



OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE  
**KEITH FABER**





**OTTOVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PUTNAM COUNTY  
JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Ottoville Local School District  
Putnam County  
650 West Third Street  
P.O. Box 248  
Ottoville, Ohio 45876-0248

To the Board of Education:

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

We have audited the accompanying cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Ottoville Local School District, Putnam County, Ohio (the School District), as of and for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the cash accounting basis Note 2 describes. This responsibility includes determining that the cash accounting basis is acceptable for the circumstances. Management is also responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

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

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the School District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the School

District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

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

***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective cash financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Ottoville Local School District, Putnam County, Ohio, as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the respective changes in cash financial position and the budgetary comparison for the General Fund thereof for the years then ended in accordance with the accounting basis described in Note 2.

***Accounting Basis***

Ohio Administrative Code 117-2-03(B) requires the School District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We draw attention to Note 2 of the financial statements, which describes the basis applied to these statements. The financial statements are prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. We did not modify our opinion regarding this matter.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 22, 2019, on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

January 22, 2019

**OTTOVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PUTNAM COUNTY**

**Statement of Net Position - Cash Basis  
June 30, 2018**

|  | <b>Governmental<br/>Activities</b> |
|--|------------------------------------|
| <b>Assets:</b>                             |                                    |
| Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents | <u>\$6,338,503</u>                 |
| <b>Net Position:</b>                       |                                    |
| Restricted for Debt Service                | \$577,620                          |
| Restricted for Other Purposes              | 616,552                            |
| Unrestricted                               | <u>5,144,331</u>                   |
| <i>Total Net Position</i>                  | <u><u>\$6,338,503</u></u>          |

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**OTTOVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**Statement of Activities - Cash Basis  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018**

|   | <u>Program Cash Receipts</u>  |   |   | Net<br>(Disbursements)<br>Receipts and<br>Changes in Net<br>Position |
|---|-------------------------------|---|---|--|
|   | <u>Cash<br/>Disbursements</u> | <u>Charges for<br/>Services and<br/>Sales</u> | <u>Operating Grants<br/>and Contributions</u> | <u>Governmental<br/>Activities</u>                                   |
| Governmental Activities:                |                               |   |   |  |
| Instruction:                            |                               |   |   |  |
| Regular                                 | \$2,985,464                   | \$325,269                                     | \$307,468                                     | (\$2,352,727)  |
| Special                                 | 450,909                       |   | 96,826  | (354,083)  |
| Other                                   | 12,728                        |   |   | (12,728)   |
| Support Services:                       |                               |   |   |  |
| Pupils                                  | 146,316                       |   |   | (146,316)  |
| Instructional Staff                     | 209,355                       |   |   | (209,355)  |
| Board of Education                      | 22,421                        |   |   | (22,421)   |
| Administration                          | 393,957                       |   |   | (393,957)  |
| Fiscal                                  | 244,822                       |   |   | (244,822)  |
| Operation and Maintenance of Plant      | 483,950                       |   | 13,668  | (470,282)  |
| Pupil Transportation                    | 335,013                       | 14,150  |   | (320,863)  |
| Central                                 | 57,560                        |   |   | (57,560)   |
| Operation of Non-Instructional Services | 191,201                       | 173,530                                       | 43,066  | 25,395   |
| Extracurricular Activities              | 320,655                       | 201,105                                       |   | (119,550)  |
| Facilities Acquisition and Construction | 8,900                         |   |   | (8,900)  |
| Debt Service:                           |                               |   |   |  |
| Principal                               | 195,000                       |   |   | (195,000)  |
| Interest and Fiscal Charges             | 25,035                        |   |   | (25,035)   |
| <i>Total Governmental Activities</i>    | <u>\$6,083,286</u>            | <u>\$714,054</u>                              | <u>\$461,028</u>                              | <u>(4,908,204)</u>   |

**General Receipts:**

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Taxes:  |                    |
| Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes                 | 1,496,897          |
| Property Taxes, Levied for Debt Service                     | 230,960            |
| Property Taxes, Levied for Other                            | 23,049             |
| Income Taxes  | 629,855            |
| Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs | 2,533,920          |
| Gifts and Donations   | 25,376             |
| Interest  | 45,082             |
| Miscellaneous   | 33,192             |
| <i>Total General Receipts</i>                               | <u>5,018,331</u>   |
| Change in Net Position                                      | 110,127            |
| <i>Net Position Beginning of Year</i>                       | <u>6,228,376</u>   |
| <i>Net Position End of Year</i>                             | <u>\$6,338,503</u> |

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**OTTOVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**Statement of Assets and Fund Balances - Cash Basis  
Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2018**

|  | <b>General Fund</b> | <b>Bond<br/>Retirement<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Other<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Total<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</b> |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Assets</b>                              |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$5,144,331         | \$577,620                           | \$616,552                               | \$6,338,503                             |
| <b>Fund Balances</b>                       |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Restricted                                 |                     | \$577,620                           | \$616,552                               | \$1,194,172                             |
| Assigned                                   | \$135,500           |                                     |   | 135,500                                 |
| Unassigned                                 | 5,008,831           |                                     |   | 5,008,831                               |
| <i>Total Fund Balances</i>                 | \$5,144,331         | \$577,620                           | \$616,552                               | \$6,338,503                             |

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**OTTOVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances - Cash Basis  
Governmental Funds  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018**

|  | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>Bond<br/>Retirement<br/>Fund</u> | <u>Other<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</u> | <u>Total<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</u> |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Receipts:</b>                             |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Property and Other Local Taxes               | \$1,496,897         | \$230,960                           | \$23,049                                | \$1,750,906                             |
| Income Tax                                   | 629,855             |                                     |   | 629,855                                 |
| Intergovernmental                            | 2,709,689           | 47,136                              | 238,123                                 | 2,994,948                               |
| Interest                                     | 41,336              |                                     | 3,746                                   | 45,082                                  |
| Tuition                                      | 289,369             |                                     |   | 289,369                                 |
| Transportation Fees                          | 14,150              |                                     |   | 14,150                                  |
| Extracurricular Activities                   | 15,971              |                                     | 196,973                                 | 212,944                                 |
| Gifts and Donations                          | 2,032               |                                     | 23,344                                  | 25,376                                  |
| Customer Sales and Services                  | 35,900              |                                     | 173,530                                 | 209,430                                 |
| Miscellaneous                                | 21,353              |                                     |   | 21,353                                  |
| <i>Total Receipts</i>                        | <u>5,256,552</u>    | <u>278,096</u>                      | <u>658,765</u>                          | <u>6,193,413</u>                        |
| <b>Disbursements:</b>                        |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Current:                                     |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Instruction:                                 |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Regular                                      | 2,902,763           |                                     | 82,701                                  | 2,985,464                               |
| Special                                      | 379,176             |                                     | 71,733                                  | 450,909                                 |
| Other  | 12,728              |                                     |   | 12,728                                  |
| Support Services:                            |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Pupils                                       | 127,500             |                                     | 18,816                                  | 146,316                                 |
| Instructional Staff                          | 204,314             |                                     | 5,041                                   | 209,355                                 |
| Board of Education                           | 22,421              |                                     |   | 22,421                                  |
| Administration                               | 393,957             |                                     |   | 393,957                                 |
| Fiscal                                       | 238,415             | 5,833                               | 574                                     | 244,822                                 |
| Operation and Maintenance of Plant           | 453,239             |                                     | 30,711                                  | 483,950                                 |
| Pupil Transportation                         | 335,013             |                                     |   | 335,013                                 |
| Central                                      | 57,560              |                                     |   | 57,560                                  |
| Operation of Non-Instructional Services      |                     |                                     | 191,201                                 | 191,201                                 |
| Extracurricular Activities                   | 118,523             |                                     | 202,132                                 | 320,655                                 |
| Facilities Acquisition and Construction      | 8,900               |                                     |   | 8,900                                   |
| Debt Service:                                |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Principal                                    |                     | 195,000                             |   | 195,000                                 |
| Interest                                     |                     | 25,035                              |   | 25,035                                  |
| <i>Total Disbursements</i>                   | <u>5,254,509</u>    | <u>225,868</u>                      | <u>602,909</u>                          | <u>6,083,286</u>                        |
| <i>Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements</i> | <u>2,043</u>        | <u>52,228</u>                       | <u>55,856</u>                           | <u>110,127</u>                          |
| <b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>       |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Transfers In                                 |                     |                                     | 99                                      | 99                                      |
| Transfers Out                                | (99)                |                                     |   | (99)                                    |
| <i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>  | <u>(99)</u>         |                                     | <u>99</u>                               |   |
| <i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>           | 1,944               | 52,228                              | 55,955                                  | 110,127                                 |
| <i>Fund Balances Beginning of Year</i>       | <u>5,142,387</u>    | <u>525,392</u>                      | <u>560,597</u>                          | <u>6,228,376</u>                        |
| <i>Fund Balances End of Year</i>             | <u>\$5,144,331</u>  | <u>\$577,620</u>                    | <u>\$616,552</u>                        | <u>\$6,338,503</u>                      |

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PUTNAM COUNTY**

**Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in  
Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Budget Basis)  
General Fund  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2018**

|  | <u>Original Budget</u> | <u>Final Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u>      | <b>Variance with<br/>Final Budget<br/>Positive<br/>(Negative)</b> |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---|
| <b>Receipts:</b>                                     |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Property and Other Local Taxes                       | \$1,469,483            | \$1,475,537         | \$1,496,897        | \$21,360  |
| Income Tax   | 650,000                | 650,000             | 629,855            | (20,145)  |
| Intergovernmental                                    | 2,821,513              | 2,821,513           | 2,709,689          | (111,824)   |
| Interest   | 30,000                 | 30,000              | 41,336             | 11,336  |
| Tuition  | 300,000                | 300,000             | 289,369            | (10,631)  |
| Transportation Fees                                  | 20,000                 | 20,000              | 14,150             | (5,850)   |
| Extracurricular Activities                           | 5,000                  | 5,000               | 4,133              | (867)   |
| Gifts and Donations                                  | 1,000                  | 1,000               | 2,032              | 1,032   |
| Customer Sales and Services                          | 92,000                 | 92,000              | 35,900             | (56,100)  |
| Miscellaneous  | 15,025                 | 15,025              | 21,353             | 6,328   |
| <i>Total Receipts</i>                                | <u>5,404,021</u>       | <u>5,410,075</u>    | <u>5,244,714</u>   | <u>(165,361)</u>  |
| <b>Disbursements:</b>                                |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Current:   |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Instruction:   |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Regular  | 2,911,079              | 2,911,079           | 2,967,343          | (56,264)  |
| Special  | 338,400                | 338,400             | 380,881            | (42,481)  |
| Other  | 16,000                 | 16,000              | 11,678             | 4,322   |
| Support Services:                                    |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Pupils   | 106,600                | 106,600             | 124,125            | (17,525)  |
| Instructional Staff                                  | 214,532                | 214,532             | 208,040            | 6,492   |
| Board of Education                                   | 29,599                 | 29,599              | 22,761             | 6,838   |
| Administration                                       | 428,498                | 428,498             | 397,220            | 31,278  |
| Fiscal   | 251,977                | 251,977             | 241,838            | 10,139  |
| Operation and Maintenance of Plant                   | 551,763                | 551,763             | 481,524            | 70,239  |
| Pupil Transportation                                 | 349,729                | 349,729             | 357,148            | (7,419)   |
| Central  | 60,034                 | 60,034              | 57,560             | 2,474   |
| Extracurricular Activities                           |                        | 141,790             | 116,133            | 25,657  |
| Facilities Acquisition and Construction              | 141,790                |                     | 8,900              | (8,900)   |
| <i>Total Disbursements</i>                           | <u>5,400,001</u>       | <u>5,400,001</u>    | <u>5,375,151</u>   | <u>24,850</u>   |
| <i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i> | <u>4,020</u>           | <u>10,074</u>       | <u>(130,437)</u>   | <u>(140,511)</u>  |
| <b>Other Financing Sources:</b>                      |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Sale of Assets                                       | 5,000                  | 5,000               |                    | (5,000)   |
| Insurance Proceeds                                   | 5,000                  | 5,000               |                    | (5,000)   |
| <i>Total Other Financing Sources</i>                 | <u>10,000</u>          | <u>10,000</u>       |                    | <u>(10,000)</u>   |
| <i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>                    | 14,020                 | 20,074              | (130,437)          | (150,511)   |
| <i>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year</i>             | 4,867,352              | 4,867,352           | 4,867,352          |   |
| Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated                 | 271,918                | 271,918             | 271,918            |   |
| <i>Fund Balance at End of Year</i>                   | <u>\$5,153,290</u>     | <u>\$5,159,344</u>  | <u>\$5,008,833</u> | <u>(\$150,511)</u>  |

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**OTTOVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Cash Basis  
Fiduciary Funds  
June 30, 2018**

|  | <u><b>Agency Fund</b></u> |
|--|---------------------------|
| <b>Assets:</b>                             |                           |
| Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents | <u><u>\$17,746</u></u>    |
| <b>Liabilities:</b>                        |                           |
| Due to Students                            | <u><u>\$17,746</u></u>    |

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**NOTES TO THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018**

**Note 1 – Reporting Entity**

Ottoville Local School District (the School District) is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio convey to it.

