

**TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
TOWNER, NORTH DAKOTA**

AUDITED BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	Page
ROSTER OF SCHOOL OFFICIALS	1
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT	2
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS	6
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS	
Statement of Net Position	13
Statement of Activities	14
Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds	15
Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position	16
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	17
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities	18
Notes to the Basic Financial Statements	19
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION	
Budgetary Comparison Schedule for the General Fund	50
Schedule of District's Contributions to the TFFR and NDPERS Pension Plans	51
Schedule of District's Contributions to the NDPERS OPEB Plan	52
Schedule of District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	53
Schedule of District's Proportionate Share of Net OPEB Liability	54
Notes to the Required Supplementary Information	55
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION	
Combining Balance Sheet - Non-Major Governmental Funds	58
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Non-Major Governmental Funds	59

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 <i>GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS</i>	60
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE	62
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	66
Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards	67
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs	68
Summary Schedule of Prior Year Findings	73
Corrective Action Plan	77

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
ROSTER OF SCHOOL OFFICIALS - UNAUDITED
JUNE 30, 2023

Evie Johnson	President
Jon Sevland	Board Member
Chris Jorde	Board Member
Terry Bailey	Board Member
Kurt Kramer	Board Member
Erik Sweet	Superintendent
Lorie Werle	Business Manager
Dani Haman	Head Start Fiscal Officer/Business Manager

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Education
TGU Public School District No. 60
Towner, North Dakota

Report on the Audit the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund balance of TGU Public School District No. 60, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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 balance of TGU Public School District No. 60 as of June 30, 2023, 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.

Basis for Opinions

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the TGU Public School District No. 60 and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Emphasis of Matter

Prior Period Adjustment

As described in Note 15 to the financial statements, a prior period adjustment has been made to adjust the beginning net position. Our opinion is not modified in respect to this matter.

Change in Accounting Principle

As described in Note 2 to the financial statements, the District adopted new accounting guidance, GASB Statement No. 96 *Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements*. Our opinions are not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the TGU Public School District No. 60's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 TGU Public School District No. 60's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the TGU Public School District No. 60's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

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 is the responsibility of management and, 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.

Supplementary 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 combining balance sheet – non-major governmental funds and combining statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance – non-major governmental funds as listed in the table of contents as supplementary information are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* (CFR) Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information 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. The 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 combining balance sheet – non-major governmental funds, combining statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balance – non-major governmental funds and schedule of expenditures of federal awards are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the roster of school officials but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 19, 2024 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**

March 19, 2024

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

The discussion and analysis of TGU Public School District's financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2023. 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 2023 are as follows:

- Net position of the District increased \$1,591,358 as a result of the current year's operations.
- Governmental net position totaled \$(108,182).
- Total revenues from all sources were \$11,712,853.
- Total expenses were \$10,121,495.
- The District's general fund had \$7,750,013 in total revenues and \$6,954,190 in expenditures and other financing uses. Overall, the general fund balance increased by \$795,823 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

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 TGU Public School District No. 60 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, 2023?" The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities answers this question. These statements include all assets, deferred inflows of resources, deferred 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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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, Building Fund and Head Start 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, 2023.

As indicated in the financial highlights, the District's net position increased by \$1,591,358. Long-term liabilities increased by \$3,652,237 for the year ended June 30, 2023 primarily due to changes in the net pension liability. Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District's financial position.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

The District's net position of \$(108,182) is segregated into three separate categories. Net position invested in Capital Assets (net of related debt) is \$4,790,705. It should be noted that these assets are not available for future spending. Restricted net position is \$660,962. Restricted net position represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they must be spent. The unrestricted net position is \$(5,559,849). The unrestricted net position is available to meet the District's ongoing obligations.

Table 1

	2023	2022
Assets		
Current Assets	\$ 4,347,927	\$ 4,375,414
Capital Assets (Net of Accumulated Depreciation)	5,490,105	3,891,766
Total Assets	<u>9,838,032</u>	<u>8,267,180</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Plan	4,149,691	3,129,038
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>4,149,691</u>	<u>3,129,038</u>
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities	1,019,530	1,265,759
Non-Current Liabilities	10,314,625	6,579,826
Total Liabilities	<u>11,334,155</u>	<u>7,845,585</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Plan	2,761,750	5,548,890
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>2,761,750</u>	<u>5,548,890</u>
Net Position		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	4,790,705	3,139,518
Restricted	660,962	1,123,805
Unrestricted	(5,559,849)	(6,261,580)
Total Net Deficit Position	<u>\$ (108,182)</u>	<u>\$ (1,998,257)</u>

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Table 2 shows the changes in net position for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023.

Table 2

	2023	2022
Revenues		
Program Revenues		
Charges for Services	\$ 1,029,705	\$ 901,923
Operating Grants and Contributions	3,883,715	3,736,882
Capital Grants and Contributions	678,409	-
General Revenues		
Property Taxes	1,957,386	2,044,922
State Aid - Formula Grants	4,139,562	3,410,550
Investment Earnings	24,076	10,231
Total Revenues	<u>11,712,853</u>	<u>10,104,508</u>
Expenses		
Business Support Services	551,424	589,363
Instructional Support Services	167,912	148,554
Administration	222,063	249,816
Operations and Maintenance	828,799	793,789
Transportation	658,114	566,794
Regular Instruction	6,760,752	6,681,886
Special Education	204,229	249,386
Extra-Curricular Activities	182,431	178,942
Food Services	500,607	434,562
Interest and Fees on Long-Term Debt	45,164	16,668
Total Expenses	<u>10,121,495</u>	<u>9,909,760</u>
Increase in Net Position	<u>1,591,358</u>	<u>194,748</u>
Net Deficit Position - Beginning	<u>(1,998,257)</u>	<u>(2,193,005)</u>
Prior Period Adjustment - See Note 15	<u>298,717</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Deficit Position - Beginning as Restated	<u>(1,699,540)</u>	<u>(2,193,005)</u>
Net Deficit Position - Ending	<u>\$ (108,182)</u>	<u>\$ (1,998,257)</u>

Property taxes constituted 17%, state aid 35%, operating grants and contributions 33%, charges for services made up 9%, interest income made up 1%, and capital grants and contributions made up less than 1% of the total revenues of governmental activities of the District for fiscal year 2023.

Regular instruction comprised 67% of District expenses.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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 6/30/2023	Net Cost for Year Ended 6/30/2023	Total Cost for Year Ended 6/30/2022	Net Cost for Year Ended 6/30/2022
Business Support Services	\$ 551,424	\$ (551,424)	\$ 589,363	\$ (589,363)
Instructional Support Services	167,912	(167,912)	148,554	(148,554)
Administration	222,063	(222,063)	249,816	(249,816)
Operations and Maintenance	828,799	(828,799)	793,789	(793,789)
Transportation	658,114	(377,364)	566,794	(289,850)
Regular Instruction	6,760,752	(1,771,043)	6,681,886	(2,502,579)
Special Education	204,229	(204,229)	249,386	(249,386)
Extra-Curricular Activities	182,431	(637)	178,942	(49,218)
Food Services	500,607	(361,031)	434,562	(381,732)
Interest and Fees on Long-Term Debt	45,164	(45,164)	16,668	(16,668)
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 10,121,495</u>	<u>\$ (4,529,666)</u>	<u>\$ 9,909,760</u>	<u>\$ (5,270,955)</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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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 \$11,706,130 and expenditures of \$11,491,827 for the year ended June 30, 2023. As of June 30, 2023, the unassigned fund balance of the District's General Fund was \$2,606,627.

Budget Highlights

During the course of the 2023 fiscal year, the District received \$1,359,561 more revenues and incurred \$426,113 less expenditures than budgeted in the General Fund. This is primarily due to the additional ESSER Federal revenues received, not budgeting for student activity revenues, and incurring less regular instruction expenses than anticipated.

