

**Opp City Board  
of Education**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**For The Year Ended September 30, 2019**



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## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Members of the Board  
Opp City Board of Education  
Opp, Alabama

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Opp City Board of Education (the "Board"), a component unit of the City of Opp, Alabama, as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

### ***Auditors' Responsibility***

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

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

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

### ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Board as of September 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparison for the General Fund 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 on pages 4 – 11, schedules of the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability and OPEB and schedules of employer contributions, on pages 47 – 50, 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 (GASB), who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### *Other Information*

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

The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 27, 2020, on our consideration of the Board's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on 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 Board's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Enterprise, Alabama

March 27, 2020

# Opp City Board of Education Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)

## Introduction

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of the Opp City Board of Education's (the "Board") financial performance provides an overall review of the Board's financial activities for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the Board's financial performance as a whole. Readers should also review the notes to the financial statements and the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the Board's financial performance.

The MD&A is an element of the reporting model adopted by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in their Statement No. 34 *Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*. Certain comparative information between the current year and the prior year is required to be presented in the MD&A and is included in this analysis.

## Financial Highlights

Our financial statements provide these insights into the results of this year's operations:

On the government-wide financial statements:

- General fund revenues and other sources exceeded expenditures and other uses by \$53,481 resulting in a fund balance of \$1,997,619 available as of fiscal year end, September 30, 2019.
- The liabilities of the Board exceeded its assets at the close of the fiscal 2019 year by \$8.36 million. This deficit condition is a result of implementing GASB Statements 68 and 75 which required governmental entities to recognize liabilities for defined benefit pension and OPEB plans in the Statement of Net Position. The total of these liabilities was approximately \$20,800,000. Detailed information can be found in Notes 9 and 10.

## Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis serves as an introduction to the Board's basic financial statements, which are the government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and the notes to the financial statements. This report also includes supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

The first two statements are government-wide financial statements - the *Statement of Net Position* and the *Statement of Activities*. These provide both long-term and short-term information about the Board's overall financial status. Although other governments may report governmental activities and business-type activities, the Board has no business-type activities.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of the Board's assets less liabilities, which results in net position. The statement is designed to display the financial position of the Board. Over time, increases and decreases in net position help determine whether the Board's financial position is improving or deteriorating.

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The *Statement of Activities* provides information which shows how the Board's net position changed as a result of the year's activities. The statement uses the accrual basis of accounting, which is similar to the accounting used by private-sector businesses. All of the revenues and expenses are reported regardless of the timing of when cash is received or paid. The statement identifies the extent to which each expenditure function draws from general revenues of the Board (primarily local taxes) or is financed through charges for services (such as lunchrooms) and intergovernmental aid (primarily federal programs and state appropriations).

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Board's most significant funds – not the Board as a whole. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes. The Board uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate fiscal accountability. One kind of funds – governmental funds – is presented in the fund financial statements.

*Governmental funds* - Most of the Board's activities are reported in governmental funds, which focus on how money flows into and out of those funds and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. The governmental funds statements – the *Balance Sheet* and the *Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances* – are reported using an accounting method called modified accrual accounting, which measures cash and all other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Board's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information that explains the relationship (or differences) between them.

Notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements follow the basic financial statements.

In addition to the basic financial statements and the accompanying notes, this report also presents certain *Required Supplementary Information* (RSI) other than the MD&A consisting of a budgetary comparison schedule for the general fund and each major special revenue fund that has a legally adopted annual budget. The schedule includes an accompanying note explaining the differences between actual amounts as reported on the basis of budgeting and the GAAP basis of reporting.

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

As noted earlier, the Board has no business-type activities. Consequently, the Board's net position is reported as Governmental Activities.



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**Net Position - Governmental Activities**

| <i>September 30,</i>                        | <b>2019</b>           | 2018           |
|---|-----------------------|----------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                               |                       |                |
| Current assets                              | \$ 4,074,419          | \$ 3,991,673   |
| Restricted assets                           | 968,935               | 1,081,208      |
| Capital assets, net of depreciation         | <b>17,652,022</b>     | 17,542,254     |
| <b>Total assets</b>                         | <b>22,695,376</b>     | 22,615,135     |
| <b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>       |                       |                |
| Deferred loss on refunding of debt          | <b>481,823</b>        | 509,466        |
| Deferred outflows related to pension        | <b>1,973,065</b>      | 1,606,378      |
| Deferred outflows related to OPEB           | <b>1,032,273</b>      | 314,920        |
| <b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b> | <b>3,487,161</b>      | 2,430,764      |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                          |                       |                |
| Current liabilities                         | <b>1,528,879</b>      | 1,429,600      |
| Noncurrent liabilities                      | <b>30,628,464</b>     | 29,336,232     |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>                    | <b>32,157,343</b>     | 30,765,832     |
| <b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>        |                       |                |
| Deferred inflows related to pension         | <b>1,100,000</b>      | 1,032,000      |
| Deferred inflows related to OPEB            | <b>824,931</b>        | 1,298,514      |
| Deferred gain on refunding                  | <b>41,425</b>         | 50,787         |
| Unearned property taxes                     | <b>420,097</b>        | 417,556        |
| <b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>  | <b>2,386,453</b>      | 2,798,857      |
| <b>Net Position</b>                         |                       |                |
| Net investment in capital assets            | <b>7,801,529</b>      | 7,180,486      |
| Restricted                                  | <b>968,935</b>        | 1,081,208      |
| Unrestricted (deficit)                      | <b>(17,131,723)</b>   | (16,780,484)   |
| <b>Total net position</b>                   | <b>\$ (8,361,259)</b> | \$ (8,518,790) |

The Board's liabilities and deferred inflows exceeded assets and deferred outflows by \$8,361,259 at the close of the fiscal year. The majority of the Board's net position is invested in capital assets (land, buildings, and equipment) owned by the Board. Since these capital assets are used in governmental activities, this portion of net position is not available for future spending or funding of operations.

It is important to note that the decrease in Total Net Position from fiscal years 2015 to 2018 is largely due to the impact of GASB Statement 68 which became effective in 2015 and GASB Statement 75, which became effective in 2018. GASB 68 requires state and local governments and their related entities that participate in a defined benefit pension plan to disclose their proportionate share of any unfunded pension liability on their financial statements. GASB 75

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established accounting and financial reporting requirements for governmental employers who provide Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) to their employees through a trust. GASB 68 and 75 address only financial reporting requirements and have no impact on the funding requirements for pension and OPEB plans. Readers of the financial statements must understand that these reporting requirements do not change the Board's cash position, credit worthiness, or overall financial health. The Board's financial ability to fund daily operations, meet debt obligations and allocate resources to achieve goals and objectives is unchanged. More detailed information regarding the calculations and reporting requirements of GASB 68 and GASB 75 can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

The following table of the Board's total revenues and expenditures condenses the results of operations for the fiscal year into a format where the reader can easily see total revenues of the Board for the year. It also shows the impact operations had on changes in net position as of September 30, 2019.

**Summary of Changes in Net Position From Operating Results**

| <i>Years ended September 30,</i>                              | <b>2019</b>           | 2018           |
|---|-----------------------|----------------|
| <b>Program Revenues</b>                                       |                       |                |
| Charges for services  | \$ 1,320,153          | \$ 1,279,880   |
| Operating grants and contributions                            | 10,153,674            | 9,781,622      |
| Capital grants  | 427,846               | 391,940        |
| <b>General Revenues</b>                                       |                       |                |
| Local property taxes  | 704,613               | 691,103        |
| Sales and use taxes   | 1,707,324             | 1,605,947      |
| Miscellaneous taxes   | 55,814                | 47,982         |
| Grants and contributions not restricted for specific programs | 840                   | 1,120          |
| Investment earnings   | 97,161                | 61,639         |
| Miscellaneous   | 518,779               | 428,190        |
| Total revenues  | <b>14,986,204</b>     | 14,289,423     |
| <b>Expenses</b>   |                       |                |
| Instructional services  | 7,839,699             | 7,614,887      |
| Instructional support services                                | 2,180,859             | 2,173,766      |
| Operation and maintenance services                            | 1,312,159             | 1,256,189      |
| Food services   | 1,092,058             | 1,062,781      |
| Student transportation services                               | 642,639               | 594,796        |
| General administration services                               | 860,125               | 799,082        |
| Other expenses  | 576,744               | 578,859        |
| Interest and fiscal charges                                   | 324,390               | 324,247        |
| Total expenses  | <b>14,828,673</b>     | 14,404,607     |
| Change in net position  | 157,531               | (115,184)      |
| Net position – beginning                                      | (8,518,790)           | (8,403,606)    |
| Net Position – ending   | <b>\$ (8,361,259)</b> | \$ (8,518,790) |

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Program revenues, specifically operating grants and contributions, are the largest component of total revenues.

- Operating grants and contributions make up 85% of program revenues and 68% of total revenues. The major sources of revenues in this category are state foundation program funds, state transportation operating funds, and state and federal funds restricted for specific programs.
- Capital grants and contributions include state capital outlay funds and state funds to replace buses.
- Charges for services include federal reimbursement for meals, student meal purchases, and local school revenues.
- General revenues, primarily property taxes and sales taxes, are used to provide for expenses that are not covered by program revenues.

### Expense Analysis:

- Instructional services expenses, primarily salaries and benefits for classroom teachers, are the largest expense of the Board (53%). In addition to teacher salaries and benefits, instructional services include teacher aides, substitute teachers, textbooks, depreciation of instructional buildings, professional development, and classroom instructional materials, supplies, and equipment.
- Instructional support services include salaries and benefits for school principals, assistant principals, librarians, counselors, school secretaries, school bookkeepers, speech therapists, school nurses, and professional development expenses. Instructional services and instructional support services account for 68% of total expenses.
- Operation and maintenance services include utilities, security services, janitorial services, maintenance services, and depreciation of maintenance-related assets.
- In addition to bus driver salaries and benefits, student transportation services include mechanics, bus aides, vehicle maintenance and repair expenses, vehicle fuel, depreciation of buses and the bus shop, and fleet insurance.
- Food services includes salaries and benefits for cooks, servers, lunchroom managers, and cashiers, as well as donated and purchased food, food preparation and service supplies, kitchen and lunchroom equipment, and depreciation of equipment and facilities.
- General administrative services include salaries and benefits for the superintendent, assistants, clerical and financial staff, and other personnel that provide system-wide support for the schools. Also included are legal expenses, liability insurance, training for board members and general administrative staff, printing costs, and depreciation of central office equipment and facilities.
- Other expenses include for preschool teachers and aides. Also included are the materials, supplies, equipment, related depreciation, and other expenses for operating programs outside of those for educating students in the K through 12 instructional programs.
- Debt service includes interest, but not principal payments, on long-term debt issues and other expenses related to the issuance and continuance of debt issues.

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### Performance of School Board Funds

**Governmental Funds** – As noted earlier, the Board uses fund accounting to control and manage resources in order to ensure compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Using funds to account for resources for particular purposes helps the reader to determine whether the Board is being accountable for the resources provided by taxpayers and other entities, and it may also help to provide more insight into the Board's overall financial health.

The focus of the Board's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the Board's financial requirements. (Note that the relationship between the *fund financial statements* and the *government-wide financial statements* are reconciled on pages 15 and 17. The financial performance of the Board as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds as well. At the end of the fiscal year, the Board's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balance of \$3,601,244.

**General Fund** – The general fund is the primary operating fund of the Board. The beginning fund balance on October 1, 2018 was \$1,944,138. The fund balance at the end of the fiscal year was \$1,997,619.

**Capital Projects Fund** – The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for financial resources used to acquire, repair or construct major capital facilities and is reported as a major fund. For fiscal year ended September 30, 2019, the ending PSF fund balance was \$559,257.

**Child Nutrition Program Fund** – The Child Nutrition Program is funded primarily by a USDA grant. Funds are received based on the number of free and reduced meals served. On average, 58% of our students receive free and reduce priced meals. The summer feeding program continued in 2019. Anyone under the age of 18 is eligible to participate for free.

### Budgetary Highlights of Major Funds

The Board's original 2019 fiscal year budget was adopted on September 13, 2018. The original budget was based on guaranteed state and federal revenues, estimated local revenues and necessary expenditures. The budget was amended two times during the year, February 21, 2019 and June 20, 2019. Amendment #1 was necessary to budget carryover funds, budget for new allocations and make necessary adjustments. Amendment #2 was the final amendment to the budget. The amendment included expenses not reflected in the original or amended budget, stipends for summer professional development, summer school expense and temporary summer maintenance staff. The final budget was reasonable based on the financial activity of the Board.

