

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3  
ST. JOHN, NORTH DAKOTA**

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

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**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**ROSTER OF SCHOOL OFFICIALS - UNAUDITED**  
**JUNE 30, 2020**

Bernie Belgarde	President
Rusty Cain	Vice-President
Amy Gourneau	Board Member
Alan Berginski	Board Member
Monte LaVallie	Board Member
Paul Frydenlund	Superintendent
Mary Vandal	Business Manager

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Education  
St. John Public School District No. 3  
St. John, 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 St. John Public School District No. 3, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with 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 St. John Public School District No. 3 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.

### ***Other Matters***

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison schedule, schedule of District's contributions to the TFFR and NDPERS pension plans, schedule of District's contributions to the NDPERS OPEB plan, schedule of District's proportionate share of net pension liability, and schedule of District's proportionate share of net OPEB liability as listed 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.

#### *Other Information*

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

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was 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 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The roster of school officials on page 1 has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

**Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 15, 2021 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



**BRADY, MARTZ & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA**

January 15, 2021

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

The discussion and analysis of St. John Public School District's financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2020. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole. Readers should also review the basic financial statements and related notes to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

**Financial Highlights**

Key financial highlights for 2020 are as follows:

- Net position of the District increased \$46,373 as a result of the current year's operations.
- Governmental net position totaled \$1,290,264.
- Total revenues from all sources were \$8,101,977.
- Total expenses were \$8,055,604.
- The District's general fund had \$7,514,694 in total revenues, \$6,931,691 in expenditures and \$(950,000) in net transfers. Overall, the general fund balance decreased by \$366,997 for the year ended June 30, 2020.

**Using this Annual Report**

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements and related footnotes. These statements are organized so the reader can understand St. John Public School District No. 3 as a financial whole. The statements then proceed to provide an increasingly detailed look at specific financial activities.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the whole District, presenting both an aggregate view of the District's finances and a longer-term view of those finances. Fund financial statements provide the next level of detail. For governmental funds, these statements tell how services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending. The fund financial statements also look at the District's most significant funds with all other non-major funds presented in total in one column.

**Reporting the School District as a Whole**

**Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities**

While this document contains the large number of funds used by the District to provide programs and activities, the view of the District as a whole looks at all financial transactions and asks the question, "How did the District do financially during the year ended June 30, 2020?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answers this question. These statements include all assets, deferred inflows and outflows of resources, and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting similar to the accounting used by most private sector companies. This basis of accounting takes into account all of the current year's revenues and expenses regardless of when cash is received or paid.



**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

These two statements report the District's net position and changes in its net position. This change in net position is important because it tells the reader that, for the District as a whole, the financial position of the District has improved or diminished. The causes of this change may be the result of many factors, some financial, and some not. Non-financial factors include the District's property tax base, current property tax laws in North Dakota, facility condition, required educational programs and other factors.

In the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, the District reports governmental activities. Governmental activities are the activities where most of the District's programs and services are reported including, but not limited to, instruction, support services, operation and maintenance of plant, pupil transportation and extracurricular activities.

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

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

Fund financial statements provide detailed information about the District's major funds. The District uses many funds to account for a multitude of financial transactions. However, these fund financial statements focus on the District's most significant funds. The District's major governmental funds are the General Fund and Building Fund.

#### **Governmental Funds**

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

#### **Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole**

Recall that the Statement of Net Position provides the perspective of the District as a whole.

Table 1 provides a summary of the District's net position as of June 30, 2020.

As indicated in the financial highlights, the District's net position increased by \$46,373. Long-term liabilities decreased by \$272,039 for the year ended June 30, 2020 primarily due to changes in the net pension liability, payments on the school construction bonds, and payments on bus leases. Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District's financial position.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

The District's net position of \$1,290,264 is segregated into three separate categories. Net position invested in Capital Assets (net of related debt) represents 245% of the District's entire net position. It should be noted that these assets are not available for future spending. Restricted net position represents 128% of the District's net position. Restricted net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they must be spent. The remaining unrestricted net position represents (273)% of the District's net position. The unrestricted net position is available to meet the District's ongoing obligations.

Table 1

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Assets		
Current Assets	\$ 4,017,273	\$ 3,717,378
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	5,566,684	5,695,850
Total Assets	<u>9,583,957</u>	<u>9,413,228</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>1,348,343</u>	<u>1,319,360</u>
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	291,578	268,593
Non-Current Liabilities	8,610,225	8,869,049
Total Liabilities	<u>8,901,803</u>	<u>9,137,642</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>740,233</u>	<u>351,055</u>
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	3,163,650	3,060,984
Restricted	1,649,462	1,000,442
Unrestricted	(3,522,848)	(2,817,535)
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 1,290,264</u>	<u>\$ 1,243,891</u>

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2020.

Table 2

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
Revenues		
Program Revenues		
Charges for Services	\$ 89,460	\$ 168,557
Operating Grants and Contributions	4,359,554	4,250,358
General Revenues		
Property Taxes	308,139	268,125
State Aid - Formula Grants	3,334,620	3,120,861
Investment Earnings	10,204	6,215
Total Revenues	<u>8,101,977</u>	<u>7,814,116</u>
Expenses		
Business Support Services	356,870	358,643
Instructional Support Services	159,967	247,691
Administration	593,975	568,070
Operations and Maintenance	1,140,139	792,028
Transportation	366,564	431,317
Regular Instruction	4,100,694	3,724,086
Special Education	365,052	288,769
Vocational Education	254,208	292,857
Extra-Curricular Activities	188,943	181,099
Food Services	442,816	399,646
Interest and Fees on Long-Term Debt	86,376	106,077
Loss on Disposal of Asset	-	20,296
Total Expenses	<u>8,055,604</u>	<u>7,410,579</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>46,373</u>	<u>403,537</u>
Net Position - Beginning	<u>1,243,891</u>	<u>840,354</u>
Net Position - Ending	<u>\$ 1,290,264</u>	<u>\$ 1,243,891</u>

Operating grants and contributions constituted 54%, state aid 41%, property taxes 4%, charges for services made up 1%, and interest income made up less than 1% of the total revenues of governmental activities of the District for fiscal year 2020.

Regular instruction comprised 51% of District expenses.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

The Statement of Activities shows the cost of program services and the charges for services and grants offsetting those services. Table 3 shows the total cost of services and the net cost of services. That is, it identifies the cost of these services supported by tax revenue and other unrestricted revenues.

Table 3

	Total Cost for Year Ended 6/30/2020	Net Cost for Year Ended 6/30/2020	Total Cost for Year Ended 6/30/2019	Net Cost for Year Ended 6/30/2019
Business Support Services	\$ 356,870	\$ (356,870)	\$ 358,643	\$ (358,643)
Instructional Support Services	159,967	(159,967)	247,691	(247,691)
Administration	593,975	(593,975)	568,070	(568,070)
Operations and Maintenance	1,140,139	(1,140,139)	792,028	(792,028)
Transportation	366,564	(52,531)	431,317	(133,107)
Regular Instruction	4,100,694	(487,392)	3,724,086	(93,413)
Special Education	365,052	(365,052)	288,769	(288,769)
Vocational Education	254,208	(233,571)	292,857	(253,013)
Extra-Curricular Activities	188,943	(188,943)	181,099	(181,099)
Food Services	442,816	58,226	399,646	50,542
Interest and Fees on Long-Term Debt	86,376	(86,376)	106,077	(106,077)
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 8,055,604</u>	<u>\$ (3,606,590)</u>	<u>\$ 7,390,283</u>	<u>\$ (2,971,368)</u>

Business support services and administration include expenses associated with administrative and financial supervision of the District.

Instructional support services include the activities involved with assisting staff with the content and process of teaching to pupils.

Administration includes payroll expenses for the Superintendent and for the School Board members as well as other benefit expenses.

Operations and maintenance of plant activities involve maintaining the school grounds, buildings, and equipment in an effective working condition.

Transportation includes activities involved with the conveyance of students to and from school, as well as to and from school activities, as provided by state law.

Regular Instruction expenses include activities directly dealing with the teaching of pupils and the interaction between teacher and pupil.

Special education includes costs that support the education of students with other needs.

Vocational education includes expenditures that support the teaching of vocational type instruction.