Capital Assets

As of June 30, 2023, the District had \$5,463,318 invested in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. Table 4 shows balances as of June 30, 2023 (see Note 4 for details).

Table 4

	2023	2022
Construction in Progress	\$ 2,240,767	\$ 588,448
Buildings and Improvements	2,756,553	2,826,716
Equipment	48,828	48,681
Vehicles	417,170	427,921
Total	<u>\$ 5,463,318</u>	<u>\$ 3,891,766</u>

Long-Term Liabilities:

As of June 30, 2023, the District had \$10,399,625 in long-term liabilities. The District increased its long-term liabilities by \$3,652,237 from June 30, 2022 (See Note 5). See below for a description of the District's long-term liabilities:

	Balance 7/1/2022	Additions	Retirements	Balance 6/30/2023	Due in One Year
Limited Tax Bonds	\$ 165,000	\$ -	\$ 80,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000
Discount on Bonds Payable	(1,200)	-	(600)	(600)	-
General Obligation Bond, Series 2022	750,000	-	135,000	615,000	-
Lease Liability	88,162		88,162	-	-
Compensated Absences ¹	77,236	-	63,221	14,015	-
Net OPEB Liability	92,322	109,218	32,271	169,269	-
Net Pension Liability	5,575,868	5,244,219	1,303,146	9,516,941	-
Total	<u>\$ 6,747,388</u>	<u>\$ 5,353,437</u>	<u>\$ 1,701,200</u>	<u>\$ 10,399,625</u>	<u>\$ 85,000</u>

¹ The change in compensated absences is shown as a net change because changes in salary prohibit exact calculations of additions and reductions. The general fund is primarily used to liquidate compensated absences.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

For the Future:

The TGU Public School District has benefited from an adequate property tax base. The School District has also benefited from continued funding from the State of North Dakota. These elements have enabled the District to meet many of its staffing and building maintenance needs.

The TGU Public School District has shown stable enrollment numbers. With consolidation and other cost efficiencies, the District has maintained a financially stable condition.

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 Lorie Werle, Business Manager, TGU Public School District, 302 2nd St. SE, Towner, ND 58741, or email at lorie.werle@k12.nd.us.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2023

ASSETS

Current Assets:

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 3,769,874
Grants Receivable	410,339
Taxes Receivable	116,905
Prepaid Expenses	50,809
Total Current Assets	<u>4,347,927</u>

Non-Current Assets:

Capital Assets	
Buildings and Improvements	6,338,823
Equipment	153,274
Vehicles	1,735,029
Construction in Progress	2,240,767
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(5,004,575)
SBITA Assets	30,882
Less Accumulated Amortization	(4,095)
Total Non-Current Assets	<u>5,490,105</u>

TOTAL ASSETS	<u>9,838,032</u>
---------------------	-------------------------

DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Pension Plan - TFFR	821,474
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Pension Plan - NDPERS	3,239,434
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit OPEB Plan - NDPERS	88,783
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>4,149,691</u>

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities:

Accounts Payable	158,076
Accrued Payroll and Taxes	619,789
Unearned Revenue	155,605
Bonds Payable Within a Year	85,000
Accrued Interest	1,060
Total Current Liabilities	<u>1,019,530</u>

Long-Term Liabilities:

Bonds Payable (Net of Current Portion)	614,400
Compensated Absences	14,015
Net OPEB Liability	169,269
Net Pension Liability	9,516,941
Total Non-Current Liabilities	<u>10,314,625</u>

TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>11,334,155</u>
--------------------------	--------------------------

DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Pension Plan - TFFR	514,188
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit Pension Plan - NDPERS	2,229,809
Cost Sharing Defined Benefit OPEB Plan - NDPERS	17,753
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>2,761,750</u>

NET POSITION

Net Investment in Capital Assets	4,790,705
Restricted for:	
Debt Service	102,815
Building	363,662
Student Activity	194,485
Unrestricted	<u>(5,559,849)</u>

TOTAL NET DEFICIT POSITION	<u>\$ (108,182)</u>
-----------------------------------	----------------------------

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Program Revenues Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES					
Business Support Services	\$ 551,424	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (551,424)
Instructional Support Services	167,912	-	-	-	(167,912)
Administration	222,063	-	-	-	(222,063)
Operations and Maintenance	828,799	-	-	-	(828,799)
Transportation	658,114	-	280,750	-	(377,364)
Regular Instruction	6,760,752	708,335	3,602,965	678,409	(1,771,043)
Special Education	204,229	-	-	-	(204,229)
Extra-Curricular Activities	182,431	181,794	-	-	(637)
Food Services	500,607	139,576	-	-	(361,031)
Interest and Fees on Long-Term Debt	45,164	-	-	-	(45,164)
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	\$ 10,121,495	\$ 1,029,705	\$ 3,883,715	\$ 678,409	(4,529,666)
GENERAL REVENUES					
Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes					1,709,849
Property Taxes, Levied for Capital Projects					164,312
Property Taxes, Levied for Debt Service					83,225
Aids and Payments from the State					4,139,562
Unrestricted Investment Earnings					24,076
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUES					6,121,024
Increase in Net Position					1,591,358
Net Deficit Position - Beginning					(1,998,257)
Prior Period Adjustment - See Note 15					298,717
Net Deficit Position - Beginning as Restated					(1,699,540)
Net Deficit Position - Ending					\$ (108,182)

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023

	General Fund	Building Fund	Headstart Fund	Other Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS					
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 2,979,326	\$ 495,938	\$ 125,472	\$ 169,138	\$ 3,769,874
Grants Receivable	403,145	-	7,194	-	410,339
Taxes Receivable	102,897	9,092	-	4,916	116,905
Prepaid Expenses	50,809	-	-	-	50,809
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 3,536,177</u>	<u>\$ 505,030</u>	<u>\$ 132,666</u>	<u>\$ 174,054</u>	<u>\$ 4,347,927</u>
LIABILITIES					
Accounts Payable	\$ 11,780	\$ 141,368	\$ 4,928	\$ -	\$ 158,076
Accrued Payroll	481,226	-	13,895	-	495,121
Unearned Revenue	-	-	155,605	-	155,605
Taxes Payable	124,668	-	-	-	124,668
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>617,674</u>	<u>141,368</u>	<u>174,428</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>933,470</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Unavailable Revenue - Uncollected Taxes	66,582	8,259	-	4,479	79,320
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>66,582</u>	<u>8,259</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,479</u>	<u>79,320</u>
FUND BALANCES					
Nonspendable	50,809	-	-	-	50,809
Restricted	194,485	355,403	-	99,396	649,284
Assigned	-	-	-	70,179	70,179
Unassigned	2,606,627	-	(41,762)	-	2,564,865
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>2,851,921</u>	<u>355,403</u>	<u>(41,762)</u>	<u>169,575</u>	<u>3,335,137</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 3,536,177</u>	<u>\$ 505,030</u>	<u>\$ 132,666</u>	<u>\$ 174,054</u>	<u>\$ 4,347,927</u>

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO
THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2023

Total fund balances - governmental funds \$ 3,335,137

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 assets in government funds:

Cost of Capital Assets	\$ 10,467,893	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(5,004,575)</u>	
Net		5,463,318

SBITA assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds

SBITA	\$ 30,882	
Less: Accumulated Amortization	<u>(4,095)</u>	
Net		26,787

Net deferred outflows/(inflows) of resources relating to the cost sharing of 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. 1,387,941

Bond discounts that are amortized over the life of the debt issue. 600

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. 79,320

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		(700,000)
Compensated Absences		(14,015)
Net OPEB Liability		(169,269)
Net Pension Liability		(9,516,941)

