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We have reviewed the *Independent Auditor's Report* of the Global Impact Stem Academy, Clark County, prepared by Wilson, Shannon & Snow, Inc., for the audit period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Based upon this review, we have accepted these reports in lieu of the audit required by Section 117.11, Revised Code. The Auditor of State did not audit the accompanying financial statements and, accordingly, we are unable to express, and do not express an opinion on them.

Our review was made in reference to the applicable sections of legislative criteria, as reflected by the Ohio Constitution, and the Revised Code, policies, procedures and guidelines of the Auditor of State, regulations and grant requirements. The Global Impact Stem Academy is responsible for compliance with these laws and regulations.

Dave Yost Auditor of State

January 18, 2018



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Governing Board:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Global Impact STEM Academy, Clark County, Ohio (the Academy), as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Academy's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Global Impact STEM Academy, Clark County as of June 30, 2017, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Global Impact Stem Academy Clark County Independent Auditor's Report

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis* 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 applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, consisting of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries to the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not opine or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to opine or provide any other assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 18, 2017 on our consideration of the Academy's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Academy's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

December 18, 2017 Newark, Ohio

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

The management's discussion and analysis of the Global Impact STEM Academy's (the "Academy") financial performance provides an overall review of the Academy's financial activities for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Academy's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the notes to the basic financial statements and financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Academy's financial performance. The Academy began accepting students and State Foundation revenue in July of 2013 and fiscal year 2014 was the first year of the Academy's operations.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for fiscal year 2017 are as follows:

- Net position at June 30, 2017 was \$7,649,873, including unrestricted net position of \$1,060,758. This represents an increase of \$6,614,262 compared to the prior fiscal year's net position.
- The Academy had total revenues of \$9,598,737, including operating revenues of \$3,169,569 and non-operating revenues of \$6,429,168; these revenues supported operating expenses of \$2,983,319 and non-operating expenses of \$1,156 during fiscal year 2017.
- The Academy has entered into an agreement with the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission (OFCC) to finance building renovations. During fiscal year 2017, the Academy received \$6,303,844 in grant funding from the OFCC and spent \$4,540,656 on capital improvements.

Using the Basic Financial Statements

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the Academy's financial activities. The statement of net position and statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position provide information about the activities of the Academy, including all short-term and long-term financial resources and obligations. The statement of cash flows provides information about how the Academy finances and meets the cash flow needs of its operations.

Reporting the Academy Financial Activities

Statement of Net Position, Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows

These documents look at all financial transactions and ask the question, "How did the Academy perform financially during 2017?" The statement of net position and the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net position answer this question. These statements include all assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private-sector companies. This basis of accounting will take into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the Academy's net position and changes in net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the Academy as a whole, the financial position of the Academy has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, some not. These statements can be found on pages 7 and 8 of this report. The statement of cash flows can be found on page 9.

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements. These notes to the basic financial statements can be found on pages 11-21 of this report.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

The table below provides a summary of the Academy's net position at June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016.

Net Position

	2017			2016		
<u>Assets</u>						
Current assets	\$	4,183,048	\$	1,034,414		
Capital assets, net		4,825,773		306,775		
Total assets		9,008,821		1,341,189		
<u>Liabilities</u>						
Current liabilities		1,333,642		279,403		
Long-term liabilities		25,306		26,175		
Total liabilities		1,358,948		305,578		
Net position						
Net investment in capital assets		4,805,920		280,938		
Restricted		1,783,195		6,219		
Unrestricted		1,060,758		748,454		
Total net position	\$	7,649,873	\$	1,035,611		

Over time, net position can serve as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At June 30, 2017, the Academy's assets exceeded liabilities by \$7,649,873. Of this total, \$1,783,195 is restricted in use and \$1,060,758 is unrestricted.

Assets

Current assets at June 30, 2017 consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, including approximately \$2.7 million in unspent OFCC grant funding. Current assets also include receivables and prepayments. The Academy's capital assets consist of construction in progress, leasehold improvements and furniture and equipment. Capital assets are used to provide services to the students and are not available for future spending; therefore, the Academy's investment in capital assets is presented as a separate component of net position.

