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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT

Russia Local School District Shelby County 100 School Street Russia, Ohio 45363

#### To the Board of Education:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Russia Local School District, Shelby County, (the District), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District'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.

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. However, as discussed in Note 2, the accompanying financial statements and notes follow the modified cash accounting basis. This is a comprehensive accounting basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures that, while material, we cannot determine at this time.

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 Russia Local School District, Shelby County, as of June 30, 2010 and 2009, and the respective changes in modified cash financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund thereof for the years then ended in conformity with the basis of accounting Note 2 describes.

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated February 24, 2011, 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. 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.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis* as listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any other assurance.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

February 24, 2011

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 UNAUDITED (Continued)

This discussion and analysis of the Russia Local School District's financial performance provides an overall review of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, within the limitations of the School District's modified cash basis accounting. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

#### **Highlights**

Key highlights for fiscal year 2010 are as follows:

- Net assets of governmental activities increased 259% or \$4,685,123 from prior year.
- General revenues accounted for \$7,769,424 in revenue or 65 percent of all revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services, operating grants and contributions and interest, and capital grants and contributions accounted for \$4,114,701 or 35 percent of total revenues of \$11,884,125.
- Among major funds, the General Fund had \$3,734,949 in receipts and \$3,705,910 in disbursements. The General Fund's balance increased \$24,549 from 2009.
- Voters of the School District approved of a bond levy for 3.58 mills on August 4, 2009. The levy is for 28 years and is anticipated to generate \$1,940,722.
- During fiscal year 2010, the School District issued School Improvement Bonds to pay for the local share of the school construction under the State of Ohio Classroom Facilities Assistance Program. The project consists of the elementary renovation with approximately 5,000 square feet of new building. The State share of the project is \$4,988,156. By fiscal year-end, construction commenced.
- The School District transferred \$5,000 from its General Fund to the Athletic Fund during fiscal year 2010.

#### **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 School District'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 School District as a whole.

Fund financial statements provide a greater level of detail. Funds are created and maintained on the financial records of the School District 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 government-wide and fund financial statements and provide expanded explanation and detail regarding the information reported in the statements.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 UNAUDITED (Continued)

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The basis of accounting is a set of guidelines that determine when financial events are recorded. The School District 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 School District's modified cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid. The School District also reports long-term investments as assets, valued at cost.

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 School District as a Whole

#### Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities reflect how the School District did financially during fiscal year 2010, within the limitations of modified cash basis accounting. The statement of net assets presents the cash balances and investments of the governmental activities of the School District at fiscal 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 governmental function draws from the School District's general receipts.

These statements report the School District'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 School District's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the School District's cash position is one indicator of whether the School District's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the School District's financial condition, you should also consider other non-financial factors as well such as the School District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, the School District reports governmental activities. Governmental activities are where the School District's basic services are reported, including, but not limited to, instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation and extracurricular activities. The School District has no business-type activities.

#### Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds

#### Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the School District's major funds – not the School District as a whole. The School District 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 School District are split into two categories: governmental and fiduciary.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 UNAUDITED (Continued)

Governmental Funds - Most of the School District's activities are reported in governmental funds. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the School District'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 Government's programs. The School District's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for non-major 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 School District's major governmental funds are the General Fund, the Bond Retirement Fund, and the Capital Facilities Capital Project Fund. The programs reported in governmental funds are closely related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements.

Fiduciary Funds - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the School District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected on the government-wide financial statements because the resources of these funds are not available to support the School District's programs.

#### The School District as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the School District's net assets for fiscal year 2010 compared to fiscal year 2009 on a modified cash basis:

(Table 1) Net Assets					
Governmental Activities					
	2009	2010			
Assets:					
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$1,810,695	\$6,495,818			
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Net Assets:					
Restricted for:					
Capital Projects	88,626	4,625,379			
Debt Service	495,755	595,946			
School Bus Purchases	6,942	6,942			
Other Purposes	40,781	64,411			
Unrestricted	1,178,591	1,203,140			
Total Net Assets	\$1,810,695	\$6,495,818			

As mentioned previously, net assets of governmental activities increased \$4,685,123 during fiscal year 2010. Unrestricted net assets increased \$24,549 as a result of general operating receipts exceeding disbursements. Bond proceeds along with capital facilities monies from the State that will be used for the elementary renovation contributed to the increase in cash and net assets restricted for capital projects.

Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2010 compared to fiscal year 2009.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 UNAUDITED (Continued)

(Table 2) Changes in Net Assets

Changes in Net Assets	Governmental Activities 2009	Governmental Activities 2010
Receipts:		
Program Receipts:		
Charges for Services	\$ 485,447	\$ 526,699
Operating Grants and Contributions	366,527	439,834
Capital Grants and Contributions	3,183	3,148,168
Total Program Receipts	855,157	4,114,701
General Receipts:		
Property Taxes	1,145,353	1,203,065
Income Taxes	343,532	320,461
Grants and Entitlements Not Restricted		
to Specific Programs	2,186,174	2,275,724
Bonds and Notes Issued (includes premium)		3,935,749
All Other Categories	37,345	34,425
Total General Receipts	3,712,404	7,769,424
Total Receipts	4,567,561	11,884,125
Disbursements:		
Instruction	2,484,461	2,607,074
Support Services:		
Pupils and Instructional Staff	216,570	205,291
Board of Education, Administration, Fiscal and Business	497,973	568,703
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	456,377	366,645
Pupil Transportation	156,025	149,015
Central	134,108	130,706
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	148,331	147,373
Extracurricular Activities	177,318	184,434
Capital Outlay		572,916
Debt Service	269,478	2,266,845
Total Disbursements	4,540,641	7,199,002
Increase in Net Assets	26,920	4,685,123
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	1,783,775	1,810,695
Net Assets, End of Year	\$1,810,695	\$6,495,818

Property taxes increased as a result of the approval of a bond levy for 3.58 mills on August 4, 2009. The levy is for 28 years and is anticipated to generate \$1,940,722.

Operating grants and contributions increased due to ARRA and fiscal stabilization grants.

Grant monies received from the Ohio School Facilities Commission are shown with capital grants and contributions. The State share of the elementary renovation project is \$4,988,156.

Capital outlay disbursements are a result of the start of the capital facilities elementary renovation.

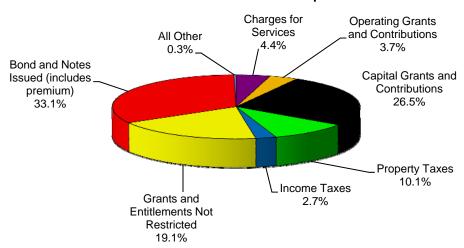
During fiscal year 2010, the School District issued temporary financing through bond anticipation notes to pay for the capital facilities project. The notes matured May 24, 2010, and were paid off with bond proceeds. The payoff of this note caused the increase in debt service disbursements.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 UNAUDITED (Continued)

#### **Governmental Activities**

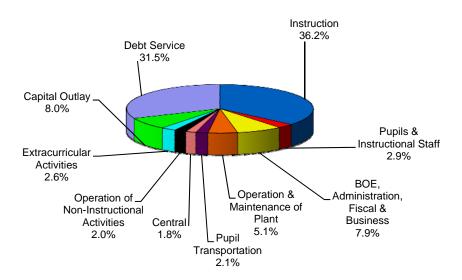
Grants and entitlements not restricted consists largely of state foundation monies. For 2010, grants and entitlements accounted for 19.1% of the School District's receipts, down from 47.9% for 2009. Capital grants and contributions make up 26.5% of receipts for fiscal year 2010 and consists of monies received from the Ohio School Facilities Commission for the renovation project.

#### **Governmental Receipts**



For fiscal year 2010, instruction made up 36.2% of disbursements. For 2009, instruction made up 54.7% of disbursements. Debt service jumped from 5.9% for fiscal year 2009 to 31.5% for fiscal year 2010 with the payoff of the bond anticipation notes. Capital outlay accounted for 8% of disbursements for fiscal year 2010 and 0% for 2009.

#### **Governmental Disbursements**



#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 UNAUDITED (Continued)

If you look at the statement of activities on page 12, you will see that the first column lists the major services provided by the School District. The next column identifies the costs of providing these services. The next three columns of the statement entitled program cash receipts identify amounts paid by people who are directly charged for the service and grants received by the School District 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 provided by local taxpayers. 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

Governmenta	II ACIIVILIES			
	<b>Total Cost</b>	Net Cost	<b>Total Cost</b>	Net Cost
	Of Services	of Services	Of Services	of Services
	2009	2009	2010	2010
Instruction	\$2,484,461	(\$1,872,222)	\$2,607,074	(\$2,017,939)
Support Services:				
Pupils and Instructional Staff	216,570	(202,352)	205,291	(195,941)
Board of Education, Administration, Fiscal and Business	497,973	(497,873)	568,703	(568,703)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	456,377	(456,302)	366,645	(249,558)
Pupil Transportation	156,025	(141,293)	149,015	(117,831)
Central	134,108	(107,807)	130,706	(105,264)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	148,331	(9,870)	147,373	(8,892)
Extracurricular Activities	177,318	(128,287)	184,434	(128,580)
Capital Outlay			572,916	2,575,252
Debt Service	269,478	(269,478)	2,266,845	(2,266,845)
Total Disbursements	\$4,540,641	(\$3,685,484)	\$7,199,002	(\$3,084,301)

The dependence upon state foundation and property and income tax receipts is apparent as 81.2 percent for 2009 and 42.8 percent for 2010 of governmental activities are supported through these general receipts.

#### The School District's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$7,947,866 and disbursements of \$7,199,002.

The fund balance of the General Fund increased \$24,549. The School District experienced increases in property taxes due to the new levies while seeing a drop in income tax revenue.

The fund balance of the Bond Retirement Fund increased \$100,191 as a result of receipts generated from property taxes exceeding debt payments.

The Capital Facilities Project fund balance increased \$4,489,123 as a result of debt proceeds and monies from the OSFC that will be used for the elementary renovation.

#### **General Fund Budgeting Highlights**

The School District'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.

For the General Fund, the final budget basis revenue estimate was \$3,523,901 which was \$98,083 lower than the original budgeted estimate. The final total appropriations of \$4,258,202 were \$9,917 higher than original appropriations. The School District closely monitored spending enabling the School District to spend \$514,373 less than the amount appropriated.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 UNAUDITED (Continued)

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

#### **Capital Assets**

The School District does not currently report its capital assets and infrastructure.

#### Debt

At June 30, 2010, the School District had an \$115,000 building addition bond outstanding, all of which is due within one year. The building addition bond was originally \$4,500,000. \$3,545,000 was advance refunded during fiscal year 2008.

In fiscal year 2008, \$3,544,998 in school improvement refunding bonds were issued to advance refund a portion of the building addition bonds, \$3,529,459 were outstanding at June 30, 2010. These bonds are made up of serial, term and capital appreciation bonds. The capital appreciation bonds were accreted \$10,697 in fiscal year 2010.

In fiscal year 2010, \$1,940,700 in school improvement bonds were issued to pay for the local share of construction under the State of Ohio Classroom Facilities Assistance Program. These bonds are made up of term and capital appreciation bonds.

Table 4
Outstanding Debt at June 30.

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	2009	2010				
Building Addition Bonds	\$ 225,000	\$ 115,000				
School Improvement Refunding Bonds	3,548,762	3,529,459				
School Improvement Bonds		1,940,700				
Total Debt	\$3,773,762	\$5,585,159				

Prior to the issuance of the 2001 bonds, the School District applied to the State Tax Commissioner and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to be considered a "special needs district" in order to issue bonds which caused the School District to exceed the overall debt limitation established by the Ohio Revised Code. The School District was approved for "special needs district" status. In order to enter into further debt, the School District would again have to apply to the State Tax Commissioner and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

For more information on the School District's debt. see Note 10 of the Basic Financial Statements.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 UNAUDITED (Continued)

#### **Current Issues**

The School District received approval from the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) of 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the complete renovation and construction project that began with the 1<sup>st</sup> phase in 2003. The OSFC assessed and evaluated the School District's current facility. The recommendations from the OSFC include many needed repairs, renovations and some additional space. As a result of this recommendation, the School District asked the voters to approve a bond levy. On August 4, 2009, the voters of Russia Local School District approved a bond levy for 3.58 mills. The levy is for 28 years and is anticipated to generate \$1,940,722. The levy proceeds will be used to pay for the bonds for the local portion of the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) project. The project consists of the elementary renovation with approximately 5,000 square feet of new building. The State share of the project is \$4,988,156.