Interest payable is not due and payable in the current period and therefore is not reported as a liability in the governmental funds. (1,060)

Net Position - Governmental Activities \$ (108,182)

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	General Fund	Building Fund	Headstart Fund	Other Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES					
Local Property Tax Levies	\$ 1,706,823	\$ 162,012	\$ -	\$ 81,828	\$ 1,950,663
Other Local and County Revenues	302,550	-	587,579	139,576	1,029,705
Revenue from State Sources	4,420,312	-	-	-	4,420,312
Revenue from Federal Sources	1,298,431	-	2,645,504	337,439	4,281,374
Interest	21,897	1,323	-	856	24,076
TOTAL REVENUES	7,750,013	163,335	3,233,083	559,699	11,706,130
EXPENDITURES					
Current:					
Business Support Services	334,822	-	216,602	-	551,424
Instructional Support Services	167,912	-	-	-	167,912
Administration	222,063	-	-	-	222,063
Operations and Maintenance	479,407	141,369	15,917	153,140	789,833
Transportation	551,432	-	1,927	-	553,359
Regular Instruction	3,594,793	-	2,882,277	-	6,477,070
Special Education	204,229	-	-	-	204,229
Extra-Curricular Activities	182,431	-	-	-	182,431
Food Services	91,682	-	14,092	393,952	499,726
Capital Outlay	138,536	1,353,602	-	-	1,492,138
Debt Service:					
Principal Retirement	-	135,000	88,162	80,000	303,162
Interest and Fiscal Charges on Long-Term Debt	-	44,875	1,130	2,475	48,480
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	5,967,307	1,674,846	3,220,107	629,567	11,491,827
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	1,782,706	(1,511,511)	12,976	(69,868)	214,303
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)					
Transfers Out	(986,883)	-	-	-	(986,883)
Transfers In	-	986,883	-	-	986,883
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	(986,883)	986,883	-	-	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	795,823	(524,628)	12,976	(69,868)	214,303
Fund (Deficit) Balance - Beginning of Year	2,056,098	880,031	(54,738)	239,443	3,120,834
Fund (Deficit) Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 2,851,921</u>	<u>\$ 355,403</u>	<u>\$ (41,762)</u>	<u>\$ 169,575</u>	<u>\$ 3,335,137</u>

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
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, 2023

Total net change in fund balances - Governmental Funds \$ 214,303

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	\$	1,492,138	
Depreciation Expense		<u>(219,303)</u>	
Excess of capital outlay over depreciation expense			1,272,835

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	6,723
--	-------

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. 303,162

Lease payments are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, those assets are set up as lease assets and amortized over the life of the lease along with interest expenses. In the current period, this resulted in the following difference:

Amortization Expense - Leases	\$	<u>(88,162)</u>	(88,162)
-------------------------------	----	-----------------	----------

SBITA payments are reported in the governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, those assets are set up as SBITA assets and amortized over the life of the SBITA along with interest expenses. In the current period, this resulted in the following difference:

Fund Financial Expenses - SBITA	\$	30,882	
Amortization Expense - SBITA		<u>(4,095)</u>	26,787

Some items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. These items consisted of the (increase)/decrease in:

Compensated Absences	63,221
----------------------	--------

Discount on bonds payable are a long-term liability in the statement of net position.	(600)
---	-------

Changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to net pension liability.	3,807,793
---	-----------

Change in net OPEB liability.	(76,947)
-------------------------------	----------

Change in net pension liability.	(3,941,073)
----------------------------------	-------------

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.

		<u>3,316</u>	
Change in net position - Governmental Activities	\$	<u>1,591,358</u>	

See Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND REPORTING ENTITY

The TGU Public School District operates the public schools in the City of Towner, North Dakota. There are two elementary schools and two junior/senior high schools.

Potential component units of the TGU Public School District are evaluated on various criteria, the main one being the degree of accountability the primary government has over the potential component unit. The most significant factor in the accountability assessment is the potential component unit's financial accountability to the primary government, measured through the degree to which the primary government can appoint a voting majority of the governing body, impose its will, ascertain a potential financial benefit, or face a financial burden with regard to the potential component unit.

Based on these criteria, there are no component units to be included within the District's reporting entity.

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.

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.

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

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

The Government-wide financial statements do not include fiduciary funds or 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.

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, deferred inflows of resources, deferred outflows of resources, and liabilities. The District's major governmental funds are as follows:

General Fund:

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

Building Fund:

The Building fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for acquiring school sites, constructing and equipping new school facilities and renovating existing facilities. The special assessment fund is included in this category.

Head Start Fund

This fund is established to record financial transactions related to this early childhood federal program.

The District's non-major governmental funds are as follows:

Food Service Fund:

This food service fund is used to account for the accumulation of revenue and proceeds and for the payments of expenditures related to providing meals at the District.

Debt Service Funds:

The Debt Service fund is used to account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payments of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs. The sinking and interest fund #8 is included in this category.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

Scholarship Fund:

The Scholarship fund is used to account for the proceeds of certain specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for scholarships.

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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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 and Unavailable 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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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 tenth 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.

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.

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.

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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

Capital Assets:

General capital assets result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position but are not reported as assets in the fund financial statements. All capital assets are recorded at cost (or estimated historical cost). The assets are updated for additions and retirements during the District's fiscal year. The District has established a capitalization threshold of \$5,000. Donated fixed assets are recorded at their acquisition values at the date received. The District does not have any infrastructure assets. Improvements that significantly extend the useful life of the asset are also capitalized.

The District's land is capitalized but is not depreciated. All the remaining capital assets are depreciated over their estimated useful lives on a straight-line basis. The District has established the following useful lives:

Buildings and Improvements	50 Years
Equipment	5 to 20 Years
Vehicles	8 Years

Leases:

The determination of whether an arrangement contains a lease is made at inception by evaluating whether the arrangement conveys the right to use an identified asset and whether the District has control of the right to use asset. Control includes the right to obtain present service capacity and the right to determine the nature and manner of use of the underlying asset, as specified in the contract.

Leases with an initial lease term of more than 12 months, or that contain an option to purchase that the District is reasonably certain to exercise, are recognized based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease. In cases where the implicit rate is not readily determinable, the District uses its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the lease commencement date. The District has made an accounting policy election to use a risk-free rate based on US Treasury T-bill rate as of the lease commencement. The District accounts for lease agreements with lease and nonlease components together as a single lease component for all underlying classes of assets.

The District continues to record rent expense for short term leases on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Short term leases have a term of 12 months or less at lease commencement and do not include an option to purchase the underlying asset that the District is reasonably certain to exercise.

The depreciable life of assets and leasehold improvements are limited by the expected lease term unless there is a transfer of title or purchase option reasonably certain of exercise.

The District's lease agreements do not include any material residual value guarantees or restrictive covenants.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA)

Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements (SBITA) are contracts that convey control of the right to use another party's 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.

The determination of whether a SBITA asset and liability are to be recorded in the financial statements is made at inception by evaluating the maximum possible term of the SBITA.

A SBITA contract with an initial term of more than 12 months, or that contains an option to extend the contract more than 12 months that is reasonably expected to be exercised by the District, are recognized based on the present value of subscription payments over the contract term discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease. In cases where the implicit rate is not readily determinable, the District uses its incremental borrowing rate based on the information available at the SBITA contract commencement date. The District has made an accounting policy election to use a risk-free rate based on US Treasury T-bill rate as of the SBITA contract commencement.

The District continues to recognize short-term SBITA subscription payments as outflows of resources (expenditure) based on the payment provision of the SBITA contract. Short-term SBITA contracts have a maximum possible term under the SBITA contract of 12 months (or less), including any options to extend, regardless of their probability of being exercised.