Liabilities

Current liabilities consist of accounts and intergovernmental payables and the current portion of the Academy's capital lease obligations. Contracts payable at June 30, 2017 are mostly amounts owed to contractors for construction work completed by fiscal year-end. Intergovernmental payables are primarily amounts owed to the Academy's fiscal agent, the Educational Service Center Council of Governments. Non-current liabilities at June 30, 2017 consist of capital leases and a long-term intergovernmental payable.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

The following table shows the changes in net position for fiscal years 2017 and 2016.

Change in Net Position

	2017	2016		
Operating revenues:				
State Foundation	\$ 3,080,355	\$ 2,267,132		
Tuition and fees	60,561	38,258		
Sales and charges for services	25,737	15,558		
Miscellaneous	2,916	1,629		
Total operating revenues	3,169,569	2,322,577		
Operating expenses:				
Purchased services	2,474,067	2,192,757		
Materials and supplies	415,298	348,851		
Other	24,618	20,077		
Depreciation	69,336	56,361		
Total operating expenses	2,983,319	2,618,046		
Non-operating revenues:				
Federal, State and local grants	6,423,461	256,999		
Interest earnings	298	86		
Contributions and donations	5,409	47,423		
Interest and fiscal charges	(1,156)	(1,316)		
Total non-operating revenues	6,428,012	303,192		
Change in net position	6,614,262	7,723		
Net position at the beginning of the year	1,035,611	1,027,888		
Net position at the end of the year	\$ 7,649,873	\$ 1,035,611		

As the preceding table illustrates, the Academy's primary source of operating revenue is State Foundation revenue, which is allocated to schools throughout the State based on Full Time Equivalent (FTE) students reported by the schools. The Academy's FTE went from 140 in 2016 to 347 in fiscal year 2017, leading to an increase in Foundation funding. Non-operating revenues in 2017 included \$6.3 million in grant funding from the OFCC, which the Academy is using to finance building renovations.

The main component of expenses for the Academy is purchased services, which accounted for 82.9% of all operating expenses in fiscal year 2017. These expenses consist primarily of professional and technical services, including payments made under the Academy's services contract with the Educational Service Center Council of Governments. Refer to Note 9 in the notes to the basic financial statements for additional detail on the components of purchased services expenses.

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2017, the Academy's capital assets consist of construction in progress, leasehold improvements and furniture and equipment in the amount of \$4,825,773 (net of accumulated depreciation). Capital asset acquisitions in fiscal year 2017, primarily construction in progress, were \$4,588,334, and the Academy recognized \$69,336 in depreciation expense. Refer to Note 6 in the notes to the basic financial statements for detail on the Academy's capital assets.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

Debt Administration

The only long-term debt outstanding for the Academy is a capital lease obligation which was entered into during fiscal year 2016 in order to acquire copiers. At June 30, 2017, the balance of the lease is \$19,853, of which \$6,290 is due within one year. See Note 7 in the notes to the basic financial statements for detail on the lease.

Current Issues

The Academy receives approximately 97.2% of its operating revenues from the Ohio Department of Education in the form of State Foundation revenues. Thus, the Academy is heavily reliant on the State funding formula in its ability to continue to provide quality educational services to its students. The Academy's allocation for fiscal year 2018 is approximately \$4.7 million.

Contacting the Academy's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Academy's finances and to show the Academy's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information contact Tammy Rizzo, Treasurer of the Global Impact STEM Academy, 2080 Citygate Drive, Columbus, Ohio 43219.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2017

Assets: Current assets: Equity in pooled cash		
and cash equivalents	\$	4,125,740
Accounts		10,973
Intergovernmental		5,273 41,062
Total current assets		4,183,048
Non-current assets:		
Non-depreciable capital assets		4,540,656
Depreciable capital assets, net		285,117
Total non-current assets		4,825,773
Total assets		9,008,821
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable		6,949
Contracts payable		903,018
Retainage payable		78,761
Capital leases payable		6,290 338,624
Total current liabilities		1,333,642
Non-current liabilities:		
Intergovernmental payable		11,743
Capital leases payable		13,563
Total non-current liabilities	-	25,306
Total liabilities		1,358,948
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets		4,805,920
Restricted for capital projects		1,766,016
Restricted for locally funded programs		17,179
Unrestricted		1,060,758
Total net position	\$	7,649,873