On November 3, 2009, the voters of Russia Local School District also approved a replacement operating levy for 8 mills. The levy is for five years.

In conclusion, the Russia Local School District continues to be committed to financial as well as educational excellence. In addition, the School District's system of financial planning, budgeting, and internal financial controls are well regarded. The School District plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenges of the future.

#### **Contacting the School District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to reflect the School District'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 Jean Borchers, Treasurer at Russia Local School District, 100 School Street, Russia, OH 45363.

# STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS JUNE 30, 2010

	Governmental Activities
Assets:	
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$6,495,818
Net Assets: Restricted for:	
Capital Projects	4,625,379
Debt Service	595,946
School Bus Purchases	6,942
Other Purposes	64,411
Unrestricted	1,203,140
Total Net Assets	\$6,495,818

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Net (Disbursements)
Receipts and Changes

	Program Cash Receipts				in Net Assets	
	Cash Disbursements	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Total Governmental Activities	
Governmental Activities						
Instruction:						
Regular	\$2,061,550	\$350,404	\$48,959		(\$1,662,187)	
Special	537,574	3,190	186,582		(347,802)	
Student Intervention Services	7,950				(7,950)	
Support Services:						
Pupil	88,546	2,466	1,061		(85,019)	
Instructional Staff	116,745		5,823		(110,922)	
Board of Education	7,732				(7,732)	
Administration	360,672				(360,672)	
Fiscal	199,803				(199,803)	
Business	496				(496)	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	366,645	200	116,887		(249,558)	
Pupil Transportation	149,015	15,161	16,023		(117,831)	
Central	130,706	.0,.0.	25,442		(105,264)	
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	147,373	106,816	31,665		(8,892)	
Extracurricular Activities	184,434	48,462	7,392		(128,580)	
Capital Outlay	572,916	40,402	7,002	\$3,148,168	2,575,252	
Principal Retirement	2,080,000			ψ5, 140, 100	(2,080,000)	
Interest and Fiscal Charges	186,845				(186,845)	
Total Governmental Activities	\$7,199,002	\$526,699	\$439,834	\$3,148,168	(3,084,301)	
	General Receipts	¥	<b>,</b> 53,53	¥=, =, ==	(-) /	
	Property Taxes L	evied for:				
	General Purpose				838,802	
	Debt Service				354,767	
	Other Purposes				9,496	
	Income Taxes Le	wind for Conoral	Durnosos		320,461	
			ricted to Specific P	Programa		
			nicted to Specific P	Tograms	2,275,724	
	Bond Anticipation				1,940,000	
	General Obligation				1,940,700	
	Premium on Bon		uea		55,049	
	Sale of Capital A				510	
		ons not Restricte	d to Specific Progr	ams	2,792	
	Interest				3,847	
	Miscellaneous			-	27,276	
	Total General Cash	n Receipts		-	7,769,424	
	Change in Net Ass	ets			4,685,123	
	Net Assets Beginn	ing of Year		-	1,810,695	
	Net Assets End of	Year		_	\$6,495,818	

# STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2010

General	Bond Retirement	Capital Facilities Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$1,203,140	\$595,946	\$4,489,123	\$200,667	\$6,488,876
6,942				6,942
1,210,082	595,946	4,489,123	200,667	6,495,818
37,919 6,942	300	734,932	4,385	777,536 6,942
1,165,221				1,165,221
			63,311	63,311
	595,646			595,646
		3,754,191	132,971	3,887,162
\$1,210,082	\$595,946	\$4,489,123	\$200,667	\$6,495,818
	\$1,203,140 6,942 1,210,082 37,919 6,942 1,165,221	General         Retirement           \$1,203,140         \$595,946           6,942         595,946           37,919         300           6,942         1,165,221           595,646	General         Bond Retirement         Facilities Project           \$1,203,140         \$595,946         \$4,489,123           6,942         4,489,123           1,210,082         595,946         4,489,123           37,919         300         734,932           6,942         1,165,221         595,646           3,754,191         3,754,191	General         Bond Retirement         Facilities Project         Governmental Funds           \$1,203,140         \$595,946         \$4,489,123         \$200,667           6,942         4,489,123         200,667           37,919         300         734,932         4,385           6,942         6,942         63,311           595,646         3,754,191         132,971

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	General	Bond Retirement	Capital Facilities Project	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Receipts:					
Property Taxes	\$838,802	\$354,767		\$9,496	\$1,203,065
Income Taxes	320,461				320,461
Intergovernmental	2,183,065	79,308	3,140,591	443,722	5,846,686
Interest	3,847		7,577		11,424
Tuition and Fees	353,594				353,594
Extracurricular Activities	4,912			51,037	55,949
Contributions and Donations	2,792			9,463	12,255
Charges for Services				106,816	106,816
Rentals	200				200
Miscellaneous	27,276			10,140	37,416
Total Receipts	3,734,949	434,075	3,148,168	630,674	7,947,866
Disbursements:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	2,013,601			47,949	2,061,550
Special	350,991			186,583	537,574
Student Intervention Services	7,950				7,950
Support Services:					
Pupil	85,583			2,963	88,546
Instructional Staff	110,922			5,823	116,745
Board of Education	7,732				7,732
Administration	360,672	CO 700		004	360,672
Fiscal	136,814	62,788		201	199,803
Business	496			110 E7E	496
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	247,070			119,575	366,645
Pupil Transportation Central	116,093			32,922	149,015
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	105,264 10,925			25,442 136,448	130,706 147,373
Extracurricular Activities					
Capital Outlay	130,296 21,501		551,415	54,138	184,434 572,916
Debt Service:	21,501		551,415	•	372,910
Principal Retirement		2,080,000			2,080,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges		186,845			186,845
Total Disbursements	3,705,910	2,329,633	551,415	612,044	7,199,002
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	29,039	(1,895,558)	2,596,753	18,630	748,864
Other Financing Sources (Uses):					
Bond Anticipation Notes Issued			1,892,370	47,630	1,940,000
General Obligation Bonds Issued		1,940,700	, ,	,	1,940,700
Premium on Bonds and Notes Issued		55,049			55,049
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets	510				510
Transfers In				5,000	5,000
Transfers Out	(5,000)				(5,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(4,490)	1,995,749	1,892,370	52,630	3,936,259
Net Change in Fund Balances	24,549	100,191	4,489,123	71,260	4,685,123
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	1,185,533	495,755		129,407	1,810,695
Fund Balances End of Year	\$1,210,082	\$595,946	\$4,489,123	\$200,667	\$6,495,818

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	Budgeted	I Amounts		Variance with Final Budget Positive
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)
Receipts:	<b>*</b>	4000 404	4000.000	00040
Property Taxes	\$936,484	\$836,484	\$838,802	\$2,318
Income Taxes	300,000	300,000	320,461	20,461
Intergovernmental	2,045,000	2,045,000	2,183,065	138,065
Interest	9,000	9,000	3,847	(5,153)
Tuition and Fees	309,700	309,700	353,594	43,894
Extracurricular Activities	2,900	2,900	4,912	2,012
Contributions and Donations	2,600	2,600	2,792	192
Rentals	500	500	200	(300)
Miscellaneous	15,800	17,717	27,276	9,559
Total Receipts	3,621,984	3,523,901	3,734,949	211,048
Disbursements Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	2,065,755	2,067,672	2,014,226	53,446
Special	435,140	435,140	351,301	83,839
Student Intervention Services	12,100	12,100	7,950	4,150
Support Services:	,	,	,	,
Pupils	97,400	97,400	85,583	11,817
Instructional Staff	119,700	119,700	110,922	8,778
Board of Education	8,875	8,875	7,732	1,143
Administration	379,668	379,668	367,839	11,829
Fiscal	147,845	147,845	145,236	2,609
Business	1,000	1,000	496	504
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	500,270	500,270	252,531	247,739
Pupil Transportation	163,162	163,162	130,052	33,110
Central	116,900	116,900	107,239	9,661
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	7,000	13,000	10,925	2,075
Extracurricular Activities	153,470	155,470	130,296	25,174
Capital Outlay	40,000	40,000	21,501	18,499
Total Disbursements	4,248,285		3,743,829	514,373
Total Dispuisements	4,240,203	4,258,202	3,743,029	314,373
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(626,301)	(734,301)	(8,880)	725,421
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets			510	(510)
Transfers Out		(5,000)	(5,000)	(010)
Other Financing Uses	(300,000)	(295,000)	(0,000)	(295,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(4,490)	(295,510)
Total Other Financing Courses (OSCS)	(000,000)	(000,000)	(4,400)	(230,010)
Net Change in Fund Balances	(926,301)	(1,034,301)	(13,370)	1,020,931
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,144,117	1,144,117	1,144,117	
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	41,416	41,416	41,416	
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$259,232	\$151,232	\$1,172,163	\$1,020,931
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# STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2010

	Private Purpose Trust Agency		
Assets:	р с с с с с с с с с с с с с с с с с		
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$9,746	\$36,377	
Net Assets:			
Held for Students		36,377	
Held in Trust for Scholarships:			
Expendable	6,746		
Non-expendable	3,000		
Total Net Assets	\$9,746	\$36,377	

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FIDUCIARY FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

	Private Purpose Trust
Additions: Miscellaneous	\$31,504
<b>Deductions:</b> Scholarships	31,350
Change in Net Assets	154
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	9,592
Net Assets - End of Year	\$9,746

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## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY

Russia Local School District (the "School District") is organized under Article VI, Sections 2 and 3 of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. The School District operates under a locally-elected Board form of government and provides educational services as authorized by State and federal agencies. The legislative power of the School District is vested in the Board of Education, consisting of five members elected at-large for staggered four year terms.

The School District was established in 1862 through the consolidation of existing land areas and school districts. The School District serves an area of approximately 20 square miles. It is located in Shelby County, including all of the Village of Russia, Ohio, and portions of Loramie and Cynthian Townships. The School District's instructional/support facilities is staffed by 26 non-certificated employees, 36 certificated teaching personnel and 2 administrative employees to provide services to 501 students. It currently operates one instructional building.

The reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure the financial statements are not misleading.

#### A. Primary Government

The primary government of the School District consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the School District. For Russia Local School District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the School District.

#### **B.** Component Units

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the School District is financially accountable. The School District is financially accountable for an organization if the School District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the School District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the School District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the School District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the School District is obligated for the debt of the organization. The School District is also financially accountable for any organizations that are fiscally dependent on the School District in that the School District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. Component units also include legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the School District, are accessible to the School District and are significant in amount to the School District. The School District does not have any component units.

The School District participates in three jointly governed organizations and three insurance purchasing pools. These organizations are discussed in Note 14 to the basic financial statements. These organizations are:

Jointly Governed Organizations:

Western Ohio Computer Organization (WOCO)

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council (SOEPC)

Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association (SOITA)

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY (Continued)

Insurance Purchasing Pools:

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers'

Compensation Group Rating Plan

Shelby County Schools Consortium

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Property, Fleet and Liability Insurance Program

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

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented 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 Principals 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 these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. Following are the more significant of the School District's accounting policies.

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The School District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial 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.

#### 1. Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements usually distinguish between those activities of the School District that are governmental activities (primarily those supported through taxes and intergovernmental receipts) and those that are considered business-type activities (primarily supported by fees and charges). However, the School District does not have any business-type activities.

The statement of net assets presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the School District at fiscal year-end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the School District'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 government is responsible.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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 is self-financing on a modified cash basis or draws from the School District's general receipts.

#### 2. Fund Financial Statements

During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District 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 School District 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. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

#### **B.** Fund Accounting

The School District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the School District are divided as either governmental or fiduciary.

