY**

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2021

| | <u>General</u> | <u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u> | <u>Total Governmental Funds</u> |
|--|---------------------|--|---|
| Assets: | | | |
| Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents | \$ 5,789,996 | \$ 592,814 | \$ 6,382,810 |
| Fund balances: | | | |
| Nonspendable: | | | |
| Unclaimed monies | \$ 1,174 | \$ - | \$ 1,174 |
| Scholarships | - | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| Restricted: | | | |
| Debt service | - | 247,829 | 247,829 |
| Classroom facilities maintenance | - | 66,475 | 66,475 |
| Food service operations | - | 26,630 | 26,630 |
| State funded programs | - | 11,402 | 11,402 |
| Extracurricular | - | 91,413 | 91,413 |
| Scholarships | - | 123,982 | 123,982 |
| Other purposes | - | 371 | 371 |
| Assigned: | | | |
| Student instruction | 44,054 | - | 44,054 |
| Student and staff support | 94,361 | - | 94,361 |
| Extracurricular activities | 2,408 | - | 2,408 |
| School supplies | 244 | - | 244 |
| Unassigned (deficit) | <u>5,647,755</u> | <u>(288)</u> | <u>5,647,467</u> |
| Total fund balances | <u>\$ 5,789,996</u> | <u>\$ 592,814</u> | <u>\$ 6,382,810</u> |

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**MILLER CITY-NEW CLEVELAND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

| | <u>General</u> | <u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u> | <u>Total Governmental Funds</u> |
|--|---------------------|--|---|
| Receipts: | | | |
| Property taxes | \$ 1,247,586 | \$ 17,326 | \$ 1,264,912 |
| Income taxes | 791,970 | - | 791,970 |
| Intergovernmental | 3,366,037 | 560,534 | 3,926,571 |
| Investment earnings | 64,051 | 808 | 64,859 |
| Tuition and fees | 759,362 | 1,307 | 760,669 |
| Extracurricular | 10,840 | 145,546 | 156,386 |
| Rental income | 19,850 | - | 19,850 |
| Charges for services | - | 55,947 | 55,947 |
| Contributions and donations | 13,212 | 12,726 | 25,938 |
| Payment in lieu of taxes | 8,100 | - | 8,100 |
| Miscellaneous | 5,316 | 607 | 5,923 |
| Total receipts | <u>6,286,324</u> | <u>794,801</u> | <u>7,081,125</u> |
| Disbursements: | | | |
| Current: | | | |
| Instruction: | | | |
| Regular | 3,006,006 | 20,051 | 3,026,057 |
| Special | 545,525 | 128,724 | 674,249 |
| Vocational | 253,377 | - | 253,377 |
| Support services: | | | |
| Pupil | 202,178 | 28,957 | 231,135 |
| Instructional staff | 143,722 | 69,966 | 213,688 |
| Board of education | 59,231 | 430 | 59,661 |
| Administration | 509,925 | - | 509,925 |
| Fiscal | 5,566 | 6,317 | 11,883 |
| Operations and maintenance | 606,625 | 65,522 | 672,147 |
| Pupil transportation | 306,910 | 37,752 | 344,662 |
| Central | 5,305 | - | 5,305 |
| Operation of non-instructional services: | | | |
| Food service operations | - | 260,792 | 260,792 |
| Other non-instructional services | 15,113 | 13,889 | 29,002 |
| Extracurricular activities | 127,671 | 214,576 | 342,247 |
| Debt service: | | | |
| Principal retirement | 18,000 | 60,000 | 78,000 |
| Interest and fiscal charges | 15,926 | 6,000 | 21,926 |
| Total disbursements | <u>5,821,080</u> | <u>912,976</u> | <u>6,734,056</u> |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements | <u>465,244</u> | <u>(118,175)</u> | <u>347,069</u> |
| Other financing sources (uses): | | | |
| Transfers in | 1,000 | 15,000 | 16,000 |
| Transfers (out) | (15,000) | (1,000) | (16,000) |
| Total other financing sources (uses) | <u>(14,000)</u> | <u>14,000</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Net change in fund balances | 451,244 | (104,175) | 347,069 |
| Fund balances at beginning of year | <u>5,338,752</u> | <u>696,989</u> | <u>6,035,741</u> |
| Fund balances at end of year | <u>\$ 5,789,996</u> | <u>\$ 592,814</u> | <u>\$ 6,382,810</u> |

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**MILLER CITY-NEW CLEVELAND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

| | <u>Budgeted Amounts</u> | | | Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative) |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| | <u>Original</u> | <u>Final</u> | <u>Actual</u> | |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Property taxes | \$ 1,285,199 | \$ 1,239,196 | \$ 1,247,586 | \$ 8,390 |
| Income taxes | 777,168 | 777,168 | 791,970 | 14,802 |
| Intergovernmental | 3,370,072 | 3,348,440 | 3,366,037 | 17,597 |
| Investment earnings | 127,250 | 67,250 | 64,051 | (3,199) |
| Tuition and fees | 735,512 | 710,591 | 755,243 | 44,652 |
| Extracurricular | 10,000 | 10,840 | 10,840 | - |
| Rental income | 20,008 | 20,008 | 19,850 | (158) |
| Contributions and donations | 16,476 | 12,001 | 11,809 | (192) |
| Payment in lieu of taxes | 5,751 | 8,100 | 8,100 | - |
| Miscellaneous | - | 651 | 5,316 | 4,665 |
| Total receipts | <u>6,347,436</u> | <u>6,194,245</u> | <u>6,280,802</u> | <u>86,557</u> |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Current: | | | | |
| Instruction: | | | | |
| Regular | 3,063,618 | 3,103,618 | 3,025,032 | 78,586 |
| Special | 501,757 | 601,757 | 555,238 | 46,519 |
| Vocational | 314,275 | 324,275 | 264,689 | 59,586 |
| Support services: | | | | |
| Pupil | 199,691 | 199,691 | 202,178 | (2,487) |
| Instructional staff | 158,910 | 158,910 | 145,243 | 13,667 |
| Board of education | 66,631 | 66,631 | 59,591 | 7,040 |
| Administration | 429,414 | 479,414 | 516,980 | (37,566) |
| Fiscal | 41,553 | 41,553 | 5,569 | 35,984 |
| Operations and maintenance | 754,082 | 772,593 | 675,436 | 97,157 |
| Pupil transportation | 287,428 | 341,916 | 319,321 | 22,595 |
| Central | 2,876 | 2,876 | 5,305 | (2,429) |
| Operation of non-instructional services: | | | | |
| Other non-instructional services | 83,078 | 86,078 | 15,113 | 70,965 |
| Extracurricular activities | 125,133 | 125,133 | 129,278 | (4,145) |
| Debt service: | | | | |
| Principal | 20,000 | 20,000 | 18,000 | 2,000 |
| Interest and fiscal charges | 15,300 | 15,300 | 15,926 | (626) |
| Total disbursements | <u>6,063,746</u> | <u>6,339,745</u> | <u>5,952,899</u> | <u>386,846</u> |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements | <u>283,690</u> | <u>(145,500)</u> | <u>327,903</u> | <u>473,403</u> |
| Other financing sources (uses): | | | | |
| Transfers in | 170,983 | 1,000 | 1,000 | - |
| Transfers (out) | (185,038) | (203,432) | (15,000) | 188,432 |
| Total other financing sources (uses) | <u>(14,055)</u> | <u>(202,432)</u> | <u>(14,000)</u> | <u>188,432</u> |
| Net change in fund balance | 269,635 | (347,932) | 313,903 | 661,835 |
| Fund balance at beginning of year | 5,217,834 | 5,217,834 | 5,217,834 | - |
| Prior year encumbrances appropriated | 116,018 | 116,018 | 116,018 | - |
| Fund balance at end of year | <u>\$ 5,603,487</u> | <u>\$ 4,985,920</u> | <u>\$ 5,647,755</u> | <u>\$ 661,835</u> |

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**MILLER CITY-NEW CLEVELAND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PUTNAM COUNTY**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Miller City-New Cleveland Local School District (the District) is located in Putnam County, including the Village of Miller City and all or portions of Greensburg, Liberty, Ottawa and Palmer Townships. The District serves an area of approximately 48 square miles.

The District was organized in 1932, in accordance with Sections 2 and 3, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. Under such laws, there is no authority for a school district to have a charter or adopt local laws. The legislative power of the District is vested in the Board of Education, consisting of five members elected at large for staggered four year terms.

The District currently operates one instructional building. The District employs 45 non-certified and 39 certified (including administrative) full-time and part-time employees to provide services to approximately 520 students in grades K through 12 and various community groups.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.D., these financial statements are presented on the cash basis of accounting. The cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In cases where these cash basis statements contain items that are the same as, or similar to, those items in financial statements prepared in conformity with GAAP, similar informative disclosures are provided.

A. The Reporting Entity

The reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units" and GASB Statement No. 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34". The reporting entity is composed of the primary government and component units. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's Governing Board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; or (3) the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Certain organizations are also included as component units if the nature and significance of the relationship between the primary government and the organization is such that exclusion by the primary government would render the primary government's financial statements incomplete or misleading. Based upon the application of these criteria, the District has no component units. The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the District (the primary government).

The District participates in one jointly governed organizations and three public entity risk pools. The financial statements exclude these entities which perform activities within the District's boundaries for the benefit of its residents because the District is not financially accountable for these entities nor are these entities fiscally dependent on the District.

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These organizations are:

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATION

Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative

The District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC), which is a computer consortium. NOACSC is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Allen, Hancock, Paulding, Putnam, Wood, Lucas, and Van Wert counties, and the cities of St. Marys and Wapakoneta. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to administrative and instructional functions among member school districts.

The governing board of NOACSC consists of two representatives from each county elected by majority vote of all charter member school districts within each county, plus one representative from the fiscal agent school district. During fiscal year 2021, the District paid \$30,584 to NOACSC for various services. Financial information can be obtained from Ray Burden, who serves as director, at 4277 East Road, Elida, Ohio 45807.

PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOL

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority

The District participates in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority Board (SORSA), an insurance purchasing pool. SORSA's business affairs are conducted by a nine member Board of directors consisting of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five delegates. SORSA was created to provide joint self-insurance coverage and to assist members to prevent and reduce losses and injuries to the District's property and persons. It is intended to provide liability and property insurance at reduced premiums for the participants. SORSA is organized as a nonprofit corporation under provisions of Ohio Revised Code 2744. Additional information can be obtained from SORSA at 555 Metro Place North, Suite 645, Dublin, Ohio 43017 or by calling 866-767-7299.

Putnam County School Insurance Group

The District participates as a member of the Putnam County School Insurance Group, a public entity risk pool, administered by Huntington Trust. The District converted its fully-insured medical insurance program to partial self-insurance through participation in this public entity risk pool. Medical Mutual of Ohio provides claims review and processing. The District maintains stop-loss coverage for its medical insurance program. Aggregate stop loss is maintained for expected claims.

Financial information can be obtained from Jan Osborne, Superintendent, Putnam County Educational Service Center, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa, Ohio 45875.

Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

For fiscal year 2021, the District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association/Ohio Association of School Business Officials Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (the Plan), an insurance purchasing pool.

The intent of the Plan is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the Plan. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the Plan. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the Plan rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated, and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the Plan.

