



**FINDLAY-HANCOCK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
HANCOCK COUNTY**

REGULAR AUDIT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004



**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Findlay Hancock County Public Library
Hancock County
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To the Library Board of Trustees:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Findlay Hancock County Public Library, Hancock County, Ohio (the Library), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, which collectively comprise the Library's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Library's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

As discussed in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements and notes follow the modified cash accounting basis. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective modified cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Findlay Hancock County Public Library, Hancock County, Ohio, as of December 31, 2004, and the respective changes in modified cash financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the General and the Burgoon Funds thereof for the year then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting Note 1 describes.

For the year ended December 31, 2004, the Library revised its financial presentation comparable to the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standard No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements—and Management's Discussion and Analysis—for State and Local Governments*.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 31, 2006, on our consideration of the Library'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. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's discussion and analysis is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information the Governmental Accounting Standards Board requires. We have applied certain limited procedures, consisting principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measuring and presenting the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Betty Montgomery". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Betty Montgomery
Auditor of State

October 31, 2006

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
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This discussion and analysis of the Findlay-Hancock County Public Library's (Library) financial performance provides an overall review of the Library's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2004, within the limitations of the Library's modified cash basis accounting. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the Library's financial performance.

Highlights

Key highlights for 2004 are as follows:

- Net assets of the Library activities increased \$281,067, or 16.5 percent, a significant change from the prior year. The fund most affected by the increase in cash and cash equivalents was the Burgoon Fund. The Library received a "gift" from the Burgoon Estate totaling \$266,210 and without that "gift" net assets would have increased \$14,857 or .9 percent, an insignificant change from the prior year.
- The Library's general receipts are primarily LLGSF monies derived from state income taxes. These receipts represent 85 percent of the total cash received for the Library activities during the year 2004. LLGSF receipts have been reduced since the year 2001 when the Library received \$2,726,031 as compared to 2004 when the library received \$2,499,597. This reduction in LLGSF funding has resulted in various cost cutting measures including a reduction in employee staff.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report is presented in a format consistent with the presentation requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, as applicable to the Library's modified cash basis of accounting.

Report Components

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities provide information about the cash activities of the Library as a whole.

Fund financial statements provide a greater level of detail. Funds are created and maintained on the financial records of the Library as a way to segregate money whose use is restricted to a particular specified purpose. These statements present financial information by fund, presenting funds with the largest balances or most activity in separate columns.

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the entity-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

Basis of Accounting

The basis of accounting is a set of guidelines that determine when financial events are recorded. The Library has elected to present its financial statements on a modified cash basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is a basis of accounting other than generally accepted accounting principles. Under the Library's modified cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid.

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As a result of using the modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable) are not recorded in the financial statements. Therefore, when reviewing the financial information and discussion within this report, the reader must keep in mind the limitations resulting from the use of the modified cash basis of accounting.

Reporting the Library as a Whole

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities reflect how the Library did financially during 2004, within the limitations of modified cash basis accounting. The statement of net assets presents the cash balances of the governmental activities of the Library at year-end. The statement of activities compares cash disbursements with program receipts for each governmental program. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services and grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts. The comparison of cash disbursements with program receipts identifies how each Library function activity draws from the Library's general receipts.

These statements report the Library's cash position and the changes in cash position. Keeping in mind the limitations of the modified cash basis of accounting, you can think of these changes as one way to measure the Library's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the Library's cash position is one indicator of whether the Library's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the Library's financial condition, you should also consider other non-financial factors as well such as the condition of the Library's capital assets and infrastructure, the extent of the Library's debt obligations, and the reliance on non-local financial resources for operations.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, the Library only shows governmental activities in which the Library provides the services of any normal library to the public.

Reporting the Library's Most Significant Funds

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the Library's major funds – not the Library as a whole. The Library establishes separate funds to better manage its many activities and to help demonstrate that money that is restricted as to how it may be used is being spent for the intended purpose. The funds of the Library are all categorized as governmental.

Governmental Funds – All of the Library's activities are reported in governmental funds. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the Library's governmental operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps determine whether there are more or less financial resources that can be spent to finance the Library's programs. The Library's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for nonmajor funds (funds whose activity or balances are not large enough to warrant separate reporting) is combined and presented in total in a single column. The Library's only major governmental funds are the General Fund and the Special Revenue Burgoon Fund. The programs reported in governmental funds are closely related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements.