#### 1. Governmental Funds

The School District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other non-exchange transactions as governmental funds. The following are the School District's major governmental funds:

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

**Bond Retirement Fund** – The Bond Retirement Fund debt service fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term principal, interest and related costs.

Capital Facilities Project Fund – The Capital Facilities Project Capital Projects Fund accounts for the State share and the Local share of the Ohio School Facilities Commission project and the related expenses. The School District is renovating its elementary building.

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

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 2. Fiduciary Funds

The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the School District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are not available to support the School District's own programs. The School District's private purpose trust fund accounts for programs that provide college scholarships to students after graduation. Agency funds are custodial in nature. The School District's agency fund accounts for those student activity programs which have student participation in the activities and have students involved in the management of the program. This fund typically includes those student activities which consist of a student body, student president, student treasurer, and faculty advisor.

#### C. Basis of Accounting

The School District's financial statements are prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting. Except for modifications having substantial support, receipts are recorded in the School District'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. Any such modifications made by the School District are described in the appropriate section in this note.

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. If the School District utilized the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted, the fund financial statements for governmental funds would use the modified accrual basis of accounting. All government-wide financials would be presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

#### **D. Budgetary Process**

All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. 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 two digit function level for the General Fund and the Bond Retirement Debt Service Fund and at the fund level for all other funds. Budgetary allocations at the function and object level within all funds 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 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.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the fiscal 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.

#### E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the School District is pooled and invested. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through School District records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

Investments of the School District's cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School 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 2010, the School District invested in certificates of deposit and AIM Government & Agency Portfolio Mutual Fund, which 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 receipts credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2010 was \$3,847, which included \$1,590 assigned from other School District funds.

#### F. Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Restricted assets represent amounts required by State statute to be set aside for the purchase of buses.

#### G. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The School District reports disbursements for inventory 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.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 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 School District's modified cash basis of accounting.

#### J. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The School District recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 8 and 9, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

#### K. Long-Term Obligations

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

#### L. Net Assets

Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net assets restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for food service operations, music and athletic programs, and federal and state grants restricted to cash disbursement for specified purposes. The School District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when a cash disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available. The School District did not have any net assets restricted by enabling legislation at June 30, 2010.

#### M. Fund Balance Reserves

The School District reserves any portion of fund balances which is not available for appropriation or which is legally segregated for a specific future use. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund balance reserves have been established for encumbrances and bus purchases.

#### N. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

#### O. Estimates

The modified cash basis of accounting used by the School District requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures; accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 3. 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 cash disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (modified cash basis).

The encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) for the General Fund was \$37,919.

#### 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the School 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 School District Treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive monies are public deposits that the Board of Education 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 monies must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings accounts including but not limited to passbook accounts.

Interim monies are to 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, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided that the market 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 or Ohio local governments;

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

- 5. 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;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

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 School 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.

#### A. Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The School District has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited with either the School District or a qualified trustee by the financial institution in security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of deposits being secured.

At fiscal year-end, the carrying amount of the School District's deposits was \$6,329,280. Cash balances per the bank were \$6,343,502. \$2,089,000 of the School District's deposits was insured by Federal depository insurance. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures, as of June 30, 2010, \$4,254,502 of the School District's bank balance of \$6,343,502 was exposed to custodial risk and was uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent, but not in the School District's name.

#### **B.** Investments

The School District had an investment with AIM Government & Agency Portfolio Mutual Fund of \$212,661 at June 30, 2010.

**Interest Rate Risk** - The Ohio Revised Code generally limits security purchases to those that mature within five years of the settlement date. The School District's investment policy does not further limit its investment choices. The average weighted maturity for AIM Government & Agency Portfolio is 41.16 days.

**Credit Risk** – State law limits investments in commercial paper and corporate bonds to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The School District's investment policy does not further limit its investment choices. The AIM Government & Agency Portfolio mutual fund is rated AAAm.

**Concentration of Credit Risk** - The School District places no limits on the amount the School District may invest in any one issuer. The School District's entire investment is with AIM Government & Agency Portfolio mutual fund.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

**Custodial Credit Risk** – For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the School District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The School District has no investment policy dealing with custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statue which prohibit payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee.

#### 5. PROPERTY TAXES

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property, public utility property, and tangible personal (used in business) property located in the School District.

Real property tax receipts received in calendar year 2010 represent the collection of calendar year 2009 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2010 were levied after April 1, 2009, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2009, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market 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.

Taxes collected from tangible personal property (other than public utility) in one calendar year are levied against local inter-change telephone companies in the prior calendar year on assessed values as of December 31, of that calendar year, at tax rates determined in the preceding year. Tangible personal property tax on business inventory, manufacturing machinery and equipment, and furniture and fixtures is no longer levied and collected. The percentages for telecommunications are 5 percent for 2010 and zero percent for 2011.

Amounts paid by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20.

Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes collected in one calendar year are levied in the preceding calendar year on assessed values determined as of December 31 of the second year proceeding the tax collection year, the lien date. Public utility property taxes are payable on the same date as real property taxes described previously.

The School District receives property taxes from Shelby County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2010, are available to finance fiscal year 2010 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2010 taxes were collected are:

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 5. PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

	2009 Second- Half Collections		2010 First- Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/Residential and Other Real Estate	\$35,002,540	95.41%	\$37,156,980	96.03%
Public Utility Personal	1,643,080	4.48	1,520,540	3.93
Tangible Personal Property	39,030	0.11	14,040	0.04
Total	\$36,684,650	100.00%	\$38,691,560	100.00%
Tax Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation	42.45		46.03	

#### 6. INCOME TAXES

The School District levies a voted tax of .75 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 1992, 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 School District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue is credited to the General Fund.

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### A. Property and Liability

The School District 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. The School District contracted with Arthur Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc. through the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council. Coverage provided is as follows:

Building (\$2,500 deductible)	\$11,560,874
Contents (\$2,500 deductible)	2,725,898
Boiler and Machinery (\$3,500 deductible)	100,000,000
Flood & Earthquake per occurrence/aggregate	4,000,000
EDP Equipment 10,000,000	
Automobile Liability (per occurrence)	1,000,000
Money and Securities (per occurrence)	500,000
Employee Benefits Liability	
Per occurrence	1,000,000
School Board Legal Liability (\$5,000 deductible)	1,000,000
General Liability	
Per occurrence	1,000,000
Aggregate per member	3,000,000
Excess Liability – (occurrence/aggregate per district)	5,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in the past three fiscal years. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from last fiscal year.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

#### B. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year 2010, the School District participated in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), a workers' compensation insurance purchasing pool (Note 14). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the School District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. 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 GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP 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 GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund."

This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Hunter Consulting provides administrative, cost control, and actuarial services to the GRP.

#### 8. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

#### A. School Employees Retirement System

**Plan Description** - The School District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

**Funding Policy** - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School 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, up to statutory maximum amounts, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The Retirement Board acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rating among four of the funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicate B Fund and Health Care Fund) of the System. For fiscal year 2010, the allocation to pension and death benefits is 12.78 percent of annual covered salary. The remaining 1.22 percent of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is allocated to the Health Care and Medicare B Funds. The School District's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009 and 2008 were \$84,142, \$54,143, and \$50,781, respectively; 50.45 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 8. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)

#### B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

**Plan Description** - The School District participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing, multiple employer public employee retirement plan. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site at <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a>.

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on a member's lifetime contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. 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 DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The DB portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60; the DC portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor 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** - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The School District's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$240,779, \$234,806, and \$225,117, respectively; 83.32 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2010 were \$4,928 made by the School District and \$3,520 made by the plan members.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 8. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)

#### C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose social security or the School Employees Retirement System. As of June 30, 2010, three members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The Board's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

#### 9. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

#### A. School Employees Retirement System

**Plan Description** – The School District participates in two cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit OPEB plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan.

**Medicare Part B Plan** – The Medicare B plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 3309.69. Qualified benefit recipients who pay Medicare Part B premiums may apply for and receive a monthly reimbursement from SERS. The reimbursement amount is limited by statute to the lesser of the January 1, 1999, Medicare Part B premium or the current premium.

The Medicare Part B premium for calendar year 2010 was \$96.40 for most participants, but could be as high as \$353.60 per month depending on their income. SERS' reimbursement to retirees was \$45.50.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal year 2010, this actuarially required allocation was 0.76 percent of covered payroll. The School District's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$5,004, \$4,467, and \$3,659, respectively; 50.45 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008.

**Health Care Plan** – ORC 3309.375 and 2209.69 permit SERS to offer health care benefits to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. SERS offers several types of health plans from various vendors, including HMOs, PPOs, Medicare Advantage and traditional indemnity plans. A prescription drug program is also available to those who elect health coverage. SERS employs two third-party administrators and a pharmacy benefit manager to manage the self-insurance and prescription drug plans, respectively.

The ORC provides the statutory authority to fund SERS' postemployment benefits through employer contributions. Active members do not make contributions to the postemployment benefit plans.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 9. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

The Health Care Fund was established under, and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code 105(e). Each year after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer 14 percent contribution to the Health Care Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2010, the health care allocation is .46 percent. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. 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 health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2010, the minimum compensation level was established at \$35,800. The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14% employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund.

The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$11,623, \$33,582, and \$31,976, respectively; 13.15 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008.

The SERS Retirement Board establishes 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.

The financial reports of both Plans are included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which is available by contacting SERS at 300 East Broad St., Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on the SERS' at <a href="https://www.ohsers.org">www.ohsers.org</a> under employers/audit resources.

#### B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

**Plan Description** – The School District contributes to the cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a> or by calling (888) 227-7877.

**Funding Policy** – Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2010, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010, 2009, and 2008 were \$18,521, \$18,062, and \$17,317, respectively; 83.32 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2010 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2009 and 2008.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 10. DEBT

The changes in the School District's long-term obligations during fiscal year 2010 were as follows:

	Amount Outstanding 6/30/2009	Additions	Deletions	Amount Outstanding 6/30/2010	Amount Due in One Year
Governmental Activities:					
Building Addition Bonds 5.47%	\$ 225,000		(\$110,000)	\$115,000	\$115,000
School Improvement Refunding Bonds:					
Serial Bonds 4.0%	1,715,000		(30,000)	1,685,000	30,000
Term Bonds 4.0%, 4.2%	1,785,000			1,785,000	
Capital Appreciation Bonds 4.25%, 4.33%	48,762	\$ 10,697		59,459	
Total School Improvement Refunding Bonds	3,548,762	10,697	(30,000)	3,529,459	30,000
School Improvement Bonds:					
Term Bonds 1-4.6%		1,930,000		1,930,000	70,000
Capital Appreciation Bonds 2.85%, 3.15%		10,700		10,700	
Total School Improvement Bonds		1,940,700		1,940,700	70,000
Total Debt	\$3,773,762	\$1,951,397	(\$140,000)	\$5,585,159	\$215,000

On May 9, 2001, Russia Local School District issued \$4,500,000 in voted general obligation bonds for the purpose of an addition and improvement to the building. The bonds were issued for a 28 year period with final maturity on December 1, 2028, with an interest rate of 5.47%. The bonds will be paid from the Debt Service Fund.

On October 4, 2007, Russia Local School District issued a total of \$3,544,998 in school improvement refunding general obligation bonds. Of the \$3,544,998 in refunding bonds, \$1,725,000 is serial bonds with a 4% interest rate with a final maturity on December 1, 2021. \$1,785,000 is term bonds (\$700,000 with a 4% interest rate maturing December 1, 2024 and \$1,085,000 with a 4.2% interest rate maturing December 1, 2028). \$34,998 is capital appreciation bonds (maturity amount of \$215,000 on December 1, 2019 and 2020). The capital appreciation bonds were accreted \$10,697 in fiscal year 2010.

On March 9, 2010, the School District issued a total of \$1,940,700 in School Improvement Bonds to pay for the local share of school construction under the State of Ohio Classroom Facilities Assistance Program. The bond proceeds were used to retire the bond anticipation notes which matured May 4, 2010. Of the \$1,940,700 in improvement bonds, \$1,930,000 is term bonds with interest rates ranging from 1% to 4.6% with the final maturity on December 1, 2037. The remaining \$10,700 is capital appreciation bonds (maturity amount of \$55,000 on December 1, 2015 and 2016). The term bonds are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption.