The amortizable life of SBITA assets are limited to the shorter of the expected agreement term or the useful life of the underlying asset.

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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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.

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 two 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 plans* and *cost sharing defined benefit OPEB plan*, which represents the actuarial differences within the NDPERS and TFFR pension plans and NDPERS OPEB plan and is reported on the statement of net position.

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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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 35 percent of the annual budget.

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 of 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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the School Board and are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence.

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:

Taxes receivable consist of current and delinquent uncollected taxes at June 30, 2023.

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.

Significant Group Concentrations of Credit Risk:

As of June 30, 2023, the District's receivables consist of amounts due from other governmental units within the State of North Dakota.

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

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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, 2023, the carrying amount of the District's deposits was \$3,769,874 and the bank balance was \$4,480,074. 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.

Credit Risk

The District may also invest idle funds as authorized by North Dakota laws, as follows:

- 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, instrumentalities, or organizations created by an act of Congress.
- b. Securities sold under agreements to repurchase, written by a financial institution in which the underlying securities for the agreement to repurchase are of the type listed above.
- c. Certificates of Deposit fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or the state.
- d. Obligations of the state.
- e. Commercial paper issued by a United States corporation rated in the highest quality category by at least two nationally recognized rating agencies and matures in two hundred seventy days or less.

Interest Rate Risk

The District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Concentration of Credit Risk

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

Custodial Credit Risk - Investments

The investments are not subject to the credit risk classifications as noted in paragraph 9 of GASB Statement 40.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 4 CAPITAL ASSETS

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

	As Restated Balance 7/1/2022	Additions	Disposals	Balance 6/30/2023
Governmental Activities:				
Construction in Progress	\$ 887,165	\$ 1,353,602	\$ -	\$ 2,240,767
Total	<u>887,165</u>	<u>1,353,602</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,240,767</u>
 Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Buildings and Improvements	6,308,385	30,438	-	6,338,823
Equipment	144,975	8,299	-	153,274
Vehicles	1,635,230	99,799	-	1,735,029
Leased Buildings	88,162	-	-	88,162
Total	<u>8,176,752</u>	<u>138,536</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,315,288</u>
 Less Accumulated Depreciation				
Buildings and Improvements	3,481,670	100,600	-	3,582,270
Equipment	96,293	8,153	-	104,446
Vehicles	1,207,309	110,550	-	1,317,859
Total	<u>4,785,272</u>	<u>219,303</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,004,575</u>
 Less Accumulated Amortization				
Leased Buildings	-	88,162	-	88,162
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>88,162</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>88,162</u>
 Net Capital and Lease Assets Being Depreciated or Amortized	<u>3,391,480</u>	<u>(168,929)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,222,551</u>
 Net Capital Assets for Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 4,278,645</u>	<u>\$ 1,184,673</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 5,463,318</u>

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

Regular Instruction	\$ 74,701
Operations and Maintenance	38,966
Food Service	881
Transportation	104,755
Total	<u>\$ 219,303</u>

The District leases building space. The term of the lease is for a period of 24 months, commencing on July 1, 2021 and terminating June 30, 2023 with monthly lease payments of \$7,441.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

Following is the total lease expense for the year ended June 30, 2023:

Amortization Expense by Class of Underlying Asset	
Building	\$ 88,162
Interest on Lease Liabilities	1,130
Total	<u>\$ 89,292</u>

NOTE 5 LONG-TERM DEBT

The School District issued bonds to provide funding for the construction of additions and improvements to existing facilities. Long-term debt is as follows:

	Balance 7/1/2022	Additions	Retirements	Balance 6/30/2023	Due in One Year
Limited Tax Bonds	\$ 165,000	\$ -	\$ 80,000	\$ 85,000	\$ 85,000
Discount on Bonds Payable	(1,200)	-	(600)	(600)	-
General Obligation Bond, Series 2022	750,000	-	135,000	615,000	-
Lease Liability	88,162		88,162	-	-
Compensated Absences ¹	77,236	-	63,221	14,015	-
Net OPEB Liability	92,322	109,218	32,271	169,269	-
Net Pension Liability	5,575,868	5,244,219	1,303,146	9,516,941	-
Total	<u>\$ 6,747,388</u>	<u>\$ 5,353,437</u>	<u>\$ 1,701,200</u>	<u>\$ 10,399,625</u>	<u>\$ 85,000</u>

¹ The change in compensated absences is shown as a net change because changes in salary prohibit exact calculations of additions and reductions. The general fund is primarily used to liquidate compensated absences.

The District issued \$900,000 Limited Tax Bonds with Wells Fargo Bank for an energy management project. The contract is dated June 1, 2011 and calls for 12 annual principal payments of \$70,000 to \$85,000 from August 1, 2012 through August 1, 2023 and interest payments semiannually at 1% to 3%.

The District issued \$750,000 General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022 with U.S. Bank National Association for a building HVAC project. The contract is dated June 1, 2022 and calls for 5 annual principal payments of \$135,000 to \$165,000 from August 1, 2023 through August 1, 2027 and interest payments semiannually at 3.7%.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

Interest and fiscal charges on long-term debt was \$48,480 for the year ended June 30, 2023. Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the long-term debt are as follows:

Limited Tax Bonds

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ 85,000	\$ 1,272	\$ 86,272
Total	<u>\$ 85,000</u>	<u>\$ 1,272</u>	<u>\$ 86,272</u>

General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022

<u>Year</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2024	\$ -	\$ 11,378	\$ 11,378
2025	145,000	20,073	165,073
2026	150,000	14,615	164,615
2027	155,000	8,973	163,973
2028	165,000	3,053	168,053
Total	<u>\$ 615,000</u>	<u>\$ 58,092</u>	<u>\$ 673,092</u>

General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022, do not have a principal amount due in 2024, as this amount was paid in June 2023.

NOTE 6 FUND BALANCES

A. CLASSIFICATIONS

At June 30, 2023, a summary of the governmental fund balance classifications are as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>Headstart Fund</u>	<u>Food Service Fund</u>	<u>Debt Service Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Non-spendable	\$ 50,809	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 50,809
Restricted for:						
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	99,396	99,396
Building	-	355,403	-	-	-	355,403
Student Activities	194,485	-	-	-	-	194,485
Assigned for:						
Food Service	-	-	-	70,179	-	70,179
Unassigned	2,606,627	-	(41,762)	-	-	2,564,865
	<u>\$ 2,851,921</u>	<u>\$ 355,403</u>	<u>\$ (41,762)</u>	<u>\$ 70,179</u>	<u>\$ 99,396</u>	<u>\$ 3,335,137</u>

Restricted fund balances reflect resources restricted for statutorily defined purposes not accounted for in a separate fund.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

Restricted for Debt Service:

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

Restricted for Building:

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

Restricted for Student Activities:

This account represents funds held by the School District available for future student activities use.

NOTE 7 SUBSCRIPTION-BASED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ARRANGEMENTS (SBITA)

The District entered into subscription-based information technology arrangements (SBITA) with IXL Learning for the usage of curriculum. The SBITA contract commenced in October 2022 and terminates October 2027. Contracts were paid in full upfront and therefore no liabilities are set up at year end.

Following is a schedule of activity of SBITA assets for the year ended June 30, 2023:

	Beginning of Year	Additions	Modifications & Remeasurements	Subtractions	End of Year
SBITA Assets					
Curriculum	\$ -	\$ 30,882	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 30,882
Less: Accumulated Amortization					
Curriculum	-	4,095	-	-	4,095
Total SBITA Assets, Net	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,787</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,787</u>

NOTE 8 DEFICIT FUND BALANCE

The following governmental fund had a deficit fund balance as of June 30, 2023:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Balance at 6/30/2023</u>
Head Start Fund	<u>\$ (41,762)</u>

The total fund balance deficit of \$41,762 will be reduced by future transfers.

NOTE 9 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 Employees' Retirement System (NDPERS), both of which are administered on a statewide basis.

Disclosures relating to these plans follow:

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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, 2023, the District reported a liability of \$5,012,344 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, 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 June 30, 2022, the Employer's proportion was 0.344242 percent which was a decrease of 0.00002790 from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Employer recognized pension expense of \$162,703. At June 30, 2023, the Employer reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 21,600	\$ 133,827
Changes in actuarial assumptions	101,921	-
Difference between projected and actual investment earnings	375,432	-
Changes in proportion	-	380,361
Contributions paid to TFFR subsequent to the measurement date	322,521	-
Total	<u>\$ 821,474</u>	<u>\$ 514,188</u>

\$322,521 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, 2024.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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
2024	\$ (65,883)
2025	(66,625)
2026	(104,380)
2027	282,765
2028	(26,349)
Thereafter	(34,763)

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the July 1, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.30%
Salary increases	3.80% to 14.80%, varying by service, including inflation and productivity
Investment rate of return	7.25%, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-living adjustments	None

For active and inactive members, mortality rates were based on the PubT-2010 Employee table, projected with generational improvement using Scale MP-2019. For healthy retirees, mortality rates were based on 104% of the PubT-2010 Retiree table for retirees and to 95% of the PubT-2010 Contingent Survivor table for beneficiaries, both projected with generational improvement using Scale MP-2019. For disability retirees, mortality rates were based on the PubNS-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Mortality table projected with generational improvement using Scale MP-2019.

The actuarial assumptions used were based on the results of an actuarial experience study dated March 19, 2020. They are the same as the assumptions used in the July 1, 2022, funding actuarial valuation for TFFR.

The TFFR Board is responsible for establishing investment policy for the fund assets under NDCC 15-39.1-05.2. Benefit payments are projected to occur over a long period of time. This allows TFFR to adopt a long-term investment horizon and asset allocation policy for the management of fund assets. Asset allocation policy is critical because it defines the basic risk and return characteristics of the investment portfolio. Asset allocation targets are established using an asset-liability analysis designed to assist the Board in determining an acceptable volatility target for the fund and an optimal asset allocation policy mix. This asset-liability analysis considers both sides of the plan balance sheet, utilizing both quantitative and qualitative inputs, in order to estimate the potential impact of various asset class mixes on key measures of total plan risk, including the resulting estimated impact of funded status and contribution rates.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

The long-term expected rate of return on TFFR 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 TFFR target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Global Equities	55.00%	6.61%
Global Fixed Income	26.00%	0.35%
Global Real Assets	18.00%	4.60%
Cash Equivalents	1.00%	-1.05%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent as of June 30, 2022. 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, 2022, 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 TFFR's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments for current plan members as of June 30, 2022. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on TFFR investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2022.

Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent as of June 30, 2022, 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 or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate	Discount Rate	1% Increase in Discount Rate
	6.25%	7.25%	8.25%
District's proportionate share of the TFFR net pension liability:	\$ 6,886,500	\$ 5,012,344	\$ 2,133,671

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued TFFR financial report. TFFR's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) is located at <https://www.rio.nd.gov/sites/www/files/documents/PDFs/RIO/Reports/annualreport2022.pdf>.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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 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. The Main Plan will be closed to new employees with the passage of House Bill 1040. The effective date is dependent upon NDPERS implementing the changes to set up a new defined contribution (DC) plan. If the DC plan is set up by December 31, 2023, then the effective date of the Main Plan closure will be January 1, 2024. If the changes cannot be accomplished by then, the effective date will be January 1, 2025.

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

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

the member's accrued 100% Joint and Survivor retirement benefit if the member had reached normal retirement age prior to date of death. If the surviving spouse dies before the member's accumulated pension benefits are paid, the balance will be payable to the surviving spouse's designated beneficiary.

Eligible members who become totally disabled after a minimum of 180 days of service, receive monthly disability benefits equal to 25% of their final average salary with a minimum benefit of \$100. To qualify under this section, the member has to become disabled during the period of eligible employment and apply for benefits within one year of termination. The definition 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. Employer contribution rates increase by 1% beginning January 1, 2024.

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, 2023, the District reported a liability of \$4,504,597 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, 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, 2022, the District's proportion was 0.156410 percent which was a decrease of 0.000277 from its proportion measured June 30, 2021.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized pension expense of \$511,323. At June 30, 2023, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual economic experience	\$ 23,497	\$ 86,046
Changes in actuarial assumptions	2,693,815	1,670,016
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	164,867	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions	211,780	473,747
District contributions paid to NDPERS subsequent to the measurement date	145,475	-
Total	<u>\$ 3,239,434</u>	<u>\$ 2,229,809</u>

\$145,475 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, 2024.

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
2024	\$ 245,639
2025	305,808
2026	(39,022)
2027	351,725

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the July 1, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.25%
Salary increases	3.5% to 17.75% including inflation
Investment rate of return	5.10%, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-living adjustments	None

For active members, inactive members and healthy retirees, mortality rates were based on the Sex-distinct Pub-2010 table for General Employees, with scaling based on actual experience. Respective corresponding tables were used for healthy retirees, disabled retirees, and active members. Mortality rates are projected from 2010 using the MP-2019 scale.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Fund's target asset allocation are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	30.00%	5.75%
International Equity	21.00%	6.45%
Private Equity	7.00%	9.20%
Domestic Fixed Income	23.00%	0.34%
Global Real Assets	19.00%	4.35%

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 6.50%; the municipal bond rate is 3.69%; and the resulting Single Discount Rate is 5.10%.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

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 5.10 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 (4.10 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.10 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate	Discount Rate	1% Increase in Discount Rate
	4.10%	5.10%	6.10%
District's proportionate share of the NDPERS net pension liability:	\$ 5,945,758	\$ 4,504,597	\$ 3,321,454

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 10 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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

OPEB Benefits

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

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

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

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

At June 30, 2023, the District reported a liability of \$169,269 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022 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, 2022, the District's proportion was 0.141021 percent which was a decrease of 0.000250 from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2021.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized OPEB expense of \$24,580. At June 30, 2023, 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	\$ 4,015	\$ 1,456
Changes of assumptions	42,637	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	22,791	-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contribution	3,651	16,297
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	15,689	-
Total	<u>\$ 88,783</u>	<u>\$ 17,753</u>

\$15,689 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, 2024.

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

Year Ending June 30:

2024	\$ 14,155
2025	12,966
2026	11,578
2027	16,642

Actuarial Assumptions

The total OPEB liability in the July 1, 2022 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	5.75%, net of investment expenses
Cost-of-living adjustments	None

For active members, inactive members and healthy retirees, mortality rates were based on the MortalityPub-2010 Healthy Retiree Mortality table (for General Employees), sex-distinct, with

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

rates multiplied by 103% for males and 101% for females. Pub-2010 Disabled Retiree Mortality table (for General Employees), sex-distinct, with rates multiplied by 117% for males and 112% for females. Pub-2010 Employee Mortality table (for General Employees), sex-distinct, with rates multiplied by 92% for both males and females. Mortality rates are projected from 2010 using the MP-2019 scale.

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, 2022 are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return
Broad US Equities	39.00%	5.75%
International Equities	26.00%	6.00%
Core-Plus Fixed Income	35.00%	0.22%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 5.39%. 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, 2022, calculated using the discount rate of 5.39 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 (4.39 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.39 percent) than the current rate:

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

	1% Decrease in Discount Rate 4.39%	Discount Rate 5.39%	1% Increase in Discount Rate 6.39%
District's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 216,062	\$ 169,269	\$ 129,988

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 11 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 (NDRF), 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 NDRF for its general liability, auto, and inland marine insurance coverage. The coverage by NDRF 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 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 12 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, 2023, 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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 13 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, 2023 was \$19,279.

