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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District Putnam County 630 Glendale Avenue Ottawa. Ohio 45875-1162

To the Board of Education:

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District, Putnam County, Ohio (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management is responsible for preparing and fairly presenting these financial statements in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. This responsibility includes the designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to preparing and fairly presenting financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit requires obtaining evidence about financial statement amounts and disclosures. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including assessing the risks of material financial statement misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In assessing those risks, we consider internal control relevant to the District's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we express no opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of management's accounting policies and the reasonableness of their significant accounting estimates, as well as our evaluation of the overall financial statement presentation.

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

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### Basis for Adverse Opinion

As described in Note 3 of the financial statements, the District prepared these financial statements using the accounting basis Ohio Revised Code Section 117.38 and Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(D) permit. However, Ohio Administrative Code Section 117-2-03(B) requires these statements to follow accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting described in Note 3 and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, although not reasonably determinable, are presumably material. In addition, during fiscal year 2015, the District failed to adopt the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions as mandated by Auditor of State Bulletin 2011-004 for regulatory financial statements.

#### **Adverse Opinion**

In our opinion, because of the matters described in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion* paragraph, the financial statements do not present fairly the financial position, results of operations, and cash flows, where applicable, of Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted to opine on the financial statements taken as a whole.

The Federal Awards Receipts and Expenditures Schedule presents additional analysis as required by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations and is also not a required part of the financial statements.

Because of the significance of the matter described in the *Basis for Adverse Opinion* paragraph, it is inappropriate to and we do not express an opinion on the supplementary information referred to above.

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### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 23, 2015, on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. That report describes the scope of our internal control testing over financial reporting and compliance, and the results of that testing, and does not opine on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

November 23, 2015

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# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

|  | Governmental Fund Types To |                    |                 |                     |                      |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|---------------------|----------------------|
|  | General                    | Special<br>Revenue | Debt<br>Service | Capital<br>Projects | (Memorandum<br>Only) |
| Cash receipts:   |                            |                    |                 |                     |                      |
| Property tax and other local taxes                           | \$5,247,200                | \$81,938           | \$1,015,904     | \$130,535           | \$6,475,577          |
| Intergovernmental  | 6,539,751                  | 1,040,019          | 179,570         | 31,035              | 7,790,375            |
| Tuition  | 502,640                    | 1,010,010          | 170,070         | 01,000              | 502,640              |
| Earnings on investments                                      | 23,841                     | 238                |                 | 3,752               | 27,831               |
| Transportation Fees  | 2,316                      |                    |                 | -,                  | 2,316                |
| Extracurricular Activities                                   | ,                          | 402,696            |                 |                     | 402,696              |
| Classroom Materials and Fees                                 | 66,734                     | ,                  |                 |                     | 66,734               |
| Miscellaneous  | 61,774                     | 13,581             |                 |                     | 75,355               |
| Total cash receipts  | 12,444,256                 | 1,538,472          | 1,195,474       | 165,322             | 15,343,524           |
| Cash disbursements:  |                            |                    |                 |                     |                      |
| Instruction:   |                            |                    |                 |                     |                      |
| Regular  | 6,939,719                  | 542,812            |                 | 1,658               | 7,484,189            |
| Special  | 1,232,538                  | 273,722            |                 |                     | 1,506,260            |
| Vocational Education   | 220,632                    |                    |                 |                     | 220,632              |
| Other Instruction  | 5,548                      | 54,158             |                 |                     | 59,706               |
| Supporting Services:   |                            |                    |                 |                     |                      |
| Pupils   | 403,901                    | 48,721             |                 |                     | 452,622              |
| Instructional Staff  | 275,820                    | 32,311             |                 |                     | 308,131              |
| Board of Education   | 70,515                     |                    |                 |                     | 70,515               |
| Administration   | 901,209                    | 86,372             |                 |                     | 987,581              |
| Fiscal Services  | 359,274                    | 5,217              | 28,447          | 3,600               | 396,538              |
| Business   | 1,724                      | 440 =00            |                 |                     | 1,724                |
| Operation and Maintenance of Plant                           | 1,043,615                  | 118,736            |                 | 80,417              | 1,242,768            |
| Pupil Transportation   | 755,772                    | 30,422             |                 | 171,680             | 957,874              |
| Central  | 77,291                     | 005.000            |                 | 10,960              | 88,251               |
| Non-Instructional Services                                   | 1,840                      | 295,989            |                 |                     | 297,829              |
| Extracurricular Activities                                   | 361,008                    | 222,266            |                 | E 404               | 583,274              |
| Facilities Acquisition and Construction  Debt Service:       |                            |                    |                 | 5,494               | 5,494                |
| Principal Retirement   |                            |                    | 160,000         |                     | 160,000              |
| Interest and Fiscal Charges                                  |                            |                    | 925,972         |                     | 925,972              |
| Bond Issuance Costs  |                            |                    | 149,671         |                     | 149,671              |
| Total cash disbursements                                     | 12,650,406                 | 1,710,726          | 1,264,090       | 273,809             | 15,899,031           |
| Total cash dispulsements                                     | 12,030,400                 |                    |                 |                     | 10,000,001           |
| Total cash disbursements over cash receipts                  | (206,150)                  | (172,254)          | (68,616)        | (108,487)           | (555,507)            |
| Other financing receipts/disbursements:                      |                            |                    |                 |                     |                      |
| Sale of Bonds  |                            |                    | 6,875,000       |                     | 6,875,000            |
| Premium on Sale of Bonds                                     |                            |                    | 205,079         |                     | 205,079              |
| Payment to Bond Escrow Agent                                 |                            |                    | (6,925,000)     |                     | (6,925,000)          |
| Transfers-In   | (400.000)                  | 100,151            |                 | 2,167,040           | 2,267,191            |
| Transfers-Out  | (100,000)                  | 00.000             |                 | (2,167,040)         | (2,267,040)          |
| Advances-In  | 20,000                     | 20,000             |                 |                     | 40,000               |
| Advances-Out   | (20,000)                   | (20,000)           |                 | (4 000 770)         | (40,000)             |
| Refund of Prior Year Receipts                                | 40.050                     | 400                |                 | (1,298,779)         | (1,298,779)          |
| Refund of Prior Year Expenditures                            | 16,956                     | 166                |                 |                     | 17,122               |
| Sale of Fixed Assets   | 5,422                      | 400 047            | 455.070         | (4.000.770)         | 5,422                |
| Total other financing receipts/(disbursements)               | (77,622)                   | 100,317            | 155,079         | (1,298,779)         | (1,121,005)          |
| Excess of cash receipts and other financing receipts over/   |                            |                    |                 |                     |                      |
| (under) cash disbursements and other financing disbursements | (283,772)                  | (71,937)           | 86,463          | (1,407,266)         | (1,676,512)          |
| Fund cash balances, July 1                                   | 4,238,126                  | 973,405            | 674,531         | 3,895,119           | 9,781,181            |
| Fund cash balances, June 30                                  | \$3,954,354                | \$901,468          | \$760,994       | \$2,487,853         | \$8,104,669          |
| Reserves for encumbrances, June 30                           | \$252,400                  | \$179,399          |                 | \$18,124            | \$449,923            |
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# COMBINED STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS, CASH DISBURSEMENTS, AND CHANGES IN FUND CASH BALANCES ALL PROPRIETARY AND SIMILAR FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