**General Fund** – The comparison of the general fund original budget to the final amended budget is on page 18. Because actual expenses exceeded actual revenues there was an overall decrease in fund balance in the general fund.

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### Capital Asset and Debt Administration

**Capital Assets** – At September 30, 2019, the Board had approximately \$17,652,022 invested in capital assets including land, buildings, equipment costing \$5,000 or more, vehicles, and construction in progress. The capital asset activity for the year is detailed in Note 6 to the financial statements. Increases during the year represent additions to those categories, while decreases represent retirements of assets during the year and depreciation of depreciable assets for the year. Capital assets were decreased (depreciated) by \$463,073 during fiscal year 2019. The Board expended available resources to acquire \$585,830 in capital asset additions during the year. There was \$53,741 in assets that were taken out of service during the year.

**Long-Term Debt** – At year-end, the Board had \$9,599,340 in warrants and notes payable. Of this amount, \$309,027 was owed on the Opp High School roof project, \$8,200,000 for the new Opp Elementary School, \$375,000 for a QSCB loan, and \$715,313 on notes payable for school buses. More information with regard to the Board's long-term debt is presented in Note 8 to the financial statements.

### Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

**Student Enrollment** – The Board's current enrollment (2019-2020 school year), based on the Average Daily Membership (ADM) for the first 20 days after Labor Day is 1,266. The average daily membership has decreased by approximately 100 students over the past ten years. The decrease in average daily membership correlates to a decrease in state funding.

**Funding** – The Alabama Department of Education could see a \$500 million increase in the education trust fund budget for its 2020-2021 fiscal year along with a \$1 billion bond issue. Continued growth in tax revenues for education, especially income taxes, are expected to make this increase likely. Locally, Opp City Schools collects 12 mills of ad valorem tax through district and county levees. By law, 10 mills are required to be levied and collected on all taxable property excluding motor vehicles for educational purposes. Overall, the financial stability of the Board will allow administrators and teachers to service students consistently.

**County and District Sales Tax** – In 2019, the Board received a total of \$1.4 million in county sales tax. The county-wide sales tax revenue continues to show growth. The district sales tax revenue was \$237K and remains static. All of the district sales tax is earmarked for the repayment of the bond debt for the construction of Opp Elementary School. Local sources supplement the district sales tax to meet the Board's debt obligation.

**Medical and Retirement Costs** – Employee health insurance is provided through the Public Education Employees' Health Insurance Program (PEEHIP). PEEHIP employer cost remained \$800 per employee month for fiscal year 2019. Employer contributions to the Teachers Retirement System (TRS) will increase to 12.43 percent for Tier I employees and 11.34 for Tier II employees in 2020. The Board must use local funds to pay the salary-related benefit costs not paid by state and federal funds.

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**One Month's Operating Reserve** – The Alabama School Fiscal Accountability Act, ACT number 2006-196 became effective June 1, 2006. The Act requires local boards of education to develop a plan to establish and maintain a minimum reserve fund equal to one month's operating expenses. Currently, one month's operating reserve for the Board is approximately \$947 thousand dollars. At the end of 2019, the Board had 3.0 months of operating reserve or \$2.8 million dollars.

### **Contacting the School Board's Financial Management**

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, investors, and creditors with a general overview of the Board's finances and to show the Board's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Mrs. Linda Harper, Chief School Financial Officer or Mr. Michael D. Smithart, Superintendent at P.O. Box 840, Opp, AL 36467, or by calling (334) 493-3173 during regular office hours, Monday through Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

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**Statement of Net Position**  
**September 30, 2019**

|                                       | <b>Governmental<br/>Activities</b> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>                         |                                    |
| Cash and cash equivalents             | \$ 1,759,405                       |
| Investments                           | 1,757,469                          |
| Receivables                           | 519,287                            |
| Inventories                           | 38,258                             |
| Restricted assets:                    |                                    |
| Cash and cash equivalents             | 968,935                            |
| Capital assets, not being depreciated | 1,015,075                          |
| Capital assets, net of depreciation   | 16,636,947                         |
| Total assets                          | 22,695,376                         |
| <b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b> |                                    |
| Deferred loss on refunding of debt    | 481,823                            |
| Deferred outflows related to pension  | 1,973,065                          |
| Deferred outflows related to OPEB     | 1,032,273                          |
| Total deferred outflows of resources  | 3,487,161                          |
| <b>Liabilities</b>                    |                                    |
| Salaries and benefits payable         | 1,013,437                          |
| Unearned grant revenue                | 8,576                              |
| Long-term liabilities                 |                                    |
| Net pension liability                 | 10,388,000                         |
| Net OPEB liability                    | 10,456,439                         |
| Due and payable within one year       | 506,866                            |
| Due and payable after one year        | 9,784,025                          |
| Total liabilities                     | 32,157,343                         |
| <b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>  |                                    |
| Deferred inflows related to pension   | 1,100,000                          |
| Deferred inflows related to OPEB      | 824,931                            |
| Deferred gain on refunding of debt    | 41,425                             |
| Unearned property taxes               | 420,097                            |
| Total deferred inflows of resources   | 2,386,453                          |
| <b>Net Position</b>                   |                                    |
| Net investment in capital assets      | 7,801,529                          |
| Restricted for capital improvements   | 559,257                            |
| Restricted for debt service           | 409,678                            |
| Unrestricted (deficit)                | (17,131,723)                       |
| Total net position                    | \$ (8,361,259)                     |

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

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**Statement of Activities**  
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| <b>Functions / Programs</b>        | <b>Expenses</b>      |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Instructional services             | \$ 7,839,699         |
| Instructional support services     | 2,180,859            |
| Operation and maintenance services | 1,312,159            |
| Student transportation services    | 642,639              |
| Food services                      | 1,092,058            |
| General administrative services    | 860,125              |
| Interest and fiscal charges        | 324,390              |
| Other expenses                     | 576,744              |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>\$ 14,828,673</b> |

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*



| Charges<br>For<br>Services | Program Revenues                         |  | Net (Expenses)<br>Revenues and<br>Changes In<br>Net Position<br>Governmental<br>Activities |
|----------------------------|--|--|--|
|                            | Operating<br>Grants and<br>Contributions | Capital<br>Grants and<br>Contributions |  |
| \$ 126,747                 | \$ 6,733,974                             | \$ 303,563                             | \$ (675,415)   |
| 164,619                    | 1,516,538                                | -                                      | (499,702)  |
| 14,839                     | 664,226                                  | 74,520                                 | (558,574)  |
| 33,240                     | 450,825                                  | 49,763                                 | (108,811)  |
| 796,868                    | 113,160                                  | -                                      | (182,030)  |
| 675                        | 450,750                                  | -                                      | (408,700)  |
| -                          | -  | -                                      | (324,390)  |
| 183,165                    | 224,201                                  | -                                      | (169,378)  |
| <u>\$ 1,320,153</u>        | <u>\$ 10,153,674</u>                     | <u>\$ 427,846</u>                      | <u>(2,927,000)</u>   |

#### General Revenues

##### Taxes:

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Property taxes for general purposes         | 704,613   |
| Local sales tax                             | 1,707,324 |
| Other taxes                                 | 55,814    |
| Grants not restricted for specific programs | 840       |
| Investment earnings                         | 97,161    |
| Miscellaneous                               | 518,779   |

|                        |                  |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Total general revenues | <u>3,084,531</u> |
|------------------------|------------------|

|                        |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| Change in net position | 157,531 |
|------------------------|---------|

|                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Net position - beginning | <u>(8,518,790)</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------------|

|                       |                       |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Net position - ending | <u>\$ (8,361,259)</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|

**Opp City Board of Education  
Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds  
September 30, 2019**

|  | General<br>Fund     | Capital<br>Projects<br>Fund | Other<br>Governmental<br>Funds | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Assets</b>  |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Cash and cash equivalents  | \$ 1,105,138        | \$ -                        | \$ 654,267                     | \$ 1,759,405                   |
| Investments  | 1,757,469           | -                           | -                              | 1,757,469                      |
| Receivables  | 441,882             | -                           | 77,405                         | 519,287                        |
| Inventories  | -                   | -                           | 38,258                         | 38,258                         |
| Restricted assets:   |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Cash and cash equivalents  | -                   | 559,257                     | 409,678                        | 968,935                        |
| <b>Total assets</b>  | <b>\$ 3,304,489</b> | <b>\$ 559,257</b>           | <b>\$ 1,179,608</b>            | <b>\$ 5,043,354</b>            |
| <b>Liabilities</b>   |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Liabilities  |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Salaries and benefits payable  | \$ 886,773          | \$ -                        | \$ 126,664                     | \$ 1,013,437                   |
| Unearned grant revenue   | -                   | -                           | 8,576                          | 8,576                          |
| <b>Total liabilities</b>   | <b>886,773</b>      | <b>-</b>                    | <b>135,240</b>                 | <b>1,022,013</b>               |
| <b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>   |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Unearned property taxes  | 420,097             | -                           | -                              | 420,097                        |
| <b>Fund balances</b>   |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Non-spendable  | -                   | -                           | 38,258                         | 38,258                         |
| Restricted   | -                   | 559,257                     | 409,678                        | 968,935                        |
| Assigned   | -                   | -                           | 596,432                        | 596,432                        |
| Unassigned   | 1,997,619           | -                           | -                              | 1,997,619                      |
| <b>Total fund balances</b>   | <b>1,997,619</b>    | <b>559,257</b>              | <b>1,044,368</b>               | <b>3,601,244</b>               |
| <b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of<br/>resources, and fund balances</b> | <b>\$ 3,304,489</b> | <b>\$ 559,257</b>           | <b>\$ 1,179,608</b>            | <b>\$ 5,043,354</b>            |

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

**Opp City Board of Education**  
**Reconciliation of Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds**  
**to Statement of Net Position**  
**For The Year Ended September 30, 2019**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position on page 12 are different because:

|   |    |           |
|---|----|-----------|
| Total fund balance - governmental funds | \$ | 3,601,244 |
|---|----|-----------|

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.

|                          |               |            |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Cost of capital assets   | \$ 24,831,840 |            |
| Accumulated depreciation | (7,179,818)   | 17,652,022 |

Deferred inflows and outflows related to pensions and OPEB represent an acquisition or consumption of net position, respectively, that applies to a future period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities or assets in the governmental funds.

|                                      |             |           |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| Deferred outflows related to pension | 1,973,065   |           |
| Deferred inflows related to pension  | (1,100,000) |           |
| Deferred outflows related to OPEB    | 1,032,273   |           |
| Deferred inflows related to OPEB     | (824,931)   | 1,080,407 |

Gains and losses on refunding of debt are reported as deferred inflows and outflows of resources and are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore, are not reported as assets or liabilities in the governmental funds.