NOTE 14 TRANSFERS

The transfers as of June 30, 2023 consist of the following:

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
General Fund	\$ -	\$ 986,883
Building Fund	986,883	-
	<u>\$ 986,883</u>	<u>\$ 986,883</u>

Transfers from the general fund to the building fund were for current and future building fund expenditures.

NOTE 15 PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS

The District recorded a prior period adjustment to the financial statements to correct an understatement of construction in progress as of June 30, 2022. This increased net position by \$298,717 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

NOTE 16 NEW PRONOUNCEMENTS

GASB Statement No. 99, *Omnibus 2022*, provides guidance on the following accounting matters:

- The requirements related to extension of the use of LIBOR, accounting for SNAP distributions, disclosures of nonmonetary transactions, pledges of future revenues by pledging governments, clarification of certain provisions in Statement 34, as amended, and terminology updates related to Statement 53 and Statement 63 are effective upon issuance.
- The requirements related to leases, PPPs, and SBITAs are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2022, and all reporting periods thereafter.
- The requirements related to financial guarantees and the classification and reporting of derivative instruments within the scope of Statement 53 are effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023, and all reporting periods thereafter.

GASB Statement No. 100, *Accounting Changes and Error Corrections – An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 62*, enhances the accounting and financial reporting requirements for accounting changes and error corrections. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2023.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

GASB Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, updates the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences through aligning the recognition and measurement guidance under a unified model and by amending certain previously required disclosures. The standard is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023.

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

NOTE 17 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

No significant events have occurred subsequent to the District's year end. Subsequent events have been evaluated through March 19, 2024, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE FOR THE GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts		Over (Under) Final Budget
	Original/Final	Actual	
REVENUES			
Local Property Tax Levies	\$ 1,772,753	\$ 1,706,823	\$ (65,930)
Other Local and County Revenues	1,000	302,550	301,550
Revenue from State Sources	4,388,184	4,420,312	32,128
Revenue from Federal Sources	222,615	1,298,431	1,075,816
Interest	5,900	21,897	15,997
TOTAL REVENUES	6,390,452	7,750,013	1,359,561
EXPENDITURES			
Current:			
Business Support Services	355,793	334,822	(20,971)
Instructional Support Services	166,420	167,912	1,492
Administration	255,551	222,063	(33,488)
Operations and Maintenance	589,893	479,407	(110,486)
Transportation	556,223	551,432	(4,791)
Regular Instruction	4,063,116	3,594,793	(468,323)
Special Education	238,424	204,229	(34,195)
Extra-Curricular Activities	4,000	182,431	178,431
Food Services	94,000	91,682	(2,318)
Capital Outlay	70,000	138,536	68,536
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	6,393,420	5,967,307	(426,113)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	(2,968)	1,782,706	1,785,674
OTHER FINANCING USES			
Transfers Out	-	(986,883)	(986,883)
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	-	(986,883)	(986,883)
Net Change in Fund Balances	(2,968)	795,823	798,791
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	2,056,098	2,056,098	-
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$ 2,053,130	\$ 2,851,921	\$ 798,791

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
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
2023	\$ 322,521	\$ 322,521	-	\$ 2,529,576	12.75%
2022	345,683	345,683	-	2,711,235	12.75%
2021	341,219	341,219	-	2,676,224	12.75%
2020	334,182	334,182	-	2,621,044	12.75%
2019	323,738	323,738	-	2,539,126	12.75%
2018	332,396	332,396	-	2,590,683	12.83%
2017	341,013	341,013	-	2,674,611	12.75%
2016	344,743	344,743	-	2,703,863	12.75%
2015	331,182	331,182	-	2,597,628	12.75%

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
2023	\$ 145,475	\$ (145,475)	-	\$ 1,950,570	7.46%
2022	138,452	(138,452)	-	1,886,890	7.34%
2021	153,231	(153,231)	-	2,151,200	7.12%
2020	138,062	(138,062)	-	1,934,592	7.14%
2019	139,526	(139,526)	-	1,959,633	7.12%
2018	134,198	(134,198)	-	1,884,807	7.12%
2017	135,370	(135,370)	-	1,901,263	7.12%
2016	135,353	(135,353)	-	1,901,020	7.12%
2015	110,896	(110,896)	-	1,557,522	7.12%

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

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
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
2023	\$15,689	\$ (15,689)	-	\$1,950,570	0.80%
2022	17,405	(17,405)	-	1,886,890	0.92%
2021	24,534	(24,534)	-	2,151,200	1.14%
2020	22,126	(22,126)	-	1,934,591	1.14%
2019	22,340	(22,340)	-	1,959,633	1.14%
2018	21,487	(21,487)	-	1,884,807	1.14%

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

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
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
2023	0.344242%	\$ 5,012,344	\$ 2,708,882	185.03%	67.50%
2022	0.347032%	3,656,524	2,674,576	136.71%	75.70%
2021	0.359129%	5,496,481	2,620,423	209.76%	63.40%
2020	0.361942%	4,984,854	2,539,124	196.32%	65.50%
2019	0.381130%	5,079,925	2,590,959	196.06%	65.50%
2018	0.396255%	5,442,670	2,674,610	203.49%	63.20%
2017	0.416155%	6,096,915	2,703,863	225.49%	59.20%
2016	0.422307%	5,523,164	2,597,628	212.62%	62.10%
2015	0.430381%	4,509,630	2,496,437	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
2023	0.156410%	\$ 4,504,597	\$ 1,815,623	248.10%	54.47%
2022	0.184145%	1,919,344	2,151,200	89.22%	78.26%
2021	0.163814%	5,153,624	1,807,062	285.19%	48.91%
2020	0.178353%	2,090,426	1,855,173	112.68%	71.66%
2019	0.177290%	2,991,962	1,821,327	164.27%	62.80%
2018	0.181426%	2,916,111	1,852,080	157.45%	61.98%
2017	0.188640%	1,838,451	1,901,020	96.71%	70.46%
2016	0.174830%	1,188,814	1,557,522	76.33%	77.15%
2015	0.173710%	1,102,555	1,463,268	75.35%	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

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
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
2023	0.141021%	\$ 169,269	\$1,455,913	11.63%	56.28%
2022	0.165996%	92,322	2,151,200	4.29%	76.63%
2021	0.158518%	133,345	1,807,062	7.38%	63.38%
2020	0.166255%	133,534	1,855,173	7.20%	63.13%
2019	0.166450%	131,091	1,821,327	7.20%	61.89%
2018	0.171200%	135,419	1,852,080	7.31%	59.78%

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. 75 for its fiscal year ended June 30, 2018. Information for prior years is not available.

See Notes to the Required Supplementary Information

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
JUNE 30, 2023

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, actual expenditures were less than budgeted expenditures by \$426,113. The District does not legally adopt budgets for the Building and Head Start funds.

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 October tenth of 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.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 2 – CHANGES OF ASSUMPTIONS

TFFR

Changes of Assumptions

Amounts reported in 2021 and later reflect the following actuarial assumption changes based on the results of an actuarial experience study dated March 19, 2020.

- Investment return assumption lowered from 7.75% to 7.25%;
- Inflation assumption lowered from 2.75% to 2.30%;
- Individual salary increases were lowered;
- Rates of turnover, retirement and disability were changed to better reflect anticipated future experience;
- The post-retirement healthy mortality table was updated to 104% of the PubT-2010 Retiree table for retirees and to 95% of the PubT-2010 Contingent Survivor table for beneficiaries, both projected with generational improvement using Scale MP-2019;
- The disabled mortality was updated to the PubNS-2010 Non-Safety Disabled Mortality table projected with generational improvement using Scale MP-2019; and
- The pre-retirement mortality table was updated to the PubT-2010 Employee table projected with generational improvement using Scale MP-2019.