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Operating revenues:	
State Foundation	\$ 3,080,355
Tuition and fees	60,561
Sales and charges for services	25,737
Miscellaneous	2,916
Total operating revenues	 3,169,569
Operating expenses:	
Purchased services	2,474,067
Materials and supplies	415,298
Other	24,618
Depreciation	 69,336
Total operating expenses	 2,983,319
Operating income	 186,250
Non-operating revenues:	
Federal, State and local grants	6,423,461
Interest revenue	298
Contributions and donations	5,409
Interest and fiscal charges	(1,156)
Total nonoperating revenues	6,428,012
Change in net position	6,614,262
Net position at beginning of year	 1,035,611
Net position at end of year	\$ 7,649,873

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from State Foundation	\$ 3,115,984
Cash received from tuition and fees	58,846
Cash received from sales and charges for services	23,177
Cash received from miscellaneous sources	2,416
Cash payments for purchased services	(2,437,564)
Cash payments for materials and supplies	(413,764)
Cash payments for other expenses	 (36,272)
Net cash provided by operating activities	 312,823
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities:	
Cash received from Federal, State and local grants	119,499
Cash received from contributions and donations	3,849
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	123,348
Cash flows from capital and related	
financing activities:	
Cash received from capital grants	6,303,844
Interest and fiscal charges	(1,156)
Principal retirement on capital lease	(5,984)
Acquisition of capital assets	 (3,606,555)
Net cash provided by capital and related	
financing activities	 2,690,149
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest received	 298
Net cash provided by investing activities	 298
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,126,618
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	999,122
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 4,125,740
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Operating income.	\$ 186,250
Adjustments: Depreciation	69,336
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Increase in accounts receivable	(2,986)
Decrease in intergovernmental receivable	15,958
Increase in prepayments	(33,310)
Increase in accounts payable	2,569
Increase in intergovernmental payable	 75,006
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 312,823

Non-cash transactions:

At June 30, 2017, capital assets purchased on account amounted to \$981,779.

SEE ACCOMPANYING NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL AND REPORTING ENTITY

Global Impact STEM Academy (the "Academy") is a legally separate nonprofit corporation served by an appointed fourteen-member Governing Board and meets the definition of a science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) school under chapter 3326 of the Ohio Revised Code. Founded in 2013 in Springfield, Ohio, the Academy was created to address industry challenges and solutions that students can tackle to solve the issues of tomorrow (and today). The Academy delivers an innovative and relevant curriculum through an interdisciplinary, project-driven school day. Equipped with their own unique skill-sets, our students are then plugged into post-secondary institutions and organizations throughout the state in fields of bioscience, energy, environment, agriculture, and more. The Academy offers education for children in the ninth through twelfth grade and expects to expand to seventh through twelfth.

The Academy has been granted tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Academy's Governing Board advises and assists the school staff on curriculum, school evaluation and research, professional development, funding and community relations. Fourteen members serve on the Governing Board, including representatives from Clark State Community College, Wright State University, Springfield City Schools, Turner Foundation, Clark County Farm Bureau, Dayton Development Coalition, and local business entrepreneurs. The Academy's director and staff oversee the day-to-day operations of the school.

The Educational Service Center Council of Governments (ESCCOG) serves as the fiscal agent for the Academy (See Note 11).

Reporting Entity:

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

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

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Academy have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental nonprofit organizations. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The Academy's significant accounting policies are described below.

A. Basis of Presentation

The Academy's basic financial statements consist of a statement of net position, a statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and a statement of cash flows. Enterprise accounting is used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges; or where it has been decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

B. Measurement Focus

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by its measurement focus. Enterprise accounting uses a "flow of economic resources" measurement focus. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities are included on the statement of net position.

C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. The Academy's financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, are recorded when the exchange takes place. Revenues resulting from non-exchange transactions, in which the Academy receives value without directly giving equal value in return, such as grants and entitlements, are recognized in the year when use is first permitted and all eligibility requirements have been met; eligibility requirements include matching requirements, in which the Academy must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditures requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Academy on a reimbursement basis. Expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

D. Budgetary Process

Unlike other public Schools located in the State of Ohio, STEM Schools are not required to follow budgetary provisions set forth in Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5705. Ohio Revised Code 5705.391 does require the Academy to prepare a five-year projection.