A locally-elected five-member Board governs the School District, which provides educational services mandated by the State and federal agencies. This Board of Education controls the School District's one instructional/support facility staffed by 21 classified employees, 37 certificated full-time personnel, and 3 administrators who provide services to 454 students and other community members.

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government and other organizations that are included to insure the financial statements are not misleading.

***Primary Government***

The primary government of the School District consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the School District. For Ottoville Local School District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the School District.

***Jointly Governed Organizations and Public Entity Risk Pools***

The School District participates in four jointly governed organizations and three public entity risk pools. These organizations are the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative, Northwest Ohio Special Education Regional Resource Center, State Support Team Region 1, Vantage Vocational School, Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority, Ohio School Boards Association Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program, and the Putnam County School Insurance Group. These organizations are presented in Notes 13 and 14 to the basic financial statements.

The School District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the School District is financially accountable.

**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

As discussed further in the Basis of Accounting section of this note, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the School District's accounting policies.

***Basis of Presentation***

The School District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

***Government-Wide Financial Statements*** The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions.

The statement of net position presents the cash balances of the governmental activities of the School District at fiscal year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the School District's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function.

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A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the government is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and receipts of interest earned on grants that are required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a cash basis or draws from the School District's general receipts.

**Fund Financial Statements** During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the School District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

**Fund Accounting**

The School District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the School District are divided into two categories, governmental and fiduciary.

**Governmental Funds** The School District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. The following are the School District's major funds:

**General Fund** The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the School District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

**Bond Retirement Fund** The bond retirement fund accounts for and reports property taxes restricted for the payment of general obligation bond principal, interest and related costs.

The other governmental funds of the School District account for and report grants and other resources whose use is restricted, committed or assigned to a particular purpose.

**Fiduciary Funds** The School District's fiduciary fund includes agency funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature. The School District's agency fund accounts for various student-managed activities.

**Basis of Accounting**

The School District's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the School District's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

**Budgetary Process**

All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations resolution, all of

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which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Board of Education may appropriate.

The appropriations resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. Budgetary allocations at the function and object level within all funds are made by the Treasurer.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificate of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Board.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

***Cash and Investments***

To improve cash management, cash received by the School District is pooled and invested. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through School District records. Interest in the pool is included in the cash balances reported by fund type.

Investments of the School District's cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School District are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During fiscal year 2018, the School District invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit. The School District values certificates of deposit at cost.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest receipts credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2018 was \$41,336, which included \$7,596 assigned from other School District funds.

***Restricted Assets***

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The School District reported no restricted assets.

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***Inventory and Prepaid Items***

The School District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

***Capital Assets***

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

***Interfund Receivables/Payables***

The School District reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

***Accumulated Leave***

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the School District's cash basis of accounting.

***Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans***

The School District recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 9 and 10, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

***Long-Term Obligations***

The School District's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid. Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither another financing source nor a capital outlay expenditure is reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid.

***Net Position***

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for athletics, food service, scholarships and facilities maintenance.

The School District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when a cash disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

There was no net position restricted by enabling legislation as of June 30, 2018.

***Fund Balance***

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:



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***Nonspendable*** The nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of interfund loans.

***Restricted*** Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

***Committed*** The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the School District Board of Education. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the School District Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

***Assigned*** Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the School District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. These amounts are assigned by the School District’s Board of Education. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the School District Board of Education or a School District official delegated by that authority by resolution or by State Statute. State statute authorizes the School District’s Treasurer to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated. The School District’s Board of Education assigned fund balance in the general fund for outstanding encumbrances and principal fund monies.

***Unassigned*** Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The School District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

***Internal Activity***

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements.

***Pensions/Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)***

For purposes of measuring the net pension/OPEB liability, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension/OPEB plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension/OPEB plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension/OPEB plans report investments at fair value.

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**Note 3 – Accountability and Compliance**

***Compliance***

Ohio Administrative Code, Section 117-2-03 (B), requires the School District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the School District prepared its financial statements on a regulatory basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying financial statements omit assets, liabilities, net position/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. The School District can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the School District.

***Changes in Accounting Principles***

For fiscal year 2018, the School District has implemented GASB Statement No. 75, "*Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pension*", GASB Statement No. 81, "*Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements*", GASB Statement No. 85, "*Omnibus 2017*", and GASB Statement No. 86, "*Certain Debt Extinguishments*".

GASB Statement No. 75 improves the accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for postemployment benefits other than pension (OPEB). It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for OPEB that is provided by other entities. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 75 affected the School District's postemployment benefit plan disclosures, as presented in Note 10 to the basic financial statements.

GASB Statement No. 81 improves the accounting and financial reporting for irrevocable split-interest agreements by providing recognition and measurement guidance for situations in which a government is a beneficiary of the agreement. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 81 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the School District.

GASB Statement No. 85 addresses practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. This Statement addresses a variety of topics including issues related to blending component units, goodwill, fair value measurement and application, and OPEB. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 85 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the School District.

GASB Statement No. 86 improves consistency in accounting and financial reporting for in-substance defeasance of debt by providing guidance for transactions in which cash and other monetary assets acquired with only existing resources - resources other than the proceeds of refunding debt - are placed in an irrevocable trust for the sole purpose of extinguishing debt. This Statement also improves accounting and financial reporting for prepaid insurance on debt that is extinguished and notes to financial statements for debt that is defeased in substance. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 86 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the School District.

**Note 4 – Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis presented for the general fund is prepared on the budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis are as follows:

1. Outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as cash disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as restricted, committed or assigned fund balance (cash basis).

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2. As part of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting", certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate Special Revenue Funds (Public School Support Funds) are considered part of the General Fund on the cash basis.

Adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations at the end of the year on the budget basis to the cash basis are as follows:

|                         | <u>General Fund</u>       |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Cash Basis              | \$1,944                   |
| Fund Budgeted Elsewhere | (4,799)                   |
| Encumbrances            | <u>(127,582)</u>          |
| Budget Basis            | <u><u>(\$130,437)</u></u> |

**Note 5 – Deposits and Investments**

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

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

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

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

Protection of the School District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), or by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment.

Interim monies held by the School District can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;

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4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

At year end, the School District had no undeposited cash on hand included as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

***Deposits***

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the School District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, \$6,235,076 of the School District's bank balance of \$6,513,491 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and collateralized.

The School District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to the School District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured.

**Note 6 – Taxes**

***Property Taxes***

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the School District fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the School District in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half tax distributions occur in the first half of the following fiscal year.

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the School District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar 2018 represents collections of calendar year 2017 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2018 were levied after April 1, 2017, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2017, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If

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paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar 2018 represents collections of calendar year 2017 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2018 became a lien December 31, 2016, were levied after April 1, 2017 and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The School District receives property taxes from Putnam County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2018, are available to finance fiscal year 2019 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2018 taxes were collected are:

|   | 2017 Second-<br>Half Collections |             | 2018 First-<br>Half Collections |             |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
|   | Amount                           | Percent     | Amount                          | Percent     |
| Real Property:                                |                                  |             |                                 |             |
| Agricultural/Residential                      | \$73,621,870                     | 90.00%      | \$72,079,730                    | 89.15%      |
| Industrial/Commercial                         | 5,394,670                        | 6.60%       | 5,807,420                       | 7.18%       |
| Public Utility Property                       | 2,784,770                        | 3.40%       | 2,966,140                       | 3.67%       |
| Total Assessed Value                          | <u>\$81,801,010</u>              | <u>100%</u> | <u>\$80,853,290</u>             | <u>100%</u> |
| Tax rate per \$1,000 of<br>assessed valuation | \$26.47                          |             | \$26.47                         |             |

***Income Taxes***

The School District levies a voted tax of .75 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 2010, and is a continuing tax. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the School District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax receipts are recorded in the General Fund.

**Note 7 – Transfers**

During fiscal year 2018, the School District made a \$99 transfer from the General Fund to the Other Governmental Funds.

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget required to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them and to use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations. Interfund transfers between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements.

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**Note 8 – Risk Management**

***Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority***

The School 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. During fiscal year 2018, the School District contracted for the following insurance coverage.

Coverage provided through the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) is as follows:

|  | <u>Coverage</u> |
|--|-----------------|
| General Liability                          | \$15,000,000    |
| Automobile Liability                       | 15,000,000      |
| Educator's Legal Liability – wrongful acts | 15,000,000      |
| Property                                   | 34,491,752      |
| Crime                                      | 1,000,000       |

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years, and there has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the prior fiscal year.

***Ohio School Boards Association Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program***

For fiscal year 2018, the School District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Comp Management Workers' Compensation group rating program (the GRP). The GRP is intended to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the School District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating members is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all members in the GRP. Each member pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to participants that can meet the GRP's selection criteria.

***Putnam County School Insurance Group***

The School District participates as a member of the Putnam County School Insurance Group, a public entity risk pool, administered by Huntington Trust. The School District converted its fully-insured medical insurance program to partial self insurance through participation in this public entity risk pool. Medical Mutual of Ohio provides claim review and processing. The School District maintains stop-loss coverage for its medical insurance program. Aggregate stop loss is maintained for expected claims.

The School District provides prescription drug insurance benefits to employees through a self-insurance program. The premiums and related disbursements are accounted for in the general fund. All claims are paid by the School District with the request for reimbursement submitted by the employee on behalf of the School District. The School District has no stop loss insurance and has not set a maximum amount payable per beneficiary. However, the School District's liability is limited to the employee's unpaid deductible and maximum out of pocket expense.

Post employment health care is provided to plan participants or their beneficiaries through the respective retirement systems discussed in Note 10. As such, no funding provisions are required by the School District.

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**Note 9 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

***Net Pension Liability***

Pensions are a component of exchange transactions between an employer and its employees of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee on a deferred-payment basis as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net pension liability represents the School District’s proportionate share of each pension plan’s collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan’s fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the School District’s obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The School District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the School District does receive the benefit of employees’ services in exchange for compensation including pension.

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan’s board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

***Plan Description – School Employees Retirement System (SERS)***

Plan Description – School District non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS’ fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

|                              | Eligible to<br>Retire on or before<br>August 1, 2017 *                          | Eligible to<br>Retire on or after<br>August 1, 2017                                  |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Full benefits                | Any age with 30 years of service credit   | Age 67 with 10 years of service credit;<br>or Age 57 with 30 years of service credit |
| Actuarially reduced benefits | Age 60 with 5 years of service credit<br>Age 55 with 25 years of service credit | Age 62 with 10 years of service credit;<br>or Age 60 with 25 years of service credit |

\* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017, will be included in this plan.

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Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on year of service; 2.2 percent for the first thirty years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

One year after an effective benefit date, a benefit recipient is entitled to a three percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). This same COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 13.5 percent. The remaining 0.5 percent was allocated to the Health Care Fund.

The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$103,662 for fiscal year 2018.

***Plan Description – State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description – School District licensed teachers and other faculty members participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple employer public employee system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information, and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Web site at [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org).

New members have a choice of three retirement plans; a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan, and a Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307.

The DB plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation is 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. Effective July 1, 2017, the cost-of-living adjustment was reduced to zero. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five years of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 26 years of service, or 31 years of service regardless of age. Eligibility changes will be phased in until August 1, 2026, when retirement eligibility for unreduced benefits will be five years of service credit and age 65, or 35 years of service credit and at least age 60.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.5 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.5 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 12 percent of the 14 percent member rate goes to the DC Plan and the remaining 2 percent is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of service. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity after termination of employment at age 50 or later.



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New members who choose the DC plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit to apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

Funding Policy – Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. For fiscal year 2018, plan members were required to contribute 14 percent of their annual covered salary. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2018 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The School District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$321,368 for fiscal year 2018.

***Net Pension Liability***

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share:

|  | <u>SERS</u>        | <u>STRS Ohio</u>    | <u>Total</u> |
|--|--------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Proportion of the net pension liability prior measurement date   | 0.02204640%        | 0.02020784%         |              |
| Proportion of the net pension liability current measurement date | <u>0.02233020%</u> | <u>0.02014189%</u>  |              |
| Change in proportionate share                                    | <u>0.00028380%</u> | <u>-0.00006595%</u> |              |
| Proportionate share of the net pension liability                 | \$1,334,180        | \$4,784,749         | \$6,118,929  |

***Actuarial Assumptions – SERS***

SERS' total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of

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each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2017, are presented below:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Wage Inflation                               | 3.00 percent  |
| Future Salary Increases, including inflation | 3.50 percent to 18.20 percent                                   |
| COLA or Ad Hoc COLA                          | 2.50 percent  |
| Investment Rate of Return                    | 7.50 percent net of investments<br>expense, including inflation |
| Actuarial Cost Method                        | Entry Age Normal  |

Prior to 2017, an assumption of 3 percent was used for COLA or Ad Hoc COLA.

