

# WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS WEST BRANCH, MICHIGAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2017

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

October 11, 2017

Board of Education West Branch-Rose City Area Schools West Branch, Michigan

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools (School District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the School District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools as of June 30, 2017 and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.





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#### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information and pension schedules as noted in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting 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 U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, 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 assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements and schedule of bonded indebtedness are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining nonmajor fund financial statements, schedule of bonded indebtedness and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves and other additional procedures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In our opinion, the combining nonmajor fund financial statements, schedule of bonded indebtedness and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.



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#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 11, 2017, on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's 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 School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Our discussion and analysis of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

#### **Financial Highlights**

The School District's net position increased by \$2,433,793. Program revenues were \$6,083,804 or 26% of total revenues, and general revenues were \$17,440,656 or 74%.

The General Fund reported a positive fund balance of \$5,238,782.

#### **Using this Annual Financial Report**

The annual financial report consists of a series of financial statements and notes to those statements. These statements are organized so the reader can understand the School District financially as a whole. The *District-wide Financial Statements* provide information about the activities of the whole School District, presenting both an aggregate view of the School District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. The fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental activities, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements look at the School District's operations in more detail than the district-wide financial statements by providing information about the School District's most significant fund - the General Fund with all other funds presented in one column as nonmajor funds. The remaining statement, the statement of fiduciary net position, presents financial information about activities for which the School District acts solely as an agent for the benefit of students. The following summarizes the presentation included in this annual financial report.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) (Required Supplemental Information)

**Basic Financial Statements** 

- District-wide Financial Statements
- Fund Financial Statements
- Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

Budgetary Information for the General Fund (Required Supplemental Information)

Pension Schedules (Required Supplemental Information)

Other Supplemental Information

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### Reporting the District as a Whole

#### The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities

One of the most important questions asked about the School District's finances is: "Is the School District better or worse off as a result of the year's activities?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information about the School District as a whole and about its activities in a manner that helps to answer this question. These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by private sector companies. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are taken into consideration regardless of when cash is received or paid.

These two statements report the School District's net position as a way to measure the School District's financial position. The change in net position provides the reader a tool to assist in determining whether the School District's financial health is improving or deteriorating. The reader will need to consider other nonfinancial factors such as property tax base, student enrollment growth and facility conditions in arriving at their conclusion regarding the overall health of the School District.

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

#### Fund Financial Statements

The School District's fund financial statements provide detailed information about the most significant funds - not the School District as a whole. Some funds are required to be established by State law and by bond covenants. Other funds are established to help it control and manage money for particular purposes or to meet legal responsibilities for using certain taxes, grants and other sources of revenue. The School District's two types of funds, governmental and fiduciary, use different accounting approaches as further described in the notes to the financial statements.

#### Governmental Funds

Most of the School District's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end available for spending in future periods. These funds are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view of the School District's general government operations and the basic services it provides. Governmental fund information helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources available to spend in the near future to finance the School District's programs. The relationship (or differences) between governmental activities (reported in the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities) and governmental funds is reconciled in the basic financial statements.

#### Fiduciary Funds

The School District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for its student activity funds and scholarship funds. All of the School District's fiduciary activities are reported in separate Statement of Fiduciary Net Position. We exclude these activities from the School District's other financial statements because the assets cannot be utilized by the School District to finance its operations.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **District-wide Financial Analysis**

The statement of net position provides the perspective of the School District as a whole. Exhibit A provides a summary of the School District's net position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016:

Exhibit A	Governmental Activities				
		2017	2016		
Assets					
Current and other assets	\$	11,327,066	\$	10,752,794	
Capital assets - net of accumulated depreciation		17,295,591		17,535,421	
Total assets		28,622,657		28,288,215	
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>					
Related to pensions		3,355,185		2,705,619	
Liabilities					
Current liabilities		6,200,985		7,258,614	
Long-term liabilities		34,961,705		35,480,332	
Total liabilities		41,162,690		42,738,946	
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>					
Related to refunding		119,572		137,508	
Related to pensions		1,944,285		1,799,878	
Total deferred inflows of resources		2,063,857		1,937,386	
Net Position					
Net investment in capital assets		7,824,782		6,905,491	
Restricted		912,299		507,653	
Unrestricted		(19,985,786)		(21,095,642)	
Total net position	\$	(11,248,705)	\$	(13,682,498)	

Exhibit A focuses on net position of the School District. The School District's net position was \$(11,248,705) at June 30, 2017. Capital assets, net of related debt totaling approximately \$7,824,782 compares the original costs, less depreciation of the School District's capital assets to long-term debt used to finance the acquisition of those assets. Most of the debt will be repaid from voter-approved property taxes collected as the debt service comes due. Restricted net position is reported separately to show legal constraints from debt requirements and legislation that limit the School District's ability to use that net position for day-to-day operations.

The \$(19,985,786) in unrestricted net position of governmental activities represents the *accumulated* results of all past years' operations. The operating results of the General Fund will have a significant impact on the change in unrestricted net position from year to year.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

The School District implemented GASB Statement No. 68 in 2015. The effect of this Statement required the School District to report in the summary of net position, a liability of \$26,312,395 for 2017 and \$25,640,257 for 2016.

The results of this year's operations for the School District as a whole are reported in the statement of activities. Exhibit B provides a summary of the changes in net position for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

Exhibit B	Governmental Activities				
	2017				
Revenues					
Program revenue:					
Charges for services	\$	363,686	\$	399,776	
Grants and categoricals		5,720,118		4,815,949	
General revenue:					
Property taxes		8,136,422		7,970,897	
State aid		8,834,529		8,326,042	
Other		469,705		1,766,499	
Total revenues		23,524,460		23,279,163	
Function/Program Expenses					
Instruction		11,679,380		10,923,194	
Support services		6,792,930		7,059,772	
Community services		44,075		48,214	
Food services		1,059,581		1,046,567	
Athletics		368,601		330,688	
Interest on long-term debt		266,315		399,417	
Depreciation (unallocated)		879,785		1,213,971	
Total expenses		21,090,667		21,021,823	
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	\$	2,433,793	\$	2,257,340	

As reported in the statement of activities, the cost of all of our *governmental* activities this year was \$21,090,667. Certain activities were partially funded from those who benefited from the programs, \$363,686, or by the other governments and organizations that subsidized certain programs with grants and categoricals of \$5,720,118. We paid for the remaining "public benefit" portion of our governmental activities with \$8,136,422 in taxes, \$8,834,529 in State aid and with our other revenues, such as interest and general entitlements.

The School District had an increase in net position of \$2,433,793. The major reasons were the carryover of At-Risk funds, better than expected student enrollment and careful fiscal management. The increase in net position differs from the change in fund balance and a reconciliation appears in the financial statements.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **The School District's Funds**

The School District uses funds to help it control and manage money for particular purposes. Looking at funds helps the reader consider whether the School District is being accountable for the resources taxpayers and others provide to it and may provide more insight into the School District's overall financial health.

The School District's governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$6,218,616, which is above last year's total of \$4,553,282. The schedule below indicates the fund balance and the total change in fund balances as of June 30, 2017 and 2016.

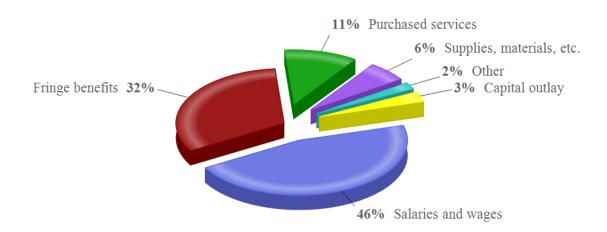
	Fund			Fund		Increase
	Balance			Balance	(	(Decrease)
	(	6/30/2017		6/30/2016		
General	\$	5,238,782	\$	3,903,610	\$	1,335,172
Special Revenue (Food Service)		678,993		377,761		301,232
Debt Service		300,841		271,911		28,930
	\$	6,218,616	\$	4,553,282	\$	1,665,334

- Our General Fund increased by \$1,335,172 due to better than expected student enrollment.
- Our Special Revenue Fund increased by \$301,232 due to contracting our labor versus directly employing staff and sound management practices.
- Our Debt Service Fund increased by \$28,930, a nominal amount, a result of estimating the millage levied.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

As the graph below illustrates, the largest portions of General Fund expenditures are for salaries and fringe benefits. The School District by nature is a labor intensive organization.