E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

To improve cash management, all cash received by the Academy is pooled in a central bank account. Monies for the Academy are maintained in this account or temporarily used to purchase short-term investments.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

For presentation on the financial statements, investments of the cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the Academy are considered to be cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that are not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

Investments are reported at fair value, except for non-negotiable certificates of deposit, which are reported at cost. Fair value is based on quoted market prices. The Academy had no investments during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

F. Prepayments

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items on the statement of net position. These items are reported as assets on the statement of net position using the consumption method. A current asset for prepaid amounts is recorded at the time of the purchase and the expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

G. Capital Assets

The Academy's capital assets during fiscal year 2017 consisted of construction in progress, leasehold improvements and furniture and equipment. All capital assets are capitalized at cost and updated for additions and retirements during the fiscal year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their acquisition values as of the date received. The Academy maintains a capitalization threshold of \$1,000. The Academy does not have any infrastructure. The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not capitalized.

All capital assets other than construction in progress are depreciated. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over useful lives ranging from 3-20 years for furniture and equipment and 5 years for leasehold improvements.

H. Net Position

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. The net position component "net investment in capital assets," consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on its use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Academy or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

The Academy applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available.

I. Intergovernmental Revenue

The Academy currently participates in the State Foundation Program. Revenues received from this program are recognized as operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (Continued)

The amount of these grants is directly related to the number of students enrolled in the Academy. The Ohio Department of Education conducts reviews of enrollment data and full-time equivalency (FTE) calculations made by the Academy. These reviews are conducted to ensure the schools are reporting accurate student enrollment data to the State, upon which State Foundation funding is calculated.

The remaining grants and entitlements received by the Academy are recognized as non-operating revenues in the accounting period in which all eligibility requirements have been met. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is permitted, matching requirements, in which the Academy must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Academy on a reimbursement basis.

J. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the financial statements.

K. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

L. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues are those revenues that are generated directly from the primary activity of the Academy. Operating expenses are necessary cost incurred to provide the service that is the primary activity of the Academy. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating.

M. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Governing Board and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. The Academy had no extraordinary or special items during fiscal year 2017.

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE

Change in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2017, the Academy has implemented GASB Statement No. 77, "Tax Abatement Disclosures", GASB Statement No. 78, "Pensions Provided Through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans", GASB Statement No. 80, "Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units - An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14" and GASB Statement No. 82, "Pension Issues - An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68 and No. 73".

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTABILITY AND COMPLIANCE - (Continued)

GASB Statement No. 77 requires governments that enter into tax abatement agreements to disclose certain information about the agreement. GASB Statement No. 77 also requires disclosures related to tax abatement agreements that have been entered into by other governments that reduce the reporting government's tax revenues. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 77 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Academy.

GASB Statement No. 78 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for defined benefit pensions provided to the employees of state or local governmental employers through a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan (cost-sharing pension plan) that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of Statement 68 and that (a) is not a state or local governmental pension plan, (b) is used to provide defined benefit pensions both to employees of state or local governmental employers and to employees of employers that are not state or local governmental employers, and (c) has no predominant state or local governmental employer (either individually or collectively with other state or local governmental employers that provide pensions through the pension plan). The implementation of GASB Statement No. 78 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Academy.

GASB Statement No. 80 improves the financial reporting by clarifying the financial statement presentation requirements for certain component units. This Statement applies to component units that are organized as not-for-profit corporations in which the primary government is the sole corporate member. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 80 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Academy.

GASB Statement No. 82 addresses issues regarding (1) the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, (2) the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in an Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and (3) the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee (plan member) contribution requirements. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 82 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the Academy.

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS

Monies held by the Academy are classified by State statute into three categories.

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

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

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

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS - (Continued)

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

- 1. United States Treasury Notes, Bills, Bonds, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
- 2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligations or securities issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality, including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, 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;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio;
- 5. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in items (1) and (2) above 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 Treasury Asset Reserve of Ohio (STAR Ohio);
- 7. Certain banker's acceptance and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days from the purchase date in an amount not to exceed twenty-five percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time; and,
- 8. Under limited circumstances, corporate debt interests rated in either of the two highest classifications by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies.

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

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

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 4 - DEPOSITS - (Continued)

At June 30, 2017, the carrying amount of all Academy deposits was \$4,125,740. Based on the criteria described in GASB Statement No. 40, "<u>Deposits and Investment Risk Disclosures</u>", as of June 30, 2017, \$3,910,437 of the Academy's bank balance of \$4,160,437 was exposed to custodial risk as discussed below, while \$250,000 was covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (the "FDIC").