Extra-curricular activities include expenses related to student activities provided by the District, which are designed to provide opportunities for pupils to participate in school events, public events, or a combination of these for the purposes of motivation, enjoyment and skill improvement.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

Food Services include expenses directly dealing with providing breakfast and lunch service to students and staff of the District.

Interest and fees on long-term debt involves the transactions associated with the payment of interest and other related charges to debt of the District.

**Financial Analysis of the District's Governmental Funds**

The focus of the District's governmental funds is to provide information on the near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of available resources. Unassigned fund balance generally may be used as a measure of the District's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. These funds are accounted for by using the modified accrual basis of accounting. The District's governmental funds had total revenues of \$8,098,620 and expenditures of \$7,839,189 for the year ended June 30, 2020. As of June 30, 2020, the unassigned fund balance of the District's general fund was \$2,055,764.

**Budget Highlights**

During the course of the 2020 fiscal year, the District's general fund received \$198,134 more revenues and incurred \$68,610 less expenditures than budgeted. This is primarily the result of more federal, state, and local income received during the year as well as less regular instruction expenditures incurred than anticipated during the budgeting process.

**Capital Assets**

As of June 30, 2020, the District had \$5,566,684 invested in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Table 4 shows balances as of June 30, 2020 (see Note 4 for details).

Table 4

Buildings	\$ 4,987,534
Equipment	184,962
Vehicles	394,188
Total	<u>\$ 5,566,684</u>

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**Long-Term Liabilities:**

As of June 30, 2020, the District had \$8,827,776 in outstanding long-term liabilities. The District increased its long-term liabilities by \$2,040,214 from June 30, 2019 (See Note 5). See below for a description of the District's long-term liabilities:

	Balance 7/1/2019	Additions	Retirements	Balance 6/30/2020	Due in One Year
2001 General Obligation Building Fund Levy Bond	\$ 21,838	\$ -	\$ 10,865	\$ 10,973	\$ 10,973
Lease Revenue Bond, Series 2012	2,400,000	-	155,000	2,245,000	155,000
Midwest Leasing - Bus Lease	16,526	-	16,526	-	-
Bell State Bank & Trust - Bus Lease	29,993	-	14,076	15,917	14,595
United Lease and Finance, Inc. - Bus Lease	58,109	-	13,248	44,861	13,865
United Lease and Finance, Inc. - Bus Lease	94,548	-	21,051	73,497	22,052
Net OPEB Liability	53,826	20,094	16,413	57,507	-
Net Pension Liability	6,411,123	2,020,120	2,064,008	6,367,235	-
2012 Bond Premium	13,852	-	1,066	12,786	1,066
Total	<u>\$ 9,099,815</u>	<u>\$ 2,040,214</u>	<u>\$ 2,312,253</u>	<u>\$ 8,827,776</u>	<u>\$ 217,551</u>

**For the Future:**

St. John School District will continue to evaluate our financial status based on the demographics and needs of the District. Staffing will be based on current and projected enrollment and resources needed to assist our families. The District has added staff at different levels due to the availability of federal dollars to assist with the costs. The impact of COVID on the 2020/2021 school year has placed an additional financial demand on the District. CARES dollars have been used to assist with the additional costs in preventive resources, a sustained evaluation of needs will result in determining allocations to keep our students and staff safe.

**Contacting the District's Financial Management:**

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. You may request a copy of this report by contacting Mary Vandal, Business Manager, St. John Public School District, 400 Foussard Ave, St. John, ND 58369, or email at mary.vandal@k12.nd.us.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2020**

<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets:	
Cash	\$ 2,294,026
Restricted Cash Equivalents	380,099
Prepaid Insurance	39,394
Property Taxes Receivable (Net)	30,037
Due from Local Sources	17,489
Due from State	1,256,228
Total Current Assets	<u>4,017,273</u>
Non-Current Assets:	
Capital Assets	
Buildings	10,749,139
Equipment	1,525,296
Vehicles	1,108,703
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(7,816,454)
Total Non-Current Assets	<u>5,566,684</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u><b>9,583,957</b></u>
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Pension Plan - TFFR	824,785
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Pension Plan - NDPERS	503,315
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit OPEB Plan - NDPERS	20,243
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<u><b>1,348,343</b></u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts Payable	25,441
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	35,691
Interest Payable	12,895
Capital Leases Payable	50,512
Bonds Due Within a Year	167,039
Total Current Liabilities	<u>291,578</u>
Long-Term Liabilities:	
Capital Leases Payable (Net of Current Portion)	83,763
Bonds Payable (Net of Current Portion)	2,101,720
Net OPEB Liability	57,507
Net Pension Liability	6,367,235
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>8,610,225</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u><b>8,901,803</b></u>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Pension Plan - TFFR	254,181
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Pension Plan - NDPERS	482,460
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit OPEB Plan - NDPERS	3,592
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<u><b>740,233</b></u>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	3,163,650
Restricted for:	
Debt Service	367,204
Building	1,282,258
Unrestricted	<u>(3,522,848)</u>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<u><u><b>\$ 1,290,264</b></u></u>

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	
<b>GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>				
Business Support Services	\$ 356,870	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (356,870)
Instructional Support Services	159,967	-	-	(159,967)
Administration	593,975	-	-	(593,975)
Operations and Maintenance	1,140,139	-	-	(1,140,139)
Transportation	366,564	-	314,033	(52,531)
Regular Instruction	4,100,694	15,959	3,597,343	(487,392)
Special Education	365,052	-	-	(365,052)
Vocational Education	254,208	-	20,637	(233,571)
Extra-Curricular Activities	188,943	-	-	(188,943)
Food Services	442,816	73,501	427,541	58,226
Interest and Fees on Long-Term Debt	86,376	-	-	(86,376)
<b>TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>\$ 8,055,604</b>	<b>\$ 89,460</b>	<b>\$ 4,359,554</b>	<b>(3,606,590)</b>
<b>GENERAL REVENUES</b>				
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes				260,087
Property Taxes, Levied for Capital Projects				48,052
Aids and Payments from the State				3,334,620
Unrestricted Investment Earnings				10,204
<b>TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES</b>				<b>3,652,963</b>
Change in Net Position				46,373
Net Position - Beginning				1,243,891
Net Position - Ending				<b>\$ 1,290,264</b>

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements



**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2020**

	General Fund	Building Fund	Food Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash	\$ 908,215	\$ 1,246,842	\$ 138,969	\$ 2,294,026
Restricted Cash Equivalents	380,099	-	-	380,099
Prepaid Insurance	39,394	-	-	39,394
Property Taxes Receivable (Net)	24,557	5,480	-	30,037
Due from Other Funds	-	29,936	-	29,936
Due from Local Sources	17,489	-	-	17,489
Due from State	1,213,303	-	42,925	1,256,228
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,583,057</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,282,258</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 181,894</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,047,209</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts Payable	\$ 20,658	\$ -	\$ 4,783	\$ 25,441
Accrued Payroll and Benefits	35,691	-	-	35,691
Due to Other Funds	29,936	-	-	29,936
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b><u>86,285</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>4,783</u></b>	<b><u>91,068</u></b>
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>				
Unavailable Revenue - Uncollected Taxes	21,515	4,733	-	26,248
<b>TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b><u>21,515</u></b>	<b><u>4,733</u></b>	<b><u>-</u></b>	<b><u>26,248</u></b>
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>				
Nonspendable - Prepays	39,394	-	-	39,394
Restricted	380,099	1,277,525	-	1,657,624
Committed	-	-	177,111	177,111
Unassigned	2,055,764	-	-	2,055,764
<b>TOTAL FUND BALANCES</b>	<b><u>2,475,257</u></b>	<b><u>1,277,525</u></b>	<b><u>177,111</u></b>	<b><u>3,929,893</u></b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,583,057</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,282,258</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 181,894</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,047,209</u></b>

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO**  
**THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2020**