|                                    | Proprietary Fund Type | Fiduciary<br>Fund Type | Totals               |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
|                                    | Enterprise            | Agency                 | (Memorandum<br>Only) |
| Operating cash receipts:           |                       |                        |                      |
| Food Services                      | \$458,077             |                        | \$458,077            |
| Extracurricular Activities         | 643                   | \$152,073              | 152,716              |
| Charges for Services               | 31,814                |                        | 31,814               |
| Total operating cash receipts      | 490,534               | 152,073                | 642,607              |
| Operating cash disbursements:      |                       |                        |                      |
| Personal Services                  | 244,738               | 10,190                 | 254,928              |
| Employees Retirement and Insurance | 102,363               | 1,603                  | 103,966              |
| Purchased Services                 | 14,030                | 14,336                 | 28,366               |
| Supplies and Materials             | 369,014               | 1,451                  | 370,465              |
| Capital Outlay                     | 14,146                | 407 000                | 14,146               |
| Other Operating Expenses           | 1,130                 | 127,888                | 129,018              |
| Total operating cash disbursements | 745,421               | 155,468                | 900,889              |
| Operating loss                     | (254,887)             | (3,395)                | (258,282)            |
| Non-operating cash receipts:       |                       |                        |                      |
| Intergovernmental receipts         | 236,651               |                        | 236,651              |
| Earnings on Investments            | 1,171                 |                        | 1,171                |
| Refund of Prior Year Expenditures  | 707                   |                        | 707                  |
| Miscellaneous                      | 5                     | 1,680                  | 1,685                |
| Total non-operating cash receipts  | 238,534               | 1,680                  | 240,214              |
| Loss before Transfers              | (16,353)              | (1,715)                | (18,068)             |
| Transfers-Out                      |                       | (151)                  | (151)                |
| Net change in fund cash balances   | (16,353)              | (1,866)                | (18,219)             |
| Fund cash balances, July 1         | 292,003               | 27,050                 | 319,053              |
| Fund cash balances, June 30        | \$275,650             | \$25,184               | \$300,834            |
| Reserve for encumbrances, June 30  | \$4,121               | \$875                  | \$4,996              |

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### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

#### NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District (the District) is organized under Article VI, Sections 2 and 3 of the Constitution of the State of Ohio. The District operates under a locally-elected Board form of government consisting of five members elected at-large for staggered four year terms. The District provides educational services as authorized by state and federal guidelines.