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The Library as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the Library's net assets for 2004 (modified) cash basis. Since the Library did not prepare financial statements in this format for 2003, a comparative analysis of government-wide data has not been presented. In future years, when prior year information is available, a comparative analysis will be presented.

(Table 1)
Net Assets

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	
	<u>2004</u>
Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$1,978,253
Total Assets	<u>\$1,978,253</u>
Net Assets	
Restricted for:	
Capital Outlay	424,177
Permanent Fund	2,025
Other Purposes	252,591
Unrestricted	<u>1,299,460</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$1,978,253</u>

As mentioned previously, net assets of governmental activities increased \$281,067 or 16.5 percent during 2004. The primary reasons contributing to the increase in net assets was \$266,210 gift from an estate.

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Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets in 2004. Since the Library did not prepare financial statements in this format for 2003, a comparative analysis of government-wide data has not been presented. In future years, when prior year information is available, a comparative analysis will be presented.

(Table 2)
Changes in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities 2004
Receipts:	
Program Receipts:	
Charges for Services and Sales	\$100,643
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,448
Capital Grants and Contributions	270,710
Total Program Receipts	373,801
General Receipts:	
State Income Taxes/LLGSF	2,499,597
Contributions, Gifts, and Donations	5,910
Interest	33,256
Miscellaneous	39,916
Total General Receipts	2,578,679
Total Receipts	2,952,480
Disbursements:	
Library Services:	
Public Service and Programs	682,580
Collection Development & Processing	739,993
Support Services:	
Facilities Operation and Maintenance	203,607
Information Services	63,056
Business Administration	721,442
Capital Outlay	31,592
Debt Service:	
Redemption of Principal	170,000
Interest	59,143
Total Disbursements	2,671,413
Increase in Net Assets	281,067
Net Assets, January 1, 2004	1,697,186
Net Assets, December 31, 2004	\$1,978,253

Program receipts represent only 12.7 percent of total receipts and are primarily comprised of patron's fines and fees for overdue books and videos, copy machine receipts, inter-library loan fees and gifts and contributions.

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General receipts represent 87.3 percent of the Library's total receipts, and of this amount, over 85 percent of total receipts are LLGSF monies.

Disbursements for the Library represent the costs of providing Library services and the support services provided for the other activities. These include payroll costs, various supplies, building maintenance, purchase of books and videos for the collection, and debt service

Governmental Activities

If you look at the Statement of Activities, you will see that the first column lists the major services provided by the Library. The next column identifies the costs of providing these services. The next three columns of the Statement entitled Program Receipts identify amounts paid by people who are directly charged for the service and grants received by the Library that must be used to provide a specific service. The net Receipt (Disbursement) column compares the program receipts to the cost of the service. This "net cost" amount represents the cost of the service which ends up being paid from money of which a majority is provided by local patrons. These net costs are paid from the general receipts which are presented at the bottom of the Statement. A comparison between the total cost of services and the net cost is presented in Table 3.

(Table 3)

Governmental Activities

	Total Cost Of Services 2004	Net Cost of Services 2004
Library Services:		
Public Service & Programs	682,580	579,489
Collection Development & Processing	739,993	469,283
Support Services:		
Facilities Operation & Maintenance	203,607	203,607
Information Services	63,056	63,056
Business Administration	721,442	721,442
Capital Outlay	31,592	31,592
Principal Retirement	170,000	170,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	59,143	59,143
Total Expenses	\$2,671,413	\$2,297,612

The dependence upon LLGSF monies is apparent as over 85 percent of the Library activities are supported through these general receipts.

The Library's Funds

Total Library's funds had receipts of \$2,952,480 and disbursements of \$2,671,413. The greatest change within the Library's funds occurred within the Burgoon Fund. The Burgoon Fund was established and ended the year with a balance of \$252,591.

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General Fund Budgeting Highlights

The Library's budget is prepared according to Ohio law and is based upon accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

Final disbursements and other financing sources were budgeted at \$3,901,396 while actual disbursements and other financing sources were \$2,666,831. It is obvious from this large difference that the Library did not spend all monies that were available at the beginning of the year. The Library strives to keep one half years budgeted expenses in an excess cash position.