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Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, bond discounts, and net pension liability are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds.

|                                       |              |              |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Net pension liability                 | (10,388,000) |              |
| Net OPEB liability                    | (10,456,439) |              |
| Current portion of long-term debt     | (506,866)    |              |
| Non-current portion of long-term debt | (9,784,025)  | (31,135,330) |

|  |    |             |
|--|----|-------------|
| Total net position - governmental activities | \$ | (8,361,259) |
|--|----|-------------|

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

**Opp City Board of Education**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**For The Year Ended September 30, 2019**

|  | General<br>Fund     | Capital<br>Projects<br>Fund | Other<br>Governmental<br>Funds | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|--|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Revenues</b>  |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| State revenues   | \$ 8,850,135        | \$ 251,509                  | \$ 176,336                     | \$ 9,277,980                   |
| Federal revenues   | 840                 | -                           | 1,822,928                      | 1,823,768                      |
| Local revenues   | 2,403,977           | -                           | 1,294,100                      | 3,698,077                      |
| Other revenues   | 164,538             | -                           | 19,912                         | 184,450                        |
| <b>Total revenues</b>  | <b>11,419,490</b>   | <b>251,509</b>              | <b>3,313,276</b>               | <b>14,984,275</b>              |
| <b>Expenditures</b>  |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Instructional services                                       | 6,257,188           | 11,224                      | 1,073,066                      | 7,341,478                      |
| Instructional support services                               | 1,645,818           | -                           | 469,407                        | 2,115,225                      |
| Operation and maintenance                                    | 1,152,685           | 76,033                      | 35,200                         | 1,263,918                      |
| Student transportation services                              | 517,224             | -                           | 17,922                         | 535,146                        |
| Food services  | -                   | -                           | 1,076,976                      | 1,076,976                      |
| General administrative services                              | 683,132             | -                           | 144,448                        | 827,580                        |
| Capital outlay   | 263,850             | 290,828                     | 31,152                         | 585,830                        |
| Debt service:  |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Principal  | -                   | 13,236                      | 476,644                        | 489,880                        |
| Interest   | -                   | 4,953                       | 340,831                        | 345,784                        |
| Other expenditures   | 253,036             | -                           | 314,606                        | 567,642                        |
| <b>Total expenditures</b>                                    | <b>10,772,933</b>   | <b>396,274</b>              | <b>3,980,252</b>               | <b>15,149,459</b>              |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenues over<br>(under) expenditures | 646,557             | (144,765)                   | (666,976)                      | (165,184)                      |
| <b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>                        |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Indirect cost  | 48,712              | -                           | -                              | 48,712                         |
| Insurance loss recoveries                                    | 1,931               | -                           | -                              | 1,931                          |
| Transfers in   | -                   | -                           | 922,230                        | 922,230                        |
| Transfers out  | (643,719)           | -                           | (278,511)                      | (922,230)                      |
| <b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>                  | <b>(593,076)</b>    | <b>-</b>                    | <b>643,719</b>                 | <b>50,643</b>                  |
| Net change in fund balances                                  | 53,481              | (144,765)                   | (23,257)                       | (114,541)                      |
| <b>Fund Balances - beginning</b>                             | <b>1,944,138</b>    | <b>704,022</b>              | <b>1,067,625</b>               | <b>3,715,785</b>               |
| <b>Fund Balances - ending</b>                                | <b>\$ 1,997,619</b> | <b>\$ 559,257</b>           | <b>\$ 1,044,368</b>            | <b>\$ 3,601,244</b>            |

*The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.*

**Opp City Board of Education**

**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in  
Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to Statement of Activities  
For The Year Ended September 30, 2019**

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities on page 13 are different because:

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds \$ (114,541)

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeds depreciation expense in the period.

|                      |            |         |
|----------------------|------------|---------|
| Capital outlays      | \$ 585,830 |         |
| Depreciation expense | (463,073)  | 122,757 |
| <hr/>                |            |         |

Governmental funds report the entire net sales price (proceeds) from the sale or disposal of an asset as revenue because it provides current financial resources. In contrast, the Statement of Activities reports only the gain or loss on sale or disposal of the asset. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the net undepreciated cost of the disposed asset. (12,989)

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.

|  |           |           |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Amortization of deferred loss on refunding of debt, deferred gain on refunding of debt, and bond premium | 21,395    |           |
| Current year increase in pension expense   | (39,313)  |           |
| Current year increase in OPEB expense  | (309,658) | (327,576) |
| <hr/>  |           |           |

Repayment of debt principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but it reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position and does not affect the Statement of Activities.

|                                      |  |         |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------|
| Principal payments on long-term debt |  | 489,880 |
| <hr/>                                |  |         |

|   |  |            |
|---|--|------------|
| Change in net position of governmental activities |  | \$ 157,531 |
| <hr/> <hr/>                                       |  |            |

**Opp City Board of Education**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance -**  
**Budget and Actual - General Fund**  
**For The Year Ended September 30, 2019**

|   | <u>Budgeted Amounts</u> |                     |
|---|-------------------------|---------------------|
|   | <u>Original</u>         | <u>Final</u>        |
| <b>Revenues</b>   |                         |                     |
| State revenues  | \$ 8,298,831            | \$ 8,578,761        |
| Federal revenues  | 900                     | 900                 |
| Local revenues  | 2,305,200               | 2,376,915           |
| Other revenues  | 22,000                  | 142,000             |
| <b>Total revenue</b>  | <b>10,626,931</b>       | <b>11,098,576</b>   |
| <b>Expenditures</b>   |                         |                     |
| Instructional services  | 6,102,556               | 6,275,220           |
| Instructional support services  | 1,562,667               | 1,672,752           |
| Operation and maintenance   | 1,048,179               | 1,129,471           |
| Student transportation services   | 500,484                 | 508,459             |
| General administrative services   | 651,507                 | 657,207             |
| Capital outlay  | -                       | 122,069             |
| Other expenditures  | 226,808                 | 249,813             |
| <b>Total expenditures</b>   | <b>10,092,201</b>       | <b>10,614,991</b>   |
| Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures   | 534,730                 | 483,585             |
| <b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>   |                         |                     |
| Indirect cost   | 51,411                  | 51,411              |
| Transfers out   | (537,846)               | (537,846)           |
| Insurance loss recoveries   | -                       | -                   |
| <b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>   | <b>(486,435)</b>        | <b>(486,435)</b>    |
| <b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources Over Expenditures and Other Uses</b> | <b>48,295</b>           | <b>(2,850)</b>      |
| <b>Fund Balance - beginning</b>   | <b>1,944,138</b>        | <b>1,944,138</b>    |
| <b>Fund Balance - ending</b>  | <b>\$ 1,992,433</b>     | <b>\$ 1,941,288</b> |

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| Actual<br>(Budgetary<br>Basis) | Variance<br>with Final<br>Budget |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| \$ 8,850,135                   | \$ 271,374                       |
| 840                            | (60)                             |
| 2,403,977                      | 27,062                           |
| 164,538                        | 22,538                           |
| <u>11,419,490</u>              | <u>320,914</u>                   |
| 6,213,526                      | 61,694                           |
| 1,650,125                      | 22,627                           |
| 1,152,685                      | (23,214)                         |
| 511,196                        | (2,737)                          |
| 683,132                        | (25,925)                         |
| 263,850                        | (141,781)                        |
| 250,626                        | (813)                            |
| <u>10,725,140</u>              | <u>(110,149)</u>                 |
| <u>694,350</u>                 | <u>210,765</u>                   |
| 48,712                         | (2,699)                          |
| (643,719)                      | (105,873)                        |
| 1,931                          | 1,931                            |
| <u>(593,076)</u>               | <u>(106,641)</u>                 |
| 101,274                        | 104,124                          |
| <u>1,944,138</u>               | <u>-</u>                         |
| <u>\$ 2,045,412</u>            | <u>\$ 104,124</u>                |

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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

***Reporting Entity***

GASB establishes standards for defining and reporting on the financial reporting entity. The definition of the reporting entity is based primarily on the notion of financial accountability. A primary government is financially accountable for agencies that make up its legal entity. It is also financially accountable for a legally separate agency if its officials appoint a voting majority of that agency's governing body and either it is able to impose its will on that agency or there is a potential for the agency to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on, the primary government. There are no component units which should be included as part of the financial reporting entity of the Board.

The Board is a legally separate agency of the State of Alabama. However, for financial reporting, the Board is considered a component unit of the City of Opp, Alabama (the “City”) because the City issued bonds for the construction of facilities for the Board and the City is obligated for the debt. The financial statements of the Board include local school activity funds and other funds under the control of school principals. These funds are reported on a reporting period ended September 30, 2019 as a special revenue fund.

***Basis of Presentation, Basis of Accounting***

**Basis of Presentation**

*Government-wide Financial Statements:* The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the Board. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double-counting of internal activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other nonexchange transactions. Although other governments may report both governmental activities and business-type activities, the Board has no business-type activities.

The statement of activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the Board’s governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. The Board does not allocate indirect expenses to the various functions. Program revenues include (a) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program and (b) charges to recipients of goods or services offered by the programs. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all local taxes, are presented as general revenues.



**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

*Fund Financial Statements:* The fund financial statements provide information about the Board's funds. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as other governmental funds.

The Board reports the following major governmental funds:

**General Fund** – This is the Board's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The Board's general fund primarily received revenues from the Education Trust Fund (ETF), appropriated by the Alabama Legislature, and from local taxes. The State Department of Education allocated amounts appropriated from the ETF to the Board on a formula basis.

**Capital Projects Fund – Public School Fund Capital Outlay** – This fund accounts for the funds received from the State Department of Education which are to be used for capital improvements.

The Board reports the following governmental fund types in the "Other Governmental Funds" column:

**Special Revenue Funds** account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources requiring separate accounting because of legal or regulatory provisions or administrative action. Special revenue funds consist of the following:

1. IDEA – Part B
2. Preschool Ages 3 – 5 Part B
3. Vocational Education – Basic Grant
4. Title I Part A
5. Title I Part A School Improvement
6. Title II Part A Teachers Training
7. Title IV Part A Safe & Drug-free
8. Title VI Rural & Low Income Program
9. SLC E-Rate Refund
10. Local School Activity Funds
11. Food and Nutrition Fund

**Debt Service Funds** account for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of, the Board's principal and interest payments on long-term debt.

**Other Capital Projects Funds** account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities.

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

***Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting***

*Government-wide Financial Statements:* The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Board gives (or receives) value without directly receiving (or giving) equal value in exchange, include property taxes, grants, entitlements, and donations. On an accrual basis, revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants, entitlements, and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

*Governmental Fund Financial Statements:* Governmental funds are reported using a current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the Board considers revenues reported in the governmental funds (excluding state and federal reimbursements) to be available if the revenues are collected within thirty (30) days after year-end. Revenues from state and federal funds are considered available if transactions eligible for reimbursement have taken place. Expenditures generally are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred. Principal and interest on general long-term debt are recorded when due or when amounts have been accumulated in the debt service fund for payments to be made early in the following year.

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

***Assets, Liabilities, Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources, and Net Position***

**Deposits and Investments** - Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity date within three months of the date acquired by the Board. Investments are stated at amortized cost.

The State Attorney General has issued a legal opinion that boards of education may not put public funds at risk by investing in companies not insured by the federal government.

**Receivables** - Receivables are reported as *receivables* in the government-wide financial statements and as *receivables* in the fund financial statements. Receivables include amounts due from grantors or grants issued for specific programs and local taxes. No allowances are made for uncollectible amounts because the amounts are considered immaterial.

**Opp City Board of Education  
Notes to Financial Statements**

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Property Tax Calendar** - The Covington County Commission levies property taxes for all jurisdictions including the school boards and municipalities within the county. Millage rates for property taxes are levied at the first regular meeting of the County Commission in February of each year. Property taxes are assessed for property as of October 1 of the preceding year based on the millage rates established by the County Commission. Property taxes are due and payable the following October 1 and are delinquent after December 31.

**Inventories** - Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in/first-out (FIFO) method. GAAP requires only material balances of inventories accounted for using the purchases method to be reported as an asset in the appropriate governmental fund.

In the government-wide financial statements, inventories are recorded on an accrual basis using the consumption method. Expenses reflect the amount of materials and supplies consumed in the current period.

**Restricted Assets** - Restricted assets at September 30, 2019 consist of cash and cash equivalents which are restricted by debt agreements for debt service payments or capital improvements. Cash and cash equivalents restricted for debt service payments and capital improvements totaled \$409,678 and \$559,257, respectively.

**Capital Assets** - Purchased or constructed capital assets are reported at cost or estimated historical costs in the statement of net position. Donated assets are recorded at their acquisition value at the date of donation. The cost of maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets' lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are recorded as expenditures at the acquisition date in the fund financial statements. The Board has no general infrastructure assets.

Depreciation of capital assets is recorded in the statement of activities on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the asset. Capitalization thresholds (the dollar values above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts) and the estimated useful lives of capital assets reported in the government-wide statements are as follows:

| <b>Asset Class</b>              | <b>Capitalization<br/>Threshold</b> | <b>Estimated<br/>Useful Life</b> |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Land improvements - exhaustible | \$ 25,000                           | 40 years                         |
| Buildings                       | 25,000                              | 40 years                         |
| Building improvements           | 25,000                              | 7 - 40 years                     |
| Equipment                       | 5,000                               | 7 years                          |
| Equipment under lease           | 5,000                               | 7 years                          |
| Vehicles                        | 5,000                               | 5 - 7 years                      |

The capitalization threshold for land, construction in progress, and inexhaustible land improvements is \$1 or more. However, these capital assets are not depreciated.

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**Long-Term Obligations** - In the government-wide financial statements, the unmatured principal of long-term debt, capital leases, and compensated absences are reported in the statement of net position. Interest expense for long-term debt, including accrued interest payable, is reported in the statement of activities. For warrants (bonds) and other long-term debt issued after October 1, 2003, the related premiums and discounts are amortized under accrual accounting and the annual amortization of these accruals is included in the statement of activities. The unamortized portion is reported as an addition or deduction from the related debt on the statement of net position.