Total fund balances - governmental funds		\$ 3,929,893
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as net assets in government funds:		
Cost of capital assets	\$ 13,383,138	
Less: accumulated depreciation	<u>(7,816,454)</u>	
Net		5,566,684
Net deferred outflows/(inflows) of resources relating to the cost sharing defined benefit plans in the governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as deferred outflows/(inflows) of resources in the governmental funds.		
		608,110
Bond premiums that are amortized over the life of the debt issue		
		(12,786)
Property taxes receivable will be collected during the year, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures, and therefore are deferred in the funds.		
		26,248
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not recorded as liabilities in the governmental funds.		
Bonds Payable		(2,255,973)
Capital Leases Payable		(134,275)
Net OPEB Liability		(57,507)
Net Pension Liability		(6,367,235)
Interest payable is not due and payable in the current period and therefore is not reported as a liability in the governmental funds.		
		<u>(12,895)</u>
Net Position - Governmental Activities		<u>\$ 1,290,264</u>

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**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES –**  
**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

	General Fund	Building Fund	Food Service Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Local Property Tax Levies	\$ 257,914	\$ 46,869	\$ -	\$ 304,783
Other Local and County Revenues	15,959	-	73,500	89,459
Revenue from State Sources	3,648,653	-	2,343	3,650,996
Revenue from Federal Sources	3,582,127	35,853	425,198	4,043,178
Interest	10,041	-	163	10,204
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>7,514,694</b>	<b>82,722</b>	<b>501,204</b>	<b>8,098,620</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Current:				
Business Support Services	356,870	-	-	356,870
Instructional Support Services	159,967	-	-	159,967
Administration	593,975	-	-	593,975
Operations and Maintenance	686,740	453,399	-	1,140,139
Transportation	280,840	-	-	280,840
Regular Instruction	3,423,166	-	-	3,423,166
Special Education	365,052	-	-	365,052
Vocational Education	254,208	-	-	254,208
Extra-Curricular Activities	188,943	-	-	188,943
Food Services	-	-	442,816	442,816
Capital Outlay	314,097	-	-	314,097
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	219,901	10,865	-	230,766
Interest and Fiscal Charges on Long-Term Debt	87,932	418	-	88,350
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>6,931,691</b>	<b>464,682</b>	<b>442,816</b>	<b>7,839,189</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	583,003	(381,960)	58,388	259,431
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Transfers Out	(950,000)	-	-	(950,000)
Transfers In	-	950,000	-	950,000
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>(950,000)</b>	<b>950,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Net Change in Fund Balances	(366,997)	568,040	58,388	259,431
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	2,842,254	709,485	118,723	3,670,462
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 2,475,257</u>	<u>\$ 1,277,525</u>	<u>\$ 177,111</u>	<u>\$ 3,929,893</u>

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**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND**  
**BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

Total net change in fund balances - Governmental Funds \$ 259,431

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over the useful lives as depreciation expense.

Capital Outlays	\$ 314,097
Depreciation Expense	<u>(443,263)</u>

Excess of depreciation expense over capital outlay	(129,166)
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Some revenues will not be collected for several months after the District's fiscal year end. These revenues are considered "available" revenues in the government funds. These revenues consist of:

Net change in unavailable property taxes	3,356
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Repayment of long-term debt is reported as an expenditure in governmental funds. However, the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.	230,766
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Changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to net pension liability	(360,195)
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Change in net OPEB liability	(3,681)
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Change in net pension liability	43,888
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Amortization of premiums received from bond issuance	1,066
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Interest on long-term debt in the statement of activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the statement of activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.

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Change in net position - Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 46,373</u>
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**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES – FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2020**

ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$ 121,902</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 121,902</u></u>
LIABILITIES	
Due to Student Groups	<u>\$ 121,902</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u><u>\$ 121,902</u></u>

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**JUNE 30, 2020**

**NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY**

The St. John Public School District operates the public school in the City of St. John, North Dakota.

Reporting Entity - Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District. Fiscal dependence can include the District's approval of the budget, issuance of debt, and/or levying of taxes for the organization.

Blended component units, although legally separate entities, are, in substance, part of the government's operations and so data from this unit is combined with data from the primary government.

Based on these criteria, there is one blended component unit to be included within the St. John Public School District No. 3 reporting entity. The blended component unit is described below.

**St. John Public School District Building Authority**

The school board as a legally separate entity created the building authority on March 5, 2012. Its purpose is to aid, assist and foster the planning, development, construction, renovation and improvement of school buildings, furnishing, fixtures and equipment and related facilities for the school district. The school board is the governing board of the building authority.

**NOTE 2 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

***Basis of Presentation***

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

**Government-Wide Financial Statements:**

The government-wide financial statements consist of a statement of net position and a statement of activities. These statements display information about the District as a whole.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the District at year-end.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
JUNE 30, 2020

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the District's governmental activities. The statement identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing or drawing from the general revenues of the District. Direct expenses are expenses that are specifically associated with a service, program or department. The direct expenses are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges to recipients for goods or services offered by the program and grants and contributions that are restricted to meet the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues, which are not classified as program revenues, are presented as general revenues of the District.

The Government-wide financial statements do not include fiduciary funds of component units that are fiduciary in nature.

**Fund Financial Statements:**

In order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance, the District segregates transactions related to certain functions or activities in separate funds. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The focus of the governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented as a separate column in the fund financial statements. Non-major funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. The fiduciary fund is reported by type.

***Fund Accounting***

The District's funds consist of the following:

**Governmental Funds:**

Governmental funds are utilized to account for most of the District's governmental functions. The reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which the obligation will be paid. Fund balance represents the difference between the governmental fund assets and liabilities. The District's major governmental funds are as follows:

**General Fund:**

This fund is the general operating fund of the school district. It accounts for all financial resources except those requiring to be accounted for in another fund.

**Building Fund:**

This is the school district's financial resources fund. It accounts for the acquisition, construction, maintenance and insurance of major facilities.

The District's non-major governmental fund is as follows:

**Special Revenue Fund:**

This is the school district's hot lunch operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources related to food services.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
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JUNE 30, 2020

**Fiduciary Funds:**

The District's only fiduciary fund is an agency fund. The agency fund is custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and does not involve measurement of results of operations. The District's agency fund consists of the following:

**Student Activity Fund:**

The fund accounts for the financial transactions related to the District's student activity programs.

***Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting***

**Measurement Focus:**

*Government-wide Financial Statements:*

The government-wide financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. All assets, deferred inflows and outflows of resources, and liabilities associated with the operation of the District are included in the statement of net position.

*Fund Financial Statements:*

The governmental funds are accounted for by using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. Under this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance reports on the sources and uses of current financial resources.

The current financial resources measurement focus differs from the manner which the governmental activities of the government-wide financial statements are prepared. Due to the difference, the District's financial statements include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for government funds.

**Basis of Accounting:**

The basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements.

Government-wide financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows.

The District's governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when they become measurable and available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay current liabilities. The District considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of its fiscal year. Expenditures are generally recorded as the related fund liability is incurred.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources as they are needed.



**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
JUNE 30, 2020

**Revenues - Exchange and Non-Exchange Transactions:**

Exchange transactions are transactions in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenue for exchange transactions is recorded when the exchange takes place. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenue for exchange transactions is recorded when the resources are measurable and available.

Non-exchange transactions include transactions in which the District receives value without directly providing value in return. Non-exchange transactions include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations.

Under the accrual basis of accounting, property taxes are recorded as revenue in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recorded in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenue from non-exchange transactions must also be available before it is recorded in the financial records of the District.

Major revenue sources susceptible to accrual include: property taxes, intergovernmental revenues and investment income.

**Unearned Revenues:**

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized in the financial statements before the revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied. Grants and entitlements received before the eligibility requirements are met are recorded as unearned revenues.

On the governmental fund financial statements, receivables that will not be collected during the availability period have been reported as unearned revenue.

**Expenses and Expenditures:**

Governmental funds accounting measurement focus is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recorded in the fiscal year in which the related fund liability is incurred. Under the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recorded when incurred.