For 2017, the mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females. Mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries were based upon the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates, and 110 percent of female rates. Mortality among disable members were based upon the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined by using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' *Statement of Investment Policy*. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating an arithmetic weighted averaged of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalanced uncorrelated asset classes.

| Asset Class            | Target<br>Allocation | Long Term Expected<br>Real Rate of Return |
|------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Cash                   | 1.00 %               | 0.50 %                                    |
| US Equity              | 22.50                | 4.75                                      |
| International Equity   | 22.50                | 7.00                                      |
| Fixed Income           | 19.00                | 1.50                                      |
| Private Equity         | 10.00                | 8.00                                      |
| Real Assets            | 15.00                | 5.00                                      |
| Multi-Asset Strategies | 10.00                | 3.00                                      |
| Total                  | 100.00 %             |   |

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**Discount Rate** – The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earnings were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.50 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** – Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent, as well as what each plan’s net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.50 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.50 percent) than the current rate.

|   | 1% Decrease<br>(6.50%) | Current<br>Discount Rate<br>(7.50%) | 1% Increase<br>(8.50%) |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| School District's proportionate share<br>of the net pension liability | \$1,851,495            | \$1,334,180                         | \$900,823              |

**Actuarial Assumptions – STRS**

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the July 1, 2017, actuarial valuation, compared with July 1, 2016 are presented below:

|                                      | July 1, 2017   | July 1, 2016  |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|
| Inflation                            | 2.50 percent   | 2.75 percent  |
| Projected salary increases           | 12.50 percent at age 20 to<br>2.50 percent at age 65             | 12.25 percent at age 20 to<br>2.75 percent at age 70  |
| Investment rate of return            | 7.45 percent, net of investment<br>expenses, including inflation | 7.75 percent, net of investment<br>expenses, including inflation  |
| Payroll increases                    | 3 percent  | 3.5 percent   |
| Cost-of-living adjustments<br>(COLA) | 0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017                              | 2 percent simple applied as follows:<br>for members retiring before<br>August 1, 2013, 2 percent per year;<br>for members retiring August 1, ,2013,<br>or later, 2 percent COLA commences<br>on fifth anniversary of retirement date. |

For the July 1, 2017, actuarial valuation, post-retirement mortality rates for healthy retirees are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Post-retirement disabled mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. Pre-retirement mortality rates are based on RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

For the July 1, 2016 actuarial valuation, mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022—Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males’ ages are set-back two years through age 89

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and no set-back for age 90 and above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89, and no set back from age 90 and above.

Actuarial assumptions used in the July 1 2017, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016. Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

| <u>Asset Class</u>   | <u>Target<br/>Allocation</u> | <u>Long-Term Expected<br/>Rate of Return *</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Domestic Equity      | 28.00 %                      | 7.35 %   |
| International Equity | 23.00                        | 7.55   |
| Alternatives         | 17.00                        | 7.09   |
| Fixed Income         | 21.00                        | 3.00   |
| Real Estate          | 10.00                        | 6.00   |
| Liquidity Reserves   | 1.00                         | 2.25   |
| <br>Total            | <br><u>100.00 %</u>          |  |

\* 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

**Discount Rate** – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.45 percent as of June 30, 2017. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2016. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2017. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.45 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2017.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** – The following table presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.45 percent, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.45 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.45 percent) than the current rate:

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|   | 1% Decrease<br>(6.45%) | Current<br>Discount Rate<br>(7.45%) | 1% Increase<br>(8.45%) |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| School District's proportionate share<br>of the net pension liability | \$6,858,775            | \$4,784,749                         | \$3,037,693            |

**Social Security System**

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Retirement System. As of June 30, 2018, two members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The contribution rate is 6.2 percent of wages.

**Note 10 – Defined Benefit OPEB Plans**

**Net OPEB Liability**

For fiscal year 2018, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions" was effective. This GASB pronouncement had no effect on beginning net position as reported June 30, 2017, as the net OPEB liability is not reported in the accompanying financial statements. The net OPEB liability has been disclosed below.

OPEB is a component of exchange transactions—between an employer and its employees—of salaries and benefits for employee services. OPEB are provided to an employee—on a deferred-payment basis—as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net OPEB liability represents the School District's proportionate share of each OPEB plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each OPEB plan's fiduciary net position. The net OPEB liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting these estimates annually.

Ohio Revised Code limits the School District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The School District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which OPEB are financed; however, the School District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including OPEB.

GASB 75 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because they benefit from employee services. OPEB contributions come from these employers and health care plan enrollees which pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. The Ohio revised Code permits, but does not require the retirement systems to provide healthcare to eligible benefit recipients. Any change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net OPEB liability. Resulting adjustments to the net OPEB liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable. The retirement systems may allocate a portion of the employer contributions to provide for these OPEB benefits.

**Plan Description – School Employees Retirement System (SERS)**

Health Care Plan Description – The School District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 75 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. SERS' Health Care Plan provides healthcare benefits to eligible individuals receiving retirement, disability, and survivor benefits, and to their eligible dependents. Members who retire after June 1, 1986, need 10 years of service credit, exclusive of most types of purchased credit, to qualify to participate in SERS' health care coverage. In addition to age and service retirees, disability benefit recipients and beneficiaries who are receiving monthly benefits due to the death of

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a member or retiree, are eligible for SERS' health care coverage. Most retirees and dependents choosing SERS' health care coverage are over the age of 65 and therefore enrolled in a fully insured Medicare Advantage plan; however, SERS maintains a traditional, self-insured preferred provider organization for its non-Medicare retiree population. For both groups, SERS offers a self-insured prescription drug program. Health care is a benefit that is permitted, not mandated, by statute. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS' website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. The SERS Retirement Board established the rules for the premiums paid by the retirees for health care coverage for themselves and their dependents or for their surviving beneficiaries. Premiums vary depending on the plan selected, qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility, and retirement status.

Funding Policy – State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required pensions and benefits, the Retirement Board may allocate the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund in accordance with the funding policy. For fiscal year 2018, .5 percent of covered payroll was made to health care. An additional health care surcharge on employers is collected for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated if less than a full year of service credit was earned. For fiscal year 2018, this amount was \$23,700. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2018, the School District's surcharge obligation was \$11,604.

The surcharge, added to the allocated portion of the 14 percent employer contribution rate is the total amount assigned to the Health Care Fund. The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$15,306 for fiscal year 2018.

***Plan Description – State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description – The State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) administers a cost-sharing Health Plan administered for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and partial reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued effective January 1, 2020. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org) or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board discretionary authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Nearly all health care plan enrollees, for the most recent year, pay a portion of the health care costs in the form of a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions, currently 14 percent of covered payroll. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care.

***Net OPEB Liability***

The net OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2017, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the School District's share of contributions to the respective retirement systems relative to the contributions of all participating entities.

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Following is information related to the proportionate share:

|  | <u>SERS</u> | <u>STRS</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|--|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability<br>Current Measurement Date | 0.02251570% | 0.02014189% |              |
| Proportionate Share of the Net<br>OPEB Liability                 | \$604,262   | \$785,862   | \$1,390,124  |

**Actuarial Assumptions – SERS**

The total OPEB liability is determined by SERS' actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 74, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment terminations). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases, actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total OPEB liability in the latest actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2017, are presented below:

|  |   |
|--|---|
| Wage inflation   | 3.00 percent  |
| Future salary increases, including inflation   | 3.50 percent to 18.20 percent                                   |
| Investment rate of return  | 7.50 percent net of investments<br>expense, including inflation |
| Municipal bond index rate:   |   |
| Measurement date   | 3.56 percent  |
| Prior measurement date   | 2.92 percent  |
| Single equivalent interest rate, net of plan investment expense,<br>including price inflation: |   |
| Measurement date   | 3.63 percent  |
| Prior measurement date   | 2.98 percent  |
| Medical trend assumption:  |   |
| Medicare   | 5.50 to 5.00 percent  |
| Pre-Medicare   | 7.50 to 5.00 percent  |

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and Scale BB, 120 percent of male rates and 110 percent of female rates. RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent for male rates and 100 percent for female rates set back five years.

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The most recent experience study was completed for the five year period ended June 30, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on plan assets is reviewed as part of the actuarial five-year experience study. The most recent study covers fiscal years 2010 through 2015, and was adopted by the Board on April 21, 2016. Several factors are considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return, 7.50 percent, by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation. The capital market assumptions developed by the investment consultant are intended for use over a 10-year horizon and may not be useful in setting the long-term rate of return for funding pension plans which covers a longer timeframe. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class, as used in the June 30, 2015 five-year experience study, are summarized as follows:

| Asset Class            | Target<br>Allocation | Long-Term Exp<br>Real Rate of R |
|------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Cash                   | 1.00 %               | 0.50                            |
| US Stocks              | 22.50                | 4.75                            |
| Non-US Stocks          | 22.50                | 7.00                            |
| Fixed Income           | 19.00                | 1.50                            |
| Private Equity         | 10.00                | 8.00                            |
| Real Assets            | 15.00                | 5.00                            |
| Multi-Asset Strategies | 10.00                | 3.00                            |
| Total                  | 100.00 %             |                                 |

**Discount Rate** – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2017 was 3.63 percent. The discount rate used to measure total OPEB liability prior to June 30, 2017 was 2.98 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions will be made from members and the System at the state statute contribution rate of 2.00 percent of projected covered employee payroll each year, which includes a 1.50 percent payroll surcharge and 0.50 percent of contributions from the basic benefits plan. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan’s fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make future benefit payments during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan assets was used to present value the projected benefit payments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 and the Fidelity General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index rate of 3.56 percent, as of June 30, 2017 (i.e. municipal bond rate), was used to present value the projected benefit payments for the remaining years in the projection. The total present value of projected benefit payments from all years was then used to determine the single rate of return that was used as the discount rate. The projection of future benefit payments for all current plan members was until the benefit payments ran out.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate and Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates** – The net OPEB liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate and the health care cost trend rate. The following table presents the net OPEB liability of SERS, what SERS' net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower (2.63%) and higher (4.63%) than the current discount rate (3.63%). Also shown is what SERS' net OPEB liability would be based on health care cost trend rates that are 1 percentage point lower (6.5% decreasing to 4.0%) and higher (8.5% decreasing to 6.0%) than the current rate.



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|  | 1% Decrease<br>(2.63%)                        | Current<br>Discount Rate<br>(3.63%)          | 1% Increase<br>(4.63%)                        |
|--|---|--|---|
| School District's proportionate share<br>of the net OPEB liability | \$729,724                                     | \$604,262                                    | \$504,865                                     |
|  | 1% Decrease<br>(6.5 % decreasing<br>to 4.0 %) | Trend Rate<br>(7.5 % decreasing<br>to 5.0 %) | 1% Increase<br>(8.5 % decreasing<br>to 6.0 %) |
| School District's proportionate share<br>of the net OPEB liability | \$490,314                                     | \$604,262                                    | \$755,075                                     |

**Actuarial Assumptions – STRS**

Key methods and assumptions used in the latest actuarial valuation, reflecting experience study results used in the June 30, 2017, actuarial valuation are presented below:

|                                      |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Inflation                            | 2.50 percent   |
| Projected salary increases           | 12.50 percent at age 20 to<br>2.50 percent at age 65             |
| Investment rate of return            | 7.45 percent, net of investment<br>expenses, including inflation |
| Payroll increases                    | 3 percent  |
| Cost-of-living adjustments<br>(COLA) | 0.0 percent, effective July 1, 2017                              |
| Blended discount rate of return      | 4.13 percent   |
| Health care cost trends              | 6 to 11 percent initial, 4.5 percent ultimate                    |

Projections of benefits include the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and retired plan members.

For healthy retirees the mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Annuitant Mortality Table with 50 percent of rates through age 69, 70 percent of rates between ages 70 and 79, 90 percent of rates between ages 80 and 84, and 100 percent of rates thereafter, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016. For disabled retirees, mortality rates are based on the RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table with 90 percent of rates for males and 100 percent of rates for females, projected forward generationally using mortality improvement scale MP-2016.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2017, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2016.

Since the prior measurement date, the discount rate was increased from 3.26 percent to 4.13 percent based on the methodology defined under GASB *Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB)* and the long term expected rate of return was reduced from 7.75 percent to 7.45 percent. Valuation year per capita health care costs were updated, and the salary scale was modified. The percentage of future retirees electing each option was updated based on current data and the percentage of future disabled retirees and terminated vested participants electing health coverage were decreased. The assumed mortality, disability, retirement, withdrawal and future health care cost trend rates were modified along with the portion of rebated prescription drug costs.

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Also since the prior measurement date, the subsidy multiplier for non-Medicare benefit recipients was reduced from 2.1 percent to 1.9 percent per year of service. Medicare Part B premium reimbursements were discontinued for certain survivors and beneficiaries and all remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements will be discontinued beginning January 2019. Subsequent to the current measurement date, the date for discontinuing remaining Medicare Part B premium reimbursements was extended to January 2020.

STRS' investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

| <u>Asset Class</u>   | <u>Target<br/>Allocation</u> | <u>Long-Term Expected<br/>Rate of Return *</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------------|--|
| Domestic Equity      | 28.00 %                      | 7.35 %   |
| International Equity | 23.00                        | 7.55   |
| Alternatives         | 17.00                        | 7.09   |
| Fixed Income         | 21.00                        | 3.00   |
| Real Estate          | 10.00                        | 6.00   |
| Liquidity Reserves   | 1.00                         | 2.25   |
| <br>                 |                              |  |
| Total                | <u>100.00 %</u>              |  |

\* 10 year annualized geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.25 percent and does not include investment expenses. Over a 30-year period, STRS' investment consultant indicates that the above target allocations should generate a return above the actuarial rate of return, without net value added by management.

**Discount Rate** – The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 4.13 percent as of June 30, 2017. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes STRS Ohio continues to allocate no employer contributions to the health care fund. Based on these assumptions, the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was not projected to be sufficient to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. The OPEB plan's fiduciary net position was projected to become insufficient to make future benefit payments during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2037. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on OPEB plan assets was used to determine the present value of the projected benefit payments through the fiscal year ending June 30, 2036 and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 3.58 percent as of June 30, 2017 (i.e. municipal bond rate), was used to determine the present value of the projected benefit payments for the remaining years in the projection. The total present value of projected benefit payments from all years was then used to determine the single rate of return that was used as the discount rate. The blended discount rate of 4.13 percent, which represents the long-term expected rate of return of 7.45 percent for the funded benefit payments and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 3.58 percent for the unfunded benefit payments, was used to measure the total OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017. A blended discount rate of 3.26 percent which represents the long term expected rate of return of 7.75 percent for the funded benefit payments and the Bond Buyer 20-year municipal bond rate of 2.85 percent for the unfunded benefit payments was used to measure the total OPEB liability at June 30, 2016.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount and Health Care Cost Trend Rate** – The following table represents the net OPEB liability as of June 30, 2017, calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 4.13 percent, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower

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(3.13 percent) or one percentage point higher (5.13 percent) than the current assumption. Also shown is the net OPEB liability as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current health care cost trend rates.

|  | 1% Decrease<br>(3.13%) | Current<br>Discount Rate<br>(4.13%) | 1% Increase<br>(5.13%) |
|--|------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| School District's proportionate share<br>of the net OPEB liability | \$1,055,007            | \$785,862                           | \$573,150              |

  

|  | 1% Decrease | Current<br>Trend Rate | 1% Increase |
|--|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| School District's proportionate share<br>of the net OPEB liability | \$545,983   | \$785,862             | \$1,101,571 |

**Note 11 – Debt**

The changes in the School District's long term debt during fiscal year 2018 were as follows:

|                                  | Principal<br>Outstanding<br>6/30/17 | Reductions | Principal<br>Outstanding<br>6/30/18 | Amounts<br>Due in<br>One Year |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <u>General Obligation Bonds:</u> |                                     |            |                                     |                               |
| General Obligation Bonds – 2016  | \$1,380,000                         | \$195,000  | \$1,185,000                         | \$200,000                     |

**Refunding General Obligation Bonds – 2016**

On January 12, 2016, the School District issued general obligation bonds to advance refund the outstanding Series 2006 current general obligation bonds. These bonds are general obligations of the School District, for which its full faith and credit is pledged. The source of payment is derived from proceeds of a 5.57 mil bonded debt tax levy.

This issue is comprised of current interest bonds, par value \$1,580,000, bearing an annual interest rate of 1.962%. Interest payments on the current interest bonds are due December 1 of each year. The final maturity stated in the issue is December 1, 2023. The refunding resulted in an economic gain of \$96,050 for the School District.

The scheduled payments of principal and interest on debt outstanding at June 30, 2018 are as follows:

| Fiscal Year<br>Ending June 30 | General Obligation<br>Current Interest Bonds |          |             |
|-------------------------------|--|----------|-------------|
|                               | Principal                                    | Interest | Total       |
| 2019                          | \$200,000                                    | \$21,288 | \$221,288   |
| 2020                          | 200,000                                      | 17,363   | 217,363     |
| 2021                          | 205,000                                      | 13,390   | 218,390     |
| 2022                          | 215,000                                      | 9,270    | 224,270     |
| 2023                          | 215,000                                      | 5,052    | 220,052     |
| 2024                          | 150,000                                      | 1,472    | 151,472     |
| Total                         | \$1,185,000                                  | \$67,835 | \$1,252,835 |

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The Ohio Revised Code provides that voted net general obligation debt of the School District shall never exceed 9% of the total assessed valuation of the School District. The code further provides that unvoted indebtedness shall not exceed 1/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the School District.

The effects of the debt limitations at June 30, 2018 were a voted debt margin of \$6,669,416 and an unvoted debt margin of \$80,853.

**Note 12 – Contingent Liabilities**

***Grants***

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the School District are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Grantors may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

***Litigation***

There are currently no matters in litigation with the School District as defendant.

***School Foundation***

School District Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the School District, which can extend past the fiscal year-end. As of the date of this report, ODE has not finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2018, Foundation funding for the School District; therefore, any financial statement impact is not determinable at this time. ODE and management believe this may result in either a receivable to or a liability of the School District.

**Note 13 – Jointly Governed Organizations**

***Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative***

The School District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC) which is a computer consortium. NOACSC is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Allen, Hancock, Paulding, Putnam, and Van Wert counties, and the cities of St. Marys and Wapakoneta. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to administrative and instructional functions among member school districts.

The governing board of NOACSC consists of two representatives from each county elected by majority vote of all charter member school districts within each county plus one representative from the fiscal agent school district. Financial information can be obtained from Ray Burden, who serves as director, at 4277 East Road, Elida, Ohio 45807.

***Northwest Ohio Special Education Regional Resource Center***

The Northwest Ohio Special Education Regional Resource Center ("SERRC") is a jointly governed organization formed to initiate, expand, and improve special education programs and services for children with disabilities and their parents. The SERRC is governed by a fifty-two member board consisting of the superintendent from the fifty participating Districts, one representative from a non-public school, and one representative from Wright State University. The degree of control exercised by any participating District is

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limited to its representation on the Board. Financial information can be obtained from the Hardin County Educational Service Center, 1 Court House Square, Suite 50, Kenton, Ohio 43326-2385.

***State Support Team Region 1***

The State Support Team Region 1 (SSTR1) provides specialized core work related to building regional capacity for district, building, and community school implementation of the Ohio Improvement Process (OIP) at a high level. The service region of the SSTR1 includes Defiance, Fulton, Hancock, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Sandusky, Van Wert, Williams, and Wood counties, and Fostoria Community School in Seneca County. The Lucas County Educational Service Center is the fiscal agent for the SSTR1. Executive Director and Single Point of Contact is Sue Zake. Contact information is available at [www.sstr1.org](http://www.sstr1.org).

***Vantage Vocational School***

The Vantage Vocational School is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of one representative from each of the participating School Districts' elected boards, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. To obtain financial information, write to the Vantage Vocational School, Laura Peters, who serves as Treasurer, at 818 North Franklin Street, Van Wert, Ohio 45891.

**Note 14 – Public Entity Risk Pools**

***Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority***

The School District participates as a member of the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA). SORSA is a non-profit, member owned consortium, providing property, bus fleet and educator liability insurance for public schools in Ohio. SORSA is governed by public school administrators and managed by insurance professionals, and serves 106 members across Ohio. SORSA financial statements are available by contacting Patrick Shaver, Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority, 8050 North High St, Columbus, Ohio 43235. See Note 8 for a listing of the coverage provided to the School District for fiscal year 2018.

***Ohio School Boards Association Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program***

The School District participates in a group rating plan for workers' compensation as established under Section 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP) was established through the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) as an insurance purchasing pool.

The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three member Board of Directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect, and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the GRP. Each year, the participants pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

***Putnam County School Insurance Group***

The Putnam County School Insurance Group (the Group), a public entity risk pool, administered by Huntington Trust is a public entity shared risk pool consisting of eleven school districts, including the Putnam County Educational Service Center, and the Putnam County Board of DD. The Group is a not-for-profit insurance group and provides medical, prescription drug, and optional dental insurance benefits, to the employees of the participants. Each participant's superintendent is appointed to the Board of Trustees which advises the consultant, Huntington Insurance, concerning aspects of the administration of the Group.

Each school district in the Group (other than the Putnam County Board of DD) must collectively bargain benefit levels with its respective employee unions. Financial information can be obtained from Jan Osborne, Superintendent, Putnam County ESC, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa, Ohio 45875.

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**Note 15 – Fund Balance**

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds.

The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

| <u>Fund Balance</u>     | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>Bond Retirement Fund</u> | <u>Other Governmental Funds</u> | <u>Total Governmental Funds</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Restricted for:         |                     |                             |                                 |                                 |
| Athletics               |                     |                             | \$72,546                        | \$72,546                        |
| Food Service Operations |                     |                             | 101,996                         | 101,996                         |
| Scholarships            |                     |                             | 29,417                          | 29,417                          |
| Facilities Maintenance  |                     |                             | 412,593                         | 412,593                         |
| Debt Service Payments   |                     | \$577,620                   |                                 | 577,620                         |
| Total Restricted        |                     | 577,620                     | 616,552                         | 1,194,172                       |
| Assigned for:           |                     |                             |                                 |                                 |
| Other                   | \$7,918             |                             |                                 | 7,918                           |
| Unpaid Obligations      | 127,582             |                             |                                 | 127,582                         |
| Total Assigned          | 135,500             |                             |                                 | 135,500                         |
| Unassigned              | 5,008,831           |                             |                                 | 5,008,831                       |
| Total Fund Balance      | <u>\$5,144,331</u>  | <u>\$577,620</u>            | <u>\$616,552</u>                | <u>\$6,338,503</u>              |

**Note 16 – Set-Aside Requirements**

The School District is required by State statute to annually set aside, in the General Fund, an amount based on a statutory formula for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the fiscal year must be held in cash at fiscal year end. These amounts must be carried forward and used for the same purposes in future years.

The following cash-basis information describes the change in the fiscal year-end set-aside amount for capital improvements. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

|   | <u>Capital Maintenance</u>         |
|---|------------------------------------|
| Set-Aside Reserve Balance June 30, 2017 |                                    |
| Current year set-aside requirement      | \$78,750                           |
| Qualifying Disbursements                | <u>(290,715)</u>                   |
| Total                                   | <u>(\$211,965)</u>                 |
| Balance Carried Forward to July 1, 2018 | <u><u>                    </u></u> |

Although the School District had qualifying disbursements during the fiscal year that reduced the set aside amount below zero for the capital improvements set aside, this amount may not be used to reduce the set aside requirements of future years. This negative balance is therefore not presented as being carried forward to future years.

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**Note 17 – Commitments**

The School District utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reservations of fund balance for subsequent-year expenditures and may be reported as part of restricted, committed, or assigned classifications of fund balance. At year end, the School District's commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

| <u>Fund</u>        | <u>Year-end<br/>Encumbrances</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund       | \$127,582                        |
| Other Governmental | <u>85,051</u>                    |
| Total              | <u><u>\$212,633</u></u>          |

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**Statement of Net Position - Cash Basis  
June 30, 2017**

|  | <u><b>Governmental<br/>Activities</b></u> |
|--|---|
| <b>Assets:</b>                             |   |
| Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents | <u><u>\$6,228,376</u></u>                 |
| <b>Net Position:</b>                       |   |
| Restricted for Debt Service                | \$525,392                                 |
| Restricted for Other Purposes              | 560,597                                   |
| Unrestricted                               | <u>5,142,387</u>                          |
| <i>Total Net Position</i>                  | <u><u>\$6,228,376</u></u>                 |

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**Statement of Activities - Cash Basis  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017**

|   | <u>Cash</u><br><u>Disbursements</u> | <u>Program Cash Receipts</u>                              |   | <u>Net</u><br><u>(Disbursements)</u><br><u>Receipts and</u><br><u>Changes in Net</u><br><u>Position</u> |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|
|   |                                     | <u>Charges for</u><br><u>Services and</u><br><u>Sales</u> | <u>Operating Grants</u><br><u>and</u><br><u>Contributions</u> | <u>Governmental</u><br><u>Activities</u>  |
| <b>Governmental Activities:</b>                             |                                     |   |   |   |
| <b>Instruction:</b>   |                                     |   |   |   |
| Regular   | \$2,876,932                         | \$309,328   | \$260,584   | (\$2,307,020)   |
| Special   | 413,344                             |   | 95,924  | (317,420)   |
| Other   | 14,802                              |   |   | (14,802)  |
| <b>Support Services:</b>                                    |                                     |   |   |   |
| Pupils  | 99,149                              |   |   | (99,149)  |
| Instructional Staff   | 200,033                             |   |   | (200,033)   |
| Board of Education  | 24,061                              |   |   | (24,061)  |
| Administration  | 375,146                             |   |   | (375,146)   |
| Fiscal  | 258,074                             |   |   | (258,074)   |
| Operation and Maintenance of Plant                          | 483,147                             |   | 13,668  | (469,479)   |
| Pupil Transportation  | 228,432                             | 13,345  |   | (215,087)   |
| Central   | 55,728                              |   |   | (55,728)  |
| Operation of Non-Instructional Services                     | 185,468                             | 167,232   | 40,708  | 22,472  |
| Extracurricular Activities                                  | 306,825                             | 149,186   |   | (157,639)   |
| Facilities Acquisition and Construction                     | 11,129                              |   |   | (11,129)  |
| <b>Debt Service:</b>  |                                     |   |   |   |
| Principal   | 200,000                             |   |   | (200,000)   |
| Interest and Fiscal Charges                                 | 28,863                              |   |   | (28,863)  |
| <i>Total Governmental Activities</i>                        | <u>\$5,761,133</u>                  | <u>\$639,091</u>  | <u>\$410,884</u>  | <u>(4,711,158)</u>  |
| <b>General Receipts:</b>                                    |                                     |   |   |   |
| <b>Taxes:</b>   |                                     |   |   |   |
| Property Taxes, Levied for General Purposes                 |                                     |   |   | 1,478,207   |
| Property Taxes, Levied for Debt Service                     |                                     |   |   | 236,274   |
| Property Taxes, Levied for Other                            |                                     |   |   | 22,671  |
| Income Taxes  |                                     |   |   | 605,304   |
| Grants and Entitlements not Restricted to Specific Programs |                                     |   |   | 2,548,528   |
| Gifts and Donations   |                                     |   |   | 36,989  |
| Interest  |                                     |   |   | 25,209  |
| Sale of Assets  |                                     |   |   | 3,262   |
| Insurance Proceeds  |                                     |   |   | 4,500   |
| Miscellaneous   |                                     |   |   | 13,491  |
| <i>Total General Receipts</i>                               |                                     |   |   | <u>4,974,435</u>  |
| Change in Net Position                                      |                                     |   |   | 263,277   |
| <i>Net Position Beginning of Year</i>                       |                                     |   |   | <u>5,965,099</u>  |
| <i>Net Position End of Year</i>                             |                                     |   |   | <u>\$6,228,376</u>  |

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**Statement of Assets and Fund Balances - Cash Basis  
Governmental Funds  
June 30, 2017**

|  | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>Bond<br/>Retirement<br/>Fund</u> | <u>Other<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</u> | <u>Total<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</u> |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Assets</b>                              |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents | \$5,142,387         | \$525,392                           | \$560,597                               | \$6,228,376                             |
| <b>Fund Balances</b>                       |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Restricted                                 |                     | \$525,392                           | \$560,597                               | \$1,085,989                             |
| Assigned                                   | \$275,035           |                                     |   | 275,035                                 |
| Unassigned                                 | 4,867,352           |                                     |   | 4,867,352                               |
| <i>Total Fund Balances</i>                 | <u>\$5,142,387</u>  | <u>\$525,392</u>                    | <u>\$560,597</u>                        | <u>\$6,228,376</u>                      |

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**Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balances - Cash Basis  
Governmental Funds  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017**

|  | <u>General Fund</u> | <u>Bond<br/>Retirement<br/>Fund</u> | <u>Other<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</u> | <u>Total<br/>Governmental<br/>Funds</u> |
|--|---------------------|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| <b>Receipts:</b>                             |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Property and Other Local Taxes               | \$1,478,207         | \$236,274                           | \$22,671                                | \$1,737,152                             |
| Income Tax                                   | 605,304             |                                     |   | 605,304                                 |
| Intergovernmental                            | 2,716,571           | 50,795                              | 192,046                                 | 2,959,412                               |
| Interest                                     | 22,333              |                                     | 2,876                                   | 25,209                                  |
| Tuition                                      | 271,749             |                                     |   | 271,749                                 |
| Transportation Fees                          | 13,345              |                                     |   | 13,345                                  |
| Extracurricular Activities                   | 5,440               |                                     | 145,478                                 | 150,918                                 |
| Gifts and Donations                          | 350                 |                                     | 36,639                                  | 36,989                                  |
| Customer Sales and Services                  | 37,579              |                                     | 167,232                                 | 204,811                                 |
| Miscellaneous                                | 10,016              |                                     | 1,743                                   | 11,759                                  |
| <i>Total Receipts</i>                        | <u>5,160,894</u>    | <u>287,069</u>                      | <u>568,685</u>                          | <u>6,016,648</u>                        |
| <b>Disbursements:</b>                        |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Current:                                     |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Instruction:                                 |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Regular                                      | 2,841,748           |                                     | 35,184                                  | 2,876,932                               |
| Special                                      | 321,286             |                                     | 92,058                                  | 413,344                                 |
| Other  | 14,802              |                                     |   | 14,802                                  |
| Support Services:                            |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Pupils                                       | 99,149              |                                     |   | 99,149                                  |
| Instructional Staff                          | 192,263             |                                     | 7,770                                   | 200,033                                 |
| Board of Education                           | 24,061              |                                     |   | 24,061                                  |
| Administration                               | 375,146             |                                     |   | 375,146                                 |
| Fiscal                                       | 251,359             | 6,135                               | 580                                     | 258,074                                 |
| Operation and Maintenance of Plant           | 461,088             |                                     | 22,059                                  | 483,147                                 |
| Pupil Transportation                         | 228,432             |                                     |   | 228,432                                 |
| Central                                      | 55,728              |                                     |   | 55,728                                  |
| Operation of Non-Instructional Services      |                     |                                     | 185,468                                 | 185,468                                 |
| Extracurricular Activities                   | 121,787             |                                     | 185,038                                 | 306,825                                 |
| Facilities Acquisition and Construction      |                     |                                     | 11,129                                  | 11,129                                  |
| Debt Service:                                |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Principal                                    |                     | 200,000                             |   | 200,000                                 |
| Interest                                     |                     | 28,863                              |   | 28,863                                  |
| <i>Total Disbursements</i>                   | <u>4,986,849</u>    | <u>234,998</u>                      | <u>539,286</u>                          | <u>5,761,133</u>                        |
| <i>Excess of Receipts Over Disbursements</i> | <u>174,045</u>      | <u>52,071</u>                       | <u>29,399</u>                           | <u>255,515</u>                          |
| <b>Other Financing Sources:</b>              |                     |                                     |   |   |
| Sale of Assets                               | 3,262               |                                     |   | 3,262                                   |
| Insurance Proceeds                           | 4,500               |                                     |   | 4,500                                   |
| <i>Total Other Financing Sources</i>         | <u>7,762</u>        |                                     |   | <u>7,762</u>                            |
| <i>Net Change in Fund Balances</i>           | 181,807             | 52,071                              | 29,399                                  | 263,277                                 |
| <i>Fund Balances Beginning of Year</i>       | <u>4,960,580</u>    | <u>473,321</u>                      | <u>531,198</u>                          | <u>5,965,099</u>                        |
| <i>Fund Balances End of Year</i>             | <u>\$5,142,387</u>  | <u>\$525,392</u>                    | <u>\$560,597</u>                        | <u>\$6,228,376</u>                      |

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**Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in  
Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Budget Basis)  
General Fund  
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017**

|  | <u>Original Budget</u> | <u>Final Budget</u> | <u>Actual</u>      | <b>Variance with<br/>Final Budget<br/>Positive<br/>(Negative)</b> |
|--|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---|
| <b>Receipts:</b>                                     |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Property and Other Local Taxes                       | \$1,451,443            | \$1,460,463         | \$1,478,207        | \$17,744  |
| Income Tax   | 625,000                | 625,000             | 605,304            | (19,696)  |
| Intergovernmental                                    | 2,787,532              | 2,787,532           | 2,716,571          | (70,961)  |
| Interest   | 25,000                 | 25,000              | 22,333             | (2,667)   |
| Tuition  | 280,000                | 280,000             | 271,749            | (8,251)   |
| Transportation Fees                                  | 15,000                 | 15,000              | 13,345             | (1,655)   |
| Extracurricular Activities                           | 5,000                  | 5,000               | 3,708              | (1,292)   |
| Gifts and Donations                                  | 2,500                  | 2,500               | 350                | (2,150)   |
| Customer Sales and Services                          | 97,500                 | 97,500              | 37,579             | (59,921)  |
| Miscellaneous  | 15,025                 | 15,025              | 10,016             | (5,009)   |
| <i>Total Receipts</i>                                | <u>5,304,000</u>       | <u>5,313,020</u>    | <u>5,159,162</u>   | <u>(153,858)</u>  |
| <b>Disbursements:</b>                                |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Current:   |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Instruction:   |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Regular  | 2,909,717              | 2,950,517           | 2,859,177          | 91,340  |
| Special  | 351,216                | 356,016             | 323,257            | 32,759  |
| Other  | 18,500                 | 18,500              | 14,802             | 3,698   |
| Support Services:                                    |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Pupils   | 117,348                | 118,948             | 98,397             | 20,551  |
| Instructional Staff                                  | 198,230                | 199,830             | 199,438            | 392   |
| Board of Education                                   | 29,155                 | 29,155              | 24,065             | 5,090   |
| Administration                                       | 428,245                | 433,445             | 380,305            | 53,140  |
| Fiscal   | 282,666                | 286,866             | 256,706            | 30,160  |
| Operation and Maintenance of Plant                   | 569,339                | 574,939             | 506,100            | 68,839  |
| Pupil Transportation                                 | 213,736                | 489,736             | 417,317            | 72,419  |
| Central  | 57,875                 | 57,875              | 56,032             | 1,843   |
| Extracurricular Activities                           | 123,973                | 123,973             | 120,725            | 3,248   |
| <i>Total Disbursements</i>                           | <u>5,300,000</u>       | <u>5,639,800</u>    | <u>5,256,321</u>   | <u>383,479</u>  |
| <i>Excess of Receipts Over (Under) Disbursements</i> | <u>4,000</u>           | <u>(326,780)</u>    | <u>(97,159)</u>    | <u>229,621</u>  |
| <b>Other Financing Sources:</b>                      |                        |                     |                    |   |
| Sale of Fixed Assets                                 |                        |                     | 3,262              | 3,262   |
| Insurance Proceeds                                   |                        |                     | 4,500              | 4,500   |
| <i>Total Other Financing Sources</i>                 |                        |                     | <u>7,762</u>       | <u>7,762</u>  |
| <i>Net Change in Fund Balance</i>                    | 4,000                  | (326,780)           | (89,397)           | 237,383   |
| <i>Fund Balance at Beginning of Year</i>             | 4,890,883              | 4,890,883           | 4,890,883          |   |
| Prior Year Encumbrances Appropriated                 | 65,866                 | 65,866              | 65,866             |   |
| <i>Fund Balance at End of Year</i>                   | <u>\$4,960,749</u>     | <u>\$4,629,969</u>  | <u>\$4,867,352</u> | <u>\$237,383</u>  |

See Accompanying Notes to the Basic Financial Statements

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**Statement of Fiduciary Net Position - Cash Basis  
Fiduciary Funds  
June 30, 2017**

|  | <u>Agency Fund</u> |
|--|--------------------|
| <b>Assets:</b>                             |                    |
| Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents | <u>\$17,818</u>    |
| <b>Liabilities:</b>                        |                    |
| Due to Students                            | <u>\$17,818</u>    |

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**Note 1 – Reporting Entity**

Ottoville Local School District (the School District) is a body politic and corporate established to exercise the rights and privileges the constitution and laws of the State of Ohio convey to it.

A locally-elected five-member Board governs the School District, which provides educational services mandated by the State and federal agencies. This Board of Education controls the School District's one instructional/support facility staffed by 18 classified employees, 38 certificated full-time personnel, and 3 administrators who provide services to 437 students and other community members.

A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government and other organizations that are included to insure the financial statements are not misleading.

***Primary Government***

The primary government of the School District consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the School District. For Ottoville Local School District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the School District.

***Jointly Governed Organizations and Public Entity Risk Pools***

The School District participates in four jointly governed organizations and three public entity risk pools. These organizations are the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative, Northwest Ohio Special Education Regional Resource Center, State Support Team Region 1, Vantage Vocational School, Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority, Ohio School Boards Association Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program, and the Putnam County School Insurance Group. These organizations are presented in Notes 12 and 13 to the basic financial statements.

The School District's management believes these financial statements present all activities for which the School District is financially accountable.

**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

As discussed further in the Basis of Accounting section of this note, these financial statements are presented on a cash basis of accounting. This cash basis of accounting differs from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). Generally accepted accounting principles include all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements, which have been applied to the extent they are applicable to the cash basis of accounting. Following are the more significant of the School District's accounting policies.

***Basis of Presentation***

The School District's basic financial statements consist of government-wide financial statements, including a statement of net position and a statement of activities, and fund financial statements which provide a more detailed level of financial information.

***Government-Wide Financial Statements*** The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the School District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government, except for fiduciary funds. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental receipts or other nonexchange transactions.

The statement of net position presents the cash balances of the governmental activities of the School District at fiscal year end. The statement of activities compares disbursements with program receipts for each function or program of the School District's governmental activities. Disbursements are reported by function.

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A function is a group of related activities designed to accomplish a major service or regulatory program for which the government is responsible. Program receipts include charges paid by the recipient of the program's goods or services, grants and contributions restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program, and receipts of interest earned on grants that are required to be used to support a particular program. General receipts are all receipts not classified as program receipts, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct disbursements with program receipts identifies the extent to which each governmental function is self-financing on a cash basis or draws from the School District's general receipts.

**Fund Financial Statements** During the fiscal year, the School District segregates transactions related to certain School District functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. Fund financial statements are designed to present financial information of the School District at this more detailed level. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by type.

**Fund Accounting**

The School District uses funds to maintain its financial records during the fiscal year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The funds of the School District are divided into two categories, governmental and fiduciary.

**Governmental Funds** The School District classifies funds financed primarily from taxes, intergovernmental receipts (e.g. grants), and other nonexchange transactions as governmental funds. The following are the School District's major funds:

**General Fund** The general fund accounts for and reports all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund. The general fund balance is available to the School District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

**Bond Retirement Fund** The bond retirement fund accounts for and reports property taxes restricted for the payment of general obligation bond principal, interest and related costs.

The other governmental funds of the School District account for and report grants and other resources whose use is restricted, committed or assigned to a particular purpose.

**Fiduciary Funds** The School District's fiduciary fund includes agency funds. Agency funds are custodial in nature. The School District's agency fund accounts for various student-managed activities.

**Basis of Accounting**

The School District's financial statements are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Receipts are recorded in the School District's financial records and reported in the financial statements when cash is received rather than when earned and disbursements are recorded when cash is paid rather than when a liability is incurred.

As a result of the use of this cash basis of accounting, certain assets and their related revenues (such as accounts receivable and revenue for billed or provided services not yet collected) and certain liabilities and their related expenses (such as accounts payable and expenses for goods or services received but not yet paid, and accrued expenses and liabilities) are not recorded in these financial statements.

**Budgetary Process**

All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the tax budget, the certificate of estimated resources, and the appropriations resolution, all of

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which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The tax budget demonstrates a need for existing or increased tax rates. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Board of Education may appropriate.

The appropriations resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. Budgetary allocations at the function and object level within all funds are made by the Treasurer.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Treasurer. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the certificate of estimated resources when the original appropriations were adopted. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts on the budgetary statements reflect the amounts on the amended certificate of estimated resources in effect at the time final appropriations were passed by the Board.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts reflect the first appropriation resolution for that fund that covered the entire fiscal year, including amounts automatically carried forward from prior fiscal years. The amounts reported as the final budgeted amounts represent the final appropriation amounts passed by the Board during the fiscal year.

***Cash and Investments***

To improve cash management, cash received by the School District is pooled and invested. Monies for all funds are maintained in this pool. Individual fund integrity is maintained through School District records. Interest in the pool is included in the cash balances reported by fund type.

Investments of the School District's cash management pool and investments with an original maturity of three months or less at the time they are purchased by the School District are presented on the financial statements as cash equivalents. Investments with an initial maturity of more than three months that were not purchased from the pool are reported as investments.

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not recorded as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or negative receipts (contra revenue), respectively.

During fiscal year 2017, the School District invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit. The School District values certificates of deposit at cost.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest receipts credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2018 was \$22,333, which included \$3,883 assigned from other School District funds.

***Restricted Assets***

Assets are reported as restricted when limitations on their use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Such constraints are either imposed by creditors, contributors, grantors, or laws of other governments, or are imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The School District reported no restricted assets.



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***Inventory and Prepaid Items***

The School District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

***Capital Assets***

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets in the accompanying financial statements.

***Interfund Receivables/Payables***

The School District reports advances-in and advances-out for interfund loans. These items are not reflected as assets and liabilities in the accompanying financial statements.

***Accumulated Leave***

In certain circumstances, such as upon leaving employment or retirement, employees are entitled to cash payments for unused leave. Unpaid leave is not reflected as a liability under the School District's cash basis of accounting.

***Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans***

The School District recognizes the disbursement for employer contributions to cost-sharing pension plans when they are paid. As described in Notes 8 and 9, the employer contributions include portions for pension benefits and for postretirement health care benefits.

***Long-Term Obligations***

The School District's cash basis financial statements do not report liabilities for bonds and other long-term obligations. Proceeds of debt are reported when cash is received and principal and interest payments are reported when paid. Since recording a capital asset when entering into a capital lease is not the result of a cash transaction, neither another financing source nor a capital outlay expenditure is reported at inception. Lease payments are reported when paid.

***Net Position***

Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. Net position restricted for other purposes include resources restricted for athletics, food service, scholarships and facilities maintenance.

The School District's policy is to first apply restricted resources when a cash disbursement is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

There was no net position restricted by enabling legislation as of June 30, 2017.

***Fund Balance***

Fund balance is divided into five classifications based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in the governmental funds. The classifications are as follows:

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***Nonspendable*** The nonspendable fund balance category includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are not in spendable form, or are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The “not in spendable form” criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash. It also includes the long-term amount of interfund loans.

***Restricted*** Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or is imposed by law through constitutional provisions.

***Committed*** The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes imposed by a formal action (resolution) of the School District Board of Education. Those committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the School District Board of Education removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (resolution) it employed to previously commit those amounts. Committed fund balance also incorporates contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources in the fund have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

***Assigned*** Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the School District for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the remaining amount that is not restricted or committed. These amounts are assigned by the School District’s Board of Education. In the general fund, assigned amounts represent intended uses established by policies of the School District Board of Education or a School District official delegated by that authority by resolution or by State Statute. State statute authorizes the School District’s Treasurer to assign fund balance for purchases on order provided such amounts have been lawfully appropriated. The School District’s Board of Education assigned fund balance in the general fund for outstanding encumbrances and principal fund monies.

***Unassigned*** Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes amounts not contained in the other classifications. In other governmental funds, the unassigned classification is used only to report a deficit balance.

The School District applies restricted resources first when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which either restricted or unrestricted (committed, assigned, and unassigned) amounts are available. Similarly, within unrestricted fund balance, committed amounts are reduced first followed by assigned, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of the unrestricted fund balance classifications could be used.

***Internal Activity***

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Flows of cash or goods from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers in governmental funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented on the basic financial statements.

***Pension Plans***

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, information about the fiduciary net position of the pension plans and additions to/deductions from their fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the pension systems. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. The pension systems report investments at fair value.

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**Note 3 – Accountability and Compliance**

***Compliance***

Ohio Administrative Code, Section 117-2-03 (B), requires the School District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. However, the School District prepared its financial statements on a regulatory basis, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying financial statements omit assets, liabilities, net position/fund balances, and disclosures that, while material, cannot be determined at this time. The School District can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the School District.

***Changes in Accounting Principles***

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

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

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

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

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

**Note 4 – Budgetary Basis of Accounting**

The budgetary basis as provided by law is based upon accounting for certain transactions on the basis of cash receipts, disbursements, and encumbrances. The Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Changes in Fund Balance – Budget and Actual – Budgetary Basis presented for the general fund is prepared on the

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budgetary basis to provide a meaningful comparison of actual results with the budget. The difference between the budgetary basis and the cash basis are as follows:

1. Outstanding year end encumbrances are treated as cash disbursements (budgetary basis) rather than as restricted, committed or assigned fund balance (cash basis).
2. As part of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting", certain funds that are legally budgeted in separate Special Revenue Funds (Public School Support Funds) are considered part of the General Fund on the cash basis.

Adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations at the end of the year on the budget basis to the cash basis are as follows:

|                         | <u>General Fund</u> |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| Cash Basis              | \$181,807           |
| Fund Budgeted Elsewhere | 714                 |
| Encumbrances            | <u>(271,918)</u>    |
| Budget Basis            | <u>(\$89,397)</u>   |

**Note 5 – Deposits and Investments**

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

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

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

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

Protection of the School District's deposits is provided by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), or by eligible securities pledged by the financial institution as security for repayment.

Interim monies held by the School District can be deposited or invested in the following securities:

1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States;
2. Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, and Government National Mortgage Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;

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3. Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least two percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio, and with certain limitations bonds and other obligations of political subdivisions of the State of Ohio;
5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).
8. Certain bankers' acceptances and commercial paper notes for a period not to exceed one hundred eighty days in an amount not to exceed 40 percent of the interim monies available for investment at any one time if training requirements have been met

Investments in stripped principal or interest obligations, reverse repurchase agreements, and derivatives are prohibited. The issuance of taxable notes for the purpose of arbitrage, the use of leverage, and short selling are also prohibited. An investment must mature within five years from the date of purchase, unless matched to a specific obligation or debt of the School District, and must be purchased with the expectation that it will be held to maturity.

Investments may only be made through specified dealers and institutions. Payment for investments may be made only upon delivery of the securities representing the investments to the treasurer or, if the securities are not represented by a certificate, upon receipt of confirmation of transfer from the custodian.

At year end, the School District had no undeposited cash on hand included as part of "Equity in Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents".

***Deposits***

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the School District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At year end, \$6,067,199 of the School District's bank balance of \$6,346,514 was exposed to custodial credit risk because it was uninsured and collateralized.

The School District has no deposit policy for custodial risk beyond the requirements of State statute. Ohio law requires that deposits either be insured or be protected by eligible securities pledged to the School District and deposited with a qualified trustee by the financial institution as security for repayment whose market value at all times shall be at least 105 percent of the deposits being secured.

**Note 6 – Taxes**

***Property Taxes***

Property taxes are levied and assessed on a calendar year basis while the School District fiscal year runs from July through June. First half tax collections are received by the School District in the second half of the fiscal year. Second half tax distributions occur in the first half of the following fiscal year.

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Property taxes include amounts levied against all real and public utility property located in the School District. Real property tax revenue received in calendar 2017 represents collections of calendar year 2016 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar year 2017 were levied after April 1, 2016, on the assessed value listed as of January 1, 2016, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State law at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semi-annually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semi-annually, the first payment is due December 31 with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax revenue received in calendar 2017 represents collections of calendar year 2016 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2017 became a lien December 31, 2015, were levied after April 1, 2016 and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property currently is assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The School District receives property taxes from Putnam County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the School District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the County by June 30, 2017, are available to finance fiscal year 2017 operations. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which the fiscal year 2017 taxes were collected are:

|   | 2016 Second-<br>Half Collections |             | 2017 First-<br>Half Collections |             |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
|   | Amount                           | Percent     | Amount                          | Percent     |
| Real Property:                                |                                  |             |                                 |             |
| Agricultural/Residential                      | \$72,455,460                     | 90.05%      | \$73,621,870                    | 90.00%      |
| Industrial/Commercial                         | 5,368,880                        | 6.67%       | 5,394,370                       | 6.60%       |
| Public Utility Property                       | 2,638,480                        | 3.28%       | 2,784,770                       | 3.40%       |
| Total Assessed Value                          | <u>\$80,462,820</u>              | <u>100%</u> | <u>\$81,801,010</u>             | <u>100%</u> |
| Tax rate per \$1,000 of<br>assessed valuation | \$26.67                          |             | \$26.47                         |             |

***Income Taxes***

The School District levies a voted tax of .75 percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 2010, and is a continuing tax. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the School District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax receipts are recorded in the General Fund.

**Note 7 – Risk Management**

***Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority***

The School 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. During fiscal year 2017, the School District contracted for the following insurance coverage.

Coverage provided through the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA) is as follows:

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|  | <u>Coverage</u> |
|--|-----------------|
| General Liability                          | \$15,000,000    |
| Automobile Liability                       | 15,000,000      |
| Educator's Legal Liability – wrongful acts | 15,000,000      |
| Property                                   | 32,607,694      |
| Crime                                      | 100,000         |

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years, and there has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the prior fiscal year.

***Ohio School Boards Association Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program***

For fiscal year 2017, the School District participated in the Ohio School Boards Association Comp Management Workers' Compensation group rating program (the GRP). The GRP is intended to achieve the benefit of a reduced premium for the School District by virtue of its grouping and representation with other participants in the GRP. The workers' compensation experience of the participating members is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all members in the GRP. Each member pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Total savings are then calculated and each participant's individual performance is compared to the overall savings percentage of the GRP. A participant will then either receive money from or be required to contribute to the "Equity Pooling Fund". This "equity pooling" arrangement insures that each participant shares equally in the overall performance of the GRP. Participation in the GRP is limited to participants that can meet the GRP's selection criteria.

***Putnam County School Insurance Group***

The School District participates as a member of the Putnam County School Insurance Group, a public entity risk pool, administered by Huntington Trust. The School District converted its fully-insured medical insurance program to partial self insurance through participation in this public entity risk pool. Medical Mutual of Ohio provides claim review and processing. The School District maintains stop-loss coverage for its medical insurance program. Aggregate stop loss is maintained for expected claims.

The School District provides prescription drug insurance benefits to employees through a self-insurance program. The premiums and related disbursements are accounted for in the general fund. All claims are paid by the School District with the request for reimbursement submitted by the employee on behalf of the School District. The School District has no stop loss insurance and has not set a maximum amount payable per beneficiary. However, the School District's liability is limited to the employee's unpaid deductible and maximum out of pocket expense.

Post employment health care is provided to plan participants or their beneficiaries through the respective retirement systems discussed in Note 9. As such, no funding provisions are required by the School District.

**Note 8 – Defined Benefit Pension Plans**

***Net Pension Liability***

Pensions are a component of exchange transactions, between an employer and its employees, of salaries and benefits for employee services. Pensions are provided to an employee, on a deferred-payment basis, as part of the total compensation package offered by an employer for employee services each financial period.

The net pension liability represents the School District's proportionate share of each pension plan's collective actuarial present value of projected benefit payments attributable to past periods of service, net of each pension plan's fiduciary net position. The net pension liability calculation is dependent on critical long-term

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variables, including estimated average life expectancies, earnings on investments, cost of living adjustments and others. While these estimates use the best information available, unknowable future events require adjusting this estimate annually.

The Ohio Revised Code limits the School District's obligation for this liability to annually required payments. The School District cannot control benefit terms or the manner in which pensions are financed; however, the School District does receive the benefit of employees' services in exchange for compensation including pension.

GASB 68 assumes the liability is solely the obligation of the employer, because (1) they benefit from employee services; and (2) State statute requires all funding to come from these employers. All contributions to date have come solely from these employers (which also includes costs paid in the form of withholdings from employees). State statute requires the pension plans to amortize unfunded liabilities within 30 years. If the amortization period exceeds 30 years, each pension plan's board must propose corrective action to the State legislature. Any resulting legislative change to benefits or funding could significantly affect the net pension liability. Resulting adjustments to the net pension liability would be effective when the changes are legally enforceable.

***Plan Description – School Employees Retirement System (SERS)***

Plan Description – The School District non-teaching employees participate in SERS, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by SERS. SERS provides retirement, disability and survivor benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Authority to establish and amend benefits is provided by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3309. SERS issues a publicly available, stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about SERS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by visiting the SERS website at [www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

|                              | Eligible to<br>Retire on or before<br>August 1, 2017 *                          | Eligible to<br>Retire on or after<br>August 1, 2017                                  |
|------------------------------|---|--|
| Full benefits                | Any age with 30 years of service credit   | Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or<br>Age 57 with 30 years of service credit |
| Actuarially reduced benefits | Age 60 with 5 years of service credit<br>Age 55 with 25 years of service credit | Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or<br>Age 60 with 25 years of service credit |

\* Members with 25 years of service credit as of August 1, 2017, will be included in this plan.

Annual retirement benefits are calculated based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on year of service; 2.2 percent for the first thirty years of service and 2.5 percent for years of service credit over 30. Final average salary is the average of the highest three years of salary.

One year after an effective benefit date, a benefit recipient is entitled to a three percent cost-of-living adjustment (COLA). This same COLA is added each year to the base benefit amount on the anniversary date of the benefit.

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the School District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the



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fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 14 percent. Allocations to the Health Care Fund for the year were limited to the additional surcharge collected for employees earning less than the actuarially determined minimum compensation amount.

The School District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$101,454 for fiscal year 2017.

***Plan Description – State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)***

Plan Description – School District licensed teachers participate in STRS Ohio, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement system administered by STRS. STRS provides retirement and disability benefits to members and death and survivor benefits to beneficiaries. STRS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements, required supplementary information and detailed information about STRS' fiduciary net position. That report can be obtained by writing to STRS, 275 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215-3771, by calling (888) 227-7877, or by visiting the STRS Web site at [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org).

New members have a choice of three retirement plans; a Defined Benefit (DB) Plan, a Defined Contribution (DC) Plan and a Combined Plan. Benefits are established by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307. The DB Plan offers an annual retirement allowance based on final average salary multiplied by a percentage that varies based on years of service. Effective August 1, 2015, the calculation will be 2.2 percent of final average salary for the five highest years of earnings multiplied by all years of service. With certain exceptions, the basic benefit is increased each year by two percent of the original base benefit. For members retiring August 1, 2013, or later, the first two percent is paid on the fifth anniversary of the retirement benefit. Members are eligible to retire at age 60 with five years of qualifying service credit, or age 55 with 25 years of service, or 30 years of service regardless of age. Age and service requirements for retirement will increase effective August 1, 2015, and will continue to increase periodically until they reach age 60 with 35 years of service or age 65 with five years of service on August 1, 2026.

The DC Plan allows members to place all their member contributions and 9.5 percent of the 14 percent employer contributions into an investment account. Investment allocation decisions are determined by the member. The remaining 4.5 percent of the 14 percent employer rate is allocated to the defined benefit unfunded liability. A member is eligible to receive a retirement benefit at age 50 and termination of employment. The member may elect to receive a lifetime monthly annuity or a lump sum withdrawal.

The Combined Plan offers features of both the DB Plan and the DC Plan. In the Combined Plan, 11.5% of the 13% member rate goes to the DC Plan and the remaining 1.5% is applied to the DB Plan. Member contributions to the DC Plan are allocated among investment choices by the member, and contributions to the DB Plan from the employer and the member are used to fund the defined benefit payment at a reduced level from the regular DB Plan. The defined benefit portion of the Combined Plan payment is payable to a member on or after age 60 with five years of services. The defined contribution portion of the account may be taken as a lump sum payment or converted to a lifetime monthly annuity at age 50.

New members who choose the DC Plan or Combined Plan will have another opportunity to reselect a permanent plan during their fifth year of membership. Members may remain in the same plan or transfer to another STRS plan. The optional annuitization of a member's defined contribution account or the defined contribution portion of a member's Combined Plan account to a lifetime benefit results in STRS bearing the risk of investment gain or loss on the account. STRS has therefore included all three plan options as one defined benefit plan for GASB 68 reporting purposes.

A DB or Combined Plan member with five or more years of credited service who is determined to be disabled may qualify for a disability benefit. Eligible survivors of members who die before service retirement may qualify for monthly benefits. New members on or after July 1, 2013, must have at least ten years of qualifying service credit that apply for disability benefits. Members in the DC Plan who become disabled are entitled only to their account balance. If a member of the DC Plan dies before retirement benefits begin, the member's designated beneficiary is entitled to receive the member's account balance.

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Funding Policy – Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. For fiscal year 2017, plan members were required to contribute 14 percent of their annual covered salary. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The 2017 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The School District's contractually required contribution to STRS Ohio was \$314,893 for fiscal year 2017.

***Net Pension Liability***

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share:

|  | <u>SERS</u>        | <u>STRS Ohio</u>   | <u>Total</u> |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Proportion of the net pension liability prior measurement date   | 0.02049860%        | 0.01964731%        |              |
| Proportion of the net pension liability current measurement date | <u>0.02204640%</u> | <u>0.02020784%</u> |              |
| Change in proportionate share                                    | <u>0.00154780%</u> | <u>0.00056053%</u> |              |
| Proportionate share of the net pension liability                 | \$1,613,593        | \$6,764,173        | \$8,377,766  |

***Actuarial Assumptions – SERS***

SERS' total pension liability was determined by their actuaries in accordance with GASB Statement No. 67, as part of their annual actuarial valuation for each defined benefit retirement plan. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts (e.g., salaries, credited service) and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future (e.g., mortality, disabilities, retirements, employment termination). Actuarially determined amounts are subject to continual review and potential modifications, as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employers and plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the employers and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations.

Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. For a newly hired employee, actuarial calculations will take into account the employee's entire career with the employer and also take into consideration the benefits, if any, paid to the employee after termination of employment until the death of the employee and any applicable contingent annuitant. In many cases actuarial calculations reflect several decades of service with the employer and the payment of benefits after termination.

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2016, are presented below:

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|  |  |
|--|--|
| Wage inflation                               | 3.00 percent   |
| Future salary increases, including inflation | 3.50 percent to 18.20 percent                                |
| COLA or ad hoc COLA                          | 3 percent  |
| Investment rate of return                    | 7.50 percent net of investments expense, including inflation |
| Actuarial cost method                        | Entry age normal (level percent of payroll)                  |

For post-retirement mortality, the table used in evaluating allowances to be paid is the RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and Scale BB, with 120% of male rates and 110% of female rates used. The RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table with 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement. Special mortality tables are used for the period after disability retirement.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an experience study that was completed June 30, 2015. As a result of the actuarial experience study, the following changes of assumptions affected the total pension liability since the prior measurement date: (a) the assumed rate of inflation was reduced from 3.25% to 3.00%, (b) payroll growth assumption was reduced from 4.00% to 3.50%, (c) assumed real wage growth was reduced from 0.75% to 0.50%, (d) Rates of withdrawal, retirement and disability were updated to reflect recent experience, (e) mortality among active members was updated to RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection and a five year age set-back for both males and females, (f) mortality among service retired members, and beneficiaries was updated to the following RP-2014 Blue Collar Mortality Table with fully generational projection with Scale BB, 120% of male rates, and 110% of female rates and (g) mortality among disable member was updated to RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, 90% for male rates and 100% for female rates, set back five years is used for the period after disability retirement.

The long-term return expectation for the Pension Plan Investments has been determined using a building-block approach and assumes a time horizon, as defined in SERS' *Statement of Investment Policy*. A forecasted rate of inflation serves as the baseline for the return expectation. Various real return premiums over the baseline inflation rate have been established for each asset class. The long-term expected nominal rate of return has been determined by calculating a weighted averaged of the expected real return premiums for each asset class, adding the projected inflation rate, and adding the expected return from rebalancing uncorrelated asset classes.

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

| <u>Asset Class</u>     | <u>Target<br/>Allocation</u> | <u>Long Term Expected<br/>Real Rate of Return</u> |
|------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Cash                   | 1.00 %                       | 0.50 %  |
| US Stocks              | 22.50                        | 4.75  |
| International Stocks   | 22.50                        | 7.00  |
| Fixed Income           | 19.00                        | 1.50  |
| Private Equity         | 10.00                        | 8.00  |
| Real Assets            | 15.00                        | 5.00  |
| Multi-Asset Strategies | <u>10.00</u>                 | 3.00  |
| Total                  | <u>100.00 %</u>              |   |

**Discount Rate** – The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute.

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Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.50 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** – Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50 percent, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.50 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.50 percent) than the current rate.

|  | 1% Decrease<br>6.50% | Discount Rate<br>7.50% | 1% Increase<br>8.50% |
|--|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| District's proportionate share<br>of the net pension liability | \$2,136,297          | \$1,613,593            | \$1,176,068          |

**Actuarial Assumptions – STRS Ohio**

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2016, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

|                                      |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Inflation                            | 2.75 percent   |
| Projected salary increases           | 2.75 percent at age 70 to 12.25 percent at age 20  |
| Investment rate of return            | 7.75 percent, net of investment expenses   |
| Cost-of-living adjustments<br>(COLA) | 2 percent simple applied as follows: for members retiring before August 1, 2013, 2 percent per year; for members retiring August 1, 2013, or later, 2 percent COLA paid on fifth anniversary of retirement date. |

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022—Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males' ages are set-back two years through age 89 and no set-back for age 90 and above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89 and not set back from age 90 and above.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016, valuations are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

STRS Ohio's investment consultant develops an estimate range for the investment return assumption based on the target allocation adopted by the Retirement Board. The target allocation and long-term expected rate of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

| Asset Class          | Target<br>Allocation | Long Term Expected<br>Real Rate of Return * |
|----------------------|----------------------|---|
| Domestic Equity      | 31.00 %              | 8.00 %                                      |
| International Equity | 26.00                | 7.85  |
| Alternatives         | 14.00                | 8.00  |
| Fixed Income         | 18.00                | 3.75  |
| Real Estate          | 10.00                | 6.75  |
| Liquidity Reserves   | 1.00                 | 3.00  |
| Total                | 100.00 %             | 7.61 %                                      |

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\*10-Year geometric nominal returns, which include the real rate of return and inflation of 2.50% and does not include investment expenses. The total fund long-term expected return reflects diversification among the asset classes and therefore is not a weighted average return of the individual asset classes.

**Discount Rate** – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2016. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. 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, STRS’ fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2016. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.75 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2016.

**Sensitivity of the School District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate** – The following table presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the current period discount rate assumption of 7.75 percent, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or one-percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

|  | 1% Decrease<br>(6.75%) | Discount Rate<br>(7.75%) | 1% Increase<br>(8.75%) |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| District's proportionate share<br>of the net pension liability | \$8,989,037            | \$6,764,173              | \$4,887,370            |

**Changes Between Measurement Date and Report Date** – In March 2017, the STRS Board adopted certain assumption changes which impacted their annual actuarial valuation prepared as of July 1, 2016. The most significant changes are a reduction in the expected investment return to 7.45% from 7.75% and a change to updated generational mortality tables. Although the exact amount of these changes is not known, the impact to the School District's net pension liability is expected to be significant.

**Social Security System**

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Retirement System. As of June 30, 2018, two members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The contribution rate is 6.2 percent of wages.

**Note 9 – Post Employment Benefits**

**School Employees Retirement System**

**Health Care Plan Description** – The School District contributes to the SERS Health Care Fund, administered by SERS for non-certificated retirees and their beneficiaries. For GASB 45 purposes, this plan is considered a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit other postemployment benefit (OPEB) plan. The Health Care Plan includes hospitalization and physicians’ fees through several types of plans including HMO’s, PPO’s, Medicare Advantage, and traditional indemnity plans as well as a prescription drug program. The financial report of the Plan is included in the SERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report which can be obtained on SERS’ website at [at www.ohsers.org](http://www.ohsers.org) under Employers/Audit Resources.

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Access to health care for retirees and beneficiaries is permitted in accordance with Section 3309 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Health Care Fund was established and is administered in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 105(e). SERS' Retirement Board reserves the right to change or discontinue any health plan or program. Health care is financed through a combination of employer contributions and retiree premiums, copays and deductibles on covered health care expenses, investment returns, and any funds received as a result of SERS' participation in Medicare programs. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. Retirees and their beneficiaries are required to pay a health care premium that varies depending on the plan selected, the number of qualified years of service, Medicare eligibility and retirement status.

Funding Policy – State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required basic benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. For fiscal year 2017, no portion of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. For fiscal year 2017, this amount was \$23,500. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2017 the School District's surcharge obligation was \$10,818.

The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015 were \$10,818, \$15,062, and \$14,741, respectively. 100 percent has been contributed for fiscal years 2017, 2016, and 2015.

**State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio**

Plan Description – The School District contributes to the cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit Health Plan (the "Plan") administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS Ohio) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS Ohio. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS Ohio which may be obtained by visiting [www.strsoh.org](http://www.strsoh.org), under "Publications" or by calling (888) 227-7877.

Funding Policy – Ohio law authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS Ohio. Active employee members do not contribute to the Plan. All benefit recipients pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For 2017, STRS Ohio did not allocate any employer contributions to the Health Care Stabilization Fund. The School District did not make any contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, 2016 and 2015.

**Note 10 – Debt**

The changes in the School District's long term debt during fiscal year 2017 were as follows:

|                                  | Principal<br>Outstanding<br>6/30/16 | Reductions       | Principal<br>Outstanding<br>6/30/17 | Amounts<br>Due in<br>One Year |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <u>General Obligation Bonds:</u> |                                     |                  |                                     |                               |
| General Obligation Bonds – 2016  | <u>\$1,580,000</u>                  | <u>\$200,000</u> | <u>\$1,380,000</u>                  | <u>\$195,000</u>              |

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**Refunding General Obligation Bonds – 2016**

On January 12, 2016, the School District issued general obligation bonds to advance refund the outstanding Series 2006 current general obligation bonds. These bonds are general obligations of the School District, for which its full faith and credit is pledged. The source of payment is derived from proceeds of a 5.57 mil bonded debt tax levy.

This issue is comprised of current interest bonds, par value \$1,580,000, bearing an annual interest rate of 1.962%. Interest payments on the current interest bonds are due December 1 of each year. The final maturity stated in the issue is December 1, 2023. The refunding resulted in an economic gain of \$96,050 for the School District.

The scheduled payments of principal and interest on debt outstanding at June 30, 2017 are as follows:

| Fiscal Year<br>Ending June 30 | General Obligation<br>Current Interest Bonds |          |             |
|-------------------------------|--|----------|-------------|
|                               | Principal                                    | Interest | Total       |
| 2018                          | \$195,000                                    | \$25,163 | \$220,163   |
| 2019                          | 200,000                                      | 21,288   | 221,288     |
| 2020                          | 200,000                                      | 17,363   | 217,363     |
| 2021                          | 205,000                                      | 13,390   | 218,390     |
| 2022                          | 215,000                                      | 9,270    | 224,270     |
| 2023-2024                     | 365,000                                      | 6,524    | 371,524     |
| Total                         | \$1,380,000                                  | \$92,998 | \$1,472,998 |

The Ohio Revised Code provides that voted net general obligation debt of the School District shall never exceed 9% of the total assessed valuation of the School District. The code further provides that unvoted indebtedness shall not exceed 1/10 of 1% of the property valuation of the School District.

The effects of the debt limitations at June 30, 2017 were a voted debt margin of \$6,507,483 and an unvoted debt margin of \$81,801.

**Note 11 – Contingent Liabilities**

***Grants***

Amounts grantor agencies pay to the School District are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor, principally the federal government. Grantors may require refunding any disallowed costs. Management cannot presently determine amounts grantors may disallow. However, based on prior experience, management believes any refunds would be immaterial.

***Litigation***

There are currently no matters in litigation with the School District as defendant.

***School Foundation***

School District Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Traditional School Districts must comply with minimum hours of instruction, instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the School District, which can extend past the fiscal year-end. As of the date of this report, ODE has not finalized the

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impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2017 Foundation funding for the School District; therefore, the financial statement impact is not determinable at this time. ODE and management believe this will result in either a receivable to or liability of the School District.

**Note 12 – Jointly Governed Organizations**

***Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative***

The School District is a participant in the Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative (NOACSC) which is a computer consortium. NOACSC is an association of public school districts within the boundaries of Allen, Hancock, Paulding, Putnam, and Van Wert counties, and the cities of St. Marys and Wapakoneta. The organization was formed for the purpose of applying modern technology (with the aid of computers and other electronic equipment) to administrative and instructional functions among member school districts.

The governing board of NOACSC consists of two representatives from each county elected by majority vote of all charter member school districts within each county plus one representative from the fiscal agent school district. Financial information can be obtained from Ray Burden, who serves as director, at 4277 East Road, Elida, Ohio 45807.

***Northwest Ohio Special Education Regional Resource Center***

The Northwest Ohio Special Education Regional Resource Center ("SERRC") is a jointly governed organization formed to initiate, expand, and improve special education programs and services for children with disabilities and their parents. The SERRC is governed by a fifty-two member board consisting of the superintendent from the fifty participating Districts, one representative from a non-public school, and one representative from Wright State University. The degree of control exercised by any participating School District is limited to its representation on the Board. Financial information can be obtained from the Hardin County Educational Service Center, 1 Court House Square, Suite 50, Kenton, Ohio 43326-2385.

***State Support Team Region 1***

The State Support Team Region 1 (SSTR1) provides specialized core work related to building regional capacity for district, building, and community school implementation of the Ohio Improvement Process (OIP) at a high level. The service region of the SSTR1 includes Defiance, Fulton, Hancock, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Paulding, Putnam, Sandusky, Van Wert, Williams, and Wood counties, and Fostoria Community School in Seneca County. The Lucas County Educational Service Center is the fiscal agent for the SSTR1. Executive Director and Single Point of Contact is Sue Zake. Contact information is available at [www.sstr1.org](http://www.sstr1.org).

***Vantage Vocational School***

The Vantage Vocational School is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio operated under the direction of a Board consisting of one representative from each of the participating School Districts' elected boards, which possesses its own budgeting and taxing authority. To obtain financial information, write to the Vantage Vocational School, Laura Peters, who serves as Treasurer, at 818 North Franklin Street, Van Wert, Ohio 45891.

**Note 13 – Public Entity Risk Pools**

***Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority***

The School District participates as a member of the Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority (SORSA). SORSA is a non-profit, member owned consortium, providing property, bus fleet and educator liability insurance for public schools in Ohio. SORSA is governed by public school administrators and managed by insurance professionals, and serves 106 members across Ohio. SORSA financial statements are available



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by contacting Patrick Shaver, Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority, 8050 North High St, Columbus, Ohio 43235. See Note 8 for a listing of the coverage provided to the School District for fiscal year 2018.

***Ohio School Boards Association Comp Management Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program***

The School District participates in a group rating plan for workers' compensation as established under Section 4123.29 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP) was established through the Ohio School Boards Association (OSBA) as an insurance purchasing pool.

The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a three member Board of Directors consisting of the President, the President-Elect, and the Immediate Past President of the OSBA. The Executive Director of the OSBA, or his designee, serves as coordinator of the GRP. Each year, the participants pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

***Putnam County School Insurance Group***

The Putnam County School Insurance Group (the Group), a public entity risk pool, administered by Huntington Trust is a public entity shared risk pool consisting of eleven school districts, including the Putnam County Educational Service Center, and the Putnam County Board of DD. The Group is a not-for-profit insurance group and provides medical, prescription drug, and optional dental insurance benefits, to the employees of the participants. Each participant's superintendent is appointed to the Board of Trustees which advises the consultant, Huntington Insurance, concerning aspects of the administration of the Group.

Each school district in the Group (other than the Putnam County Board of DD) must collectively bargain benefit levels with its respective employee unions. Financial information can be obtained from Jan Osborne, Superintendent, Putnam County ESC, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa, Ohio 45875.

**Note14 – Fund Balance**

Fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned based primarily on the extent to which the School District is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources in governmental funds. The constraints placed on fund balance for the major governmental funds and all other governmental funds are presented below:

| <b>Fund Balance</b>     | <b>General Fund</b> | <b>Bond Retirement Fund</b> | <b>Other Governmental Funds</b> | <b>Total Governmental Funds</b> |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Restricted for:         |                     |                             |                                 |                                 |
| Athletics               |                     |                             | \$55,320                        | \$55,320                        |
| Food Service Operations |                     |                             | 73,856                          | 73,856                          |
| Scholarships            |                     |                             | 30,253                          | 30,253                          |
| Facilities Maintenance  |                     |                             | 401,168                         | 401,168                         |
| Debt Service Payments   |                     | \$525,392                   |                                 | 525,392                         |
| Total Restricted        |                     | 525,392                     | 560,597                         | 1,085,989                       |
| Assigned for:           |                     |                             |                                 |                                 |
| Other                   | \$3,117             |                             |                                 | 3,117                           |
| Unpaid Obligations      | 271,918             |                             |                                 | 271,918                         |
| Total Assigned          | 275,035             |                             |                                 | 275,035                         |
| Unassigned              | 4,867,352           |                             |                                 | 4,867,352                       |
| Total Fund Balance      | \$5,142,387         | \$525,392                   | \$560,597                       | \$6,228,376                     |

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**Note 15 – Set-Aside Requirements**

The School District is required by State law to annually set-aside certain general fund revenue amounts, as defined by statutory formula, for the acquisition and construction of capital improvements. Amounts not spent by the end of the fiscal year or offset by similarly restricted resources received during the year must be held in cash at fiscal year-end. This amount must be carried forward to be used for the same purpose in future years.

The following cash-basis information describes the change in the fiscal year-end set-aside amount for capital improvements. Disclosure of this information is required by State statute.

|   | <u>Capital<br/>Maintenance</u> |
|---|--------------------------------|
| Set-Aside Reserve Balance June 30, 2016 |                                |
| Current year set-aside requirement      | \$76,637                       |
| Qualifying Disbursements                | <u>(241,010)</u>               |
| Total                                   | <u>(\$164,373)</u>             |
| Balance Carried Forward to July 1, 2017 | <u>                    </u>    |

Although the School District had qualifying disbursements during the fiscal year that reduced the set aside amount below zero for the capital improvements set aside, this amount may not be used to reduce the set aside requirements of future years. This negative balance is therefore not presented as being carried forward to future years.

**Note 17 – Commitments**

The School District utilizes encumbrance accounting as part of its budgetary controls. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are reservations of fund balance for subsequent-year expenditures and may be reported as part of restricted, committed, or assigned classifications of fund balance. At year end, the School District’s commitments for encumbrances in the governmental funds were as follows:

| <u>Fund</u>        | <u>Year-end<br/>Encumbrances</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------------|
| General Fund       | \$271,918                        |
| Other Governmental | <u>35,188</u>                    |
| Total              | <u>\$307,106</u>                 |



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

Ottoville Local School District  
Putnam County  
650 West Third Street  
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To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the cash-basis financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Ottoville Local School District, Putnam County, Ohio (the School District) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 22, 2019, wherein we noted the School District uses a special purpose framework other than generally accepted accounting principles.

***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

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

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

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

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***Compliance and Other Matters***

As part of reasonably assuring whether the School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2018-001.

***School District's Response to Finding***

The School District's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not subject the School District's response to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

***Purpose of this Report***

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



Keith Faber  
Auditor of State  
Columbus, Ohio

January 22, 2019

**OTTOVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PUTNAM COUNTY**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS  
JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017**

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| <b>FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS<br/>REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS</b> |
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**FINDING NUMBER 2018-001**

**Noncompliance Citation**

**Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38** provides that each public office shall file a financial report for each fiscal year. The Auditor of State may prescribe forms by rule or may issue guidelines, or both, for such reports. If the Auditor of State has not prescribed a rule regarding the form for the report, the public office shall submit its report on the form utilized by the public office.

**Ohio Admin. Code 117-2-03(B)**, which further clarifies the requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38, requires the School District to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

As a cost savings measure, the School District prepared financial statements that, although formatted similar to financial statements prescribed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, report on the basis of cash receipts and cash disbursements, rather than GAAP. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit certain assets, liabilities, deferred inflows/outflows of resources, fund equities/net position, and disclosures that, while presumably material, cannot be determined at this time.

Pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38, the School District may be fined and subject to various other administrative remedies for its failure to file the required financial report. Failure to report on a GAAP basis compromises the School District's ability to evaluate and monitor the overall financial condition of the School District. To help provide the users with more meaningful financial statements, the School District should prepare its annual financial statements according to generally accepted accounting principles.

**Officials' Response:**

At this time, the Ottoville Board of Education feels it is more cost effective to file the OCBOA statement in lieu of the GAAP statement. The School District is aware that it may be subject to a fine for not complying with the requirement of filing the School District's financial reports based on GAAP.

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## SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017

| Finding Number | Finding Summary   | Status   | Additional Information  |
|----------------|---|--|---|
| 2016-001       | This finding was first reported in 2003. Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code § 117-2-03(B) for reporting on basis other than generally accepted accounting principles. | Not corrected and reissued as finding 2018-001 in this report. | At this time, the Ottoville Board of Education feels it is more cost effective to file the OCBOA statement in lieu of the GAAP statement. |

# OHIO AUDITOR OF STATE KEITH FABER



**OTTOVILLE LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**PUTNAM COUNTY**

## **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

*Susan Babbitt*

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU**

**CERTIFIED  
FEBRUARY 5, 2019**