Debt Administration

At December 31, 2004, the Library's outstanding debt was \$1,365,000 in lease obligation bonds issued for the building of a new library. For further information regarding the Library's debt, refer to Note 9 to the basic financial statements.

Current Issues

The challenge for the Library is to provide quality services to the public while staying within the restrictions imposed by limited, and in some cases shrinking, funding. We rely heavily on LLGSF monies which have been frozen. We have reduced staffing levels in areas where we felt it would have the least impact on library services. The Library has reduced their budgeted amounts for the purchase of books and videos.

Contacting the Library's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the citizens of Hancock County with a general overview of the Library's finances and to reflect the Library's accountability for the monies it receives. Questions concerning any of the information in this report or requests for additional information should be directed to R. W. Struble, Clerk-Treasurer, 206 Broadway Street, Findlay, Ohio 45840-3329.

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*Statement of Net Assets - Modified Cash Basis
December 31, 2004*

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$1,978,253</u>
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u><u>\$1,978,253</u></u>
Net Assets	
Restricted for:	
Capital Projects	\$424,177
Permanent Fund	2,025
Other Purposes	252,591
Unrestricted	<u>1,299,460</u>
<i>Total Net Assets</i>	<u><u>\$1,978,253</u></u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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*Statement of Activities - Modified Cash Basis
For the Year Ended December 31, 2004*

	Program Cash Receipts			Net (Disbursements) Receipts and Changes in Net Assets	
Cash Disbursements	Charges for Services and Sales	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	
Governmental Activities					
Library Services:					
Public Service and Programs	\$682,580	\$100,643	\$2,448	(\$579,489)	
Collection Development and Processing	739,993		270,710	(469,283)	
Support Services:					
Facilities Operation and Maintenance	203,607			(203,607)	
Information Services	63,056			(63,056)	
Business Administration	721,442			(721,442)	
Capital Outlay	31,592			(31,592)	
Debt Service:					
Principal Retirement	170,000			(170,000)	
Interest and Fiscal Charges	59,143			(59,143)	
<i>Total Governmental Activities</i>	<u>\$2,671,413</u>	<u>\$100,643</u>	<u>\$2,448</u>	<u>\$270,710</u>	<u>(2,297,612)</u>
General Receipts					
				5,910	
				2,499,597	
				33,256	
				39,916	
				<i>Total General Receipts</i> 2,578,679	
				281,067	
				1,697,186	
				\$1,978,253	

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*Statement of Modified Cash Basis Assets and Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
December 31, 2004*

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Burgoon Fund</u>	<u>Other Governmental Funds</u>	<u>Total Governmental Funds</u>
Assets				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$948,855	\$252,591	\$426,202	\$1,627,648
Investments	350,605			350,605
<i>Total Assets</i>	<u>\$1,299,460</u>	<u>\$252,591</u>	<u>\$426,202</u>	<u>\$1,978,253</u>
Fund Balances				
Reserved:				
Reserved for Encumbrances	\$14,860	\$4,185		\$19,045
Unreserved:				
Undesignated , Reported in:				
General Fund	1,284,600			1,284,600
Special Revenue Funds		248,406		248,406
Capital Projects Funds			424,177	424,177
Permanent Funds			2,025	2,025
<i>Total Fund Balances</i>	<u>\$1,299,460</u>	<u>\$252,591</u>	<u>\$426,202</u>	<u>\$1,978,253</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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*Statement of Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Modified-Cash Basis Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended December 31, 2004*

	General Fund	Burgoon Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Receipts				
Intergovernmental	\$2,499,597			\$2,499,597
Patron Fines and Fees	100,643			100,643
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	12,858	\$266,210		279,068
Earnings on Investments	33,231		\$25	33,256
Miscellaneous	39,916			39,916
<i>Total Receipts</i>	<u>2,686,245</u>	<u>266,210</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>2,952,480</u>
Disbursements				
Current:				
Library Services:				
Public Service and Programs	682,580			682,580
Collection Development and Processing	726,374	13,619		739,993
Support Services:				
Facilities Operation and Maintenance	203,607			203,607
Information Services	63,056			63,056
Business Administration	721,442			721,442
Capital Outlay	5,769		25,823	31,592
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement			170,000	170,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges	59,143			59,143
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>2,461,971</u>	<u>13,619</u>	<u>195,823</u>	<u>2,671,413</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>224,274</u>	<u>252,591</u>	<u>(195,798)</u>	<u>281,067</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers In			190,000	190,000
Transfers Out	(190,000)			(190,000)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(190,000)</u>		<u>190,000</u>	
<i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>	34,274	252,591	(5,798)	281,067
<i>Fund Balances Beginning of Year</i>	<u>1,265,186</u>		<u>432,000</u>	<u>1,697,186</u>
<i>Fund Balances End of Year</i>	<u>\$1,299,460</u>	<u>\$252,591</u>	<u>\$426,202</u>	<u>\$1,978,253</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis
General Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2004*

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	Original	Final		
Receipts				
Intergovernmental	\$2,501,530	\$2,501,530	\$2,499,597	(\$1,933)
Patron Fines and Fees	102,200	102,200	100,643	(1,557)
Contributions, Gifts and Donations	13,500	13,500	12,858	(642)
Earnings on Investments	30,000	30,000	33,231	3,231
Miscellaneous	40,300	40,300	39,916	(384)
<i>Total receipts</i>	<u>2,687,530</u>	<u>2,687,530</u>	<u>2,686,245</u>	<u>(1,285)</u>
Disbursements				
Current:				
Library Services:				
Public Service and Programs	743,263	743,263	682,580	60,683
Collection Development and Processing	892,599	892,599	741,234	151,365
Support Services:				
Facilities Operation and Maintenance	256,861	256,861	203,607	53,254
Information Services	89,306	89,306	63,056	26,250
Business Administration	1,033,367	1,033,367	721,442	311,925
Capital Outlay	630,000	630,000	5,769	624,231
Debt Service:				
Interest	60,000	60,000	59,143	857
Financing Fees and Costs	6,000	6,000		6,000
<i>Total Disbursements</i>	<u>3,711,396</u>	<u>3,711,396</u>	<u>2,476,831</u>	<u>1,234,565</u>
<i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i>	<u>(1,023,866)</u>	<u>(1,023,866)</u>	<u>209,414</u>	<u>1,233,280</u>
Other Financing Uses				
Transfers Out	(190,000)	(190,000)	(190,000)	
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	<u>(1,213,866)</u>	<u>(1,213,866)</u>	<u>19,414</u>	<u>1,233,280</u>
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>	<u>1,248,385</u>	<u>1,248,385</u>	<u>1,248,385</u>	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	16,801	16,801	16,801	
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u>\$51,320</u>	<u>\$51,320</u>	<u>\$1,284,600</u>	<u>\$1,233,280</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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*Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes
In Fund Balance - Budget and Actual -Budget Basis
Special Revenue -Burgoon Fund
For the Year Ended December 31, 2004*

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Receipts				
Contributions, Gifts and Donations			\$266,210	\$266,210
Disbursements				
Current:				
Collection Development and Processing	\$17,804	\$17,804	\$17,804	
<i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>	(17,804)	(17,804)	248,406	266,210
<i>Fund Balance Beginning of Year</i>				
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated				
<i>Fund Balance End of Year</i>	<u>(\$17,804)</u>	<u>(\$17,804)</u>	<u>\$248,406</u>	<u>\$266,210</u>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 – DESCRIPTION OF THE LIBRARY AND REPORTING ENTITY

The Findlay-Hancock County Public Library (Library) was organized as a county district library under the laws of the State of Ohio. Originally, the Findlay Public Library was established on April 16, 1888, by an act of the Ohio General Assembly. The Library has its own Board of Trustees of seven members who are appointed by the Hancock County Commissioners and the Hancock County Court Common Pleas. Appointments are for seven-year terms and members serve without compensation. Under Ohio statutes, the Library is a body politic and corporate capable of suing and being sued, contracting, acquiring, holding, possessing, and disposing of real property, and of exercising such other powers and privileges conferred upon it by law. The Library also determines and operates under its own budget. Control and management of the Library is governed by sections 3375.33 to 3375.39 of the Ohio Revised Code with the administration of the day-to-day operations of the Library being the responsibility of the Director and financial accountability being solely that of the Clerk-Treasurer.