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of bank failure, the Academy's deposits may not be returned. All deposits are collateralized with eligible securities in amounts equal to at least 105% of the carrying value of the deposits. Such collateral, as permitted by the Ohio Revised Code, is held in single financial institution collateral pools at Federal Reserve Banks, or at member banks of the federal reserve system, in the name of the respective depository bank and pledged as a pool of collateral against all of the public deposits it holds or as specific collateral held at the Federal Reserve Bank in the name of the Academy. The Academy has no deposit policy for custodial credit risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Although the securities were held by the pledging institutions' trust department and all statutory requirements for the deposit of money had been followed, noncompliance with federal requirements could potentially subject the Academy to a successful claim by the FDIC.

NOTE 5 - RECEIVABLES

Receivables at June 30, 2017 consist of tuition and fees for services provided, reimbursements and intergovernmental grants and entitlements. All receivables are considered collectible in full and are expected to be collected within the subsequent year.

NOTE 6 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	06/30/16	Additions	Reductions	06/30/17
Capital assets, not being depreciated: Construction in progress	\$ -	\$ 4,540,656	\$ -	\$ 4,540,656
Total capital assets, not being depreciated		4,540,656		4,540,656
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Leasehold improvements	169,800	-	-	169,800
Furniture and equipment	206,295	47,678	-	253,973
Total capital assets				
being depreciated	376,095	47,678		423,773
Less: accumulated depreciation				
Leasehold improvements	(25,470)	(33,960)	-	(59,430)
Furniture and equipment	(43,850)	(35,376)		(79,226)
Total accumulated depreciation	(69,320)	(69,336)		(138,656)
Capital assets, net	\$ 306,775	\$ 4,518,998	\$ -	\$ 4,825,773

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 7 - CAPITAL LEASE - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

During fiscal year 2016 the Academy entered into a lease agreement to acquire copiers which meets the criteria for reporting as a capital lease. Capital assets consisting of equipment have been capitalized in the amount of \$31,661, which represents the value of the future minimum lease payments at the time of acquisition. A corresponding liability was recorded on the statement of net position. Accumulated depreciation on the equipment at June 30, 2017 was \$6,332, leaving a book value of \$25,329.

Principal and interest payments in fiscal year 2017 were \$5,984 and \$1,156, respectively. The following is a schedule of the future long-term minimum lease payments required under the leases and the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2017:

Fiscal Year		
Ending June 30,	_ <u>A</u>	mount
2018	\$	7,140
2019		7,140
2020		7,140
Total minimum lease payments		21,420
Less: amount representing interest	_	(1,567)
Present value of minimum lease payments	\$	19,853

The following is a summary of the Academy's capital lease activity in fiscal year 2017:

	Balance						В	alance	Due Within		
	June	30, 2016	Add	itions	Red	ductions	June	30, 2017	On	e Year	
Capital lease	\$	25,837	\$		\$	(5,984)	\$	19,853	\$	6,290	

NOTE 8 - INTERGOVERNMENTAL PAYABLE

The following is a summary of the Academy's intergovernmental payable activity in fiscal year 2017:

A. Compensated Absences

The Academy's employees are employed by the Educational Service Center Council of Governments (ESCCOG). Sick and vacation leave payouts for these employees are paid by the ESCCOG and subsequently reimbursed by the Academy. The intergovernmental payable reported as a long-term obligation represents the sick and vacation leave balances for the Academy's employees in accordance with GASB Statement No. 16. Below is the net change in this liability for fiscal year 2017:

Balance						В	alance	Due Within		
	June	2016	Additions		itions Reductions		June 30, 2017		One Year	
Intergovernmental payable	\$	21,220	\$	26,568	\$	(14,898)	\$	32,890	\$	21,147

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 8 - INTERGOVERNMENTAL PAYABLE - (Continued)

B. Other Intergovernmental Payables

The following is a summary of other intergovernmental payables incurred by the Academy for fiscal year 2017:

Description	 Amount			
Payable to ESCCOG	\$ 201,056			
Year-End FTE Adjustment Payable to the Ohio Department of Education	59,275			
Student Costs Payable to Colleges	46,044			
Miscellaneous Payables	 11,102			
Total	\$ 317,477			

NOTE 9 - PURCHASED SERVICES

For fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, purchased services expenses were as follows:

Professional and technical services *	\$ 2,127,847
Property services	57,556
Travel mileage and meetings	15,068
Communications	64,801
Utilities	44,315
Contracted craft or trade	3,488
Tuition	77,745
Pupil transportation services	11,913
Other	 71,334
Total	\$ 2,474,067

^{*} Professional and technical services includes \$1,906,397 in salary and benefit related expenses specific to Academy employees who are employed by the Educational Service Center Council of Governments.