In the fund financial statements, bond premiums and the face amount of debt issued during the year are reported as other financing sources. Debt issuance costs are not deducted from the amount reported as other financing sources but are reported as other debt service expenditures. Any discount resulting from a disparity between the market rate and the stated rate of interest is reported as an other financing use. Expenditures for debt principal, interest and related costs are reported in the fiscal year payments are made. At the inception of a capital lease, an amount equal to the present value of the net minimum lease payments is reported as an other financing source and as an expenditure. The balance sheet does not reflect a liability for long-term debt.

**Compensated Absences** - For vacation leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics, GASB Statement No. 16 requires the accrual of a liability (as the benefits are earned by the employees), if both of these conditions are met:

- a. The employees' right to receive compensation is attributable to services already rendered.
- b. It is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means, such as cash payments at termination or retirement.

An accrual for earned sick leave should be made only to the extent it is probable that the benefits will result in termination payments, rather than be taken as absences due to illness or other contingencies, such as medical appointments and funerals.

Professional and support employees earn nonvesting sick leave at the rate of one day per month worked. Employees may accumulate an unlimited number of sick leave days. Employees may use their accrued sick leave as membership service in determining the total years of creditable service in the Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama, with no additional cost to the Board. Because employees do not receive compensation for unused sick leave at termination, no liability is recorded on the financial statements.

Professional and support personnel are provided two days of personal leave per year with pay. The State provides funding, at the substitute rate, for up to two days of personal leave per employee per year. Professional employees are paid, at the Board's substitute rate, for up to two days of unused personal leave. Because unused personal leave cannot be carried over to succeeding years, no liability for unpaid leave is accrued in the financial statements.

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

Certain employees are allowed two weeks of vacation per year with pay. Personnel considered full time support personnel and instructional personnel contracted for the fiscal year are eligible for vacation leave. Because unused vacation leave cannot be carried over to succeeding years, no liability for unpaid leave is accrued in the financial statements.

**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources** - In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred outflows of resources*, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Board has three items reported in this category, deferred loss on refunding of debt, deferred outflows related to pension and deferred outflows related to OPEB. A deferred loss on refunding of debt results from the difference in the carrying value of refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. Deferred outflows related to pension and OPEB result from pension and OPEB contributions related to normal and accrued employer liability (net of any refunds or error service payments) subsequent to the measurement date, the net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments, changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions, and differences between actual and expected experience.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, *deferred inflows of resources*, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Board has four items that qualify for reporting in this category, deferred gain on refunding of debt, unearned property taxes, deferred inflows related to pension, and deferred inflows related to OPEB. A deferred gain on refunding of debt results from the difference in the carrying value of the refunded debt and its reacquisition price. This amount is deferred and amortized over the shorter of the life of the refunded or refunding debt. Deferred inflows related to pension and OPEB result from differences between expected and actual experience, changes in assumptions, the net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments, and changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions.

**Net Position and Fund Balances** - Net position are reported on the government-wide financial statements and are required to be classified for accounting and reporting purposes into the following net position categories:

*Net Investment in Capital Assets* - Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and outstanding principal balances of debt and deferred inflows or outflows of resources attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

*Restricted* - Constraints imposed on net position by external creditors, grantors, contributors, laws or regulations of other governments, or law through constitutional provision or enabling legislation.

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### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

*Unrestricted* - Net position that is not subject to externally imposed stipulations. Unrestricted net position may be designated for specific purposes by action of the Board.

Fund balances are reported in the fund financial statements in accordance with GASB 54. The intent of GASB 54 is to provide a more structured classification of fund balances and to improve the usefulness of fund balance reporting to the users of the Board's financial statements. The reporting standard established a hierarchy for fund balance classifications and the constraints imposed on the users of those resources. In governmental funds, the Board's policy is to first apply the expenditure toward restricted fund balance and then to other, less-restrictive classifications-committed and then assigned fund balances before using unassigned fund balances.

As of September 30, 2019, fund balances of the governmental funds are classified as follows:

*Nonspendable* - Amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

*Restricted* - Amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of constitutional provisions, charter requirements or enabling legislation or because of constraints that are externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or the laws or regulations of other governments.

*Committed* - Amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the Board, the highest level of decision making authority. Commitments may be established, modified, or rescinded only through ordinances or resolutions approved by the Board.

*Assigned* - Amounts that do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed but that are intended to be used or specific purposes. Under the Board's policy, only the Superintendent may assign amounts for specific purposes.

*Unassigned* - All other spendable amounts.

|                          | General Fund        | Capital<br>Projects<br>Fund | Other<br>Governmental<br>Funds | Total<br>Governmental<br>Funds |
|--------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Nonspendable:            |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Inventories              | \$ -                | \$ -                        | \$ 38,258                      | \$ 38,258                      |
| Restricted:              |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Debt service             | -                   | -                           | 409,678                        | 409,678                        |
| Capital improvements     | -                   | 559,257                     | -                              | 559,257                        |
| Assigned:                |                     |                             |                                |                                |
| Subsequent years' budget | -                   | -                           | 596,432                        | 596,432                        |
| Unassigned               | 1,997,619           | -                           | -                              | 1,997,619                      |
|                          | <u>\$ 1,997,619</u> | <u>\$ 559,257</u>           | <u>\$ 1,044,368</u>            | <u>\$ 3,601,244</u>            |

**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

The financial statements include summary reconciliations of the fund financial statements to the government-wide statements after each of the fund statements. The governmental fund balance sheet is followed by a reconciliation between *Total fund balance - governmental funds* and *Total net position - governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of net position. The governmental funds statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances is followed by a reconciliation between *Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds* and *Change in net position of governmental activities* as reported in the government-wide statement of activities.

***Management Estimates and Assumptions***

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

***Reclassification***

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation.

***Impact of Recently Issued Accounting Pronouncements***

In Fiscal Year 2019, the Board adopted two new statements of financial accounting standards issued by the GASB:

- Statement No. 83, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations* (GASB 83)
- Statement No. 88, *Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, Including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements* (GASB 88)

GASB 83 establishes standards of accounting and financial reporting requirements for legally enforceable liabilities associated with the retirement of certain tangible capital assets. State and local governments that have legal obligations to perform future asset retirement activities related to its tangible capital assets should recognize a liability based on the regulation of GASB 83. The requirements of GASB 83 are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2018. GASB 83 had no impact on the Board's financial statements.

GASB 88 defines debt for purposes of disclosure in notes to financial statements as a liability that arises from a contractual obligation to pay cash (or other assets that may be used in lieu of cash) in one or more payments to settle an amount that is fixed at the date the contractual obligation is established. GASB 88 requires that additional essential information related to debt be disclosed in notes to financial statements, including unused lines of credit; assets pledged as collateral for the debt; and terms specified in debt agreements related to significant subjective acceleration clauses.

## Opp City Board of Education Notes to Financial Statements

### NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

GASB 88 also requires that existing and additional information be provided for direct borrowings and direct placements of debt separately from other debt. The requirements of GASB 88 are effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2018. Details of the Board’s implementation with respect to GASB 88 is included in the long-term debt note (see Note 8).

#### ***Pronouncements Issued But Not Yet Effective***

GASB has issued the following pronouncements that may affect future financial position, results of operations, cash flows, or financial presentation of the Board upon implementation. Management has not yet evaluated the effect of implementation of these standards.

| GASB<br>Statement No. | GASB Accounting Standard   | Effective<br>Fiscal Year |
|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|
| 84                    | <i>Fiduciary Activities</i>  | 2020                     |
| 87                    | <i>Leases</i>  | 2021                     |
| 89                    | <i>Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period</i> | 2021                     |
| 90                    | <i>Majority Equity Interests – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61</i> | 2020                     |
| 91                    | <i>Conduit Debt Obligations</i>  | 2022                     |

#### ***Pension Plan***

The Teachers’ Retirement System of Alabama (the Plan or TRS) financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting. Contributions are recognized as revenues when earned, pursuant to Plan requirements. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Plan. Expenses are recognized when the corresponding liability is incurred, regardless of when the payment is made. Investments are reported at fair value. Financial statements are prepared in accordance with requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Under these requirements, the Plan is considered a component unit of the State of Alabama and is included in the State’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

#### ***Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)***

The Alabama Retired Education Employees’ Health Care Trust (Trust) financial statements are prepared by using the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting. This includes for purposes of measuring the net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Trust and additions to/deductions from the Trust’s fiduciary net position. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Employer contributions are recognized when due pursuant to plan requirements. Benefits are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of the plan. Subsequent events were evaluated by management through the date the financial statements were issued.



**NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

***Budgets***

Annual budgets are adopted for all governmental funds except the permanent funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. State law requires Alabama school boards to prepare and submit to the State Superintendent of Education the annual budget adopted by the local board of education. In accordance with the regulations of the State Board of Education, the due date for submission of the budget for the 2019 fiscal year was September 15, 2018. The Board approved and submitted its original 2019 annual budget on September 14, 2018.

The 2019 budget was amended in February 2019 and June 2019 primarily to budget carryover federal funds, adjust federal allocations, and add revenue and expenditures for fund sources not reflected in the original budget.

The City Superintendent of Education or Board cannot approve any budget for operations of the school system for any fiscal year that shows expenditures in excess of income estimated to be available plus any balances on hand. The Superintendent, with the approval of the Board, has the authority to make changes within the approved budget provided that a deficit is not incurred by such changes. The Superintendent may approve amendments to program budgets without Board approval.

The budget is prepared under a budgetary basis of accounting that differs from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Salaries of teachers and other personnel with contracts of less than twelve months are paid over a twelve month period. Expenditures for salaries (and related fringe benefits) and interest expense are budgeted based on the amount that will be paid from budgeted expenditures on the financial statements. Similarly, interest expense incurred but not paid as of year-end is reported as an expenditure on the financial statements.

Adjustments to convert the results of operations of the general fund at the end of the year from the budgetary basis of accounting to the GAAP basis of accounting are as follows:

|   | <b>Total<br/>Expenditures</b> |
|---|-------------------------------|
| Budget basis                                      | \$ 10,725,140                 |
| Non-budgeted accrued salaries and fringe benefits |                               |
| Instructional services                            | 43,662                        |
| Instructional support services                    | (4,307)                       |
| Student transportation services                   | 6,028                         |
| Other expenditures                                | 2,410                         |
| GAAP basis  | \$ 10,772,933                 |

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**NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY (Continued)**

***Excess Expenditures over Appropriations***

The general fund actual expenditures exceeded appropriations by \$110,149. These excess expenditures were funded by unanticipated revenues.

**NOTE 3: CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS**

The custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of a bank failure, the Board will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The Board's deposits at year-end were entirely covered by federal deposit insurance or by the Security for Alabama Funds Enhancement Program (SAFE Program). The SAFE Program was established by the Alabama Legislature and is governed by the provisions contained in the *Code of Alabama 1975*, Sections 41-14A-1 through 41-14A-14.

Under the SAFE Program all public funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the Alabama State Treasurer's Office. Under this program, financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits with original maturities of greater than three months. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that financial institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). If the securities pledged fail to produce adequate funds, every institution participating in the pool would share the liability for the remaining balance.

All of the Board's investments and restricted investments were in certificates of deposit. These certificates of deposit are classified as "Deposits" in order to determine insurance and collateralization. However, they are classified as "Investments" on the financial statements.

**NOTE 4: RECEIVABLES**

Receivables at September 30, 2019 consist of the following:

|                                       | General           | Other<br>Non-major | Total             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| State Department of Education         |                   |                    |                   |
| School Lunch Program                  | \$ -              | \$ 66,521          | \$ 66,521         |
| Special Education                     | 21,785            | -                  | 21,785            |
| Title I - Part A                      | -                 | 5,139              | 5,139             |
| Title II - Part A                     | -                 | 775                | 775               |
| Title IV - Part A                     | -                 | 4,970              | 4,970             |
| Covington County Revenue Commissioner | 420,097           | -                  | 420,097           |
| <b>Total receivables</b>              | <b>\$ 441,882</b> | <b>\$ 77,405</b>   | <b>\$ 519,287</b> |

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**NOTE 4: RECEIVABLES (Continued)**

All receivables are considered fully collectible and, accordingly, no allowance for uncollectible accounts has been recorded.

**NOTE 5: INTERFUND ACTIVITY**

Interfund transfers consisted of the following for the year ended September 30, 2019:

| <b>Transfers Out</b>  | <b>Transfers In<br/>Nonmajor<br/>Governmental</b> |
|-----------------------|---|
| General               | \$ 643,719  |
| Nonmajor governmental | 278,511   |
|                       | <b>\$ 922,230</b>                                 |

**NOTE 6: CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended September 30, 2019 was as follows:

|   | <b>Beginning<br/>Balance</b> | <b>Additions</b> | <b>Retirements</b> | <b>Ending<br/>Balance</b> |
|---|------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Governmental Activities:</b>                   |                              |                  |                    |                           |
| Capital assets, not being depreciated:            |                              |                  |                    |                           |
| Land and land improvements                        | \$ 628,141                   | \$ 29,100        | \$ -               | \$ 657,241                |
| Construction in progress                          | -                            | 357,834          | -                  | 357,834                   |
| Total capital assets, not being depreciated       | 628,141                      | 386,934          | -                  | 1,015,075                 |
| Other capital assets:                             |                              |                  |                    |                           |
| Buildings   | 16,368,793                   | -                | -                  | 16,368,793                |
| Building improvements                             | 4,995,672                    | 129,236          | 17,596             | 5,107,312                 |
| Furniture and equipment                           | 2,307,145                    | 69,660           | 36,145             | 2,340,660                 |
| Total other capital assets at historical cost     | 23,671,610                   | 198,896          | 53,741             | 23,816,765                |
| Less accumulated depreciation for:                |                              |                  |                    |                           |
| Buildings   | 4,415,044                    | 237,663          | -                  | 4,652,707                 |
| Building improvements                             | 1,072,987                    | 81,829           | 4,607              | 1,150,209                 |
| Furniture and equipment                           | 1,269,466                    | 143,581          | 36,145             | 1,376,902                 |
| Total accumulated depreciation                    | 6,757,497                    | 463,073          | 40,752             | 7,179,818                 |
| Total other capital assets, net                   | 16,914,113                   | (264,177)        | 12,989             | 16,636,947                |
| Total governmental activities capital assets, net | \$ 17,542,254                | \$ 122,757       | \$ 12,989          | \$ 17,652,022             |

**NOTE 6: CAPITAL ASSETS (Continued)**

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental functions as follows:

|  |    |         |
|--|----|---------|
| Instructional services                             | \$ | 298,288 |
| Instructional support services                     |    | 17,235  |
| Operation and maintenance services                 |    | 24,501  |
| Student transportation services                    |    | 85,579  |
| Food services                                      |    | 36,242  |
| General and administrative services                |    | 1,228   |
| <hr/>  |    |         |
| Total governmental activities depreciation expense | \$ | 463,073 |
| <hr/>  |    |         |

**NOTE 7: UNEARNED PROPERTY TAXES**

|  |    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> |
|--|----|-------------------------|
| <hr/>  |    |                         |
| <b>Property Taxes</b> – Property taxes are levied by the County Commission in February of each year based on property on record as of the preceding October 1. The enforceable legal claim exists as of October 1 preceding the February meeting of the County Commission. The actual billing and collection of these taxes will occur subsequent to year-end. | \$ | 420,097                 |
| <hr/>  |    |                         |

As discussed in Note 1, unearned revenue related to property taxes is classified as a deferred inflow of resources on the statement of net position.

**NOTE 8: LONG-TERM DEBT**

***Series 2009-QSCB Capital Outlay Pool Warrant***

Pursuant to Act 2009-813 enacted by the Alabama Legislature, the Alabama Public School and College Authority (PSCA) issued the Series 2009-D Capital Improvement Pool Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCB) to loan funds to participating local school boards for the purpose of funding capital improvements. The Board received a loan of \$375,000 from the QSCB funds in 2009. The Board is required to make annual payments of \$19,515 into a sinking fund for fifteen years beginning December 15, 2011. Principal payments on the warrant may be made with PSF Capital Purchase funds that are allocated and distributed to the Board by the PSCA pursuant to Section 16-13-234 of the Code of Alabama (1975), as amended.

The warrant bears interest at 1.865% of the original amount borrowed and is due quarterly. The Board has elected to have the quarterly interest payments withheld from annual PSF Capital Purchase allocations in the amount of \$6,994 per year through the maturity of the warrant on December 15, 2025.

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**NOTE 8: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)**

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the Series 2009-D Capital Outlay Pool Warrant are payable as follows:

| Fiscal Year Ending<br>September 30, | Principal         | Interest         |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 2020                                | \$ -              | \$ 6,994         |
| 2021                                | -                 | 6,994            |
| 2022                                | -                 | 6,994            |
| 2023                                | -                 | 6,994            |
| 2024                                | -                 | 6,994            |
| 2025 – 2026                         | 375,000           | 8,742            |
|                                     | <b>\$ 375,000</b> | <b>\$ 43,712</b> |

***Series 2012-A Pool Refunding Bonds***

Pursuant to Act 98-373 enacted by the Alabama Legislature, the Alabama Public School and College Authority (PSCA) issued the Series 2002-A Capital Improvement Pool Bonds to loan funds to participating local school boards for the purpose of acquiring capital improvements to eliminate portable and sub-standard classrooms in the State of Alabama. Participating local school boards receiving loans from the Pool Bond proceeds were required to execute a warrant payable to the PSCA in the principal amount of the loan. The Board received a loan of \$1,462,753 in 2002.

In March 2012, the PSCA issued the Series 2012-A Pool Refunding Bonds to refund, on a current basis, the outstanding Capital Improvement Pool Bonds. The principal and interest payments are payable by an irrevocable pledge of revenues from utility gross receipts taxes, utility service use taxes, sales taxes and use taxes (pledged revenues).

The bonds bear interest rates from 3% to 5%. The Board recognized a deferred gain on refunding on issuance of the 2012-A bonds in the amount of \$112,089. This amount represents the difference between the acquisition price of the 2012-A bonds and the net carrying amount of the 2001-A bonds at the time of issuance. Amortization of the deferred gain on refunding for the year ended September 30, 2019 was \$9,362.

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the Series 2012-A Pool Refunding Bonds payable are as follows:

| Fiscal Year Ending<br>September 30, | Principal         | Interest         |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 2020                                | \$ 82,837         | \$ 12,893        |
| 2021                                | 86,981            | 8,647            |
| 2022                                | 91,475            | 4,185            |
| 2023                                | 23,318            | 1,315            |
| 2024                                | 24,416            | 366              |
|                                     | <b>\$ 309,027</b> | <b>\$ 27,406</b> |

**Opp City Board of Education  
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**NOTE 8: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)**

Pledged revenues recognized for the year ended September 30, 2019 were \$95,828 while total debt service was \$95,828.

***2016 Board of Education Warrants***

On June 23, 2016, the City of Opp issued \$9,130,000 of Series 2016 General Obligation Refunding Warrants. The City issued the warrants for the benefit of the Opp City Board of Education. The Board used these funds to advance refund the outstanding Series 2007 Warrants noted above.

As a result, the refunded bonds are considered defeased and the Board has removed this liability from its accounts. The Board entered into a funding agreement with the City for repayment of the 2016 Refunding Warrants from tax revenues pledged by the Board to the City. Those pledged tax revenues consist of the Special One Cent City Sales Tax and the Four Mil Ad Valorem tax. The revenue pledge will remain in effect until the outstanding warrants are paid in full.

As required by GASB Statement No. 23, the carrying difference between the reacquisition price (funds required to refund the old debt) and the net carrying amount of the old debt is carried as deferred charge on refunding and will be amortized over the remaining life of the old bond issue on the straight line basis. The amount deferred on the reacquisition was \$572,250. The total amount amortized for the year ended September 30, 2019 was \$27,643 and was reported as part of interest expense. The balance of deferred loss on refunding of debt is \$481,823 at September 30, 2019 as shown on the statement of net position. Although the advance refunding resulted in the recognition of an accounting loss of \$572,250, the Board reduced its aggregate debt service payments by approximately \$1,300,000 over the next 20 years and obtained an economic gain (difference between the present values of the old and new debt service payments) of approximately \$460,000.

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the 2016 General Obligation Refunding Warrants are as follows:

| <b>Fiscal Year Ending September 30,</b> | <b>Principal</b>    | <b>Interest</b>     |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| 2020                                    | \$ 345,000          | \$ 285,382          |
| 2021                                    | 350,000             | 278,432             |
| 2022                                    | 360,000             | 269,532             |
| 2023                                    | 370,000             | 258,582             |
| 2024                                    | 380,000             | 245,432             |
| 2025 – 2029                             | 2,095,000           | 1,042,170           |
| 2030 – 2034                             | 2,525,000           | 615,500             |
| 2035 – 2037                             | 1,775,000           | 108,300             |
|   | <b>\$ 8,200,000</b> | <b>\$ 3,103,330</b> |

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**NOTE 8: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)**

Pledged revenues recognized for the year ended September 30, 2019 were \$575,303 while total debt service was \$627,182. A premium was recorded on the debt issuance in the amount of \$821,340. Premium amortization for the year ended September 30, 2019 was \$39,676.

**Direct Borrowings**

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| <b>Southern Independent Bank</b> – A note payable in semi-annual installments of \$5,264 beginning on November 18, 2016, including interest at 3.35%. All unpaid principal is due at maturity on May 18, 2026. Secured by equipment.     | \$ 65,095  |
| <b>Southern Independent Bank</b> – A note payable in semi-annual installments of \$4,466 beginning on July 25, 2016, including interest at 3.35%. All unpaid principal is due at maturity on January 25, 2026. Secured by equipment.     | 51,704     |
| <b>Southern Independent Bank</b> – A note payable in semi-annual installments of \$9,630 beginning on November 11, 2016, including interest at 3.35%. All unpaid principal is due at maturity on May 11, 2026. Secured by equipment.     | 119,080    |
| <b>Southern Independent Bank</b> – A note payable in semi-annual installments of \$14,771 beginning on February 27, 2018, including interest at 3.75%. All unpaid principal is due at maturity on August 27, 2027. Secured by equipment. | 202,509    |
| <b>Southern Independent Bank</b> – A note payable in semi-annual installments of \$18,699 beginning on November 14, 2018, including interest at 4.20%. All unpaid principal is due at maturity on May 14, 2028. Secured by equipment.    | 276,925    |
| Total notes payable  | 715,313    |
| Less: current maturities   | 79,029     |
| Notes payable, net of current maturities   | \$ 636,284 |

Annual debt-service requirements to maturity for notes payable are as follows:

| Fiscal Year Ending<br>September 30, | Principal  | Interest   |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| 2020                                | \$ 79,029  | \$ 26,633  |
| 2021                                | 82,080     | 23,581     |
| 2022                                | 85,209     | 20,453     |
| 2023                                | 88,457     | 17,204     |
| 2024                                | 91,813     | 13,849     |
| 2025 – 2028                         | 288,725    | 21,499     |
|                                     | \$ 715,313 | \$ 123,219 |

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**NOTE 8: LONG-TERM DEBT (Continued)**

During the year ended September 30, 2019, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities reported in the statement of net position:

|                                 | Balance<br>October 1,<br>2018 | Proceeds    | Retirements         | Balance<br>September 30,<br>2019 | Amounts Due<br>Within One<br>Year |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <b>Governmental Activities:</b> |                               |             |                     |                                  |                                   |
| 2009-D Warrants                 | \$ 375,000                    | \$ -        | \$ -                | \$ 375,000                       | \$ -                              |
| 2012-A Pool Refunding           |                               |             |                     |                                  |                                   |
| Refunding                       | 387,919                       | -           | (78,892)            | 309,027                          | 82,837                            |
| 2016 G.O. Refunding             |                               |             |                     |                                  |                                   |
| Bonds                           | 8,535,000                     | -           | (335,000)           | 8,200,000                        | 345,000                           |
| Unamortized bond                |                               |             |                     |                                  |                                   |
| premiums                        | 731,227                       | -           | (39,676)            | 691,551                          | -                                 |
| Direct borrowings               | 791,301                       | -           | (75,988)            | 715,313                          | 79,029                            |
|                                 | <u>\$ 10,820,447</u>          | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ (529,556)</u> | <u>\$ 10,290,891</u>             | <u>\$ 506,866</u>                 |

**NOTE 9: EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN**

***General Information about the Pension Plan***

*Plan description.* The Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama, a cost-sharing multiple-employer public employee retirement plan, was established as of September 15, 1939, pursuant to the *Code of Alabama 1975, Title 16, Chapter 25* (Act 419 of the Legislature of 1939) for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other specified benefits for qualified persons employed by State-supported educational institutions. The responsibility for the general administration and operating of TRS is vested in its Board of Control which consists of 15 trustees. The Plan is administered by the Retirement Systems of Alabama (RSA). The *Code of Alabama 1975, Title 16, Chapter 25* grants the authority to establish and amend the benefit terms to the TRS Board of Control. The Plan issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at [www.rsa-al.gov](http://www.rsa-al.gov).

*Benefits provided.* State law establishes retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits and any ad hoc increase in postretirement benefits for the TRS. Benefits for TRS members vest after 10 years of creditable service. TRS employees who retire after age 60 with 10 years or more of creditable service or with 25 years of service (regardless of age) are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life. Service and disability retirement benefits are based on a guaranteed minimum or a formula method, with the member receiving payment under the method that yields the highest monthly benefit. Under the formula method, members of the TRS are allowed 2.0125% of their average final compensation (highest 3 of the last 10 years) for each year of service.



**NOTE 9: EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)**

Act 377 of the Legislature of 2012 established a new tier of benefits (Tier 2) for members hired on or after January 1, 2013. Tier 2 TRS members are eligible for retirement after age 62 with 10 years or more of creditable service and are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life. Service and disability retirement benefits are based on a guaranteed minimum or a formula method, with the member receiving payment under the method that yields the highest monthly benefit. Under the formula method, Tier 2 members of the TRS are allowed 1.65% of their average final compensation (highest 5 of the last 10 years) for each year of service. Members are eligible for disability retirement if they have 10 years of credible service, are currently in-service, and determined by the RSA Medical Board to be permanently incapacitated from further performance of duty. Preretirement death benefits equal to the annual earnable compensation of the member as reported to the Plan for the preceding year ending June 30 are paid to a qualified beneficiary.

*Contributions.* Covered members of the TRS contributed 5% of earnable compensation to the TRS as required by statute until September 30, 2011. From October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012, covered members of the TRS were required by a statute to contribute 7.25% of earnable compensation. Effective October 1, 2012, covered members of the TRS are required by statute to contribute 7.50% of earnable compensation. Certified law enforcement, correctional officers, and firefighters of the TRS contributed 6% of earnable compensation as required by statute until September 30, 2011. From October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012, certified law enforcement, correctional officers, and firefighters of the TRS were required by statute to contribute 8.25% of earnable compensation. Effective October 1, 2012, certified law enforcement, correctional officers, and firefighters of the TRS are required by statute to contribute 8.50% of earnable compensation.

Tier 2 covered members of the TRS contribute 6% of earnable compensation to the TRS as required by statute. Tier 2 certified law enforcement, correctional officers, and firefighters of the TRS are required by statute to contribute 7% of earnable compensation.

Participating employers' contractually required contribution rate for the year ended September 30, 2018 was 12.24% of annual pay for Tier 1 members and 11.01% of annual pay for Tier 2 members.

These required contribution rates are a percent of annual payroll, actuarially determined as an amount that, when combined with member contributions, is expected to finance the costs of benefits earned by members during the year, with an additional amount to finance any unfunded accrued liability. Total employer contributions to the pension plan from the Board were \$892,065 for the year ended September 30, 2019.

*Pension liabilities, pension expense, and deferred outflows & inflows of resources related to pensions.* At September 30, 2019, the Board reported a liability of \$10,388,000 for its proportionate share of the collective net pension liability. The collective net pension liability was measured as of September 30, 2018 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of September 30, 2017. The Board's proportion of the collective net pension liability was based on the employers' shares of contributions to the pension plan relative to the total employer contributions of all participating TRS employers. At September 30, 2018, the System's proportion was 0.104479%, which was an increase of 0.002227% from its proportion measured as of September 30, 2017.

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**NOTE 9: EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)**

For the year ended September 30, 2019, the Board recognized pension expense of \$931,378. At September 30, 2019, the Board reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

|   | <b>Deferred<br/>Outflows of<br/>Resources</b> | <b>Deferred<br/>Inflows of<br/>Resources</b> |
|---|---|--|
| Differences between expected and actual experience  | \$ 224,000                                    | \$ 316,000                                   |
| Changes of assumptions  | 577,000                                       | -  |
| Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments                              | -   | 784,000                                      |
| Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions | 280,000                                       | -  |
| Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date   | 892,065                                       | -  |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$ 1,973,065</b>                           | <b>\$ 1,100,000</b>                          |

\$892,065 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Board contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending September 30, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

**Year Ended  
September 30,**

|            |    |           |
|------------|----|-----------|
| 2020       | \$ | 173,000   |
| 2021       |    | (139,000) |
| 2022       |    | (123,000) |
| 2023       |    | 44,000    |
| 2024       |    | 26,000    |
| Thereafter |    | -         |

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total pension liability as of September 30, 2018 was determined by an actuarial valuation as of September 30, 2017, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

|                            |               |
|----------------------------|---------------|
| Inflation                  | 2.75%         |
| Projected salary increases | 3.25% - 5.00% |
| Investment rate of return* | 7.70%         |

\* Net of pension plan investment expense

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### NOTE 9: EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)

The actuarial assumptions used in the actuarial valuation as of September 30, 2017 were based on the results of an investigation of the economic and demographic experience for the TRS based upon participant data as of September 30, 2015. The Board of Control accepted and approved these changes in September 2016, which became effective at the beginning of fiscal year 2016.

Mortality rates for TRS were based on the White Collar Mortality Table projected to 2020 using Scale BB and adjusted 115% for males and 112% for females 78 and older.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis 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. The target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are as follows:

|                                       | Target<br>Allocation | Long-Term<br>Expected Rate<br>of Return* |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Fixed income                          | 17.00%               | 4.40%                                    |
| U.S. large stocks                     | 32.00%               | 8.00%                                    |
| U.S. mid stocks                       | 9.00%                | 10.00%                                   |
| U.S. small stocks                     | 4.00%                | 11.00%                                   |
| International developed market stocks | 12.00%               | 9.50%                                    |
| International emerging market stocks  | 3.00%                | 11.00%                                   |
| Alternatives                          | 10.00%               | 10.10%                                   |
| Real estate                           | 10.00%               | 7.50%                                    |
| Cash                                  | 3.00%                | 1.50%                                    |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>100.00%</b>       |  |

\* Includes assumed rate of inflation of 2.50%

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.70%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that the employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, components of the pension plan's fiduciary net position were projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

**NOTE 9: EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT PLAN (Continued)**

*Sensitivity of the Board’s proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following table presents the Board’s proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.70%, as well as what the Board’s proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (6.70%) or 1-percentage point higher (8.70%) than the current rate:

|   | 1% Decrease<br>(6.70%) | Current Rate<br>(7.70%) | 1% Increase<br>(8.70%) |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Board’s proportionate share of collective net pension liability | \$ 14,460,000          | \$ 10,388,000           | \$ 6,943,000           |

*Pension plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the pension plan’s fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued RSA Comprehensive Annual Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018. The supporting actuarial information is included in the GASB Statement No. 67 Report for the TRS prepared as of September 30, 2018. The auditors’ report dated August 16, 2019 on the total pension liability, total deferred outflows of resources, total deferred inflows of resources, total pension expense for the sum of all participating entities as of September 30, 2018 along with supporting schedules is also available. The additional financial and actuarial information is available <http://www.rsa-al.gov/index.php/employers/financial-reports/gasb-68-reports/>.

**NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION (OPEB)**

*Plan description.* The Alabama Retired Education Employees’ Health Care Trust (Trust) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan that administers healthcare benefits to the retirees of participating state and local educational institutions. The Trust was established under the Alabama Retiree Health Care Funding Act of 2007 which authorized and directed the Public Education Employees’ Health Insurance Board (Board) to create an irrevocable trust to fund postemployment healthcare benefits to retirees participating in PEEHIP. Active and retiree health insurance benefits are paid through the Public Education Employees’ Health Insurance Plan (PEEHIP). In accordance with GASB, the Trust is considered a component unit of the State of Alabama (State) and is included in the State’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The PEEHIP was established in 1983 pursuant to the provisions of the *Code of Alabama 1975, Title 16, Chapter 25A* (Act 83-455) to provide a uniform plan of health insurance for active and retired employees of state and local educational institutions which provide instruction at any combination of grades K-14 (collectively, eligible employees), and to provide a method for funding the benefits related to the plan. The four-year universities participate in the plan with respect to their retired employees, and are eligible and may elect to participate in the plan with respect to their active employees. Responsibility for the establishment of the health insurance plan and its general administration and operations is vested in the Board. The Board is a corporate body for purposes of management of the health insurance plan. The *Code of Alabama 1975, Section 16-25A-4* provides the Board with the authority to amend the benefit provisions in order to provide reasonable

**NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION (OPEB) (Continued)**

assurance of stability in future years for the plan. All assets of the PEEHIP are held in trust for the payment of health insurance benefits. The Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama (TRS) has been appointed as the administrator of the PEEHIP and, consequently, serves as the administrator of the Trust.

*Benefits provided.* PEEHIP offers a basic hospital medical plan to active members and non-Medicare eligible retirees. Benefits include inpatient hospitalization for a maximum of 365 days without a dollar limit, inpatient rehabilitation, outpatient care, physician services, and prescription drugs.

Active employees and non-Medicare eligible retirees who do not have Medicare eligible dependents can enroll in a health maintenance organization (HMO) in lieu of the basic hospital medical plan. The HMO includes hospital medical benefits, dental benefits, vision benefits, and an extensive formulary. However, participants in the HMO are required to receive care from a participating physician in the HMO plan.

The PEEHIP offers four optional plans (Hospital Indemnity, Cancer, Dental, and Vision) that may be selected in addition to or in lieu of the basic hospital medical plan or HMO. The Hospital Indemnity Plan provides a per-day benefit for hospital confinement, maternity, intensive care, cancer, and convalescent care. The Cancer Plan covers cancer disease only and benefits are provided regardless of other insurance. Coverage includes a per-day benefit for each hospital confinement related to cancer. The Dental Plan covers diagnostic and preventative services, as well as basic and major dental services. Diagnostic and preventative services include oral examinations, teeth cleaning, x-rays, and emergency office visits. Basic and major services include fillings, general aesthetics, oral surgery not covered under a Group Medical Program, periodontics, endodontics, dentures, bridgework, and crowns. Dental services are subject to a maximum of \$1,250 per year for individual coverage and \$1,000 per person per year for family coverage. The Vision Plan covers annual eye examinations, eye glasses, and contact lens prescriptions.

PEEHIP members may opt to elect the PEEHIP Supplemental Plan as their hospital medical coverage in lieu of the PEEHIP Hospital Medical Plan. The PEEHIP Supplemental Plan provides secondary benefits to the member's primary plan provided by another employer. Only active and non-Medicare retiree members and dependents are eligible for the PEEHIP Supplemental Plan. There is no premium required for this plan, and the plan covers most out-of-pocket expenses not covered by the primary plan. The plan cannot be used as a supplement to Medicare, the PEEHIP Hospital Medical Plan, or the State or Local Governmental Plans administered by the State Employees' Insurance Board (SEIB).

Effective January 1, 2017, Medicare eligible members and Medicare eligible dependents who are covered on a retiree contract were enrolled in the United Healthcare Group Medicare Advantage plan for PEEHIP retirees. The MAPDP plan is fully insured by United Healthcare and members are able to have all of their Medicare Part A, Part B, and Part D (prescription drug coverage) in one convenient plan. With the United Healthcare plan for PEEHIP, retirees can continue to see their same providers with no interruption and see any doctor who accepts Medicare on a national basis. Retirees have the same benefits in and out-of-network and there is no additional retiree cost share if a retiree uses an out-of-network provider and no balance billing from the provider.

**NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION (OPEB) (Continued)**

*Contributions.* The Code of Alabama 1975, Section 16-25A-8 and the Code of Alabama 1975, Section, 16-25A-8.1 provide the Board with the authority to set the contribution requirements for plan members and the authority to set the employer contribution requirements for each required class, respectively. Additionally, the Board is required to certify to the Governor and the Legislature, the amount, as a monthly premium per active employee, necessary to fund the coverage of active and retired member benefits for the following fiscal year. The Legislature then sets the premium rate in the annual appropriation bill.

For employees who retired after September 30, 2005, but before January 1, 2012, the employer contribution of the health insurance premium set forth by the Board for each retiree class is reduced by 2% for each year of service less than 25 and increased by 2% percent for each year of service over 25 subject to adjustment by the Board for changes in Medicare premium costs required to be paid by a retiree. In no case does the employer contribution of the health insurance premium exceed 100% of the total health insurance premium cost for the retiree.

