### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION COUNTY OF SUSSEX, NEW JERSEY

COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

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# COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT of the

#### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

Sparta, New Jersey

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017

Prepared by

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION Finance Office

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Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors Sussex County ESC Sparta, NJ

Dear Board Members,

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission (the "Commission" or "SCESC") for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 is hereby submitted. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data and the completeness and fairness to the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the management of the Commission. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the data presented in this report is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present fairly the basic financial statements and results of operations of the Commission. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the Commission's financial activities have been included.

The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report is presented in four sections: Introductory, Financial, Statistical and Single Audit. The Introductory section includes this transmittal letter, the Commission's organizational chart and a list of principal officials. The Financial section includes the Independent Auditor's Report, the Management Discussion and Analysis, the basic financial statements and notes providing an overview of the Commission's financial position and operating results, and supplementary schedules providing detailed budgetary information. The Statistical section includes selected economic and demographic information, financial trends and fiscal capacity of the commission, generally presented in a multi-year basis. The Commission is required to undergo an annual single audit in conformity with the provisions of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements of Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the State Treasury Circular Letter 15-08 OMB, "Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid". Information related to this single audit, including the auditor's report on the internal control structure and compliance with applicable laws and regulations and findings and recommendations, are included in the single audit section of this report.

#### 1. REPORTING ENTITY AND ITS SERVICES

The Sussex County Educational Services Commission is an independent reporting entity within the criteria adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") in codification section 2100. All funds of the Commission are included in this report. The SCESC and its' school, Northern Hills Academy, constitute the Commission's reporting entity. The Commission provides a full range

of educational services for both public school districts and non-public school programs in Sussex and Warren Counties. Services are provided to regular education, as well as special education students. The Commission completed the 2017-2018 school year with having served 43 students enrolled in the Northern Hills Academy. Services for basic skill instruction, communication, computation, supplemental instruction in math and language arts, speech therapy and Child Study Team evaluations were provided to 10 eligible nonpublic schools in Sussex and Warren Counties through Chapter 192/193 State funding. Additionally, 10 of those same nonpublic schools received services under IDEA funds. Nursing services for students attending 9 of nonpublic schools were provided under Chapter 226 state funding.

A variety of Itinerant Public School Programs continued in the 2017-2018 school year. Many of these services were provided to local Boards of Education to help provide efficient cost savings to our member/nonmember districts in the areas of child study team services. These services include learning disability teacher consultants, school social workers, educational psychologists, speech therapists and other related service personnel.

#### 2. ECONOMIC CONDITION AND OUTLOOK:

During the 2017-2018 school, the services provided by the SCESC to districts continued to have a positive impact on the economic condition of the SCESC's finances. School districts continued to utilize services for students at the Northern Hills Academy and the number of schools utilizing services under Itinerant Programming expanded. District from outside of Sussex County asked SCESC to provide services for both students at NHA and within our public itinerant program.

#### 3. MAJOR INITIATIVES:

Special education programming has always been the heart and soul of the Sussex County ESC through programming for students at Northern Hills Academy and with providing programming for students in Chapters 192/193 at Non-public Schools.

Success stories for students returning to district are always met with mixed emotions. The outcomes provided to students shows how they have demonstrated successes and achieve their goals with returning to district. However, the mixed emotions also come with the celebration of their success but the loss of student tuition. So although it is bittersweet, it is what the SCESC programs are designed to do- return students to district when they meet their goals.

As we continue to look to expand services, transition planning for special needs students remains a high priority and cultivating a strong community based instruction program that can be a model program for the state remains our focus.

Our professional development programming has continued to expand. The repeated requests for staff to engage local schools in sustained professional development has continued. School districts such as Hampton, Kittatinny and Sussex Vocational School have continued to support SCESC. Supporting local school districts in their teacher evaluation programs is another venue that SCESC can help implement.

#### 4. <u>INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROLS</u>

Management of the Commission is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control system designed to ensure that the assets of the Commission are protected from loss, theft or misuse

and to ensure that adequate accounting data are compiled to allow for the preparation of financial statements in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). The internal control system is designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that these objectives are met. The concept of reasonable assurance recognizes that: (1) the cost of a control should not exceed the benefits derived; and (2) the valuation of costs and benefits requires estimates and judgments by management.

As a recipient of federal awards and state financial assistance, the Commission also is responsible for ensuring that an adequate internal control structure is in place to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations related to those programs. This internal control system will be evaluated on a periodic basis by the Commission's administration.

As part of the Commission's single audit described earlier, tests are made to determine the adequacy of the internal control system, including that portion related to major federal awards and state financial assistance programs, as well as to determine that the Commission has complied with applicable laws and regulations.

#### 5. BUDGETARY CONTROLS

In addition to internal accounting controls, the Commission maintains budgetary controls. The objective of these budgetary controls is to ensure compliance with legal provisions embodied in the annual appropriated budget. Annual appropriated budgets are adopted for the general fund and special revenue fund. The final budget amount as amended for the fiscal year is reflected in the financial section.

An encumbrance accounting system is used to record outstanding purchase commitments on a line item basis. Open encumbrances at year-end are either canceled or are included as re-appropriations of fund balance in the subsequent year. Those amounts to be re-appropriated are reported as reservations of fund balance at June 30, 2017.

#### 6. ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AND REPORTS

The Commission's accounting records reflect Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The accounting system of the Commission is organized on the basis of governmental funds and business type activities fund. These funds are explained in "Notes to the Basic Financial Statements", Note 1.

#### 7. CASH MANAGEMENT

The investment policy of the Commission is guided in large part by state statute as detailed in 'Notes to the Basic Financial Statements', Note 3. The Commission has adopted a cash management plan which requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect governmental units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey. The law requires governmental units to deposit public funds only in public depositories located in New Jersey, where the funds are secured in accordance with the Act.

#### 8. OTHER INFORMATION

Independent Audit: State statutes require an annual audit by independent certified public accountants or registered municipal accountants. The accounting firm of Ferraioli, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva, a professional association of Certified Public Accountants, was selected by the Commission. In addition to meeting the requirements set forth in state statutes, the audit also was designed to meet the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the State Treasury Circular Letter 15-08 OMB, "Single Audit Policy for Recipients of Federal Grants, State Grants and State Aid". The auditor's report on the basic financial statements and supplementary information is included in the financial section of this report. The auditor's reports related specifically to the single audit are included in the single audit section of this report.

#### 9. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

We would like to express our appreciation to the members of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission for their concern in providing fiscal accountability to the citizens and taxpayers of their member school districts and thereby contributing their full support to the development and maintenance of our financial operation. The preparation of this report could not have been accomplished without the efficient and dedicated services of our auditors and administrative staff.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Romano

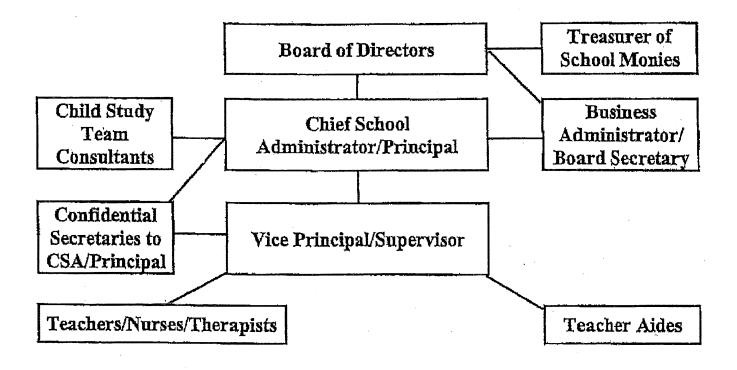
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Business Administrator / Board Secretary

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION ORGANIZATION CHART



### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION SPARTA, NEW JERSEY

#### ROSTER OF OFFICIALS June 30, 2017

#### Members of the Board of Education

#### **District**

Gil Muscatello, Board President Stanhope

Lisa Carlson, Board Vice-President Lafayette

Mike Morel Andover

Mary Ann Risley Byram

Suzanne Ross Franklin

Thomas Knutelsky Fredon

Charlotte Ambrose Hamburg

Joyce Anderson Hampton

Anthony Fasano Hopatcong

Moira Douglas Kittatinny

Richard Kuncken Lenape Valley Regional

Joanie Faye Newton

Susan Langan Sussex-Wantage

Gus Modla Sussex County Technical School

Brad Sparta Vernon

#### **Other Officials**

Andrea Romano Superintendent

Erin Siipola Business Administrator

Eileen Kithcart Treasurer

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors Sussex County Educational Services Commission County of Sussex Sparta, New Jersey

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board of Education of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the audit requirements prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.



Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Page 2.

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

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

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Board of Education, in the County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Budgetary Comparison Information, and Schedules Related to Accounting and Reporting for Pensions identified in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.



Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Page 3.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Board of Education's basic financial statements. The introductory section, combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance as required by N.J. OMB Circular 15-08 and the statistical section are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance as required by N.J. OMB Circular 15-08 are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) and the schedule of expenditures of state financial assistance as required by N.J. OMB Circular 15-08 are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The introductory section and statistical data section has not been subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 30, 2017 on our consideration of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance

### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART I

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Education Page 4.

and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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November 30, 2017



#### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 (UNAUDITED)

This section of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission's annual financial report presents its discussion and analysis of the Commission's financial performance during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. Please read it in conjunction with the transmittal letter at the front of this report and the Commission's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

#### Overview of the Financial Statements

This annual report consists of three parts: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the Commission:

- The first two statements are *district-wide* financial statements that provide both short-term and long-term information about the Commission's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the Commission, reporting the Commission's operations in more detail than the district-wide statements.
- The *governmental fund* statements tell how basic services, such as regular and special education, were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.
- *Proprietary fund* statements offer short and long-term financial information about the activities the Commission operates like a business however they are not applicable to the Commission.
- Fiduciary fund statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the Commission acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others.
- Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to full understanding of district-wide and fund financial statements.

The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the Commission's budget for the year. Figure A-1 shows how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and related to one another.

#### Figure A-1

#### Organization of Sussex County Educational Services Commission's Financial Report

Management's Discussion and Analysis	i i	
District - Wide Financial Statements	Fund Financial Statements	Notes to the Financial Statements

Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the Commission's financial statements, including the portion of the Commission's activities they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of this overview section of the Management's Discussion and Analysis highlights the structure and contents of each of the statements.

Figure A-2

Major Features of the District-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

		Fund Financial Statements			
	District-Wide Statements	Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds - N/A	Fiduciary Funds	
Scope	Entire Commission (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the Commission that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as special education and building maintenance	Activities the Commission operates similar to private businesses: Not applicable	Instances in which the Commission administers resources on behalf of someone else, such as scholarship programs and student activities monies.	
Required Financial Statements	<ul> <li>Statement of net position</li> <li>Statement of activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Balance sheet</li> <li>Statement of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund balances</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Statement of net position</li> <li>Statement of revenue, expenses changes in net position</li> <li>Statement of cash flows</li> </ul>	Statement of fiduciary net position	
Accounting Basis and Measurement Focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	
Type of Asset/Liability Information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long- term liabilities included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can	
Type of Inflow/Outflow Information	All revenue and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenue for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable	All revenue and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	

#### **District-wide Statements**

The district-wide statements report information about the Commission as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the Commission's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenue and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two district-wide statements report the Commission's net position and how they have changed. Net position - the difference between the Commission's assets and liabilities - is one way to measure the Commission's financial position.

- Over time, increases and decreases in the Commission's net position are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the Commission's overall financial position, you need to consider additional nonfinancial factors such as changes in the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

In the district-wide financial statements, the Commission's activities are divided into two categories:

Government Activities: Most of the Commission's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education and administration. Tuition and revenue from other local governmental units finance most of these activities.

Business-type Activities: The Commission has no business-type activities.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Commission's funds, focusing on its most significant or 'major' funds - not the Commission as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the Commission uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs:

- Some funds are required by state law and by bond covenants.
- The Commission establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes ( such as federal repaying its long-term debts) or to show that it is properly using certain revenue (such as federal grants)

The Commission has two kinds of funds:

Governmental Funds: Most of the Commission's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on 1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out; and 2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Commission's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the District-wide statements, additional information at the bottom of the governmental fund statements explains the relationship (or difference) between them.

<u>Fiduciary Funds:</u> The Commission is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others, such as the student activities fund. The Commission is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The Commission excludes these activities from the district-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

#### **Notes to Financial Statements**

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the district-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the basic financial statements can be found immediately following the fund financial statements.

#### Financial Analysis of the Commission as a Whole

Net Position. The Commission's net position increased \$89,228. Net position, invested in capital assets decreased \$62,196, restricted decreased \$79,230 and unrestricted net position increased \$230,654.

Figure A-3

#### **Condensed Statement of Net Position**

	Governmental Activities	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Current and Other Assets	\$2,640,862	\$2,316,034
Capital Assets, Net	1,727,833	1,778,851
Total Assets	4,368,695	4,094,885
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Related to PERS	914,629	490,231
Long-term Liabilities	2,479,162	1,803,119
Other Liabilities	115,629	128,748
Total Liabilities	2,594,791	_1,931,867
D.C. 11.0. CD		
Deferred Inflows of Resources	20.777	1.42.722
Related to PERS	<u>89,777</u>	143,722
Net Position:		
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	1,701,277	1,763,473
Restricted	711	79,941
Unrestricted	896,768	666,114
Total Net Position	<u>\$2,598,756</u>	\$2,509,528

Changes in Net Position. The Commission's combined net position was \$2,598,756 on June 30, 2017, \$89,228 or 3.56% more than it was the year before. (See figure A-3). Some of the factors that contributed to this increase in net position are as follows:

- Marginal profitability from Itinerant Services
- Shared Service with School District for Business Office staff

Figure A-4

Changes in Net Position from Operating Results

	<b>Governmental Activities</b>			
Revenue:	<u>2016/2017</u>	<u>2015/2016</u>		
Program Revenue:				
Charges for Services	\$3,231,671	\$3,546,533		
Operating Grants and Contributions	388,669	333,407		
General Revenue:				
Other	1,319,470	1,124,653		
Total Revenue	4,939,810	5,004,593		
Expenses:				
Instruction	1,970,132	2,249,589		
Pupil and Instruction Services	1,317,765	1,091,869		
Administrative and Business	1,120,081	1,029,315		
Maintenance and Operations	241,370	183,240		
Pupil Transportation	-	383		
Other	201,234	211,708		
Total Expenses	4,850,582	4,766,104		
Increase/(Decrease) in Net Position	\$ 89,228	<u>\$ 238,489</u>		

Revenue Sources. The Commission's total revenue for the 2016/2017 school year was \$4,939,810. (See Figure A-5). Charges for services, which consists of tuition and charges for other special services provided to other local governmental units accounted for most of the Commission's revenue (65.42%). Another 7.87% came from State and Federal aid for specific programs and the remainder from miscellaneous sources. The Sussex County Education Services Commission basically conducts its operations from the revenues it receives from its tuition and charges for services from other local governmental units.