# Expenditures



	 2017	2016
Expenditures by Object:		
Salaries and wages	\$ 8,969,327	\$ 8,654,733
Fringe benefits	6,267,551	5,923,517
Purchased services	2,201,155	2,354,182
Supplies, materials, etc.	1,161,892	1,126,843
Capital outlay	501,070	747,302
Other	 364,107	 798,067
Total	\$ 19,465,102	\$ 19,604,644

Expenditures are down approximately \$139,542 or 1% over the prior year primarily due to closure of an insurance claim, and sound management practices.

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

Over the course of the year, the School District revises its budget to reflect changes in revenues and expenditures. State law requires that the budget be amended to ensure that expenditures do not exceed appropriations. A schedule showing the School District's original and final budget amounts compared with amounts actually paid and received is provided in required supplemental information of these financial statements. Changes to the General Fund original budget were as follows:

- Budgeted revenues were amended to update changes in State Aid calculations, changes to allocation of federal grants and changes to allocation of state grants.
- Budgeted expenditures were amended to update changes to facility projects and employee salaries and benefits.
- Actual to Budget variances occurred as a result of sound conservative budgeting and less than expected expenditures.

#### **Capital Assets**

At June 30, 2017, the School District had \$17,295,591 invested in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, furniture and equipment. This amount represents a net decrease (including additions and disposals) of 1% from last year.

	2017		 2016
Land	\$	327,981	\$ 245,800
Construction in progress		579,047	322,173
Buildings and improvements		30,341,881	30,301,211
Buses and other vehicles		2,433,727	2,840,727
Furniture and equipment		11,752,423	11,575,193
Total capital assets		45,435,059	45,285,104
Less accumulated depreciation		28,139,468	 27,749,683
Net capital assets	\$	17,295,591	\$ 17,535,421

This year's addition of \$639,955 includes the purchase of a new bus, various building improvements, technology upgrades, machinery and equipment, mainly for building trades and metal programs.

We anticipate capital additions will continue with the upgrading of boilers, roofs and building systems. We present more detailed information about our capital assets in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **Debt**

At the end of this year, the School District had \$8,310,000 in bonds outstanding versus \$9,295,000 in the previous year - a decrease of 11%.

	 2017	 2016
2015 Refunding School Building & Site Bonds	\$ 8,310,000	\$ 9,295,000

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **Factors Expected to have an Effect on Future Operations**

#### **Curriculum and Instruction**

Even with tough economic conditions, the district has been able to maintain programs, including all Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs at the high school, Advanced Placement courses, and academic support programs.

The Mathematics curriculum for Grades K-12 has been aligned to the Common Core State Standards. The district continues implementation of the Common Core Literacy standards across the curriculum. In addition, enrollment in online courses continues to grow, which requires additional resources for technology and oversight.

Professional development offerings at the local level have increased and staff members continue to strive to improve instructional strategies. The West Branch-Rose City staff is commended for the hard work and dedication that is evident on a daily basis. The district is committed to providing a quality education to all students and sets high academic standards. Teachers are expected to use data on a regular basis to differentiate instruction and increase rigor. Teachers are also expected to make the instructional shifts necessary to fully implement the Common Core State Standards. Accelerating academic achievement for all students is an expectation at all levels and will be accomplished by strengthening Tier 1 instruction and providing support for students through frequent progress monitoring, instructional interventions, and extended day and extended year programs.

While the district has maintained most instructional programs and has invested in technology upgrades, limited resources are available to expand programs. Costs for instructional programming, technology, and transportation replacement are a growing financial, operational, and instructional concern.

Financially, the district continues to face challenges but has experienced an ease in declining enrollment, however, facility needs are continuing to require attention and need to be addressed.

The biggest negative to the financial future of the district is the continuation of declining enrollment, and the increase in retirement costs. The 2017-18 school year budget is based on a decline of 50 students. The major factor in loss of enrolling students is the declining numbers in the early grades, as fewer students are added each year, with much larger numbers graduating. These large graduation numbers will continue for at least the next few years. Therefore, the enrollment decline and loss of revenue will continue.

The good economic news for the short term of the District are the sound fiscal management practices. With a little easing up of the finances, a frugal approach is still employed with each decision. This practice is engaged to benefit the long term fiscal stability of the district.

West Branch-Rose City Area School District is proud of the fact that the district is fiscally viable, provides excellent instruction for students, exhibits the organizational commitment to improve, and attract School of Choice students, due to quality programs and quality instructors. These goals will continue to be our district's mission

Management's Discussion and Analysis For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the School District's finances for all those with an interest in the School District. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Office of the Superintendent West Branch-Rose City Area Schools P.O. Box 308 West Branch, MI 48661-0308

# WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017

	Governmental Activities
<u>Assets</u>	
Cash and investments	\$ 7,312,180
Due from other governmental units	3,750,605
Accounts receivable	2,354
Inventory	123,064
Prepaid expenses	138,863
Capital assets less accumulated depreciation \$28,139,468	17,295,591
Total assets	28,622,657
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Related to pensions	3,355,185
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Accounts payable	251,325
State aid anticipation notes	2,500,000
Accrued interest payable	67,535
Accrued payroll and other liabilities	1,900,188
Unearned revenue	456,937
Long-term liabilities:	
Due within one year	1,025,000
Due in more than one year	8,649,310
Net pension liability	26,312,395
Total liabilities	41,162,690
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	
Related to pensions	1,944,285
Deferred gain on refunding	119,572
Total deferred inflows of resources	2,063,857
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets	7,824,782
Restricted for debt service	233,306
Restricted for food service	678,993
Unrestricted	(19,985,786)
Total net position	<u>\$ (11,248,705)</u>

# WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Statement of Activities

# For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

				Program Revenues			Governmental Activities		
Functions/Programs		Expenses		harges for Services		Operating Grants/ Contributions	F	tet (Expense) Revenue and nanges in Net Position	
<u> </u>									
Primary government - Governmental activities: Instruction Support services Community services Food services Athletics Interest on long-term debt Depreciation (unallocated)  Total governmental activities	\$ 	11,679,380 6,792,930 44,075 1,059,581 368,601 266,315 879,785	\$ 	0 90,034 0 213,245 60,407 0 0	\$ 	4,576,103 0 0 1,144,015 0 0 5,720,118	\$	(7,103,277) (6,702,896) (44,075) 297,679 (308,194) (266,315) (879,785)	
Total governmental activities	<u>Ψ</u>	21,000,007	Ψ	303,000	<u> </u>	2,720,110		(13,000,803)	
General revenues:  Taxes:  Property taxes, levied for general Property taxes, levied for debt seems.	•	•						6,704,914 1,431,508	
State aid Interest and investment earnings Other								8,834,529 5,586 464,119	
Total general revenu	ies							17,440,656	
Change in net position								2,433,793	
Net position - beginning of year								(13,682,498)	
Net position - end of year								\$ (11,248,705)	

# Governmental Funds Balance Sheet June 30, 2017

		Other			
			Nonmajor		
		General	Governmental Funds	Total	
	-	General	runus	10ta1	
	<u>Assets</u>				
Cash and investments	9	\$ 6,598,058	\$ 714,122	\$ 7,312,180	
Due from other governmental units		3,750,605	0	3,750,605	
Receivables - net:		, ,		, ,	
Accounts receivable		2,354	0	2,354	
Due from other funds		8,954	222,538	231,492	
Inventory		95,055	28,009	123,064	
Prepaid expenditures	-	61,857	77,006	138,863	
Total assets	<u>.</u>	\$ 10,516,883	\$ 1,041,675	\$ 11,558,558	
Liabilitie	s and Fund B	<u>alance</u>			
Liabilities					
Accounts payable	9	\$ 198,438	\$ 52,887	\$ 251,325	
Due to other funds		222,538	8,954	231,492	
State aid anticipation notes		2,500,000	0	2,500,000	
Accrued payroll and other liabilities		1,900,188	0	1,900,188	
Unearned revenue	-	456,937	0	456,937	
Total liabilities		5,278,101	61,841	5,339,942	
Fund Balance					
Nonspendable - inventory		95,055	28,009	123,064	
Nonspendable - prepaid		61,857	77,006	138,863	
Restricted for debt service		0	300,841	300,841	
Restricted for food service		0	573,978	573,978	
Unassigned	-	5,081,870	0	5,081,870	
	-	5,238,782	979,834	6,218,616	
Total liabilities and fund balance	9	\$ 10,516,883	\$ 1,041,675	\$ 11,558,558	

# Reconciliation of Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017

Total fund balance - governmental funds	\$ 6,218,616
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:  Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the funds	
Cost of the capital assets	45,435,059
Accumulated depreciation	(28,139,468)
Deferred outflows used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in governmental funds:	
Related to pensions	3,355,185
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and are not reported in the funds:	
Bonds payable	(8,310,000)
Compensated absences	(203,501)
Bond premium	(1,160,809)
Net pension liability	(26,312,395)
Accrued interest payable is included as a liability in governmental activities	(67,535)
Deferred inflows used in governmental activities are not recognized as current resources and therefore are not reported in governmental funds:	
Related to pensions	(1,944,285)
Deferred gain on refunding	(119,572)
Total net position - governmental activities	<u>\$ (11,248,705)</u>

# Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	General	Other Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total
Revenues			
Local sources			
Property taxes	\$ 6,704,914	\$ 1,431,508	\$ 8,136,422
Other	555,909	215,040	770,949
State sources	12,116,873	57,850	12,174,723
Federal sources	1,425,035	1,114,891	2,539,926
Total revenues	20,802,731	2,819,289	23,622,020
Expenditures Current:			
Instruction	11,675,532	0	11,675,532
Support services	7,663,314	0	7,663,314
Community services	44,075	0	44,075
Capital outlay	82,181	0	82,181
Food services	0	1,059,581	1,059,581
Debt service		20.7.20	
Principal	0	985,000	985,000
Interest and other	0	444,650	444,650
Miscellaneous	0	2,353	2,353
Total expenditures	19,465,102	2,491,584	21,956,686
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	1,337,629	327,705	1,665,334
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Operating transfers out	(10,800)	(8,343)	(19,143)
Operating transfers in	8,343	10,800	19,143
•			
Total other financing sources (uses)	(2,457)	2,457	0
Net change in fund balance	1,335,172	330,162	1,665,334
Fund balance - beginning of year	3,903,610	649,672	4,553,282
Fund balance - end of year	\$ 5,238,782	\$ 979,834	\$ 6,218,616

# Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Net change in fund balance - total governmental funds	\$	1,665,334
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statements of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; in the statement of activities, these costs are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation		
Depreciation expense Capital outlay		(879,785) 639,955
Repayment on bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position		085 000
The issuance of long-term debt (e.g. bonds) provide current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, where as these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. The effect of these differences is the treatment of long-term debt and related items as follows:		985,000
Amortization of bond premium  Amortization of gain on refunding		174,121 17,936
Increases in compensated absences are reported as an addition in expenditures when financial resources are used in the governmental fund in accordance with GASB Interpretation No. 6		(8,356)
Accrued interest is reported as a reduction in expenses on the Statement of Activities		6,567
Some revenues and expenses reported in the statement of activities are not recognized as or require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds		
Pension related items	_	(166,979)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	2,433,793

# Fiduciary Funds Statement of Fiduciary Net Position June 30, 2017

	Agency Funds
<u>Assets</u>	
Cash and investments	\$ 300,219
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Due to student groups	\$ 300,219

## Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accounting policies of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools (School District) conform to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies used by the School District:

#### **Reporting Entity**

The West Branch-Rose City Area Schools (School District) was consolidated in 1966. The School District is governed by an elected Board of Education. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with criteria established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board for determining the various governmental organizations to be included in the reporting entity. These criteria include significant operational financial relationships that determine which of the governmental organizations are a part of the School District's reporting entity, and which organizations are legally separate component units of the School District. The School District has no component units.

#### **District-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The district-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support. All of the School District's government-wide activities are considered governmental activities.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segments are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenue includes; (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function, and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function.

Taxes, intergovernmental payments and other items that are not properly included among program revenues are reported as general revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the district-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

## WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Notes to Financial Statements

### For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

**District-wide Statements** - The district-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Grants, categorical aid and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the district-wide financial statements.

Amounts reported as program revenue include; (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenue rather than as program revenue. Likewise, general revenue includes all taxes and unrestricted State aid.

**Fund-based Statements** - Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized as soon as it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenue to be available if it is collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, unrestricted state aid, intergovernmental grants and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenue of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be available only when cash is received by the government.

Fiduciary fund statements also are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

The School District reports the following major governmental fund:

**General Fund** - The General Fund is used to record the general operations of the School District pertaining to education and those operations not provided for in other funds. Included are all transactions related to the approved current operating budget.

#### Assets, Liabilities, and Net Position or Equity

**Deposits and Investments** - Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when acquired. Investments are stated at fair value.

# Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

**Receivables and Payables -** In general, outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds."

**Inventories and Prepaid Items** - Inventories are valued at cost, on a first-in, first-out basis. Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when consumed rather than when purchased. Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future fiscal years and is recorded as prepaid items in both district-wide and fund financial statements.

Capital Assets - Capital assets, which include land, buildings, equipment and vehicles, are reported in the applicable governmental activities column in the district-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and any asset susceptible to theft. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Costs of normal repair and maintenance that do not add to the value or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. The School District does not have infrastructure-type assets.

Buildings, equipment and vehicles are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

Buildings and additions	10-50 years
Furniture and fixtures	8-20 years
Technological equipment	5-10 years
Other equipment	5-20 years
Vehicles and buses	5-10 years

**Compensated Absences** - The liability for compensated absences reported in the district-wide statements consists of unpaid, accumulated annual and sick leave balances. The liability has been calculated using the vesting method, in which leave amounts for both employees who are currently eligible to receive termination payments and other employees who are expected to become eligible in the future to receive such payments upon termination are included.

**Long-term Obligations** - In the district-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position.

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

**Defined Benefit Plan** - For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement Systems (MPSERS) and additions to/deductions from MPSERS fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by MPSERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

**Fund Equity** - The fund balance classifications are reported on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed on the use of the resources in governmental funds. The fund balances are classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned and unassigned.

Nonspendable fund balance represents amounts that are not in a spendable form. The School District's nonspendable fund balance represents inventories and prepaid expenditures. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report restrictions on fund balances for amounts that are legally restricted by outside parties for a specific purpose. Committed fund balance represents funds formally set aside by the School District for a particular purpose. The use of committed funds would be approved by the Board of Education through the budget process or official board action.

Assigned fund balance would represent tentative management plans that are subject to change which at the present time the School District does not have any assigned fund balance. The School District's intent would be to spend uncommitted/unassigned funds prior to the use of committed funds. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the School District's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

#### **Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

**Deferred outflows** - In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. For district-wide financial statements, the School District reports deferred outflows of resources related to pensions. This amount is the result of a difference between what the plan expected to earn from plan investments and what is actually earned. This amount will be amortized over the next four years and included in pension expense. Changes in assumptions relating to the net pension liability are deferred and amortized over the expected remaining service lives of the employees and retirees in the plan. The School District also reported deferred outflows of resources for pension contributions made after the measurement date. This amount will reduce the net pension liability in the following year.

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

**Deferred Inflows** - In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. They are the deferred gain on refunding and pension contributions reported in the government-wide statement of net position. A deferred gain on refunding results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. For district-wide financial statements, the School District reports deferred inflows of resources related to pensions. This amount is the result of a difference between what the plan expected to earn from the plan investments and what the plan actually earned. This amount will be amortized over the next four years and included in pension expense. Changes in assumptions relating to the net pension liability are deferred and amortized over the expected remaining service lives of the employees and retirees in the plan. Deferred inflows of resources also includes revenue received relating to Section 147c state aid deferred to offset the deferred outflows related to Section 147c pension contributions subsequent to the measurement period.

**Use of Estimates** - The process of preparing the basic financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions regarding certain types of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenditures. Such estimates primarily relate to unsettled transactions and events as of the date of the financial statements. Accordingly, upon settlement, actual results may differ from estimated amounts.

**Property taxes** - For the taxpayers of the School District, properties are assessed as of December 31 and the related property taxes are levied and become a lien on July 1. The final collection date is February 28, after which uncollected taxes are added to the County delinquent tax rolls.

#### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

**State Aid** - For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the State of Michigan adopted a foundation grant approach which provides for a specific annual amount of revenue per student based on a state-wide formula. The foundation is funded from state and local sources. Revenues from state sources are primarily governed by the School Aid Act and the School Code of Michigan. The Michigan Department of Education administers the allocation of state funds to school districts based on information supplied by the districts. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the foundation allowance was based on the average pupil membership counts taken in February 2016 and September 2016.

The state portion of the foundation is provided primarily by a state education property tax millage of 6 mills and an allocated portion of state sales and other taxes. The local portion of the foundation is funded primarily by non-homestead property taxes which may be levied at a rate of up to 18 mills. The state revenue is recognized during the foundation period (currently the fiscal year) and is funded through payments from October 2016 - August 2017. The local revenue is recognized as outlined in Note 1. Amounts receivable from the State of Michigan at June 30, 2017 relating to state aid is \$2,101,902.