The District was established in 1962 through the consolidation of existing land areas and school districts. The District serves an area of approximately 66 square miles. It is located in Putnam County and includes the entire Village of Ottawa and Glandorf, all of and portions of surrounding townships. The District is the 313th largest in the State of Ohio (among 612 school districts) in terms of enrollment. It is staffed by 68 classified employees, 93 certified teaching personnel, and 7 administrative employees who provide services to 1,443 students and other community members. The District currently operates 3 buildings.

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

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

Although required by Ohio Administrative Code § 117-2-03(B) to prepare its annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the District chooses to prepare its financial statements and notes in accordance with standards established by the Auditor of State for governmental entities that are not required to prepare reports in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. This basis of accounting is similar to the cash receipts and disbursements basis of accounting. Receipts are recognized when received in cash rather than when earned, and disbursements are recognized when paid rather than when a liability is incurred. Budgetary presentations report budgetary expenditures when a commitment is made (i.e. when an encumbrance is approved).

For fiscal year 2015 the District did not modify its financial statements to reflect the modifications outlined in GASB Statement No. 54, "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions".

GASB Statement No. 54 provides fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and clarifies the existing governmental fund type classifications. The requirements of this statement classify fund balance as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned, and/or unassigned.

#### A. The Reporting Entity

The District's reporting entity has been defined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 14, "The Financial Reporting Entity". A reporting entity is comprised of the primary government, component units, and other organizations that are included to insure that the financial statements of the District are not misleading. The primary government consists of all funds, departments, boards, and agencies that are not legally separate from the District. For the District, this includes general operations, food service, and student related activities of the District. Component units are legally separate organizations for which the District is financially accountable. The District is financially accountable for an organization if the District appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and (1) the District is able to significantly influence the programs or services performed or provided by the organization; or (2) the District is legally entitled to or can otherwise access the organization's resources; the District is legally obligated or has otherwise assumed the responsibility to finance the deficits of, or provide financial support to, the organization or the District is obligated for the debt of the organization. Component units may also include organizations that are fiscally dependent on the District in that the District approves the budget,

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

the issuance of debt, or the levying of taxes for the organization. The financial statements of the reporting entity include only those of the District (the primary government). The District has no component units.

The District participates in four jointly governed organizations and three public entity risk pools. The financial statements exclude these entities which perform activities within the District's boundaries for the benefit of its residents because the District is not financially accountable for these entities, nor are these entities fiscally dependent on the District. Notes 8 and 15 to the financial statements provide additional information for these entities. These organizations are:

#### Jointly Governed Organizations:

Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative; Millstream Cooperative Career Center; Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc. State Support Region 1

### Public Entity Risk Pools:

Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority
Putnam County School Insurance Group
Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program

#### **B. Fund Accounting**

The District uses fund accounting to segregate cash and investments which are restricted to use. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain District functions or activities.

For financial statement presentation purposes, the various funds of the District are grouped into the following generic fund types under the broad fund categories governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary.

#### **GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES**

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions of the District are financed. The following are the District's governmental fund types:

<u>General Fund</u> – The General Fund is the operating fund of the District and is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. The General Fund balance is available to the District for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred according to the general laws of Ohio.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> – Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditure for specified purposes.

<u>Debt Service Fund</u> – This fund is used for the accumulation of resources for, and the payment of general obligation long-term debt principal and interest.

<u>Capital Projects Funds</u> – The Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by proprietary funds).

### PROPRIETARY FUND TYPE

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

Proprietary funds are used to account for the District's ongoing activities which are similar to those found in the private sector.

<u>Enterprise Funds</u> – The Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent is that costs (expenses) of providing services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges or where it has been decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability or other purposes.

#### FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES

Fiduciary funds are used to account for assets held by the District in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governmental units, and/or other funds. The District's fiduciary funds include agency and trust funds.