Figure A-5

#### Sources of Revenue for Fiscal Year

	2	2017		16
	Amount	Percentage	<u>Amount</u>	Percentage
Sources of Income:				
Charges for Services	\$ 3,231,671	65.42%	\$ 3,546,533	70.87%
Grants and Contributions	388,669	7.87%	333,407	6.66%
Other	1,319,470	26.71%	_1,124,653	22.47%
	<u>\$4,939,810</u>	<u>100.00%</u>	<u>\$ 5,004,593</u>	100.00%

The total cost of all programs and services was \$4,850,582. The Commission's expenses are predominately related to instruction and pupil services (67.78%). (See Figure A-6). The Commission's administrative and business activities accounted for 23.09% of total costs.

Figure A-6

#### **Expenses for Fiscal Year**

	2017		2016	
Expense Category:	Amount	Percentage	Amount	Percentage
Instruction	\$1,970,132	40.61%	\$ 2,249,589	47.20%
Pupil and Instruction Services	1,317,765	27.17%	1,091,869	22.91%
Administrative and Business	1,120,081	23.09%	1,029,315	21.60%
Maintenance and Operations	241,370	4.98%	183,240	3.84%
Pupil Transportation		0.00%	383	.01%
Other	201,234	4.15%	211,708	4.44%
Governmental Activities	\$ 4,850,582	100.00%	\$ 4,766,104	100.00%

#### Governmental Activities

Figure A-7 presents the cost of five major Commission activities: instruction, pupil and instructional services, administration and business, maintenance and operations, and other miscellaneous expenses. The table also shows each activity's net cost (total cost less fees generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid provided for specific programs). The net earnings (costs) shows the financial resources provided by (used for) the Commission's functions.

Figure A-7

#### Net Costs/(Earnings) of Governmental Activities

	Total Cost of Services		Net (C <u>Earnings</u> of	· ·
	2016/2017	2015/2016	2016/2017	<u>2015/2016</u>
Instruction	\$ 1,970,132	\$ 2,249,589	\$ 1,650,209	\$ 1,630,350
Pupil and Instruction Services	1,317,765	1,091,869	(1,317,765)	(1,091,869)
Administration and Operations	1,120,081	1,029,315	(1,120,081)	(1,029,315)
Maintenance and Operations	241,370	183,240	(241,370)	(183,240)
Pupil Transportation	<b>*</b>	383	_	(383)
Other	201,234	211,708	(201,234)	_(211,708)
	\$ 4,850,582	<u>\$ 4,766,104</u>	\$ (1,230,241)	\$ (886,164)

- Total costs from all governmental activities this year was \$4,850,582.
- The net costs from all governmental activities this year was \$1,230,241.
- The state and federal governments subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions (\$388,669).
- Most of the Commission's costs, however, were financed by charges for services from other local governmental units (\$3,231,671).
- The remainder of the funding came from miscellaneous revenue and investment earnings.

#### Financial Analysis of the Commission's Funds

The administration is constantly aware that changes in enrollment and cost increases can occur unexpectedly. We rely on the tuition received from providing educational programs to students with special needs from other school districts as our main source of revenue. Even with a healthy fund balance, management of our expenses remains a priority in order to reinforce our financial health.

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

The Commission does not receive State Aid or Property Tax Levy funding. Its primary source of revenue is the tuition paid by a student's home Board of Education. A minimal funding source is through nonpublic school subsidies for special programs from the State and Federal funds. The Commission also provides consultants to local school districts for speech therapy, social work, educational psychology, case managers, and home instruction on both long and short term basis.

During the course of the year, the Commission revises the annual operating budget several times. These budget amendments are made up of changes within budgetary line items for changes in the revenue stream affected by enrollment, types of services provided, state mandates, and levels of funding.

#### Capital Asset and Debt Administration

#### Figure A-8

#### **Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)**

	Governmental Activities	
	2016/2017	<u>2015/2016</u>
Sites	\$ 230,000	\$ 230,000
Building and Building Improvements	1,427,576	1,484,915
Machinery and Equipment	70,257	63,936
Total Capital Assets	<u>\$ 1,727,833</u>	<u>\$1,778,851</u>

#### Long Term Debt

The Commission entered into a capital lease purchase agreement in 2016/2017 school year for two new copiers, which resulted in the increase in capital leases. Other long term debt increased due to the accrual of compensated absences and accounting for net pension liability under GASB No. 68.

Figure A-9

#### **Outstanding Long-term Debt**

	<u>Total School</u>	<u>District</u>
	2016/2017	2015/2016
Capital Leases	\$ 26,556	\$ 15,378
Other Long-term	2,457,400	1,793,874
·	<u>\$ 2,483,956</u>	<u>\$1,809,252</u>

#### Factors Bearing on the Commission's Future Revenue/Expense Changes

The Commission is facing budgetary challenges along with its constituent school districts. However, by marketing effective and efficient instructional services to public school districts and pricing Northern Hills Academy tuition below private "for profit" institutions; SCESC retains a competitive edge for special needs education. A decision to expand programs provided by NHA and may result in the need for additional staff, administration and space. We continue to promote the Commission and Northern Hills Academy through our web site, interaction with other districts, along with word of mouth and have seen the change in how the SCESC is now a leader in special education.

#### Contacting the Commission's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the Commission's citizens, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the Commission's finances and to demonstrate the Commission's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Commission, 18 Gail Court, Sparta, New Jersey 07871.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### DISTRICT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION STATEMENT OF NET POSITION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Governmental
	Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	2,045,393.07
Receivables, net	595,468.66
Capital Assets:	
Land	230,000.00
Capital assets, net	1,497,833.34
Total Assets	4,368,695.07
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS	
Deferred outflows of resources related to PERS	905,611.00
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	100,421.29
Other liabilities	38.65
Unearned revenue	1,357.10
Noncurrent liabilities:	
Due within one year	4,794.37
Due beyond one year	2,479,161.89
Total liabilities	2,585,773.30
DEFERRED INFLOWS	
Deferred inflows of resources related to PERS	89,777.00
NET POSITION	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,701,276.88
Restricted for:	
Other purposes	710.68
Unrestricted	896,768.21
Total net position	2,598,755.77

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

						Net (Expense) Revenue and
			Program	Program Revenues		Changes in Net Position
		Indirect		Operating	Capital	
		Expenses	Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Allocation	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities
Governmental activities:						
Instruction:						
Special education	865,993.73	395,118.48	3,231,671.66	388,669.50		2,359,228.95
Other instruction	456,329.88	194,652.53				(650,982.41)
Support services:						
Student & instruction related services	772,259.60	495,870.63				(1,268,130.23)
General administrative services	246,801.32	107,606.47				(354,407.79)
School administrative service	207,264.57	115,378.14				(322,642.71)
Central Services and Admin. Info. Tech.	251,448.62	154,121.60				(405,570.22)
Plant operations and maintenance	191,281.09	45,435.91				(236,717.00)
Special Schools	201,233.67	I				(201,233.67)
Total governmental activities	3,192,612.48	1,508,183.76	3,231,671.66	388,669.50		(1,080,455.08)
Total primary government	3,192,612.48		3,231,671.66	388,669.50	1	(1,080,455.08)
	General revenues:					
		Federal and State aid not restricted	aid not restricted			425,927.00
		Interest Earned				3,890.35
		Other Restricted M	Other Restricted Miscellaneous Revenue	Je		731,865.48
		Miscellaneous Income	ome			8,000.69
	Total general rever	iues, special items, e	Total general revenues, special items, extraordinary items and transfers	nd transfers		1,169,683.52
	Change in Net Postion	t Postion				89,228.44
	Net Position—begin	beginning				2,509,527.33

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

2,598,755.77

Net Position—ending

#### **FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	2,045,393.07		2,045,393.07
Interfund loan receivable	7,361.04		7,361.04
Due from other funds	3,320.97		3,320.97
Receivables from Federal government		10,264.00	10,264.00
Receivables from State government	4,623.18		4,623.18
Receivables from Local Government	577,260.51		577,260.51
Total assets	2,637,958.77	10,264.00	2,648,222.77
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES Liabilities:			
Accounts payable	31,309.43	2,845.86	34,155.29
Interfund loan payable		7,361.04	7,361.04
Deferred Revenue	1,300.00	57.10	1,357.10
Other Current Liabilities	38.65		38.65
Total liabilities	32,648.08	10,264.00	42,912.08
Fund Balances:  Committed to:  Reserve for Encumbrances  Unassigned:  General fund	710.68 2,604,600.01		710.68 2,604,600.01
Total fund balances	2,605,310.69	-	2,605,310.69
Total liabilities and fund balances	2,637,958.77	10,264.00	2,000,010.05
Amounts reported for <i>governmental activities</i> in the net assets (A-1) are different because:  Capital assets used in governmental activities are resources and therefore are not reported in the function of the assets is \$2,722,563 and the accumulated	not financial		
depreciation is \$993,871.			1,727,833.34
Accounts payable for subsequent Pension payment payable in the funds	at is not a		(66,266.00)
Deferred Outflows and Inflows of resources are apperiods and therefore are not reported in the funds.  Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to PER	•		905,611.00
Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to PERS	Pension Liability		(89,777.00)
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are no	ot reported as		
liabilities in the funds.			(2,483,956.26)
Net position of governmental activities			

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

#### FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES				•
Local sources:				
Tuition Charges	2,896,124.91			2,896,124.91
Interest Income	3,890.35			3,890.35
Service Revenues	335,546.75			335,546.75
Other Restricted Miscellaneous Revenue	731,865.48			731,865.48
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures	1,056.36			1,056.36
Local Grants		1,000.00		1,000.00
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenues	5,944.33			5,944.33
Total - Local Sources	3,974,428.18	1,000.00	-	3,975,428.18
State sources	371,294.50			371,294.50
Federal sources		17,375.00		17,375.00
Total revenues	4,345,722.68	18,375.00	-	4,364,097.68
EXPENDITURES				
Current:				
Special education instruction	865,993.73	-		865,993.73
Other instruction	456,329.88			456,329.88
Support services and undistributed costs:				
Student & instruction related services	753,884.60	18,375.00		772,259.60
General administrative services	246,801.32			246,801.32
School administrative services	207,264.57			207,264.57
Central Services and Admin. Info. Tech.	251,448.62			251,448.62
Plant operations and maintenance	191,281.09			191,281.09
Unallocated employee benefits	833,264.00			833,264.00
Capital outlay	26,943.34	-		26,943.34
Special Schools	201,233.67			201,233.67
Total expenditures	4,034,444.82	18,375.00	-	4,052,819.82
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues				
over expenditures	311,277.86	_	-	311,277.86
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)	,			
Capital leases (non-budgeted)	26,943.34		(52 0 44)	26,943.34
Transfer Out - Capital Projects to General Fund	63,041.72		(63,041.72)	
Total other financing sources and uses	89,985.06	-	(63,041.72)	26,943.34
Net change in fund balances	401,262.92	-	(63,041.72)	338,221.20
Fund balance—July 1	2,202,077.51		63,041.72	2,265,119.23
Fund balance—June 30	2,603,340.43		• •	2,603,340.43

The accompanying Notes to Financial Statements are an integral part of this statement.

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds (from B-2)		338,221.20
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (A-2) are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, on the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation in the current fiscal year.		
Depreciation expense Depreciable capital outlay	(77,961.00) 26,943.34	(51,017.66)
In the statement of activities, certain operating expenses, e.g., compensated absences are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are reported in the amount of financial resources used (paid). When the earned amount exceeds the paid amount, the difference is reduction in the reconciliation (-); when paid amount exceeds the earned amount the the difference is an addition to the reconciliation (+).		
(Increase) Decrease in compensated absences payable		(5,172.34)
Repayment of long-term debt is reported as an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets and is not reported in the statement of activities.  In the current year, these amounts consist of: Principal Payments on Capital Leases New Capital Leases	7,379.58 (26,943.34)	(19,563.76)
In the statement of activities, interest on long-term debt in the statement of activities is accrued, regardless of when due. In the governmental funds, interest is reported when due. The change in accrued interest is a increase in the reconciliation.  District pension contributions are reported as expenditures in the governmental funds when made. However, per GASB no. 68 they are reported as deferred outflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position because the reported net pension liability is measured a year before the District's report date. Pension expense, which is the change in the net pension liability adjusted for changes in deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to repositors, in constant in the Statement of Activities.		
to pensions, is reported in the Statement of Activities.  District Pension Contributions  Less: Pension Expense  Increase in Pension Expense	72,053.00 (245,292.00)	(173,239.00)
Per GASB no. 68 Non-employer contributing entities are required to record an increase in revenue and expense for On-behalf TPAF pension payments paid by the State of New Jersey on the Statement of Activities that are in excess of those amounts reported in the fund financial statements.		
Increase in On-behalf State Aid TPAF Pension Increase in On-behalf TPAF Pension Expense		425,927.00 (425,927.00)
Change in net position of governmental activities	<del></del>	89,228.44
Change in not position of governmental activities	=	07,220.44

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

	Agency Funds
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	14,143.20
Total assets	14,143.20
LIABILITIES	
Interfund payable	110.74
Payable to student groups	4,535.11
Flexible spending account	3,429.64
Payroll deductions and withholdings	6,067.71
Total liabilities	14,143.20

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL COMMISSION AND REPORTING ENTITY

The Sussex County Educational Services Commission ("Commission") is an instrumentality of the State of New Jersey, established to function as an educational institution. The Commission consists of officials appointed to the Commission's Board of Directors as representatives from member school districts and is responsible for the fiscal control of the Commission. A superintendent is appointed by the Board and is responsible for the administrative control of the Commission. Under existing statutes, the Board's duties and powers include, but are not limited to, the development and adoption of a school program; the establishment, organization and operation of schools; and the acquisition, maintenance and disposition of school property.

The Board also has broad financial responsibilities, including the approval of the annual budget and the establishment of a system of accounting and budgetary controls.

Governmental Accounting Standards Board publication, Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, Section 2100, "Defining the Financial Reporting Entity" establishes standards to determine whether a governmental component unit should be included in the financial reporting entity. The basic criterion for inclusion or exclusion from the financial reporting entity is the exercise of oversight responsibility over agencies, boards and commissions by the primary government. The exercise of oversight responsibility includes financial interdependency and a resulting financial benefit or burden relationship, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. In addition, certain legally separate, tax-exempt entities that meet specific criteria (i.e. benefit of economic resources, access/entitlement to economic resources, and significance) should be included in the financial reporting entity. The combined financial statements include all funds of the District over which the Board exercises operating control. The operations of the Commission include a private school for students with disabilities, located in the Township of Sparta. There were no additional entities required to be included in the reporting entity under the criteria as described above, in the current fiscal year. Furthermore, the District is not includable in any other reporting entity on the basis of such criteria.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Board of Education of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Commission's accounting policies are described below.

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The Commission's basic financial statements consist of District-wide 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.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### A. Basis of Presentation (continued)

#### **District-wide Financial Statements**

The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Commission as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the overall Commission, except for the fiduciary funds.

The statement of net position presents the financial condition of the governmental activities of the Commission at year-end. The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each program or function of the governmental activities of the Commission. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a service, program or department and therefore clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipient of the goods or services offered by the program, grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues which are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues of the Commission, with certain limited exceptions. The comparison of direct expenses with program revenues identifies the extent to which each business segment or governmental function is self-financing or draws from the general revenues of the Commission.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

During the fiscal year, the Commission segregates transactions related to certain Commission functions or activities in separate funds in order to aid financial management and to demonstrate legal compliance. The fund financial statements provide information about the Commission's funds, including its fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category - *government*, and *fiduciary* - are presented. The New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) has elected to require New Jersey Commissions to treat each governmental fund as a major fund in accordance with the option noted in GASB No. 34, paragraph 76. The NJDOE believes that the presentation of all funds as major is important for public interest and to promote consistency among Commission financial reporting models. The various funds of the Commission are grouped into the categories governmental and fiduciary.

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the Commission are financed. Governmental fund reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. The following are the Commission's governmental funds:

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### A. Basis of Presentation (continued)

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS** (continued)

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is the general operating fund of the Commission. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Included are certain expenditures for vehicles and movable instructional or noninstructional equipment which are classified in the Capital Outlay subfund.

As required by the New Jersey State Department of Education, the Commission includes budgeted Capital Outlay in this fund. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as they pertain to governmental entities state that General Fund resources may be used to directly finance capital outlays for long-lived improvements as long as the resources in such cases are derived exclusively from unrestricted revenue.

Resources for budgeted capital outlay purposes are normally derived from State of New Jersey Aid, tuition, charges to other local government units and appropriated fund balance. Expenditures are those that result in the acquisition of or additions to fixed assets for land, existing buildings, improvements of grounds, construction of buildings, additions to or remodeling of buildings and the purchase of built-in equipment. These resources can be transferred from and to Current Expense by Board resolution.

<u>Special Revenue Fund</u> - The Special Revenue Fund is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue from State and Federal Government (other than major capital projects, Debt Service or the Enterprise Funds) and local appropriations that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

#### **FIDUCIARY FUNDS**

**Fiduciary Fund** - Fiduciary Fund reporting focuses on net position and changes in net position. The Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the Commission on behalf of individuals, private organizations, other governments and/or other funds. Fiduciary Funds include the Student Activities Fund and the Payroll Agency Fund.

#### **B.** Measurement Focus

#### **District-wide Financial Statements**

The District-wide statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) are prepared using the economic resources measurements focus and the accrual basis of accounting. All assets and liabilities associated with the operation of the Commission are included on the statement of net position, except for fiduciary funds.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **B. Measurement Focus** (continued)

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

All governmental funds are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities generally are included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach differs from the manner in which the governmental activities of the District-wide financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include a reconciliation with brief explanations to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

#### C. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. The District-wide financial statements and the financial statements of the fiduciary funds are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Differences in the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting arise in the recognition of revenue, the recording of deferred revenue, and in the presentation of expenses versus expenditures.

#### Revenues - Exchange and Non-exchange Transactions

Revenue resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, is recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenue is recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the Commission receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include grants, entitlements and donations. Revenue from grants, entitlements and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the Commission must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Commission on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at year-end: tuition, unrestricted grants and interest.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### C. Basis of Accounting (continued)

#### Expenses/Expenditures

On the accrual basis of accounting, expenses are recognized at the time they are incurred.

The measurement of focus of governmental fund accounting is on decreases in net financial resources (expenditures) rather than expenses. Expenditures are generally recognized in the accounting period in which the related fund liability is incurred, if measurable. Allocations of cost, such as depreciation and amortization, are not recognized in the governmental funds.

#### D. Budgets/Budgetary Control

Annual appropriated budgets are adopted in the spring of the preceding year for the general, and special revenue funds. The budgets are submitted to the county superintendents office for approval. Budgets are prepared using the modified accrual basis of accounting, except for the special revenue fund as described later. The legal level of budgetary control is established at line item accounts within each fund. Line item accounts are defined as the lowest (most specific) level of detail as established pursuant to the minimum chart of accounts referenced in N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-2(g)1. Transfers of appropriations may be made by school board resolution at any time during the fiscal year. The Commission did make material supplemental budgetary appropriations during the fiscal year for additional revenue created by tuition, also creating additional costs.

Formal budgetary integration into the accounting system is employed as a management control device during the year. For governmental funds there are no substantial differences between the budgetary basis of accounting and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, with the exception of the special revenue fund as noted below. Encumbrance accounting is also employed as an extension of formal budgetary integration in the governmental fund types. Unencumbered appropriations lapse at fiscal year end. The Commission decreased their original budget for a reduction of revenues and expenditures during the fiscal year in the amount of \$530,178.46.

The accounting records of the special revenue fund are maintained on the grant accounting budgetary basis. The grant accounting budgetary basis differs from GAAP in that the grant accounting budgetary basis recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenue, whereas the GAAP basis does not. Sufficient supplemental records are maintained to allow for the presentation of GAAP basis financial reports.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### E. Encumbrances

Under encumbrance accounting purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of resources are recorded to reserve a portion of the applicable appropriation. Open encumbrances in governmental funds, other than the special revenue fund, are reported as reservations of fund balances at fiscal year end as they do not constitute expenditures or liabilities but rather commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services.

Open encumbrances in the special revenue fund, for which the Commission has received advances, are reflected in the balance sheet as unearned revenue at fiscal year end.

The encumbered appropriation authority carries over into the next fiscal year. An entry will be made at the beginning of the next fiscal year to increase the appropriation reflected in the certified budget by the outstanding encumbrance amount as of the current fiscal year end.

#### F. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents include petty cash, change funds, cash in banks and all highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase and are stated at cost plus accrued interest. U.S. Treasury and agency obligations and certificates of deposit with maturities of one year or less when purchased are stated at cost. All other investments are stated at fair value.

New Jersey school districts are limited as to the types of investments and types of financial institutions they may invest in. New Jersey statute 18A:20-37 provides a list of permissible investments that may be purchased by New Jersey school districts.

Additionally, the Commission has adopted a cash management plan that requires it to deposit public funds in public depositories protected from loss under the provisions of the Governmental Unit Deposit Protection Act ("GUDPA"). GUDPA was enacted in 1970 to protect Governmental Units from a loss of funds on deposit with a failed banking institution in New Jersey.

N.J.S.A. 17:9-41 et. seq. establishes the requirements for the security of deposits of governmental units. The statute requires that no governmental unit shall deposit public funds in a public depository unless such funds are secured in accordance with the Act. Public depositories include Savings and Loan institutions, banks (both state and national banks) and savings banks the deposits of which are federally insured. All public depositories must pledge collateral, having a market value at least equal to five percent of the average daily balance of collected public funds, to secure the deposits of Governmental Units. If a public depository fails, the collateral it has pledged, plus the collateral of all other public depositories, is available to pay the full amount of their deposits to the Governmental Units.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### G. Tuition Revenues/Receivable

Tuition charges were established by the Commission based on estimated costs. The charges are subject to adjustment when the final costs have been determined.

#### H. Prepaid Items

Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit periods beyond June 30, 2016, are recorded as prepaid items using the consumption method. A current asset for the prepaid amount is recorded at the time of purchase and an expenditure/expense is reported in the year in which services are consumed.

#### I. Short-Term Interfund Receivables/Payables

On fund financial statements, receivables and payables resulting from short-term interfund loans are classified as "interfund receivables/payables." These amounts are eliminated in the governmental activities columns of the statement of net position, except for the net residual amounts due between governmental and fiduciary funds, which are presented as internal balances.

#### J. Capital Assets

All capital assets acquired or constructed during the year are recorded at actual cost. Donated fixed assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. The capital assets acquired or constructed prior to June 30, 1993 are valued at cost based on historical records or through estimation procedures performed by an independent appraisal company. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. The Commission maintains a capitalization threshold of \$2,000.00. The Commission does not possess any infrastructure. Improvements are capitalized; the costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend an asset's life are not.

All reported capital assets except land and construction in progress are depreciated. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>
Sites and Improvements
Building and Improvements
Furniture, Equipment and Vehicles

Governmental Activities

<u>Estimated Lives</u>

20 years

7-50 years

5-20 years

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### **K.** Compensated Absences

Compensated absences are those absences for which employees will be paid, such as vacation, sick leave, and sabbatical leave. A liability for compensated absences that are attributable to services already rendered, and that are not contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Commission and its employees, is accrued as the employees earn the rights to the benefits. Compensated absences that relate to future services, or that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the Commission and its employees, are accounted for in the period in which such services are rendered or in which such events take place.

For the District-wide Statements, the current portion is the amount estimated to be used in the following year. In accordance with GAAP, for the governmental funds, in the Fund Financial Statements, all of the compensated absences are considered long-term and therefore, are not a fund liability and represents a reconciling item between the fund level and District-wide presentations.

#### L. Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue arises when assets are recognized before revenue recognition criteria have been satisfied.

Unearned revenue in the special revenue fund represents cash that has been received but not yet earned. See Note 2(A) regarding the special revenue fund.

#### M. Accrued Liabilities and Long-term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the District-wide financial statements.

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources, are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgements, compensated absences, special termination benefits and contractually required pension contributions that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment in the current year. Bonds, long-term obligations, and capital leases that will be paid from governmental funds are recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements when due.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### N. Fund Balances:

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

- **Nonspendable** fund balance includes amounts that are not in a spendable form (inventory, for example) or are required to be maintained intact (the principal of an endowment fund, for example).
- **Restricted** fund balance includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by external resource providers (for example, grant providers), constitutionally, or through enabling legislation (that is, legislation that creates a new revenue source and restricts its use). Effectively, restrictions may be changed or lifted only with the consent of resource providers.
- Committed fund balance includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Board's highest level of decision-making authority. Commitments may be changed or lifted only by the government taking the same formal action that imposed the constraint originally.
- **Assigned** fund balance comprises amounts *intended* to be used by the Commission for specific purposes. Intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority. In governmental funds other than the general fund, assigned fund balance represents the amount that is not restricted or committed. This indicates that resources in other governmental funds are, at a minimum, intended to be used for the purpose of that fund.
- Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund and includes all amounts not contained in the other classifications. Unassigned amounts are technically available for any purpose. If another governmental fund has a fund balance deficit, then it will be reported as a negative amount in the unassigned classification in that fund. Positive unassigned amounts will be reported only in the general fund.

#### O. Net Position

Net position represent the difference between assets and liabilities. Net position invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balance of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position are reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Commission or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

The Commission applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### P. Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions

In fiscal year 2015, the District implemented GASB 68. This Statement amends GASB Statement No. 27. It improves accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. It also improves information provided by state and local government employers about financial support for pensions that is provided by other entities. This Statement results from a comprehensive review of the effectiveness of existing standards of accounting and financial reporting for pensions with regard to providing decision useful information, supporting assessments of accountability and interperiod equity, and creating additional transparency. This Statement replaces the requirement of Statement No. 27, *Accounting for Pension by State and Local Governmental Employers*, as well as the requirements of Statement No. 50, *Pension Disclosures*, as they relate to pensions that are provided through pension plans administered as trusts or equivalent arrangements that meet certain criteria. The requirements of Statements 27 and 50 remain applicable for pensions that are not covered by the scope of this Statement.

The District has also implemented GASB Statement 71, Pension Transition for Contributions made Subsequent to the Measurement Date-an amendment to GASB No. 68. The objective of this Statement is to address an issue regarding application of the transition provisions of Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. The issue relates to amounts associated with contributions, if any, made by a state or local government employer or nonemployer contributing entity to a defined benefit pension plan after the measurement date of the government's beginning net pension liability.

Statement 68 requires a state or local government employer (or nonemployer contributing entity in a special funding situation) to recognize a net pension liability measured as of a date (the measurement date) no earlier than the end of its prior fiscal year. If a state or local government employer or nonemployer contributing entity makes a contribution to a defined benefit pension plan between the measurement date of the reported net pension liability and the end of the government's reporting period, Statement 68 requires that the government recognize its contribution as a deferred outflow of resources.

In addition, Statement 68 requires recognition of deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for changes in the net pension liability of a state or local government employer or nonemployer contributing entity that arise from other types of events. At transition to Statement 68, if it is not practical for an employer or nonemployer contributing entity to determine the amounts of all deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, paragraph 137 of Statement 68 required that beginning balances for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources not be reported. Consequently, if it is not practical to determine the amounts of all deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, contributions made after the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability could not have been reported as deferred outflows of resources at transition. This could have resulted in a significant understatement of an employer or nonemployer contributing entity's beginning net position and expense in the initial period of implementation.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### P. Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (continued)

This Statement amends paragraph 137 of Statement 68 to require that, at transition, a government recognize a beginning deferred outflow of resources for its pension contributions, if any, made subsequent to the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability. Statement 68, as amended, continues to require that beginning balances for other deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions be reported at transition only if it is practical to determine all such amounts.

#### Q. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Currently, the District has only one item that qualifies for reporting in this category, deferred amounts related to pensions.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The District has one item that qualifies in this category, deferred amounts related to pension.

#### R. Extraordinary and Special Items

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events that are within the control of the Commission and that are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. Neither type of transaction occurred during the fiscal year.

#### S. Allocation of Indirect Expenses

The Commission reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses are allocated to functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities. Employee benefits, including the employer's share of social security, workers compensation, medical and dental benefits and TPAF on-behalf contributions were allocated based on salaries of that program. Changes in compensating absences have not been allocated and have been reported as unallocated benefits on the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense, where practicable, is specifically identified by function and is included in the indirect expense column of the Statement of Activities. Depreciation expense that could not be attributed to a specific function is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities as unallocated depreciation. Interest on long-term debt is considered an indirect expense and is reported separately on the Statement of Activities.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### T. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that effect certain reports, amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **U.** Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 72</u>, Fair Value Measurement and Application. This Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015. This Statement addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements. The definition of fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. This Statement also provides guidance for determining a fair value measurement for financial reporting purposes. This Statement also provides guidance for applying fair value to certain investments and disclosures related to all fair value measurements. The District had no transactions of this type for the year ended June 30, 2017.

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 73</u>, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68 and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68. This Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2015 – except those provisions that address employers and governmental nonemployer contributing entities for pensions that are not within the scope of Statement 68, which are effective for financial statements for fiscal years beginning after June 15,2016. The District is currently reviewing what effect, if any, this Statement might have on future financial statements.

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 74</u>, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans. This Statement applies to OPEB plans and basically parallels GASB Statement 67 and replaces GASB Statement 43 and is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2016. The District is currently reviewing what effect, if any, this Statement might have on future financial statements.

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 75</u>, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. This Statement applies to government employers who provided OPEB plans to their employees and basically parallels GASB Statement 68 and replaces GASB Statement 45. The Statement is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2017. The District is currently reviewing what effect, if any, this Statement might have on future financial statements.

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 76</u>, The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments, which reduces the GAAP hierarchy to two categories of authoritative GAAP from the four categories under GASB Statement No. 55, The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for State and Local Governments. The first

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### U. Recent Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

category of authoritative GAAP consists of GASB Statements of Governmental Accounting Standards. The second category comprises GASB Technical Bulletins and Implementation Guides, as well as guidance from the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants that is cleared by the GASB. The District is currently reviewing what effect, if any, this Statement might have on future financial statements.

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 77</u>, *Tax Abatement Disclosures*, which improve financial reporting by giving users of financial statements essential information that is not consistently or comprehensively reported to the public at present. Disclosure of information about the nature and magnitude of tax abatements will make these transactions more transparent to financial statement users. As a result, users will be better equipped to understand (1) how tax abatements affect a government's future ability to raise resources and meet its financial obligations and (2) the impact those abatements have on a government's financial position and economic condition. The District believes this Statement will have no impact on future financial statements.

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 78</u>, *Pensions Provided through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans*, which establishes the criteria for identifying the applicable pension plans and addresses measurement and recognition for pension liabilities, expense and expenditures; note disclosures of descriptive information about the plan, benefit terms, and contributions items; and required supplementary information presenting required contribution amounts for the past 10 fiscal years. The District is currently reviewing what effect this Statement might have on future financial statements.

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 79</u>, *Certain External Investment Pools and Pool Participation*, which permits qualifying external investment pools to measure pool investments at amortized cost for financial reporting purposes. The District is currently reviewing what effect this Statement might have on future financial statements.

The Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 80</u>, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units*, which provides clarity about how certain component units incorporated as not-for-profit corporations should be presented in the financial statements of the primary state or local government. The District does not believe this Statement will have any effect on future financial statements.

In March 2016, the Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 81</u>, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements*. The objective of this Statement is to improve 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 District does not believe this Statement will have any effect on future financial statements.

#### NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### U. Recent Accounting Pronouncements (continued)

In March 2016, the Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 82</u>, *Pension Issues - an Amendment of GASB Statements No. 67*, *No. 68 and No. 73*. The objective of this Statement is to address certain issues that have been raised with respect to Statement No. 67, *Financial Reporting for Pension Plans*, No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, and No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not Within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*. This Statement is effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2016. Specifically, this Statement 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.

In November 2016, the Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 83</u>, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations*. This Statement establishes criteria for determining the timing and pattern of recognition of a liability and a corresponding deferred outflows of resources for asset retirement obligations (AROs). The District does not believe this Statement will have any effect on future financial statements.

In January 2017, the Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 84</u>, *Fiduciary Activities*. This Statement establishes criteria for identifying fiduciary activities of all state and local governments. The focus on the criteria generally is on (1) whether a government is controlling the assets of the fiduciary activity and (2) the beneficiaries with whom a fiduciary relationship exists. Separate criteria are included to identify component units and postemployment benefit arrangements that are fiduciary activities. The District is currently evaluating the effects, if any, this Statement may have on future financial statements.

In March 2017, the Government Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 85</u>, *Omnibus 2017*, which addresses practice issues that have been identified during the implementation and application of certain GASB statements. This Statement addresses a variety of topics including issues relating to blending component units, goodwill, fair value measurement and application, and postemployment benefits. The District is currently reviewing what effect, if any, this Statement might have on future financial statements.

In May 2017, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board issued <u>GASB Statement No. 86</u>, *Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues*, which 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 requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2017. The District is currently reviewing what effect, if any, this Statement might have on future financial statements.

#### NOTE 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

#### Cash

#### **Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Commissions policy is based on New Jersey Statutes requiring cash be deposited only in New Jersey based banking institutions that participate in New Jersey Governmental Depository Protection Act (GUDPA) or in qualified investments established in New Jersey Statutes 18A:20-37 that are treated as cash equivalents. As of June 30, 2017, \$-0- of the Commission's bank balance of \$2,129,051.26 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

#### **Investments**

#### **Investment Rate Risk**

The Commission does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. However, New Jersey Statutes 18A:20-37 limits the length of time for most investments to 397 days.

#### **Credit Risk**

New Jersey Statutes 18A:20-37 limit school district investments to those specified in the Statutes. The type of allowable investments are Bonds of the United States of America; bonds or other obligations of the school districts or bonds or other obligations of the local unit or units within which the school district is located; obligations of federal agencies not exceeding 397 days; government money market mutual funds; the State of New Jersey Cash Management Plan; local government investment pools; or repurchase of fully collateralized securities.

#### **Concentration of Credit Risk**

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

#### **NOTE 4. RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at June 30, 2017 consisted of accounts and intergovernmental. All receivables are considered collectible in full. A summary of the principal items of receivables follows:

	District Wide Financial Statements	Governmental Fund
Due from Other Funds	\$ 3,320.97	\$ 10,682.01
State Aid	4,623.18	4,623.18
Federal Aid	10,264.00	10,264.00
Other	<u>577,260.51</u>	<u>577,260.51</u>
Gross Receivables	595,468.66	602,829.70
Less: Allowances for Uncollectables		
Total Receivables Net	<u>\$595,468.66</u>	\$602,829.70

#### NOTE 5. INTERFUND BALANCES AND ACTIVITY

Balance due to/from other funds at June 30, 2017 consists of the following:

Due to General Fund from the Trust and Agency Fund for interest earned.	\$ 110.74
Due to General Fund from Special Revenue Fund for short-term loans.	7,361.04
	<u>\$7,471.78</u>

It is anticipated that all interfunds will be liquidated within the fiscal year.

#### Note 6. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 was as follows:

	Balance 06/30/16	Additions	Deduction	Adjustments	Balance 06/30/17
Governmental Activities:					
Capital Assets,					
Not being depreciated:					
Sites (Land)	230,000.00				230,000.00
Construction in Progress				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Total Capital Assets, Not Being Depreciated	220 000 00				230,000.00
Not Being Depreciated	230,000.00			0	230,000.00
Capital Assets, Being Depreciated: Building and					
Improvements	2,283,944.00				2,283,944.00
Furniture, Equipment					
And Vehicles	180,817.00	26,943.34		DOCUMENTS OF THE PARTY OF THE P	207,760.34
Total Capital Assets					
Being Depreciated	2,464,761.00	26,943.34			2,491,704.34
Denig Depression					
Less: Accumulated Depreciation: Building and					
Improvements	(799,029.00)	(57,339.00)			(856,368.00)
Furniture, Equipment					(12= 202 00)
and Vehicles	(116,881.00)	(20,622.00)			(137,503.00)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	(915,910.00)	(77,961.00)			(993,871.00)
Total Capital Assets					
Being Depreciated, Net	1,548,851.00	(51,017.66)			1,497,833.34
Governmental Activities					
Capital Assets, Net	1,778,851.00	(51,017.66)			1,727,833.34

#### Note 6. CAPITAL ASSETS

Depreciation expense was charged to functions as follows:

Instruction:	
Special Education Instruction	\$32,743.62
Student and Instruction Related Services	19,490.25
School Administrative Services	15,592.20
General Administrative Services	7,796.10
Plant Operations and Maintenance	779.61
Central Services & Admin. Info. Tech	<u>1,559.22</u>
Total Depreciation Expense	\$77,961.00

#### **Note 7. LONG-TERM OBLIGATION ACTIVITY**

Changes in long-term obligations for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 were as follows:

Community 1	Balance <u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Issued</u>	<u>Retired</u>	Balance June 30, 2017	Due Within One Year	Long Term Portion
Compensated Absences Payable Net Pension	61,915.46	10,497.34	(5,325.00)	67,087.80	-	67,087.80
Liability - PERS Capital Leases	1,731,959.00 	658,353.00 26,943.34	(15,765.32)	2,390,312.00 <u>26,556.46</u>	<u>4,794.37</u>	2,390,312.00 21,762.90
	1,809,252.90	695,793.68	(21,090.32)	<u>2,483,956.26</u>	<u>4,794.37</u>	2,479,161.89

#### A. Bonds Authorized but not Issued

As of June 30, 2017, the Commission had no debt authorized but not issued.

#### **B.** Capital Leases Payable

The Commission is leasing 2 copiers under capital leases. The term of the lease is for 5 years. The following is a schedule of the future minimum lease payments and the present value of the net minimum lease payments at June 30, 2017.

Year	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2017-2018	\$ 4,794.37	\$1,445.63	\$ 6,240.00
2018-2019	5,086.50	1,153.50	6,240.00
2019-2020	5,396.39	843.61	6,240.00
2020-2021	5,725.19	514.81	6,240.00
2021-2022	<u>5,554.01</u>	<u> 165.99</u>	5,720.00
Total minimum lease payments	<u>\$26,556.46</u>	<u>\$4,123.54</u>	<u>\$30,680.00</u>

#### Note 7. LONG-TERM OBLIGATION ACTIVITY (continued)

#### C. Compensated Absences Payable:

The liability for compensated absences of the governmental fund types is recorded as a long-term liability. There is no current portion of the compensated absences balance of the governmental funds in the current year. The long-term portion of compensated absences is \$67,087.80 for Governmental Activities.

Compensated absences payable will be liquidated by the General Fund.

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS

<u>Description of Plans</u> - All required employees of the District are covered by either the Public Employees' Retirement System or the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund which have been established by state statute and are administered by the New Jersey Division of Pension and Benefits (Division). According to the State of New Jersey Administrative Code, all obligations of both Systems will be assumed by the State of New Jersey should the Systems terminate. The Division issues a publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the Public Employees Retirement System and the Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund. These reports may be obtained by writing to the Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625 or reports can be accessed on the internet at: <a href="http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts\_archive.htm">http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions/annrpts\_archive.htm</a>.

<u>Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF)</u> - The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund was established as of January 1, 1955, under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 18A:66 to provide retirement benefits, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund is considered a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan with a special funding situation, as under current statute, all employer contributions are made by the State of New Jersey on behalf of the District and the system's other related non-contributing employers. Membership is mandatory for substantially all teachers or members of the professional staff certified by the State Board of Examiners, and employees of the Department of Education who have titles that are unclassified, professional and certified.

#### Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 18A:66. TPAF provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of TPAF. Members are fully vested for their own contributions and, after three years of service credit, become vested for 2% of related interest earned on the contributions. In the case of death before retirement, members' beneficiaries are entitled to full interest credited to the members' accounts.

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS (continued)

The following represents the membership tiers for TPAF:

<u>Tier</u>	Definition
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

Service retirement benefits of 1/55<sup>th</sup> of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to Tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and to Tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to Tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to Tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and Tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 50 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

<u>Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS)</u> - The Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) was established as of January 1, 1955 under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 43:15A to provide retirement, death, disability and medical benefits to certain qualified members. The Public Employees' Retirement System is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan. Membership is mandatory for substantially all full-time employees of the State of New Jersey or any county, municipality, school district, or public agency, provided the employee is not required to be a member of another state-administered retirement system or other state or local jurisdiction.

#### Benefits Provided

The vesting and benefit provisions are set by N.J.S.A. 43:15A. PERS provides retirement, death and disability benefits. All benefits vest after ten years of service, except for medical benefits, which vest after 25 years of service or under the disability provisions of PERS.

The following represents the membership tiers for PERS:

<u>Tier</u>	Definition
1	Members who were enrolled prior to July 1, 2007
2	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after July 1, 2007 and prior to November 2, 2008
3	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after November 2, 2008 and prior to May 22, 2010
4	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after May 22, 2010 and prior to June 28, 2011
5	Members who were eligible to enroll on or after June 28, 2011

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS (continued)

Service retirement benefits of 1/55<sup>th</sup> of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tiers 1 and 2 members upon reaching age 60 and to Tier 3 members upon reaching age 62. Service retirement benefits of 1/60th of final average salary for each year of service credit is available to Tier 4 members upon reaching age 62 and to Tier 5 members upon reaching age 65. Early retirement benefits are available to Tiers 1 and 2 members before reaching age 60, to Tiers 3 and 4 before age 62 with 25 or more years of service credit and Tier 5 with 30 or more years of service credit before age 65. Benefits are reduced by a fraction of a percent for each month that a member retires prior to the age at which a member can receive full early retirement benefits in accordance with their respective tier. Tier 1 members can receive an unreduced benefit from age 50 to age 60 if they have at least 25 years of service. Deferred retirement is available to members who have at least 10 years of service credit and have not reached the service retirement age for the respective tier.

#### **Defined Contribution Retirement Program**

Prudential Financial jointly administers the DCRP investments with the NJ Division of Pensions and Benefits. If an employee is ineligible to enroll in the PERS or PFRS, the employee may be eligible to enroll in the DCRP. DCRP provides eligible members with a tax-sheltered, defined contribution retirement benefit, along with life insurance and disability coverage. Vesting is immediate upon enrollment for members of the DCRP.

The State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, issues publicly available financial reports that include the financial statements and required supplementary information of the DCRP. The financial reports may be obtained by writing to the State of New Jersey, Department of the Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, PO Box 295, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625-0295.

Employers are required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. Employee contributions are based on percentages of 5.50% for DCRP of employees' annual compensation, as defined. The DCRP was established July 1, 2007, under the provisions of Chapter 92, P.L. 2007 and expanded under the provisions of Chapter 89, P.L. 2008. Employee contributions for DCRP are matched by a 3% employer contribution.

#### Contributions Requirements Fund Based Statements

The Board's contribution to PERS AND DCRP, equal to the required contributions for each year as reported in the fund based statements, were as follows:

Year		
<b>Ending</b>	<u>PERS</u>	<u>DCRP</u>
6/30/17	\$72,053.00	\$4,849.22
6/30/16	66,332.00	3,603.79
6/30/15	53,691.00	793.28

The State of New Jersey contribution to TPAF (paid on-behalf of the District) for normal and post retirement benefits have been included in the fund-based statements as revenues and expenditures in accordance with GASB 24, paragraphs 7 through 13, as follows:

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS (continued)

The State of New Jersey contribution to TPAF (paid on-behalf of the District) for normal and post retirement benefits have been included in the fund-based statements as revenues and expenditures in accordance with GASB 24, paragraphs 7 through 13, as follows:

		Post-Retirement		
Year	Pension	Medical	NCGI	Disability
<b>Ending</b>	<b>Contributions</b>	<b>Contributions</b>	<u>Premium</u>	<u>Insurance</u>
6/30/17	\$144,549.00	\$124,806.00	\$5,237.00	\$1,047.00
6/30/16	93,610.00	117,017.00	4,663.00	-
6/30/15	58,554.00	99,642.00	4,213.00	-

In addition, the post-retirement medical benefits are included in the district-wide financial statements.

Also, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:66-66 the State of New Jersey reimbursed the Board \$95,655.50during the year ended June 30, 2017 for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members as calculated on their base salaries. This amount has been included in the fund-based statements as revenues and expenditures in accordance with GASB 24, paragraphs 7 through 13.

### ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68

#### Public Employees Retirement System (PERS)

At June 30, 2017, the District had a liability of \$2,390.312.00 for its proportionate share of the PERS 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 District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating governmental entities, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2016, the District's proportion was 0.0080707061 percent, which was an increase of 0.0003552767 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized pension expense of \$245,292.00. At June 30, 2017, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to PERS from the following sources:

#### **Note 8. PENSION PLANS** (continued)

# ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68, (continued)

	Deferred Outflows of <u>Resources</u>	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$44,453	\$ -
Changes of assumptions	495,145	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings		
on pension plan investments	91,145	-
Changes in proportion and differences between the District's		
contributions and proportionate share of contributions	208,602	89,777
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	66,266	
Total	<u>\$905,611</u>	<u>\$89,777</u>

The \$66,266 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date (i.e. for the school year ending June 30, 2017, the plan measurement date is June 30, 2016) will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions (excluding changes in proportion) will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2017	\$142,006
2018	142,006
2019	164,519
2020	138,220
2021	43,992

#### **Changes in Proportion**

The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 5.57, 5.72 and 6.44 years for 2016, 2015 and 2014 amounts, respectively.

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS (continued)

# <u>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68, (continued)</u>

#### **Additional Information**

Local Group Collective balances at June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015 are as follows:

	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2015
Collective deferred outflows of resources	\$8,685,338,380	\$3,578,755,666
Collective deferred inflows of resources	870,133,595	993,410,455
Collective net pension liability	29,617,131,759	22,447,996,119
District s Proportion	0.0080707061%	0.0077154294%

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2016 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015, which rolled forward to June 30, 2016. This actuarial valuation used the following assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement.

Inflation	3.08 Percent
Salary Increases:	
Through 2016	1.65-4.15 Percent (based on age)
Thereafter	2.65-5.15 Percent (based on age)
Investment Rate of Return	7.65 Percent

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2014. It is likely that future experience will not exactly conform to these assumptions. To the extent that actual experience deviates from these assumptions, the emerging liabilities may be higher or lower than anticipated. The more the experience deviates, the larger the impact on future financial statements.

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS (continued)

# ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68, (continued)

#### **Mortality Rates**

Pre-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Employee Pre-retirement Mortality Table for male and female active participants. For State employees, mortality tables are set back 4 years for males and females. For local employees, mortality tables are set back 2 years for males and 7 years for females. In addition, the tables provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plans actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Post-retirement mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Healthy Male and Female Mortality Tables (setback 1 year for males and females) for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members and a one year static projection based on mortality improvement Scale AA. In addition, the tables for service retirements and beneficiaries of former members provide for future improvements in mortality from the base year of 2013 using a generational approach based on the plan actuary's modified MP-2014 projection scale. Disability retirement rates used to value disabled retirees were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table (set back 3 years for males and set forward 1 year for females).

#### **Long-Term Rate of Return**

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.65% at June 30, 2016) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in PERS's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2016 are summarized in the following table:

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS (continued)

## ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68, (continued)

Asset Class	Target <u>Allocation</u>	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Cash	5.00%	.87%
U.S. Treasuries	1.50%	1.74%
Investment Grade Credit	8.00%	1.79%
Mortgages	2.00%	1.67%
High Yield Bonds	2.00%	4.56%
Inflation-Indexed Bonds	1.50%	3.44%
Broad U.S. Equities	26.00%	8.53%
Developed Foreign Markets	13.25%	6.83%
Emerging Market Equities	6.50%	9.95%
Private Equity	9.00%	12.40%
Hedge Funds/Absolute Returns	12.50%	4.68%
Real Estate (Property)	2.00%	6.91%
Commodities	.50%	5.45%
Global Debt ex US	5.00%	-0.25%
REIT	<u>5.25%</u>	5.63%
	<u>100.00%</u>	

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.98% and 4.90% as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.65%, and a municipal bond rate of 2.85% and 3.80% as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, based on the Bond Buyer GO 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on the contribution rate in the most recent fiscal year. The State contributed 30% of the actuarially determined contributions and the local employers contributed 100% of their actuarially determined contributions. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2034. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2034, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS (continued)

# ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68, (continued)

#### Sensitivity of the Collective Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the collective net pension liability of the participating employers as of June 30, 2016, respectively, calculated using the discount rate as disclosed above as well as what the collective net pension liability would be if it was calculated using a discount rate that is 1 -percentage point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	June 30, 2016		
	1%	At Current	1%
	Decrease <u>2.98%</u>	Discount Rate 3.98%	Increase <u>4.98%</u>
District's proportionate share of the pension liability	\$2,929,048	\$2,390,312	\$1,945,538

#### Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued Financial Report for the State of New Jersey Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). The financial report may be accessed at www.state.nj.us/treasury/pensions.

#### **Teachers Pensions and Annuity Fund (TPAF)**

The employer contributions for local participating employers are legally required to be funded by the State in accordance with N.J.S.A 18:66-33. Therefore, these local participating employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68 and the State is treated as a nonemployer contributing entity. Since the local participating employers do not contribute directly to the plan (except for employer specific financed amounts), there is no net pension liability or deferred outflows or inflows to report in the financial statements of the local participating employers. However, the notes to the financial statements of the local participating employers must disclose the portion of the nonemployer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the net pension liability that is associated with the local participating employer.

The portion of the TPAF Net Pension Liability that was associated with the District recognized at June 30, 2017 was as follows:

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS: (continued)

## ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68, (continued)

#### Teachers Pensions and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (continued)

Net Pension Liability:

District's proportionate share

\$ -0-

State's proportionate share associated with the District

9,655,800

\$9,655,800

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 June 30, 2015 rolled forward to June 30, 2016. The net pension liability associated with the District was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating school districts and the State, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2016, the proportion of the TPAF net pension liability associated with the District was 0.0122743684%.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized on-behalf pension expense and revenue of \$575,713 for contributions provided by the State in the District-Wide Financial Statements.

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2016 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2015, which was rolled forward to June 30, 2016. The total pension liability for the June 30, 2015 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2014 which was rolled forward to June 30, 2015. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods in the measurement:

Inflation rate

2.50%

Salary Increases:

2012-2021

Varies based on experience

Thereafter

Varies based on experience

Investment Rate of Return

7.65%

#### **Mortality Rates**

Pre-retirement, post-retirement and disabled mortality rates were based on the experience of TPAF members reflecting mortality improvement on a generational basis based on a 60-year average of Social Security data from 1953 to 2013.

The actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2015.

#### Note 8. PENSION PLANS (continued)

# <u>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68, (continued)</u>

#### **Teachers Pensions and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (continued)**

#### **Long-Term Expected Rate of Return**

In accordance with State statute, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments (7.65% at June 30, 2016) is determined by the State Treasurer, after consultation with the Directors of the Division of Investments and Division of Pensions and Benefits, the board of trustees and the actuaries. The long-term expected rate of return was determined using a building block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in TPAF's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2016 are summarized in the following table:

		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	<u>Allocation</u>	Rate of Return
Cash	5.00%	0.39%
US Government Bonds	1.50%	1.28%
US Credit Bonds	13.00%	2.76%
US Mortgages	2.00%	2.38%
US Inflation-Indexed Bonds	1.50%	1.41%
US High Yield Bonds	2.00%	4.70%
US Equity Market	26.00%	5.14%
Foreign-Developed Equity	13.25%	5.91%
Emerging Markets Equity	6.50%	8.16%
Private Real Estate Property	5.25%	3.64%
Timber	1.00%	3.86%
Farmland	1.00%	4.39%
Private Equity	9.00%	8.97%
Commodities	0.50%	2.87%
Hedge Funds - MultiStrategy	5.00%	3.70%
Hedge Funds - Equity Hedge	3.75%	4.72%
Hedge Funds - Distressed	<u>3.75%</u>	3.49%
	<u>100.00%</u>	

#### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 3.22% and 4.13% as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively. This single blended discount rate was based on the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.65%, and a municipal bond rate of 2.85% and 3.80% as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, respectively, based on the Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index which includes tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the

**Note 8. PENSION PLANS: (continued)** 

## ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL REPORTING FOR PENSION IN THE DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS PER - GASB NO. 68, (continued)

#### **Teachers Pensions and Annuity Fund (TPAF) (continued)**

#### **Discount Rate** (continued)

current member contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made based on the contribution rate in the most recent fiscal year. The State contributed 30% of the actuary determined contributions. Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make projected future benefit payments of current plan members through 2029. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments was applied to projected benefit payments through 2026, and the municipal bond rate was applied to projected benefit payments after that date in determining the total pension liability.

#### Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

Because the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability is zero, consideration of potential changes in the discount rate is not applicable to the District.

#### **NOTE 9. POST-RETIREMENT BENEFITS:**

Chapter 384 of Public Laws 1987 and Chapter 6 of Public Laws 1990 required Teachers' Pension and Annuity Fund (TPAF) and the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), respectively, to fund post-retirement medical benefits for those State employees who retire after accumulating 25 years of credited service or on a disability retirement. P.L. 2007, c.103 amended the law to eliminate the funding of post-retirement medical benefits through the TPAF and PERS. It created separate funds outside of the pension plans for the funding and payment of post-retirement medical benefits for retired State employees and retired educational employees. As of June 30, 2016, there were 110,512 retirees receiving post-retirement medical benefits, and the State contributed \$1.37 billion on their behalf. The cost of these benefits is funded through contributions by the State in accordance with P.L. 1994 Chapter 62. Funding of post-retirement medical premiums changed from a prefunding basis to a pay-as-you-go basis beginning in fiscal year 1994.

The State is also responsible for the cost attributable to P.L. 1992 Chapter 126, which provides employer paid health benefits to members of PERS and the Alternate Benefit Program who retired from a board of education or county college with 25 years of service. The State paid \$231.2 million toward Chapter 126 benefits for 20,045 eligible retired members in Fiscal Year 2016.

The School Employees Health Benefits Program (SEHBP) Act is found in New Jersey Statutes Annotated, Title 52, Article 17.25 et seq. Rules governing the operation and administration of the program are found in Title 17, Chapter 9 of the New Jersey Administrative Code. The State of New Jersey Division of Pensions and Benefits issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for SEHBP. That report may be obtained from the Treasury website at: http://www.nj.gov/treasury/pensions/pdf/financia1/2016divisioncombined.pdf

#### NOTE 10. DEFERRED COMPENSATION

The Commission offers its employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 403(b). The plan, which is administered by Equitable, permits participants to defer a portion of their salary until future years. Amounts deferred under the plan are not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency.

#### **NOTE 11. RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Commission 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. The Board has obtained insurance coverage to guard against these events to minimize the exposure to the Commission should they occur.

<u>Property and Liability Insurance</u> - The Commission maintains commercial insurance coverage for property, liability, student accident and surety bonds. A complete schedule of insurance coverage can be found in the Statistical Section of this Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the previous year nor have there been any settlements in excess of insurance coverage.

The Commission has elected to fund its New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Insurance by becoming experience rated in which the Commission pays State unemployment taxes according to the same method the State uses for other employers.

#### NOTE 12. FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATED

General Fund [Exhibit B-1] - Of the \$2,603,340.43 General Fund fund balance at June 30, 2017, \$710.68 is reserved for encumbrances, and \$2,602,629.75 is unreserved and undesignated.

#### NOTE 13. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY

The Commission receives a substantial amount of its support from tuition and fees from other local governments. A significant reduction in the level of support, if this were to occur, may have an effect on the Commission's services and activities.

#### NOTE 14. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

<u>Grant Programs</u> - The Commission participates in federally assisted grant programs. These programs are subject to program compliance audits by the grantors or their representatives. The Commission is potentially liable for expenditures which may be disallowed pursuant to the terms of these grant programs. Management is not aware of any material items of noncompliance which would result in the disallowance of program expenditures.

<u>Litigation</u> - Counsel has advised us that they are aware of one matter being handled by the Commission's Insurance Carrier with respect to a insured claim. Counsel is representing the Board with respect to an uninsured claim. Discovery is complete and a motion for summary judgement has been filed..

#### **NOTE 15: SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

The Commission has evaluated subsequent events through November 30, 2017, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued and no other items were noted for disclosure.

### REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENTS PART II

BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
REVENUES:					
Local Sources:					
Tuition from Other LEAs within the State	3,208,739.00	-	3,208,739.00	2,896,124.91	(312,614.09)
Interest on Investments	1,100.00	<del>-</del>	1,100.00	3,890.35	2,790.35
Services Provided Other LEAs	515,300.00	(254,834.00)	260,466.00	335,546.75	75,080.75
Other Restricted Revenue	799,455.00	(275,344.46)	524,110.54	731,865.48	207,754.94
Refund of Prior Year Expenditures Miscellaneous Revenues from Local Sources	500.00	-	500.00	1,056.36 5,944.33	1,056.36 5,444.33
Total - Local Sources	4,525,094.00	(530,178.46)	3,994,915.54	3,974,428.18	(20,487.36)
Cutto Commence					
State Sources: On-behalf TPAF NCGI Premium (non-budgeted)				5,237.00	5,237.00
On-behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical (non-budgeted)		- -		124,806.00	124,806.00
On-behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Ins. (non-budgeted)		-		1,047.00	1,047.00
On-behalf TPAF Pension Contributions (non-budgeted)		-		144,549.00	144,549.00
TPAF Social Security (Reimbursed - Non-Budgeted)				95,655.50	95,655.50
Total State Sources				371,294.50	371,294.50
Total Revenues	4,525,094.00	(530,178.46)	3,994,915.54	4,345,722.68	350,807.14
Total Revenues	4,323,034.00	(330,178.40)	3,774,713.34	4,545,722.08	330,807.14
EXPENDITURES:					
Current Expense:					
SPECIAL EDUCATION - INSTRUCTION		•			
Behavioral Disabilities:					
Salaries of Teachers	222,920.00	(50,880.00)	172,040.00	151,400.94	20,639.06
Other Salaries for Instruction	128,760.00	(41,900.00)	86,860.00	41,583.73	45,276.27
Purchased Professional-Educational Services	1,100.00	(1,100.00)	10.240.00	0.040.05	1 207 75
Other Purchased Services (400-500 Series) General Supplies	11,700.00 1,200.00	(1,460.00) 110.00	10,240.00 1,310.00	8,842.25 1,308.71	1,397.75 1.29
Other Objects	210.00	110.00	210.00	210.00	1.29
Total Behavioral Disabilities	365,890.00	(95,230.00)	270,660.00	203,345.63	67,314.37
Multiple Disabilities:					
Salaries of Teachers	104,015.00	50,380.00	154,395.00	150,909.95	3,485.05
Other Salaries for Instruction	239,402.00	25,300.00	264,702.00	264,686.77	15.23
Purchased Professional-Educational Services	1,100.00	(1,100.00)	12.550.00	12 (00 12	- 040.00
Other Purchased Services (400-500 Series) General Supplies	11,700.00 1,200.00	1,850.00	13,550.00 1,200.00	12,600.12 1,124.97	949.88 75.03
Other Objects	210.00	-	210.00	1,124.97	210.00
Total Multiple Disabilities	357,627.00	76,430.00	434,057.00	429,321.81	4,735.19
Autism: Salaries of Teachers	(1.420.00	(2.700.00)	50 720 00	50 570 20	151.70
Other Salaries for Instruction	61,430.00 87,050.00	(2,700.00)	58,730.00 87,050.00	58,578.28 81,660.29	151.72 5,389.71
Purchased Professional-Educational Services	1,100.00	(625.00)	475.00	61,000.29	475.00
Other Purchased Services (400-500 Series)	3,400.00	1,700.00	5,100.00	3,430.41	1,669.59
General Supplies	400.00	600.00	1,000.00	974.41	25.59
Other Objects	220.00		220.00	108.00	112.00
Total Autism	153,600.00	(1,025.00)	152,575.00	144,751.39	7,823.61
Preschool Disabilities - Full Time:	60 720 00		60 720 00	50,000,00	0.50.00
Salaries of Teachers Other Salaries for Instruction	60,730.00 49,050.00	-	60,730.00 49,050.00	59,880.00 24,174.56	850.00 24,875.44
Purchased Professional-Educational Services	49,030.00 550.00	(200.00)	350.00	24,174.30	350.00
Other Purchased Services (400-500 Series)	3,400.00	(200.00)	3,400.00	3,032.54	367.46
General Supplies	950.00	552.00	1,502.00	1,487.80	14.20
Total Preschool Disabilities - Full Time	114,680.00	352.00	115,032.00	88,574.90	26,457.10
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TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION - INSTRUCTION	991,797.00	(19,473.00)	972,324.00	865,993.73	106,330.27
Other Instructional Programs - Instruction					
Salaries	499,561.00	(223,726.42)	275,834.58	268,391.65	7,442.93
Other Salaries for Instruction	51,000.00	(12,540.00)	38,460.00	38,395.33	64.67
Social Security	15,475.00	(82.00)	15,393.00	14,514.87	878.13
Other Retirement Contributions - Regular	6,450.00	(42.00)	6,408.00	5,692.11	715.89
Unemployment Compensation	12,725.00	(10,849.00)	1,876.00	1,328.14	547.86

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Health Benefits	42,267.00	(41,199.00)	1,068.00	1,067.51	0.49
Purchased Services (300-500 Series)	422,550.00	(303,773.00)	118,777.00	118,443.44	333.56
Travel	500.00	1,400.00	1,900.00	1,612.55	287.45
Supplies and Materials Total Other Instructional Programs - Instruction	9,401.50 1,059,929.50	(1,518.00) (592,329.42)	7,883.50 467,600.08	6,884.28 456,329.88	999.22 11,270.20
Total Instruction	2,051,726.50	(611,802.42)	1,439,924.08	1,322,323.61	117,600.47
Undistributed Expenditures - Health Services					
Salaries	195,765.00	16,266.00	212,031.00	196,952.88	15,078.12
Social Security Other Retirement Contributions - Regular	10,705.00 3,445.00	739.34 1,029.04	11,444.34 4,474.04	10,689,41 4,191.93	754.93 282.11
Unemployment	845.00	245.84	1,090.84	978.11	112.73
Purchased Professional and Technical Services	500.00	6,500.00	7,000.00	6,180.00	820.00
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	275.00	635.00	635.00	330.00	305.00
Miscellaneous Purchased Services Supplies and Materials	275.00 9,745.00	215.50 (2,664.76)	490.50 7,080.24	432.50 6,341.80	58.00 738.44
Other Objects	50.00	(2,004.70)	50.00	25.00	25.00
Total Undistributed Expenditures - Health Services	221,330.00	22,965.96	244,295.96	226,121.63	18,174.33
Undist. ExpendSpeech, OT, PT & Related Services					
Salaries	366,629.00	85,597.00	452,226.00	452,204.00	22.00
Purchased Professional - Educational Services Supplies and Materials	68,000.00 3,125.00	(10,000.00) 3,325.00	58,000.00 6,450.00	50,677.53 5,057.79	7,322.47 1,392.21
Total Undist. ExpendSpeech, OT, PT & Related Services	437,754.00	78,922.00	516,676.00	507,939.32	8,736.68
Undist. Expend Improvement of Instructional Services:				-	
Salaries of Supervisors of Instruction	5,000.00	7,000.00	12,000.00	7,688.00	4,312.00
Total Undist. Expend Improvement of Instructional Services:	5,000.00	7,000.00	12,000.00	7,688.00	4,312.00
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Undist. Expend Instructional Staff Training Serv. Salaries of Supervisor of Instruction	3,000.00	3,000.00	6,000.00	5,016.42	983.58
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	14,000.00	(5,000.00)	9,000.00	7,119.23	1,880.77
Total Undist. Expend Instructional Staff Training Serv.	17,000.00	(2,000.00)	15,000.00	12,135.65	2,864.35
Undist. Expend Supp. Serv General Admin.					
Salaries	139,738.00	<u>.</u>	139,738.00	139,656.00	82.00
Legal Services Audit Fees	31,000.00 27,525.00	19,400.00 (14,000.00)	50,400.00 13,525.00	48,134.80 13,525.00	2,265.20
Architectural / Engineering	21,323.00	1,050.00	1,050.00	1,049.75	0.25
Other Professional Services	2,500.00	-	2,500.00	2,445.00	55.00
Communications/Telephone	34,425.02	(12,155.00)	22,270.02	21,536.63	733.39
OtherPurchased Services (400-500 series)	2,900.00	50.00	2,950.00 1,102.00	2,344.97	605.03 100.00
General Supplies BOE In-House Training/Meeting Supplies	2,000.00 600.00	(898.00) (600.00)	1,102.00	1,002.00	100.00
Other Objects	6,000.00	(1,200.00)	4,800.00	2,553.63	2,246.37
Miscellaneous Expenditures	5,400.00	9,155.00	14,555.00	14,553.54	1.46
Total Undist. Expend Supp. Serv General Admin.	252,088.02	802.00	252,890.02	246,801.32	6,088.70
Undist. Expend Support Serv School Admin.	25.500.00	4 200 00	40.000.00	40,000,00	10.00
Salaries of Teachers Salaries of Principals/Assistant Principals	35,720.00 92,978.00	4,300.00 (4,330.00)	40,020.00 88,648.00	40,000.08 77,574.22	19.92 11,073.78
Salaries of Secretarial and Clerical Assistants	68,195.00	(4,550.00)	68,195.00	68,153.18	41.82
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	14,850.00	356.00	15,206.00	14,407.46	798.54
Supplies and Materials	4,000.00	2,014.00	6,014.00	6,013.63	0.37
Miscellaneous Expenditures Total Undist. Expend Support Serv School Admin.	810.70 216,553.70	<u>325.00</u> 2,665.00	1,135.70 219,218.70	1,116.00 207,264.57	19.70 11,954.13
		2,003.00	417,410.10	201,207.31	11,757.13
Undist. Expend Central Services Salaries	141,757.00	68,600.00	210,357.00	210,356.73	0.27
Purchased Technical Services	8,250.00	1,400.00	9,650.00	8,696.28	953.72
Misc. Purchased Services (400-500 Series)	6,900.00	(1,603.00)	5,297.00	4,599.25	697.75
Supplies and Materials Missellaneous Europeditures	1,500.00	(230.00)	1,270.00	879.43	390.57
Miscellaneous Expenditures Total Undist, Expend Central Services	2,000.00 160,407.00	105.00 68,272.00	2,105.00 228,679.00	2,105.00	2,042.31
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# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Undist. Expend Admin. Info. Tech. Purchased Technical Services Supplies & Materials	22,150.00	1,564.00 5,000.00	23,714.00 5,000.00	19,885.62 4,926.31	3,828.38 73.69
Total Undist. Expend Admin. Info. Tech.	22,150.00	6,564.00	28,714.00	24,811.93	3,902.07
Undist. Expend Required Maint. School Facilities Cleaning, Repair, and Maintenance Services	9,525.00	3,600.00	13,125.00	12,267.06	857.94
General Supplies Total Undist. Expend Required Maint. School Facilities	1,500.00 11,025.00	<u>(997.00)</u> 2,603.00	503.00 13,628.00	194.32 12,461.38	308.68 1,166.62
Undist, Expend Custodial Services			<u> </u>		
Salaries	80,100.00	<u>.</u> .	80,100.00	61,573.21	18,526.79
Purchased Technical Services	27,625.00	(12,000.00)	15,625.00	13,806.00	1,819.00
Cleaning, Repair, and Maintenance Services	38,949.57	(7,500.00)	31,449.57	24,730.08	6,719.49
Other Purchased Property Services Insurance	3,779.24 55,000.00	755.00 (2,000.00)	4,534.24 53,000.00	2,894.77 39,496.64	1,639.47 13,503.36
General Supplies	12,483.90	(1,281.00)	11,202.90	10,671.39	531.51
Electricity	17,000.00	(1,850.00)	15,150.00	12,730.98	2,419.02
Oil	26,000.00	(1,000.00)	25,000.00	11,394.88	13,605.12
Miscellaneous Expenditures	800.00	-	800.00	25.00	775.00
Total Undist. Expend Custodial Services	261,737.71	(24,876.00)	236,861.71	177,322.95	59,538.76
Security		200.00	200.00	50.00	150.00
Cleaning, Repair, and Maintenance Services	914.00	200.00 1,100.00	200.00	50.00	150.00
General Supplies Total Security	814.00 814.00	1,300.00	1,914.00 2,114.00	1,446.76 1,496.76	467.24 617.24
Total Security	011.00		2,111.00	1,100.70	017.21
Total Undist. Expend Oper. & Maint. Plant Services	273,576.71	(20,973.00)	252,603.71	191,281.09	61,322.62
UNALLOCATED BENEFITS					
Social Security Contributions	113,000.00	(16,326.00)	96,674.00	72,990.82	23,683.18
Other Retirement Contributions - PERS	82,100.00	(10,047.00)	72,053.00	72,053.00	-
Other Retirement Contributions - Regular	18,000.00	3,000.00	21,000.00	6,669.42	14,330.58
Unemployment Compensation Health Benefits	14,000.00 404,287.00	(69,671.00)	14,000.00 334,616.00	10,432.70 279,515.72	3,567.30 55,100.28
Tuition Reimbursement	14,000.00	(7,550.00)	6,450.00	3,321.95	3,128.05
Other Employee Benefits	1,980.00	17,600.00	19,580.00	16,598.39	2,981.61
Unused Sick Payment to Terminated / Retired Staff	-	400.00	400.00	387.50	12.50
TOTAL UNALLOCATED BENEFITS	647,367.00	(82,594.00)	564,773.00	461,969.50	102,803.50
On-behalf TPAF NCGI Premium (non-budgeted) On-behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical (non-budgeted)	-	-		5,237.00 124,806.00	(5,237.00) (124,806.00)
On-behalf TPAF Long-Term Disability Ins. (non-budgeted)	-	-		1,047.00	(1,047.00)
On-behalf TPAF Pension Contributions (non-budgeted)	-	=		144,549.00	(144,549.00)
Reimbursed TPAF Social Security Contributions (non-budgeted)				95,655.50	(95,655.50)
TOTAL ON-BEHALF CONTRIBUTIONS		<del></del>	-	371,294.50	(371,294.50)
TOTAL PERSONAL SERVICES - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	647,367.00	(82,594.00)	564,773.00	833,264.00	(268,491.00)
TOTAL UNDISTRIBUTED EXPENDITURES	2,253,226.43	81,623.96	2,334,850.39	2,483,944.20	(149,093.81)
TOTAL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE	4,304,952.93	(530,178.46)	3,774,774.47	3,806,267.81	(31,493.34)
CAPITAL OUTLAY Assets Acquired Under Capital Leases (non-budgeted) School Administration Services				26,943.34	(26,943.34)
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY				26,943.34	(26,943.34)
		<del></del>	<del></del>	20,743.34	(20,943.34)
SPECIAL SCHOOLS: Summer School - Instruction:					
Salaries of Teachers	71,600.00	-	71,600.00	69,025.05	2,574.95
Other Salaries for Instruction	73,540.00	-	73,540.00	56,647.70	16,892.30
General Supplies	300.00	200.00	500.00	199.86	300.14
Total Summer School Instruction	145,440.00	200.00	145,640.00	125,872.61	19,767.39

### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE GENERAL FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Original Budget	Budget Transfers	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Final to Actual
Summer School - Support Services					
Salaries	67,100.00	-	67,100.00	64,420.07	2,679.93
Other Purchased Services (400-500 series)	23,900.00	=	23,900.00	10,812.01	13,087.99
Supplies and Materials	600.00	(200.00)	400.00	128.98	271.02
Total Summer School - Support Services	91,600.00	(200.00)	91,400.00	75,361.06	16,038.94
TOTAL SUMMER SCHOOL	237,040.00		237,040.00	201,233.67	35,806.33
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,541,992.93	(530,178.46)	4,011,814.47	4,034,444.82	(22,630.35)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
Over (Under) Expenditures	(16,898.93)	-	(16,898.93)	311,277.86	328,176.79
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Other Financing Sources (uses):					
Capital Leases (non-budgeted)				26,943.34	(26,943.34)
Transfer from Capital Projects Total Other Financing Sources:				63,041.72 89,985.06	(63,041.72) (89,985.06)
Total Other Financing Sources:			<del></del>	89,983.06	(89,983.06)
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over (Under) Expenditures and Other					
Financing Sources (Uses)	(16,898.93)	-	(16,898.93)	401,262.92	418,161.85
Fund Balance, July 1	2,202,178.58	· •	2,202,077.51	2,202,077.51	-
Fund Balance, June 30	2,185,279.65		2,185,178.58	2,603,340.43	418,161.85
Recapitulation of excess (deficiency) of revenues under expenditures:					
Adjustment for Prior Year Encumbrances	(16,898.93)		(16,898,93)	(16,898.93)	
Budgeted Fund Balance	(10,050.55)		(10,000.00)	418,161.85	418,161.85
	(16,898.93)	-	(16,898.93)	401,262.92	418,161.85
Recapitulation:					
Committed Fund Balance:				710.60	
Year End Encumbrances				710.68	
Unassigned Fund Balance				2,602,629.75	
Fund Balance per Governmental Funds (GAAP)				2,603,340.43	
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SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Variance Final to Actual	(2,625.00)	(2,682.02)		1,228.22	2,682.02	2,682.02	2,682.02	•
Actual	17,375.00 1,000.00	18,375.00	206 00	16,871.78	18,375.00	18,375.00	18,375.00	
Final Budget	20,000.00	21,057.02	00 902	18,100.00	21,057.02	21,057.02	21,057.02	1
Budget Transfers/ Adjustments	57.02	57.02	(00)	2,000.00	(1,046.98)	57.02	57.02	
Original Budget	20,000.00	21,000.00	1 000 00	16,100.00	21,000.00	21,000.00	21,000.00	

Federal Sources

REVENUES:

Support Services
Purchased Prof. & Tech Services
Other purchased Services
Supplies & Materials
Total Support Services

Total Expenditures

Total Outflows

Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses) NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART II

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE BUDGET - TO - GAAP RECONCILIATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

### Note A - Explanation of difference between budgetary inflows and outflows and GAAP revenues and expenditures.

	_	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund
Sources/inflows of resources			
Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "revenue" from the budgetary comparison schedule	[C-1]&[C-2] <sub>=</sub>	4,345,722.68	18,375.00
Total revenues as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances - government funds.	[B-2] =	4,345,722.68	18,375.00
Uses/outflows of resources Actual amounts (budgetary basis) "total outflows" from the budgetary comparison schedule	[C-1]&[C-2] <sub>=</sub>	4,034,444.82	18,375.00
Total expenditures as reported on the statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - government funds.	[B-2] <sub>=</sub>	4,034,444.82	18,375.00

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART III

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION
Schedules of Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability - PERS
Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the total Pension Liability	52.08% 47.93% 40.14%
District's Proportion Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a percentage of its Covered Payroll	227.88% 346.48% 511.44%
District's Covered Payroll -PERS Employee's	535,010 499,870 467,366
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District's Proportion Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 1,219,157 1,731,959 2,390,312
District's Proportion Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	0.0065116375% 0.0077154294% 0.0080707061%
Fiscal Year Ending June30,	2015 2016 2017

GASB 68 implementation ten years is not presented. Each year thereafter, an additional year will be included until ten \* GASB requires that ten years of information be presented. However, since fiscal year 2015 was the first year of years of data is presented.

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION Schedules of Required Supplementary Information Schedule of District's Contributions - PERS Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

Contributions as a Percentage of PERS Covered-Employee Payroll	10.03% 13.27% 15.42%
District's PERS Covered- Employee Payroll	\$535,010 499,870 467,366
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	· · · ·
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contributions	\$ 53,681 66,332 72,053
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 53,681 66,332 72,053
Fiscal Year Ending June30,	2015 2016 2017

GASB 68 implementation ten years is not presented. Each year thereafter, an additional year will be included until ten \* GASB requires that ten years of information be presented. However, since fiscal year 2015 was the first year of years of data is presented.

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION
Schedules of Required Supplementary Information
Schedule of District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability - TPAF
Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a percentage of the total Pension Liability	33.64%	28.71%	28.75%
Districts Proportion Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a percentage of its Covered Payroll	%00.0	%00.0	%00.0
District's Covered Payroll -TPAF Employee's	\$ 1,278,494	1,326,713	1,309,626
State's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with the District (Asset)	\$ 5,249,823	7,337,909	9,655,800
District's Proportion Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	, ↔	•	ľ
District's Proportion Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset)	0.0098253150%	0.0116098318%	0.0122743684%
Fiscal Year Ending June30,	2015	2016	2017

GASB 68 implementation ten years is not presented. Each year thereafter, an additional year will be included until ten \* GASB requires that ten years of information be presented. However, since fiscal year 2015 was the first year of years of data is presented.

### NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION PART III

### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION Note to Required Schedules of Supplementary Information - Part III For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017

### PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (PERS)

Change in benefit terms

None

Change in assumptions

The calculation of the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability is dependent upon the long term expected rate of return, and the municipal bond index rate. There was a change in the municipal bond index rate from the prior measurement date (3.80%) to the current measurement date (2.85%), resulting in a change in the discount rate from 4.90% to 3.98%. This change in the discount rate is considered to be a change in actuarial assumptions under GASBS No. 68.

### TEACHERS PENSION AND ANNUITY FUND (TPAF)

Change in benefit terms

Change in assumptions

The calculation of the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability is dependent upon the long-term expected rate of return, and the municipal bond index rate. There was a change in the municipal bond index rate from the prior measurement date (3.80%) to the current measurement date (2.85%), resulting in a change in the discount rate from 4.13% to 3.22%. This change in the discount rate is considered to be a change in actuarial assumptions under GASBS No. 68.

### OTHER SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION SPECIAL REVENUE FUND COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGETARY BASIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Rural Education Achievement Program	Safety Grant	Total
REVENUES:		Builty Grant	10111
Federal sources	17,375.00		17,375.00
Local sources		1,000.00	1,000.00
Total Revenues	17,375.00	1,000.00	18,375.00
EXPENDITURES: Support Services:			
Purchased prof. &ntech. services		706.00	706.00
Other Purchased Services (400-500) Series	16,871.78		16,871.78
Supplies and Materials	503.22	294.00	797.22
Total support services	17,375.00	1,000.00	18,375.00
Total Expenditures	17,375.00	1,000.00	18,375.00
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures and Other Financing Sources (Uses)			

### Exhibit F-1

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGETARY BASIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

### **Revenues and Other Financing Sources:**

Interest Income	12.58
Total revenues	12.58
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	12.58
Other financing sources (uses)	
Operating transfer out:	(63,041.72)
Interest transferred to general fund	(12.58)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing over	
over (under) expenditures and other financing sources (uses)	(63,041.72)
Fund balance - beginning of year	63,041.72
Fund balance - end of year	

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF PROJECT REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, PROJECT BALANCE AND PROJECT STATUS - BUDGETARY BASIS NORTHERN HILLS ACADEMY NEW CLASSROOM ADDITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Prior Periods	Cancellations	Totals	Revised Authorized Costs
Davanuas and Other Financina Comme	I errous	Cancenations	Totals	Costs
Revenues and Other Financing Sources:				
Transfer from capital outlay	164,525.00		164,525.00	164,525.00
Refund Prior Year Expenditure	9,000.00		9,000.00	9,000.00
Total Revenues	173,525.00	-	173,525.00	173,525.00
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses:				
Purchased professional and technical services	36,770.28		36,770.28	36,770.28
Construction services	115,350.00	17,175.72	132,525.72	132,525.72
Equipment purchases	4,229.00		4,229.00	4,229.00
Total Expenditures	156,349.28	17,175.72	173,525.00	173,525.00
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenses	17,175.72	(17,175.72)	-	-

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N/A
N/A
N/A
N/A
\$134,600
N/A
\$164,525
N/A
100%
6/30/2014
2/11/2016

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF PROJECT REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, PROJECT BALANCE AND PROJECT STATUS - BUDGETARY BASIS NORTHERN HILLS ACADEMY PARKING LOT AND PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Prior Periods	Cancellations	Totals	Revised Authorized Costs
Revenues and Other Financing Sources:				
Transfer from capital outlay	235,475.00		235,475.00	235,475.00
Total Revenues	235,475.00		235,475.00	235,475.00
Expenditures and Other Financing Uses:				
Purchased professional and technical services	20,699.70		20,699.70	20,699.70
Construction services	168,909.30	45,866.00	214,775.30	214,775.30
Total Expenditures	189,609.00	45,866.00	235,475.00	235,475.00
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenses	45,866.00	(45,866.00)		-

N/A
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N/A
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N/A
253,761.10
N/A
235,475.00
N/A
100%
6/30/2014
8/24/2015

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PROJECT EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

PROJECT DESCRIPTION	APPROPRIATION	EXPENDITURES PRIOR YEARS	CANCEL TO GENERAL FUND	UNEXPENDED BALANCE
New Classroom Addition	164,525.00	147,349.28	17,175.72	ı
Improvements to Parking Lot and Playground	235,475.00	189,609.00	45,866.00	•
	400,000.00	336,958.28	63,041.72	

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION FIDUCIARY FUNDS COMBINING STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

### **ASSETS**

	Agency I		
ACCETTO	Student Activity	Payroll	Totals
ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents	4,535.11	9,608.09	14,143.20
Total Assets	4,535.11	9,608.09	14,143.20
		,	
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION			
LIABILITIES:			
Payroll Deductions		6,067.71	6,067.71
Interfund Payable - General Fund		110.74	110.74
Flexible Spending		3,429.64	3,429.64
Due to student groups	4,535.11		4,535.11
Total liabilities	4,535.11	9,608.09	14,143.20

### Exhibit H-3

### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION STUDENT ACTIVITY AGENCY FUND SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Balance July 1, 2016	Cash Receipts	Cash Disbursements	Balance June 30, 2017		
Student Activity Account	5,433.54	1,815.90_	2,714.33	4,535.11		
Total all schools	5,433.54	1,815.90	2,714.33	4,535.11		

### Exhibit H-4

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION PAYROLL AGENCY FUND SCHEDULE OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Balance July 1, 2016	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2017
ASSETS: Cash	22,822.12	4,788,830.98	4,802,045.01	9,608.09
LIABILITIES:				
Interfunds payable	-	110.74		110.74
Flexible spending account	3,231.65	3,315.07	3,117.08	3,429.64
Payroll deductions and withholdings	19,590.47	4,785,405.17	4,798,927.93	6,067.71
Total	22,822.12	4,788,830.98	4,802,045.01	9,608.09

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION GENERAL LONG TERM DEBT ACCOUNT GROUP STATEMENT OF OBLIGATIONS UNDER CAPITAL LEASES AS OF JUNE 30, 2017

Balance June 30, 2017		26,556.46	26,556.46
Cancelled	8,385.74		8,385.74
Retired Current Year	6,992.70	386.88	7,379.58
Additions Current Year		26,943.34	26,943.34
Balance July 1, 2016	15,378.44	t	15,378.44
Amount of Original Issue	29,275.00	28,212.89	
Interest Rate Payables	N/A	N/A	
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### STATISTICAL SECTION

### OUTLINE OF NJ DOE STATISTICAL TABLES SECTION (GASB 44)

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# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

Net Position\*\* by Component, Last Ten Fiscal Years (accrual basis of accounting)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,

2017	1,701,277 711 896,768 2,598,756	1,701,277 711 896,768 2,598,756
2016	1,763,473 79,941 666,114 2,509,528	1,763,473 79,941 666,114 2,509,528
2015	1,818,328 120,090 332,617 2,271,035	1,818,328 120,090 332,617 2,271,035
2014	1,875,551 101,239 1,236,076 3,212,866	1,875,551 101,239 1,236,076 3,212,866
2013	1,607,402 1,338,389 2,945,791	1,607,402 1,338,389 2,945,791
2012	327,166 2,113,004 2,440,170	327,166 2,113,004 2,440,170
2011	312,502 648 1,667,690 1,980,840	312,502 648 1,667,690 1,980,840
2010	926,109 1,021 1,642,690 2,569,820	926,109 1,021 1,642,690 2,569,820
2009	917,959 2,524 1,776,921 2,697,404	917,959 2,524 1,776,921 2,697,404
2008	927,035 31,804 1,712,888 2,671,727	927,035 31,804 1,712,888 2,671,727
	Governmental activities Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Reserved Unreserved Total governmental activities net position	District-wide Invested in capital assets, net of related debt Restricted Unrestricted Total district net position

Source: CAFR Schedule A-1

\*\* GASB Statement No. 63 became effective for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013 which changed Net Assets to Net Position.

### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION Changes in Net Position\*\* Last Ten Fiscal Years (accrual basis of accounting)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Expenses Governmental activities Instruction										
Regular Special education Other special instruction	81,649 664,721 1,028,212	40,500 728,881 1,073,236	50,207 671,505 669,535	175,495 726,857 507,718	314,978 904,928 423,215	401,458 1,088,911 400,646	170,829 1,289,489 100,512	1,127,496	1,052,475	1,298,869
Other instruction	1,020,212	1,073,230	003,000	307,710	423,213	400,040	100,312	1,170,764	1,197,114	671,264
Support Services:										•
Student & Instruction related services	349,637	327,554	327,238	499,520	493,824	613,802	1,200,764	1,077,474	1,091,869	1,317,765
General administrative services	123,476	114,200	281,133	203,432	251,174	289,598	274,546	322,963	333,089	364,961
School administrative services	197,460	279,774	176,263	100,527	106,211	219,574	273,753	352,920	407,967	333,655
Central Services	120,673	119,124	139,139	191,584	232,517	240,980	254,677	228,003	288,258	421,466
Administrative information technology	17,045	10,855	-							
Plant operations and maintenance Pupil Transportation	89,759	108,957	119,397	111,467	117,301	140,101 1,750	162,379 5,517	176,672 586	183,240 382	241,370
Capital outlay	13,458			1,583		30,941		3,477	1	-
Special schools	104,338	91,047	116,709	83,439	113,819	159,198	182,437	200,197	211,708	201,234
Total governmental activities expenses	2,790,428	2,894,128	2,551,124	2,601,622	2,957,969	3,586,959	3,914,903	4,660,552	4,766,103	4,850,582
Program Revenues Governmental activities:										
Charges for services:		4 000 000		4 0 4 0 0 4 0						
Instruction	1,807,457	1,689,030	1,594,038	1,948,843	2,709,476	3,326,927	3,326,655	3,785,919	3,546,533	3,231,672
Student & instruction related services	356,114	300,252								
School administrative services	125,763	256,454								
General administrative services	201,118	104,681								
Central services	122,908	109,195								
Administrative information technology	17,361	9,950								
Plant operations and maintenance	91,422	99,875								
Capital outlay	13,707	00.450								
Special schools	106,271	83,458	450.007	447.070	474.070	000.075	044 400	070 740	000 407	222.272
Operating grants and contributions Total governmental activities program revenues	3,014,071	172,649	156,007 1,750,045	2,095,914	<u>171,278</u>	209,075 3,536,002	211,428	279,749	333,407	388,670
rotal governmental activities program revenues	3,014,071	2,825,544	1,/50,045	2,095,914	2,880,754	3,536,002	3,538,083	4,065,668	3,879,940	3,620,341
Net (Expense)/Revenue										
Governmental activities	223,643	(68,584)	(801,079)	(505,709)	(77,215)	(50,957)	(376,820)	(594,884)	(886,164)	(1,230,241)
Total district-wide net expense	223,643	(68,584)	(801,079)	(505,709)	(77,215)	(50,957)	(376,820)	(594,884)	(886,164)	(1,230,241)
General Revenues and Other Changes in Net Assets Governmental activities:										
Unrestricted grants and contributions	00.700	00 500	10.105	44.075	4.075	0.505		219,723	349,772	575,713
Investment earnings	26,788	23,589	19,199	11,670	4,279	3,526	1,361	1,776	3,224	3,890
Miscellaneous income	12,502	70,672	658,569	520,081	532,266	553,051	710,587	830,174	771,657	739,866
Total governmental activities	39,290	94,261	677,768	531,751	536,545	556,577	711,947	1,051,673	1,124,653	1,319,470
Change in Net Position										
Governmental activities	262,933	25,677	(123,311)	26,042	459,330	505,620	335,127	456,789	238,489	89,228
Source: CAFR Schedule A-2										

<sup>\*\*</sup> GASB Statement No. 63 became effective for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2013 which changed Net Assets to Net Position.

#### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

#### Fund Balances, Governmental Funds, Last Ten Fiscal Years (modified accrual basis of accounting)

Fiscal Year Ending June 30,

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
General Fund										
Reserved	31,804	2,524	1,021							
Unreserved	1,797,638	1,857,887	1,717,682							
Assigned				648	464		8,360	42,271	16,899	711
Unassigned				1,749,204	2,185,808	1,373,679	1,294,358	1,786,510	2,248,220	2,604,600
Total general fund	1,829,442	1,860,411	1,718,703	1,749,852	2,186,272	1,373,679	1,302,718	1,828,781	2,265,119	2,605,311

Source: CAFR Schedule B-1

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

Changes in Fund Balances, Governmental Funds, Last Ten Fiscal Years (modified accrual basis of accounting)