The School District also receives revenue from the state to administer certain categorical education programs. State rules require that revenue earmarked for these programs be used for its specific purpose. Certain categorical funds require an accounting to the state of the expenditures incurred. For categorical funds meeting this requirement, funds received, which are not expended by the close of the fiscal year are recorded as deferred revenue. Other categorical funding is recognized when the appropriation is received.

#### **Events Occurring After Reporting Date**

Management evaluates events occurring subsequent to the date of the financial statements in determining the accounting for and disclosure of transactions and events that affect the financial statements. Subsequent events have been evaluated through the date of the accompanying Independent Auditor's Report, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### **NOTE 2 - BUDGETS**

The State of Michigan adopted a Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (Act) applicable to all local governmental entities in the state. The law requires appropriation acts to be adopted for General and Special Revenue Funds of school districts prior to the expenditure of monies in a fiscal year.

# Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 2 - BUDGETS (CONTINUED)**

West Branch-Rose City Area Schools follow these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements.

- 1. The School District's Superintendent submits to the Board of Education a proposed budget prior to July 1 of each year. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them
- 2. A public hearing is conducted to obtain taxpayer comments.
- 3. Budgeted amounts are as originally adopted, or as amended by the Board of Education throughout the year. Budgets are adopted to the functional level.
- 4. Appropriations lapse at year-end and therefore cancels all encumbrances. These appropriations are re-established at the beginning of the following year.

A comparison of actual results of operations to the budgeted amounts (at the level of control adopted by the Board of Education) for the General Fund is presented as Required Supplemental Information.

Expenditures shall not be made or incurred, unless authorized in the budget, in excess of the amount appropriated. Violations, if any, in the General Fund are noted in the required supplementary information section.

#### **NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

Some statutes and the School District's investment policy authorize the School District to make deposits in the accounts of federally insured banks, credit unions and savings and loan associations that have an office in Michigan; the School District is allowed to invest in U.S. Treasury or Agency obligations, U.S. government repurchase agreements, bankers' acceptances, commercial paper rated prime at the time of purchase that matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase, mutual funds and investment pools that are composed of authorized investment vehicles. The School District's deposits are in accordance with statutory authority.

At year-end, the School District's deposits and investments were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

	Governmental				Total Primary		
	Activities		Fiduciary Funds			Government	
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Cash and Investments	\$	7,312,180	\$	300,219	\$	7,612,399	

The breakdown between deposits and investments for the School District is as follows:

Deposits (checking and savings accounts, certificates of deposit) \$\\ 7,612,399\$

#### **NOTE 3 - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

#### Interest Rate Risk

In accordance with its investment policy, the School District will minimize interest rate risk, which is the risk that the market value of securities in the portfolio will fall due to changes in market interest rates, by structuring the investment portfolio so that securities mature to meet cash requirements for ongoing operations.

#### Credit Risk

State law limits investments in commercial paper and corporate bonds to a prime or better rating issued by nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSROs). As of June 30, 2017, the School District's investment in the investment pool was rated AAA by Standard & Poor's.

#### Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits

In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. As of June 30, 2017, \$1,472,212 of the School District's bank balance of \$7,976,715 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and uncollateralized.

#### Fair Value Measurement

The School District is required to disclose amounts within a framework established for measuring fair value. That framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described as follows:

- Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical securities.
- Level 2: Prices determined using other significant observable inputs. Observable inputs are inputs that other market participants may use in pricing a security. These may include prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk and others.
- Level 3: Prices determined using significant unobservable inputs. In situations where quoted prices or observable inputs are unavailable or deemed less relevant, unobservable inputs may be used. Unobservable inputs reflect the School District's own assumptions about the factors market participants would use in pricing an investment and would be based on the best information available.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

The School District does not have any investments subject to the fair value measurement.

# Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS**

A summary of changes in governmental capital assets follows:

		Balance e 30, 2016	A	Additions	Disposals and Adjustments	Balance June 30, 2017
Assets not being depreciated:		· · · · · ·				<u> </u>
Land	\$	245,800	\$	82,181	\$ 0	\$ 327,981
Construction in progress		322,173	_	256,874	0	579,047
Subtotal		567,973		339,055	0	907,028
Capital assets being depreciated:						
Buildings and improvements	3	0,301,211		40,670	0	30,341,881
Buses and other vehicles		2,840,727		83,000	(490,000)	2,433,727
Furniture and equipment	1	1,575,193		177,230	0	11,752,423
Subtotal	4	4,717,131		300,900	(490,000)	44,528,031
Accumulated depreciation:						
Buildings and improvements	1	4,323,632		664,978	0	14,988,610
Buses and other vehicles		2,209,618		123,521	(490,000)	1,843,139
Furniture and equipment	1	1,216,433		91,286	0	11,307,719
Subtotal	2	7,749,683		879,785	(490,000)	28,139,468
Net capital assets being depreciated	1	6,967,448		(578,885)	0	16,388,563
Net capital assets	\$ 1	7,535,421	\$	(239,830)	<u>\$</u> 0	\$ 17,295,591

Depreciation expense for fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 was \$879,785. The School District determined that it was impractical to allocate depreciation to the various governmental activities as the assets serve multiple functions.

#### NOTE 5 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS

A summary of interfund receivable and payable balances at June 30, 2017 are as follows:

			Payables					
		Ger	Foo General Serv				Total	
Receivables	General Food Service	\$ 22	0 22,538	\$	8,954 0	\$	8,954 222,538	
		\$ 22	22,538	\$	8,954	\$	231,492	

# Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### NOTE 5 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES, PAYABLES AND TRANSFERS (CONTINUED)

A summary of interfund transfers made during the year ended June 30, 2017 are as follows:

		_	Transfers Out					
		_	General	Foo	d Service		Total	
Transfers In	General Food Service	\$	0 10,800	\$	8,343 0	\$	8,343 10,800	
		<u>\$</u>	10,800	\$	8,343	\$	19,143	

These interfund receivable and payable balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that; (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

The interfund transfers resulted from indirect cost reimbursement from Food Service to General Fund and At-Risk breakfast transfer from General Fund to Food Service.

#### **NOTE 6 - UNEARNED REVENUE**

Governmental funds report unearned revenue in connection with receivables for revenue that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also reflect unearned revenue in connection with resources that have been received but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, grant and categorical aid payments received prior to meeting all eligibility requirements amounted to \$456,937.

#### **NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT**

The following is a summary of governmental long-term obligations for the School District for the year ended June 30, 2017:

					Amount Due
	Balance		Retirements	Balance	Within One
	June 30, 2016	Additions	and Payments	June 30, 2017	Year
Bonds	\$ 9,295,000	\$ 0	\$ 985,000	\$ 8,310,000	\$ 1,025,000
Compensated					
absences	195,145	8,356	0	203,501	0
	\$ 9,490,145	\$ 8,356	\$ 985,000	8,513,501	1,025,000
Bond premium				1,160,809	0
Total				\$ 9,674,310	\$ 1,025,000

# WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Notes to Financial Statements

## For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 7 - LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)**

Bonds payable at June 30, 2017 is comprised of the following issues:

\$10,245,000, 2015 Refunding of School Building & Site Bonds due in annual installments of \$950,000 to \$1,365,000 through May 1, 2024; interest at 3.00% to 5.00%

\$ 8,310,000

Compensated absences (unused sick pay) is calculated using the termination payoff rate of \$75 for eligible certified personnel for every two unused days (maximum 189 days) and 20% of the pay rate for eligible hourly personnel times the number of unused days (maximum of 104 days). At June 30, 2017, the amount of \$203,501 has been reflected in the district-wide financial statements as compensated absences.

The annual requirements to amortize bonds outstanding as of June 30, 2017, including interest payments, are as follows:

Year Ended June 30	 Principal	 Interest	Total
2018	\$ 1,025,000	\$ 405,250	\$ 1,430,250
2019	1,070,000	364,250	1,434,250
2020	1,125,000	310,750	1,435,750
2021	1,180,000	254,500	1,434,500
2022	1,240,000	195,500	1,435,500
2023 - 2024	2,670,000	201,750	2,871,750
	\$ 8,310,000	\$ 1,732,000	\$ 10,042,000

#### **NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to property loss, torts, errors and omissions, and employee injuries (workers' compensation), as well as medical benefits provided to employees. The School District has purchased commercial insurance for medical claims and participates in the SET-SEG risk pool for claims relating to workers' compensation. Since the School District began participating in the SET-SEG program, settled claims have not exceeded the amount of insurance coverage.

The SET-SEG shared-risk pool program in which the School District participates, operates as a common risk-sharing management program for school districts in Michigan; member premiums are used to purchase workers' compensation excess insurance coverage and to pay member claims in excess of deductible amounts.

## Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

#### **Plan Description**

The Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS) is a cost-sharing, multiple employer, state-wide, defined benefit public employee retirement plan governed by the State of Michigan (State) originally created under Public Act 136 of 1945, recodified and currently operating under the provisions of Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended. Section 25 of this act establishes the board's authority to promulgate or amend the provisions of the System. MPSERS issues a publicly available Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that can be obtained at <a href="http://michigan.gov/orsschools/0.1607.7-206-36585-.00.html">http://michigan.gov/orsschools/0.1607.7-206-36585-.00.html</a>.

#### **Benefits Provided**

Participants are enrolled in one of multiple plans based on date of hire and certain voluntary elections. A summary of the pension plans offered by MPSERS is as follows:

Plan Name	<u>Plan Type</u>	Plan Status
Basic	Defined Benefit	Closed
Member Investment Plan (MIP)	Defined Benefit	Closed
Pension Plus	Hybrid	Open
Defined Contribution	Defined Contribution	Open

Benefit provisions of the defined benefit pension plan are established by State statute, which may be amended. Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended, establishes eligibility and benefit provisions for the defined benefit (DB) pension plan. Retirement benefits for DB plan members are determined by final average compensation and years of service. DB members are eligible to receive a monthly benefit when they meet certain age and service requirements. The System also provides disability and survivor benefits to DB plan members.

Prior to Pension reform of 2010 there were two plans commonly referred to as Basic and the Member Investment Plan (MIP). Basic Plan member's contributions range from 0% - 4%. On January 1, 1987, the Member Investment Plan (MIP) was enacted. MIP members enrolled prior to January 1, 1990, contribute at a permanently fixed rate of 3.9% of gross wages. Members first hired January 1, 1990, or later including Pension Plus members, contribute at various graduated permanently fixed contribution rates from 3.0% - 7.0%.

#### **Pension Reform 2010**

On May 19, 2010, the Governor signed Public Act 75 of 2010 into law. As a result, any member of the Michigan Public School Employees' Retirement System (MPSERS) who became a member of MPSERS after June 30, 2010 is a Pension Plus member. Pension Plus is a hybrid plan that contains a pension component with an employee contribution (graded, up to 6.4% of salary) and a flexible and transferable defined contribution (DC) tax-deferred investment account that earns an employer match of 50% (up to 1% of salary) on employee contributions. Retirement benefits for Pension Plus members are determined by final average compensation and years of service. Disability and survivor benefits are available to Pension Plus members.

## Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

# NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

#### Pension Reform 2012

On September 4, 2012, the Governor signed Public Act 300 of 2012 into law. The legislation grants all active members who first became a member before July 1, 2010 and who earned service credit in the 12 months ending September 3, 2012, or were on an approved professional services or military leave of absence on September 3, 2012, a voluntary election regarding their pension. Any changes to a member's pension are effective as of the member's *transition date*, which is defined as the first day of the pay period that begins on or after February 1, 2013. Under the reform, members voluntarily chose to increase, maintain, or stop their contributions to the pension fund. Members who elected under option 1 to increase their level of contribution contribute 4% (Basic Plan) or 7% (MIP).

#### Regular Retirement (no reduction factor for age)

<u>Eligibility</u> - Age 55 with 30 years credited service; or age 60 with 10 years credited service. For Member Investment Plan (MIP) members, age 46 with 30 years credited service; or age 60 with 10 years credited service; or age 60 with 5 years of credited service provided member worked through 60<sup>th</sup> birthday and has credited service in each of the last 5 years. For Pension Plus Plan (PPP) members, age 60 with 10 years of credited service.

<u>Annual Amount</u> - Total credited service as of the Transition Date times 1.5% of Final Average Compensation (FAC).

#### **Pension Plus**

An amount determined by the member's election of Option 1, 2, 3, or 4 described below.

Option 1 - Credited Service after the Transition Date times 1.5% times FAC.

Option 2 - Credited Service after the Transition Date (until total service reaches 30 years) times 1.5% times FAC, PLUS Credited Service after the Transition Date and over 30 years times 1.25% times FAC.

Option 3 - Credited Service after the Transition Date times 1.25% times FAC.

Option 4 - None (Member will receive benefit through a Defined Contribution plan). As a DC participant they receive a 4% employer contribution to a tax-deferred 401(k) account and can choose to contribute up to the maximum amounts permitted by the IRS.

Employees who first work on or after September 4, 2012 choose between two retirement plans: the Pension Plus plan and a Defined Contribution that provides a 50% employer match up to 3% of salary on employee contributions.

Final Average Compensation - Average of highest 60 consecutive months (36 months for MIP members). FAC is calculated as of the last day worked unless the member elected option 4, in which case the FAC is calculated at the Transition Date.

## Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

# NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

#### **Member Contributions**

Depending on the plan selected, member contributions range from 0% - 7%. Plan members electing the defined contribution plan are not required to make additional contributions.

#### **Employer Contributions**

Reporting units are required by Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended, to contribute amounts necessary to finance the coverage of members and retiree Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB). Contribution provisions are specified by State statute and may be amended only by action of the State Legislature.

Employer contributions to the System are determined on an actuarial basis using the entry age normal actuarial cost method. Under this method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in the actuarial valuation is allocated on a level basis over the service of the individual between entry age and assumed exit age. The portion of this cost allocated to the current valuation year is called the normal cost. The remainder is called the actuarial accrued liability. Normal cost is funded on a current basis.

School districts' contributions are determined based on employee elections. There are several different benefit options included in the plan available to employees based on date of hire. Contribution rates are adjusted annually by the ORS. The range of rates is as follows:

October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2016 14.56% - 18.95% October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017 15.27% - 19.03%

The School District's pension contributions for the year ended June 30, 2017 were equal to the required contribution total. Pension contributions were approximately \$3,360,000, with \$2,480,000 specifically for the Defined Benefit Plan. These amounts include contributions funded from the state revenue Section 147c restricted to fund the MPSERS Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) Stabilization Rate (72.88% for pension and 27.12% for OPEB).

#### Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

#### <u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

#### **Pension Liabilities**

At June 30, 2017, the School District reported a liability of \$26,312,395 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of September 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation date of September 30, 2014 and rolled-forward using generally accepted actuarial procedures. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of its long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating reporting units, actuarially determined. At September 30, 2016 and 2015, the School District's proportion was 0.10546 and 0.10498 percent.

MPSERS (Plan) Net Pension Liability - As of September 30, 2016:

Total Pension Liability	\$ 67,917,445,000
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	\$ 42,968,263,000
Net Pension Liability	\$ 24,949,182,000
Proportionate share	0.10546 %
Net Pension liability for the School District	\$ 26,312,395

#### MPSERS (Plan) Net Pension Liability - As of September 30, 2015:

Total Pension Liability	\$ 67,355,988,000
Plan Fiduciary Net Position	\$ 42,382,361,000
Net Pension Liability	\$ 24,973,627,000
Proportionate share	0.10498 %
Net Pension liability for the School District	\$ 25,640,257

#### Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

#### <u>Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources</u> Related to Pensions

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the School District recognized pension expense of approximately \$2,387,000. These amounts include contributions funded from the state revenue Section 147c restricted to fund the MPSERS Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) Stabilization Rate. A portion of the Section 147c restricted funds, 72.88%, is considered part of the statutorily required contribution to the plan and 27.12% for OPEB. The amount of the section 147c revenue that relates to the statutorily required contribution was approximately \$814,000 and has been recorded as a deferred inflow of resources.

At June 30, 2017, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		rred (Inflows) Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	327,922	\$ (62,361)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		437,312	0
Changes in assumptions		411,374	0
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions		94,827	(1,067,549)
Unearned revenue related to pension portion of section 147c		0	(814,375)
Reporting Unit contributions subsequent to the measurement date		2,083,750	 0
Total	\$	3,355,185	\$ (1,944,285)

\$2,083,750, reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from School District employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018.

#### Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and (deferred inflows) of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended June 30	Amount	
2018	\$ (133,70	05)
2019	(165,81	17)
2020	380,82	25
2021	60,22	22
	\$ 141,52	<del>25</del>

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

**Investment rate of return** - 8.0% a year, compounded annually net of investment and administrative expenses for the Non-Hybrid groups and 7.0% a year, compounded annually net of investment and administrative expenses for the Hybrid group (Pension Plus plan).

**Salary increases** - The rate of pay increase used for individual members is 3.5%.

Inflation - 2.5%

**Mortality assumptions** - RP2000 Combined Healthy Life Mortality table, adjusted for mortality improvements to 2020 using a projection scale AA for men and women were used.