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:**

The District's Board follows the procedures established by North Dakota law for the budgetary process. The governing body of each School District, annually on or before the last day of July must levy taxes. The governing body of the School District may amend its tax levy and budget for the current fiscal year on or before the tenth day of October of each year. Taxes for School District purposes must be based upon an itemized budget statement which must show the complete expenditure by program of the District for the current fiscal year and the sources of the revenue from which it is to be financed. The School Board, 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 thereon at maturity.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
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JUNE 30, 2020

The District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. The administration prepares the District's budget. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. The budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.
2. The Board reviews the budget, may make revisions, and adopts the final budget at the September board meeting to ensure it is adopted before the fifteenth of October each year. The budget is then filed with the county auditor by October tenth of each year.
3. The budget may be amended during the year for any revenues and appropriations not anticipated at the time the budget was prepared, except no amendment changing the taxes levied can be made after October 10 of each year. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are the final authorized amounts.
4. All appropriations lapse at the close of the District's fiscal year. The balance of the appropriation reverts back to each respective fund and is available for future appropriation.

The General fund expenditures were \$68,610 under budget for the year ended June 30, 2020.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents:**

The District considers highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

**Restricted Cash Equivalents:**

Under the terms of the Series 2012 Leases Revenue Bonds, separate accounts must be maintained related to construction, escrow of Impact Aid funds, and a reserve. These accounts consist of cash equivalents and are maintained at U.S. Bank, National Association (the trustee). Balances restricted for debt service (includes the construction and escrow accounts) totaled \$145,657 and the balance restricted for the reserve was \$234,442 as of June 30, 2020.

**Investments:**

Investments are recorded at market value. North Dakota State Statute authorizes school districts to invest their surplus funds in: a) Bonds, treasury bills and notes, or other securities that are a direct obligation of, or an obligation insured or guaranteed by, the Treasury of the United States, or its agencies, instrumentality's, 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 of the type listed above, c) Certificates of Deposit fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation of the state, d) Obligations of the state.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
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JUNE 30, 2020

**Fair Value Measurements:**

The Organization accounts for all assets and liabilities that are being measured and reported on a fair value basis in accordance with GAAP. GAAP defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosure about fair value measurements. When fair value measurements are required, various data is used in determining those values. This statement requires that assets and liabilities that are carried at fair value must be classified and disclosed in the following levels based on the nature of the data used.

- Level 1: Quoted market prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2: Observable market-based inputs or unobservable inputs that are corroborated by market data.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs that are not corroborated by market data.

**Capital Assets:**

Capital assets include plant and equipment, and are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the school district as assets with 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 acquisition value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the asset 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 over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	7 to 30 Years
Equipment	8 to 25 Years
Vehicles	3 to 15 Years
Improvements	20 to 30 Years

**Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations:**

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the District's government-wide financial statements. The District's governmental fund financials report only those obligations that will be paid from current financial resources.

**Pensions:**

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

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
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**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 Balance Classifications:**

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report aggregate amounts for five classifications of fund balances based on the constraints imposed on the use of these resources. The non-spendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form – prepaid items or inventories; or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

The spendable portion of the fund balance comprises the remaining four classifications: restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned.

*Restricted* – This classification reflects the constraints imposed on resources either (a) externally by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

*Committed* – These amounts can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal resolutions or ordinances of the school board—the District's highest level of decision-making authority. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the school board removes the specified use by taking the same type of action imposing the commitment. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

*Assigned* – This classification reflects the amounts constrained by the District's "intent" to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. The school board and superintendent have the authority to assign amounts to be used for specific purposes. Assigned fund balances include all remaining amounts (except negative balances) that are reported in governmental funds, other than the General Fund, that are not classified as non-spendable and are neither restricted nor committed.

*Unassigned* – This fund balance is the residual classification for the General Fund. It is also used to report negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, the District's preference is to first use restricted resources, then unrestricted resources—committed, assigned, and unassigned—in order as needed.

The District will strive to maintain a minimum unassigned general fund balance of not less than 10 percent and not more than 25 percent of the annual budget.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
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**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources:**

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an outflow of resource (expense/expenditure) until then. The District has two items reported on the statement of net position as *cost sharing defined benefit pension plan* and *cost sharing defined benefit OPEB plan*, which represents actuarial differences within the NDPERS and TFFR pension plans and NDPERS OPEB plan, as well as amounts paid to the plans after the measurement date.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will *not* be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has three types of items, one which arises only under a modified accrual basis of accounting that qualifies for reporting in this category. Accordingly, the item, *unavailable revenue – delinquent taxes*, is reported only in the governmental funds balance sheet. The governmental funds report unavailable revenues from one source, property taxes. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an inflow of resources in the period that the amounts become available. The District also has two items reported on the statement of net position as *cost sharing defined benefit pension plan* and *cost sharing defined benefit OPEB plan*, which represents the actuarial differences within the NDPERS and TFFR pension plans and NDPERS OPEB plan.

**Net Position:**

Net position represents the difference between (a) assets and deferred outflows of resources and (b) liabilities and deferred inflows of resources in the District's financial statements. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any long-term debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Restricted Net Position consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets. Unrestricted Net Position is the net amount of assets, deferred outflows or resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

**Inter-fund Activity:**

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as revenues in the seller funds and as expenditures/expenses in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as inter-fund transfers. Inter-fund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular expenditures/expenses to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the financial statements. Inter-fund activities within the District's governmental activities and its business-type activities, is eliminated in the statement of activities.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
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**Estimates:**

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

**Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes:**

The taxes receivable represent the past three years of current and delinquent uncollected taxes at June 30, 2020. No allowance has been established for uncollectible taxes receivable.

Property taxes attach as an enforceable lien on property January 1. A five percent reduction is allowed if paid by February 15. Penalty and interest are added March 15 if the first half-of-the taxes have not been paid. Additional penalties are added October 15, if not paid. Taxes are collected by the county and usually remitted monthly to the School District.

Property tax revenue in the governmental funds is recognized in compliance with National Council of Government Accounting (NCGA) Interpretation 3, *Revenue Recognition - Property Taxes*. This interpretation states that property tax revenue is recorded when it becomes available. Available means when due, or past due and receivable within the current period and collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Such time thereafter shall not exceed 60 days. Property tax revenue is recorded as revenue in the year the tax is levied in the government-wide financial statements. Property taxes are limited by state laws. All School District tax levies are in compliance with state laws.

**NOTE 3 CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

**Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits**

In accordance with North Dakota laws, the District maintains deposits at a depository authorized by the School Board. The depository is a member of the Federal Reserve System.

North Dakota laws require that all public deposits be protected by insurance, surety bond or collateral. The market value of collateral pledged must equal at least 110 percent of the deposits not covered by insurance or bonds.

Authorized collateral includes the legal investments described below, as well as certain first mortgage notes, and certain other state or local government obligations. North Dakota laws require that securities pledged as collateral be held in safekeeping by the District treasurer or in a financial institution other than that furnishing the collateral.

At June 30, 2020, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$2,796,027 and the bank balance was \$3,249,388. The entire bank balance was covered by Federal Depository Insurance or by collateral held by the District's Agent in the District's name in amounts sufficient to meet North Dakota legal requirements.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
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**Interest Rate Risk**

In accordance with its investment policy, the school district invests its operating funds primarily in short term certificates of deposit and limits the average maturity in accordance with the school district's cash requirements and to manage exposure to fair value losses arising from interest rate changes.

**Concentration of Credit Risk**

The District places no limit on the amount the District may invest in any one issuer.

**NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS**

The following is a summary of changes in general fixed assets account group during the year:

	Balance 7/1/2019	Additions	Disposals	Transfers	Balance 6/30/2020
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
Capital Assets Being Depreciated					
Buildings	\$ 10,476,452	\$ 272,687	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,749,139
Equipment	1,483,886	41,410	-	-	1,525,296
Vehicles	1,108,703	-	-	-	1,108,703
Total	<u>13,069,041</u>	<u>314,097</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,383,138</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation					
Buildings	5,428,093	333,512	-	-	5,761,605
Equipment	1,315,106	25,228	-	-	1,340,334
Vehicles	629,992	84,523	-	-	714,515
Total	<u>7,373,191</u>	<u>443,263</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,816,454</u>
Net Capital Assets Being Depreciated	<u>5,695,850</u>	<u>(129,166)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,566,684</u>
Net Capital Assets for					
Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 5,695,850</u>	<u>\$ (129,166)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5,566,684</u>

In the governmental activities section of the statement of activities, depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

Regular Instruction	\$ 357,539
Transportation	85,724
Total	<u>\$ 443,263</u>



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**NOTE 5 LONG-TERM DEBT**

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2020.

	Balance 7/1/2019	Additions	Retirements	Balance 6/30/2020
2001 General Obligation Building Fund Levy Bond	\$ 21,838	\$ -	\$ 10,865	\$ 10,973
Lease Revenue Bond, Series 2012	2,400,000	-	155,000	2,245,000
Midwest Leasing - Bus Lease	16,526	-	16,526	-
Bell State Bank & Trust - Bus Lease	29,993	-	14,076	15,917
United Lease and Finance, Inc. - Bus Lease	58,109	-	13,248	44,861
United Lease and Finance, Inc. - Bus Lease	94,548	-	21,051	73,497
Net OPEB Liability	53,826	20,094	16,413	57,507
Net Pension Liability	6,411,123	2,020,120	2,064,008	6,367,235
2012 Bond Premium	13,852	-	1,066	12,786
Total	<u>\$ 9,099,815</u>	<u>\$ 2,040,214</u>	<u>\$ 2,312,253</u>	<u>\$ 8,827,776</u>

All debt service payments are being made through the general and building funds.

**Bonds Payable**

General Obligation Building Fund Levy Bond of 2001 is due in annual installments of \$11,083, including interest, through June 1, 2021 at an interest rate of 1%.

Lease Revenue Bond, Series 2012, is due in annual installments ranging from \$164,551 to \$234,437, including interest, through May 1, 2032. The interest rate ranges from 2% to 3.5% and is paid semi-annually. Certain federal Impact Aid funds to be received by the school district have been pledged and assigned to secure the payment of principal and interest.

The net proceeds of the 2012 Lease Revenue Bond, Series 2012, included a premium of \$21,311. During the current year, \$1,066 of the premium was amortized against interest expense in the Statement of Activities, resulting in the unamortized premium of \$12,786. Additionally, the 2012 Bonds' terms mandate the establishment of a reserve fund with a balance equal to the least of 1) 10% of the aggregate principal amount of the 2012 Bonds, 2) 125% of the average annual principal and interest due on the 2012 Bonds, or 3) 100% of the maximum annual debt service on the 2012 Bonds.



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The annual requirements to amortize bonds payable are as follows:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2021	\$ 167,039	\$ 74,898	\$ 241,937
2022	161,066	70,138	231,204
2023	166,066	65,338	231,404
2024	171,066	59,976	231,042
2025	176,066	54,450	230,516
2026-2030	985,330	180,588	1,165,918
2031-2032	442,126	23,276	465,402
Total	<u>\$ 2,268,759</u>	<u>\$ 528,664</u>	<u>\$ 2,797,423</u>

**Capital Leases**

A capital lease was established with Midwest Leasing July 17, 2015, due in 45 monthly installments of \$2,099, including interest at a rate of 3.35%, through May 15, 2020.

A capital lease was established with Bell State Bank and Trust August 19, 2016, due in 60 monthly installments of \$1,244, including interest at a rate of 3.5%, through July 19, 2021.

A capital lease was established with United Lease and Finance, LLC August 22, 2018, due in 60 monthly installments of \$1,302, including interest at a rate of 4.56%, through August 22, 2023.

A capital lease was established with United Lease and Finance, LLC September 4, 2018, due in 60 monthly installments of \$2,084, including interest at a rate of 4.66%, through September 4, 2023.

The following is an analysis of the leased assets under capital leases included in vehicles:

Buses	\$ 347,440
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(133,451)</u>
	<u>\$ 213,989</u>

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The following is a schedule by year of the future minimum lease payments under capital leases together with the present value of the minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2020:

2021	\$	55,560
2022		41,959
2023		40,632
2024		5,471
Total Minimum Lease Payments		143,622
Less Amount Representing Interest		(9,347)
Present Value of Minimum Lease Payments Under Capital Lease		\$ 134,275

**NOTE 6 FUND BALANCES**

**A. CLASSIFICATIONS**

At June 30, 2020, a summary of the governmental fund balance classifications are as follows:

	General Fund	Building Fund	Food Service Fund	Total
Nonspendable - Prepays	\$ 39,394	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39,394
Restricted for:				
Debt Service	380,099	-	-	380,099
Building	-	1,277,525	-	1,277,525
Committed to:				
Food Service	-	-	177,111	177,111
Unassigned	2,055,764	-	-	2,055,764
	\$ 2,475,257	\$ 1,277,525	\$ 177,111	\$ 3,929,893

Restricted fund balances reflect resources restricted for statutorily defined purposes not accounted for in a separate fund. At June 30, 2020, there were the following accounts:

Restricted for Debt Service:

This account represents funds held by the School District available to service long-term debt.

Restricted for Building:

This account represents funds held by the School District available to provide future capital outlay.

Committed fund balances reflect resources that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School District's Board of Education. At June 30, 2020, there were the following accounts:

Committed for Food Service:

This account represents funds held by the School District available to provide food service.

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**NOTE 7 DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS – STATEWIDE**

Substantially, all employees of the District are required by state law to belong to pension plans administered by Teacher's Fund for Retirement (TFFR) or the North Dakota Public Employee Retirement System (NDPERS), both of which are administered on a statewide basis.

Disclosures relating to these plans follow:

**North Dakota Teacher's Fund For Retirement**

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.

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*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.

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**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 District reported a liability of \$5,466,990 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of July 1, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Employer's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Employer's share of covered payroll in the pension plan relative to the covered payroll of all participating TFFR employers. At July 1, 2019, the Employer's proportion was 0.396949 percent which was an increase of 0.008112 from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2018.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the Employer recognized pension expense of \$604,372. At June 30, 2020, the Employer reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 7,806	\$ 197,306
Changes in actuarial assumptions	194,306	-
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	76,954	-
Changes in proportion	141,211	56,875
Contributions paid to TFFR subsequent to the measurement date	404,508	-
Total	<u>\$ 824,785</u>	<u>\$ 254,181</u>

\$404,508 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 ending June 30, 2021.

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

Year ending June 30:	Pension Expense Amount	
2021	\$	140,723
2022		10,970
2023		(11,333)
2024		36,035
2025		(12,002)
Thereafter		1,703

**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.

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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 as of June 30, 2019 are summarized in the following table:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>
Global Equities	58.00%	6.90%
Global Fixed Income	23.00%	2.10%
Global Real Assets	18.00%	5.40%
Cash Equivalents	1.00%	0.00%

**Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75% 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 June 30, 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 Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate**

The following presents the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the Employer'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:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate 6.75%	Discount Rate 7.75%	1% Increase in Discount Rate 8.75%
School's proportionate share of the TFFR net pension liability:	\$ 7,383,225	\$ 5,466,990	\$ 3,874,549

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

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



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**North Dakota Public Employees' Retirement 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. Members 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 to 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.



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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 of 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 District reported a liability of \$900,245 for its proportionate share of the 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 Main System pension plan relative to the covered payroll of all participating Main System employers. At June 30, 2019, the District's proportion was 0.076808 percent which was an increase of 0.004014 from its proportion measured July 1, 2018.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the District recognized pension expense of \$181,868. At June 30, 2020, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

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	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 533	\$ 163,377
Changes in actuarial assumptions	336,398	288,827
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	15,684	-
Changes in proportion	90,735	30,256
Contributions paid to NDPERS subsequent to the measurement date	59,965	-
Total	<u>\$ 503,315</u>	<u>\$ 482,460</u>

\$59,965 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 ending 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:

Year ending June 30:	Pension Expense Amount
2021	\$ 48,102
2022	36,166
2023	(24,436)
2024	(75,630)
2025	(23,312)

**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		Non-State
	Beginning of Year	State Employee	Employee
	0	12.00%	15.00%
	1	9.50%	10.00%
	2	7.25%	8.00%
	Age		
	Under 30	7.25%	10.00%
	30-39	6.50%	7.50%
	40-49	6.25%	6.75%
	50-59	5.75%	6.50%
	60+	5.00%	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

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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:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>
Domestic Equity	30.00%	6.25%
International Equity	21.00%	6.95%
Private Equity	7.00%	10.15%
Domestic Fixed Income	23.00%	2.11%
Global Real Assets	19.00%	5.41%

**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%.

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**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 7.50 percent, as well as what the Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.50 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.50 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate	Discount Rate	1% Increase in Discount Rate
	6.50%	7.50%	8.50%
School's proportionate share of the NDPERS net pension liability:	\$ 1,290,758	\$ 900,245	\$ 572,146

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

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

**NOTE 8 DEFINED BENEFIT OPEB PLAN**

***Defined Benefit OPEB Plan***

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.

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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 District reported a liability of \$57,507 for its proportionate share of the 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 District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the 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 District's proportion was 0.071598 percent which was an increase of 0.003254 percent from its proportion measured as of July 1, 2018.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$7,826. At June 30, 2020, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,420	\$ 1,796
Changes of assumptions	6,854	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	64	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contribution	2,304	1,796
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	9,601	-
Total	\$ 20,243	\$ 3,592

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\$9,601 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ending 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:

<b>Year Ending June 30:</b>		
2021	\$	1,063
2022		1,063
2023		1,599
2024		1,500
2025		922
Thereafter		903

***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:

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return</b>
Large Cap Domestic Equities	33.00%	6.00%
Small Cap Domestic Equities	6.00%	7.30%
Domestic Fixed Income	40.00%	2.07%
International Equities	21.00%	6.95%



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**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 Employer'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 percent, 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:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate 6.25%	Discount Rate 7.25%	1% Increase in Discount Rate 8.25%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 73,400	\$ 57,507	\$ 43,902

**Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position**

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

**NOTE 9 RISK MANAGEMENT**

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

In 1986, state agencies and political subdivisions of the State of North Dakota joined together to form the North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund (NDRIF), 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 District pays an annual premium to NDRIF for its general liability, auto, and inland marine insurance coverage. The coverage by NDRIF is limited to losses on one million dollars per occurrence.

The District also participates in the North Dakota Fire and Tornado Fund and the State Bonding Fund. The 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 one million dollars per occurrence during a 12-month period. The State Bonding Fund currently provides the District with blanket fidelity bond coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000 for its employees.

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The State Bonding Fund does not currently charge any premium for this coverage. The District participates in the North Dakota Worker's Compensation Bureau 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 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

The District participates in numerous state and federal grant programs, which are governed by various rules and regulations of the grantor agencies. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies; therefore, to the extent that the District has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds of any money received may be required and the collectability of any related receivable at June 30, 2020, may be impaired. In the opinion of the District, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements for such contingencies.

**NOTE 11 NON-MONETARY TRANSACTIONS**

The District receives food commodities from the federal government to subsidize its hot lunch program. The market value of commodities received for the year ended June 30, 2020 was \$24,803.

**NOTE 12 TRANSFERS**

The transfers as of June 30, 2020 consist of the following:

Transfers In	Transfers Out	Amount
Building Fund	General Fund	\$ 950,000
		\$ 950,000

The transfers between the General Fund and Building Fund were normal operating transfers to fund capital projects.

**NOTE 13 SIGNIFICANT GROUP CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK**

As of June 30, 2020, the District's receivables consist of amounts due from other governmental units within the State of North Dakota.

**NOTE 14 INTERFUND BALANCES**

The District has the following interfund receivables and payables as of June 30, 2020:

	Interfund Receivable	Interfund Payable
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 29,936
Building Fund	29,936	-
	\$ 29,936	\$ 29,936

Interfund balances consist of expenditures paid on behalf of other funds as of June 30, 2020.



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**NOTE 15 COMMITMENTS**

The District has entered into a contract in the amount \$426,000 for construction of a classroom addition. As of June 30, 2020, nothing had been paid on this contract.

**NOTE 16 NEW PRONOUNCEMENTS**

GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. This Statement requires recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that were previously classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. Under this Statement, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. This Statement is effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Earlier application is encouraged.

GASB Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period*, establishes accounting requirements for interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period. This Statement requires that interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period be recognized as an expense in the period in which the cost is incurred for financial statements prepared using the economic resources measurement focus. As a result, interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period will not be included in the historical cost of a capital asset reported in a business-type activity or enterprise fund. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2020. Earlier application is encouraged.

GASB Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations*, provides a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminates diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations, and (3) related note disclosures. This Statement clarifies the existing definition of a conduit debt obligation; establishes that a conduit debt obligation is not a liability of the issuer; establishes standards for accounting and financial reporting of additional commitments and voluntary commitments extended by issuers and arrangements associated with conduit debt obligations; and improves required note disclosures. This Statement also addresses arrangements—often characterized as leases—that are associated with conduit debt obligations. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2021. Earlier application is encouraged.

GASB Statement No. 92, *Omnibus 2020*, provides additional guidance to improve consistency of authoritative literature by addressing practice issues identified during the application of certain GASB statements. This statement provides accounting and financial reporting requirements for specific issues related to leases, intra-entity transfers of assets, postemployment benefits, government acquisitions, risk financing and insurance-related activity of public entity risk pools, fair value measurements and derivative instruments. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2021. Earlier application is encouraged.

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GASB Statement No. 96, *Subscription-Based Information Arrangements* provides guidance on the accounting and financial reporting for subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITAs). A SBITA is defined as a contract that conveys control of the right to use another party's (a SBITA vendor's) information technology (IT) software, alone or in combination with tangible capital assets (the underlying IT assets), as specified in the contract for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. Under this Statement, a government generally should recognize a right-to use subscription asset—an intangible asset—and a corresponding subscription liability. The requirements of this Statement will improve financial reporting by establishing a definition for SBITAs and providing uniform guidance for accounting and financial reporting for transactions that meet that definition. The requirements of this Statement are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter. Earlier application is encouraged.

Management has not yet determined what effect these statements will have on the District's financial statements.

**NOTE 17 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

No significant events occurred subsequent to the District's year end. Subsequent events have been evaluated through January 15, 2021, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE FOR THE GENERAL FUND**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Over (Under) Final Budget
	Original	Final		
<b>REVENUES</b>				
Local Property Tax Levies	\$ 174,606	\$ 174,606	\$ 257,914	\$ 83,308
Other Local & County Revenues	36,500	36,500	15,959	(20,541)
Revenue From State Sources	3,648,397	3,648,397	3,648,653	256
Revenue From Federal Sources	3,450,557	3,450,557	3,582,127	131,570
Interest	6,500	6,500	10,041	3,541
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>7,316,560</b>	<b>7,316,560</b>	<b>7,514,694</b>	<b>198,134</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
Business Support Services	370,350	370,350	356,870	(13,480)
Instructional Support Services	114,175	114,175	159,967	45,792
Administration	598,837	598,837	593,975	(4,862)
Operations and Maintenance	715,500	715,500	686,740	(28,760)
Transportation	338,900	338,900	280,840	(58,060)
Regular Instruction	3,666,539	3,666,539	3,423,166	(243,373)
Special Education	364,200	364,200	365,052	852
Vocational Education	258,665	258,665	254,208	(4,457)
Extra-Curricular Activities	275,135	275,135	188,943	(86,192)
Capital Outlay	-	-	314,097	314,097
Principal Retirement	256,000	256,000	219,901	(36,099)
Interest and Fiscal Charges on Long-Term Debt	42,000	42,000	87,932	45,932
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>7,000,301</b>	<b>7,000,301</b>	<b>6,931,691</b>	<b>(68,610)</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	316,259	316,259	583,003	266,744
<b>OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>				
Proceeds From Disposal of Capital Asset	-	174,606	-	(174,606)
Transfers Out	-	-	(950,000)	(950,000)
<b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>174,606</b>	<b>(950,000)</b>	<b>(1,124,606)</b>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures	316,259	490,865	(366,997)	(857,862)
Fund Balances - Beginning	2,842,254	2,842,254	2,842,254	-
Fund Balances - Ending	<b>\$ 3,158,513</b>	<b>\$ 3,333,119</b>	<b>\$ 2,475,257</b>	<b>\$ (857,862)</b>

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TFFR AND NDPERS PENSION PLANS**  
**LAST TEN YEARS (PRESENTED PROSPECTIVELY)**

**Teachers Fund for Retirement**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Statutorily Required Contribution	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered- Employee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered- Employee Payroll
2020	\$ 404,508	\$ (404,508)	\$ -	\$ 3,172,613	12.75%
2019	355,079	(355,079)	-	2,784,935	12.75%
2018	333,611	(333,611)	-	2,643,349	12.62%
2017	317,732	(317,732)	-	2,616,553	12.14%
2016	309,705	(309,705)	-	2,492,018	12.43%
2015	244,046	(244,046)	-	2,429,174	10.05%

**North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Statutorily Required Contribution	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered- Employee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered- Employee Payroll
2020	\$ 59,965	\$ (59,965)	\$ -	\$ 842,200	7.12%
2019	59,633	(59,633)	-	798,930	7.46%
2018	56,667	(54,695)	1,972	747,830	7.31%
2017	51,404	(47,528)	3,876	781,471	6.08%
2016	38,433	(41,033)	(2,600)	710,015	5.78%
2015	38,598	(38,598)	-	505,976	7.63%

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 68 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Information for prior years is not available.

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NDPERS OPEB PLAN**  
**LAST TEN YEARS (PRESENTED PROSPECTIVELY)**

**North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System – OPEB**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	Statutorily Required Contribution	Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contributions	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	District's Covered - Employee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered - Employee Payroll
2020	\$ 9,601	\$ (9,601)	-	\$ 842,200	1.14%
2019	9,548	(9,548)	-	798,930	1.20%
2018	8,772	(9,538)	(766)	747,830	1.17%

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 75 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. Information for prior years is not available.

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET PENSION LIABILITY**  
**LAST TEN YEARS (PRESENTED PROSPECTIVELY)**

**Teachers Fund for Retirement**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30	District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)	District's Covered- Employee Payroll	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered- employee Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2019	0.396949%	\$ 5,466,990	\$ 2,784,709	196.32%	65.50%
2018	0.388837%	5,182,643	2,643,349	196.06%	65.50%
2017	0.387650%	5,324,528	2,616,553	203.49%	63.20%
2016	0.383550%	5,619,229	2,492,018	225.49%	59.20%
2015	0.394920%	5,164,982	2,429,174	212.62%	62.10%
2014	0.391381%	4,100,979	2,270,215	180.64%	66.60%

**North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30	District's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) (a)	District's Covered- Employee Payroll	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of its Covered- employee Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability
2019	0.076808%	\$ 900,245	\$ 798,930	112.68%	71.66%
2018	0.072794%	1,228,478	747,830	164.27%	63.53%
2017	0.076552%	1,230,442	781,471	157.45%	61.98%
2016	0.070454%	686,643	710,015	96.71%	70.46%
2015	0.056795%	386,196	505,976	76.33%	77.15%
2014	0.065678%	416,872	569,727	73.17%	77.70%

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of the collective net pension liability which is June 30 of the previous fiscal year.

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 68 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Information for prior years is not available.

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF NET OPEB LIABILITY**  
**LAST TEN YEARS (PRESENTED PROSPECTIVELY)**

**North Dakota Public Employees Retirement System – OPEB**

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30	District's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset)	District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	District's covered - employee payroll	District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered- employee payroll	Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability
2019	0.0716%	\$ 57,507	\$ 798,930	7.20%	63.13%
2018	0.0683%	53,826	747,830	7.20%	61.89%
2017	0.0722%	57,139	781,471	7.31%	59.78%

The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of the collective net OPEB liability which is June 30 of the previous fiscal year.

The District implemented GASB Statement No. 75 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. Information for prior years is not available.

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**NOTE 1 – BUDGETARY COMPARISON**

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting:**

The District's Board follows the procedures established by North Dakota law for the budgetary process. The governing body of each School District, annually on or before the last day of July must levy taxes. The governing body of the School District may amend its tax levy and budget for the current fiscal year on or before the tenth day of October of each year. Taxes for School District purposes must be based upon an itemized budget statement which must show the complete expenditure by program of the District for the current fiscal year and the sources of the revenue from which it is to be financed. The School Board, 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 thereon at maturity. During the current year in the General Fund, budgeted expenditures exceeded actual expenditures by \$68,610.

The District follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. The administration prepares the District's budget. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. The budget is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.
2. The Board reviews the budget, may make revisions, and adopts the final budget before August tenth of each year. The budget is then filed with the county auditor by August tenth of each year.
3. The budget may be amended during the year for any revenues and appropriations not anticipated at the time the budget was prepared, except no amendment changing the taxes levied can be made after August tenth of each year. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are the final authorized amounts.
4. All appropriations lapse at the close of the District's fiscal year. The balance of the appropriation reverts back to each respective fund and is available for future appropriation.



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NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - CONTINUED  
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**NOTE 2 – CHANGES OF ASSUMPTIONS**

**TFFR**

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.

**NDPERS**

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.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - CONTINUED  
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**NOTE 3 – CHANGES OF BENEFIT TERMS**

**NDPERS**

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 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.

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

To the Board of Education  
St. John Public School District No. 3  
St. John, 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 District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the basic financial statements, which collectively comprise St. John Public School District No. 3's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 15, 2021.

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

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered St. John Public School District No. 3's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing 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 District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District'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 were not identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of 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 St. John Public School District No. 3'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 financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **The District's Response To Finding**

The District's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The District's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

### **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 District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.



**BRADY, MARTZ & ASSOCIATES, P.C.**  
**GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA**

January 15, 2021

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

To the Board of Education  
St. John Public School District No. 3  
St. John, North Dakota

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

We have audited St. John Public School District No. 3's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on St. John Public School District No. 3's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2020. St. John Public School District's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

### ***Management's Responsibility***

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

### ***Auditor's Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for St. John Public School District No. 3's major federal program 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 non-compliance 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 District'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 program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination on the District's compliance.

### ***Opinion on Each Major Federal Program***

In our opinion, St. John Public School District No. 3 complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2020.

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

Management of St. John Public School District No. 3 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 District's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in 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 District'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 weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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.



**BRADY, MARTZ & ASSOCIATES, P.C.  
GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA**

January 15, 2021

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

<u>CFDA #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
<u>Department of the Interior</u>			
Passed Through North Central Education Cooperative			
	477 Cluster		
15.130	Indian Education Assistance to Schools		\$ 17,489
	Total Cluster		<u>17,489</u>
	Total Department of Interior		<u>17,489</u>
<u>United States Department of Education</u>			
Direct Programs			
84.041B	Impact Aid		2,308,638
84.060	Indian Education Grants to Local Education Agencies		<u>106,116</u>
	Total Direct Programs		<u>2,414,754</u>
Passed Through the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction			
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	F84010	740,279
84.358B	Rural Education	F84358	8,463
84.367	Title II Part A - Teacher and Principal Quality	F84367	55,314
84.424	Title IV Transferability	F84424A	97,643
84.425	Education Stabilization Fund	F84425	<u>240,146</u>
	Total Passed through ND DPI		<u>1,141,845</u>
Passed Through North Dakota Department of Career Technical Education			
84.048	Career and Technical Education Grants to States		<u>43,893</u>
	Total Department of Education		<u>3,600,492</u>
<u>Department of Agriculture</u>			
Passed Through the North Dakota State Department of Public Instruction			
	Child Nutrition Cluster:		
10.553	School Breakfast Program	F10553	87,309
10.555	Child Nutrition - School Lunch	F10555	149,773
10.555	Food Distribution-Non Cash	F10555	24,803
10.559	COVID-19 Summer Food Service Program for Children	F10559	<u>160,968</u>
	Total Cluster		<u>422,853</u>
10.560	SAE Food Nutrition	F10560	<u>2,344</u>
	Total Department of Agriculture		<u>425,197</u>
	TOTAL		<u>\$ 4,043,178</u>

See Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

**NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Expenditures reported on the accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

**NOTE 2 - INDIRECT COST RATE**

St. John Public School District No. 3 has not elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**NOTE 3 - NONMONETARY TRANSACTIONS**

The District receives commodities through the food distribution program and the assistance is valued at the fair value of the commodities received and disbursed.

**NOTE 4 - BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

The accompanying schedule includes the federal award activity of St. John Public School District No. 3 under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2020. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of St. John Public School District No. 3, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position or changes in net position of the District.

**NOTE 5 - PASS-THROUGH ENTITIES**

All pass-through entities listed above use the same CFDA numbers as the federal grantors to identify these grants, and have not assigned any additional identifying numbers.