The Library is fiscally independent of the County Commissioners, although the County Commissioners serve in a ministerial capacity as the taxing authority for the Library. The determination to request approval of a tax levy, the role and purpose(s) of the levy, are discretionary decisions made solely by the Board of Library Trustees. Once those decisions are made, the County Commissioners must put the levy on the ballot. There is no potential for the Library to provide a financial benefit to or impose a financial burden on the County Commissioners except for the Library's current building bond. The Library makes interest and principle payments to the County Commissioners annually and the County Commissioners in turn make payments to the bond -holders.

The Friends of the Library is a not-for-profit organization with a self-appointing board. The Library is not financially accountable for the organization, nor does the Library approve the budget or the issuance of debt of the organization. The Library's Friends organizations revenues and net assets do not exceed 5% of the Library's revenues. Therefore, this organization has been excluded from the reporting entity of the Library.

The Library's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the Library is financially accountable.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C, the financial statements of the Library have been prepared on a modified cash basis of accounting. This modified cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the modified cash basis of accounting. In the government-wide financial statements, Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) pronouncements and Accounting Principles Board (APB) opinions issued on or before November 30, 1989, have been applied, to the extent they are applicable to the modified cash basis of accounting, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. The most significant of the Library's accounting policies are described below.

A. Basis of Presentation

The Library's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net assets and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements, which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (CONTINUED)

Government-wide Financial Statements

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the Library as a whole.

The statement of net assets presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the Library at year-end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each of the Library's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function. A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the Library is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and receipts of interest earned on grants that are required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function type activity is self-financing on a modified cash basis or draws from the Library's general receipts.

Fund Financial Statements

During the year, the Library segregates transactions related to certain Library functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the Library at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

B. Fund Accounting

The Library 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. The Library's funds are all classified as governmental

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are financed primarily from Library and Local Government Support funds, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions. Monies are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. The following are the Library's major governmental funds:

General Fund - The general fund accounts for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the Library for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

Burgoon Fund - The Burgoon Fund accounts for monies received specifically for purchasing items for the visually impaired.

The other governmental funds of the Library account for grants and other resources whose use is restricted to a particular purpose.

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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(Continued)**

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (CONTINUED)

C. Basis of Accounting

The Library's financial statements are prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the Library's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of this modified cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for 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.

D. Budgetary Process

All funds are legally required to be appropriated. The appropriations resolution is the Trustee's authorization to spend resources and sets limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Trustees. The legal level of control has been established at the fund and character or major category of the object code level for all funds. Budgetary modifications at the legal level of control may only be made by resolution of the Board of Library Trustees.

For control purposes, the Library estimates cash receipts for the year. These estimated receipts, together with the unencumbered carry-over balances from the prior year, set a limit on the amount the Trustees may appropriate. The estimated receipts may be revised during the year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Clerk Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts of estimated resources at the time final appropriations were enacted by the Trustees.

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

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, cash received by the Library is pooled and invested. Individual fund integrity is maintained through the Library's records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents."

Investments with original maturities of three months or less at the time they are purchased and investments of the cash management pool 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.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (CONTINUED)

During 2004, investments were limited to STAR Ohio and nonnegotiable certificates of deposit. Except for STAR Ohio these investments are recorded at cost.

STAR Ohio is an investment pool managed by the State Treasurer's Office which allows governments within the State to pool their funds for investment purposes. STAR Ohio is not registered with the SEC as an investment company, but does operate in a manner consistent with Rule2a7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940. Investments in STAR Ohio are valued at STAR Ohio's share price, which is the price the investment could be sold for on December 31, 2004.

Investment procedures are restricted by the provisions of the Ohio Revised Code. Interest receipt credited to the general fund during 2004 amounted to \$33,231.

F. Restricted Assets

Cash, cash equivalents, and investments are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of their use. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The Library no restricted assets.

G. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The Library reports disbursements for inventories and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

H. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

J. 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 Library's modified cash basis of accounting.

K. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The Library recognizes the disbursement for their employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 7 and 8, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

L. Long-Term Obligations

The Library's modified cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when the cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (CONTINUED)

O. Interfund Transactions

Interfund transfers 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 in the financial statements.

NOTE 3 – CHANGE IN BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND RESTATEMENT OF FUND EQUITY

Last year the Library reported fund financial statements by fund type using the regulatory basis of accounting as prescribed by the State Auditor's Office. This year the Library has implemented the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 2. The fund financial statements now present each major fund in a separate column with nonmajor funds aggregated and presented in a single column, rather than a column for each fund type.

There are no adjustments to beginning fund balances since the basis of accounting has not changed. The Library's basic financial statements consist of government-wide statements, including a statement of net cash assets and a statement of activities and the fund statements that provide a more detailed level of financial information.

NOTE 4 – BUDGETARY BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis presented for the general fund is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the modified cash basis is outstanding year-end encumbrances are treated as disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (modified cash basis). The encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to \$14,860 for the general fund and \$4,185 for the Burgoon Fund.

NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

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

Active deposits are public deposits necessary to meet current demands on the Library treasury. Such monies must be maintained either as cash in the Library 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 Library has identified as not required for use within the current five-year period of designation of depositories. Inactive deposits must either be evidenced by 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.

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NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS – (CONTINUED)

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

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, 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 obligation or security 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, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing 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 the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2 percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments;
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).

Protection of the Library's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), by eligible securities pledged to the Library by the financial institution as security for repayment, by surety company bonds deposited with the treasurer by the financial institution or by a collateral pool established by the financial institution to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited with the institution.

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. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the Library, 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.

At year end, the Library had \$200 in undeposited cash on hand, which is included on the balance sheet of the Library as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents."

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NOTE 5 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS – (CONTINUED)

The following information classifies deposits and investments by categories of risk as defined in GASB Statement No. 3, "Deposits with Financial Institutions, Investments (Including Repurchase Agreements), and Reverse Repurchase Agreements."

At year end, the carrying amount of the Library's deposits was \$1,627,448 and the bank balance was \$1,665,772. Of the bank balance \$502,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$1,163,772 was uninsured and uncollateralized. Although all State statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the Library to a successful claim by the FDIC.

The Library's investments are required to be categorized to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Library at year end. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the Library or its agent in the Library's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments which are held by the counterparty's trust department or agent in the Library's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments which are held by the counterparty, or by its trust department or agent but not in the Library's name. STAR Ohio is an unclassified investment since it is not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book entry form. At December 31, 2004, the fair value of the funds on deposit with STAR Ohio was \$350,605.

NOTE 6 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Library is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During 2004, the Library contracted with several companies for various types of insurance coverage as follows:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Type of Coverage</u>	<u>Coverage</u>
		\$
Sky Insurance	General Liability	\$13,705.00
Hartford Fire Insurance Co.	Flood Insurance	\$1,238.00
Spencer-Patterson	Library Officials	\$2,782.00
Spencer-Patterson	Fidelity and Deposit	\$850.00

Settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the last three years and there was no significant reduction in coverage from the prior year.

The Library pays the State Workers' Compensation System a premium based on a rate per \$100 of salaries. This rate is calculated based on accident history and administrative costs. The System administers and pays all claims.

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NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

The Library participates in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS). OPERS administers three separate pension plans. The traditional plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. The member-directed plan is a defined contribution plan in which the member invests both member and employer contributions (employer contributions vest over five years at 20 percent per year). Under the member directed plan, members accumulate retirement assets equal to the value of the member and vested employer contributions plus any investment earnings. The combined plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that has elements of both a defined benefit and a defined contribution plan. Under the combined plan, employer contributions are invested by the retirement system to provide a formula retirement benefit similar to the traditional plan benefit. Member contributions, whose investment is self-directed by the member, accumulate retirement assets in a manner similar to the member directed plan.

OPERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits and annual cost of living adjustments to members of the traditional and combined plans. Members of the member directed plan do not qualify for ancillary benefits. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to OPERS, 277 East Town Street, Columbus, OH 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-6705 or (800) 222-7377.

For the year ended December 31, 2004, the members of all three plans were required to contribute 8.5 percent of their annual covered salaries. The Library's contribution rate for pension benefits for 2004 was 13.55 percent. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The Library's required contributions for pension obligations to the traditional and combined plans for the years ended December 31, 2004, 2003, and 2002, were \$175,514, \$219,773, and \$185,985 respectively; the full amount has been contributed for 2004, 2003, and 2002. Contributions to the member-directed plan for 2004 were \$175,514 made by the Library and \$110,109 made by the plan members.

NOTE 8 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

The Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) provides postretirement health care coverage to age and service retirees with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit with either the traditional or combined plans. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is available. Members of the member-directed plan do not qualify for postretirement health care coverage. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an Other Postemployment Benefit as described in *GASB Statement No. 12*. A portion of each employer's contribution to the traditional or combined plans is set aside for the funding of postretirement health care based on authority granted by State statute. The 2004 local government employer contribution rate was 13.55 percent of covered payroll; 4.00 percent of covered payroll was the portion that was used to fund health care.

Benefits are advance-funded using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Significant actuarial assumptions, based on OPERS's latest actuarial review performed as of December 31, 2003, include a rate of return on investments of 8.00 percent, an annual increase in active employee total payroll of 4.00 percent compounded annually (assuming no change in the number of active employees) and an additional increase in total payroll of between .50 percent and 6.3 percent based on additional annual pay increases. Health care premiums were assumed to increase 1.00 and 6.00 percent annually for the next eight years and 4.00 percent annually after eight years.

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NOTE 8 - POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – (CONTINUED)

All investments are carried at market. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Assets are adjusted to reflect 25 percent of unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assets annually.

The number of active contributing participants in the traditional and combined plans was 355,287. Actual employer contributions for 2004 which were used to fund postemployment benefits were \$175,514. The actual contribution and the actuarially required contribution amounts are the same. OPERS's net assets available for payment of benefits at December 31, 2003, (the latest information available) were \$10.5 billion. The actuarially accrued liability and the unfunded actuarial accrued liability were \$26.9 billion and \$16.4 billion, respectively.

On September 9, 2004, the OPERS Retirement Board adopted a Health Care Preservation Plan (HCPP) with an effective date of January 1, 2007. The HCPP restructures OPERS' health care coverage to improve the financial solvency of the fund in response to increasing health care costs.

NOTE 9 – LIBRARY LEASE OBLIGATION

In 1989, the Hancock County Board of Commissioners issued bonds to finance a portion of the cost of a library renovation project. The Board of Trustees signed an agreement to transfer the deed to the library property to the County Commissioners and to lease back the facilities from the Commissioners. The payments each year are equal to the annual principal and interest due on the bonds. Upon retirement of all outstanding principal of the bonds, the County will convey the deed back to the Board of Trustees.

The first payments were made in 1992 and the original amount of the bond was \$2,700,000. Effective April 26, 2002, the bonds were refinanced by the County in order to receive a reduced interest rate. The Library disbursed \$229,143 to Hancock County for the year ended December 31, 2004, to be used towards the debt requirements.

Future payments are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Lease Payment</u>
2005	\$223,193
2006	222,243
2007	226,118
2008	229,180
2009	231,575
2010	233,273
2011	<u>229,350</u>
Total	<u>\$1,595,932</u>

NOTE 10 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS

The general fund transferred \$170,000 to the Building and Repair Other Governmental fund to fund the principal payment to the library bond. The general fund transferred \$20,000 to the Motor Vehicle Other Governmental Fund to fund the purchase of a new bookmobile.

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**Auditor of State
Betty Montgomery**

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

Findlay Hancock County Public Library
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To the Board of Trustees:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, the major funds, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Findlay Hancock County Public Library, Hancock County, Ohio, (the Library) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, which collectively comprise the Library's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 31, 2006, in which we disclosed the Library prepares its financial statements on the modified cash basis of accounting. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Library's internal control over financial reporting to determine our auditing procedures in order to express our opinions on the financial statements and not to opine on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts material to the financial statements we audited may occur and not be timely detected by employees when performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Library'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 determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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We intend this report solely for the information and use of the audit committee, management and Board of Trustees. It is not intended for anyone other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Betty Montgomery". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Betty Montgomery
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October 31, 2006



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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

Susan Babbitt

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

**CERTIFIED
DECEMBER 5, 2006**