**Experience study** - The annual actuarial valuation report of the System used for these statements is dated September 30, 2015. Assumption changes as a result of an experience study for the periods 2007 through 2012 have been adopted by the System for use in the annual pension valuations beginning with September 30, 2014 valuation.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments - The rate was 8% (7% Pension Plus Plan) net of investment and administrative expenses was determined using a method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

#### Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

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

		Long-Term Expected Real
	Target	Rate of
Investment Category	Allocation*	Return*
Domestic Equity Pools	28.0%	5.9%
Alternate Investment Pools	18.0%	9.2%
International Equity	16.0%	7.2%
Fixed Income Pools	10.5%	0.9%
Real Estate and Infrastructure Pools	10.0%	4.3%
Absolute Return Pools	15.5%	6.0%
Short Term Investment Pools	2.0%	0.0%
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Total 100.0%

**Discount rate** - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 8% (7% for Pension Plus Plan). The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from school districts will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

#### Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the Reporting Unit's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.0 - 8.0 percent, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

_	1% Decrease (6.0-7.0%)	Discount Rate (7.0-8.0%)	1% Increase (8.0-9.0%)
Reporting Unit's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$33,883,742	\$26,312,395	\$19,929,022

<sup>\*</sup>Long term rate of return does not include 2.1% inflation.

#### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

#### **Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System 2016 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

**Payable to the Pension Plan** - At year end the School District is current on all required pension plan payments. Amounts accrued at year end for accounting purposes are included in the financial statements as a liability titled accrued payroll and payroll liabilities. These amounts represent current payments for June paid in July, accruals for summer pay primarily for teachers and the contributions due funded from state revenue Section 147c restricted to fund the MPSERS Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) Stabilization Rate.

#### **Benefit Provisions - Other Postemployment**

#### Introduction

Benefit provisions of the postemployment healthcare plan are established by State statute, which may be amended. Public Act 300 of 1980, as amended, establishes eligibility and benefit provisions. Retirees have the option of health coverage. Beginning fiscal year 2013, it is funded on a prefunded basis. The System has contracted to provide the comprehensive group medical, hearing, dental and vision coverage for retirees and beneficiaries. A subsidized portion of the premium is paid by the System with the balance deducted from the monthly pension of each retiree health care recipient. For members who first worked before July 1, 2008, (Basic, MIP-Fixed, and MIP-Graded plan members), the subsidy is the maximum allowed by statute. To limit future liabilities of Other Postemployment Benefits, members who first worked on or after July 1, 2008, (MIP-Plus plan members), have a graded premium subsidy based on career length where they accrue credit towards their insurance premiums in retirement, not to exceed the maximum allowable by statute. Public Act 300 of 2012 sets the maximum subsidy at 80% beginning January 1, 2013; 90% for those Medicare eligible and enrolled in the insurances as of that date.

Public Act 75 of 2010 requires each actively employed member of MPSERS after June 30, 2010 to annually contribute 3% of their compensation to offset employer contributions for health care benefits of current retirees.

#### Retiree Healthcare Reform of 2012

Public Act 300 of 2012 granted all active members of the Michigan Public School Employees Retirement System, who earned service credit in the 12 months ending September 3, 2012, or were on an approved professional services or military leave of absence on September 3, 2012, a voluntary election regarding their retirement healthcare. Any changes to a member's healthcare benefit are effective as of the member's *transition date*, which is defined as the first day of the pay period that begins on or after February 1, 2013.

#### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Notes to Financial Statements

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### NOTE 9 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN AND POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

Under Public Act 300 of 2012, members were given the choice between continuing the 3% contribution to retiree healthcare and keeping the premium subsidy benefit described above, or choosing not to pay the 3% contribution and instead opting out of the subsidy benefit and becoming a participant in the Personal Healthcare Fund (PHF), a portable, tax-deferred fund that can be used to pay healthcare expenses in retirement. Participants in the PHF are automatically enrolled in a 2% employee contribution into their 457 account as of their transition date, earning them a 2% employer match into a 401(k) account. Members who selected this option stop paying the 3% contribution to retiree healthcare as of the day before their transition date, and their prior contributions will be deposited into their 401(k) accounts.

#### **Employer Contributions**

The employer contribution rate ranged from 5.52% - 6.45% of covered payroll for the period October 1, 2013 to March 9, 2015, 2.2% to 2.71% of covered payroll for the period from March 10, 2015 to September 30, 2015, 6.4% to 6.83% of covered payroll for the period from October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016, from 5.69% to 5.91% of covered payroll for the period from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016, and from 5.69% to 5.91% of covered payroll for the period from October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017 dependent upon the employee's date of hire and plan election.

The School District postemployment healthcare contributions to MPSERS for the year ended June 30, 2017, 2016 and 2015 were approximately \$822,000, \$837,000 and \$1,161,000, respectively.

#### **NOTE 10 - GRANTS**

The School District receives significant financial assistance from federal and state governmental agencies in the form of grants. The disbursement of funds received under these programs generally require compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements and are subject to audit by the School District's independent auditors and other governmental auditors. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable fund. Based on prior experience, the School District administration believes such disallowance, if any, would be immaterial.

#### **NOTE 11 - ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY**

The School District received approximately 58% of their General Fund revenue from the Michigan Department of Education. Due to the significance of this revenue source to the School District, the School District is considered to be economically dependent.

#### Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### NOTE 12 - SHORT-TERM DEBT ACTIVITY

The School District issues state aid anticipation notes in advance of State of Michigan state aid payments, depositing the proceeds in its General Fund. These notes are necessary because the School District's cash flow obligation to operating expenses precede the collection of state aid.

	Beginning Balance	Issued	Redeemed	Ending Balance
State Aid Anticipation Note, due August 20, 2016, accruing interest at .99% State Aid Anticipation Note, Due August 22, 2017,	\$ 3,650,000	\$ 0	\$ 3,650,000	\$ 0
accruing interest at .9900%	 0	2,500,000	 0	 2,500,000
	\$ 3,650,000	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 3,650,000	\$ 2,500,000

#### **NOTE 13 - RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2017 consist of accounts (fees), intergovernmental grants and interest.

A summary of the intergovernmental receivables (due from other governmental units) follows:

State aid and grants	\$ 2,101,902
Federal grants	863,128
COOR ISD	770,838
Other governments	14,737
	\$ 3,750,605

#### Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 14 - TAX ABATEMENTS**

Effective for the year ended June 30, 2017 the School District is required to disclose significant tax abatements as required by GASB statement 77 (Tax abatements).

The School District receives reduced property tax revenues as a result of Industrial Facilities Tax exemptions, Brownfield Redevelopment Agreements, and Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) granted by cities, villages and townships. Industrial facility exemptions are intended to promote construction of new industrial facilities, or to rehabilitate historical facilities; Brownfield Redevelopment Agreements are intented to reimburse taxpayers that remediate environmental contamination on their properties; PILOT programs apply to multiple unit housing for citizens of low income and the elderly.

The property taxes abated for all funds by municipality under these programs are as follows:

Municipality	Taxes Abated
Cumming Township	\$ 77,722
West Branch Township	3,112
City of Rose City	3,339
City of West Branch	 15,160
	\$ 99,333

The taxes abated for the General Fund operating millage is considered by the State of Michigan when determining the School District's section 22 funding of the State School Aid Act.

#### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 15 - UPCOMING ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENT**

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, was issued by the GASB in June 2015 and will be effective for the School District's 2018 fiscal year. The Statement requires governments that participate in other postemployment benefit plans (OPEB) to report in their statement of net position an OPEB liability. The OPEB liability is the difference between the total OPEB liability (the present value of projected benefit payments to employees based on their past service) and the assets (mostly investments reported at fair value) set aside in a trust and restricted to paying benefits to current employees, retirees, and their beneficiaries. Statement 75 requires cost-sharing employers to record a liability and expense equal to their proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability and expense for the cost-sharing plan. The Statement also will improve the comparability and consistency of how governments calculate the OPEB liabilities and expense. The School District is in the process of evaluating the financial statement impact of this statement and believes the impact of this statement could be significant.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 84, Fiduciary Activities, was issued by GASB in January 2017 and will be effective for the District's 2020 year end. The objective of this Statement is to improve guidance regarding the identification of fiduciary activities for accounting and financial reporting purposes and how those activities should be reported. This Statement establishes criteria for identifying fiduciary activities for all state and local governments. The focus on the criteria generally is on (1) whether a government is controlling the assets of the fiduciary activity and (2) the beneficiaries with whom a fiduciary relationship exists. An activity meeting the criteria should be reported in a fiduciary fund in the basic financial statements. Districts with activities meeting the criteria should present a statement of fiduciary net position and a statement of changes in fiduciary net position.