Amounts reported in 2016-2020 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 investment return assumption was updated from 7.00% to 6.50% beginning with the actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022. All other actuarial assumptions used in the actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022 were based on an experience review for the period from July 1, 2014 to July 1, 2019, and were adopted for first use commencing with the actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2020.

OPEB

The investment return assumption was updated from 6.50% to 5.75% beginning with the actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2022. All actuarial assumptions and the actuarial cost method are unchanged from the last actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2021.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION - CONTINUED
JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 3 – CHANGES IN BENEFIT TERMS

NDPERS

The interest rate earned on member contributions will decrease from 6.50 percent to 6.00 percent effective January 1, 2023 (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, 2020.

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, 2020.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
COMBINING BALANCE SHEET – NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2023

	Food Service Fund	Debt Service Fund	Scholarship Fund	Total Non-Major Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 70,179	\$ 98,959	\$ -	\$ 169,138
Taxes Receivable	-	4,916	-	4,916
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 70,179</u>	<u>\$ 103,875</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 174,054</u>
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Unavailable Revenue - Uncollected Taxes	\$ -	\$ 4,479	\$ -	\$ 4,479
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	<u>-</u>	<u>4,479</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4,479</u>
FUND BALANCES				
Restricted	-	99,396	-	99,396
Assigned	70,179	-	-	70,179
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>70,179</u>	<u>99,396</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>169,575</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 70,179</u>	<u>\$ 103,875</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 174,054</u>

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND
BALANCES – NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Food Service Fund	Debt Service Fund	Scholarship Fund	Total Non-Major Governmental Funds
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
REVENUES				
Local Property Tax Levies	\$ -	\$ 81,828	\$ -	\$ 81,828
Other Local and County Revenues	139,576	-	-	139,576
Revenue from Federal Sources	337,439	-	-	337,439
Interest	481	375	-	856
	<u>477,496</u>	<u>82,203</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>559,699</u>
TOTAL REVENUES				
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Operations and Maintenance	153,140	-	-	153,140
Food Services	393,952	-	-	393,952
Debt Service:				
Principal Retirement	-	80,000	-	80,000
Interest and Fiscal Charges on Long-Term Debt	-	2,475	-	2,475
	<u>547,092</u>	<u>82,475</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>629,567</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES				
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>(69,596)</u>	<u>(272)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(69,868)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	(69,596)	(272)	-	(69,868)
Fund Balance - Beginning of Year	<u>139,775</u>	<u>99,668</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>239,443</u>
Fund Balance - End of Year	<u>\$ 70,179</u>	<u>\$ 99,396</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 169,575</u>

**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
TGU Public School District No. 60
Towner, 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, 2023, and the related notes to the basic financial statements, which collectively comprise TGU Public School District No. 60's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated March 19, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered TGU Public School District No. 60'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 have not been identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2023-001, 2023-002 and 2023-003 that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether TGU Public School District No. 60'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 Responses to the Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The District's responses were not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

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

March 19, 2024

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

To the Board of Education
TGU Public School District No. 60
Towner, North Dakota

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited TGU Public School District No. 60's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on TGU Public School District No. 60's major federal program for the year ended June 30, 2023. The TGU 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.

Qualified Opinion on Education Stabilization Fund Program

In our opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinion section of our report, TGU Public School District No. 60, complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Education Stabilization Fund Program for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Unmodified Opinion on Head Start Program

In our opinion, TGU Public School District No. 60 complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Head Start program for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

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). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are

further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of TGU Public School District No. 60 and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of TGU Public School District No. 60's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Matters Giving Rise to Qualified Opinion on Education Stabilization Fund Program

As described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, TGU Public School District No. 60 did not comply with the requirements regarding Assistance Listing No. 84.425 Education Stabilization Fund as described in finding number 2023-004 for Special Tests and Provisions.

Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for TGU Public School District No. 60 to comply with the requirements applicable to that program.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules, and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to TGU Public School District No. 60's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on TGU Public School District No. 60's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about TGU Public School District No. 60's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding TGU Public School District No.

60's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

- Obtain an understanding of TGU Public School District No. 60's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances 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 TGU Public School District No. 60's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on TGU Public School District No. 60's response to the noncompliance finding identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. TGU Public School District No. 60's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we did identify a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A *material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item 2023-004 to be a material weakness.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the internal control over compliance finding identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

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

March 19, 2024

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

<u>AL #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>
<u>Department of Health and Human Services</u>			
93.600	Head Start Cluster		\$ 2,516,817
93.575	CCDF Cluster		86,352
Total Department of Health and Human Services			<u>2,603,169</u>
<u>Department of Education</u>			
Passed Through the North Dakota State Department of Public Instruction			
84.010	Chapter 1/TITLE I-Compensatory	F84010	138,922
84.367	Title II A - Teacher Principal Quality Training	F84367	56,005
84.424A	Title IV - Student Support and Academic Enrichment	F84424A	18,003
84.425D	COVID - Education Stabilization Fund	F84425D	314,726
84.425U	COVID - Education Stabilization Fund	F84425U	678,409
Subtotal 84.425			<u>993,135</u>
Total Passed through ND DPI			<u>1,206,065</u>
Passed Through Devils Lake Public School District			
84.371	Comprehensive Literacy Development	NA	<u>42,335</u>
Passed Through North Central Education Cooperative			
84.287A	21st Century Community Learning Centers	F84287	<u>62,670</u>
Passed Through Velve Public School District			
84.048	Carl Perkins	NA	<u>7,223</u>
Total Department of Education			<u>1,318,293</u>
<u>Environmental Protection Agency</u>			
Passed Through the North Dakota Department of Environmental Quality			
66.040	Clean Diesel Grant	G21.040	<u>22,472</u>
Total Environmental Protection Agency			<u>22,472</u>
<u>Department of Agriculture</u>			
Passed Through the North Dakota State Department of Public Instruction			
Child Nutrition Cluster:			
10.555	Child Nutrition - School Lunch	F10555	109,095
10.553	Child Nutrition - School Breakfast	F10553	25,790
10.555	Food Distribution-Non Cash	F10555	19,279
10.555	School/CN Supply Chain Assistance	F10555S	17,158
10.582	Fruit and Vegetable Grant	F10582	<u>14,038</u>
Total Cluster			<u>185,360</u>
10.558	Child and Adult Care Food Program	F10558	150,244
10.560	State Administrative Expenses for Child Nutrition	F10560	<u>1,836</u>
Total Department of Agriculture			<u>337,440</u>
TOTAL			<u>\$ 4,281,374</u>

See Notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

NOTE 1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the 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.

NOTE 2 INDIRECT COST RATE

The District 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 TGU Public School District No. 60 under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2023. 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 TGU Public School District No. 60, 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 AL numbers as the federal grantors to identify these grants, and have not assigned any additional identifying numbers.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

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?

X Yes 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 - #93.600 Head Start Cluster
Qualified - #84.425 ESSER

Any audit findings disclosed that are
required to be reported in accordance with
2 CFR 200.516(a)?

X Yes No

Identification of major programs:

AL Number(s) Name of Federal Program or Cluster

84.425

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund

93.600

Head Start Cluster

Dollar threshold used to distinguish
between Type A and Type B programs:

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

 Yes X No

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS

2023-001 Finding

Criteria

An appropriate system of internal control requires the District to prepare financial statements in compliance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Condition

The District's personnel prepare periodic financial information for internal use that meets the needs of management and the board. However, the District currently does not prepare financial statements, including accompanying note disclosures, as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The District has elected to have the auditors assist in the preparation of the financial statements and notes.