In prior years, the School District defeased certain general obligation bonds by placing the proceeds of new bonds in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments on the old bonds. Accordingly, the trust account assets and the liabilities for the defeased bonds are not included in the City's financial statements. On June 30, 2010, \$3,545,000 of bonds outstanding are considered defeased.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 10. DEBT (Continued)

Prior to the issuance of the 2001 bonds, the School District applied to the State Tax Commissioner and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to be considered a "special needs district" in order to issue bonds which caused the School District to exceed the overall debt limitation established by the Ohio Revised Code. The School District was approved for "special needs district" status. In order to enter into further debt, the School District would again have to apply to the State Tax Commissioner and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Principal and interest requirements to retire the general obligation bonds outstanding at June 30, 2010, are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ending			
June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2011	\$ 215,000	\$ 216,569	\$ 431,569
2012	205,000	209,710	414,710
2013	210,000	202,697	412,697
2014	220,000	195,173	415,173
2015	225,000	187,348	412,348
2016-2020	974,930	1,186,038	2,160,968
2021-2025	1,240,768	808,582	2,049,350
2026-2030	1,470,000	267,961	1,737,961
2031-2035	470,000	130,918	600,918
2036-2037	330,000	23,230	353,230
Total	\$5,560,698	\$3,428,226	\$8,988,924

#### 11. SHORT-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is a summary of the note activity for the School District for the year ended June 30, 2010:

	Amount			Amount
	Outstanding 6/30/2009	Additions	Deletions	Outstanding 6/30/2010
Bond Anticipation Note	\$0	\$1,940,000	(\$1,940,000)	\$0

On October 15, 2009, the School District issued a bond anticipation note to pay for the local share of school construction under the State of Ohio Classroom Facilities Assistance Program. The note carried a 1.95% interest rate and matured May 4, 2010. The note was repaid from bond proceeds.

#### 12. SET-ASIDE REQUIREMENTS

The School District is required by State statute to annually set aside, in the General Fund, an amount based on a statutory formula for the purchase of textbooks and other instructional materials, and an equal amount 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 fiscal year must be held in cash at fiscal year-end. These amounts must be carried forward and used for the same purposes in future years. In prior years, the School District was also required to set aside money for budget stabilization.

The following cash basis information describes the change in the fiscal year-end set-aside amounts for textbooks and instructional materials and capital acquisition. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

#### 12. SET-ASIDE REQUIREMENTS (Continued)

	Textbooks and Instructional Material	Capital Acquisitions
Set-aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2009	(\$ 1,242)	(\$4,867,842)
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	76,584	76,584
Qualifying Disbursements	(89,465)	(79,996)
Total	(14,123)	(4,871,254)
Excess Available to Carry-Over to Subsequent Year	(\$14,123)	(\$4,867,842)

The School District had qualifying disbursements during the fiscal year that reduced the textbooks and instructional materials and capital acquisitions amounts below zero. Excess qualified disbursements for textbooks may be carried forward to future periods; however excess qualified disbursements for capital improvements do not carry forward.

#### 13. DONOR-RESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS

The School District's private purpose trust funds include donor-restricted endowments. Net Assets-Endowments of \$3,000 represents the principal portion of the endowment. The amount of net appreciation in the donor-restricted investments that is available for expenditures for the governing body is \$6,746 and is included as net assets held in trust for scholarships. State law permits the governing body to appropriate, for purposes consistent with the endowment's intent, net appreciation, realized and unrealized, unless the endowment terms specify otherwise. The endowment indicates that the interest should be used to provide a scholarship each year.

#### 14. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS AND INSURANCE PURCHASING POOLS

#### A. Jointly Governed Organizations

Western Ohio Computer Organization - The School District is a participant in the Western Ohio Computer Organization (WOCO) which is a computer consortium. The Western Ohio Computer Organization is one of the 23 Information Technology Center's (ITC) in the state of Ohio, which were formed in the late 70's, early 80's. These "ITC's" were originally charged to provide computer services to the member school district's fiscal offices, forming what is known today as the OECN, The Ohio Educational Computer Network. WOCO began its operations in 1980 providing computer services to 29 members school districts located in the five county area of Shelby, Auglaize, Hardin, Logan and Champaign. Today WOCO provides technical services to 34 public school districts, 5 public charter schools and 4 non-public districts.

The governing board of WOCO consists of fourteen members who consist of the Superintendent of the Fiscal Agent, two Superintendents from each county (Auglaize, Champaign, Hardin, Logan and Shelby), one representative from the city schools and one representative each from the treasurer and student services users. The School District paid WOCO \$41,081 for services provided during the fiscal year. Financial information can be obtained from Louis Ivey, who serves as Director, at 129 E. Court Street, Sidney, Ohio 45365.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

# 14. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS AND INSURANCE PURCHASING POOLS (Continued)

**Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council** -The Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council (SOEPC) is a purchasing cooperative made up of 126 school districts in 18 counties. The purpose of the cooperative is to obtain prices for quality merchandise and services commonly used by schools. All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, or other assessments as established by the SOEPC. Each member district has one voting representative. Title to any and all equipment, furniture and supplies purchased by the SOEPC is held in trust for the member districts. Any district withdrawing from the SOEPC shall forfeit its claim to any and all SOEPC assets. One year prior notice is necessary for withdrawal from the group.

During this time, the withdrawing member is liable for all member obligations. Payments to SOEPC are made from the General Fund. During fiscal year 2010, the School District paid \$61,348 to the SOEPC. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council, Ken Swink, who serves as Director, at 303 Corporate Center Drive, Vandalia, OH 45377.

Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association - The Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association (SOITA) is a not-for-profit corporation. The purpose of the corporation is to serve the educational needs of the area through television programming for the advancement of educational programs. The Board of Trustees is comprised of twenty-three representatives of SOITA member schools or institutions. Twenty-one representatives are elected from within the counties by the qualified members within the counties, i.e., Auglaize, Brown, Butler, Champaign, Clark, Clermont, Clinton, Darke, Fayette, Greene, Hamilton, Logan, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, Shelby, and Warren. Montgomery, Greene and Butler Counties elect two representatives per area. All others elect one representative per area. One at-large non-public representative is elected by the non-public school SOITA members in the State-assigned SOITA service area representative. One at-large higher education representative is elected by higher education SOITA members from within the State-assigned SOITA service area.

All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, or other assessments as established by the SOITA. Upon dissolution, the net assets shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Payments to SOITA are made from the General Fund. During fiscal year 2010, the School District paid \$670 to SOITA. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association, Larry Poque, who serves as Executive Director, at 150 East Sixth Street, Franklin, Ohio 45005.

#### **B.** Insurance Purchasing Pools

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan - The School District participates in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP). The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a ten member committee consisting of the Chairperson, a representative from the Montgomery County Educational Service Center, and eight other members elected by a majority vote of all member school districts. The Chief administrator of GRP serves as the coordinator of the program. Each fiscal year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 (Continued)

# 14. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS AND INSURANCE PURCHASING POOLS (Continued)

**Shelby County Schools Consortium** - The Shelby County Schools Consortium is an insurance purchasing pool among seven local school districts and the Shelby County Educational Service Center. The purpose of the Consortium is to achieve more favorable rates for employee insurance by creating a larger pool on which to base the insurance experience. The Consortium acts together to provide health/surgical, dental, and term-life benefits to its participants at a lower rate than if individual districts acted independently.

Each school district pays monthly premiums to the provider, currently Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield for health and dental insurance, and Sun Life Financial for life insurance. The Consortium is governed by an administrative committee consisting of the superintendent from each participating district and the service center. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the committee. During fiscal year 2010, Russia Local School District contributed \$441,231 from the General Fund. Financial information can be obtained from Mike Elsass, who serves as consultant to the group, Elsass/Hecker CLU's, 131 North Ludlow St., Dayton, Ohio 45402.

Southwestern Ohio Educational Council Property, Fleet and Liability Insurance Program – The School District participates in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Council Property, Fleet and Liability Insurance Program (PFL). The PFL's business affairs are conducted by a six member committee consisting of various PFL representatives that are elected by the general assembly. The purpose of the program is to jointly provide or obtain casualty, property, employer liability, general liability, risk management, professional liability, group coverage and other protections for participating school districts. During fiscal year 2010, the School District paid \$19,488 for insurance coverage. Financial information can be obtained from Ken Swink, Director, at 303 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 208, Vandalia, OH 45377.

#### 15. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

During fiscal year 2010, the School District transferred \$5,000 from the General Fund to the Athletics Fund. The School District transferred cash to subsidize the program.

#### 16. CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

At June 30, 2010, the School District had outstanding purchase orders as follows:

Vendor	Amount Outstanding
Freytag & Assoc., Inc.	\$194,252
Four Seasons Environmental	43,074
Innovative Modular Solutions	140,125
Quandel Group, Inc.	333,021
Total	\$710,472

#### 17. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the School District are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Grantors may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 UNAUDITED

This discussion and analysis of the Russia Local School District's financial performance provides an overall review of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, within the limitations of the School District's modified cash basis accounting. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and notes to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

#### **Highlights**

Key highlights for fiscal year 2009 are as follows:

- Net assets of governmental activities increased 1.5% or \$26,920 from prior year.
- Property tax receipts continue to decrease as tangible personal property tax is phased out.
- Among major funds, the General Fund had \$3,828,776 in receipts and \$3,867,125 in disbursements. The General Fund's balance decreased \$43,349 from 2008.
- The School District transferred \$5,000 from its General Fund to the Athletic Fund during fiscal year 2009.

#### **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 School District'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 School District as a whole.

Fund financial statements provide a greater level of detail. Funds are created and maintained on the financial records of the School District 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 government-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 School District 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 School District's modified cash basis of accounting, receipts and disbursements are recorded when cash is received or paid. The School District also reports long-term investments as assets, valued at cost.

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.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 UNAUDITED

#### Reporting the School District as a Whole

#### Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities reflect how the School District did financially during fiscal year 2009, within the limitations of modified cash basis accounting. The statement of net assets presents the cash balances and investments of the governmental activities of the School District at fiscal 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 governmental function draws from the School District's general receipts.

These statements report the School District'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 School District's financial health. Over time, increases or decreases in the School District's cash position is one indicator of whether the School District's financial health is improving or deteriorating. When evaluating the School District's financial condition, you should also consider other non-financial factors as well such as the School District's property tax base, current property tax laws in Ohio restricting revenue growth, facility conditions, required educational programs and other factors.

In the statement of net assets and the statement of activities, the School District reports governmental activities. Governmental activities are where the School District's basic services are reported, including, but not limited to, instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation and extracurricular activities. The School District has no business-type activities.

#### **Reporting the School District's Most Significant Funds**

#### Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the School District's major funds – not the School District as a whole. The School District 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 School District are split into two categories: governmental and fiduciary.

Governmental Funds - Most of the School District's activities are reported in governmental funds. The governmental fund financial statements provide a detailed view of the School District'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 Government's programs. The School District's significant governmental funds are presented on the financial statements in separate columns. The information for non-major 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 School District's only major governmental funds are the General Fund and the Bond Retirement Fund. The programs reported in governmental funds are closely related to those reported in the governmental activities section of the entity-wide statements.

**Fiduciary Funds** - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the School District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected on the government-wide financial statements because the resources of these funds are not available to support the School District's programs.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 UNAUDITED (Continued)

#### The School District as a Whole

Table 1 provides a summary of the School District's net assets for fiscal year 2009 compared to fiscal year 2008 on a modified cash basis:

#### (Table 1) Net Assets

Net Assets				
	Governmental Activities			
	2008	2009		
Assets				
Equity in Pooled Cash				
and Cash Equivalents	\$1,783,775	\$1,810,695		
Net Assets				
Restricted for:				
Capital Projects	88,626	88,626		
Debt Service	406,737	495,755		
School Bus Purchases	3,759	6,942		
Other Purposes	59,530	40,781		
Unrestricted	1,225,123	1,178,591		
Total Net Assets	\$1,783,775	\$1,810,695		

As mentioned previously, net assets of governmental activities increased \$26,920 during fiscal year 2009. Unrestricted net assets decreased \$46,532 as a result of general operating disbursements exceeding receipts. Property tax receipts exceeding debt service requirements enabled net assets restricted for debt service to increase \$89,018.

Table 2 reflects the changes in net assets for fiscal year 2009 compared to fiscal year 2008.

(Table 2)
Changes in Net Assets

Changes in Net Asset	<u>s</u>	
	Governmental Activities	Governmental Activities
	2008	2009
Receipts:		
Program Receipts:		
Charges for Services	\$ 462,809	\$ 485,447
Operating Grants and Contributions	234,556	366,527
Capital Grants and Contributions	1,389	3,183
Total Program Receipts	698,754	855,157
General Receipts:		
Property Taxes	1,220,124	1,145,353
Income Taxes	364,848	343,532
Grants and Entitlements Not Restricted		
to Specific Programs	2,218,808	2,186,174
Refunding Bonds Issued (includes premium)	3,766,625	
All Other Categories	100,574	37,345
Total General Receipts	7,670,979	3,712,404
Total Receipts	8,369,733	4,567,561
		(Continued)

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 UNAUDITED (Continued)

#### (Table 2) Changes in Net Assets (Continued)

	Governmental Activities 2008	Governmental Activities 2009
Disbursements:		
Instruction	2,437,369	2,484,461
Support Services:		
Pupils and Instructional Staff	204,316	216,570
Board of Education, Administration, Fiscal and Business	482,896	497,973
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	389,046	456,377
Pupil Transportation	235,717	156,025
Central	119,201	134,108
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	123,842	148,331
Extracurricular Activities	179,165	177,318
Debt Service	4,079,131	269,478
Total Disbursements	8,250,683	4,540,641
Increase in Net Assets	119,050	26,920
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	1,664,725	1,783,775
Net Assets, End of Year	\$1,783,775	\$1,810,695

Property taxes decreased as a result of the phase out of the tangible personal property tax loss. The State of Ohio will reimburse the School District for the phase out of this tax for the first five years.

Operating grants and contributions increased as a result of showing special education weighted aid as a program revenue. In fiscal year 2008, this money was shown as not restricted.

Capital grants and contributions increased due to an increase in the bus purchase allowance.

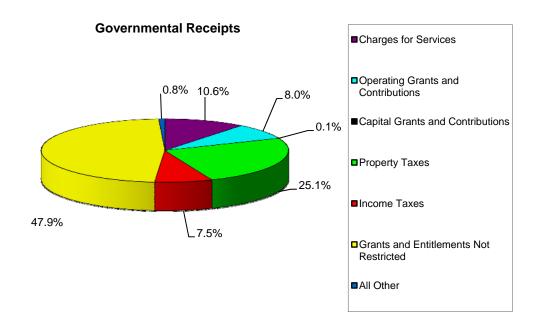
A decrease in fuel costs accounted for the decrease in pupil transportation disbursements. In addition, during fiscal year 2008, the School District purchased a new school bus.

During fiscal year 2008, the School District refunded bonds, resulting in lower interest payments for fiscal year 2009.

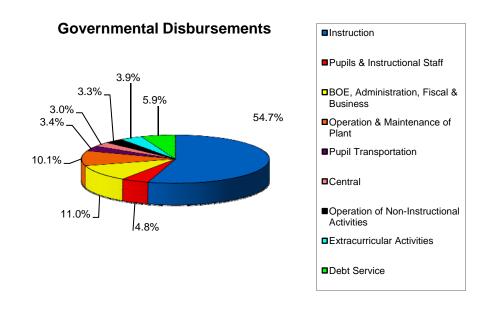
#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 UNAUDITED (Continued)

#### **Governmental Activities**

Property taxes make up 25.1% of receipts while income taxes add an additional 7.5% of receipts. The unique nature of property taxes in Ohio creates the need to routinely seek voter approval for the School District Operations. Usually, grants and entitlements not restricted, is the School District's largest source of receipts consists largely of state foundation monies. For fiscal year 2009, grants and entitlements not restricted made up 47.9% of receipts.



For fiscal year 2009, instruction made up 54.7% of disbursements.



#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 UNAUDITED (Continued)

If you look at the statement of activities on page 48, you will see that the first column lists the major services provided by the School District. The next column identifies the costs of providing these services. The next three columns of the statement entitled program cash receipts identify amounts paid by people who are directly charged for the service and grants received by the School District 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 provided by local taxpayers. 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

ai Activitics			
Total Cost Of Services	Net Cost of Services	Total Cost Of Services	Net Cost of Services 2009
\$2,437,369	(\$1,950,302)	\$2,484,461	(\$1,872,222)
204,316	(191,887)	216,570	(202,352)
482,896	(482,796)	497,973	(497,873)
389,046	(389,046)	456,377	(456,302)
235,717	(225,270)	156,025	(141,293)
119,201	(99,222)	134,108	(107,807)
123,842	(1,604)	148,331	(9,870)
179,165	(132,671)	177,318	(128, 287)
4,079,131	(4,079,131)	269,478	(269,478)
\$8,250,683	(\$7,551,929)	\$4,540,641	(\$3,685,484)
	Total Cost Of Services 2008 \$2,437,369  204,316 482,896 389,046 235,717 119,201 123,842 179,165 4,079,131	Total Cost Of Services 2008 2008 (\$1,950,302)  204,316 (191,887) 482,896 (482,796) 389,046 (389,046) 235,717 (225,270) 119,201 (99,222) 123,842 (1,604) 179,165 (132,671) 4,079,131 (4,079,131)	Total Cost Of Services 2008         Net Cost of Services 2008         Total Cost Of Services 2009           \$2,437,369         (\$1,950,302)         \$2,484,461           204,316         (191,887)         216,570           482,896         (482,796)         497,973           389,046         (389,046)         456,377           235,717         (225,270)         156,025           119,201         (99,222)         134,108           123,842         (1,604)         148,331           179,165         (132,671)         177,318           4,079,131         (4,079,131)         269,478

The dependence upon state foundation and property and income tax receipts is apparent as over 81.2 percent for 2009 and 91.5 percent for 2008 of governmental activities are supported through these general receipts.

#### The School District's Funds

Total governmental funds had receipts of \$4,567,561 and disbursements of \$4,540,641.

The fund balance of the General Fund decreased \$43,349. The School District experienced increases of approximately \$123,000 in intergovernmental receipts. These increases were offset by decreases in property taxes, income taxes and interest receipts. Overall General Fund receipts decreased .4%.

The fund balance of the Bond Retirement Fund increased \$89,018, as a result of receipts generated from property taxes exceeding debt payments.

#### **General Fund Budgeting Highlights**

The School District'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.

For the General Fund, the final budget basis revenue estimate was \$3,589,648 which was the same as the original budgeted estimate. The final total appropriations of \$4,471,726 were the same as the original appropriations. The School District closely monitored spending enabling the School District to spend \$563,184 less than it appropriated.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 UNAUDITED (Continued)

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

#### **Capital Assets**

The School District does not currently report its capital assets and infrastructure.

#### Debt

At June 30, 2009, the School District had a \$225,000 building addition bond outstanding, \$110,000 due within one year. The building addition bond was originally \$4,500,000. \$3,545,000 was advance refunded during fiscal year 2008. The final portion will be paid off in fiscal year 2011.

In fiscal year 2008, \$3,544,998 in school improvement refunding bonds were issued to advance refund a portion of the building addition bonds, \$3,548,762 were outstanding at June 30, 2009. These bonds are made up of serial, term and capital appreciation bonds. The capital appreciation bonds were accreted \$8,773 in fiscal year 2009.

Table 4
Outstanding Debt at June 30,

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	2008	2009	
Building Addition Bonds	\$ 330,000	\$ 225,000	
School Improvement Refunding Bonds	3,549,989	3,548,762	
Total Debt	\$3,879,989	\$3,773,762	

Prior to the issuance of the 2001 bonds, the School District applied to the State Tax Commissioner and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to be considered a "special needs district" in order to issue bonds which caused the School District to exceed the overall debt limitation established by the Ohio Revised Code. The School District was approved for "special needs district" status. In order to enter into further debt, the School District would again have to apply to the State Tax Commissioner and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

For more information on the School District's debt, see Note 10 of the Basic Financial Statements.

#### **Current Issues**

The School District received approval from the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) of 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the complete renovation and construction project that began with the 1<sup>st</sup> phase in 2003. The OSFC assessed and evaluated the School District's current facility. The recommendations from the OSFC include many needed repairs, renovations and some additional space. As a result of this recommendation, the School District asked the voters to approve a bond levy. On August 4, 2009, the voters of Russia Local School District approved a bond levy for 3.58 mills. The levy is for 28 years and is anticipated to generate \$1,940,722. The levy proceeds will be used to pay for the bonds for the local portion of the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) project. The project consists of the elementary renovation with approximately 5,000 square feet of new building. The State share of the project is \$4,988,156.

In October 2009, the School District issued a bond anticipation note in the amount of \$1,940,000. The note matures May 2010 and carried an interest rate of 1.950%. The notes will be paid off with bond proceeds.

On November 3, 2009, the voters of Russia Local School District also approved a replacement operating levy for 8 mills. The levy is for five years.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 UNAUDITED (Continued)

In conclusion, the Russia Local School District continues to be committed to financial as well as educational excellence. In addition, the School District's system of financial planning, budgeting, and internal financial controls are well regarded. The School District plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenges of the future.

#### **Contacting the School District's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the School District's finances and to reflect the School District'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 Jean Borchers, Treasurer at Russia Local School District, 100 School Street, Russia, OH 45363.

# STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS JUNE 30, 2009

	Governmental Activities
Assets:  Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$1,810,695
Net Assets:	
Restricted for:	
Capital Projects	\$88,626
Debt Service	495,755
School Bus Purchases	6,942
Other Purposes	40,781
Unrestricted	1,178,591
Total Net Assets	\$1,810,695

# STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

Net (Disbursements)
Receipts and Changes

		Program Cash Receipts			in Net Assets
	Cash Disbursements	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Total Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:					
Instruction:					
Regular	\$1,981,842	\$313,847	\$25,740		(\$1,642,255)
Special	494,734	796	271,856		(222,082)
Student Intervention Services	7,885				(7,885)
Support Services:					
Pupil	95,473	989	3,600		(90,884)
Instructional Staff	121,097		9,629		(111,468)
Board of Education	7,748				(7,748)
Administration	339,210				(339,210)
Fiscal	150,527		100		(150,427)
Business	488				(488)
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	456,377	75			(456,302)
Pupil Transportation	156,025	11,549		\$3,183	(141,293)
Central	134,108		26,301		(107,807)
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	148,331	114,983	23,478		(9,870)
Extracurricular Activities	177,318	43,208	5,823		(128,287)
Principal Retirement	115,000				(115,000)
Interest and Fiscal Charges	154,478				(154,478)
Total Governmental Activities	\$4,540,641	\$485,447	\$366,527	\$3,183	(3,685,484)
	General Receipts Property Taxes L				
	General Purpose	es			851,223
	Debt Service				294,130
	Income Taxes Le		•		343,532
			ricted to Specific F	J	2,186,174
		ons not Restricte	d to Specific Progr	ams	2,081
	Interest				14,703
	Miscellaneous			_	20,561
	Total General Cas	h Receipts		-	3,712,404
	Change in Net Ass	sets			26,920
	Net Assets Beginn	ing of Year		_	1,783,775
	Net Assets End of	Year		=	\$1,810,695

# STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

			Other	Total
		Bond	Governmental	Governmental
	General	Retirement	Funds	Funds
Assets:				
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents  Restricted Assets:	\$1,178,591	\$495,755	\$129,407	\$1,803,753
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	6,942			6,942
Total Assets	1,185,533	495,755	129,407	1,810,695
Fund Balances:				
Reserved for Encumbrances	41,416		389	41,805
Reserved for Bus Purchases	6,942			6,942
Unreserved, Undesignated, Reported in:				
General Fund	1,137,175			1,137,175
Special Revenue Funds			40,392	40,392
Debt Service Fund		495,755		495,755
Capital Projects Fund			88,626	88,626
Total Fund Balances	\$1,185,533	\$495,755	\$129,407	\$1,810,695

# STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - MODIFIED CASH BASIS GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

		Bond	Other Governmental	Total Governmental
	General	Retirement	Funds	Funds
Receipts:				
Property Taxes	\$851,223	\$294,130		\$1,145,353
Income Taxes	343,532			343,532
Intergovernmental	2,277,624	71,289	\$196,963	2,545,876
Interest	14,703		211	14,914
Tuition and Fees	314,643			314,643
Extracurricular Activities	3,689		51,171	54,860
Contributions and Donations	2,726		9,152	11,878
Charges for Services			114,983	114,983
Rentals	75			75
Miscellaneous	20,561		886	21,447
Total Receipts	3,828,776	365,419	373,366	4,567,561
Disbursements:				
Current:				
Instruction:				
Regular	1,948,605		33,237	1,981,842
Special	382,433		112,301	494,734
Student Intervention Services	7,885			7,885
Support Services:				
Pupil	87,467		8,006	95,473
Instructional Staff	111,468		9,629	121,097
Board of Education	7,748			7,748
Administration	339,210			339,210
Fiscal	143,404	6,923	200	150,527
Business	488			488
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	453,393		2,984	456,377
Pupil Transportation	142,032		13,993	156,025
Central	107,807		26,301	134,108
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	5,749		142,582	148,331
Extracurricular Activities	129,436		47,882	177,318
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement		115,000		115,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges		154,478		154,478
Total Disbursements	3,867,125	276,401	397,115	4,540,641
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(38,349)	89,018	(23,749)	26,920
Other Financing Sources (Uses):				
Transfers In			5,000	5,000
Transfers Out	(5,000)			(5,000)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(5,000)		5,000	
Net Change in Fund Balances	(43,349)	89,018	(18,749)	26,920
Fund Balances Beginning of Year	1,228,882	406,737	148,156	1,783,775
Fund Balances End of Year	\$1,185,533	\$495,755	\$129,407	\$1,810,695

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - BUDGETARY BASIS GENERAL FUND

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	Budgeted		Variance with Final Budget Positive		
	Original	Final	Actual	(Negative)	
Receipts:					
Property Taxes	\$874,048	\$874,048	\$851,223	(\$22,825)	
Income Taxes	350,000	350,000	343,532	(6,468)	
Intergovernmental	2,005,200	2,005,200	2,277,624	272,424	
Interest	41,800	41,800	14,703	(27,097)	
Tuition and Fees	297,500	297,500	314,643	17,143	
Extracurricular Activities	2,950	2,950	3,689	739	
Contributions and Donations	2,600	2,600	2,726	126	
Rentals	200	200	75	(125)	
Miscellaneous	15,350	15,350	20,563	5,213	
Total Receipts	3,589,648	3,589,648	3,828,778	239,130	
Disbursements:					
Current:					
Instruction:					
Regular	2,080,366	2,080,366	1,948,677	131,689	
Special	496,172	496,172	382,433	113,739	
Vocational	400	400		400	
Student Intervention Services	20,800	20,800	7,885	12,915	
Support Services:					
Pupils	103,500	103,500	87,467	16,033	
Instructional Staff	127,794	127,794	111,468	16,326	
Board of Education	11,050	11,050	7,748	3,302	
Administration	407,840	407,840	340,178	67,662	
Fiscal	165,445	165,445	144,099	21,346	
Business	2,000	2,000	488	1,512	
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	517,630	517,630	467,813	49,817	
Pupil Transportation	219,698	219,698	147,294	72,404	
Central	140,381	140,381	107,807	32,574	
Operation of Non-Instructional Services	7,000	7,000	5,749	1,251	
Extracurricular Activities	151,650	151,650	129,436	22,214	
Capital Outlay	20,000	20,000	20,000		
Total Disbursements	4,471,726	4,471,726	3,908,542	563,184	
Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements	(882,078)	(882,078)	(79,764)	802,314	
Other Financing Uses:					
Transfers Out		(5,000)	(5,000)		
Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(300,000)	(295,000)		295,000	
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(5,000)	295,000	
Net Change in Fund Balances	(1,182,078)	(1,182,078)	(84,764)	1,097,314	
Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	1,205,455	1,205,455	1,205,455		
Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated	23,426	23,426	23,426		
Fund Balance at End of Year	\$46,803	\$46,803	\$1,144,117	\$1,097,314	

# STATEMENT OF FIDCUIARY NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2009

	Private	
	Purpose Trust	Agency
Assets:		
Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$9,592	\$35,227
Net Assets:		
Held for Students		\$35,227
Held in Trust for Scholarships:		
Expendable	6,592	
Non-expendable	3,000	
Total Net Assets	\$9,592	\$35,227

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS - MODIFIED CASH BASIS FIDUCIARY FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009

	Private Purpose Trust
Additions:	
Interest	\$14
Miscellaneous	31,528
Total Additions	31,542
Deductions:	
Other	
Scholarships	31,420
Total Deductions	31,420
Change in Net Assets	122
Net Assets - Beginning of Year	9,470
Net Assets - End of Year	\$9,592

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#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY

Russia Local School District (the "School District") is organized under Article VI, Sections 2 and 3 of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. The School District operates under a locally-elected Board form of government and provides educational services as authorized by State and federal agencies. The legislative power of the School District is vested in the Board of Education, consisting of five members elected at-large for staggered four year terms.

The School District was established in 1862 through the consolidation of existing land areas and school districts. The School District serves an area of approximately 20 square miles. It is located in Shelby County, including all of the Village of Russia, Ohio, and portions of Loramie and Cynthian Townships. The School District's instructional/support facilities is staffed by 26 non-certificated employees, 35 certificated teaching personnel and 2 administrative employees to provide services to 491 students. It currently operates one instructional building.

The reporting entity is composed of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure the financial statements are not misleading.

#### A. Primary Government

The primary government of the School District consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the School District. For Russia Local School District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the School District.

#### **B.** Component Units

Component units are legally separate organizations for which the School District is financially accountable. The School District is financially accountable for an organization if the School District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the School District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the School District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the School District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization; or the School District is obligated for the debt of the organization. The School District is also financially accountable for any organizations that are fiscally dependent on the School District in that the School District approves the budget, the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes. Component units also include legally separate, tax-exempt entities whose resources are for the direct benefit of the School District, are accessible to the School District and are significant in amount to the School District. The School District does not have any component units.

The School District participates in three jointly governed organizations and three insurance purchasing pools. These organizations are discussed in Note 13 to the basic financial statements. These organizations are:

Jointly Governed Organizations:

Western Ohio Computer Organization (WOCO)

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council (SOEPC)

Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association (SOITA)

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY (Continued)

Insurance Purchasing Pools:
Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan
Shelby County Schools Consortium
Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Property, Fleet and Liability Insurance Program

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

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As discussed further in Note 2.C, these financial statements are presented 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 these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, in which case GASB prevails. Following are the more significant of the School District's accounting policies.

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The School District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial 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.

#### 1. Government-Wide Financial Statements

The statement of net assets and the statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. The statements usually distinguish between those activities of the School District that are governmental activities (primarily those supported through taxes and intergovernmental receipts) and those that are considered business-type activities (primarily supported by fees and charges). However, the School District does not have any business-type activities.

The statement of net assets presents the cash balance of the governmental activities of the School District at fiscal year-end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the School District'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 government is responsible.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

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 is self-financing on a modified cash basis or draws from the School District's general receipts.

#### 2. Fund Financial Statements

During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District 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 School District 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. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

#### **B.** Fund Accounting

The School District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the School District are divided as either governmental or fiduciary.

#### 1. Governmental Funds

The School District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other non-exchange transactions as governmental funds. The following are the School District's major governmental funds:

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

**Bond Retirement Fund** – The Bond Retirement Fund debt service fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, general long-term principal, interest and related costs.

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

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### 2. Fiduciary Funds

The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private purpose trust funds, and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the School District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations, or other governments and are not available to support the School District's own programs. The School District's private purpose trust fund accounts for programs that provide college scholarships to students after graduation. Agency funds are custodial in nature. The School District's agency fund accounts for those student activity programs which have student participation in the activities and have students involved in the management of the program. This fund typically includes those student activities which consist of a student body, student president, student treasurer, and faculty advisor.

#### C. Basis of Accounting

The School District's financial statements are prepared using the modified cash basis of accounting. Except for modifications having substantial support, receipts are recorded in the School District'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. Any such modifications made by the School District are described in the appropriate section in this note.

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. If the School District utilized the basis of accounting recognized as generally accepted, the fund financial statements for governmental funds would use the modified accrual basis of accounting. All government-wide financials would be presented on the accrual basis of accounting.

#### D. Budgetary Process

All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations resolution, all of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. 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 two digit function level for the General Fund and the Bond Retirement Debt Service Fund and at the fund level for all other funds. Budgetary allocations at the function and object level within all funds 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 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.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the fiscal 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.

#### E. Cash and Investments

To improve cash management, cash received by the School District is pooled and invested. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through School District records. Interest in the pool is presented as "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

Investments of the School District's cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School 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 2009, the School District invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit which 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 receipts credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2009 was \$14,703, which included \$5,066 assigned from other School District funds.

#### F. Restricted Assets

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Restricted assets represent amounts required by State statute to be set aside for the purchase of buses.

#### G. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The School District reports disbursements for inventory 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.

#### 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 School District's modified cash basis of accounting.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

#### J. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

The School District recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 8 and 9, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

#### K. Long-Term Obligations

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

#### L. Net Assets

Net assets are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net assets restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for food service operations, music and athletic programs, and federal and state grants restricted to cash disbursement for specified purposes. The School District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when a cash disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available. The School District did not have any net assets restricted by enabling legislation at June 30, 2009.

#### M. Fund Balance Reserves

The School District reserves any portion of fund balances which is not available for appropriation or which is legally segregated for a specific future use. Unreserved fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance which is available for appropriation in future periods. Fund balance reserves have been established for encumbrances and bus purchases.

#### N. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

#### O. Estimates

The modified cash basis of accounting used by the School District requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures; accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 3. 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 cash disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as a reservation of fund balance (modified cash basis).

The encumbrances outstanding at year end (budgetary basis) amounted to:

General Fund \$41,416

#### 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

State statutes classify monies held by the School 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 School District Treasury, in commercial accounts payable or withdrawable on demand, including negotiable order of withdrawal (NOW) accounts, or in money market deposit accounts.

Inactive monies are public deposits that the Board of Education 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 monies must be evidenced by time certificates of deposit maturing not more than one year from the date of deposit or by savings accounts including but not limited to passbook accounts.

Interim monies are to 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, 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 that the market 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;

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments;
- 5. 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;
- 6. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts.

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 School 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.

#### A. Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The School District has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits be either insured or protected by eligible securities pledged to and deposited with either the School District or a qualified trustee by the financial institution in security for repayment, or by a collateral pool of eligible securities deposited with a qualified trustee and pledged to secure the repayment of all public monies deposited in the financial institution whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of deposits being secured.

At fiscal year-end, the carrying amount of the School District's deposits was \$1,855,514. Cash balances per the bank were \$1,915,567. \$256,887 of the School District's deposits was insured by Federal depository insurance. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures", as of June 30, 2009, \$1,658,680 of the School District's bank balance of \$1,915,567 was exposed to custodial risk and was uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent, but not in the School District's name.

#### **B.** Investments

The School District did not have any investments at June 30, 2009.

**Interest Rate Risk** - The Ohio Revised Code generally limits security purchases to those that mature within five years of the settlement date. The School District's investment policy does not further limit its investment choices.

**Credit Risk** – State law limits investments in commercial paper and corporate bonds to the top two ratings issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. The School District's investment policy does not further limit its investment choices.

**Concentration of Credit Risk** - The School District places no limits on the amount the School District may invest in any one issuer.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 4. DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

**Custodial Credit Risk** – For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the School District will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in possession of an outside party. The School District has no investment policy dealing with custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statue which prohibit payment for investments prior to the delivery of the securities representing the investments to the Treasurer or qualified trustee.