#### Required Supplemental Information Budgetary Comparison Schedule - General Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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		Original Budget	Final Amended Budget		Actual	Fir F	iances with nal Budget avorable
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Revenues							
Local sources			<b>.</b> . <b>.</b>		c <b>-</b> 0.4.04.4		•
Property taxes	\$	6,577,732	\$ 6,702,220	\$	6,704,914	\$	2,694
Other		244,021	545,259		555,909		10,650
State sources		10,653,024	12,530,807		12,116,873		(413,934)
Federal sources	_	1,390,063	1,636,610		1,425,035		(211,575)
Total revenues	_	18,864,840	21,414,896	_	20,802,731		(612,165)
Expenditures							
Instruction:							
Basic programs		8,243,896	8,829,555		8,660,248		169,307
Added needs		3,107,074	3,739,106		3,015,284		723,822
Support services:		, ,	, ,		, ,		,
Pupil		1,032,916	1,088,090		1,016,246		71,844
Instructional staff		905,436	898,420		750,777		147,643
General administrative		363,149	414,650		380,553		34,097
School administrative		993,239	1,008,276		998,523		9,753
Business services		459,405	393,817		364,493		29,324
Operations and maintenance		1,564,526	2,161,118		1,998,157		162,961
Transportation		1,373,843	1,361,372		1,256,977		104,395
Central services		517,098	567,090		528,987		38,103
Athletics		349,174	384,448		368,601		15,847
Community services		76,297	82,122		44,075		38,047
Capital outlay		56,000	82,182		82,181		1
Total expenditures	_	19,042,053	21,010,246		19,465,102		1,545,144
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over	_						
expenditures		(177,213)	404,650		1,337,629		932,979
Other Financing Sources (Uses)							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		(11,000)	(11,000)		(10,900)		200
Operating transfers out		(11,000)	(11,000)		(10,800)		
Operating transfers in	_	31,059	31,059	_	8,343		(22,716)
Total other financing sources							
(uses)	_	20,059	20,059		(2,457)	-	(22,516)
Net change in fund balance		(157,154)	424,709		1,335,172		910,463
Fund balance - beginning of year		3,903,610	3,903,610		3,903,610		0
Fund balance - end of year	\$	3,746,456	\$ 4,328,319	\$	5,238,782	\$	910,463
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#### Required Supplemental Information

#### Schedule of the Reporting Unit's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Michigan Public School Employees Retirement Plan

#### Last 10 Fiscal Years (Amounts were determined as of 9/30 of each fiscal year)

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Reporting unit's proportion of net pension liability (%)	0.10546 %	0.10498 %	0.11020 %
Reporting unit's proportionate share of net pension liability	\$26,312,395	\$25,640,257	\$24,273,823
Reporting unit's covered-employee payroll	\$ 8,298,261	\$ 8,751,899	\$ 9,352,750
Reporting unit's proportionate share of net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	31.5375 %	34.1334 %	38.5302 %
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of total pension liability	63.27000 %	62.92000 %	66.15000 %

With the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 in 2015, the 10 year history will be provided prospectively until a full 10 year history is shown.

#### Required Supplemental Information Schedule of the Reporting Unit's Contributions Michigan Public School Employees Retirement Plan

#### Last 10 Reporting Unit Fiscal Years (Amounts were determined as of 6/30 of each fiscal year)

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Statutorily required contributions	\$ 2,480,787	\$ 2,346,604	\$ 2,044,593
Contributions in relation to statutorily required contributions*	2,480,787	2,346,604	2,044,593
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$</u> 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
Reporting unit's covered-employee payroll	\$ 8,826,542	\$ 8,608,188	\$ 9,260,225
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	28 %	27 %	22.00 %

<sup>\*</sup>Contributions in relation to statutorily required contributions are the contributions a reporting unit actually made to the System, as distinct from the statutorily required contributions.

With the implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 in 2015, the 10 year history will be provided prospectively until a full 10 year history is shown.

## Notes to Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Changes of benefit terms: There were no changes of benefit terms in 2017.

**Changes of assumptions:** Assumption changes are a result of an experience study for the periods 2007 through

2012 have been adopted by the System for use in the annual pension valuations

beginning with the September 30, 2014 valuation.

#### Other Supplemental Information Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Governmental Funds June 30, 2017

		Special venue Fund	Debt Service Fund		
	Fo	od Service	2015 Debt Retirement		Total
<u>Assets</u>					
Cash and investments Receivables - net:	\$	413,281	\$ 300,841	\$	714,122
Due from other funds		222,538	0		222,538
Inventory		28,009	0		28,009
Prepaid expenditures		77,006	0		77,006
Total assets	\$	740,834	\$ 300,841	<u>\$</u>	1,041,675
Liabilities and Fund Balance Liabilities					
Accounts payable	\$	52,887	\$ 0	\$	52,887
Due to other funds		8,954	0	_	8,954
Total liabilities		61,841	0		61,841
Fund Balance					
Non-spendable - inventory		28,009	0		28,009
Non-spendable - prepaid Restricted for debt service		77,006 0	300,841		77,006 300,841
Restricted for food service		573,978	0		573,978
Total fund balance		678,993	300,841		979,834
	\$	740,834	\$ 300,841	\$	1,041,675

#### Other Supplemental Information

# Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance - Nonmajor Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Special			Debt Service		
	Revenue Fund			Fund		
	Food Service			2015 Debt Retirement		
						Total
Revenues						
Local sources						
Property taxes	\$	0	\$	1,431,508	\$	1,431,508
Other		214,341		699		215,040
State sources		29,124		28,726		57,850
Federal sources		1,114,891	_	0	_	1,114,891
Total revenues		1,358,356	_	1,460,933	_	2,819,289
Expenditures						
Current:						
Food services		1,059,581		0		1,059,581
Principal		0		985,000		985,000
Interest and other		0		444,650		444,650
Miscellaneous		0		2,353		2,353
Total expenditures		1,059,581		1,432,003		2,491,584
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures		298,775	_	28,930	_	327,705
Other Financing Sources (Uses)						
Operating transfers out		(8,343)		0		(8,343)
Operating transfers in		10,800		0	_	10,800
Total other financing sources (uses)		2,457		0		2,457
Net change in fund balance		301,232		28,930		330,162
Fund balance - beginning of year		377,761		271,911	_	649,672
Fund balance - end of year	\$	678,993	\$	300,841	\$	979,834

#### Other Supplemental Information Schedule of Bonded Indebtedness - 2015 Refunding Bonds For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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The School District issued the 2015 Refunding General Obligation School Building and Site Bond Issue on March 28, 2015, in the amount of \$10,245,000 plus a premium of \$1,567,091 for a net issuance of \$11,812,091. The principal and interest on this bond issue is financed primarily from property taxes. The bonds, dated March 28, 2015, which bear interest at 3 to 5 percent are due serially through 2024. The bond proceeds were used to refund the 2005 General Obligation School Building and Site Bond Issue for the purpose of erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to, and partially remodeling, furnishing and re-furnishing, equipping and reequipping existing school facilities; acquiring, installing and equipping technology for school facilities; replacing bleachers and construction of a press box at the high school football field; and developing and improving sites.

DATE OF ISSUE

March 28, 2015

AMOUNT OF ISSUE

\$ 10,245,000

**AMOUNT OF REDEEMED** 

During prior years

During current year

\$ 950,000 985,000

1,935,000

BALANCE OUTSTANDING - June 30, 2017

\$ 8,310,000

Fiscal Year	Interest Rate		<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>		<u>Total</u>
2018	4.00%	\$	1,025,000	\$ 405,250	\$	1,430,250
2019	4.00%		1,070,000	364,250		1,434,250
2020	5.00%		1,125,000	310,750		1,435,750
2021	5.00%		1,180,000	254,500		1,434,500
2022	5.00%		1,240,000	195,500		1,435,500
2023	5.00%		1,305,000	133,500		1,438,500
2024	5.00%		1,365,000	68,250		1,433,250
		\$	8,310,000	\$ 1,732,000	\$	10,042,000



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

October 11, 2017

Board of Education West Branch-Rose City Area Schools West Branch, Michigan

We have audited, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools (School District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017 and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated October 11, 2017.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the School District's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. 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 deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.





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#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on 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 such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the School District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Weinlander Fitzhugh



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS & CONSULTANTS

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

October 11, 2017

Board of Education West Branch-Rose City Area Schools West Branch, Michigan

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017. West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' compliance.





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#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, West Branch-Rose City Area Schools, complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017.

#### **Other Matters**

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2017-001. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' response to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools, is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools' internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance 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 compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.



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The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

Weinlander Fitzhugh

#### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **SECTION I - Summary of Auditor's Results**

There are no matters reported.