NOTE 10 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Academy is exposed to various risk of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to contracted personnel; and natural disasters. For fiscal year 2017, the Academy had commercial general liability and terrorism coverage through Brower Insurance. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage and there has been no significant reduction in coverage from the prior fiscal year.

NOTE 11 - SERVICE AGREEMENT

The Academy entered into a service contract with the ESCCOG for fiscal year 2017 to provide fiscal, student data, and Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Planning (CCIP) consulting services. The ESCCOG shall perform the following services for the Academy in accordance with the services proposal:

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 11 - SERVICE AGREEMENT - (Continued)

- Month End Accounting
- Accounts Payable/Receivable
- Pavroll
- Accounting/Fiscal Support/Tax Reporting/General Office Support
- EMIS/Recordkeeping
- Ohio Facilities Construction Commission Fiscal Services

NOTE 12 - CONTINGENCIES

A. Grants

The Academy received financial assistance from Federal and State agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the Academy at June 30, 2017.

B. State Foundation Funding

School foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. However, there is an important nexus between attendance and enrollment for Foundation funding purposes. Community schools must provide documentation that clearly demonstrates students have participated in learning opportunities. The Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to adjust/reconcile funding as enrollment information is updated by schools throughout the State, which can extend past the fiscal year end.

Under Ohio Rev. Code Section 3314.08, ODE may also perform a FTE Review subsequent to the fiscal year end that may result in an additional adjustment to the enrollment information as well as claw backs of Foundation funding due to a lack of evidence to support student participation and other matters of noncompliance. ODE performed such a review on the Academy for fiscal year 2017.

As of the date of this report, additional ODE adjustments for fiscal year 2017 are not finalized. As a result, the impact of future FTE adjustments on the fiscal year 2017 financial statements is not determinable, at this time. Management believes this may result in either an additional receivable to, or a liability of, the Academy.

C. Litigation

The Academy is not involved in any litigation that, in the opinion of management, would have a material effect on the financial statements at June 30, 2017.

NOTE 13 - OPERATING LEASE - LESSEE DISCLOSURE

Effective July 1, 2015, the Academy entered into a lease to rent a building from the Springfield City School District. The initial lease term is twenty years, with automatic one year renewals after the initial term, unless either party provides written notice of termination at least eighteen months prior to the end of the initial term, or at least six months prior to the end of the then current renewal period, as applicable.

NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NOTE 13 - OPERATING LEASE - LESSEE DISCLOSURE - (Continued)

Lease payments in fiscal year 2017 totaled \$50,000. Future minimum payments required under the lease in fiscal year 2018 amount to \$75,000.

The required lease payments in fiscal years 2019 and 2020 are dependent on (a) the Academy determining, in its sole discretion, that is has sufficient enrollment to require a significant expansion of its space in the building, and (b) the Academy completing certain improvements to the building as to be agreed between the Academy and the lessor. The annual rent for fiscal years 2019 and 2020 will be \$250,000 if the conditions are met, or \$150,000 if the conditions are not met. Rent for the remainder of the initial term of the lease will be determined every three years by the Academy and lessor, with the condition that any increase in rent will be limited based on the change in the Consumer Price Index.



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

Global Impact STEM Academy Clark County 700 S. Limestone Street Springfield, Ohio 45505

To the Governing Board:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of the Global Impact STEM Academy, Clark County, (the Academy) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Academy's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 18, 2017.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

As part of our financial statement audit, we considered the Academy's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures appropriate in the circumstances to the extent necessary to support our opinion on the financial statements, but not to the extent necessary to opine on the effectiveness of the Academy's internal control. Accordingly, we have not opined on it.

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

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

Compliance and Other Matters

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

Global Impact Stem Academy
Clark County
Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial
Reporting and on Compliancy and Other Matters Required
By Government Auditing Standards

Purpose of this Report

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

Newark, Ohio

December 18, 2017

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CLERK'S CERTIFICATION

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

CLERK OF THE BUREAU

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED FEBRUARY 1, 2018