#### C. Basis of Accounting

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

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

### **D. Budgetary Process**

All funds, except agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The major documents prepared are the certificate of estimated resources and the appropriations resolution, both of which are prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The certificate of estimated resources establishes a limit on the amount the Board of Education may appropriate. The appropriations resolution is the Board's authorization to spend resources and sets annual limits on cash disbursements plus encumbrances at the level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the fund level for all funds. Budgetary allocations at the function and object level within all funds are made by the Treasurer.

The certificate of estimated resources may be amended during the fiscal year if projected increases or decreases in receipts are identified by the Treasurer.

The appropriation resolution is subject to amendment throughout the year with the restriction that appropriations cannot exceed estimated resources.

#### E. Cash and Investments

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

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

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

During fiscal year 2015, the District invested in nonnegotiable certificates of deposit and a U.S. Government money market fund.

Following Ohio statutes, the Board of Education has, by resolution, specified the funds to receive an allocation of interest earnings. Interest receipts credited to the General Fund during fiscal year 2015 was \$23,841, which included 13,287 assigned from other District funds.

#### F. Restricted Assets

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

#### G. Inventory and Prepaid Items

The District reports disbursements for inventory and prepaid items when paid. These items are not reflected as assets.

### H. Capital Assets

Acquisitions of property, plant and equipment are recorded as disbursements when paid. These items are not reflected as assets.

#### I. Interfund Receivables/Payables

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

#### J. Accumulated Leave

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

#### K. Employer Contributions to Cost-Sharing Pension Plans

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

#### L. Pensions

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

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

#### M. Long-Term Obligations

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

#### N. Interfund Transactions

Exchange transactions between funds are reported as receipts in the seller funds and as disbursements in the purchaser funds. Subsidies from one fund to another without a requirement for repayment are reported as interfund transfers. Interfund transfers are reported as other financing sources/uses in governmental funds and after nonoperating receipts/cash disbursements in proprietary funds. Repayments from funds responsible for particular cash disbursements to the funds that initially paid for them are not presented in the financial statements.

#### O. Total Columns on Financial Statements

Total columns on the financial statements are captioned "Total- (Memorandum Only)" to indicate that they are presented only to facilitate financial analysis. This data is not comparable to a consolidation. Interfund –type eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

#### **NOTE 3 – ACCOUNTING AND COMPLIANCE**

### A Compliance

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

#### B Changes in Accounting Principles

For fiscal year 2015, the District has implemented GASB Statement No. 68, "<u>Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27</u>", GASB Statement No. 69 "Government Combinations and Disposals of Government Operations", and GASB Statement No. 71, "<u>Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 68</u>".

GASB Statement No. 68 improves the accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for pensions. It also improves information provided by state and local governmental employers about financial support for pensions that is provided by other entities. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 affected the District's pension plan disclosures.

GASB Statement No. 69 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards related to government combinations and disposals of government operations. The Statement improves the decision usefulness of financial reporting by requiring that disclosures be made by governments about combination arrangements in which they engage and for disposals of government operations. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 69 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

GASB Statement No. 71 improves the accounting and financial reporting by addressing an issue in GASB Statement No. 68, concerning transition provisions related to certain pension contributions made to defined benefit pension plans prior to implementation of that Statement by employers and nonemployer contributing entities. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 71 did not have an effect on the financial statements of the District.

#### **NOTE 4 – DEPOSITS**

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

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

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

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

Interim monies may be deposited or invested in the following securities:

- 1. United States Treasury bills, bonds, notes, or any other obligation or security issued by the United States Treasury, or any other obligation guaranteed as to principal and interest by the United States:
- Bonds, notes, debentures, or any other obligation or security issued by any federal government agency or instrumentality including, but not limited to, the Federal National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Bank, Federal Farm Credit Bank, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Government National Mortgage Association, and Student Loan Marketing Association. All federal agency securities shall be direct issuances of federal government agencies or instrumentalities;
- Written repurchase agreements in the securities listed above provided the market value of the securities subject to the repurchase agreement must exceed the principal value of the agreement by at least 2 percent and be marked to market daily, and the term of the agreement must not exceed thirty days;
- 4. Bonds and other obligations of the State of Ohio or Ohio local governments;
- 5. Time certificates of deposit or savings or deposit accounts including, but not limited to, passbook accounts;
- 6. No-load money market mutual funds consisting exclusively of obligations described in division (1) or (2) and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations, provided that investments in securities described in this division are made only through eligible institutions;
- 7. The State Treasurer's investment pool (STAR Ohio).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

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

#### **Deposits**

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the District will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At June 30, 2015, \$284,039 of the District's bank balance of \$7,334,963 was exposed to custodial credit risk because those deposits were uninsured and collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the District's name.

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

#### **NOTE 5 – BUDGETARY ACTIVITY**

Budgetary activity for the year ending June 30, 2015 follows:

2015 Budgeted vs. Actual Receipts

| 2010 Budgeted vo. Notadi Neccipto |              |              |          |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------|--|--|
|                                   | Budgeted     | Actual       |          |  |  |
| Fund Type                         | Receipts     | Receipts     | Variance |  |  |
| General                           | \$12,434,700 | \$12,466,634 | \$31,934 |  |  |
| Special Revenue                   | 1,656,998    | 1,638,789    | (18,209) |  |  |
| Debt Service                      | 8,276,000    | 8,275,553    | (447)    |  |  |
| Capital Projects                  | 2,331,346    | 2,332,362    | 1,016    |  |  |
| Enterprise                        | 733,000      | 729,068      | (3,932)  |  |  |
| Total                             | \$25,432,044 | \$25,442,406 | \$10,362 |  |  |

2015 Budgeted vs. Actual Budgetary Basis Expenditures

| 2010 Badgotod Vol / totadi Badgotal y Badio Experiantareo |               |              |           |  |  |
|---|---------------|--------------|-----------|--|--|
|   | Appropriation | Budgetary    |           |  |  |
| Fund Type   | Authority     | Expenditures | Variance  |  |  |
| General   | \$13,146,234  | \$13,002,806 | \$143,428 |  |  |
| Special Revenue   | 1,980,439     | 1,890,125    | 90,314    |  |  |
| Debt Service  | 8,190,000     | 8,189,090    | 910       |  |  |
| Capital Projects  | 3,812,862     | 3,757,752    | 55,110    |  |  |
| Enterprise  | 850,896       | 749,542      | 101,354   |  |  |
| Total   | \$27,980,431  | \$27,589,315 | \$391,116 |  |  |
|   |               |              |           |  |  |

### **NOTE 6 – PROPERTY TAXES**

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

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

Property taxes include amounts levied against all real property, public utility property, and tangible personal (used in business) property located in the District. Real property tax receipts received in calendar year 2015 represent the collection of calendar years 2014 taxes. Real property taxes received in calendar years 2015 were levied after April 1, 2014, on the assessed values as of January 1, 2014, respectively, the lien date. Assessed values for real property taxes are established by State statute at 35 percent of appraised market value. Real property taxes are payable annually or semiannually. If paid annually, payment is due December 31; if paid semiannually, the first payment is due December 31, with the remainder payable by June 20. Under certain circumstances, State statute permits alternate payment dates to be established.

Public utility property tax receipts received in calendar years 2015 represent the collection of calendar year 2014 taxes. Public utility real and tangible personal property taxes received in calendar year 2014 became a lien on December 31, 2013, were levied after April 1, 2014, and are collected with real property taxes. Public utility real property is assessed at 35 percent of true value; public utility tangible personal property is currently assessed at varying percentages of true value.

The District receives property taxes from Putnam County. The County Auditor periodically advances to the District its portion of the taxes collected. Second-half real property tax payments collected by the counties by June 30, 2015 are available to finance fiscal year 2015 operations, respectively. The amount available to be advanced can vary based on the date the tax bills are sent.

The assessed values upon which fiscal year 2015 taxes were collected are:

|  | 2014 Second-<br>Half Collections |         | 2015 First-<br>Half Collections |         |
|--|----------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------|---------|
|  | Amount                           | Percent | Amount                          | Percent |
| Real Property:                             |                                  |         |                                 |         |
| Agricultural/Residential                   | \$165,985,220                    | 84%     | \$183,901,910                   | 85%     |
| Industrial/Commercial                      | 24,625,380                       | 12%     | 24,215,250                      | 11%     |
| Public Utility Property                    | 6,804,460                        | 4%      | 7,992,730                       | 4%      |
| Total Assessed Value                       | \$197,415,060                    | 100%    | \$216,109,890                   | 100%    |
| Tax rate per \$1,000 of assessed valuation | \$29.82                          |         | \$29.67                         |         |

### **NOTE 7 – INCOME TAXES**

The District levies a voted tax of one-half percent for general operations on the income of residents and of estates. The tax was effective on January 1, 1993 and is a continuing tax. Employers of residents are required to withhold income tax on compensation and remit the tax to the State. Taxpayers are required to file an annual return. The State makes quarterly distributions to the District after withholding amounts for administrative fees and estimated refunds. Income tax receipts are recorded in the General Fund.

#### **NOTE 8 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

A. Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft, or damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees and natural disaster. During fiscal year 2015, the District contracted for the following insurance coverage.