For employees who retired after December 31, 2011, the employer contribution to the health insurance premium set forth by the Board for each retiree class is reduced by 4% for each year of service less than 25 and increased by 2% for each year over 25, subject to adjustment by the Board for changes in Medicare premium costs required to be paid by a retiree. In no case does the employer contribution of the health insurance premium exceed 100% of the total health insurance premium cost for the retiree. For employees who retired after December 31, 2011, who are not covered by Medicare, regardless of years of service, the employer contribution to the health insurance premium set forth by the Board for each retiree class is reduced by a percentage equal to 1% multiplied by the difference between the Medicare entitlement age and the age of the employee at the time of retirement as determined by the Board. This reduction in the employer contribution ceases upon notification to the Board of the attainment of Medicare coverage.

*OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB.* At September 30, 2019, the Board reported a liability of \$10,456,439 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability was measured as of September 30, 2018 and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of September 30, 2017. The Board's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on a projection of the Board's long-term share of contributions to the OPEB plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At September 30, 2018, the Board's proportion was 0.127227%, which was an increase of 0.006649% from its proportion measured as of September 30, 2017.

For the year ended September 30, 2019, the System recognized OPEB expense of \$309,658, with no special funding situations. At September 30, 2019, the System reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

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**NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION (OPEB) (Continued)**

|   | Deferred<br>Outflows<br>of Resources | Deferred<br>Inflows<br>of Resources |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Differences between expected and actual experience  | \$ 196,863                           | \$ -                                |
| Changes of assumptions  | -                                    | 509,325                             |
| Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments                                 | -                                    | 56,026                              |
| Changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions | 459,532                              | 259,580                             |
| Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date   | 375,878                              | -                                   |
| Total   | \$ 1,032,273                         | \$ 824,931                          |

\$375,878 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB resulting from the Board's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended September 30, 2020.

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

**Year Ended  
September 30,**

|            |             |
|------------|-------------|
| 2020       | \$ (84,882) |
| 2021       | (84,882)    |
| 2022       | (84,882)    |
| 2023       | (72,304)    |
| 2024       | 123,978     |
| Thereafter | 34,436      |

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of September 30, 2017, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

|  |               |
|--|---------------|
| Inflation  | 2.75%         |
| Projected salary increases <sup>1</sup>                        | 3.25% - 5.00% |
| Long-term investment rate of return <sup>2</sup>               | 7.25%         |
| Municipal Bond Index rate at the measurement date              | 4.18%         |
| Municipal Bond Index rate at the prior measurement date        | 3.57%         |
| Projected year for fiduciary net position (FNP) to be depleted | 2029          |
| Single equivalent interest rate the measurement date           | 4.44%         |
| Single equivalent interest rate the prior measurement date     | 4.63%         |

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**NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION (OPEB) (Continued)**

|                            |                         |               |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| Healthcare cost trend rate |                         |               |
| Pre-Medicare eligible      |                         | 7.00%         |
| Medicare eligible          | 5.00% beginning in 2019 |               |
| Ultimate trend rate        |                         |               |
| Pre-Medicare eligible      |                         | 4.75% in 2026 |
| Medicare eligible          |                         | 4.75% in 2024 |

<sup>1</sup> Includes 3.00% wage inflation.

<sup>2</sup> Compounded annually, net of investment expense, and includes inflation.

Mortality rates for the period after service retirement are according to the RP-2000 White Collar Mortality Table projected to 2020 using scale BB and adjusted 115% for all ages for males and 112% for ages 78 and over for females. The rates of disabled mortality were based on the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table projected to 2020 using scale BB and adjusted 105% for males and 120% for females.

The decremental assumptions used in the valuation were selected based on the actuarial experience study prepared as of September 30, 2015, submitted to and adopted by the Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama Board on September 13, 2016.

The remaining actuarial assumptions (e.g., initial per capita costs, health care cost trends, rate of plan participation, rates of plan election, etc.) used in the September 30, 2017 valuation were based on a review of recent plan experience done concurrently with the September 30, 2017 valuation.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is to be reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every five years, in conjunction with similar analysis for the Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama. Several factors should be considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation), as developed for each major asset class. These ranges should be 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 then adding expected inflation. The assumption is intended to be a long-term assumption and is not expected to change absent a significant change in the asset allocation, a change in the inflation assumption, or a fundamental change in the market that alters expected returns in future years.

The long-term expected rate of return on the OPEB plan investments is determined based on the allocation of assets by asset class and by the mean and variance of real returns.

The target asset allocation and best estimates of expected geometric real rates of return for each major asset class is summarized as follows:



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**NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION (OPEB) (Continued)**

|                                       | <b>Target<br/>Allocation</b> | <b>Long-Term<br/>Expected Rate<br/>of Return*</b> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|
| Fixed income                          | 30.00%                       | 4.40%   |
| U.S. large stocks                     | 38.00%                       | 8.00%   |
| U.S. mid stocks                       | 8.00%                        | 10.00%  |
| U.S. small stocks                     | 4.00%                        | 11.00%  |
| International developed market stocks | 15.00%                       | 9.50%   |
| Cash                                  | 5.00%                        | 1.50%   |
| <b>Total</b>                          | <b>100.00%</b>               |   |

\*Geometric mean, includes 2.5% inflation

*Discount Rate.* The discount rate (also known as the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR), as described by GASB 74) used to measure the total OPEB liability at September 30, 2018 was 4.44%. The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at the prior measurement date was 4.63%.

Premiums paid to the Public Education Employees' Health Insurance Board for active employees shall include an amount to partially fund the cost of coverage for retired employees. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan contributions will be made at the current contribution rates. Each year, the State specifies the monthly employer rate that participating school systems must contribute for each active employee. Approximately, 20.307% of the employer contributions were used to assist in funding retiree benefit payments in 2018 and it is assumed that the amount will increase by 2.75% per year and continue into the future. The discount rate determination will use a municipal bond rate to the extent the trust is projected to run out of money before all benefits are paid. The rate used for this purpose is the monthly average of the Bond Buyers General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index Rate. Therefore, the projected future benefit payments for all current plan members were projected through 2116. The long term rate of return is used until the assets are expected to be depleted in 2029, after which the municipal bond rate is used.

*Sensitivity of the Board's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates.* The following table presents the Board's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability of the Trust calculated using the current healthcare trend rate, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if calculated using one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

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**NOTE 10: POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSION (OPEB) (Continued)**

|                    | <b>1% Decrease<br/>(6% decreasing to<br/>3.75% for pre-<br/>Medicare and 4%<br/>decreasing to 3.75%<br/>for Medicare eligible)</b> | <b>Current Healthcare<br/>Trend Rate (7%<br/>decreasing to 4.75% for<br/>pre-Medicare and 5%<br/>decreasing to 4.75% for<br/>Medicare eligible)</b> | <b>1% Increase<br/>(8% decreasing to<br/>5.75% for pre-<br/>Medicare and 6%<br/>decreasing to 5.75%<br/>for Medicare eligible)</b> |
|--------------------|--|---|--|
| Net OPEB liability | \$ 8,595,431   | \$ 10,456,439   | \$ 12,825,762  |

The following table presents the Board's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability of the Trust calculated using the discount rate of 4.44%, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if calculated using one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate:

|                    | <b>1% Decrease<br/>(3.44%)</b> | <b>Current Discount Rate<br/>(4.44%)</b> | <b>1% Increase<br/>(5.44%)</b> |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| Net OPEB liability | \$ 12,491,007                  | \$ 10,456,439                            | \$ 8,815,267                   |

*OPEB plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the OPEB plan's fiduciary net position is located in the Trust's financial statements for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2018. The supporting actuarial information is included in the GASB Statement No. 74 Report for PEEHIP prepared as of September 30, 2018. Additional financial and actuarial information is available at [www.rsa-al.gov](http://www.rsa-al.gov).

**NOTE 11: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

The Board has evaluated subsequent events between September 30, 2019 and March 27, 2020, the date the financials were available to be issued.

In March 2020, the World Health Organization made the assessment that the outbreak of a novel coronavirus (COVID-19) can be characterized as a pandemic. As a result, uncertainties have arisen that may have a significant negative impact on the operating activities and results of the Board. The occurrence and extent of such an impact will depend on future developments, including (i) the duration and spread of the virus, (ii) government quarantine measures, (iii) voluntary and precautionary restrictions on travel or meetings, (iv) the effects on the financial markets, and (v) the effects on the economy overall, all of which are uncertain.

**NOTE 12: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

The Board has an approved agreement with Covington County Bank for a line of credit with a maximum amount available of \$350,000. No formal account has been opened under this agreement and no amounts have been borrowed as of September 30, 2019.

**NOTE 12: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (Continued)**

The Board had one open construction commitment at September 30, 2019. A project to construct new locker rooms for the stadium is projected to be approximately \$400,000, of which \$358,000 has been expended and is recorded in construction in progress as of September 30, 2019.

The Board is involved in various claims and litigation arising in the ordinary course of operations. In the opinion of legal counsel, the range of potential recoveries or liabilities in excess of insurance coverage, if any, is not determinable.

**NOTE 13: RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; and natural disasters. The Board has insurance for its buildings and contents through the State Insurance Fund (SIF), Alabama Department of Finance, Division of Risk Management, which operates as a common risk management and insurance program for state-owned properties and boards of education. The Board pays an annual premium based on the amount of coverage. The SIF is self-insured up to \$3.5 million per occurrence. The SIF purchases commercial insurance for claims, which in the aggregate exceed \$3.5 million. Errors and omissions insurance is purchased from Alabama Risk Management for Schools (ARMS), a public entity risk pool. ARMS collects the premiums and purchases commercial insurance for the amount of coverage requested by pool participants. The Board purchases commercial insurance for vehicle liability and fidelity bonds. Settled claims in the past three years have not exceeded the commercial insurance coverage.

Employee health insurance is provided through the Public Education Employees' Health Insurance Fund (PEEHIF) administered by the Public Education Employees' Health Insurance Board. The fund was established to provide a uniform plan of health insurance for current and retired employees of state educational institutions and is self-sustaining. Monthly premiums for employee and dependent coverage are set annually based on the amounts necessary to fund coverage. The Board contributes the specified amount monthly to the PEEHIF for each employee.

The State Board of Adjustments is a state agency with which people can file claims against the Board to collect reimbursement for damages when all other means have been exhausted. The Board does not have insurance coverage for job-related injuries. Claims for employee job related injuries may be filed with the State Board of Adjustment. The Board of Adjustment determines if a claim is valid and determines the proper amount of compensation. Payments are made from state appropriated funds at no cost to the Board. No claims or related settlements have occurred in the past three years.

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Schedule of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability  
Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama**

| <i>As of September 30,</i>   | <b>2019</b>   | <b>2018</b>   | <b>2017</b>   | <b>2016</b>   | <b>2015</b>  |
|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Employer's proportion of the collective net pension liability                                      | 0.104479%     | 0.102252%     | 0.100991%     | 0.100873%     | 0.100606%    |
| Employer's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability                             | \$ 10,388,000 | \$ 10,050,000 | \$ 10,933,000 | \$ 10,557,000 | \$ 9,140,000 |
| Employer's covered payroll during the measurement period*  | \$ 7,087,070  | \$ 6,755,633  | \$ 6,434,760  | \$ 6,394,118  | \$ 6,382,911 |
| Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll | 146.58%       | 148.76%       | 169.91%       | 165.10%       | 143.19%      |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability                         | 72.29%        | 71.50%        | 67.93%        | 67.51%        | 71.01%       |

\*Employer's covered payroll during the measurement period is the total payroll on which contributions to the pension plan are based. For FY 2019, the measurement period is October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

**Note:** Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as the information becomes available.

*See Independent Auditors' Report.*

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Required Supplementary Information  
Schedule of Employer's Contributions  
Teachers' Retirement System of Alabama**

| <i>For the years ended September 30,</i>                             | <b>2019</b>  | <b>2018</b>  | <b>2017</b>  | <b>2016</b>  | <b>2015</b>  |
|--|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Contractually Required Contribution**                                | \$ 892,065   | \$ 847,378   | \$ 808,400   | \$ 766,403   | \$ 751,313   |
| Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution | 892,065      | 847,378      | 808,400      | 766,403      | 751,313      |
| Contribution deficiency (excess)                                     | \$ -         | \$ -         | \$ -         | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Employer's covered payroll*  | \$ 7,218,478 | \$ 7,087,070 | \$ 6,755,633 | \$ 6,434,760 | \$ 6,394,118 |
| Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll                     | 12.36%       | 11.96%       | 11.97%       | 11.91%       | 11.75%       |

\*Employer's covered payroll is the total payroll on which contributions to the pension plan are based for those employees who are participating in the pension plan.