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A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the “equity pooling fund”. This “equity pooling” arrangement ensures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the Plan. Participation in the Plan is limited to school districts that can meet the Plan’s selection criteria. The firm of Sedgwick provides administrative, cost control, and actuarial services to the Plan.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. There are three categories of funds: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used.

The following is the District’s major governmental fund:

General fund - The general fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Other governmental funds of the District are used to account for specific revenue sources that are (a) financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest, and (b) specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to an expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

Proprietary funds are used to account for the District’s ongoing activities which are similar to those found in the private sector. The District has no proprietary funds.

FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and custodial funds.

Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the District’s own programs. The District has no trust funds. Custodial funds account for monies held on behalf of others that do not meet the definition of a trust fund. The District had no custodial funds.

C. Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements - The statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

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The government-wide statement of activities - cash basis presents a comparison between direct disbursements and program receipts for each function or program of the governmental activities of the District. Direct disbursements are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program receipts include amounts paid by the recipient of goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Receipts not classified as program receipts are presented as general receipts of the District.

Fund Financial Statements - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column, and all nonmajor funds are aggregated into one column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

D. Basis of Accounting

Although required by Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with GAAP, the District chooses to prepare its financial statements and notes on the cash basis of accounting. The cash basis of accounting is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than GAAP. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenue (such as accounts receivable and revenue billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received, but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, in accordance with the basis of accounting described in the preceding paragraph.

E. Budgetary Process

All funds, except custodial funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution, both of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Board of Education may appropriate.

The appropriations resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. Although the legal level of budgetary control was established at the fund level of disbursements, the District has elected to present the general fund budgetary statement comparison at the fund and function level. Budgetary allocations at the fund level are made by the Treasurer.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

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F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through District records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the basic financial statements.

Investments of the District's cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the District are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During fiscal year 2021, the District invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit. Investments are reported at cost.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2021 amounted to \$64,051 which includes \$6,684 assigned from other funds.

An analysis of the District's deposits and investments at year-end is provided in Note 4.

G. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets.

H. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements. Depreciation is not recorded on these capital assets.

I. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the District's cash basis of accounting.

J. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The District recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 10 and 11, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for other postretirement health care benefits (OPEB).

K. Long-Term Obligations

Cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt issues are reported as receipts when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported as disbursements when paid.

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L. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund loans are reported as advances-in and advances-out. Advances are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. Interfund transfers and advances are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements. Interfund activity between governmental funds is eliminated on the statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis.

M. Net Position

Net position is reported as restricted when enabling legislation or creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments have imposed limitations on its use. The District first applies restricted resources when a disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net cash position is available.

N. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans receivable.

Restricted - Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints are placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the District Board of Education (the highest level of decision making authority). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the District Board of Education or a District official delegated by that authority by resolution or State Statute. Education or a District official delegated by that authority by resolution or by State Statute. State statute authorizes the District’s Treasurer to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated.

Unassigned - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is only used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

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The District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

O. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. The District had neither transaction for fiscal year 2021.

P. Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability and net OPEB asset, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension/OPEB plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension/OPEB plans report investments at fair value.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2021, the District has applied GASB Statement No. 95, "Postponement of the Effective Dates of Certain Authoritative Guidance." GASB Statement No. 95 provides temporary relief to governments and other stakeholders in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. This objective is accomplished by postponing the effective dates of certain provisions in Statements and Implementation Guides that first became effective or are scheduled to become effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2018, and later.

Certain provisions contained in the following pronouncements were scheduled to be implemented for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. Due to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 95, the effective dates of certain provisions contained in these pronouncements are postponed until the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022:

- Statement No. 87, *Leases*
- Implementation Guide No. 2019-3, *Leases*
- Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period*
- Statement No. 92, *Omnibus 2020*
- Statement No. 93, *Replacement of Interbank Offered Rates*

B. Compliance

Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(B) requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the District prepared its basic financial statements on a cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying basic financial statements omit assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, net position/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. The District can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the District.

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C. Deficit Fund Balances

Fund balances at June 30, 2021 included the following individual fund deficit:

| <u>Nonmajor fund</u> | <u>Deficit</u> |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) | \$ 288 |

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the District into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the District treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Governing Board has identified as not required for use within the current five-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use, but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories. Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Protection of the District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the fair value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;

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6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Certain bankers' acceptances (for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days) and commercial paper notes (for a period not to exceed two hundred seventy days) in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met.

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. Except as noted above, an investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

A. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2021, the carrying amount of all District deposits was \$6,382,810 and the bank balance of all District deposits was \$6,419,227. Of the bank balance, \$2,870,787 was covered by the FDIC and \$3,548,440 was potentially exposed to custodial credit risk discussed below because those deposits were uninsured and could be uncollateralized. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with Federal requirements could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute.

Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or protected by (1) eligible securities pledged to the District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose fair value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured, or (2) participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total fair value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a reduced rate set by the Treasurer of State.

B. Investments

As of June 30, 2021, the District had no investments.

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D. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Position

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments reported in the note above to cash as reported on the statement of net position as of June 30, 2021:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Cash and investments per note</u> | <u>Carrying Value</u> |
| Carrying amount of deposits | \$ 6,382,810 |

| | |
|--|-----------------------|
| <u>Cash and cash equivalents per statement of net position</u> | <u>Carrying Value</u> |
| Governmental activities | \$ 6,382,810 |

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund transfers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021 consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

| | |
|--|------------------|
| <u>Transfers from general fund to:</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
| Nonmajor governmental fund | \$ 15,000 |
| <u>Transfers from nonmajor governmental fund to:</u> | |
| General Fund | 1,000 |
| Total | <u>\$ 16,000</u> |

Transfers are used to move receipts from the fund that statute or budget required to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and to use unrestricted receipts collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. The transfer from the student activity fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) to the general fund was used to fund the Education Courtyard. Transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the statement of activities.

NOTE 6 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While the District is reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balances on the cash basis, the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balance - budget and actual (non-GAAP budgetary basis) presented for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budget basis and the cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budget) rather than an assignment of fund balance (cash) and certain funds are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds but are included as part of the general fund on cash basis

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The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the cash basis statement to the budgetary basis statement for the general fund:

Net Change in Fund Balance

| | <u>General fund</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Budget basis | \$ 313,903 |
| Funds budgeted elsewhere ** | 2,275 |
| Adjustment for encumbrances | <u>135,066</u> |
| Cash basis | <u>\$ 451,244</u> |

** As part of Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting", certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds are considered part of the general fund on a GAAP basis. This includes uniform school supplies, public school support, rotary and unclaimed funds.

NOTE 7 - PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the District fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the District in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half tax distributions occur in the first half of the following fiscal year.

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property and public utility property. Real property tax revenues received in calendar year 2021 represent the collection of calendar year 2020 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2021 were levied after April 1, 2020, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2020, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised fair value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established. Public utility property tax revenues received in calendar year 2021 represent the collection of calendar year 2020 taxes. Public utility real and personal property taxes received in calendar year 2021 became a lien on December 31, 2019, were levied after April 1, 2020, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The District receives property taxes from Putnam County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2021, are available to finance fiscal year 2021 operations. The amount of second-half real property taxes available for advance at fiscal year-end can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

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The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2021 taxes were collected are:

| | 2020 Second Half Collections | | 2021 First Half Collections | |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Percent</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Percent</u> |
| Agricultural/residential and other real estate | \$ 62,995,740 | 96.32 | \$ 60,136,150 | 95.93 |
| Public utility personal | <u>2,406,290</u> | <u>3.68</u> | <u>2,549,080</u> | <u>4.07</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 65,402,030</u> | <u>100.00</u> | <u>\$ 62,685,230</u> | <u>100.00</u> |
| Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation | \$31.50 | | \$31.50 | |

NOTE 8 - INCOME TAXES

The District levies a voted tax of 1¼ percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective in 1993 and is a continuing tax. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax receipts are recorded in the General Fund.

NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Risk Pool Membership

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. For fiscal year 2021, the District contracted with Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) for general liability coverage with a \$15,000,000 single occurrence limit and \$17,000,000 aggregate and no deductible. Professional liability is protected at the level of \$15,000,000 for single occurrence and aggregate limit and a waived deductible. Vehicles have no deductible for both comprehensive and collision and are covered for property and automobile liability insurance in the amount of \$15,000,000. An additional excess liability policy of \$15,000,000 is also included.

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority holds the coverage for the blanket building and contents and boiler and machinery with a \$32,010,457 limit and a waived deductible. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There has been no significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

B. Employee Medical Benefits

The District participates as a member of the Putnam County School Insurance Group, a public entity risk pool, administered by Huntington Trust. The District converted its fully-insured medical insurance program to partial self-insurance through participation in this public entity risk pool. Medical Mutual of Ohio provides claim review and processing. The District maintains stop-loss coverage for its medical insurance program. Aggregate stop loss is maintained for expected claims.

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C. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year, 2021, the District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association / Sedgwick Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program. The Group Retrospective Rating Program is a performance-based incentive program designed to recover a portion of premium for employers that reduce injury rates and lower associated claims costs. It is similar in concept to Group Rating, as employers are evaluated as if the group was one big organization. However, with this program, organizations continue to pay their own individual premium but have the opportunity to receive retrospective premium adjustments (refunds or assessments based on the performance of the group) at the end of each of the three evaluation periods performed by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC).

Three evaluations are performed by BWC at 12, 24, and 36 months after the end of the policy year. At the end of each period, BWC looks at the expected losses of the group and compares to the actual losses to calculate the group's retrospective premium. If the premium calculated is less than the group's total standard premium, the participants receive a refund for that period. However, if the premium is greater, an assessment will be levied by BWC, but each group limits the maximum assessment by selecting a premium cap which can be factored into the District's budget.

NOTE 10 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

The Statewide retirement systems provide both pension benefits and other postemployment benefits (OPEB).

Net Pension Liability/Net OPEB Liability/Asset

Pensions and OPEB are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions/OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) represent the District's proportionate share of each pension/OPEB plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension/OPEB plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension/OPEB liability (asset) calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions/OPEB are financed; however, the District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension and OPEB.

GASB 68/75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires funding to come from these employers. All pension contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes pension costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits. In addition, health care plan enrollees pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. State statute requires the retirement systems to amortize unfunded pension liabilities within 30 years. If the pension amortization period exceeds 30 years, each retirement system's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension/OPEB liability (asset). Resulting adjustments to the net pension/OPEB liability (asset) would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients.

The remainder of this note includes the required pension disclosures. See Note 11 for the required OPEB disclosures.

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Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description - The District non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

| | Eligible to Retire on or before August 1, 2017 * | Eligible to Retire after August 1, 2017 |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Full benefits | Age 65 with 5 years of services credit; or Any age with 30 years of service credit | Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 57 with 30 years of service credit |
| Actuarially reduced benefits | Age 60 with 5 years of service credit; or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit | Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit |

* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017 will be included in this plan.

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service; 2.2 percent for the first thirty years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

Effective January 1, 2018, SERS cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) changed from a fixed 3 percent annual increase to one based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI-W) with a cap of 2.5 percent and a floor of 0 percent. SERS also has the authority to award or suspend the COLA, or to adjust the COLA above or below CPI-W. SERS suspended the COLA increases for 2018, 2019 and 2020 for current retirees, and confirmed their intent to implement a four-year waiting period for the start of a COLA for future retirees. For 2021, the COLA was 0.5 percent.

Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14.0 percent. For the fiscal year 2021, the Retirement Board did not allocate any employer contribution to the Health Care Fund.

The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$90,558 for fiscal year 2021.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description - Licensed teachers participate in STRS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS website at www.strsoh.org.

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New members have a choice of three retirement plans: a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined (CO) Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307. The DB Plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation will be 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. Effective July 1, 2017, the cost-of-living adjustment was reduced to zero. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five years of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 28 years of service, or 33 years of service regardless of age. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60.

Eligibility changes for DB Plan members who retire with actuarially reduced benefits will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility will be five years of qualifying service credit and age 60, or 30 years of service credit at any age.

The DC Plan allows members to place all of their member contributions and 9.53 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.47 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 12 percent of the 14 percent member rate goes to the DC Plan and the remaining 2 percent is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity after termination of employment at age 50 and after termination of employment.

New members who choose the DC Plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy - Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. For fiscal year 2021, plan members were required to contribute 14 percent of their annual covered salary. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2021 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$346,113 for fiscal year 2021.

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Net Pension Liability

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities.

Following is information related to the proportionate share:

| | SERS | STRS | Total |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Proportion of the net pension liability prior measurement date | 0.01620120% | 0.01865540% | |
| Proportion of the net pension liability current measurement date | <u>0.01648520%</u> | <u>0.01904294%</u> | |
| Change in proportionate share | <u>0.00028400%</u> | <u>0.00038754%</u> | |
| Proportionate share of the net pension liability | \$ 1,090,366 | \$ 4,607,714 | \$ 5,698,080 |

Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

SERS' total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2020, are presented below:

| | |
|--|--|
| Wage inflation | 3.00% |
| Future salary increases, including inflation | 3.50% to 18.20% |
| COLA or ad hoc COLA | 2.50% |
| Investment rate of return | 7.50% net of investment expense, including inflation |
| Actuarial cost method | Entry age normal (level percent of payroll) |

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For 2020, the mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five-year age set-back for both males and females. Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries were based upon the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates, and 110 percent of female rates. Mortality among disabled members was based upon the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' *Statement of Investment Policy*. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

| Asset Class | Target Allocation | Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return |
|------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Cash | 2.00 % | 1.85 % |
| US Equity | 22.50 | 5.75 |
| International Equity | 22.50 | 6.50 |
| Fixed Income | 19.00 | 2.85 |
| Private Equity | 12.00 | 7.60 |
| Real Assets | 17.00 | 6.60 |
| Multi-Asset Strategies | 5.00 | 6.65 |
| Total | <u>100.00 %</u> | |

Discount Rate - The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.50 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.50 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.50 percent) than the current rate.

| | 1% Decrease | Current Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|--|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net pension liability | \$ 1,493,668 | \$ 1,090,366 | \$ 751,988 |

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Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the July 1, 2020, actuarial valuation are presented below:

| | July 1, 2019 |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Inflation | 2.50% |
| Projected salary increases | 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65 |
| Investment rate of return | 7.45%, net of investment expenses, including inflation |
| Payroll increases | 3.00% |
| Discount rate of return | 7.45% |
| Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) | 0.00% |

For the July 1, 2020, actuarial valuation, post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2020 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

STRS Ohio's investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

| Asset Class | Target Allocation | Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return * |
|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Domestic Equity | 28.00 % | 7.35 % |
| International Equity | 23.00 | 7.55 |
| Alternatives | 17.00 | 7.09 |
| Fixed Income | 21.00 | 3.00 |
| Real Estate | 10.00 | 6.00 |
| Liquidity Reserves | 1.00 | 2.25 |
| Total | 100.00 % | |

**10-Year geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

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Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.45 percent as of June 30, 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2020. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.45 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2020.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.45 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.45 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.45 percent) than the current rate:

| | 1% Decrease | Current Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|--|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net pension liability | \$ 6,560,582 | \$ 4,607,714 | \$ 2,952,820 |

NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS

Net OPEB Liability/Asset

See Note 10 for a description of the net OPEB liability (asset).

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Health Care Plan Description - The District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS' Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS' health care coverage. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS' health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS' health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. The SERS Retirement Board established the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

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Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, SERS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated if less than a full year of service credit was earned. For fiscal year 2021, this amount was \$23,000. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2021, the District's surcharge obligation was \$10,143.

The surcharge added to the allocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$10,143 for fiscal year 2021.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description – The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued effective January 1, 2021. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

Net OPEB Liability/Asset

The net OPEB liability/asset was measured as of June 30, 2020, and the total OPEB liability/asset used to calculate the net OPEB liability/asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset was based on the District's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

Following is information related to the proportionate share:

| | <u>SERS</u> | <u>STRS</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset prior measurement date | 0.01653640% | 0.01865540% | |
| Proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset current measurement date | <u>0.01709840%</u> | <u>0.01904294%</u> | |
| Change in proportionate share | <u>0.00056200%</u> | <u>0.00038754%</u> | |
| Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability | \$ 371,604 | \$ - | \$ 371,604 |
| Proportionate share of the net OPEB asset | \$ - | \$ (334,680) | \$ (334,680) |

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Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

The total OPEB liability is determined by SERS' actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment terminations). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases, actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2020 are presented below:

| | |
|--|---|
| Wage inflation | 3.00% |
| Future salary increases, including inflation | 3.50% to 18.20% |
| Investment rate of return | 7.50% net of investment expense, including inflation |
| Municipal bond index rate: | |
| Measurement date | 2.45% |
| Prior measurement date | 3.13% |
| Single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation: | |
| Measurement date | 2.63% |
| Prior measurement date | 3.22% |
| Medical trend assumption: | |
| Measurement date | |
| Medicare | 5.25 to 4.75% |
| Pre-Medicare | 7.00 to 4.75% |
| Prior measurement date | |
| Medicare | 5.25 to 4.75% |
| Pre-Medicare | 7.00 to 4.75% |

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates and 110 percent of female rates. RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates set back five years.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

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The long-term expected rate of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial five-year experience study. The most recent study covers fiscal years 2010 through 2015, and was adopted by the Board on April 21, 2016. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.50 percent, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer timeframe. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as used in the June 30, 2015 five-year experience study, are summarized as follows:

| Asset Class | Target Allocation | Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return |
|------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Cash | 2.00 % | 1.85 % |
| US Equity | 22.50 | 5.75 |
| International Equity | 22.50 | 6.50 |
| Fixed Income | 19.00 | 2.85 |
| Private Equity | 12.00 | 7.60 |
| Real Assets | 17.00 | 6.60 |
| Multi-Asset Strategies | 5.00 | 6.65 |
| Total | <u>100.00 %</u> | |

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2020 was 2.63 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2019 was 3.22 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System at the state statute contribution rate of 2.00 percent of projected covered employee payroll each year, which includes a 1.50 percent payroll surcharge and 0.50 percent of contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make future benefit payments during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan assets was used to present value the projected benefit payments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and the Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index rate of 2.45 percent, as of June 30, 2020 (i.e. municipal bond rate), was used to present value the projected benefit payments for the remaining years in the projection. A municipal bond rate of 3.13 percent was used as of June 30, 2019. The total present value of projected benefit payments from all years was then used to determine the single rate of return that was used as the discount rate. The projection of future benefit payments for all current plan members was until the benefit payments ran out.

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Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate and Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates - The net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate. The following table presents the net OPEB liability of SERS, what SERS' net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (1.63 percent) and higher (3.63 percent) than the current discount rate (2.63 percent). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (6.00 percent decreasing to 3.75 percent) and higher (8.00 percent decreasing to 5.75 percent) than the current rate (7.00 percent decreasing to 4.75 percent).

| | 1% Decrease | Current Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|--|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability | \$ 454,834 | \$ 371,604 | \$ 305,436 |

| | 1% Decrease | Current Trend Rate | 1% Increase |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability | \$ 292,610 | \$ 371,604 | \$ 477,240 |

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the July 1, 2020, actuarial valuation, compared with July 1, 2019, are presented below:

| | July 1, 2020 | | July 1, 2019 | |
|--------------------------------------|---|----------|---|----------|
| Inflation | 2.50% | | 2.50% | |
| Projected salary increases | 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65 | | 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65 | |
| Investment rate of return | 7.45%, net of investment expenses, including inflation | | 7.45%, net of investment expenses, including inflation | |
| Payroll increases | 3.00% | | 3.00% | |
| Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) | 0.00% | | 0.00% | |
| Discount rate of return | 7.45% | | 7.45% | |
| Blended discount rate of return | N/A | | N/A | |
| Health care cost trends | Initial | Ultimate | Initial | Ultimate |
| Medical | | | | |
| Pre-Medicare | 5.00% | 4.00% | 5.87% | 4.00% |
| Medicare | -6.69% | 4.00% | 4.93% | 4.00% |
| Prescription Drug | | | | |
| Pre-Medicare | 6.50% | 4.00% | 7.73% | 4.00% |
| Medicare | 11.87% | 4.00% | 9.62% | 4.00% |

Projections of benefits include the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and retired plan members.

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For healthy retirees the mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2020 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

Assumption Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date - There were no changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date of June 30, 2019.

Benefit Term Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date - There was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were updated to reflect the projected fiscal year end 2021 premium based on June 30, 2020 enrollment distribution. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2021 from 1.984 percent to 2.055 percent per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2021. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1 percent for the AMA Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed indefinitely.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

| <u>Asset Class</u> | <u>Target Allocation</u> | <u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return *</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Domestic Equity | 28.00 % | 7.35 % |
| International Equity | 23.00 | 7.55 |
| Alternatives | 17.00 | 7.09 |
| Fixed Income | 21.00 | 3.00 |
| Real Estate | 10.00 | 6.00 |
| Liquidity Reserves | 1.00 | 2.25 |
| Total | <u>100.00 %</u> | |

**10-Year geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB asset was 7.45 percent as of June 30, 2020. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes STRS Ohio continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care plan investments of 7.45 percent was used to measure the total OPEB asset as of June 30, 2020.

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Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate - The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2020, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.45 percent, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.45 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.45 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

| | <u>1% Decrease</u> | <u>Current Discount Rate</u> | <u>1% Increase</u> |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset | \$ 291,193 | \$ 334,680 | \$ 371,576 |

| | <u>1% Decrease</u> | <u>Current Trend Rate</u> | <u>1% Increase</u> |
|---|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset | \$ 369,286 | \$ 334,680 | \$ 292,524 |

NOTE 12 - OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The Board of Education has approved an early retirement incentive (ERI) program for certified employees. The Board will purchase, from STRS, an additional one year of service credit for those employees who elect to participate in the plan. Participation was open to employees who were at least fifty years old, qualified for retirement with the year purchased by the Board, and were employed by the Board prior to June 30, 2001. This program will expire June 30, 2034. The Board did not limit the number of employees participating in the plan in any one year. In addition, employees who elected to participate in the plan will receive a lump sum payment for their unused sick leave, to the extent allowed by the current labor agreement.

NOTE 13 - DEBT

Debt outstanding at June 30, 2021 was as follows:

| <u>Description</u> | <u>Balance 06/30/20</u> | <u>Proceeds</u> | <u>Retirements</u> | <u>Balance 06/30/21</u> | <u>Amount Due in One Year</u> |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2010 School Facilities Construction and Improvement Bonds Advance Refunding | \$ 180,000 | \$ - | \$ (60,000) | \$ 120,000 | \$ 60,000 |
| OSFC Lease Purchase | <u>300,000</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(18,000)</u> | <u>282,000</u> | <u>19,000</u> |
| Total Debt Obligations | <u>\$ 480,000</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ (78,000)</u> | <u>\$ 402,000</u> | <u>\$ 79,000</u> |

During the 2000 fiscal year, the District issued general obligation bonds to provide funds for the construction of facilities. These bonds are a general obligation of the District, for which the full faith and credit of the District is pledged for repayment. Under the basis of accounting used by the District, unmatured obligations of the District are not recorded as liabilities on the financial statements. Payments of principal and interest relating to these bonds are recorded as an expenditure in the debt service fund. The source of payment is derived from a current 6.53 (average) mil bonded debt tax levy.

These general obligation bonds represent the amount of the construction project that the District itself was required to finance, in accordance with the terms of a facilities grant from the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC). The total estimated cost of the building project was \$12,474,606, of which OSFC paid \$10,603,119.

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In conjunction with the 6.53 mills which support the bond issue, the District also passed in fiscal year 2000 a 0.5 mill levy to ultimately fund the maintenance costs of the new facility. Tax revenue from this levy has been reported in the special revenue funds.

Series 2010 advance refunding general obligation bonds

On July 27, 2010, the District issued \$773,739 in School Facilities Construction and Improvement Bonds to advance refund the current interest Series 2000-B General Obligation Bonds. The refunded debt is considered defeased (in-substance).

On July 27, 2010, the District issued \$773,739 in School Facilities Construction and Improvement Advance Refunding Bonds. Of the \$773,739 bonds issued, \$455,000 are serial bonds with interest rates ranging from 1 percent to 3 percent and a final maturity December 1, 2017, \$310,000 are term bonds with an interest rate of 3.25 percent maturing December 1, 2022, and \$8,739 are capital appreciation bonds with a maturity value of \$70,000 on December 1, 2016. The bonds were used to refund the 2000 School Improvement Bonds. The net proceeds of \$796,844 (after payment of \$34,235 in underwriting fees, insurance and other issuance costs) were used to purchase U.S. government securities. Those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the 2000 Series bonds. As a result, a portion of the 2000 Series bonds is considered defeased and have been removed from the above schedule.

The following is a summary of the District's future annual debt service requirements to maturity for the advance refunding bonds:

| Fiscal Year <u>Ending June 30,</u> | Current Interest | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| | <u>General Obligation Bonds</u> | | |
| | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
| 2022 | \$ 60,000 | \$ 3,600 | \$ 63,600 |
| 2023 | <u>60,000</u> | <u>1,200</u> | <u>61,200</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 120,000</u> | <u>\$ 4,800</u> | <u>\$ 124,800</u> |

NOTE 14 - LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Columbus Regional Airport Authority Lease - OSBA

On February 27, 2003, the District entered into a \$510,000 lease-purchase agreement with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority to provide additional funds to the construction budget approved by the Ohio School Facilities Commission to fund the construction of a new K-12 facility. During fiscal year 2021, the District made principal payments of \$18,000 and interest/fees payments of \$15,926 on the lease-purchase agreement.

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The following is a schedule of the future lease payments required under the lease-purchase agreement as of June 30, 2021.

| Fiscal Year Ending June 30, | Principal | Interest | Total |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 2022 | \$ 19,000 | \$ 14,640 | \$ 33,640 |
| 2023 | 20,000 | 13,611 | 33,611 |
| 2024 | 22,000 | 12,493 | 34,493 |
| 2025 | 23,000 | 11,292 | 34,292 |
| 2026 | 24,000 | 10,033 | 34,033 |
| 2027 - 2031 | 141,000 | 28,783 | 169,783 |
| 2032 | <u>33,000</u> | <u>894</u> | <u>33,894</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 282,000</u> | <u>\$ 91,746</u> | <u>\$ 373,746</u> |

NOTE 15 - SET-ASIDES

The District is required by State law to annually set-aside certain general fund revenue amounts, as defined by statutory formula, for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at fiscal year-end. This amount must be carried forward to be used for the same purpose in future years. Expenditures exceeding the set-aside requirement may not be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

The following cash-basis information describes the change in the fiscal year-end set-aside amount for capital improvements. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

| | Capital Improvements |
|---|-------------------------|
| Set-aside balance June 30, 2020 | |
| Current year set-aside requirement | \$ 87,475 |
| Current year qualifying expenditures | - |
| Current year offsets | (33,360) |
| Prior year offset from bond proceeds | <u>(54,115)</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ -</u> |
| Balance carried forward to fiscal year 2022 | |
| Set-aside balance June 30, 2021 | |

NOTE 16 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

A. Grants

The District received financial assistance from federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the District at June 30, 2021.

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B. Litigation

There are currently no matters in litigation with the District as defendant.

C. Foundation Funding

Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Traditional districts must comply with minimum hours of instruction, instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the District, which can extend past the fiscal year-end. As of the date of this report, ODE has finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments for fiscal year 2021 foundation funding for the District. There is no effect on the financial statements

NOTE 17 - COVID-19

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Ohio's state of emergency ended in June of 2021 while the national state of emergency continues. During fiscal year 2021, the District received Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding. Additional funding has been made available through the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, passed by Congress on December 21, 2020 and/or the American Rescue Plan Act, passed by Congress on March 11, 2021. During fiscal year 2021, the District received Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding and Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Funding.

NOTE 18 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT (TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS)

For fiscal year 2022, District foundation funding received from the state of Ohio will be funded using a direct funding model. Under this new model, community school, STEM school and scholarship funding will be directly funded by the State of Ohio to the respective schools. For fiscal year 2021 and prior, the amounts related to students who were residents of the District were funded to the District who, in turn, made the payment to the respective school. For fiscal year 2021, the District reported \$0 in revenue and expenditures/expense related to these programs. This new funding system calculates a unique base cost and a unique "per-pupil local capacity amount" for each District. The District's state core foundation funding is then calculated. Any change in funding will be subject to a phase in percentage of 16.67 percent for fiscal year 2022 and 33.33 percent for fiscal year 2023.

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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION - CASH BASIS
JUNE 30, 2020

| | Governmental Activities |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Assets: | |
| Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents . . . | \$ 6,035,741 |
| Net position: | |
| Restricted for: | |
| Classroom facilities maintenance | \$ 60,246 |
| Debt service | 313,829 |
| Locally funded programs | 10,084 |
| State funded programs | 8,153 |
| Student activities | 129,337 |
| Other purposes | 178,395 |
| Unrestricted | 5,335,697 |
| Total net position | \$ 6,035,741 |

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STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - CASH BASIS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

| | Cash Disbursements | Program Cash Receipts | | Net (Cash Disbursements) Cash Receipts and Changes in Net Cash Position Governmental Activities |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|
| | | Charges for Services and Sales | Operating Grants and Contributions | |
| Governmental activities: | | | | |
| Instruction: | | | | |
| Regular | \$ 2,864,584 | \$ 695,436 | \$ 11,057 | \$ (2,158,091) |
| Special | 591,898 | - | 223,026 | (368,872) |
| Vocational | 300,791 | - | 77,147 | (223,644) |
| Support services: | | | | |
| Pupil | 205,452 | 2,949 | 16,303 | (186,200) |
| Instructional staff | 219,278 | - | 73,277 | (146,001) |
| Board of education | 63,083 | - | - | (63,083) |
| Administration | 404,110 | - | - | (404,110) |
| Fiscal | 34,884 | - | - | (34,884) |
| Operations and maintenance | 706,507 | 19,425 | - | (687,082) |
| Pupil transportation | 339,504 | 21,461 | 12,873 | (305,170) |
| Central | 2,739 | - | - | (2,739) |
| Operation of non-instructional services: | | | | |
| Other non-instructional services | 79,427 | - | 8,415 | (71,012) |
| Food service operations | 235,633 | 156,898 | 30,103 | (48,632) |
| Extracurricular activities | 309,032 | 246,012 | 29,361 | (33,659) |
| Debt service: | | | | |
| Principal retirement | 83,000 | - | - | (83,000) |
| Interest and fiscal charges | 25,375 | - | - | (25,375) |
| Total governmental activities | <u>\$ 6,465,297</u> | <u>\$ 1,142,181</u> | <u>\$ 481,562</u> | <u>(4,841,554)</u> |

General cash receipts:

| | |
|---|---------------------|
| Property taxes levied for: | |
| General purposes | 1,247,766 |
| Special revenue | 17,189 |
| Income taxes levied for: | |
| General purposes | 754,532 |
| Payments in lieu of taxes | 3,416 |
| Grants and entitlements not restricted | |
| to specific programs | 3,089,896 |
| Investment earnings | 123,596 |
| Miscellaneous | 2,819 |
| Total general cash receipts | <u>5,239,214</u> |
| Change in net cash position | 397,660 |
| Net cash position at beginning of year (restated) | <u>5,638,081</u> |
| Net cash position at end of year | <u>\$ 6,035,741</u> |

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - CASH BASIS
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2020

| | <u>General</u> | <u>Nonmajor Governmental Funds</u> | <u>Total Governmental Funds</u> |
|--|---------------------|--|---|
| Assets: | | | |
| Equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents . . . | \$ 5,338,752 | \$ 696,989 | \$ 6,035,741 |
| Fund balances: | | | |
| Nonspendable: | | | |
| Scholarship principal | \$ - | \$ 25,000 | \$ 25,000 |
| Restricted: | | | |
| Debt service | - | 313,829 | 313,829 |
| Classroom facilities maintenance | - | 60,246 | 60,246 |
| Food service operations | - | 23,798 | 23,798 |
| Scholarships | - | 129,597 | 129,597 |
| Other purposes | - | 14,093 | 14,093 |
| Extracurricular activities | - | 129,337 | 129,337 |
| Student wellness and success | - | 4,144 | 4,144 |
| Assigned: | | | |
| Student instruction | 21,298 | - | 21,298 |
| Student and staff support | 94,129 | - | 94,129 |
| Extracurricular activities | 188 | - | 188 |
| School supplies | 2,465 | - | 2,465 |
| Other purposes | 4,000 | - | 4,000 |
| Unassigned (deficit) | 5,216,672 | (3,055) | 5,213,617 |
| Total fund balances | <u>\$ 5,338,752</u> | <u>\$ 696,989</u> | <u>\$ 6,035,741</u> |

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
CASH BASIS - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

| | General | Nonmajor Governmental Funds | Total Governmental Funds |
|---|---------------------|--|---|
| Receipts: | | | |
| From local sources: | | | |
| Property taxes | \$ 1,247,766 | \$ 17,189 | \$ 1,264,955 |
| Income taxes | 754,532 | - | 754,532 |
| Payment in lieu of taxes | 3,416 | - | 3,416 |
| Tuition | 664,203 | - | 664,203 |
| Transportation fees | 21,461 | - | 21,461 |
| Earnings on investments | 123,596 | 2,882 | 126,478 |
| Charges for services | - | 156,576 | 156,576 |
| Extracurricular | 11,423 | 215,592 | 227,015 |
| Classroom materials and fees | 31,233 | 2,620 | 33,853 |
| Rental income | 19,425 | - | 19,425 |
| Contributions and donations | 19,326 | 29,706 | 49,032 |
| Other local revenues | 2,819 | 4,278 | 7,097 |
| Intergovernmental - intermediate | 400 | 15,027 | 15,427 |
| Intergovernmental - state | 3,264,818 | 55,950 | 3,320,768 |
| Intergovernmental - federal | 6,708 | 192,011 | 198,719 |
| Total receipts | <u>6,171,126</u> | <u>691,831</u> | <u>6,862,957</u> |
| Disbursements: | | | |
| Current: | | | |
| Instruction: | | | |
| Regular | 2,855,090 | 9,494 | 2,864,584 |
| Special | 477,866 | 114,032 | 591,898 |
| Vocational | 296,280 | 4,511 | 300,791 |
| Support services: | | | |
| Pupil | 189,634 | 15,818 | 205,452 |
| Instructional staff | 146,866 | 72,412 | 219,278 |
| Board of education | 62,634 | 449 | 63,083 |
| Administration | 404,110 | - | 404,110 |
| Fiscal | 34,884 | - | 34,884 |
| Operations and maintenance | 674,735 | 31,772 | 706,507 |
| Pupil transportation | 335,060 | 4,444 | 339,504 |
| Central | 2,739 | - | 2,739 |
| Operation of non-instructional services: | | | |
| Other non-instructional services | 73,407 | 6,020 | 79,427 |
| Food service operations | - | 235,633 | 235,633 |
| Extracurricular activities | 114,151 | 194,881 | 309,032 |
| Debt service: | | | |
| Principal retirement | 18,000 | 65,000 | 83,000 |
| Interest and fiscal charges | 16,875 | 8,500 | 25,375 |
| Total disbursements | <u>5,702,331</u> | <u>762,966</u> | <u>6,465,297</u> |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements | <u>468,795</u> | <u>(71,135)</u> | <u>397,660</u> |
| Other financing sources (uses): | | | |
| Transfers in | 2,000 | - | 2,000 |
| Transfers (out) | - | (2,000) | (2,000) |
| Total other financing sources (uses) | <u>2,000</u> | <u>(2,000)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Net change in fund balances | 470,795 | (73,135) | 397,660 |
| Fund balances at beginning of year (restated). | <u>4,867,957</u> | <u>770,124</u> | <u>5,638,081</u> |
| Fund balances at end of year | <u>\$ 5,338,752</u> | <u>\$ 696,989</u> | <u>\$ 6,035,741</u> |

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN
FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL (NON-GAAP BUDGETARY BASIS)
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

| | <u>Budgeted Amounts</u> | | <u>Actual</u> | Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative) |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| | <u>Original</u> | <u>Final</u> | | <u>(Negative)</u> |
| Receipts: | | | | |
| From local sources: | | | | |
| Property taxes | \$ 1,295,626 | \$ 1,221,127 | \$ 1,247,766 | \$ 26,639 |
| Income taxes | 793,046 | 754,532 | 754,532 | - |
| Payment in lieu of taxes | 3,416 | 3,416 | 3,416 | - |
| Tuition | 662,589 | 617,515 | 664,203 | 46,688 |
| Transportation fees | 19,351 | 21,357 | 21,461 | 104 |
| Earnings on investments | 69,402 | 122,924 | 123,596 | 672 |
| Extracurricular | 9,997 | 10,000 | 10,051 | 51 |
| Classroom materials and fees | 33,638 | 28,426 | 28,427 | 1 |
| Rental income | 18,808 | 18,814 | 19,425 | 611 |
| Contributions and donations | 3,779 | 17,025 | 17,025 | - |
| Other local revenues | 6,911 | 2,167 | 2,167 | - |
| Intergovernmental - intermediate | - | 400 | 400 | - |
| Intergovernmental - state | 3,308,988 | 3,243,780 | 3,264,818 | 21,038 |
| Intergovernmental - federal | - | 6,708 | 6,708 | - |
| Total receipts | 6,225,551 | 6,068,191 | 6,163,995 | 95,804 |
| Disbursements: | | | | |
| Current: | | | | |
| Instruction: | | | | |
| Regular | 2,754,640 | 2,842,582 | 2,868,065 | (25,483) |
| Special | 466,942 | 466,935 | 477,866 | (10,931) |
| Vocational | 297,203 | 297,199 | 299,461 | (2,262) |
| Support services: | | | | |
| Pupil | 112,542 | 112,540 | 190,210 | (77,670) |
| Instructional staff | 117,763 | 117,761 | 151,568 | (33,807) |
| Board of education | 99,499 | 99,498 | 63,499 | 35,999 |
| Administration | 406,816 | 406,810 | 409,209 | (2,399) |
| Fiscal | 22,456 | 22,456 | 39,847 | (17,391) |
| Operations and maintenance | 1,151,903 | 1,191,986 | 720,348 | 471,638 |
| Pupil transportation | 358,870 | 407,864 | 362,998 | 44,866 |
| Central | 2,978 | 2,978 | 2,739 | 239 |
| Operation of non-instructional services | 78,966 | 82,965 | 77,407 | 5,558 |
| Extracurricular activities | 129,691 | 129,689 | 119,188 | 10,501 |
| Debt service: | | | | |
| Principal | 18,700 | 36,699 | 18,000 | 18,699 |
| Interest and fiscal charges | 19,565 | 36,911 | 16,875 | 20,036 |
| Total disbursements | 6,038,534 | 6,254,873 | 5,817,280 | 437,593 |
| Excess (deficiency) of receipts over (under) disbursements | 187,017 | (186,682) | 346,715 | 533,397 |
| Other financing sources (uses): | | | | |
| Transfers in | - | 2,489 | 2,000 | (489) |
| Transfers (out) | (35,252) | - | - | - |
| Total other financing sources (uses) | (35,252) | 2,489 | 2,000 | (489) |
| Net change in fund balance | 151,765 | (184,193) | 348,715 | 532,908 |
| Fund balance at beginning of year | 4,653,028 | 4,653,028 | 4,653,028 | - |
| Prior year encumbrances appropriated | 216,091 | 216,091 | 216,091 | - |
| Fund balance at end of year | \$ 5,020,884 | \$ 4,684,926 | \$ 5,217,834 | \$ 532,908 |

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NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Miller City-New Cleveland Local School District (the District) is located in Putnam County, including the Village of Miller City and all or portions of Greensburg, Liberty, Ottawa and Palmer Townships. The District serves an area of approximately 48 square miles.

The District was organized in 1932, in accordance with Sections 2 and 3, Article VI of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. Under such laws, there is no authority for a school district to have a charter or adopt local laws. The legislative power of the District is vested in the Board of Education, consisting of five members elected at large for staggered four year terms.

The District currently operates one instructional building. The District employs 44 non-certified and 36 certified (including administrative) full-time and part-time employees to provide services to approximately 499 students in grades K through 12 and various community groups.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.D., these financial statements are presented on the cash basis of accounting. The cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). GAAP includes all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. In cases where these cash basis statements contain items that are the same as, or similar to, those items in financial statements prepared in conformity with GAAP, similar informative disclosures are provided.

A. The Reporting Entity

The reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity" as amended by GASB Statement No. 39, "Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units" and GASB Statement No. 61, "The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34". The reporting entity is composed of the primary government and component units. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the District.

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's Governing Board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; or (3) the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or (4) the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget, the issuance of debt or the levying of taxes. Certain organizations are also included as component units if the nature and significance of the relationship between the primary government and the organization is such that exclusion by the primary government would render the primary government's financial statements incomplete or misleading. Based upon the application of these criteria, the District has no component units. The basic financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the District (the primary government).

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The District participates in one jointly governed organizations and three public entity risk pools. The financial statements exclude these entities which perform activities within the District's boundaries for the benefit of its residents because the District is not financially accountable for these entities nor are these entities fiscally dependent on the District. These organizations are:

JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATION

Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative

The District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC), which is a computer consortium. NOACSC is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Allen, Hancock, Paulding, Putnam, Wood, Lucas, and Van Wert counties, and the cities of St. Marys and Wapakoneta. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to administrative and instructional functions among member school districts.

The governing board of NOACSC consists of two representatives from each county elected by majority vote of all charter member school districts within each county, plus one representative from the fiscal agent school district. During fiscal year 2020, the District paid \$26,472 to NOACSC for various services. Financial information can be obtained from Ray Burden, who serves as director, at 4277 East Road, Elida, Ohio 45807.

PUBLIC ENTITY RISK POOL

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority

The District participates in the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority Board (SORSA), an insurance purchasing pool. SORSA's business affairs are conducted by a nine member Board of directors consisting of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five delegates. SORSA was created to provide joint self-insurance coverage and to assist members to prevent and reduce losses and injuries to the District's property and persons. It is intended to provide liability and property insurance at reduced premiums for the participants. SORSA is organized as a nonprofit corporation under provisions of Ohio Revised Code 2744. Additional information can be obtained from SORSA at 555 Metro Place North, Suite 645, Dublin, Ohio 43017 or by calling 866-767-7299.

Putnam County School Insurance Group

The District participates as a member of the Putnam County School Insurance Group, a public entity risk pool, administered by Huntington Trust. The District converted its fully-insured medical insurance program to partial self-insurance through participation in this public entity risk pool. Medical Mutual of Ohio provides claims review and processing. The District maintains stop-loss coverage for its medical insurance program. Aggregate stop loss is maintained for expected claims.

Financial information can be obtained from Jan Osborne, Superintendent, Putnam County Educational Service Center, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa, Ohio 45875.

Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan

For fiscal year 2020, the District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association/Ohio Association of School Business Officials Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (the Plan), an insurance purchasing pool.

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The intent of the Plan is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the Plan. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the Plan. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the Plan rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated, and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the Plan.

A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "equity pooling fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement ensures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the Plan. Participation in the Plan is limited to school districts that can meet the Plan's selection criteria. The firm of Sedgwick provides administrative, cost control, and actuarial services to the Plan.

B. Fund Accounting

The District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. There are three categories of funds: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used.

The following is the District's major governmental fund:

General fund - The general fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Other governmental funds of the District are used to account for specific revenue sources that are (a) financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditures for principal and interest, and (b) specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to an expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service.

PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

Proprietary funds are used to account for the District's ongoing activities which are similar to those found in the private sector. The District has no proprietary funds.

FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and custodial funds.

Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are therefore not available to support the District's own programs. The District has no trust funds. Custodial funds account for monies held on behalf of others that do not meet the definition of a trust fund. The District had no custodial funds.

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C. Basis of Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements - The statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds.

The government-wide statement of activities - cash basis presents a comparison between direct disbursements and program receipts for each function or program of the governmental activities of the District. Direct disbursements are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program receipts include amounts paid by the recipient of goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Receipts not classified as program receipts are presented as general receipts of the District.

Fund Financial Statements - Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column, and all nonmajor funds are aggregated into one column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

D. Basis of Accounting

Although required by Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with GAAP, the District chooses to prepare its financial statements and notes on the cash basis of accounting. The cash basis of accounting is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than GAAP. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of the cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenue (such as accounts receivable and revenue billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received, but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

These statements include adequate disclosure of material matters, in accordance with the basis of accounting described in the preceding paragraph.

E. Budgetary Process

All funds, except custodial funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution, both of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Board of Education may appropriate.

The appropriations resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. Although the legal level of budgetary control was established at the fund level of disbursements, the District has elected to present the general fund budgetary statement comparison at the fund and function level. Budgetary allocations at the fund level are made by the Treasurer.

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The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificate of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Board.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

F. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, cash received by the District is pooled. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through District records. Each fund's interest in the pool is presented as "equity in pooled cash and cash equivalents" on the basic financial statements.

Investments of the District's cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the District are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During 2020, the District invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit. Investments are reported at cost.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest revenue credited to the general fund during fiscal year 2020 amounted to \$123,596 which includes \$15,251 assigned from other funds.

An analysis of the District's deposits and investments at year-end is provided in Note 4.

G. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets.

H. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets on the accompanying financial statements. Depreciation is not recorded on these capital assets.

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I. Accumulated Leave

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the District's cash basis of accounting.

J. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The District recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 10 and 11, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for other postretirement health care benefits (OPEB).

K. Long-Term Obligations

Cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt issues are reported as receipts when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported as disbursements when paid.

L. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund loans are reported as advances-in and advances-out. Advances are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements. Interfund transfers and advances are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements. Interfund activity between governmental funds is eliminated on the statement of net position - cash basis and the statement of activities - cash basis.

M. Net Position

Net position is reported as restricted when enabling legislation or creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments have imposed limitations on its use. The District first applies restricted resources when a disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net cash position is available.

N. Fund Balance

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

Nonspendable - The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form or legally required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of loans receivable.

Restricted - Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints are placed on the use of resources that are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

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Committed - The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the District Board of Education (the highest level of decision making authority). Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the District Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned - Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted nor committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the District Board of Education or a District official delegated by that authority by resolution or by State Statute. State statute authorizes the District's Treasurer to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated.

Unassigned - Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is only used to report a deficit fund balance resulting from overspending for specific purposes for which amounts had been restricted, committed, or assigned.

The District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) fund balance is available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

O. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. The District had neither transaction for fiscal year 2020.

P. Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability and net OPEB asset, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension/OPEB plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension/OPEB plans report investments at fair value.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

A. Change in Accounting Principles/Restatement of Fund Balances/Restatement of Net Position

For fiscal year 2020, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 84 "Fiduciary Activities" and GASB Statement No. 90 "Majority Equity Interests an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61".

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GASB Statement No. 84 establishes specific criteria for identifying activities that should be reported as fiduciary activities and clarifies whether and how business-type activities should report their fiduciary activities. Due to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 84, the District will no longer be reporting agency funds. The District reviewed its agency funds and certain funds will be reported in the new fiduciary classification of custodial funds, while other funds have been reclassified as governmental or proprietary funds. These fund reclassifications resulted in the restatement of the District's financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 90 improves consistency in the measurement and comparability of the financial statement presentation of majority equity interests in legally separate organizations. This Statement also provides guidance for reporting a component unit if a government acquires a 100 percent equity interest in that component unit. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 90 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

A fund cash balance restatement is required in order to implement GASB Statement No 84. The June 30, 2019, fund cash balances have been restated as follows:

| | General | Other Governmental Funds | Total Governmental Funds |
|--|--------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Fund cash balance | | | |
| previously reported | \$ 4,867,957 | \$ 546,745 | \$ 5,414,702 |
| GASB Statement No. 84 | - | 223,379 | 223,379 |
| Restated fund cash balance at June 30, 2019 | \$ 4,867,957 | \$ 770,124 | \$ 5,638,081 |

A net cash position restatement is required in order to implement GASB Statement No 84. The governmental activities and business-type activities at June 30, 2019 have been restated as follows:

| | Governmental Activities |
|--|----------------------------|
| Net cash position | |
| as previously reported | \$ 5,414,702 |
| GASB Statement No. 84 | 223,379 |
| Restated net cash position at June 30, 2019 | \$ 5,638,081 |

Also related to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 84, the District will no longer be reporting agency funds. At June 30, 2019, agency funds reported assets and net cash position of \$71,467. Also related to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 84, the entity will not longer be reporting private purpose trust funds. At June 30, 2019 private purpose trust funds reported a net position of \$151,912.

B. Compliance

Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(B) requires the District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the District prepared its basic financial statements on a cash basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying basic financial statements omit assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, net position/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. The District can be fined, and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the District.

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C. Deficit Fund Balances

The fund balance at June 30, 2020 included the following individual fund deficit:

| <u>Nonmajor fund</u> | <u>Deficit</u> |
|----------------------|----------------|
| Title I | \$ 3,055 |

The general fund is liable for any deficit in these funds and provides transfers when cash is required, not when accruals occur.

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the District into three categories.

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the District treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive deposits are public deposits that the Governing Board has identified as not required for use within the current five-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by certificates of deposit maturing not later than the end of the current period of designation of depositories, or by savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

Interim deposits are deposits of interim monies. Interim monies are those monies which are not needed for immediate use, but which will be needed before the end of the current period of designation of depositories.

Interim deposits must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings or deposit accounts including passbook accounts.

Protection of the District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment, or by the financial institutions participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution.

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the fair value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and that the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations including a requirement for maturity within ten years from the date of settlement, bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio, if training requirements have been met;

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5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Certain bankers' acceptances (for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days) and commercial paper notes (for a period not to exceed two hundred seventy days) in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met; and

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage and short selling are also prohibited. Except as noted above, an investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity. Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

A. Deposits with Financial Institutions

At June 30, 2020, the carrying amount of all District deposits was \$6,035,741 and the bank balance of all District deposits was \$6,069,457. Of the bank balance, \$3,045,042 was covered by the FDIC and \$3,024,415 was potentially exposed to custodial credit risk discussed below because those deposits were uninsured and could be uncollateralized. Although all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with Federal requirements could potentially subject the District to a successful claim by the FDIC.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The District has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute.

Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or protected by (1) eligible securities pledged to the District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose fair value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured, or (2) participation in the Ohio Pooled Collateral System (OPCS), a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to the Treasurer of State to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution. OPCS requires the total fair value of the securities pledged to be 102 percent of the deposits being secured or a reduced rate set by the Treasurer of State.

B. Investments

As of June 30, 2020, the District had no investments.

C. Reconciliation of Cash and Investments to the Statement of Net Position

The following is a reconciliation of cash and investments reported in the note above to cash as reported on the statement of net position as of June 30, 2020:

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| | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| <u>Cash and investments per note</u> | Carrying Value |
| Carrying amount of deposits | <u>\$ 6,035,741</u> |

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| <u>Cash and cash equivalents per statement of net position</u> | Carrying Value |
| Governmental activities | <u>\$ 6,035,741</u> |

NOTE 5 - INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Interfund transfers for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020 consisted of the following, as reported on the fund financial statements:

| | |
|--|-----------------|
| <u>Transfers from nonmajor governmental fund to:</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
| General fund | <u>\$ 2,000</u> |

Transfers are used to move receipts from the fund that statute or budget required to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and to use unrestricted receipts collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. The transfer from the student activity fund (a nonmajor governmental fund) to the general fund was used to fund the Education Courtyard. Transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the statement of activities.

NOTE 6 - BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

While the District is reporting financial position, results of operations and changes in fund balances on the cash basis, the budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements and encumbrances. The statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balance - budget and actual (non-GAAP budgetary basis) presented for the general fund is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budget basis and the cash basis is outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budget) rather than an assignment of fund balance (cash) and certain funds are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds but are included as part of the general fund on cash basis

The following table summarizes the adjustments necessary to reconcile the cash basis statement to the budgetary basis statement for the general fund:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| Net Change in Fund Balance | |
| | <u>General fund</u> |
| Budget basis | \$ 348,715 |
| Funds budgeted elsewhere ** | 6,062 |
| Adjustment for encumbrances | <u>116,018</u> |
| Cash basis | <u>\$ 470,795</u> |

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** As part of Governmental Accounting Standards Board No. 54, “Fund Balance Reporting”, certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate special revenue funds are considered part of the general fund on a GAAP basis. This includes uniform school supplies, public school support, rotary and unclaimed funds.

NOTE 7 - PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the District fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the District in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half tax distributions occur in the first half of the following fiscal year.

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property and public utility property. Real property tax revenues received in calendar year 2020 represent the collection of calendar year 2019 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2020 were levied after April 1, 2019, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2019, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised fair value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established. Public utility property tax revenues received in calendar year 2020 represent the collection of calendar year 2019 taxes. Public utility real and personal property taxes received in calendar year 2020 became a lien on December 31, 2018, were levied after April 1, 2019, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The District receives property taxes from Putnam County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2020, are available to finance fiscal year 2020 operations. The amount of second-half real property taxes available for advance at fiscal year-end can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2020 taxes were collected are:

| | 2019 Second Half Collections | | 2020 First Half Collections | |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Percent</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Percent</u> |
| Agricultural/residential and other real estate | \$ 62,341,990 | 96.52 | \$ 62,995,740 | 96.32 |
| Public utility personal | <u>2,249,020</u> | <u>3.48</u> | <u>2,406,290</u> | <u>3.68</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 64,591,010</u> | <u>100.00</u> | <u>\$ 65,402,030</u> | <u>100.00</u> |
| Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation | \$31.50 | | \$31.50 | |

NOTE 8 - INCOME TAXES

The District levies a voted tax of 1¼ percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective in 1993 and is a continuing tax. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax receipts are recorded in the General Fund.

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NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Risk Pool Membership

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. For fiscal year 2020, the District contracted with Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) for general liability coverage with a \$15,000,000 single occurrence limit and \$17,000,000 aggregate and no deductible. Professional liability is protected at the level of \$15,000,000 for single occurrence and aggregate limit and a waived deductible. Vehicles have no deductible for both comprehensive and collision and are covered for property and automobile liability insurance in the amount of \$15,000,000. An additional excess liability policy of \$15,000,000 is also included.

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority holds the coverage for the blanket building and contents and boiler and machinery with a \$31,920,076 limit and a waived deductible. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years. There has been no significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

B. Employee Medical Benefits

The District participates as a member of the Putnam County School Insurance Group, a public entity risk pool, administered by Huntington Trust. The District converted its fully-insured medical insurance program to partial self-insurance through participation in this public entity risk pool. Medical Mutual of Ohio provides claim review and processing. The District maintains stop-loss coverage for its medical insurance program. Aggregate stop loss is maintained for expected claims.

C. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year, 2020, the District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association / Sedgwick Workers' Compensation Group Retrospective Rating Program. The Group Retrospective Rating Program is a performance-based incentive program designed to recover a portion of premium for employers that reduce injury rates and lower associated claims costs. It is similar in concept to Group Rating, as employers are evaluated as if the group was one big organization. However, with this program, organizations continue to pay their own individual premium but have the opportunity to receive retrospective premium adjustments (refunds or assessments based on the performance of the group) at the end of each of the three evaluation periods performed by the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC).

Three evaluations are performed by BWC at 12, 24, and 36 months after the end of the policy year. At the end of each period, BWC looks at the expected losses of the group and compares to the actual losses to calculate the group's retrospective premium. If the premium calculated is less than the group's total standard premium, the participants receive a refund for that period. However, if the premium is greater, an assessment will be levied by BWC, but each group limits the maximum assessment by selecting a premium cap which can be factored into the District's budget.

NOTE 10 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

Net Pension Liability

Pensions are a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for pensions is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

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The net pension liability represents the District’s proportionate share of each pension plan’s collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan’s fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

The Ohio Revised Code limits the District’s obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the District does receive the benefit of employees’ services in exchange for compensation including pension.

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan’s board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Plan Description - The District’s non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS’ fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

| | Eligible to Retire on or before August 1, 2017 * | Eligible to Retire after August 1, 2017 |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Full benefits | Age 65 with 5 years of services credit; or Any age with 30 years of service credit | Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 57 with 30 years of service credit |
| Actuarially reduced benefits | Age 60 with 5 years of service credit; or Age 55 with 25 years of service credit | Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit |

* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017 will be included in this plan.

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service; 2.2 percent for the first thirty years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

Effective January 1, 2018, SERS cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) changed from a fixed 3 percent annual increase to one based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI-W) with a cap of 2.5 percent and a floor of 0 percent. SERS also has the authority to award or suspend the COLA, or to adjust the COLA above or below CPI-W. SERS suspended the COLA increases for 2018, 2019 and 2020 for current retirees, and confirmed their intent to implement a four-year waiting period for the state of a COLA for future retirees.

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Funding Policy - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14.0 percent. For fiscal year 2020, the Retirement Board did not allocate any employer contributions to the Health Care Fund.

The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$81,380 for fiscal year 2020.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description - Licensed teachers participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS website at www.strsoh.org.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans; a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307. The DB Plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation will be 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service.

Effective July 1, 2017, the cost-of-living adjustment was reduced to zero. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five years of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 28 years of service, or 33 years of service regardless of age. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60.

Eligibility changes to DB Plan members who retire with actuarially reduced benefits will be phased in until August 1, 2023, when retirement eligibility will be five years of qualifying service credit and age 60, or 30 years of service credit at any age.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.53 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.47 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 12 percent of the 14 percent member rate goes to the DC Plan and the remaining 2 percent is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity after termination of employment at age 50 or later.

New members who choose the DC Plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan.

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The optional annuitization of a member’s defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member’s Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member’s designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member’s account balance.

Funding Policy - Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. For fiscal year 2020, plan members were required to contribute 14 percent of their annual covered salary. The District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2020 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The District’s contractually required contribution to STRS was \$329,992 for fiscal year 2020.

Net Pension Liability

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District’s share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities.

Following is information related to the proportionate share:

| | <u>SERS</u> | <u>STRS</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Proportion of the net pension liability prior measurement date | 0.01597670% | 0.01843572% | |
| Proportion of the net pension liability current measurement date | <u>0.01620120%</u> | <u>0.01865540%</u> | |
| Change in proportionate share | <u>0.00022450%</u> | <u>0.00021968%</u> | |
| Proportionate share of the net pension liability | \$ 969,346 | \$ 4,125,530 | \$ 5,094,876 |

Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

SERS’ total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

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Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2019, are presented below:

| | |
|--|---|
| Wage inflation | 3.00% |
| Future salary increases, including inflation | 3.50% to 18.20% |
| COLA or ad hoc COLA | 2.50% |
| Investment rate of return | 7.50% net of investments expense, including inflation |
| Actuarial cost method | Entry age normal (level percent of payroll) |

For 2019, the mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five-year age set-back for both males and females. Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries were based upon the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates, and 110 percent of female rates. Mortality among disabled members was based upon the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' *Statement of Investment Policy*. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class.

The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted average of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major assets class are summarized in the following table:

| Asset Class | Target Allocation | Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return |
|------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Cash | 1.00 % | 0.50 % |
| US Equity | 22.50 | 4.75 |
| International Equity | 22.50 | 7.00 |
| Fixed Income | 19.00 | 1.50 |
| Private Equity | 10.00 | 8.00 |
| Real Assets | 15.00 | 5.00 |
| Multi-Asset Strategies | 10.00 | 3.00 |
| Total | <u>100.00 %</u> | |

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Discount Rate - The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute.

Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.50 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.50 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.50 percent) than the current rate.

| | 1% Decrease | Current Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|--|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net pension liability | \$ 1,358,401 | \$ 969,346 | \$ 643,075 |

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the July 1, 2019, actuarial valuation are presented below:

| | July 1, 2019 |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| Inflation | 2.50% |
| Projected salary increases | 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65 |
| Investment rate of return | 7.45%, net of investment expenses, including inflation |
| Discount Rate of Return | 7.45 percent |
| Payroll increases | 3.00% |
| Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) | 0.00% |

For the July 1, 2019, actuarial valuation, post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2019 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

STRS Ohio's investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

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| <u>Asset Class</u> | <u>Target Allocation*</u> | <u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return **</u> |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Domestic Equity | 28.00 % | 7.35 % |
| International Equity | 23.00 | 7.55 |
| Alternatives | 17.00 | 7.09 |
| Fixed Income | 21.00 | 3.00 |
| Real Estate | 10.00 | 6.00 |
| Liquidity Reserves | 1.00 | 2.25 |
| Total | <u>100.00 %</u> | |

*Target weights will be phased in over a 24-month period concluding on July 1, 2019.

**10-Year geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.45 percent as of June 30, 2019. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2019. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.45 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2019.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following table presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.45 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.45 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.45 percent) than the current rate:

| | <u>1% Decrease</u> | <u>Current Discount Rate</u> | <u>1% Increase</u> |
|--|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net pension liability | \$ 6,029,002 | \$ 4,125,530 | \$ 2,514,143 |

NOTE 11 - DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLANS

Net OPEB Liability/Asset

OPEB is a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period. The obligation to sacrifice resources for OPEB is a present obligation because it was created as a result of employment exchanges that already have occurred.

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The net OPEB liability/asset represents the District's proportionate share of each OPEB plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each OPEB plan's fiduciary net position. The net OPEB liability/asset calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

The Ohio Revised Code limits the District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which OPEB are financed; however, the District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including OPEB.

GASB 75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because they benefit from employee services. OPEB contributions come from these employers and health care plan enrollees which pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. The Ohio Revised Code permits, but does not require, the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. Any change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net OPEB liability/asset. Resulting adjustments to the net OPEB liability/asset would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

Health Care Plan Description - The District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS' Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS' health care coverage. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS' health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS' health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. The SERS Retirement Board established the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, SERS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, prorated if less than a full year of service credit was earned.

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For fiscal year 2020, this amount was \$19,600. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer’s SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2020, the District’s surcharge obligation was \$9,781.

The surcharge added to the allocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The District’s contractually required contribution to SERS was \$9,781 for fiscal year 2020.

Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

Plan Description – The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians’ fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued effective January 1, 2021. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting www.strsoh.org or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

Net OPEB Liability/Asset

The net OPEB liability/asset was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total OPEB liability/asset used to calculate the net OPEB liability/asset was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset was based on the District's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

Following is information related to the proportionate share:

| | <u>SERS</u> | <u>STRS</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset prior measurement date | 0.01613480% | 0.01843572% | |
| Proportion of the net OPEB liability/asset current measurement date | <u>0.01653640%</u> | <u>0.01865540%</u> | |
| Change in proportionate share | <u>0.00040160%</u> | <u>0.00021968%</u> | |
| Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability | \$ 415,856 | \$ - | \$ 415,856 |
| Proportionate share of the net OPEB asset | \$ - | \$ (308,978) | \$ (308,978) |

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Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

The total OPEB liability is determined by SERS' actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment terminations). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases, actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2019 are presented below:

| | |
|--|--|
| Wage inflation | 3.00% |
| Future salary increases, including inflation | 3.50% to 18.20% |
| Investment rate of return | 7.50% net of investments expense, including inflation |
| Municipal bond index rate: | |
| Measurement date | 3.13% |
| Prior measurement date | 3.62% |
| Single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense, including price inflation: | |
| Measurement date | 3.22% |
| Prior measurement date | 3.70% |
| Medical trend assumption: | |
| Measurement date | |
| Medicare | 5.25 to 4.75% |
| Pre-Medicare | 7.00 to 4.75% |
| Prior measurement date | |
| Medicare | 5.375 to 4.75% |
| Pre-Medicare | 7.25 to 4.75% |

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates and 110 percent of female rates. RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates set back five years.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

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The long-term expected rate of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial five-year experience study. The most recent study covers fiscal years 2010 through 2015, and was adopted by the Board on April 21, 2016. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.50 percent, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer timeframe.

The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as used in the June 30, 2015 five-year experience study, are summarized as follows:

| Asset Class | Target Allocation | Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return |
|------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Cash | 1.00 % | 0.50 % |
| US Equity | 22.50 | 4.75 |
| International Equity | 22.50 | 7.00 |
| Fixed Income | 19.00 | 1.50 |
| Private Equity | 10.00 | 8.00 |
| Real Assets | 15.00 | 5.00 |
| Multi-Asset Strategies | 10.00 | 3.00 |
| Total | <u>100.00 %</u> | |

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2019 was 3.22 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2019 was 3.70 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System at the state statute contribution rate of 2.00 percent of projected covered employee payroll each year, which includes a 1.50 percent payroll surcharge and 0.50 percent of contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make future benefit payments during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan assets was used to present value the projected benefit payments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and the Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index rate of 3.13 percent, as of June 30, 2019 (i.e. municipal bond rate), was used to present value the projected benefit payments for the remaining years in the projection. A municipal bond rate of 3.62 percent was used as of June 30, 2018. The total present value of projected benefit payments from all years was then used to determine the single rate of return that was used as the discount rate. The projection of future benefit payments for all current plan members was until the benefit payments ran out.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate and Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates - The net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate. The following table presents the net OPEB liability of SERS, what SERS' net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (2.22 percent) and higher (4.22 percent) than the current discount rate (3.22 percent). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (6.00 percent decreasing to 3.75 percent) and higher (8.00 percent decreasing to 5.75 percent) than the current rate.

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| | 1% Decrease | Current Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|---|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability | \$ 504,770 | \$ 415,856 | \$ 345,158 |

| | 1% Decrease | Current Trend Rate | 1% Increase |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability | \$ 333,185 | \$ 415,856 | \$ 525,540 |

Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the July 1, 2019, actuarial valuation, compared with July 1, 2018, are presented below:

| | July 1, 2019 | | July 1, 2018 | |
|--------------------------------------|---|----------|---|----------|
| Inflation | 2.50% | | 2.50% | |
| Projected salary increases | 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65 | | 12.50% at age 20 to 2.50% at age 65 | |
| Investment rate of return | 7.45%, net of investment expenses, including inflation | | 7.45%, net of investment expenses, including inflation | |
| Payroll increases | 3.00% | | 3.00% | |
| Cost-of-living adjustments (COLA) | 0.00% | | 0.00% | |
| Discounted rate of return | 7.45% | | 7.45% | |
| Blended discount rate of return | N/A | | N/A | |
| Health care cost trends | | | | |
| | Initial | Ultimate | Initial | Ultimate |
| Medical | | | | |
| Pre-Medicare | 5.87% | 4.00% | 6.00% | 4.00% |
| Medicare | 4.93% | 4.00% | 5.00% | 4.00% |
| Prescription Drug | | | | |
| Pre-Medicare | 7.73% | 4.00% | 8.00% | 4.00% |
| Medicare | 9.62% | 4.00% | -5.23% | 4.00% |

Projections of benefits include the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and retired plan members.

For healthy retirees the mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

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Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2019, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

Assumption Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date - There were no changes in assumptions since the prior measurement date of June 30, 2018.

Benefit Term Changes Since the Prior Measurement Date - There was no change to the claims costs process. Claim curves were trended to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 to reflect the current price renewals. The non-Medicare subsidy percentage was increased effective January 1, 2020 from 1.944 percent to 1.984 percent per year of service. The non-Medicare frozen subsidy base premium was increased effective January 1, 2020. The Medicare subsidy percentages were adjusted effective January 1, 2021 to 2.1 percent for the Medicare plan. The Medicare Part B monthly reimbursement elimination date was postponed to January 1, 2021.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

| Asset Class | Target Allocation* | Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return ** |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Domestic Equity | 28.00 % | 7.35 % |
| International Equity | 23.00 | 7.55 |
| Alternatives | 17.00 | 7.09 |
| Fixed Income | 21.00 | 3.00 |
| Real Estate | 10.00 | 6.00 |
| Liquidity Reserves | 1.00 | 2.25 |
| Total | <u>100.00 %</u> | |

* Target weights will be phased in over a 24-month period concluding on July 1, 2019.

**10-Year geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB asset was 7.45 percent as of June 30, 2019. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes STRS Ohio continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on health care plan investments of 7.45 percent was used to measure the total OPEB asset as of June 30, 2019.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Asset to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate - The following table represents the net OPEB asset as of June 30, 2019, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.45 percent, as well as what the net OPEB asset would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.45 percent) or one percentage point higher (8.45 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB asset as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

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| | 1% Decrease | Current Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|---|-------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset | \$ 263,651 | \$ 308,978 | \$ 347,087 |

| | 1% Decrease | Current Trend Rate | 1% Increase |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| District's proportionate share of the net OPEB asset | \$ 350,367 | \$ 308,978 | \$ 258,287 |

NOTE 12 - OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

The Board of Education has approved an early retirement incentive (ERI) program for certified employees. The Board will purchase, from STRS, an additional one year of service credit for those employees who elect to participate in the plan. Participation was open to employees who were at least fifty years old, qualified for retirement with the year purchased by the Board, and were employed by the Board prior to June 30, 2001. This program will expire June 30, 2034. The Board did not limit the number of employees participating in the plan in any one year. In addition, employees who elected to participate in the plan will receive a lump sum payment for their unused sick leave, to the extent allowed by the current labor agreement.

NOTE 13 - DEBT

Debt outstanding at June 30, 2020 was as follows:

| <u>Description</u> | <u>Balance 06/30/19</u> | <u>Proceeds</u> | <u>Retirements</u> | <u>Balance 06/30/20</u> | <u>Amount Due in One Year</u> |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2010 School Facilities Construction and Improvement Bonds Advance Refunding | \$ 245,000 | \$ - | \$ (65,000) | \$ 180,000 | \$ 60,000 |
| OSFC Lease Purchase | <u>318,000</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>(18,000)</u> | <u>300,000</u> | <u>18,000</u> |
| Total Debt Obligations | <u>\$ 563,000</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ (83,000)</u> | <u>\$ 480,000</u> | <u>\$ 78,000</u> |

During the 2000 fiscal year, the District issued general obligation bonds to provide funds for the construction of facilities. These bonds are a general obligation of the District, for which the full faith and credit of the District is pledged for repayment. Under the basis of accounting used by the District, unmatured obligations of the District are not recorded as liabilities on the financial statements. Payments of principal and interest relating to these bonds are recorded as an expenditure in the debt service fund. The source of payment is derived from a current 6.53 (average) mil bonded debt tax levy.

These general obligation bonds represent the amount of the construction project that the District itself was required to finance, in accordance with the terms of a facilities grant from the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC). The total estimated cost of the building project was \$12,474,606, of which OSFC paid \$10,603,119.

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In conjunction with the 6.53 mills which support the bond issue, the District also passed in fiscal year 2000 a 0.5 mill levy to ultimately fund the maintenance costs of the new facility. Tax revenue from this levy has been reported in the special revenue funds.

Series 2010 advance refunding general obligation bonds

On July 27, 2010, the District issued \$773,739 in School Facilities Construction and Improvement Bonds to advance refund the current interest Series 2000-B General Obligation Bonds. The refunded debt is considered defeased (in-substance).

On July 27, 2010, the District issued \$773,739 in School Facilities Construction and Improvement Advance Refunding Bonds. Of the \$773,739 bonds issued, \$455,000 are serial bonds with interest rates ranging from 1 percent to 3 percent and a final maturity December 1, 2017, \$310,000 are term bonds with an interest rate of 3.25 percent maturing December 1, 2022, and \$8,739 are capital appreciation bonds with a maturity value of \$70,000 on December 1, 2016. The bonds were used to refund the 2000 School Improvement Bonds. The net proceeds of \$796,844 (after payment of \$34,235 in underwriting fees, insurance and other issuance costs) were used to purchase U.S. government securities. Those securities were deposited in an irrevocable trust with an escrow agent to provide for all future debt service payments on the 2000 Series bonds. As a result, a portion of the 2000 Series bonds is considered defeased and have been removed from the above schedule.

The following is a summary of the District's future annual debt service requirements to maturity for the advance refunding bonds:

| <u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ending June 30,</u> | <u>Current Interest</u> | | |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>General Obligation Bonds</u> | | |
| | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
| 2021 | \$ 60,000 | \$ 6,000 | \$ 66,000 |
| 2022 | 60,000 | 3,600 | 63,600 |
| 2023 | <u>60,000</u> | <u>1,200</u> | <u>61,200</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 180,000</u> | <u>\$ 10,800</u> | <u>\$ 190,800</u> |

NOTE 14 - LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Columbus Regional Airport Authority Lease - OSBA

On February 27, 2003, the District entered into a \$510,000 lease-purchase agreement with the Columbus Regional Airport Authority to provide additional funds to the construction budget approved by the Ohio School Facilities Commission to fund the construction of a new K-12 facility. During fiscal year 2020, the District made principal payments of \$18,000 and interest/fees payments of \$16,875 on the lease-purchase agreement.

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The following is a schedule of the future lease payments required under the lease-purchase agreement as of June 30, 2020.

| Fiscal Year <u>Ending June 30.</u> | <u>Principal</u> | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 2021 | \$ 18,000 | \$ 15,606 | \$ 33,606 |
| 2022 | 19,000 | 14,640 | 33,640 |
| 2023 | 20,000 | 13,611 | 33,611 |
| 2024 | 22,000 | 12,493 | 34,493 |
| 2025 | 23,000 | 11,292 | 34,292 |
| 2026 - 2030 | 134,000 | 36,189 | 170,189 |
| 2031 - 2032 | <u>64,000</u> | <u>3,521</u> | <u>67,521</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 300,000</u> | <u>\$ 107,352</u> | <u>\$ 407,352</u> |

NOTE 15 - SET-ASIDES

The District is required by State law to annually set-aside certain general fund revenue amounts, as defined by statutory formula, for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at fiscal year-end. This amount must be carried forward to be used for the same purpose in future years. Expenditures exceeding the set-aside requirement may not be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

The following cash-basis information describes the change in the fiscal year-end set-aside amount for capital improvements. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

| | <u>Capital Improvements</u> |
|---|---------------------------------|
| Set-aside balance June 30, 2019 | |
| Current year set-aside requirement | \$ 85,924 |
| Current year qualifying expenditures | (261,208) |
| Current year offsets | <u>(32,486)</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ (207,770)</u> |
| Balance carried forward to fiscal year 2021 | |
| Set-aside balance June 30, 2020 | |

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NOTE 16 - CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

A. Grants

The District received financial assistance from federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the District at June 30, 2020.

B. Litigation

There are currently no matters in litigation with the District as defendant.

C. Foundation Funding

District Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Effective for the 2019-2020 school year, traditional Districts must comply with minimum hours of instruction, instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the District, which can extend past the fiscal year-end. As of the date of this report, ODE has finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments for fiscal year 2020 founding funding for the District. There is no effect on the financial statements

NOTE 17 - SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The United States and the State of Ohio declared a state of emergency in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures may impact subsequent periods of the District. In addition the impact on the District's future operating costs, revenue, and any recovery from emergency funding, either federal or state, cannot be estimated.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Miller City – New Cleveland Local School District
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To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Miller City - New Cleveland Local School District, Putnam County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated May 10, 2022, wherein we noted the District uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles. We also noted the District adopted new accounting guidance in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities*. In addition, we also noted the financial impact of COVID-19 and the continuing emergency measures which may impact subsequent periods of the District.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinions on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the District's financial statements. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the financial statement. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2021-001.

District's Response to Finding

The District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not subject the District's response to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Purpose of this Report

This report only describes the scope of our internal control and compliance testing and our testing results, and does not opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed under *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.



Keith Faber
Auditor of State
Columbus, Ohio

May 10, 2022

MILLER CITY – NEW CLEVELAND LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
JUNE 30, 2021 AND 2020

FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

FINDING NUMBER 2021-001

Noncompliance

Ohio Rev. Code §117.38 provides that each public office shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. The Auditor of State may prescribe forms by rule or may issue guidelines, or both, for such reports. If the Auditor of State has not prescribed a rule regarding the form for the report, the public office shall submit its report on the form utilized by the public office.

Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(B), which further clarifies the requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38, requires the District to file annual financial reports which are prepared using generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

The District prepared financial statements that, although formatted similar to financial statements prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, report on the cash basis of accounting rather than GAAP. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit certain assets, liabilities, deferred inflows/outflows of resources, fund equities/net position, and disclosures that, while presumed material, cannot be determined at this time.

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 the District may be fined and subject to various other administrative remedies for its failure to file the required financial report. Failure to report on a GAAP basis compromises the District's ability to evaluate and monitor the overall financial condition of the District. To help provide the users with more meaningful financial statements, the District should prepare its annual financial statements according to generally accepted accounting principles.

Officials' Response:

Management believes reporting on a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) is more cost efficient.



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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2021 AND 2020

| Finding Number | Finding Summary | Status | Additional Information |
|-----------------------|--|--|---|
| 2019-001 | Finding first reported in 2004. Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code § 117-2-03 (B) – for not reporting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. | Not corrected and reissued as Finding 2021-001 in this report. | Management believes reporting on a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) is more cost efficient. |
| 2019-002 | Finding first reported in 2017. Material weakness due to financial statement reporting errors. | Fully corrected. | |

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AUDITOR OF STATE OF OHIO CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the report, which is required to be filed pursuant to Section 117.26, Revised Code, and which is filed in the Office of the Ohio Auditor of State in Columbus, Ohio.



Certified for Release 5/24/2022

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