Financial Statements						
Type of auditor's report issued:	Unmodified opinion					
Internal control over financial reporting:						
<ul><li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li></ul>	☐ YES ☑ NO					
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	☐ YES ☑ NONE REPORTED					
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	☐ YES ☑ NO					
Federal Awards						
Internal Control over major programs:						
<ul><li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li></ul>	☐ YES ☑ NO					
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	☐ YES <b>☑</b> NONE REPORTED					
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance of major programs:	<u>Unmodified opinion</u>					
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	✓ YES □ NO					
Identification of major programs:						
<u>CFDA Number(s)</u> 84.010  Name of Federal Program Title I Part A	or Cluster					
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs:	<u>\$750,000</u>					
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	✓ YES □ NO					
SECTION II - Financial Statement Findings						

#### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **SECTION III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

#### 2017-001

#### **Program**

Nutrition Cluster - National School Breakfast and National School Lunch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, passed through Michigan Department of Education. CFDA # 10.553 and 10.555.

#### Criteria

Federal register section 7 CFR Part 210.14b requires School Districts to limit its School Breakfast and Lunch fund net resources to an amount that does not exceed three months of average expenditures.

#### Condition

The School District's net cash resources exceeded three months of average expenditures at June 30, 2017.

#### Questioned costs

None

#### Context

The School District did not meet the three months of average expenditure test at June 30, 2017.

#### Effect

Management did not monitor net cash resources and their spend down plan to ensure that they did not exceed three months of average expenditures. The School District's net cash resources were in excess of three months over expenditures by \$330,502.

#### Cause

Management did not monitor net cash resources and their spend down plan to ensure that they did not exceed three months of average expenditures. The School District's net cash resources were in excess of three months over expenditures by \$330,502.

#### Recommendation

We recommend that the School District review their Food Service Fund's net cash resources periodically throughout the school year to ensure that the fund will not have an excess of three months of average expenditures at the fiscal year end and that the School District closely monitors their spend down plan with the Michigan Department of Education. The School District should also take this requirement into consideration when preparing the annual budget and any subsequent adjustments to the budget.

#### Views of the Responsible Officials and Planned Corrective Action

The Superintendent, Director of Finance and Food Service Director will meet prior to the end of October 2017 to develop an outline of a purchasing/use of funds plan. This plan will be presented to the Board of Education Finance Committee in November for discussion and modifications. Subsequent to the Finance Committee meeting, the Superintendent, Director of Finance and Food Service Director will make any necessary modifications and present the final plan to the Board of Education Finance Committee in December. The final plan will then be presented to the Board of Education at the regular December board meeting for approval. Once the Board of Education has approved the plan, purchasing/use of funds will begin and be completed by June 30, 2018.

### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY SCHOOLS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

#### For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Pass Through Grantor	Federal CFDA <u>Number</u>	Approved Grant Award Amount	(Memo Only) Prior Year Expenditures	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue July 1, 2016	<u>Adjustments</u>	Current Year Receipts (Cash Basis)	Current Year Expenditures	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue June 30, 2017
U.S. Department of Agriculture Passed through Michigan Department of Education: Child Nutrition Cluster: National School Breakfast Program 161970 Breakfast (2015-2016) 171970 Breakfast (2016-2017)	10.553	\$ 311,941 278,087	\$ 280,806 0 280,806	\$ 59,295 0 59,295	\$ 0 0 0	\$ 90,430 223,693 314,123	\$ 31,135 278,087 309,222	\$ 0 54,394 54,394
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	10.555							
Cash: 161980 Snack (2015-2016) 171980 Snack (2016-2017) 161960 Lunch (2015-2016) 171960 Lunch (2016-2017)		16,718 18,760 422,516 469,205	14,502 0 368,571 0 383,073	3,579 0 94,396 0 97,975	0 0 0 0	5,795 14,560 148,341 379,277 547,973	2,216 18,760 53,945 469,205 544,126	0 4,200 0 89,928 94,128
Non-Cash Assistance (Commodities)								
Entitlement	10.555	76,491	0	0	0	76,491	76,491	0
CACFP Meals 161920 171920 162010 172010	10.558	62,569 129,377 4,787 9,080	51,048 0 3,948 0 54,996	4,292 0 331 0 4,623	0 0 0 0	15,813 82,131 1,170 5,762 104,876	11,521 129,377 839 9,080 150,817	0 47,246 0 3,318 50,564
SFSP Operating 160900 170900 161900 171900	10.559	31,104 5,284 3,208 544	5,353 0 553 0 5,906	5,353 0 553 0 5,906	0 0 0 0	31,104 0 3,208 0 34,312	25,751 5,284 2,655 544 34,234	0 5,284 0 544 5,828
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			724,781	167,799	0	1,077,775	1,114,890	204,914

See accompanying notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

#### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY SCHOOLS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

#### For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Federal Grantor Pass Through Grantor Program Title Grant Number	Federal CFDA <u>Number</u>	Approved Grant Award <u>Amount</u>	(Memo Only) Prior Year Expenditures	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue July 1, 2016	Adjustments	Current Year Receipts (Cash Basis)	Current Year Expenditures	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue June 30, 2017
<ul><li><u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u></li><li>Passed through Michigan Department of Education:</li></ul>								
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program 160950-1516	10.582	\$ 4,991	\$ 4,991	\$ 1,974	\$ 0	\$ 1,974	\$ 0	\$ 0
Passed through Ogemaw County Farm Tenant Aid/USDA Schools and Roads - Grants to States Grassland Reserve Program	10.665 10.665 10.920	8,722 15,654 126	5,380 0 0 5,380	0 0 0	0 0 0	3,342 15,654 126	3,342 15,654 126 19,122	0 0 0
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			735,152	169,773	0	1,098,871	1,134,012	204,914
U.S. Department of Education  Passed through Michigan  Department of Education:  ECIA Title I -  Improving Basic Programs  Project 161530-1516	84.010	707,171	583,738	314,420	0	346,232	31,812	0
Project 171530-1617		887,111	<u>0</u> 583,738	314,420	0	384,613 730,845	692,785 724,597	308,172 308,172
Title VI-Part B: Project 160660-1516 Project 170660-1617		38,313 41,142	38,313 0 38,313	38,313 0 38,313	0 0	38,313 0 38,313	0 41,142 41,142	0 41,142 41,142
Improving Teacher Quality Project 160520-1516 Project 170520-1617	84.367	231,976 206,173	196,544 0 196,544	62,541 0 62,541	0 0 0	73,123 161,923 235,046	10,582 193,956 204,538	0 32,033 32,033
Total programs passed through MDE			818,595	415,274	0	1,004,204	970,277	381,347

See accompanying notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

#### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY SCHOOLS SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

#### For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Federal Grantor Pass Through Grantor	Federal CFDA	Approved Grant Award	(Memo Only) Prior Year	Accrued (Deferred) Revenue		Current Year Receipts		Current Year	R	ed (Deferred) Revenue
Program Title Grant Number	<u>Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>July 1, 2016</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>		(Cash Basis)	<u>Expenditures</u>	June 30, 2017	
U.S. Department of Education Passed through COOR ISD: Handicapped Preschool & School Program	84.027									
PL 94-142 IDEA Flowthrough		¢ 404.020	¢ 404.020	¢ 404.020	<b>c</b>	0	¢ 404.020	Φ 0	¢	0
2015-2016 2016-2017		\$ 404,929 426,875	\$ 404,929	\$ 404,929	Þ	0	\$ 404,929 158,770	426,875	Э	0 268,105
2010-2017		420,673	404,929	404,929	-	0	563,699	426,875	-	268,105
Infant & Toddlers - Early intervention	84.181			<u> </u>			<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
2015-2016		9,367	9,367	9,367		0	9,367	0		0
2016-2017		8,762	0	0		0	0	8,762		8,762
			9,367	9,367		0	9,367	8,762		8,762
Total programs passed through COOR ISD			414,296	414,296		0	573,066	435,637		276,867
Total U.S. Department of Education			1,232,891	829,570		0	1,577,270	1,405,914		658,214
			\$ 1,968,043	\$ 999,343	\$	0	\$ 2,676,141	\$ 2,539,926	\$	863,128

#### WEST BRANCH-ROSE CITY AREA SCHOOLS Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (Schedule) includes the federal grant activity of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2017. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of West Branch-Rose City Area Schools.

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts (if any) shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credit made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures.

The School District has elected not to use the 10 percent de minimus indirect cost rate to recover costs as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

The School District does not have any subrecipients.

#### **NOTE 2 - OTHER DISCLOSURES**

Management has utilized the Cash Management System Grant Auditor Report in preparing the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards.