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Devils Lake Public School District No. 1

Devils Lake, North Dakota

Audit Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2020 *Client Code: PS 36300*





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School Officials and Audit Personnel June 30, 2020

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

School Board of Directors Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 Devils Lake, North Dakota

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 the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1, Devils Lake, North Dakota, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1'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 accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; 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 opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *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 entity'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 entity'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 the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1, Devils Lake, North Dakota, as of June 30, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Independent Auditor's Report - Continued

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the *budgetary comparison information*, *schedule of employer's share of net pension liability and employer contributions, schedule of employer's share of net OPEB liability and employer contributions, and the notes to the required supplementary information* as presented 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Management has omitted the *management's discussion and analysis* that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing 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. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

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 *schedule of expenditures of federal awards* and *notes to the schedule of expenditures of federal awards*, 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, are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements.

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards and notes to the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relates 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards and notes to the schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 8, 2020 on our consideration of the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1'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 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 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 Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

/S/

Joshua C. Gallion State Auditor

Bismarck, North Dakota December 8, 2020

	G 	overnmental Activities
ASSETS Cash	\$	6,436,131
Investment with Fiscal Agent		1,897,316
Intergovernmental Receivable		894,741
Due from County Treasurer		25,554
Prepaid Expenses		343,322
Taxes Receivable		268,310
Capital Assets		
Nondepreciable		178,257
Depreciable, Net		10,258,210
Total Assets	\$	20,301,841
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Derived from Pension & OPEB	\$	4,683,286
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$	96,802
Teacher Contracts Payable		1,266,262
Salaries and Benefits Payable		657,737
Health Insurance Payable		271,004
Interest Payable		3,822
Long-Term Liabilities		
Due Within One Year		
Long Term Debt		16,118
Early Retirement Payable		144,529
Compensated Absences Payable		4,806
Due After One Year		
Long Term Debt		2,536,541
Early Retirement Payable		277,513
Compensated Absences Payable		43,255
Net Pension & OPEB Liability		24,833,098
Total Liabilities	\$	30,151,487
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Derived from Pension & OPEB	\$	3,801,324
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NET POSITION		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$	7,936,467
Restricted for		, ,
Capital Projects		852,895
Debt Service		1,957,444
Special Purposes		313,258
Unrestricted		(20,027,748)
Total Net Position	\$	(8,967,684)

Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

		Progra	am Revenues	F	et (Expense) Revenue and Changes in				
			Operating	1	Net Position				
		Charges for	r Grants and	G	Sovernmental				
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Services	Contributions		Activities				
Governmental Activities					_				
Regular Instruction	\$ 12,520,448	\$	- \$ -	\$	(12,520,448)				
Special Education	2,642,330		- 1,502,589		(1,139,741)				
Vocational Education	1,826,555	61,26	5 488,674		(1,276,616)				
Federal Programs	1,890,013		- 2,160,027		270,014				
District Wide Services	1,295,528				(1,295,528)				
Administration	795,242				(795,242)				
School Food Services	1,284,003	402,47	3 819,865		(61,665)				
Operations and Maintenance	1,612,536				(1,612,536)				
Transportation	945,996	8,25	0 638,807		(298,939)				
Co-curricular Activities	1,013,630	110,43	- 8		(903, 192)				
Other Programs & Services	12,475				(12,475)				
Interest and Fees on Long-Term Debt	64,971		<u> </u>		(64,971)				
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 25,903,727	\$ 582,42	6 \$ 5,609,962	\$	(19,711,339)				
	General Rever	nues							
	Property Taxes			\$	4,282,697				
	State Aid-Unres	stricted			14,147,957				
	Interest Earning	j s			102,342				
	Miscellaneous I	Revenue			216,374				
	Change in Inves	tment Marke	t Value		141,964				
	Total General R	evenues		\$	18,891,334				
	Changes in Net	Changes in Net Position							
	Net Position - J	uly 1		\$	(8,147,679)				
	Net Position - J	une 30		\$	(8,967,684)				

Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds June 30, 2020

		Sinking & Interest Building General Bonds 2009		Go	Other overnmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds	
ASSETS	•	E 047 004	•	00 004	Φ.	4 407 000	•	0.400.404
Cash & Investments	\$	5,247,961	\$	60,204	\$	1,127,966	\$	6,436,131
Restricted Investment Intergovernmental Receivable		- 818,859		1,897,316		- 75,882		1,897,316 894,741
Due from County Treasurer		21,372		1,098		3,084		25,554
Prepaid Expenses		343,322		1,090		3,004		343,322
Taxes Receivable		218,682		12,965		36,663		268,310
Taxes Negervable		210,002		12,000		00,000		200,010
Total Assets	\$	6,650,196	\$	1,971,583	\$	1,243,595	\$	9,865,374
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities								
Accounts Payable & Other Payables	\$	96,802	\$	_	\$	_	\$	96,802
Teacher Contracts Payable	•	1,266,262	•	-		-	•	1,266,262
Salaries and Benefits Payable		657,737		-		-		657,737
Health Insurance Payable		235,903		_		35,101		271,004
Total Liabilities	\$	2,256,704	\$	-	\$	35,101	\$	2,291,805
Deferred Inflows of Resources								
Uncollected Taxes	\$	218,682	\$	12,965	\$	36,663	\$	268,310
Choolected Taxes	_Ψ_	210,002	Ψ	12,000	Ψ	00,000	Ψ	200,010
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$	2,475,386	\$	12,965	\$	71,764	\$	2,560,115
Fund Balances								
Non-spendable								
Prepaid Expenses	\$	343,322	\$	-	\$	-		343,322
Restricted								
Capital Projects		-		-		824,933		824,933
Debt Service		-		1,958,618		42,029		2,000,647
Assigned						000 700		000 700
Special Reserve		- 0.004.400		-		306,769		306,769
Unassigned		3,831,488				(1,900)		3,829,588
Total Fund Balances	\$	4,174,810	\$	1,958,618	\$	1,171,831	\$	7,305,259
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of								
Resources and Fund Balances	\$	6,650,196	\$	1,971,583	\$	1,243,595	\$	9,865,374

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2020

Total Fund Balances for Governmental Funds		\$ 7,305,259
Total net position reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position is different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are not reported in the governmental funds.		10,436,467
Property taxes receivable will be collected after year-end, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are reported as deferred revenues in the funds.		268,310
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions & OPEB are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds. Deferred Outflows Related to Pensions & OPEB Deferred Inflows Related to Pensions & OPEB	\$ 4,683,286 (3,801,324)	881,962
Long-term liabilities applicable to the school district's governmental activities are not due and payable in the current period and accordingly are not reported as fund liabilities. Interest on long-term debt is not accrued in governmental funds, but rather is recognized as an expenditure when due. All liabilities-both current and long-term are reported in the statement of net position.		
Long Term Debt Interest Payable Early Retirement Payable Compensated Absences Payable Net Pension & OPEB Liability	\$ (2,552,659) (3,822) (422,042) (48,061) (24,833,098)	(27,859,682)
Total Net Position of Governmental Activities	(21,000,000)	\$ (8,967,684)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

		General		Sinking & Interest Building onds 2009	G	Other overnmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds		
REVENUES									
Local Sources	\$	4,031,979	\$	199,739	\$	968,480	\$	5,200,198	
State Sources		16,714,678		-		-		16,714,678	
Federal Sources		2,160,027		-		819,865		2,979,892	
Total Revenues	\$	22,906,684	\$	199,739	\$	1,788,345	\$	24,894,768	
EXPENDITURES									
Current									
Regular Instruction	\$	11,488,294	\$	-	\$	-	\$	11,488,294	
Special Education		2,546,501		-		-		2,546,501	
Vocational Education		1,742,838		-		-		1,742,838	
Federal Programs		1,834,708		-		-		1,834,708	
District Wide Services		834,883		-		426,024		1,260,907	
Administration		763,712		-		-		763,712	
School Food Services		-		-		1,242,709		1,242,709	
Operations and Maintenance of Plant		1,577,803		-		-		1,577,803	
Transportation		1,053,878		-		-		1,053,878	
Co-curricular Activities		882,297		-		-		882,297	
Other Programs and Services		459		-		-		459	
Debt Service									
Principal		-		-		16,118		16,118	
Interest		-		56,250		3,545		59,795	
Fees		-		925		4,761		5,686	
Total Expenditures	\$	22,725,373	\$	57,175	\$	1,693,157	\$	24,475,705	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues									
Over Expenditures	\$	181,311	\$	142,564	\$	95,188	\$	419,063	
OTHER EINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	Φ	100 000	φ		Φ		φ	100.000	
Transfers In	\$	100,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$	100,000	
Change in investment market value		-		141,964		(400,000)		141,964	
Transfers Out				-		(100,000)		(100,000)	
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses	_\$_	100,000	\$	141,964	\$	(100,000)	\$	141,964	
Net Change in Fund Balances	\$	281,311	\$	284,528	\$	(4,812)	\$	561,027	
Fund Balances - July 1	_\$_	3,893,499	\$	1,674,090	\$	1,176,643	\$	6,744,232	
Fund Balances - June 30	\$	4,174,810	\$	1,958,618	\$	1,171,831	\$	7,305,259	

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

For the Year Ended June 30, 2020		
Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds		\$ 561,027
The change in net position reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities is different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlay in the current year. Current Year Capital Outlay Current Year Depreciation Expense	\$ 299,695 (508,171)	(208,476)
In the statement of activities, the loss or gain on sale or disposal of capital assets is recognized. The fund financial statements do not recognize losses on disposal of capital assets.		(16,465)
Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position. The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, however, the debt principal issued increases liabilities in the statement of net position. This is the amount of debt repayment.		16,118
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Increase in Early Retirement Payable	\$ (272,778)	
Increase in Compensated Absences Payable Decrease in Interest Payable	 (3,712) 510	(275,980)
The net pension & OPEB liability, and related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are reported in the government wide statements; however, activity related to these pension items do not involve current financial resources, and are noreported in the funds.		
Decrease in Net Pension & OPEB Liability Decrease in Deferred Outflows of Resources Increase in Deferred Inflows of Resources	\$ 251,980 (10,921) (1,184,277)	(943,218)
Some revenues reported on the statement of activities are not reported as revenues in the governmental funds since they do not represent available resources to pay current expenditures. This consists of the increase in taxes		

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

receivable.

46,989

(820,005)

Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities – Agency Funds June 30, 2020

	 Agency Funds			
ASSETS Cash Prepaid Expenses Accounts & Intergovermental Receivable	\$ 1,748,275 11,225 132,158			
Total Assets	\$ 1,891,658			
LIABILITIES Salaries Payable Health and Life Insurance Payable Contracts Payable Due to Other Units Due to Student Activities Groups	\$ 23,895 67,909 49,581 898,591 851,682			
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,891,658			

Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1, Devils Lake, North Dakota, (hereafter referred to as the "School District") have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the School District's accounting policies are described below.

Reporting Entity

The accompanying financial statements present the activities of the School District. The School District has considered all potential component units for which the School District is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationships with the School District such that exclusion would cause the School District's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. This criteria includes appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the School District to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or impose specific financial burdens on the School District.

Based on these criteria, there are no component units to be included within the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 reporting entity.

Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting

Government-wide statements: The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the School District. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the School District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, interest, and non-restricted grants and contributions, are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements. The fund financial statements provide information about the School District's funds including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category-governmental and fiduciary-are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as nonmajor funds.

The School District reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - This is the School District's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Sinking & Interest Building Bonds 2009 Fund - This fund is used to account for financial resources to be used for payment of long-term debt principal, interest and related costs of the \$2,500,000 general obligation school building bonds (series 2009).

The School District reports the following fund type:

Agency Funds. These fund accounts for assets by the School District in a custodial capacity as an agent on behalf of others. The School District's agency fund is used to account for various deposits of the student activity funds and to other governmental units, such as the Northeast Education Services Cooperative ("NESC").

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-wide and Fiduciary Fund Financial Statements. The government-wide and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus. The government-wide financial statements are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the School District gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental Fund Financial Statements. Governmental funds are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The School District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within sixty days after year-end. All revenues are considered to be susceptible to accrual. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. When applicable, proceeds of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the School District funds certain programs by a combination of specific costreimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the School District's policy to first apply costreimbursement grant resources to such programs, and then by general revenues.

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.

Cash and Investments

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, money market accounts, and highly liquid short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less. The School District also has an investment in treasury strips held by a fiscal agent.

Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the School District as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more. Such assets are recorded at cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or extend assets lives are not capitalized. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase of capital assets is not capitalized.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method of the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	50
Improvements	10-50
Playground Equipment	20
Vehicles	15
Equipment/Furniture	10
Copy Machines	5

Compensated Absences

Vested or accumulated unused personal leave for qualified employees is reported in the government-wide statement of net position. Each teacher is credited with three days of personal leave at the beginning of each year. Each teacher is allowed to accumulate personal leave of up to a total of seven days and teachers are paid \$100 for each unused personal day. Vested and accumulated personal leave is reported in the government-wide statement of net position.

Long-Term Obligations

In the government-wide financial statements, long term debt and other long-term obligations, such as compensated absences and early retirement payable, are reported in the governmental activities statement of net position. Bond premiums, discounts and issuance costs, when applicable, are recognized in the current period since the amounts are not material.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums, discounts and issuance costs in the current period. The face amount of the debt is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing sources while discounts on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs are reported as debt service expenditures.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Teachers' Fund for Retirement (TFFR), and of the North Dakota Public Employee's System (NDPERS), and additions to/deductions from TFFR's/NDPER's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by TFFR/NDPERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit term. Investments are reported at fair value.

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System (NDPERS) and additions to/deductions from NDPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by NDPERS. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Fund Balances

Fund Balance Spending Policy. It is the policy of the School District to spend restricted resources first, followed by unrestricted resources. It is also the policy of the School District to spend unrestricted resources of funds in the following order: committed, assigned and then unassigned.

Non-Spendable Fund Balance. Non-spendable fund balance consists of prepaid items.

Restricted Fund Balances. Restricted fund balances are shown by primary function on the balance sheet. Restricted fund balances are restricted by enabling legislation (primarily state law for tax levies) and by outside 3rd parties (State & Federal governments for various grants & reimbursements).

Unassigned Fund Balances. Unassigned fund balances are reported in the general fund.

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Net Position

Net investment in capital assets is reported for capital assets less accumulated depreciation and any related debt issued to finance/construct them. The resources needed to repay this related debt must be provided from other sources, since capital assets are not used to liquidate these liabilities. These assets are not available for future spending.

Restrictions of net position are due to restricted tax levies and bond indenture requirements for our capital projects/debt service.

Unrestricted net position is primarily unrestricted amounts related to the general fund, and negative net position. Unrestricted net position is available to meet the district's ongoing obligations.

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.

Interfund Transactions

In the governmental fund statements, transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed.

All other interfund transactions, except reimbursements, are reported as transfers.

In the government-wide financial statements, interfund transactions have been eliminated.

NOTE 2 DEPOSITS

Custodial Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk associated with the failure of a depository institution, such that in the event of a depository financial institution's failure, the School District would not be able to recover the deposits or collateralized securities that in the possession of the outside parties. The School District does not have a formal policy regarding deposits that limits the amount it may invest in any one issuer.

In accordance with North Dakota Statutes, deposits must either be deposited with the Bank of North Dakota or in other financial institutions situated and doing business within the state. Deposits, other than with the Bank of North Dakota, must be fully insured or bonded. In lieu of a bond, a financial institution may provide a pledge of securities equal to 110% of the deposits not covered by insurance or bonds.

Authorized collateral includes bills, notes, or bonds issued by the United States government, its agencies or instrumentalities, all bonds and notes guaranteed by the United States government, Federal land bank bonds, bonds, notes, warrants, certificates of indebtedness, insured certificates of deposit, shares of investment companies registered under the Investment Companies Act of 1940, and all other forms of securities issued by the State of North Dakota, its boards, agencies or instrumentalities or by any county, city, township, school district, park district, or other political subdivision of the state of North Dakota. Whether payable from special revenues or supported by the full faith and credit of the issuing body and bonds issued by another state of the United States or such other securities approved by the banking board.

At year ended June 30, 2020, the School District's carrying amount of deposits was \$8,184,407 and the bank balances totaled \$8,274,587. Of the bank balances, \$1,300,256 was covered by Federal Depository Insurance. The remaining bank balances were collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's agent in the government's name

Treasury strips reported at cost/par value totaling \$1,603,016 are being held as investments to retire debt on November 15, 2024. At June 30, 2020, the treasury strips have a market value of \$1,897,316. The amounts are invested by a broker on behalf of the School District in U.S. Treasury bonds.

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates of debt securities will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The price of a debt security typically moves in the opposite direction of the change in interest rates. The School District does not have a formal deposit policy that limits maturities as a means of managing exposure to potential fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

As authorized in North Dakota Statutes, idle funds may be invested as follows:

- (a) Bonds, treasury bills and notes, or other securities that are a direct obligation insured or guaranteed by, the treasury of the United States, or its agencies, instrumentalities, or organizations created by an act of congress.
- (b) Securities sold under agreements to repurchase written by a financial institution in which the underlying securities for the agreement to repurchase are the type listed above.
- (c) Certificates of Deposit fully insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation.
- (d) Obligations of the state.
- (e) Commercial paper issued by a United States corporation rated in the highest quality category by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies and matures in 270 days or less.

The School District is invested in treasury strips that are subject to interest rate risk. The fair value of the investments and their maturing dates can be seen below:

Devils Lake Public School District										
Investment Schdule										
	6/30/2020									
	Total				More Than					
Investment Type	Fair Value	1-6 Months	7-12 Months	1-5 Years	5 Years					
Treasury Strips	\$ 1,897,316	-	-	\$ 1,897,316	-					

NOTE 3 FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 72, assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources are grouped at fair value in three levels, based on the markets in which the assets and liabilities are traded and the reliability of the assumptions used to determine fair value. These levels are:

Level 1: Valuation is based upon quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Valuation is based upon quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active, and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market.

Level 3: Valuation is generated from model-based techniques that use significant assumptions not observable in the market. These unobservable assumptions reflect our own estimates of assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Valuation techniques include use of option pricing models, discounted cash flow models and similar techniques.

The following table below presents the balances of assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis at June 30, 2020:

	Quoted Prices	Significant	Significant	
	In Active	Other Observable Unobservable		
	Markets	Inputs	Inputs	
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Asset				
Government Bonds	\$ -	\$ 1,897,316	\$ -	\$ 1,897,316

NOTE 4 PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied as of January 1. The property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property on January 1 and may be paid in two installments. The first installment includes one-half of the real estate taxes and all the special assessments and the second installment is the balance of the real estate taxes. The first installment is due by March 1 and the second installment is due by October 15. A 5% discount on property taxes is allowed if all taxes and special assessments are paid by February 15. After the due dates, the bill becomes delinquent and penalties are assessed.

NOTE 5 CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2020:

	Balance							Balance
Governmental Activities	Jul 1	Ir	creases	De	ecreases	Tı	ransfers	Jun 30
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated								
Land	\$ 170,100	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 170,100
Construction in Progress	23,294		36,330		-		(51,467)	8,157
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	\$ 193,394	\$	36,330	\$	-	\$	(51,467)	\$ 178,257
Capital Assets Being Depreciated								
Vehicles	\$ 2,333,819	\$	253,422	\$	135,396	\$	-	\$ 2,451,845
Playground Equpiment	215,979		-		-		-	215,979
Equipment/Furniture	792,953		9,942		-			802,895
Buildings	18,086,346		-		-		51,467	18,137,813
Total Capital Assets, Being Depreciated	\$ 21,429,097	\$	263,364	\$	135,396	\$	51,467	\$ 21,608,532
Less Accumulated Depreciation								
Vehicles	\$ 1,210,929	\$	115,377	\$	118,931	\$	-	\$ 1,207,375
Playground Equpiment	123,189		8,299		-		-	131,488
Equipment/Furniture	431,306		49,107		-		-	480,413
Buildings	9,195,658		335,388		-		-	9,531,046
Total Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 10,961,082	\$	508,171	\$	118,931	\$	-	\$ 11,350,322
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	\$ 10,468,015	\$	(244,807)	\$	16,465	\$	51,467	\$ 10,258,210
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 10,661,409	\$	(208,477)	\$	16,465	\$	-	\$ 10,436,467

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the School District as follows:

Regular Instruction	\$ 213,263
Special Education	17,777
Vocational Education	23,632
Administration	7,151
Food Services	9,843
Operations/Maintenance	45,136
Transportation	97,243
Co-Curricular	94,126
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 508,171

NOTE 6 LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

During the year ended June 30, 2020, the following changes occurred in liabilities reported in long-term liabilities:

	Balance					Balance	Dι	ie Within
	Jul 1	In	creases	De	ecreases	Jun 30	0	ne Year
Long Term Debt								
General Obliation Bonds	\$ 2,500,000	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 2,500,000	\$	-
Special Assessments	68,777		-		16,118	52,659		16,118
Total Long Term Debt	\$ 2,568,777	\$		\$	16,118	\$ 2,552,659	\$	16,118
Early Retirement Agreements	\$ 149,264	\$	272,778	\$	-	\$ 422,042	\$	144,529
Compensated Absences *	44,349		3,712		-	48,061		4,806
Net Pension & OPEB Liability *	25,085,078		-		251,980	24,833,098		-
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 27,847,468	\$	276,490	\$	268,098	\$ 27,855,860	\$	165,453

^{* -} The change in compensated absences and net pension & OPEB liability are shown as net changes because changes in salary prohibit exact calculations of additions and reductions at a reasonable cost.

Debt service requirements on long-term debt at June 30, 2020 are as follows:

Governmental Activities					
Year Ending	G.O. Bond	ls Payable	Special As	ssessments	
Jun 30	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	
2021	-	56,250	16,118	2,650	
2022	-	56,250	8,543	1,756	
2023	-	56,250	8,543	1,316	
2024	-	56,250	8,543	876	
2025	2,500,000	28,125	10,912	873	
2026 - 2030	-	-	-	-	
Total	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 253,125	\$ 52,659	\$ 7,471	

NOTE 7 PENSION PLANS

General Information about the TFFR Pension Plan

North Dakota Teachers' Fund for Retirement TFFR

The following brief description of TFFR is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to NDCC Chapter 15-39.1 for more complete information.

TFFR is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan covering all North Dakota public teachers and certain other teachers who meet various membership requirements. TFFR provides for pension, death and disability benefits. The cost to administer the TFFR plan is financed by investment income and contributions.

Responsibility for administration of the TFFR benefits program is assigned to a seven-member Board of Trustees (Board). The Board consists of the State Treasurer, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and five members appointed by the Governor. The appointed members serve five-year terms which end on June 30 of alternate years. The appointed Board members must include two active teachers, one active school administrator, and two retired members. The TFFR Board submits any necessary or desirable changes in statutes relating to the administration of the fund, including benefit terms, to the Legislative Assembly for consideration. The Legislative Assembly has final authority for changes to benefit terms and contribution rates.

Pension Benefits

For purposes of determining pension benefits, members are classified within one of three categories. Tier 1 grandfathered and Tier 1 non-grandfathered members are those with service credit on file as of July 1, 2008. Tier 2 members are those newly employed and returning refunded members on or after July 1, 2008.

Tier 1 Grandfathered

A Tier 1 grandfathered member is entitled to receive unreduced benefits when three or more years of credited service as a teacher in North Dakota have accumulated, the member is no longer employed as a teacher and the member has reached age 65, or the sum of age and years of service credit equals or exceeds 85. TFFR permits early retirement from ages 55 to 64, with benefits actuarially reduced by 6% per year for every year the member's retirement age is less than 65 years or the date as of which age plus service equal 85. In either case, benefits may not exceed the maximum benefits specified in Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Pension benefits paid by TFFR are determined by NDCC Section 15-39.1-10. Monthly benefits under TFFR are equal to the three highest annual salaries earned divided by 36 months and multiplied by 2.00% times the number of service credits earned. Retirees may elect payment of benefits in the form of a single life annuity, 100% or 50% joint and survivor annuity, ten or twenty-year term certain annuity, partial lump-sum option or level income with Social Security benefits. Members may also qualify for benefits calculated under other formulas.

Tier 1 Non-grandfathered

A Tier 1 non-grandfathered member is entitled to receive unreduced benefits when three or more years of credited service as a teacher in North Dakota have accumulated, the member is no longer employed as a teacher and the member has reached age 65, or has reached age 60 and the sum of age and years of service credit equals or exceeds 90. TFFR permits early retirement from ages 55 to 64, with benefits actuarially reduced by 8% per year from the earlier of age 60/Rule of 90 or age 65. In either case, benefits may not exceed the maximum benefits specified in Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Pension benefits paid by TFFR are determined by NDCC Section 15-39.1-10. Monthly benefits under TFFR are equal to the three highest annual salaries earned divided by 36 months and multiplied by 2.00% times the number of service credits earned. Retirees may elect payment of benefits in the form of a single life annuity, 100% or 50% joint and survivor annuity, ten or twenty-year term certain annuity, partial lump-sum option or level income with Social Security benefits. Members may also qualify for benefits calculated under other formulas.

Tier 2

A Tier 2 member is entitled to receive unreduced benefits when five or more years of credited service as a teacher in North Dakota have accumulated, the member is no longer employed as a teacher and the member has reached age 65, or has reached age 60 and the sum of age and years of service credit equals or exceeds 90. TFFR permits early retirement from ages 55 to 64, with benefits actuarially reduced by 8% per year from the earlier of age 60/Rule of 90 or age 65. In either case, benefits may not exceed the maximum benefits specified in Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Pension benefits paid by TFFR are determined by NDCC Section 15-39.1-10. Monthly benefits under TFFR are equal to the five highest annual salaries earned divided by 60 months and multiplied by 2.00% times the number of service credits earned. Retirees may elect payment of benefits in the form of a single life annuity, 100% or 50% joint and survivor annuity, ten or twenty-year term certain annuity, partial lump-sum option or level income with Social Security benefits. Members may also qualify for benefits calculated under other formulas.

Death and Disability Benefits

Death benefits may be paid to a member's designated beneficiary. If a member's death occurs before retirement, the benefit options available are determined by the member's vesting status prior to death. If a member's death occurs after retirement, the death benefit received by the beneficiary (if any) is based on the retirement plan the member selected at retirement.

An active member is eligible to receive disability benefits when: (a) a total disability lasting 12 months or more does not allow the continuation of teaching, (b) the member has accumulated five years of credited service in North Dakota, and (c) the Board of Trustees of TFFR has determined eligibility based upon medical evidence. The amount of the disability benefit is computed by the retirement formula in NDCC Section 15-39.1-10 without consideration of age and uses the member's actual years of credited service. There is no actuarial reduction for reason of disability retirement.

Member and Employer Contributions

Member and employer contributions paid to TFFR are set by NDCC Section 15-39.1-09. Every eligible teacher in the State of North Dakota is required to be a member of TFFR and is assessed at a rate of 11.75% of salary as defined by NDCC Section 15-39.1-04. Every governmental body employing a teacher must also pay into TFFR a sum equal to 12.75% of the teacher's salary. Member and employer contributions will be reduced to 7.75% each when the fund reaches 100% funded ratio on an actuarial basis.

A vested member who terminates covered employment may elect a refund of contributions paid plus 6% interest or defer payment until eligible for pension benefits. A non-vested member who terminates covered employment must claim a refund of contributions paid before age 70½. Refunded members forfeit all service credits under TFFR. These service credits may be repurchased upon return to covered employment under certain circumstances, as defined by the NDCC.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2020, the School District reported a liability of \$21,245,044 for its proportionate share of net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The district's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the district's share of covered payroll in the pension plan relative to the covered payroll of all participating TFFR employers. At June 30, 2019, the district's proportion was 1.542566%, an increase of .039365%.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the district recognized pension expense of \$2,024,176. At June 30, 2020, the district reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources.

	Deferred Outflows	Deferred Inflows
	of Resources	of Resources
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 30,335	\$ 766,742
Changes of Assumptions	755,085	-
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment		
Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	299,048	-
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between Employer		
Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	437,522	1,191,977
District Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	1,435,148	-
Total	\$ 2,957,138	\$ 1,958,719

\$1,435,148, reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021.

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

2021	\$ 503,235
2022	(986)
2023	(64,901)
2024	45,496
2025	(113,343)
Thereafter	(51,775)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the July 1, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.75%
Salary Increases	4.25% to 14.50%, varying by service, including inflation and productivity
Investment Rate of Return	7.75%, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	None

For active and inactive members, mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected generationally using Scale MP-2014. For healthy retirees, mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table set back one year, multiplied by 50% for ages under 75 and grading up to 100% by age 80, projected generationally using Scale MP-2014. For disabled retirees, mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table set forward four years.

The actuarial assumptions used were based on the results of an actuarial experience study dated April 30, 2015. They are the same as the assumptions used in the July 1, 2019, funding actuarial valuation for TFFR.

As a result of the April 30, 2015 actuarial experience study, the TFFR Board adopted several assumption changes, including the following:

- Investment return assumption lowered from 8% to 7.75%.
- Inflation assumption lowered from 3% to 2.75%.
- Total salary scale rates lowered by 0.25% due to lower inflation.
- Added explicit administrative expense assumption, equal to prior year administrative expense plus inflation.
- Rates of turnover and retirement were changed to better reflect anticipated future experience.
- Updated mortality assumption to the RP-2014 mortality tables with generational improvement.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block 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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of July 1, 2019 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Global Equities	58%	6.9%
Global Fixed Income	23%	2.1%
Global Real Assets	18%	5.4%
Cash Equivalents	1%	0.0%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2019. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that member and employer contributions will be made at rates equal to those based on the July 1, 2019, Actuarial Valuation Report. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not included. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments for current plan members as of July 1, 2019. 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 as of June 30, 2019.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount rate

The following presents the district's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the district's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	Dec	1% crease (6.75%)	Current Discount Rate (7.75%)	Inc	1% rease (8.75%)
School District's Proportionate Share					
of the Net Pension Liability	\$	28,691,648	\$ 21,245,044	\$	15,056,726

General Information about the NDPERS Pension Plan

North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System (Main System)

The following brief description of NDPERS is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to NDCC Chapter 54-52 for more complete information.

NDPERS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that covers substantially all employees of the State of North Dakota, its agencies and various participating political subdivisions. NDPERS provides for pension, death and disability benefits. The cost to administer the plan is financed through the contributions and investment earnings of the plan.

Responsibility for administration of the NDPERS defined benefit pension plan is assigned to a Board comprised of nine members. The Board consists of a Chairman, who is appointed by the Governor; one member appointed by the Attorney General; one member appointed by the State Health Officer; three members elected by the active membership of the NDPERS system, one member elected by the retired public employees and two members of the legislative assembly appointed by the chairman of the legislative management.

Pension Benefits

Benefits are set by statute. NDPERS has no provisions or policies with respect to automatic and ad hoc post-retirement benefit increases. Member of the Main System are entitled to unreduced monthly pension benefits beginning when the sum of age and years of credited service equal or exceed 85 (Rule of 85), or at normal retirement age (65). For members hired on or after January 1, 2016 the Rule of 85 was be replaced with the Rule of 90 with a minimum age of 60. The monthly pension benefit is equal to 2.00% of their average monthly salary, using the highest 36 months out of the last 180 months of service, for each year of service. For members hired on or after January 1, 2020 the 2.00% multiplier was replaced with a 1.75% multiplier. The plan permits early retirement at ages 55-64 with three or more years of service.

Members may elect to receive the pension benefits in the form of a single life, joint and survivor, term-certain annuity, or partial lump sum with ongoing annuity. Members may elect to receive the value of their accumulated contributions, plus interest, as a lump sum distribution upon retirement or termination, or they may elect to receive their benefits in the form of an annuity. For each member electing an annuity, total payment will not be less than the members' accumulated contributions plus interest.

Death and Disability Benefits

Death and disability benefits are set by statute. If an active member dies with less than three years of service for the Main System, a death benefit equal to the value of the member's accumulated contributions, plus interest, is paid to the member's beneficiary. If the member has earned more than three years of credited service for the Main System, the surviving spouse will be entitled to a single payment refund, life-time monthly payments in an amount equal to 50% of the member's accrued normal retirement benefit, or monthly payments in an amount equal to the member's accrued 100% Joint and Survivor retirement benefit if the member had reached normal retirement age prior to date of death. If the surviving spouse dies before the member's accumulated pension benefits are paid, the balance will be payable to the surviving spouse's designated beneficiary.

Eligible members who become totally disabled after a minimum of 180 days of service, receive monthly disability benefits equal to 25% of their final average salary with a minimum benefit of \$100. To qualify under this section, the member has to become disabled during the period of eligible employment and apply for benefits within one year of termination. The definition for disabled is set by the NDPERS in the North Dakota Administrative Code.

Refunds of Member Account Balance

Upon termination, if a member of the Main System is not vested (is not 65 or does not have three years of service), they will receive the accumulated member contributions and vested employer contributions, plus interest, or may elect to receive this amount at a later date. If the member has vested, they have the option of applying for a refund or can remain as a terminated vested participant. If a member terminated and withdrew their accumulated member contribution and is subsequently reemployed, they have the option of repurchasing their previous service.

Member and Employer Contributions

Member and employer contributions paid to NDPERS are set by statute and are established as a percent of salaries and wages. Member contribution rates are 7% and employer contribution rates are 7.12% of covered compensation. For members hired on or after January 1, 2020 member contribution rates are 7% and employer contribution rates are 8.26% of covered compensation

The member's account balance includes the vested employer contributions equal to the member's contributions to an eligible deferred compensation plan. The minimum member contribution is \$25 and the maximum may not exceed the following:

1 to 12 months of service	Greater of one percent of monthly salary or \$25
13 to 24 months of service	Greater of two percent of monthly salary or \$25
25 to 36 months of service	Greater of three percent of monthly salary or \$25
Longer than 36 months of service	Greater of four percent of monthly salary or \$25

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2020, the School District reported a liability of \$3,372,615 for its proportionate share of net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School District's share of covered payroll in the main system pension plan relative to the covered payroll of all participating main system employers. At June 30, 2019, the entities had the following proportions, change in proportions, and pension expense:

		Increase (Decrease) in Proportion from June 30, 2018	Pension
	Proportion	Measurement	Expense
Primary Government	0.2877480%	0.0010950%	\$ 607,037

At June 30, 2020, the following deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources were reported related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows	Deferred Inflows
	of Resources	of Resources
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 1,998	\$ 612,065
Changes of Assumptions	1,260,257	1,082,040
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment		
Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	58,759	-
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between Employer		
Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions	105,192	131,997
District Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	231,498	-
Total	\$ 1,657,704	\$ 1,826,102

\$231,498 was reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021.

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

2021	\$ 105,276
2022	39,163
2023	(130,643)
2024	(318, 177)
2025	(95,515)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the July 1, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary increases	Service at Beginning of year: Increase Rate:
	0 15.00%
	1 10.00%
	2 8.00%
	Age*
	Under 30 10.00%
	30 – 39 7.50%
	40 – 49 6.75%
	50 – 59 6.50%
	60+ 5.25%
	* Age-based salary increase rates apply for
	employees with three or more years of service
Investment rate of return	7.50%, net of investment expenses
Cost–of-living adjustments	None

For active members, inactive members and healthy retirees, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Table set back two years for males and three years for females, projected generationally using the SSA 2014 Intermediate Cost scale from 2014. For disabled retirees, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table set back one year for males (no setback for females) multiplied by 125%.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block 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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Fund's target asset allocation are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long -Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	30%	6.25%
International Equity	21%	6.95%
Private Equity	7%	10.15%
Domestic Fixed Income	23%	2.11%
International Fixed Income	0%	0.00%
Global Real Assets	19%	5.41%
Cash Equivalents	0%	0.00%

Discount Rate

For PERS, GASB Statement No. 67 includes a specific requirement for the discount rate that is used for the purpose of the measurement of the Total Pension Liability. This rate considers the ability of the System to meet benefit obligations in the future. To make this determination, employer contributions, employee contributions, benefit payments, expenses and investment returns are projected into the future. The current employer and employee fixed rate contributions are assumed to be made in each future year. The Plan Net Position (assets) in future years can then be determined and compared to its obligation to make benefit payments in those years. In years where assets are not projected to be sufficient to meet benefit payments, which is the case for the PERS plan, the use of a municipal bond rate is required.

The Single Discount Rate (SDR) is equivalent to applying these two rates to the benefits that are projected to be paid during the different time periods. The SDR reflects (1) the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (during the period in which the fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits) and (2) a tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate of return are not met).

For the purpose of this valuation, the expected rate of return on pension plan investments is 7.50%; the municipal bond rate is 3.13%; and the resulting Single Discount Rate is 7.50%.

Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount rate

The following presents School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.5 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 (6.5 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.5 percent) than the current rate.

	Current Discount Decrease (6 50%) Decrease (7 50%)		Discount		1%	
	De	crease (6.50%)		Rate (7.50%)	Incre	ease (8.50%)
School District's Proportionate Share						
of the Net Pension Liability	\$	4,835,604	\$	3,372,615	\$	2,143,448

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in a separately issued NDPERS financial report.

NOTE 8 OPEB PLAN

General Information about the OPEB Plan

North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System

The following brief description of NDPERS is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to NDAC Chapter 71-06 for more complete information.

NDPERS OPEB plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB plan that covers members receiving retirement benefits from the PERS, the HPRS, and Judges retired under Chapter 27-17 of the North Dakota Century Code a credit toward their monthly health insurance premium under the state health plan based upon the member's years of credited service. Effective July 1, 2015, the credit is also available to apply towards monthly premiums under the state dental, vision and long-term care plan and any other health insurance plan. Effective August 1, 2019 the benefit may be used for any eligible health, prescription drug plan, dental, vision, or long term care plan premium expense. The Retiree Health Insurance Credit Fund is advance-funded on an actuarially determined basis.

Responsibility for administration of the NDPERS defined benefit OPEB plan is assigned to a Board comprised of nine members. The Board consists of a Chairman, who is appointed by the Governor; one member appointed by the Attorney General; one member appointed by the State Health Officer; three members elected by the active membership of the NDPERS system, one member elected by the retired public employees and two members of the legislative assembly appointed by the chairman of the legislative management.

OPEB Benefits

The employer contribution for the PERS, the HPRS and the Defined Contribution Plan is set by statute at 1.14% of covered compensation. The employer contribution for employees of the state board of career and technical education is 2.99% of covered compensation for a period of eight years ending October 1, 2015. Employees participating in the retirement plan as part-time/temporary members are required to contribute 1.14% of their covered compensation to the Retiree Health Insurance Credit Fund. Employees purchasing previous service credit are also required to make an employee contribution to the Fund. The benefit amount applied each year is shown as "prefunded credit applied" on the Statement of Changes in Plan Net Position for the OPEB trust funds. Beginning January 1, 2020, members first enrolled in the NDPERS Main System and the Defined Contribution Plan on or after that date will not be eligible to participate in RHIC. Therefore, RHIC will become for the most part a closed plan. There were no other benefit changes during the year.

Retiree health insurance credit benefits and death and disability benefits are set by statute. There are no provisions or policies with respect to automatic and ad hoc post-retirement benefit increases. Employees who are receiving monthly retirement benefits from the PERS, the HPRS, the Defined Contribution Plan, the Chapter 27-17 judges or an employee receiving disability benefits, or the spouse of a deceased annuitant receiving a surviving spouse benefit or if the member selected a joint and survivor option are eligible to receive a credit toward their monthly health insurance premium under the state health plan.

Effective July 1, 2015, the credit is also available to apply towards monthly premiums under the state dental, vision and long-term care plan and any other health insurance plan. Effective August 1, 2019 the benefit may be used for any eligible health, prescription drug plan, dental, vision, or long term care plan premium expense. The benefits are equal to \$5.00 for each of the employee's, or deceased employee's years of credited service not to exceed the premium in effect for selected coverage. The retiree health insurance credit is also available for early retirement with reduced benefits.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

At June 30, 2020, the School District reported a liability of \$215,439 for its proportionate share of net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2019, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the School District's share of covered payroll in the OPEB plan relative to the covered payroll of all participating OPEB employers. At June 30, 2019, the entities had the following proportions, change in proportions, and pension expense:

	Proportion	Increase (Decrease) in Proportion from June 30, 2018 Measurement	Pension Expense
Primary Government	0.2682300%	-0.0008970%	\$ 27,472

At June 30, 2020, the following deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources were reported related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Defer	red Outflows	Defer	red Inflows
	of l	Resources	of F	Resources
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience	\$	5,319	\$	6,730
Changes of Assumptions		25,677		-
Net Difference Between Projected and Actual Investment				
Earnings on OPEB Plan Investments		240		-
Changes in Proportion and Differences Between Employer				
Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions		482		9,773
Employer Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date		36,726		-
Total	\$	68,444	\$	16,503

\$36,726 was reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2021.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEBs will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

2021	\$ 2,137
2022	2,137
2023	4,143
2024	3,775
2025	1,528
Thereafter	1,495

Actuarial assumptions

The total OPEB liability in the July 1, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.50%
Salary Increases	Not applicable
Investment Rate of Return	7.25%, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-Living Adjustments	None

For active members, inactive members and healthy retirees, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Mortality Table set back two years for males and three years for females, projected generationally using the SSA 2014 Intermediate Cost scale from 2014. For disabled retirees, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table set back one year for males (no setback for females) multiplied by 125%.

The long-term expected investment rate of return assumption for the RHIC fund was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of RHIC 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. Estimates of arithmetic real rates of return, for each major asset class included in the RHIC's target asset allocation as of July 1, 2019 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Large Cap Domestic Equities	33%	6.00%
Small Cap Domestic Equities	6%	7.30%
Domestic Fixed Income	40%	2.07%
International Equities	21%	6.95%

Discount rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed plan member and statutory/Board approved employer contributions will be made at rates equal to those based on the July 1, 2018, and July 1, 2017, HPRS actuarial valuation reports. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current RHIC members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries are not included. Based on those assumptions, the RHIC fiduciary net position was projected to be sufficient to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on RHIC investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

Sensitivity of the School District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the net OPEB liability of the Plans as of June 30, 2019, calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the RHIC net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	Decr	1% ease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)		1% Increase (8.25%	
School District's Proportionate Share						
of the Net OPEB Liability	\$	274,979	\$	215,439	\$	164,472

NOTE 9 RISK MANAGEMENT

The School District is exposed to various risks of loss relating to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

In 1986 state agencies and political subdivisions of the state of North Dakota joined together to form the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund (NDIRF), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for the state and over 2,000 political subdivisions. The School District pays an annual premium to NDIRF for its general liability, automobile insurance coverage and inland marine. The coverage by NDIRF is limited to losses of three million dollars per occurrence for general liability and automobile and \$240,297 for mobile equipment and portable property. The School District also insures machinery and equipment with Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company. Coverage is limited to \$23,612,387.

The School District also participates in the North Dakota Fire and Tornado Fund and the State Bonding Fund. The School District pays an annual premium to the Fire and Tornado Fund to cover property damage to buildings and personal property. Replacement cost coverage is provided by estimating replacement cost in consultation with the Fire and Tornado Fund. The Fire and Tornado Fund is reinsured by a third-party insurance carrier for losses in excess of two million dollars per occurrence during a 12-month period. The State Bonding Fund currently provides political subdivision with blanket fidelity bond coverage in the amount of two million dollars for its employees. The State Bonding Fund does not currently charge any premium for this coverage.

The School District has worker's compensation with the Workforce, Safety and Insurance and purchases commercial insurance for employee health and accident insurance.

Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 10 EARLY RETIREMENT

The School District offers early retirement payments to professional employees under School Board policy "Retirement Incentive for Professional Staff Members". Under this policy, teachers and administrators are eligible for a predetermined one-time payment based on a proportion of the current annual salary at the time of retirement. To be eligible for the plan an employee must meet one of the following requirements:

- Teaching employee has attained the earliest occurring of the following eligibility standards of the Teacher's Fund for retirement (TFFR) of North Dakota for a normal (unreduced service retirement: the employee has a combined age and years of service credit equal to 85 as determined by TFFR; or, the employee has attained age 65.
- Professional staff members must have completed 15 years of consecutive full-time certified employment in the School District to be eligible for retirement under NDPERS.

A liability for remaining early retirement payments at year-end is reported in the statement of net position. For the year ended June 30, 2020 the School District had seven employees who received this benefit for a cost to the School District of \$105,893. The balance due at June 30, 2020 is due as follows:

Year Ending	Early		
Jun 30	Amount		
2021	\$ 144,529		
2022	80,346		
2023	80,346		
2024	64,137		
2025	52,684		
Total	\$ 422,042		

NOTE 11 OPERATING LEASES

The School District leases copiers under non-cancelable operating leases. Total costs for such leases were \$37,128 for the year ended June 30, 2020.

The future minimum lease payments for these leases are as follows:

Year Ending Jun 30	Operating Lease		
2021	\$	37,128	
Total	\$	37,128	

NOTE 12 TRANSFERS

The following is a reconciliation between transfers in and transfers out as reported in the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2020:

	Transfers In		Transfers Out		
Major Funds					
General Fund	\$	100,000	\$	-	
Non-Major Funds					
Special Reserve Fund		-		100,000	
Total Transfers	\$	100,000	\$	100,000	

Funds were transferred from the special reserve fund to the general fund for capital improvement projects.

Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued

NOTE 13 TAX ABATEMENTS

Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 and political subdivisions within Ramsey County can negotiate property tax abatement agreements with individuals and various commercial entities/businesses. Ramsey County and the political subdivisions within have the following types of tax abatement agreements with various individuals and commercial entities at June 30, 2020.

The School District will state individually the parties whom received a benefit of the reduction in taxes of 20% or greater when compared to the total reduction of taxes for all tax abatement programs.

New and Expanding Business

Businesses that are primarily industrial, commercial, retail or service are eligible for property tax incentives for new and expanding businesses if they meet state requirements (NDCC 40.57.1-03) and the guidelines stated below.

The following criteria are only guidelines.

General criteria - The governing body of the city or county may grant a partial or complete exemption from ad valorem taxation on all buildings, structure, fixtures, and improvements used in or necessary to the operation of a project for period not exceeding five years from the date of commencement of project operations. The governing body may also grant a partial or complete exemption from ad valorem taxation on buildings, structures, fixtures, and improvements used in or necessary to the operation of a project that produces or manufactures a product from agricultural commodities for all or part of the sixth year through the tenth year from the date of commencement of project operations. As a result of agreements made by the county and city, the School District had a reduction in taxes as noted.

FY2020 reduction in taxes due to agreements with other entities – \$25,938

Public Charity Exemption

Public Charities are eligible for property tax incentives if they meet state requirements (NDCC 57-02-08(8)) and the guidelines stated below. The following criteria are only guidelines.

All buildings belonging to institutions of public charity, including public hospitals and nursing homes licensed pursuant to section 23-16-01 under the control of religious or charitable institutions, used wholly or in part for public charity, together with the land occupied by such institutions not leased or otherwise used with a view to profit. The exemption provided by this subsection includes any dormitory, dwelling, or residential-type structure, together with necessary land on which such structure is located, owned by a religious or charitable organization recognized as tax exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code which is occupied by members of said organization who are subject to a religious vow of poverty and devote and donate substantially all of their time to the religious or charitable activities of the owner.

Property is exempt if the qualified facility is used wholly or in part for public charity, together with the land occupied by such institutions not leased or otherwise used with a view to profit.

FY2020 reduction in taxes due to agreements with other entities – \$57,902

Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	ariance with
REVENUES				
Local Sources	\$ 4,138,200	\$ 4,138,200	\$ 4,031,979	\$ (106,221)
State Sources	16,692,901	16,713,415	16,714,678	1,263
Federal Sources	 2,484,741	2,813,492	2,160,027	(653,465)
Total Revenues	\$ 23,315,842	\$ 23,665,107	\$ 22,906,684	\$ (758,423)
EXPENDITURES				
Current				
Regular Instruction	\$ 11,828,460	\$ 11,840,705	\$ 11,488,294	\$ 352,411
Special Education	2,949,490	2,949,490	2,546,501	402,989
Vocational Education	1,744,385	1,744,385	1,742,838	1,547
Federal Programs	2,109,742	2,438,492	1,834,708	603,784
District Wide Services	1,098,705	1,118,705	834,883	283,822
Administration	742,125	742,125	763,712	(21,587)
Operations and Maintenance	1,504,605	1,504,605	1,577,803	(73, 198)
Transportation	1,108,250	1,108,250	1,053,878	54,372
Co-curricular Activities	1,003,265	1,003,265	882,297	120,968
Other Programs & Services	 9,320	9,320	459	8,861
Total Expenditures	\$ 24,098,347	\$ 24,459,342	\$ 22,725,373	\$ 1,733,969
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues				
Over Expenditures	\$ (782,505)	\$ (794,235)	\$ 181,311	\$ 975,546
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)				
Transfers in	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	\$
Net Changes in Fund Balances	\$ (782,505)	\$ (694,235)	\$ 281,311	\$ 975,546
Fund Balances - July 1	\$ 2,319,952	\$ 2,419,952	\$ 3,893,499	\$ 1,473,547
Fund Balances - June 30	\$ 1,537,447	\$ 1,725,717	\$ 4,174,810	\$ 2,449,093

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability and Employer Contributions For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability North Dakota Teachers Fund for Retirement Last 10 Fiscal Years

				Proportionate	
				Share of the Net	
				Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net
		Proportionate		(Asset) as a	Position as a
	Proportion of the	Share of the Net		Percentage of its	Percentage of the
	Net Pension	Pension Liability	Covered-Employee	Covered-Employee	Total Pension
	Liability (Asset)	(Asset)	Payroll	Payroll	Liability
2020	1.542566%	\$ 21,245,044	\$ 10,821,543	196.32%	65.50%
2019	1.503201%	20,035,540	10,218,902	196.06%	65.50%
2018	1.543840%	21,205,036	10,420,476	203.49%	63.20%
2017	1.587603%	23,259,323	10,315,055	225.49%	59.20%
2016	1.654329%	17,920,776	9,920,576	180.64%	62.10%
2015	1.710287%	17,920,776	9,920,576	180.64%	66.60%

Schedule of Employer Contributions North Dakota Teachers Fund for Retirement Last 10 Fiscal Years

			Contributions in							Contributi	ons as a
			Rela	ation to the		Contribution				Percent	tage of
	Statutory Required		Statutory Required		Deficiency		District's Covered-		Covered-Employee		
	Contribution		Contribution			(Excess)		Emp	oloyee Payroll	Pay	roll
2020	\$	1,379,747	\$	1,379,747	\$			\$	10,821,543		12.75%
2019		1,302,910		1,302,910			-		10,218,902		12.75%
2018		1,328,611		1,328,611			-		10,420,476		12.75%
2017		1,315,170		1,315,170			-		10,315,055		12.75%
2016		1,264,873		1,264,873			-	•	9,920,576		12.75%
2015		1,066,462		1,066,462		•	-		9,920,576		10.75%

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System Last 10 Fiscal Years

				Proportionate	
				Share of the Net	
				Pension Liability	Plan Fiduciary Net
		Proportionate		(Asset) as a	Position as a
	Proportion of the	Share of the Net		Percentage of its	Percentage of the
	Net Pension	Pension Liability	Covered-Employee	Covered-Employee	Total Pension
	Liability (Asset)	(Asset)	Payroll	Payroll	Liability
2020	0.287748%	\$ 3,372,615	\$ 2,993,064	112.68%	71.66%
2019	0.286653%	4,837,582	2,944,831	164.27%	62.80%
2018	0.305909%	4,916,962	3,122,854	157.45%	61.98%
2017	0.281076%	2,739,360	2,832,581	96.71%	70.46%
2016	0.287721%	1,956,454	2,563,249	76.33%	77.15%
2015	0.295803%	1,877,525	2,491,788	75.35%	77.70%

Schedule of Employer Contributions North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System Last 10 Fiscal Years

		Contribu	utions in			Contributions as a
		relation	n to the			percentage of
	Statutorily required	statutorily	required	Contribution	District's covered-	covered-employee
	contribution	contri	bution	deficiency (excess)	employee payroll	payroll
2020	\$ 217,912	\$	225,008	\$ (7,096)	\$ 2,993,064	7.52%
2019	216,900		225,860	(8,960)	2,944,831	7.67%
2018	226,445		225,463	982	3,122,854	7.22%
2017	205,074		210,960	(5,886)	2,832,581	7.45%
2016	194,699		209,352	(14,653)	2,563,249	8.17%
2015	177,415		177,415	-	2,491,788	7.12%

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net OPEB Liability and Employer Contributions For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net OPEB Liability North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System Last 10 Fiscal Years

				Proportionate	
				Share of the Net	Plan Fiduciary Net
				OPEB (Asset) as a	Position as a
	Proportion of the	Proportionate		Percentage of its	Percentage of the
	Net OPEB Liability	Share of the Net	Covered-Employee	Covered-Employee	Total OPEB
	(Asset)	OPEB (Asset)	Payroll	Payroll	Liability
2020	0.268230%	\$ 215,439	\$ 2,993,064	7.20%	63.13%
2019	0.269127%	211,956	2,944,831	7.20%	61.89%
2018	0.288661%	228,334	3,122,854	7.31%	59.78%

Schedule of Employer Contributions North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System Last 10 Fiscal Years

			Contri	ibutions in					Contribution	ns as a
			Relat	ion to the		Contribution			Percentag	ge of
	Statuto	ry Required	Statuto	ry Required		Deficiency	Distric	t's Covered-	Covered-Em	ployee
	Contribution		Contribution		(Excess)		Employee Payroll		Payro	II
2020	\$	34,809	\$	36,026	\$	(1,217)	\$	2,993,064		1.20%
2019		34,541		36,162		(1,621)		2,944,831		1.23%
2018		36,301		36,098		203		3,122,854		1.16%

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

NOTE 1 STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Budgetary Information

The School District adopts an annual budget on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States for the general fund, special revenue funds, debt service funds, and capital project funds.

The following procedures are followed in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- The annual budget must be prepared, and school district taxes must be levied on or before the tenth day of August of each year.
- The governing body of the school district may amend its tax levy and budget on or before the tenth day of October
 of each year, but the certification must be filed with the county auditor within the time limitations as outlined in NDCC
 section 57-15-31.1.
- Taxes for school district purposes must be based upon an itemized budget statement which must show the complete
 expenditure program of the district for the current fiscal year and the sources of the revenue from which it is to be
 financed.
- The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and means of financing them.
- The school board of each public school district, in levying taxes, is limited by the amount necessary to be raised for
 the purpose of meeting the appropriations included in the school budget of the current fiscal year, and the sum
 necessary to be provided as an interim fund, together with a tax sufficient in amount to pay the interest on the bonded
 debt of the district and to provide a sinking fund to pay and discharge the principal thereof at maturity.
- No taxing district may certify any taxes or amend its current budget and no county auditor may accept a certification
 of taxes or amended budget after the tenth day of October of each year if such certification or amendment results in
 a change in the amount of tax levied.
- The current budget, except for property taxes, may be amended during the year for any revenues and appropriations not anticipated at the time the budget was prepared.

NOTE 2 LEGAL COMPLIANCE - BUDGETS

The school board amended the school district budget for FY2020 as follows:

	Original Budget		Budget endment	Amended Budget		
General Fund						
Revenues/Transfers In	\$	23,415,842	\$ 349,265	\$	23,765,107	
Expenditures		24,098,347	360,995		24,459,342	

NOTE 3 CHANGES OF BENEFIT TERMS

Pension

The interest rate earned on member contributions will decrease from 7.25 percent to 7.00 percent effective January 1, 2020 (based on the adopted decrease in the investment return assumption). New Main System members who are hired on or after January 1, 2020 will have a benefit multiplier of 1.75 percent (compared to the current benefit multiplier of 2.00 percent). The fixed employer contribution for new members of the Main System will increase from 7.12 percent to 8.26 percent. For members who terminate after December 31, 2019, final average salary is the higher of the final average salary calculated on December 31, 2019 or the average salary earned in the three highest periods of twelve consecutive

Notes to the Required Supplementary Information - Continued

months employed during the last 180 months of employment. There have been no other changes in plan provisions since the previous actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018.

OPEB

Beginning January 1, 2020, members first enrolled in the NDPERS Main System and the Defined Contribution Plan on or after that date will not be eligible to participate in RHIC. Therefore, RHIC will become for the most part a closed plan. There have been no other changes in plan provisions since the previous actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018.

NOTE 4 CHANGES OF ASSUMPTIONS

North Dakota Teachers Fund for Retirement

Amounts reported in 2016 and later reflect the following actuarial assumption changes based on the results of an actuarial experience study dated April 30, 2015.

- Investment return assumption lowered from 8% to 7.75%.
- Inflation assumption lowered from 3% to 2.75%.
- Total salary scale rates lowered by 0.25% due to lower inflation.
- Added explicit administrative expense assumption, equal to prior year administrative expense plus inflation.
- Rates of turnover and retirement were changed to better reflect anticipated future experience.
- Updated mortality assumption to the RP-2014 mortality tables with generational improvement.

Pension

The Board approved the following changes to the actuarial assumptions beginning with the July 1, 2019 valuation:

The investment return assumption was lowered from 7.75% to 7.50%

All other actuarial assumptions and the actuarial cost method are unchanged from the last actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018.

OPEB

The Board approved the following changes to the actuarial assumptions beginning with the July 1, 2019 valuation:

The investment return assumption was lowered from 7.50% to 7.25%

All other actuarial assumptions and the actuarial cost method are unchanged from the last actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2018.

NOTE 5 SCHEDULE OF PENSION AND OPEB LIABILITY AND CONTRIBUTIONS

GASB Statements No. 68 and 75 require ten years of information to be presented in these tables. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the School District will present information for those years for which information is available.

Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

CFDA Number	Program Title	Pass-Through Grantor's Number	Expenditures	
U.S. DEPAI	RTMENT OF AGRICULTURE			
Passed thro	ough the North Dakota State Department of Public Instruction			
10.555	National School Lunch Program	F10555	\$	306,245
10.555	Commodity Supplemental Food Program	36001		81,416
10.553	School Breakfast Program	F10553		97,406
10.559	Summer Food Service Program For Children	F10559		259,278
	Child Nutrition Cluster		\$	744,345
10.560	State Administrative Expenses for Child Nutrition	F10560A	\$	13,994
10.582	Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	F10582		41,589
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			\$	799,928
U.S. DEPAI	RTMENT OF EDUCATION			
Direct Assis	stance			
84.041	Impact Aid	None	\$	247,925
84.060	Indian Education-Grants to Local Education Agencies	None		141,463
84.299	Indian Education - Special Programs for Indian Children	None		306,056
Total Direct Assistance			\$	695,444
Passed thro	ough the North Dakota State Department of Public Instruction			
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Education Agencies	F84010	\$	740,156
84.287	Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	F84287		692,088
84.367	Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	F84367		230,187
84.371	Comprehensive Literacy Development	F84371C		394,563
84.424	Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	F84424A		122,901
Passed thro	ough the North Dakota State Board of Vocational Education			
84.048	Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	None	_\$	146,768
Total U.S. Department of Education			\$	3,022,107
U.S. DEPAI	RTMENT OF DEFENSE			
Direct Assis	stance Army Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps. (JROTC)	None	\$	60,330
Total II 9 F			Ф.	60,330
Total U.S. Department of Defense			\$	
Total Expen	ditures of Federal Awards		\$	3,882,365

^{* -} Noncash assistance

The notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards are an integral part of this statement.

Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

NOTE 1 BASIS OF PRESENTATION / ACCOUNTING

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards includes the federal grant activity of the Devils Lake Public School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2020. The information in the schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Uniform Guidance. Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the Devils Lake Public School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the Devils Lake Public School District. Expenditures represent only the federally funded portions of the program. School District records should be consulted to determine amounts expended or matched from non-federal sources.

NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in Subpart E of the *Uniform Guidance*, wherein certain types of expenditures are allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

NOTE 3 NON-CASH AWARDS

The amount of commodities reported on the schedule is the value of the supplemental food program distributed by the district during the year as priced by the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction.

NOTE 4 SCHOOL-WIDE PROGRAMS

The Devils Lake Public School District operates a 'schoolwide program' in elementary buildings. Using federal funding, schoolwide programs are designed to provide an entire educational program within a school for all students, rather than limit services to certain targeted individuals. The federal program amount expended by the district in the schoolwide program for Title I (84.010) was \$740,156.

NOTE 5 PASS-THROUGH GRANT NUMBER

For Federal Pass-through programs marked "None", the Devils Lake Public School District was unable to obtain a pass-through grant number.

NOTE 6 INDIRECT COST RATE

Devils Lake Public School District has not elected to use the 10-percent de minimis cost rate as allowed under Uniform Guidance.

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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

STATE CAPITOL 600 E. Boulevard Ave. Dept. 117 Bismarck, North Dakota, 58505

Independent Auditor's Report

School Board of Directors Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 Devils Lake, North Dakota

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 8, 2020.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's 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 the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's 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 entity'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 and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying *Schedule of Audit Findings and Questioned Costs* as items 2020-001 and 2020-002 that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's 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

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* - Continued

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*.

Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's Response to Findings

Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Audit Findings and Questioned Costs. Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

/S/

Joshua C. Gallion State Auditor

Bismarck, North Dakota December 8, 2020

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REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM; REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE; AND REPORT ON SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

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Independent Auditor's Report

School Board of Directors Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 Devils Lake, North Dakota

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2020. The Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of auditor's results, findings, and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statues, 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 the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's 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 auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; 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 the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's 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 the major federal programs. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the School District's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2020.

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program; Report on Internal Control over Compliance; and Report on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance – Continued

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 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 the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's 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 the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's 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 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 weakness 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.

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.

/S/

Joshua C. Gallion State Auditor

Bismarck, North Dakota December 8, 2020

Summary of Auditor's Results For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Financial Statements		
Type of Report Issued? Governmental Activities Major Funds Aggregate Remaining Fund Information	Unmodified Unmodified Unmodified	
Internal control over financial reporting		
Material weaknesses identified?	XYes	None Noted
Significant deficiencies identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	Yes	X None Noted
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	Yes	X None Noted
Federal Awards		
Internal Control Over Major Programs:		
Material weaknesses identified?	Yes	X None noted
Reportable conditions identified not considered to be material weaknesses?	Yes	X None noted
Type of Auditor's Report Issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified	l
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with CFR §200.516 (Uniform Guidance) requirements?	Yes	X_ None noted
Identification of Major Programs		
CFDA Number Name of Federal Program or Cluster 10.553, 10.555, Child Nutrition Cluster	er	_
10.556, 10.559 84.010 Title I Grants to Local Educational Age 84.041 Impact Aid	ncies	
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and B progran	ns: <u>\$</u>	750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	Yes	X No

Schedule of Audit Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

SECTION I – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

2020-001 FINANCIAL STATEMENT PREPARATION - MATERIAL WEAKNESS

Condition

Devils Lake Public School District currently does not prepare the financial statements, including various adjusting entries and accompanying note disclosures, as required by generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Thus, management has elected to have the auditors assist in the preparation of the financial statements and note disclosures.

Criteria

Devils Lake Public School District is responsible for ensuring its annual financial statements, including revenues, are reliable, accurate, free of material misstatements, and is coding all transactions in accordance with its chart of accounts.

Cause

Management chose not to allocate School resources for preparation of the financial statement note disclosures.

Effect

There is an increased risk of material misstatement to the Devils Lake Public School District's financial statements.

Repeat Finding

Yes

Recommendation

We recommend Devils Lake Public School District consider the additional risk of having the auditors assist in the preparation of the financial statements including the accompanying note disclosures and consider preparing them in the future.

Devils Lake Public School District's Response

See corrective action plan on page 45.

Schedule of Audit Findings and Questioned Costs - Continued

2020-002 IMPROPER FOOD SERVICE REVENUE CODING - MATERIAL WEAKNESS

Condition

Devils Lake Public School District improperly classified \$59,598 in food service revenue from Federal sources as state and local sources.

Effect

Improper revenue coding could have caused the financial statements to be materially misstated if they were not corrected.

Cause

Devils Lake Public School administrative staff were working from home and a review of the entries was not performed.

Criteria

Devils Lake Public School District is responsible for ensuring its annual financial statements, including revenues, are reliable, accurate, free of material misstatement, and in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

Prior Recommendation

No

Recommendation

We recommend that the Devils Lake School District review the Food Service accounts at year end to ensure that the accounts are properly classified.

Devils Lake Public School District's Response

See corrective action plan on page 45.

SECTION II - FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

No matters were reported.



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October 21, 2020

Office of the State Auditor 1655 43rd Street South, Suite 203 Fargo, ND 58103

Office of the State Auditor:

This letter is in response to the corrective action required on the identifying number 2020-001 and 2020-002.

In order to comply with identifying number 2020-001, financial statement prep, the Devils Lake Public Schools feels comfortable currently due to minimal staffing, time limits and constraints, having the State Auditor's Office do the financials for the district. They have been very thorough in the past and have had the Superintendent, Matt Bakke, and Business Manager, Melissa Haahr and double check the numbers and provide the information to them. The Devils Lake Public School feels the numbers have been represented fairly and would like to continue with the process that has been done in the past.

In order to comply with identifying number 2020-002, improper food service revenue coding – material weakness, Business Manager, Melissa Haahr will print out the Account Activity Report for the Food Service revenue codes and make sure that the income received is properly recorded in the correct account codes, while paying close attention to the federal funds that are received.

We are confident that these steps will ensure compliance with the findings of the State Auditor's Office. Please advise if this is not satisfactory or if additional information is needed. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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GOVERNANCE COMMUNICATION

School Board of Directors
Devils Lake Public School District No. 1
Devils Lake. North Dakota

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and aggregate remaining fund information of the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1, North Dakota, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, which collectively comprise the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated December 8, 2020. Professional standards require that we provide you with the following information related to our audit.

Our Responsibility Under Auditing Standards Generally Accepted in the United States of America and Government Auditing Standards

As stated in our engagement letter dated November 14, 2019, our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to plan and perform our audit to obtain reasonable, but not absolute, assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. Because of the concept of reasonable assurance and because we did not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, there is a risk that material errors or fraud may exist and not be detected by us.

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1, North Dakota's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. We also considered internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on compliance 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, and for reporting on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards required by the Uniform Guidance.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1, North Dakota's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants 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. Also, in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, we examined, on a test basis, evidence about the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal programs for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's compliance with those requirements over the major federal programs. While our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion over compliance for the major federal programs, it does not provide a legal determination on the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1's compliance with those requirements.

Significant Accounting Policies/Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter, we will advise management about the appropriateness of accounting policies and their application. The significant accounting policies used by the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. Application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended June 30, 2020. We noted no transactions entered into by the governmental unit during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. There are no significant transactions that have been recognized in the financial statements in a different period than when the transaction occurred.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements presented by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate affecting the financial statements is useful lives of capital assets.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and report them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. The schedules below titled "Audit Adjustments" lists all misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures were corrected by management.

2020 Adjustments		Audit Adjustments				
Governmental Funds	Debit		Credit			
Record Taxes Due from County Due from County	\$	25,554				
Revenue	Ψ	20,001	\$	25,554		
Record Intergovernmental Receivable Intergovernmental Receivable	\$	75,882				
Revenue			\$	75,882		
Reclassify Revenue						
Local Sources Revenue	\$	59,598				
Federal Sources Revenue			\$	59,598		
General Fund						
Record Account Payable						
Expenditures		96,802				
Accounts Payable				96,802		

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, concerning a financial accounting, or reporting matter that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 8, 2020.

Governance Communication - Continued

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the county's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the governmental unit's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Education and management of the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1, North Dakota and should not be used for any other purpose. However, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited. We would be happy to meet with you and any member of your staff to discuss any of the items in this letter in more detail if you so desire.

Thank you and the employees of the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1 for the courteous and friendly assistance we received during the course of our audit. It is a pleasure for us to be able to serve the Devils Lake Public School District No. 1.

/S/

Joshua C. Gallion State Auditor

Bismarck, North Dakota December 8, 2020



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