#### 5. PROPERTY TAXES

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property, public utility property, and tangible personal (used in business) property located in the School District. Real property tax receipts received in calendar year 2009 represent the collection of calendar year 2008 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2009 were levied after April 1, 2008, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2008, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market 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 receipts received in calendar year 2009 represent the collection of calendar year 2008 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2009 became a lien on December 31, 2007, were levied after April 1, 2008, 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.

Tangible personal property tax receipts received in calendar year 2009 (other than public utility property) represent the collection of calendar year 2009 taxes levied against local and interexchange telephone companies. Tangible personal property tax on business inventory, manufacturing machinery and equipment and furniture and fixtures is no longer levied and collected. The October 2008 tangible personal property tax settlement was the last property tax settlement for general personal property taxes. Tangible personal property taxes received from telephone companies in calendar year 2009 were levied on October 1, 2008, on the value as of December 31, 2008. Amounts paid by multi-county taxpayers are due September 20. Single county taxpayers may pay annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due April 30; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due April 30, with the remainder payable by September 20. Tangible personal property taxes paid by April 30 are usually received by the School District prior to June 30.

The School District receives property taxes from Shelby County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2009, are available to finance fiscal year 2009 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2009 taxes were collected are:

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 5. PROPERTY TAXES (Continued)

	2008 Second- Half Collections		2009 First- Half Collections	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Agricultural/Residential and Other Real Estate	\$34,359,280	91.50%	\$35,002,540	95.41%
Public Utility Personal	1,838,570	4.90	1,643,080	4.48
Tangible Personal Property	1,351,810	3.60	39,030	0.11
Total	\$37,549,660	100.00%	\$36,684,650	100.00%
Tax Rate per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation	\$42.45		\$42.45	

#### 6. INCOME TAXES

The School District levies a voted tax of .75 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 1992, 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 School District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax revenue is credited to the General Fund.

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT

#### A. Property and Liability

The School District 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. The School District contracted with Arthur Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc. through the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council. Coverage provided is as follows:

Building (\$2,500 deductible)	\$11,560,874
Contents (\$2,500 deductible)	2,725,898
Boiler and Machinery (\$3,500 deductible)	100,000,000
Flood & Earthquake per occurrence/aggregate	4,000,000
EDP Equipment 10,000,000	
Automobile Liability (per occurrence)	1,000,000
Money and Securities (per occurrence)	500,000
Employee Benefits Liability	
Per occurrence	1,000,000
School Board Legal Liability (\$5,000 deductible)	1,000,000
General Liability	
Per occurrence	1,000,000
Aggregate per member	3,000,000
Excess Liability – (occurrence/aggregate per district)	5,000,000

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in the past three fiscal years. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from last fiscal year.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 7. RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

#### B. Workers' Compensation

For fiscal year 2009, the School District participated in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP), a workers' compensation insurance purchasing pool (Note 13). The intent of the GRP is to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the School District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. 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 GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP 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 GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund." This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to school districts that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. The firm of Hunter Consulting provides administrative, cost control, and actuarial services to the GRP.

#### 8. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS

#### A. School Employees Retirement System

**Plan Description** - The School District contributes to the School Employees Retirement System (SERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer pension plan. SERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Chapter 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to the School Employees Retirement System, 300 East Broad Street, Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on SERS' website at www.ohsers.org under Employers/Audit Resources.

**Funding Policy** - Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School 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, up to statutory maximum amounts, by the SERS' Retirement Board. The Retirement Board acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rating among four of the funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicate B Fund and Health Care Fund) of the System. For fiscal year 2009, the allocation to pension and death benefits is 9.09 percent of annual covered salary. The remaining 4.91% of the 14% employer contribution rate is allocated to the Health Care and Medicare B Funds. The School District's required contributions for pension obligations to SERS for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008 and 2007 were \$54,143, \$50,781, and \$60,438 respectively; 43.5 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2009 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

#### B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

**Plan Description** - The School District participates in the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio), a cost-sharing, multiple employer public employee retirement plan. STRS Ohio provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS Ohio issues a stand-alone financial report that may be obtained by writing to STRS Ohio, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Ohio Web site at <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a>.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 8. DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS (Continued)

New members have a choice of three retirement plans, a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary times a percentage that varies based on years of service, or an allowance based on a member's lifetime contributions and earned interest matched by STRS Ohio funds divided by an actuarially determined annuity factor. The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and employer contributions equal to 10.5 percent of earned compensation into an investment account. Investment decisions are made by the member. 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 DC Plan and the DB Plan. In the Combined Plan, member contributions are invested by the member, and employer contributions are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The DB portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60; the DC portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50. Benefits are established by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years credited service who becomes disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible spouses and dependents of these active members who die before retirement may qualify for survivor 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 - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009, plan members were required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salaries. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; 13 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. Contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board, upon recommendations of its consulting actuary, not to exceed statutory maximum rates of 10 percent for members and 14 percent for employers. Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for member and employer contributions.

The School District's required contributions for pension obligations to STRS Ohio for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$234,806, \$225,117, and \$210,542, respectively; 82.77 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2009 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2008 and 2007. Contributions to the DC and Combined Plans for fiscal year 2009 were \$3,385 made by the School District and \$3,432 made by the plan members.

#### C. Social Security System

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose social security or the School Employees Retirement System. As of June 30, 2009, three members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The Board's liability is 6.2 percent of wages paid.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 9. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

#### A. School Employees Retirement System

**Plan Description** – The School District participates in two cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit OPEB plans administered by the School Employees Retirement System for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries, a Health Care Plan and a Medicare Part B Plan.

**Medicare Part B Plan** – The Medicare B plan reimburses Medicare Part B premiums paid by eligible retirees and beneficiaries as set forth in Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 3309.69. Qualified benefit recipients who pay Medicare Part B premiums may apply for and receive a monthly reimbursement from SERS. The reimbursement amount is limited by statute to the lesser of the January 1, 1999, Medicare Part B premium or the current premium. The Medicare Part B premium for calendar year 2009 was \$96.40, SERS' reimbursement to retirees was \$45.50.

The Retirement Board, acting with advice of the actuary, allocates a portion of the employer contribution to the Medicare B Fund. For fiscal year 2009, this actuarially required allocation was 0.75 percent of covered payroll. The School District's contributions for Medicare Part B for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$4,467, \$3,659, and \$3,635 respectively; 43.50 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2009 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

**Health Care Plan** – ORC 3309.375 and 2209.69 permit SERS to offer health care benefits to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. SERS offers several types of health plans from various vendors, including HMOs, PPOs, Medicare Advantage and traditional indemnity plans. A prescription drug program is also available to those who elect health coverage. SERS employs two third-party administrators and a pharmacy benefit manager to manage the self-insurance and prescription drug plans, respectively.

The ORC provides the statutory authority to fund SERS' postemployment benefits through employer contributions. Active members do not make contributions to the postemployment benefit plans.

The Health Care Fund was established under, and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code 105(e). Each year after the allocation for statutorily required benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer 14 percent contribution to the Health Care Fund. For the year ended June 30, 2009, the health care allocation is 4.16 percent. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. 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 health care surcharge. The surcharge, added to the unallocated portion of the 14% employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund.

The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$33,582, \$31,976, and \$27,316 respectively; 32.10 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2009 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

The SERS Retirement Board establishes 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.

#### NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 9. POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (Continued)

The financial reports of both Plans are included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which is available by contacting SERS at 300 East Broad St., Suite 100, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3746 or by calling toll free (800) 878-5853. It is also posted on the SERS' at <a href="https://www.ohsers.org">www.ohsers.org</a> under employers/audit resources.

#### B. State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio

**Plan Description** – The School District contributes to the cost sharing multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a> or by calling (888) 227-7877.

**Funding Policy** – Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2009, STRS Ohio allocated employer contributions equal to 1 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009, 2008, and 2007 were \$18,062, \$17,317 and \$16,196, respectively; 82.77 percent has been contributed for fiscal year 2009 and 100 percent for fiscal years 2008 and 2007.

#### 10. DEBT

The changes in the School District's long-term obligations during fiscal year 2009 were as follows:

Amount Outstanding			Amount Outstanding	Amount Due in
6/30/2008	<b>Additions</b>	Deletions	6/30/2009	One Year
\$ 330,000		(\$105,000)	\$ 225,000	\$110,000
1,725,000		(10,000)	1,715,000	30,000
1,785,000			1,785,000	
39,989	\$8,773		48,762	
3,549,989	8,773	(10,000)	3,548,762	30,000
\$3,879,989	\$8,773	(\$115,000)	\$3,773,762	\$140,000
	Outstanding 6/30/2008 \$ 330,000 1,725,000 1,785,000 39,989 3,549,989	Outstanding 6/30/2008     Additions       \$ 330,000     1,725,000       1,785,000     39,989       3,549,989     \$8,773       3,549,989     8,773	Outstanding 6/30/2008         Additions         Deletions           \$ 330,000         (\$105,000)           1,725,000         (10,000)           1,785,000         \$8,773           3,549,989         \$8,773         (10,000)	Outstanding 6/30/2008         Additions         Deletions         Outstanding 6/30/2009           \$ 330,000         (\$105,000)         \$ 225,000           1,725,000         (10,000)         1,715,000           1,785,000         1,785,000         48,762           3,549,989         8,773         (10,000)         3,548,762

On May 9, 2001, Russia Local School District issued \$4,500,000 in voted general obligation bonds for the purpose of an addition and improvement to the building. The bonds were issued for a 28 year period with final maturity on December 1, 2028, with an interest rate of 5.47%. The bonds will be paid from the Debt Service Fund.

## NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

## 10. DEBT (Continued)

On October 4, 2007, Russia Local School District issued a total of \$3,544,998 in school improvement refunding general obligation bonds. Of the \$3,544,998 in refunding bonds, \$1,725,000 is serial bonds with a 4% interest rate with a final maturity on December 1, 2021. \$1,785,000 is term bonds (\$700,000 with a 4% interest rate maturing December 1, 2024 and \$1,085,000 with a 4.2% interest rate maturing December 1, 2028). \$34,998 is capital appreciation bonds (maturity amount of \$215,000 on December 1, 2019 and 2020). The capital appreciation bonds were accreted \$8,773 in fiscal year 2009.

The term bonds due December 1, 2024, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption as follows:

	Amount to be	
Year	Redeemed	
2022	\$225,000	
2023	235,000	

The remaining \$240,000 principal amount of the bonds due December 1, 2024, is to be paid at stated maturity. The term bonds due December 1, 2028, are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption as follows:

	Amount to be		
Year	Redeemed		
2025	\$255,000		
2026	265,000		
2027	275,000		

The remaining \$290,000 principal amount of the bonds due December 1, 2028, is to be paid at stated maturity. The bonds will be paid from the Debt Service Fund.

In prior years, the School District defeased certain general obligation bonds by placing the proceeds of new bonds in an irrevocable trust to provide for all future debt service payments on the old bonds. Accordingly, the trust account assets and the liabilities for the defeased bonds are not included in the City's financial statements. On June 30, 2009, \$3,545,000 of bonds outstanding are considered defeased.

Prior to the issuance of the 2001 bonds, the School District applied to the State Tax Commissioner and the Superintendent of Public Instruction to be considered a "special needs district" in order to issue bonds which caused the School District to exceed the overall debt limitation established by the Ohio Revised Code. The School District was approved for "special needs district" status. In order to enter into further debt, the School District would again have to apply to the State Tax Commissioner and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Principal and interest requirements to retire the general obligation bonds outstanding at June 30, 2009, are as follows:

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

## 10. DEBT (Continued)

Fiscal Year Ending			
June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2010	\$ 140,000	\$ 149,080	\$ 289,080
2011	145,000	142,929	287,929
2012	155,000	136,670	291,670
2013	160,000	130,370	290,370
2014	170,000	123,770	293,770
2015-2019	955,000	509,950	1,464,950
2020-2024	709,998	766,152	1,476,150
2025-2029	1,325,000	143,925	1,468,925
Total	\$3,759,998	\$2,102,846	\$5,862,844

#### 11. SET-ASIDE REQUIREMENTS

The School District is required by State statute to annually set aside, in the General Fund, an amount based on a statutory formula for the purchase of textbooks and other instructional materials, and an equal amount 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 fiscal year must be held in cash at fiscal year-end. These amounts must be carried forward and used for the same purposes in future years. In prior years, the School District was also required to set aside money for budget stabilization.

The following cash basis information identifies the changes in the fund balance reserves for textbooks, and capital improvements during fiscal year 2009.

	Textbooks and Instructional Material	Capital Acquisitions
Set-aside Reserve Balance as of June 30, 2008	(\$ 909)	(\$4,867,842)
Current Year Set-aside Requirement	76,234	76,234
Qualifying Disbursements	(76,567)	(106,776)
Total	(1,242)	(4,898,384)
Excess Available to Carry-Over to Subsequent Year	(\$1,242)	(\$4,867,842)

The School District had qualifying disbursements during the fiscal year that reduced the textbooks and instructional materials and capital acquisitions amounts below zero. Excess qualified disbursements for textbooks may be carried forward to future periods; however excess qualified disbursements for capital improvements do not carry forward.

#### 12. DONOR-RESTRICTED ENDOWMENTS

The School District's private purpose trust funds include donor-restricted endowments. Net Assets-Endowments of \$3,000 represents the principal portion of the endowment. The amount of net appreciation in the donor-restricted investments that is available for expenditures for the governing body is \$6,592 and is included as net assets held in trust for scholarships. State law permits the governing body to appropriate, for purposes consistent with the endowment's intent, net appreciation, realized and unrealized, unless the endowment terms specify otherwise. The endowment indicates that the interest should be used to provide a scholarship each year.

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 13. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS AND INSURANCE PURCHASING POOLS

#### A. Jointly Governed Organizations

**Western Ohio Computer Organization** - The School District is a participant in the Western Ohio Computer Organization (WOCO) which is a computer consortium. The Western Ohio Computer Organization is one of the 23 Information Technology Center's (ITC) in the state of Ohio, which were formed in the late 70's, early 80's. These "ITC's" were originally charged to provide computer services to the member school district's fiscal offices, forming what is known today as the OECN, The Ohio Educational Computer Network.

WOCO began its operations in 1980 providing computer services to 29 members school districts located in the five county area of Shelby, Auglaize, Hardin, Logan and Champaign. Today WOCO provides technical services to 34 public school districts, 5 public charter schools and 4 non-public districts.

The governing board of MDECA consists of fourteen members who consist of the Superintendent of the Fiscal Agent, two Superintendents from each county (Auglaize, Champaign, Hardin, Logan and Shelby), one representative from the city schools and one representative each from the treasurer and student services users. The School District paid WOCO \$42,002 for services provided during the fiscal year. Financial information can be obtained from Louis Ivey, who serves as Director, at 129 E. Court Street, Sidney, Ohio 45365.

**Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council** -The Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council (SOEPC) is a purchasing cooperative made up of 126 school districts in 18 counties. The purpose of the cooperative is to obtain prices for quality merchandise and services commonly used by schools. All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, or other assessments as established by the SOEPC. Each member district has one voting representative. Title to any and all equipment, furniture and supplies purchased by the SOEPC is held in trust for the member districts. Any district withdrawing from the SOEPC shall forfeit its claim to any and all SOEPC assets. One year prior notice is necessary for withdrawal from the group.

During this time, the withdrawing member is liable for all member obligations. Payments to SOEPC are made from the General Fund. During fiscal year 2009, the School District paid \$488 to SOEPC. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council, Ken Swink, who serves as Director, at 303 Corporate Center Drive, Vandalia, OH 45377.

Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association - The Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association (SOITA) is a not-for-profit corporation. The purpose of the corporation is to serve the educational needs of the area through television programming for the advancement of educational programs. The Board of Trustees is comprised of twenty-three representatives of SOITA member schools or institutions. Twenty-one representatives are elected from within the counties by the qualified members within the counties, i.e., Auglaize, Brown, Butler, Champaign, Clark, Clermont, Clinton, Darke, Fayette, Greene, Hamilton, Logan, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Preble, Shelby, and Warren. Montgomery, Greene and Butler Counties elect two representatives per area. All others elect one representative per area. One at-large non-public representative is elected by the non-public school SOITA members in the State-assigned SOITA service area representative. One at-large higher education representative is elected by higher education SOITA members from within the State-assigned SOITA service area.

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

# 13. JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS AND INSURANCE PURCHASING POOLS (Continued)

All member districts are obligated to pay all fees, charges, or other assessments as established by the SOITA. Upon dissolution, the net assets shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Payments to SOITA are made from the General Fund. During fiscal year 2009, the School District paid \$1,903 to SOITA. To obtain financial information, write to the Southwestern Ohio Instructional Technology Association, Larry Pogue, who serves as Executive Director, at 150 East Sixth Street, Franklin, Ohio 45005.

#### **B.** Insurance Purchasing Pools

Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan - The School District participates in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Purchasing Council Workers' Compensation Group Rating Plan (GRP). The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a ten member committee consisting of the Chairperson, a representative from the Montgomery County Educational Service Center, and eight other members elected by a majority vote of all member school districts. The Chief administrator of GRP serves as the coordinator of the program. Each fiscal year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

**Shelby County Schools Consortium** - The Shelby County Schools Consortium is an insurance purchasing pool among seven local school districts and the Shelby County Educational Service Center. The purpose of the Consortium is to achieve more favorable rates for employee insurance by creating a larger pool on which to base the insurance experience. The Consortium acts together to provide health/surgical, dental, and term-life benefits to its participants at a lower rate than if individual districts acted independently.

Each school district pays monthly premiums to the provider, currently Anthem Blue Cross/Blue Shield for health and dental insurance, and Sun Life Financial for life insurance. The Consortium is governed by an administrative committee consisting of the superintendent from each participating district and the service center. The degree of control exercised by any participating school district is limited to its representation on the committee. During fiscal year 2009, Russia Local School District contributed \$440,224 from the General Fund. Financial information can be obtained from Mike Elsass, who serves as consultant to the group, Elsass/Hecker CLU's, 131 North Ludlow St., Dayton, Ohio 45402.

Southwestern Ohio Educational Council Property, Fleet and Liability Insurance Program – The School District participates in the Southwestern Ohio Educational Council Property, Fleet and Liability Insurance Program (PFL). The PFL's business affairs are conducted by a six member committee consisting of various PFL representatives that are elected by the general assembly. The purpose of the program is to jointly provide or obtain casualty, property, employer liability, general liability, risk management, professional liability, group coverage and other protections for participating school districts. During fiscal year 2009, the School District paid \$19,290 for insurance coverage. Financial information can be obtained from Ken Swink, Director, at 303 Corporate Center Drive, Suite 208, Vandalia, OH 45377.

## 14. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

During fiscal year 2009, the School District transferred \$5,000 from the General Fund to the Athletics Fund. The School District transferred cash to subsidize the program.

# NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2009 (Continued)

#### 15. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the School District are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Grantors may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

#### 16. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

On August 4, 2009, the voters of Russia Local School District approved a bond levy for \$3.58 mills. The levy is for 28 years and is anticipated to generate \$1,940,722. The levy proceeds will be used to pay for the bonds for the local portion of the Ohio School Facilities Commission (OSFC) project. The project consists of the elementary renovation with approximately 5,000 square feet of new building. The State share of the project is \$4,988,156.

In October 2009, the School District issued a bond anticipation note in the amount of \$1,940,000. The note matures May 2010 and carried an interest rate of 1.950%. The notes will be paid off with bond proceeds.

On November 3, 2009, the voters of Russia Local School District approved a replacement operating levy for 8 mills. The levy is for five years.

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

Russia Local School District Shelby County 100 School Street Russia, Ohio 45363

To the Board of Education:

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Russia Local School District, Shelby County (the District) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2010 and 2009, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated February 24, 2011, wherein we noted the District uses a comprehensive accounting basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. 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 District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting.

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 more than a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above.

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## **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 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 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 2010-001.

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

We intend this report solely for the information and use of management, the audit committee, the Board of Education, and others within the District. We intend it for no one other than these specified parties.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

February 24, 2011

# SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS FISCAL YEAR END JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009

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

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2010-001**

#### FINDING FOR RECOVERY REPAID UNDER AUDIT

**Ohio Rev. Code Sec 117.01(C)** states "public money" means any money received, collected by, or due a public official under color of office, as well as any money collected by any individual on behalf of a public office or as a purported representative or agent of the public office.

According to the School District's Record of Ticket and Cash Accountability Report the number of admission tickets and programs sold for the varsity boys' basketball game held on January 15, 2010 at Russia Local School District should have resulted in \$3,110 collected and deposited. However, per examination of said records, only \$2,993 was deposited and recorded as a receipt for the event. Further review of the Admission Ticket log supported the conclusion that a sequence of tickets were documented as sold for the January 15, 2010 game, however no cash was deposited.

Therefore, public monies in the amount of \$117 were due but not deposited or recorded in the School District's accounting financial records. The Ticket and Cash Accountability Report was approved by former Athletic Director Brad Francis.

In accordance with the forgoing facts, and pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.28, a Finding for Recovery for public money unaccounted for is hereby issued against Brad Francis, former Athletic Director, and in favor of Russia Local School District Athletic Fund, in the amount of \$117. The finding for recovery was repaid while under audit as evidenced by receipt #18510, dated December 22, 2010.

## **Client Response:**

A random reconciliation of tickets proved that there were tickets unaccounted for. This variance was not able to be explained. Additional reconciliations were tested and proved this to be an isolated incident. When the issue was brought to the attention of the former athletic director, who signed off on the accountability form, restitution was made. It appeared to be a reconciliation error.

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#### Independent Accountants' Report on Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures

Russia Local School District Shelby County 100 School Street Russia, Ohio 45363

#### To the Board of Education:

Ohio Rev. Code Section 117.53 states "the auditor of state shall identify whether the school district or community school has adopted an anti-harassment policy in accordance with Section 3313.666 of the Revised Code. This determination shall be recorded in the audit report. The auditor of state shall not prescribe the content or operation of any anti-harassment policy adopted by a school district or community school."

Accordingly, we have performed the procedures enumerated below, which were agreed to by the Board, solely to assist the Board in evaluating whether Russia Local School District, Shelby County, (the School District) has adopted an anti-harassment policy in accordance with Ohio Rev. Code Section 3313.666. Management is responsible for complying with this requirement. This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the Board. Consequently; we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

- 1. We noted the Board adopted an anti-harassment policy at its meeting on December 19, 2007.
- 2. We read the policy, noting it included the following requirements from Ohio Rev. Code Section 3313.666(B):
  - (1) A statement prohibiting harassment, intimidation, or bullying of any student on school property or at school-sponsored events;
  - (2) A definition of harassment, intimidation, or bullying that includes the definition in division (A) of Ohio Rev. Code Section 3313.666;
  - (3) A procedure for reporting prohibited incidents;
  - (4) A requirement that school personnel report prohibited incidents of which they are aware to the school principal or other administrator designated by the principal;
  - (5) A requirement that parents or guardians of any student involved in a prohibited incident be notified and, to the extent permitted by section 3319.321 of the Revised Code and the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232q, as amended, have access to any written reports pertaining to the prohibited incident;
  - (6) A procedure for documenting any prohibited incident that is reported;

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- (7) A procedure for responding to and investigating any reported incident;
- (8) A strategy for protecting a victim from additional harassment, intimidation, or bullying, and from retaliation following a report:
- (9) A disciplinary procedure for any student guilty of harassment, intimidation, or bullying, which shall not infringe on any student's rights under the first amendment to the Constitution of the United States;
- (10) A requirement that the district administration semiannually provide the president of the district board a written summary of all reported incidents and post the summary on its web site, if the district has a web site, to the extent permitted by section 3319.321 of the Revised Code and the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974," 88 Stat. 571, 20 U.S.C. 1232q, as amended.

We were not engaged to and did not conduct an examination, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on compliance with the anti-harassment policy. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

February 24, 2011



## **RUSSIA LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

#### **SHELBY COUNTY**

## **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.

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED APRIL 14, 2011