\*\*The amount of contractually required contributions is equal to the amount that would be recognized as additions from the employer's contributions in the pension plan's schedule of changes in fiduciary net position during the period that coincides with the employer's fiscal year. For participation in the TRS, this would not include amounts paid to TRS for the Pre-retirement Death Benefit, Term Life Insurance or Administrative Expenses. It does include the amounts paid to TRS for the Employer's portion of the Normal Cost and Accrued Liability.

**NOTE:** Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as the information becomes available.

**Opp City Board of Education  
Required Supplementary Information  
Schedule of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability  
Alabama Retired Education Employees' Health Care Trust**

| <i>As of September 30,</i>  | <b>2019</b>   | <b>2018</b>  |
|---|---------------|--------------|
| Employer's proportion of the collective net OPEB liability  | 0.127227%     | 0.120578%    |
| Employer's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability   | \$ 10,456,439 | \$ 8,955,845 |
| Employer's covered-employee payroll during the measurement period*  | \$ 7,087,070  | \$ 6,755,633 |
| Employer's proportionate share of the collective net OPEB liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll | 147.54%       | 132.57%      |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total collective OPEB liability                                  | 14.81%        | 15.37%       |

\*Employer's covered-employee payroll during the measurement period is the total covered-employee payroll. For FY 2019, the measurement period is October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

**Note:** Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as the information becomes available.

*See Independent Auditors' Report.*

**Opp City Board of Education  
Required Supplementary Information  
Schedule of Employer's Contributions  
Alabama Retired Education Employees' Health Care Trust**

| <i>For the year ended September 30,</i>                              | <b>2019</b>  | <b>2018</b>  |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Contractually Required Contribution                                  | \$ 375,878   | \$ 314,920   |
| Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution | 375,878      | 314,920      |
| Contribution deficiency (excess)                                     | \$ -         | \$ -         |
| Employer's covered-employee payroll                                  | \$ 7,218,478 | \$ 7,087,070 |
| Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll            | 5.21%        | 4.44%        |

**NOTE:** Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as the information becomes available.

*Changes in actuarial assumptions.* In 2016, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability, mortality, spouse coverage, and tobacco usage were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2016, economic assumptions and the assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience. In 2016 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 White Collar Mortality Table projected to 2020 using scale BB and adjusted 115% for all ages for males and 112% for ages 78 and over for females.

*Recent Plan Changes.* Effective January 1, 2017, Medicare eligible medical and prescription drug benefits are provided through the UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Plan with Prescription Drug Coverage (MAPD). The Plan is changed periodically to reflect the Affordable Care Act (ACA) maximum annual out-of-pocket amounts.

*Method and assumptions used in calculations of actuarially determined contributions.* The actuarially determined contribution rates in the schedule of employer contributions are calculated as of September 30, 2015 three years prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported. The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine the most recent contribution rate reported in that schedule:

|                               |  |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Actuarial Cost Method         | Entry Age Normal   |
| Amortization Method           | Level percent of pay   |
| Remaining Amortization Period | 26 years, closed   |
| Asset Valuation Method        | Market Value of Assets                                       |
| Inflation                     | 3.00%  |
| Healthcare Cost Trend Rate:   |  |
| Pre-Medicare Eligible         | 7.75%  |
| Medicare Eligible             | 5.00%  |
| Ultimate Trend Rate:          |  |
| Pre-Medicare Eligible         | 5.00%  |
| Medicare Eligible             | 5.00%  |
| Year of Ultimate Trend Rate   | 2021 for Pre-Medicare Eligible<br>2018 for Medicare Eligible |
| Investment Rate of Return     | 5.00%, including inflation                                   |

**Opp City Board of Education  
Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2019**

| Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor Program Title   | Federal<br>CFDA No. | Pass<br>Through<br>Grantor's<br>Number | Passed<br>Through to<br>Subrecipients | Expenditures |
|--|---------------------|--|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Social Security Administration</b>  |                     |  |                                       |              |
| Passed through State Department of Education<br>Social Security - Disability Insurance***    | 96.001              | 180                                    | \$ -                                  | \$ 840       |
| <b>U.S. Department of Education</b>  |                     |  |                                       |              |
| Passed through State Department of Education<br>Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies | 84.010              | 180                                    | -                                     | 693,665      |
| Supporting Effective Instruction State Grant   | 84.367              | 180                                    | -                                     | 70,094       |
| Career and Technical Education – Basic Grants to States                                      | 84.048              | 180                                    | -                                     | 23,696       |
| Safe and Drug Free Schools and Communities   | 84.424A             | 180                                    | -                                     | 44,876       |
| Title VIB - Rural Education  | 84.358B             | 180                                    | -                                     | 25,260       |
| Subtotal   |                     |  | -                                     | 857,591      |
| Special Education Cluster  |                     |  |                                       |              |
| Special Education - Grants to States**   | 84.027              | 180                                    | -                                     | 313,527      |
| Special Education - Preschool Grants**   | 84.173              | 180                                    | -                                     | 19,262       |
| Subtotal Special Education Cluster   |                     |  | -                                     | 332,789      |
| Total U.S. Department of Education   |                     |  | -                                     | 1,190,380    |
| <b>U.S. Department of Agriculture</b>  |                     |  |                                       |              |
| Passed through State Department of Education<br>Child Nutrition Cluster                      |                     |  |                                       |              |
| National School Lunch Program*   | 10.555              | 180                                    | -                                     | 397,893      |
| National School Lunch Program*(N)  | 10.555              | 180                                    | -                                     | 54,744       |
| Subtotal for 10.555  |                     |  | -                                     | 452,637      |
| School Breakfast Program*  | 10.553              | 180                                    | -                                     | 109,002      |
| Summer Food Service Program for Children*  | 10.559              | 180                                    | -                                     | 12,493       |
| Subtotal Child Nutrition Cluster   |                     |  | -                                     | 574,132      |
| State Administrative Expenses for Child Nutrition  | 10.560              | 180                                    | -                                     | 2,175        |
| Total U.S. Department of Agriculture   |                     |  | -                                     | 576,307      |
| Total federal awards   |                     |  | \$ -                                  | \$ 1,767,527 |

\* Child Nutrition Cluster

\*\* Special Education Cluster

\*\*\* Disability Insurance / SSI Cluster

(N) USDA Donated Food – No actual cash transactions.

*See independent auditors' report and accompanying notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.*



**Opp City Board of Education**  
**Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2019**

**NOTE 1: BASIS OF ACCOUNTING**

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The modified accrual basis of accounting is followed in the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the SEFA). Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the current period. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are recorded when the related liability is incurred. In applying the susceptible-to-accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the numerous individual programs are used as guidance. There are, however, essentially two types of such revenues. In one, monies must be expended on the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the Board; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. In the other, monies are virtually unrestricted as to purpose of expenditure and substantially irrevocable; i.e., revocable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements, such as with equal employment opportunity. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if they meet the availability criteria.

For purposes of the SEFA, federal awards include all grants, contracts, and similar agreements entered into directly with the federal government and other pass through entities. The Board has obtained Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers to ensure that all programs have been identified in the SEFA. CFDA numbers have been appropriately listed by applicable programs. Federal programs with different CFDA numbers that are closely related because they share common compliance requirements are defined as a cluster by the Uniform Guidance. Three clusters are separately identified in the SEFA and are the following:

**Child Nutrition Cluster** - Includes awards that assist States in administering food services that provide healthful, nutritious meals to eligible children in public and non-profit private schools, residential child care institutions, and summer recreation programs; and encourage the domestic consumption of nutritious agricultural commodities.

**Special Education Cluster** - Includes awards that ensure that all children with disabilities have available to them a free appropriate public education which emphasizes special education and related services designed to meet their unique needs; ensure that the rights of children with disabilities and their parents or guardians are protected; assist States, localities, educational service agencies and Federal agencies to provide for the education of all children with disabilities; and assess and ensure the effectiveness of efforts to educate children with disabilities.

**Disability Insurance/SSI Cluster** - Includes awards that provide benefits to disabled wage earners and their families in the event the family wage earner becomes disabled. These awards provide payments to financially needy individuals who are aged, blind, or disabled.

**Opp City Board of Education**  
**Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2019**

**NOTE 2: INDIRECT COST RATE**

The Board has not elected to use the 10% de minimis cost rate.

**NOTE 3: RELATIONSHIP OF THE SCHEDULE TO PROGRAM FINANCIAL REPORTS**

The amounts reflected in the financial reports submitted to the awarding federal, state and/or pass-through agencies and the SEFA may differ. Some of the factors that may account for any difference include the following:

- The Board's fiscal year end may differ from the program's year end.
- Accruals recognized in the SEFA, because of year end procedures, may not be reported in the program financial reports until the next program reporting period.
- Fixed asset purchases and the resultant depreciation charges are recognized as fixed assets in the Board's financial statements and as expenditures in the program financial reports and the SEFA.

**NOTE 4: FEDERAL AND STATE PASS-THROUGH FUNDS**

The Board is also the sub-recipient of federal funds that have been subjected to testing and are reported as expenditures and listed as federal or state pass-through funds. Federal awards other than those indicated as "pass-through" are considered direct.

**NOTE 5: SCHOOL-WIDE PROGRAM**

The Board utilizes its funding under Title I to operate a "school-wide program". School-wide programs are designed to upgrade an entire educational program within a school for all students, rather than limit services to a targeted group of students.

**NOTE 6: DONATED FOOD PROGRAM**

The value of non-cash commodities received from the federal government in connection with the donated food program is reflected in the accompanying financial statements. The total assigned value of commodities donated was \$54,744 for fiscal year 2019.



**Opp City Board of Education**  
**Notes to Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards**  
**For the Year Ended September 30, 2019**

**NOTE 7: CONTINGENCIES**

Grant monies received and disbursed by the Board are for specific purposes and are subject to review by the grantor agencies. Such audits may result in requests for reimbursement due to disallowed expenditures. Based upon prior experience, the Board does not believe that such disallowance, if any, would have a material effect on the financial position of the Board. As of March 27, 2020, there were no known material questioned or disallowed costs as a result of grant audits in process or completed.

**NOTE 8: SUBRECIPIENTS**

The Board did not provide federal or state funds to subrecipients for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019.

**NOTE 9: LOANS AND LOAN GUARANTEES**

The Board did not have any loans or loan guarantee programs required to be reported on the schedule for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2019.

**Opp City Board of Education  
Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2019**

**Section I - Summary of Auditors' Results**

**Financial Statements**

Type of auditors' report issued: Unmodified

Internal control over financial reporting:

- Material weakness(es) identified  yes  no
- Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weaknesses?  yes  none reported

Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?  yes  no

**Federal Awards**

Internal control over major programs:

- Material weakness(es) identified?  yes  no
- Significant deficiencies identified that are not considered to be material weakness(es)?  yes  none reported

Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs: Unmodified

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

Identification of major programs:

| CFDA Number(s)   | Name of Federal Program or Cluster                                  |
|--|---|
| 84.010   | Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies                        |
| Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs? | \$ 750,000  |
| Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?                                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no |

**Section II - Financial Statements Findings**

No such findings in the current year.

**Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs**

No such findings in the current year.



**Opp City Board of Education  
Summary Schedule of Prior Audit Findings  
For the Year Ended September 30, 2019**

**Item 2018-001** - Corrected.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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***

Members of the Board  
Opp City Board of Education  
Opp, Alabama

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Opp City Board of Education (the "Board") as of and for the year ended September 30, 2019, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated March 27, 2020.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Board'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 Board's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Board'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 Board'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*.

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

*Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.*

CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM, L.L.C.

Enterprise, Alabama

March 27, 2020

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

Members of the Board  
Opp City Board of Education  
Opp, Alabama

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

We have audited Opp City Board of Education's (the "Board's") compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on the Board's major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2019. The Board's major federal program is identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

***Management's Responsibility***

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

***Auditors' Responsibility***

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for the Board's major federal program based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Board's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for the major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Board's compliance.



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

In our opinion, the Board complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on its major federal program for the year ended September 30, 2019.

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

Management of the Board is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Board's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Board's internal control over compliance.

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

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

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Carr, Riggs & Ingram, L.L.C.*

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Enterprise, Alabama

March 27, 2020