Cause

The District elected to not allocate resources for the preparation of financial statements.

Effect

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

Repeat Finding

This is a repeat finding of 2022-001.

Recommendation

We recommend the District consider the additional risk of having the auditors assist in the preparation of the financial statements and note disclosures and consider preparing them in the future. 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.

Views of Responsible Officials

See corrective action plan.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

2023-002 Finding

Criteria

A proper system of internal control has the proper segregation of duties between authorization, custody, record keeping and reconciliation.

Condition

There is not a system in place for accounting duties to be properly segregated between authorization, custody, record keeping and reconciliation.

Cause

The District is subject to size and budget constraints limiting the number of personnel within the accounting department.

Effect

The design of internal control over financial reporting could adversely affect the ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

Repeat Finding

This is a repeat finding of 2022-002.

Recommendation

We recommend the District review their internal controls over the accounting functions to determine if additional procedures can be implemented that are cost effective. 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.

Views of Responsible Officials

See corrective action plan.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

2023-003 Finding

Criteria

The District is required to maintain internal controls at a level where underlying support for general ledger accounts can be developed and a determination can be made that the general ledger accounts are properly reflected in accordance with GAAP.

Condition

During our audit, adjusting entries to the financial statements were proposed in order to properly reflect the financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

Cause

The District's internal controls have not been designed to address the specific training needs required of its personnel to identify the adjustments necessary to properly reflect the financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

Effect

The District's financial statements were materially misstated prior to adjustments detected as a result of audit procedures.

Repeat Finding

This is a repeat finding of 2022-003.

Recommendation

Accounting personnel will need to determine the proper balance in each general ledger account prior to the audit.

Views of Responsible Officials

See corrective action plan.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

2023-004: Reporting – Material Weakness

Federal Programs

Assistance Listing Number 84.425 Education Stabilization Fund
Department of Education
North Dakota Department of Public Instruction
Special Test and Provisions
2 CFR Part 200.326
F84425U
2023 Grant Year

Criteria

For construction contracts and subcontracts greater than \$2,000, the District should verify prevailing wage rate clauses were included in the contract or subcontract and for each week in which work was performed under the contract or subcontract the District should monitor certified payroll registers to ensure contractors and subcontractors were paying employees the prevailing wage rates.

Condition

The District did not provide wage rate clauses to contractors. In addition, the District did not obtain from contractors the certified payroll registers, nor did they perform testing to ensure contractors were paying the prevailing wage rates.

Cause

The District was unaware of the compliance requirements regarding the construction projects.

Effect

It is possible that improper wages were paid to contractor employees.

Questioned Costs

Undeterminable.

Recommendation

We recommend the District to review the wage rate compliance requirements as part of the special tests and provisions of this program in the compliance supplement and to create and implement a process of submitting prevailing wage rates to contractors as well as obtaining the certified payroll registers to determine if contractors are in compliance.

Repeat Finding

This is not a repeat finding.

Views of Responsible Officials

See corrective action plan.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

2022-001 Finding

Criteria

An appropriate system of internal control requires the organization to prepare financial statements in compliance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Condition

The District's personnel prepare periodic financial information for internal use that meets the needs of management and the board. However, the District currently does not prepare financial statements, including accompanying note disclosures, as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The District has elected to have the auditors assist in the preparation of the financial statements and notes.

Cause

The District elected to not allocate resources for the preparation of financial statements.

Effect

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

Recommendation

We recommend the District consider the additional risk of having the auditors assist in the preparation of the financial statements and note disclosures and consider preparing them in the future. As a compensating control the organization 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

Management agrees with comment and will implement when it becomes cost-effective.

Current Year Status

None. See current year finding 2023-001.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

2022-002 Finding

Criteria

A proper system of internal control has the proper segregation of duties between authorization, custody, record keeping and reconciliation.

Condition

There is not a system in place for accounting duties to be properly segregated between authorization, custody, record keeping and reconciliation.

Cause

The District is subject to size and budget constraints limiting the number of personnel within the accounting department.

Effect

The design of internal control over financial reporting could adversely affect the ability to record, process, summarize and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

Recommendation

We recommend the District review their internal controls over the accounting functions to determine if additional procedures can be implemented that are cost effective. 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

Management agrees with comment and will implement when it becomes cost-effective.

Current Year Status

None. See current year finding 2023-002.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

2022-003 Finding

Criteria

The District is required to maintain internal controls at a level where underlying support for general ledger accounts can be developed and a determination can be made that the general ledger accounts are properly reflected in accordance with GAAP.

Condition

During our audit, adjusting entries to the financial statements were proposed in order to properly reflect the financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

Cause

The District's internal controls have not been designed to address the specific training needs required of its personnel to identify the adjustments necessary to properly reflect the financial statements in accordance with GAAP.

Effect

The District's financial statements were materially misstated prior to adjustments detected as a result of audit procedures.

Recommendation

Accounting personnel will need to determine the proper balance in each general ledger account prior to the audit.

Management's Response

The District will provide Lorie Werle, business manager, necessary training.

Current Year Status

None. See current year finding 2023-003.

TGU PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 60
SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR FINDINGS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

2022-004 Finding

Federal Programs

AL #93.600 – Head Start

Criteria

The District is required to file quarterly SF-425 financial reports within one (1) month of quarter end. The information presented on the SF-425 reports should be cumulative.

Condition

During our testing of reports filed, it was noted the quarterly reports were filed in excess of one (1) month after quarter end. These quarterly reports also did not present the information cumulatively, but instead only presented the information for the current quarter.

Cause

The individual responsible for filing the reports was unaware for the deadlines or the prescribed format.

Effect

The District's quarterly SF-425 reports were not filed timely and in the prescribed format.

Context

All four (4) quarter SF-425 reports filed during the year under audit were tested and found to be filed late and not in the prescribed format.

Question Costs

None.

Recommendation

Proper training should be provided to the individuals responsible for preparing and filing the SF-425 reports.

Management's Response

The District will provide necessary training.

Current Year Status

Corrective action has been taken.

TGU TOWNER SCHOOL
302 2ND ST SE
TOWNER, ND 58788
(701)537-5414

TGU SCHOOL DISTRICT

PO BOX 270
TOWNER, ND 58788
(701)537-5413 (FAX)
(701)537-5414

TGU GRANVILLE SCHOOL
210 6TH ST SW
GRANVILLE, ND 58741
(701)728-6641



CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
AS OF JUNE 30, 2023

2023-001

Official Responsible for Insuring CAP

Lorie Werle, business manager, will be responsible for preparing the financial statements for the TGU Public School Board quarterly or when the School Board request reports. The Student Activity Report will be presented to the School Board each month.

Correcting Plan

Lorie Werle, business manager, will ensure that accounting principles generally acceptable in the United States of America are followed and financial statements are disclosed to the TGU Public School Board quarterly. These reports will include a balance sheet, revenue and expense statement for all departments and funds.

Planned Completion Date for CAP

Immediately

2023-002

Official Responsible for Insuring CAP

Erik Sveet, superintendent, will be responsible to ensure that the appropriate measures are taken.

Correcting Plan

The District will segregate other duties when feasible.

The Planned Completion Date of CAP

Immediately

2023-003

Official Responsible for Insuring CAP

Lorie Werle, business manager, will be responsible to ensure that the appropriate measures are taken.

Correcting Plan

The District will provide Lorie Werle, business manager, necessary training.

The Planned Completion Date of CAP

Immediately

2023-004

Official Responsible for Insuring CAP

Dani Haman, Head Start fiscal officer, will be responsible to ensure that the appropriate measures are taken.

Correcting Plan

The District will provide necessary training.

The Planned Completion Date of CAP

Immediately