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

|   | <u>Coverage</u> |
|---|-----------------|
| Property including inland marine – replacement cost (deductible waived) | \$64,803,246    |
| Employee Dishonesty Liability   | 100,000         |
| Automobile Liability  | 15,000,000      |
| Uninsured Motorists   | 1,000,000       |
| Medical Payments - per occurrence/aggregate                             | 10,000/25,000   |
| Educator's Legal Liability – errors or omissions                        | 15,000,000      |
| General District Liability  |                 |
| Per occurrence  | 15,000,000      |
| Total per year  | 15,000,000      |
| Umbrella Liability  | 17,000,000      |

Settled claims have none exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the past three years.

SORSA financial statements are available by contacting Patrick Shaver, Schools of Ohio Risk Sharing Authority, 8050 North High St, Columbus, Ohio 43235.

#### B. Ohio School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Group Rating Program

The District participates in the Ohio School Board Association's Worker's Compensation Group Rating Program (GRP), an insurance purchasing pool. The GRP is intended to reduce premiums for the participants. The workers' compensation experience of the participating school districts is calculated as one experience and a common premium rate is applied to all school districts in the GRP. Each participant pays its workers' compensation premium to the State based on the rate for the GRP rather than its individual rate. Participation in the GRP is limited to educational entities that can meet the GRP's selection criteria. Each participant must apply annually. The GRP provides the participants with a centralized program for processing, analysis and management of worker's compensation claims and a risk management program to assist in developing safer work environments. Each participant must pay its premiums, enrollment or other fees, and perform its obligations in accordance with the terms of the agreement. The GRP's business and affairs are conducted by a 25 member Board of Directors consisting of two representatives from each county elected by a majority vote of all charter member schools within each county plus one representative from the fiscal agency A-site. The Treasurer of Findlay City Schools serves as coordinator of the program. Each year, the participating school districts pay an enrollment fee to the GRP to cover the costs of administering the program.

### C. Putnam County Schools Insurance Group

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

The District provides prescription drug insurance benefits to employees through a self-insurance program. The premiums and related disbursements are accounted for in the general fund. All claims are paid by the District with the request for reimbursement submitted by the employee on behalf of the District. The

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

District has no stop loss insurance and has not set a maximum amount payable per beneficiary. However, the District's liability is limited to the employee's unpaid deductible and maximum out of pocket expense.

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

#### **NOTE 9 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLANS**

#### Net Pension Liability

For fiscal year 2015, Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions" and GASB Statement No. 71, "Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date — an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68" were effective. These GASB pronouncements had no effect on beginning net position as reported June 30, 2014, as the net pension liability is not reported in the accompanying financial statements. The net pension liability has been disclosed below.

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

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

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

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

#### Plan Description - School Employees Retirement System (SERS)

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

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Age and service requirements for retirement are as follows:

| Eligible to                                    | Eligible to  |
|--|--|
| Retire on or before                            | Retire on or after   |
| August 1, 2017 *                               | August 1, 2017   |
| Any age with 30 years of service credit        | Age 67 with 10 years of service credit; or   |
|  | Age 57 with 30 years of service credit   |
| Age 60 with 5 years of service credit          | Age 62 with 10 years of service credit; or   |
| Age 55 with 25 years of service credit         | Age 60 with 25 years of service credit   |
| rvice credit as of August 1, 2017, will be inc | luded in this plan.  |
|  | Retire on or before August 1, 2017 *  Any age with 30 years of service credit  Age 60 with 5 years of service credit  Age 55 with 25 years of service credit |

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

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

Funding Policy – Plan members are required to contribute 10 percent of their annual covered salary and the District is required to contribute 14 percent of annual covered payroll. The contribution requirements of plan members and employers are established and may be amended by the SERS' Retirement Board up to statutory maximum amounts of 10 percent for plan members and 14 percent for employers. The Retirement Board, acting with the advice of the actuary, allocates the employer contribution rate among four of the System's funds (Pension Trust Fund, Death Benefit Fund, Medicare B Fund, and Health Care Fund). For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the allocation to pension, death benefits, and Medicare B was 13.18 percent. The remaining 0.82 percent of the 14 percent employer contribution rate was allocated to the Health Care Fund.

The District's contractually required contribution to SERS was \$214,462 for fiscal year 2015.

### Plan Description - State Teachers Retirement System (STRS)

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

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

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

for retirement will increase effective August 1, 2015, and will continue to increase periodically until they reach age 60 with 35 years of service or age 65 with five years of service on August 1, 2026.

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

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

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

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

Funding Policy – Employer and member contribution rates are established by the State Teachers Retirement Board and limited by Chapter 3307 of the Ohio Revised Code. The statutory maximum employee contribution rate was increased one percent July 1, 2014, and will be increased one percent each year until it reaches 14 percent on July 1, 2016. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, plan members were required to contribute 12 percent of their annual covered salary. The School District was required to contribute 14 percent; the entire 14 percent was the portion used to fund pension obligations. The fiscal year 2015 contribution rates were equal to the statutory maximum rates.

The School District's contractually required contribution to STRS was \$800,872 for fiscal year 2015.

### Net Pension Liability

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating entities. Following is information related to the proportionate share:

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

|                                | SERS        | STRS         | Total        |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Proportionate Share of the Net |             |              |              |
| Pension Liability              | \$2,758,923 | \$12,860,633 | \$15,619,556 |
| Proportion of the Net Pension  |             |              |              |
| Liability                      | 0.05451%    | 0.0528734%   |              |
|                                |             |              |              |

# Actuarial Assumptions - SERS

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

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

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

Key methods and assumptions used in calculating the total pension liability in the latest actuarial valuation, prepared as of June 30, 2014, are presented below:

| Wage Inflation                             | 3.25 percent   |
|--|--|
| Future Salary Increases, including inflati | on 4.00 percent to 22 percent                                |
| COLA or Ad Hoc COLA                        | 3 percent  |
| Investment Rate of Return                  | 7.75 percent net of investments expense, including inflation |
| Actuarial Cost Method                      | Entry Age Normal   |
|  |  |

For post-retirement mortality, the table used in evaluating allowances to be paid is the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table set back one year for both men and women. Special mortality tables are used for the period after disability retirement.

The most recent experience study was completed June 30, 2010.

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

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

|                        | Target     |            | Long-Term Expected |                     | ected |  |
|------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------|--|
| Asset Class            | Allocation | Allocation |                    | Real Rate of Return |       |  |
|                        |            |            |                    |                     |       |  |
| Cash                   | 1.00       | %          |                    | 0.00                | %     |  |
| US Stocks              | 22.50      |            |                    | 5.00                |       |  |
| Non-US Stocks          | 22.50      |            |                    | 5.50                |       |  |
| Fixed Income           | 19.00      |            |                    | 1.50                |       |  |
| Private Equity         | 10.00      |            |                    | 10.00               |       |  |
| Real Assets            | 10.00      |            |                    | 5.00                |       |  |
| Multi-Asset Strategies | 15.00      |            |                    | 7.50                |       |  |
|                        |            |            |                    |                     |       |  |
| Total                  | 100.00     | %          |                    |                     |       |  |
|                        |            |            |                    |                     |       |  |

**Discount Rate** The total pension liability was calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed the contributions from employers and from the members would be computed based on contribution requirements as stipulated by State statute. Projected inflows from investment earning were calculated using the long-term assumed investment rate of return (7.75 percent). Based on those assumptions, the plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefits to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate Net pension liability is sensitive to changes in the discount rate, and to illustrate the potential impact the following table presents the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what each plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.75 percent), or one percentage point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate.

|                                       |             | Current       |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|
|                                       | 1% Decrease | Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|                                       | (6.75%)     | (7.75%)       | (8.75%)     |
| School District's proportionate share |             |               |             |
| of the net pension liability          | \$3,936,163 | \$2,758,923   | \$1,768,762 |
|                                       |             |               |             |

### Actuarial Assumptions - STRS

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2014, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

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

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table (Projection 2022—Scale AA) for Males and Females. Males' ages are set-back two years through age 89 and no set-back for age 90 and

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

above. Females younger than age 80 are set back four years, one year set back from age 80 through 89 and not set back from age 90 and above.

Actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014, valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study, effective July 1, 2012.

The 10 year expected real rate of return on pension plan investments was determined by STRS' investment consultant by developing best estimates of expected future real rates of return for each major asset class. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized as follows:

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

**Discount Rate** The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent as of June 30, 2014. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes member and employer contributions will be made at the statutory contribution rates in accordance with rate increases described above. For this purpose, only employer contributions that are intended to fund benefits of current plan members and their beneficiaries are included. Projected employer contributions that are intended to fund the service costs of future plan members and their beneficiaries, as well as projected contributions from future plan members, are not included. Based on those assumptions, STRS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current plan members as of June 30, 2014. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.75 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payment to determine the total pension liability as of June 30, 2014.

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

|                                       |              | Current       |             |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|
|                                       | 1% Decrease  | Discount Rate | 1% Increase |
|                                       | (6.75%)      | (7.75%)       | (8.75%)     |
| School District's proportionate share |              |               |             |
| of the net pension liability          | \$18,411,399 | \$12,860,633  | \$8,166,554 |
|                                       |              |               |             |

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

Effective July 1, 1991, all employees not otherwise covered by the School Employees Retirement System or the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio have an option to choose Social Security or the School Retirement System. As of June 30, 2014, all five members of the Board of Education have elected Social Security. The contribution rate is 6.2 percent of wages.