**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITOR’S RESULTS**

Financial Statements

Type of auditor’s report issued: Unmodified  
Internal control over financial reporting:  
    Material weakness(es) identified?   x   yes    no  
    Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are  
        not considered to be material weaknesses?    yes   x   none reported

Non-compliance material to financial  
statements noted?    yes   x   no

Federal Awards

Internal control over major programs:  
    Material weakness(es) identified?    yes   x   no  
    Significant deficiency(ies) identified that are  
        not considered to be material weaknesses?    yes   x   none reported

Type of auditor’s report issued on compliance  
for major programs: Unmodified

Any audit findings disclosed that are  
required to be reported in accordance with  
2 CFR 200.516(a)?    yes   x   no

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Number(s) Name of Federal Program of Cluster

84.041           Impact Aid

Dollar threshold used to distinguish  
between Type A and Type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?    yes   x   no

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - CONTINUED**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS**

**2020-001 Finding**

**Criteria**

To provide reasonable assurance that segregation of duties take place while also taking into account the size of the District.

**Condition**

The District has one employee who is responsible for all accounting functions involved. The employee handles all cash, prepares the receipts documents, prepares the deposits, issues all checks and distributes them, receives the bank statements and does the reconciliations. The employee also records the receipts and disbursements to the journals and maintains the general ledger. Considering the size of the entity, it is not feasible to obtain proper segregation of duties and the degree of internal control is severely limited.

**Cause**

There is only one employee who handles all financial transactions.

**Effect**

Lack of segregation of duties leads to a limited degree of internal control.

**Repeat Finding**

This is a repeat finding of 2019-001.

**Recommendation**

The District's current structure does not allow for proper segregation of duties to assure adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Board should constantly be aware of this condition. Compensating controls that mitigate the related risks could be (or are) provided through appropriate oversight of the performance of these functions and review of the financial reports by individuals with knowledge of current operations and accounting principles.

**Management's Response**

The St. John School District has segregated accounting duties in the most effective manner given its limited staff. Due to cost constraints, additional administrative employees will not be added. Moving forward, a division of responsibilities will continue to be made when necessary between current staff.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - CONTINUED**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**2020-002 Finding**

**Criteria**

The District does not identify all journal entries required to maintain a general ledger and prepare full-disclosure financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

**Condition**

The District's auditors prepared the financial statements as of June 30, 2020. In addition, adjusting entries were proposed to bring the financial statements into compliance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of American (GAAP). An appropriate system of internal controls requires that a District must make a determination that financial statements and the underlying general ledger accounts are properly stated in compliance with GAAP. This requires the District's personnel to maintain a working knowledge of current accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and required financial statement disclosures.

**Cause**

The District has not adopted an internal control policy over the annual financial reporting under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

**Effect**

The Superintendent is aware of the deficiency and addresses it by reviewing and approving the adjusting journal entries and the completed statements prior to distribution to end users.

**Repeat Finding**

This is a repeat finding of 2019-002.

**Recommendation**

It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to make the decision whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations. Management and those charged with governance should consider the design of its internal control system and the changes required to permit the identification of journal entries required to maintain a general ledger and preparation of the financial statements and accompanying notes in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). As a compensating control the District should establish an internal control policy to document the annual review of the financial statements and schedules and to review a financial statement disclosure checklist.

**Management's Response**

Due to the financial, efficiency and time constraints, it has been determined by the District's management that it is in the best interest of the District to have the footnotes to the financial statements prepared by the auditing firm at the time of the audit.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - CONTINUED**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

There are no findings to be reported in this section.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**2019-001 Finding**

**Criteria**

To provide reasonable assurance that segregation of duties take place while also taking into account the size of the District.

**Condition**

The District has one employee who is responsible for all accounting functions involved. The employee handles all cash, prepares the receipts documents, prepares the deposits, issues all checks and distributes them, receives the bank statements and does the reconciliations. The employee also records the receipts and disbursements to the journals and maintains the general ledger. Considering the size of the entity, it is not feasible to obtain proper segregation of duties and the degree of internal control is severely limited.

**Effect**

Lack of segregation of duties leads to a limited degree of internal control.

**Cause**

Due to the relatively small size of the District staff, it is generally not feasible to provide for complete adherence to the segregation of duties concept.

**Recommendation**

The District's current structure does not allow for proper segregation of duties to assure adequate internal control over financial reporting. The Board should constantly be aware of this condition. Compensating controls that mitigate the related risks could be (or are) provided through appropriate oversight of the performance of these functions and review of the financial reports by individuals with knowledge of current operations and accounting principles.

**Management's Response**

The St. John School District has segregated accounting duties in the most effective manner given its limited staff. Due to cost constraints, additional administrative employees will not be added. However, during school year 2019-20 a division of responsibilities will be made between current staff. The Assistant Business Manager, Stephanie Anderson, will be responsible for bank reconcilements. She will also be utilized as a backup for payroll input. Superintendent, Paul Frydenlund, will be responsible to review and sign off on all bank reconcilements. Administrative support staff will be responsible for invoice preparation and also some student activity fund accounting duties.

**Corrective Action Taken**

None. See current year finding 2020-001.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
**SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS - CONTINUED**  
**FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020**

**2019-002 Finding**

**Criteria**

The District does not identify all journal entries required to maintain a general ledger and prepare full-disclosure financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

**Condition**

The District's auditors prepared the financial statements as of June 30, 2019. In addition, adjusting entries were proposed to bring the financial statements into compliance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of American (GAAP). An appropriate system of internal controls requires that a District must make a determination that financial statements and the underlying general ledger accounts are properly stated in compliance with GAAP. This requires the District's personnel to maintain a working knowledge of current accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and required financial statement disclosures.

**Effect**

The Superintendent is aware of the deficiency and addresses it by reviewing and approving the adjusting journal entries and the completed statements prior to distribution to end users.

**Cause**

The District has not adopted an internal control policy over the annual financial reporting under generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

**Recommendation**

It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to make the decision whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations. Management and those charged with governance should consider the design of its internal control system and the changes required to permit the identification of journal entries required to maintain a general ledger and preparation of the financial statements and accompanying notes in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). As a compensating control the District should establish an internal control policy to document the annual review of the financial statements and schedules and to review a financial statement disclosure checklist.

**Management's Response**

Due to the financial, efficiency and time constraints, it has been determined by the District's management that it is in the best interest of the District to have the footnotes to the financial statements prepared by the auditing firm at the time of the audit.

**Corrective Action Taken**

None. See current year finding 2020-002.

**ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3**  
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2020

**2019-003 Finding**

**Criteria**

The District is required to follow North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C. 15.1-09-34) in regards to contracts involving the expenditure of an aggregate amount greater than fifty thousand dollars.

**Condition**

The District entered into two contracts for bus purchases in 2019 without obtaining bids.

**Effect**

The District did not comply with bid requirements under N.D.C.C. 15.1-09-34 for two contracts entered into during the year.

**Cause**

Management oversight.

**Recommendation**

It is recommended the District obtain the necessary bids for contracts involving the expenditure of an aggregate amount greater than fifty thousand dollars.

**Management's Response**

The District will adhere to North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C. 15.1-09-34) by obtaining the necessary bids for all potential contracts involving the expenditure of an aggregate amount greater than fifty thousand dollars.

**Corrective Action Taken**

The District has taken appropriate measures, and this finding is not repeated in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

# ST. JOHN SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3

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Dr. Sherry Manning  
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Mary Vandal

## ST. JOHN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3

### CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

JUNE 30, 2020

#### 2020-001

##### **Contact Person**

Mary Vandal

##### **Planned Corrective Action**

The St. John School District has segregated accounting duties in the most effective manner given its limited staff. Due to cost constraints, additional administrative employees will not be added. Moving forward, a division of responsibilities will continue to be made when necessary between current staff.

##### **Planned Completion Date**

The planned completion date for the CAP is when it becomes cost-effective.

#### 2020-002

##### **Contact Person**

Mary Vandal

##### **Planned Corrective Action**

Due to the financial, efficiency and time constraints, it has been determined by the District's management that it is in the best interest of the District to have the footnotes to the financial statements prepared by the auditing firm at the time of the audit.

##### **Planned Completion Date**

The planned completion date for the CAP is when it becomes cost-effective.