								Fiscal Year	Fiscal Year Ending June 30	10,							
	2008		2009	2010		2011		2012	2013		2014	2	2015	2016	ا	2017	
Revenues Tuition charges	\$ 1.264.720	\$ 02	1.184.153	\$ 1.196.258	<b>€</b> 9	1.226.483	69	1.852.977	\$ 2.275.804	304	2.268.117	49	2.960.423	6	2.918.775	2.896.125	125
Other local government units						722,361	•	856,499			1,058,538			1		ı	,547
Miscellaneous	39,290	<b>€</b>	94,261	677,768	38	531,751		536,545	556,578	178	712,398		835,420	7	774,903	743,757	,757
State sources	152,684	75	138,536	133,227	72	127,070		141,278	179,075	175	191,428		256,279	'n	313,407	371,	371,295
Federal sources	19,266	  g	34,113	22,780	 اچ	20,000		30,000	30,000	000	20,000		20,000		20,000	17,	17,375
Total revenue	3,053,361	]-  -  -	2,919,805	2,427,813	13	2,627,665		3,417,299	4,092,580	980	4,250,481		4,897,618	4,6	4,654,844	4,364,098	860
Expenditures																	
Instruction	;																
Regular instruction	63,534	7.	27,589	43,613	3	172,285		264,860	317,742	'42	147,650						
Special education instruction	503,253	53	564,686	526,193	33	555,577		720,058	869,018	118	1,034,303		925,968	æ	864,075	865,	865,994
Other instruction	828,801	Ξ	850,631	525,242	<b>‡</b> 2	400,081		337,163	308,732	.32	67,841		888,343	œ	815,280	456,	456,330
Support Services:					,			!	!	;			!		:		
Student & instruction related services	270,291	<u>ب</u>	276,078	256,525	52	404,678		367,194	447,816	116	952,413		703,177	Ø.	649,299	772,	772,260
General administrative services	164,090	æ	250,486	217,093	33	154,399		188,400	220,148	48	224,466		238,772	7	214,867	246,	,801
School Administrative services	665'86	36	88,612	127,689	39	63,973		64,939	148,133	33	189,456		220,197	5	32,309	207,	207,265
Central Services	91,966	36	110,261	118,640	ç	153,804		186,680	207,334	134	194,624		151,583	Ψ.	179,808	251,	,449
Admin. Information Technology	17,045	55	10,855														
Plant operations and maintenance	87,083	33	106,026	109,030	õ	105,028		109,936	152,223	23	152,945		160,922	<del>-</del>	157,936	191,	191,281
Pupil transportation									1,750	.50	5,517		287		382		,
Allocated and unallocated benefits	472,845	5	455,280	466,804	4	442,646		543,845	705,776	.16	683,925		889,050	Ö	938,342	833,	833,264
Special schools	104,338	38	91,047	116,709	6(	83,439		113,819	159,198	86	182,437		200,197	7	211,708	201,	201,234
Capital outlay	289,445	ائة 	57,285	80,297	ام اح	60,605		91,374	1,367,304	40	736,396		21,776		32,297	26,	26,943
Total expenditures	2,991,290	 ၂	2,888,836	2,587,834	<u>*</u>	2,596,515		2,988,269	4,905,174	74	4,571,973		4,400,572	4,2	4,296,303	4,052,820	,820
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	62,071	- -	30,969	(160,021)	<u>[1</u>	31,149		429,030	(812,594)	(94)	(321,493)		497,046	33	358,541	311,	311,278
Other Financing sources (uses)																	
Capital leases (non-budgeted) Transfers in - capital outlay				22,586	92			7,390			29,275					26,	26,943
Total other financing sources (uses)				22,586	] [36]			7,390			429,275					26,	26,943
Not observe in final balance						27.70	•				101	•					Š
Net change in fund balances	\$ 62,071	م اا	\$ 696,05	(137,435)	(S)	31,149	Ð	436,420	\$ (812,594)	34)	107,782	e e	497,046	ň	358,541	338,221	122
Debt service as a percentage of noncapital expenditures	0.000%	%	0.000%	0.000%	%	0.000%		0.000%	%000'0	%0	0.000%		0.000%	_	0.000%	0.0	%000.0
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Source: District Records

Note: Noncapital expenditures are total expenditures less capital outlay.

Central Services and Administrative information Technology account classifications were added beginning with year end June 30, 2005.

Prior to June 30, 2005, Central Services and Administrative Information Technology were combined in Other Support Services as Business and Other Support Services.

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

# General Fund - Other Local Revenue by Source Last Ten Fiscal Years (modified accrual basis of accounting)

Total	2,830,998	2,881,411	2,747,156	2,271,805	2,480,594	3,246,021	3,883,505	4,039,053	4,621,339	4,311,341	3,974,428
Misc.	2,226	1,453	70,672	658,569	520,081	532,266	553,052	711,037	833,644	664,365	738,866
Tuition	976,325	998,781	1,184,153	1,196,258	1,226,483	1,852,977	2,275,804	2,268,117	2,960,423	2,918,775	2,896,125
Other Local Government Units	1,827,850	1,854,389	1,468,742	397,780	722,361	856,499	1,051,123	1,058,538	825,496	724,955	335,547
Interest on Investments	24,597	26,788	23,589	19,199	11,670	4,279	3,526	1,361	1,776	3,247	3,890
Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017

Source: District Records

### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

### Full-time Equivalent District Employees by Function/Program,

### Last Ten Fiscal Years

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Function/Program										
Instruction										
Special education	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	7.0	7.0	7.0	8.0	7.0	8
Other special education	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0	32.0	32.0	32.0	31.5	31.2	32.4
Support Services:										
Tuition										
Student & instruction related services	7.5	7.5	7.5	7.5	5.5	5.5	9.0	9.0	10.2	13.9
School administrative services	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.0	4.0	4.0	5.5	5.0	5.8
Business and other support services	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.8	2.0	2.0
Plant operations and maintenance	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.9
Total	41.0	41.0	41.0	41.0	51.5	51.5	55.5	57.8	56.4	64.0

Source: District Budget Records

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

Operating Statistics

# Last Ten Fiscal Years

# Pupil/Teacher Ratio

% Change in Student Average Daily Attendance Enrollment Percentage							4.07% 93.36%			
Daily % Cha	18.7	18.0	18.3	21.1	30.1	33.5	36.5	34.6	34.0	35.8
Average Daily Enrollment (ADE) °	21.6	20.5	21.0	23.6	33.6	37.6	39.1	37.1	36.0	36.3
Northern Hills	22:5	21:5	23:6	24:6	3:1	3:1	3:1	3:1	3:1	3:1
Teaching Staff <sup>b</sup>	8.5	8.5	8.5	8.5	7	13	13	13	13	13
Percentage Change	0.39%	9.79%	-19.14%	-3.08%	-14.32%	0.21%	2.70%	23.42%	2.94%	3.27%
Cost Per Pupil	122,811	134,836	109,023	105,663	90,528	90,715	95,889	118,346	121,829	125,809
Operating Expenditures <sup>a</sup>	2,701,845	2,831,551	2,507,537	2,535,910	2,896,894	3,537,894	3,835,577	4,378,795	4,264,005	4,025,876
Enrollment	22	21	23	24	32	39	40	37	35	32
Fiscal	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017

Sources: District records

Note: Enrollment based on annual October district count.

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Operating expenditures equal total expenditures less debt service and capital outlay Teaching staff includes only full-time equivalents of certificated staff.

Average daily enrollment and average daily attendance are obtained from the School Register Summary (SRS).

#### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

### School Building Information

#### Last Ten Fiscal Years

<u>District Building</u>	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Northern Hills Academy (1994) Square Feet Capacity (students) Enrollment	7,100 32 22	11,091 72 21	11,091 60 23	11,091 60 24	11,091 60 37	11,091 60 37	12,277 60 40	12,277 60 37	12277 60 35	12277 60 32

Number of Schools at June 30, 2012 Other = 1

Source: District records.

Note: Year of original construction is shown in parentheses. Increases in square footage and capacity are the result of additions.

SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

GENERAL FUND
SCHEDULE OF ALLOWABLE MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES BY SCHOOL FACILITY
LAST TEN FISCAL YEARS
UNAUDITED

UNDISTRIBUTED EXPENDITURES - REQUIRED MAINTENANCE FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES 11-000-261-XXX

15,137 2013 4,160 2014 2015 2016 2017 School Facilities\*

9,028 8,748 12,461 Northern Hills Academy

1,768

4,458

3,704

3,852

2008

2009

2010

2011

2012

(\*) School facilities as defined under EFCFA. (N.J.A.C. 6A:26-1.2 and N.J.A.C. 6A:26A-1.3)

Source: District Records

### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION

### INSURANCE SCHEDULE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 UNAUDITED

		Coverage	De	ductible
Commercial Package Policy Building & Contents	\$	3,049,200	\$	1,000
New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group (NJSBAIG)				
Casualty Coverage General Liability and Auto Liability (NJSBAIG)		16,000,000		
School Board Legal Liability: Coverage A (NJSBAIG)		6,000,000		10,000
School Board Legal Liability: Coverage B (NJSBAIG)	10	00,000 / 300,000		
Public Official's Bond - Selective Insurance Company Treasurer of School Monies School Business Administrator / Commission Secretary		175,000 150,000		
Workers' Compensation (NJSBAIG):	As	per State Statue		

SINGLE AUDIT SECTION

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

Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors Sussex County Educational Services Commission County of Sussex Sparta, New Jersey

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey; and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities and each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board of Education of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission, in the County of Sussex, New Jersey, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Commission's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 30, 2017.

### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Board of Education's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Board of Education's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Board of Education's internal control.

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



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

### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Sussex County Educational Services Commission Board of Education's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards or the audit requirements as prescribed by the Office of School Finance, Department of Education, State of New Jersey.

We noted certain matters that were required to be reported to the Board of Education of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission in the separate Auditors' Management Report on Administrative Findings - Financial, Compliance and Performance dated November 30, 2017.

### Purpose of this Report

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

Thomas M. Ferry

Licensed Public School Accountant

No. 20CS00209100

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Certified Public Accountants

Newton, New Jersey

November 30, 2017



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Sussex County Educational Services Commission Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016

								June 30, 2016	2016	MEMO Cumulative
Federal Grantor/Pass- Through Grantor/ Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period From / To	Balance at June 30, 2015	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	Accounts (Receivable)	Deferred Revenue	Total Expenditure
U.S. Department of Education Passed - through State Department of Education: Special Revenue Fund:										
Rural Education Achievement Program	84.358A	S358A156039	20,000.00	7/1/15 - 9/30/16	(10,781.12)	10,781.12				20,000.00
Rural Education Achievement Program	84.358A	S358A156040	20,000.00	7/1/16 - 9/30/17		7,111.00	(17,375.00)	(10,264.00)	2,625.00	17,375.00
Total Special Revenue Fund				•	(10,781.12)	17,892.12	(17,375.00)	(10,264.00)	2,625.00	37,375.00
Total Federal Financial Awards					(10.781.12)	17.892.12	(17.375.00)	(10,264,00)	2,625.00	37,375.00
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Note: This schedule was not subject to an audit in accordance with the Federal OMB's Uniform Guidance.

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Note: This schedule was not subject to an audit in accordance with the State of New Jersey OMB's Circular 15-08.

:					Balance			Balance	МЕМО
ı	State Grantor/Program Title	Grant or State Project Number	Program or Award Amount	Grant Period From / To	June 30, 2016 Deferred Revenue (Accts Receivable)	Cash Received	Budgetary Expenditures	June 30, 2017 (Accounts Receivable)	Cumulative Total Expenditures
ğ 73	State Department of Education: General Fund:							* * *	
	Reimbursed T.P.A.F Social Security Reimbursed T.P.A.F Social Security On-Behalf TPAF Post Retirement Medical On-Behalf TPAF NCGI Pension On-Behalf TPAF NCGI Pension	16.495-034-5095-002 17.495-034-5095-002 17.495-034-5094-001 17.495-034-5094-004	98,116.62 95,655.50 124,806.00 144,549.00 5,237.00	7/1/15 - 6/30/16 7/1/16 - 6/30/17 7/1/16 - 6/30/17 7/1/16 - 6/30/17	(1,302.86)	1,302.86 91,032.32 124,806.00 144,549.00 5,237.00	(95,655.50) (124,806.00) (144,549.00) (5,237.00)	(4,623.18) * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	98,116.62 95,655.50 124,806.00 144,549.00 5,237.00
	On-benair i r'Ar Long i em Disabiliny Total General Fund	17-483-034-9084-004	1,047.00	71/16 - 6/30/17	(1,302.86)	367,974.18	(371,294.50)	(4,623.18)	1,047.00
	Total State Financial Assistance				(1,302.86)	367,974.18	(371,294.50)	(4,623.18) *	469,411.12
<b>ٿ</b> 9	Less: On-Behalf TPAF Pension & Annuity Aid	77				275,639.00	(275,639.00)	* * *	275,639.00
12.	Total For State Financial Assistance Determination	termination			(1,302.86)	92,335.18	(95,655.50)	(4,623.18) *	193,772.12

Schedule B

Sussex County Educational Services Commission Schedule of Expenditures of State Financial Assistance for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016

### **NOTE 1. GENERAL**

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance include the activity of all Federal and State Award programs of the Sussex County Educational Services Commission. The Commission is defined in Note 1 to the Commission's financial statements. All Federal and State Awards received directly from federal and state agencies, as well as Federal Awards and State Awards passed through other government agencies is included on the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance.

### **NOTE 2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

The accompanying Schedules of Expenditures of Awards and Financial Assistance are presented on the budgetary basis of accounting with the exception of programs recorded in the food service fund, which are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. This basis of accounting is described in Notes 1 to the Commission's basic financial statements. The information in this schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance) and N.J. OMB Circular 15-08, therefor, some amounts presented in this schedule may differ from amounts presented in or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

### NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The basic financial statements present the general fund and special revenue fund on a GAAP basis. Budgetary comparison statements or schedules (RSI) are presented for the general fund and special revenue fund to demonstrate finance-related legal compliance in which certain revenue is permitted by law or grant agreement to be recognized in the audit year, whereas for GAAP reporting, revenue is not recognized until the subsequent year or when expenditures have been made.

The general fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the modified accrual basis with the exception of the revenue recognition of the last state aid payment in the current budget year, which is mandated pursuant to N.J.S.A.18A:22-44.2. For GAAP purposes, those payments are not recognized until the subsequent budget year due to the state deferral and recording of the last state aid payments in the subsequent year. The special revenue fund is presented in the accompanying schedules on the grant accounting budgetary basis which recognizes encumbrances as expenditures and also recognizes the related revenues, whereas the GAAP basis does not. The special revenue fund also recognizes the last state aid payment in the current budget year, consistent with N.J.S.A.18A:22-44.2.

The net adjustment to reconcile from the budgetary basis to the GAAP basis is \$-0- for the general fund and \$-0- for the special revenue fund. See the Notes to Required Supplementary Information for a reconciliation of the budgetary basis to the modified accrual basis of accounting for the general and special revenue funds.

### NOTE 3. RELATIONSHIP TO BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

Additionally, as discussed further in Note 7, the State of New Jersey makes contributions on-behalf of the Commission for TPAF post-retirement medical and pension contributions. The total amount of these contributions during 2017 fiscal year was \$275,639.00.

Awards and financial assistance revenues are reported in the Commission's financial statements on a GAAP basis as follows:

	<u>Federal</u>	<b>State</b>	<u>Total</u>
General Fund	\$ -	\$371,294.50	\$371,294.50
Special Revenue Fund	17,375.00		17,375.00
	<u>\$17,375.00</u>	<u>\$371,294.50</u>	<u>\$388,669.50</u>

### NOTE 4. RELATIONSHIP TO FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL REPORTS

Amounts reported in the accompanying schedules agree with the amounts reported in the related federal awards and state financial reports.

### NOTE 5. OTHER

The amount reported as TPAF Social Security Contributions represents the amount reimbursed by the state for the employer's share of social security contributions for TPAF members for the year ended June 30, 2017.

The State of New Jersey also makes TPAF post-retirement medical and pension contribution expenditures on-behalf of the Commission. These expenditures are not subject to New Jersey OMB Circular 15-08 because the contributions are made by the State directly and do not have any compliance related requirements, and therefore, have not been included on the Schedule of State Financial Assistance, as directed by the funding agency.

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

### Section I - Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial Statements	
Type of auditor's report issued:	unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
1) Material weakness(es) identified?	yesXno
2) Significant deficiencies identified?	yes X none reported
Noncompliance material to basic financial statements noted?	yes <u>X</u> no
Federal Awards	
NOT APPLICABLE	
State Awards	

NOT APPLICABLE

# SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL, FEDERAL AND STATE FINDINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Section II - Schedule of Financial Statement Findings

**NONE** 

Section III - Federal Awards and State Financial Assistance Findings and Questioned Costs

NONE

### SUSSEX COUNTY EDUCATIONAL SERVICES COMMISSION SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

### **Status of Prior Year Findings**

N/A