#### **NOTE 10 – POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

### School Employees Retirement System

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

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

Funding Policy - State statute permits SERS to fund the health care benefits through employer contributions. Each year, after the allocation for statutorily required basic benefits, the Retirement Board allocates the remainder of the employer contribution of 14 percent of covered payroll to the Health Care Fund. For fiscal year 2015, 0.82 percent of covered payroll was allocated to health care. In addition, employers pay a surcharge for employees earning less than an actuarially determined minimum compensation amount, pro-rated according to service credit earned. For fiscal year 2015, this amount was \$20,450. Statutes provide that no employer shall pay a health care surcharge greater than 2 percent of that employer's SERS-covered payroll; nor may SERS collect in aggregate more than 1.5 percent of the total statewide SERS-covered payroll for the health care surcharge. For fiscal year 2015, the District's surcharge obligation was \$3,655.

The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$12,561, \$2,020, and \$9,058, respectively. For fiscal year 2015, 51.63 percent has been contributed, with the balance being reported as an intergovernmental payable. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2014 and 2013.

#### State Teachers Retirement System

Plan Description – The School District participates in the cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit Health Plan administered by the State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio (STRS) for eligible retirees who participated in the defined benefit or combined pension plans offered by STRS. Ohio law authorizes STRS to offer this plan. Benefits include hospitalization, physicians' fees, prescription drugs and reimbursement of monthly Medicare Part B premiums. The Plan is included in the report of STRS which can be obtained by visiting <a href="https://www.strsoh.org">www.strsoh.org</a> or by calling (888) 227-7877.

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Funding Policy – Ohio Revised Code Chapter 3307 authorizes STRS Ohio to offer the Plan and gives the Retirement Board authority over how much, if any, of the health care costs will be absorbed by STRS. Active employee members do not contribute to the Health Care Plan. All benefit recipients, for the most recent year, pay a monthly premium. Under Ohio law, funding for post-employment health care may be deducted from employer contributions. For fiscal year 2015, STRS did not allocate any employer contributions to post-employment health care. The School District's contributions for health care for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013 were \$0, \$55,082, and \$53,534 respectively. The full amount has been contributed for fiscal years 2015, 2014 and 2013.

#### NOTE 11 - DEBT

The changes in the District's long-term obligations during the year were as follows:

|                                   | Principal    |             |             | Principal    | Amounts   |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|
|                                   | Outstanding  |             | Outstanding | Due in       |           |
|                                   | 6/30/14      | Additions   | Reductions  | 6/30/15      | One Year  |
| General Obligation Bonds:         |              |             |             |              |           |
| General obligation bonds – 2003   | \$1,200,000  |             | \$1,200,000 |              |           |
| Capital appreciation bonds – 2003 | 15,000       |             | 5,000       | \$10,000     | \$10,000  |
| General obligation bonds – 2007   | 8,090,000    |             | 130,000     | 7,960,000    | 85,000    |
| Capital appreciation bonds – 2007 | 155,341      |             |             | 155,341      |           |
| General obligation bonds - 2010   | 5,825,000    |             | 5,750,000   | 75,000       | 25,000    |
| Capital appreciation bonds - 2010 | 99,994       |             |             | 99,994       |           |
| General obligation bonds - 2014   |              | \$6,875,000 |             | 6,875,000    | 25,000    |
| Total Governmental Activities     | \$15,385,335 | \$6,875,000 | \$7,085,000 | \$15,175,335 | \$145,000 |

<u>Series 2003 School Improvement General Obligation Bonds – Interest Rates 1.55 – 5.375%</u>: During fiscal year 2003, the voters of the District authorized the issuance of \$13,485,000 in general obligation bonds, for the purpose of renovating and otherwise improving school facilities. During 2007, \$9,289,995 of the current interest bonds were advance refunded. During 2014, \$1,210,000 of the current interest bonds were advance refunded. The remaining bonds will be retired from proceeds of a bonded debt tax levy and will be paid from the Bond Retirement Fund.

The Series 2003 school improvement general obligation bond issue included both current interest bonds, par value \$13,465,000, and capital appreciation bonds, par value \$1,005,000. The capital appreciation bonds mature on December 1, 2013-2015, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal, plus accrued interest to the redemption date. At June 30, 2015, the total amount of these bonds including accretion was \$371,545. The current interest bonds maturing on or after December 1, 2012, were subject to early redemption at the sole option of the District, at the following redemption prices, plus accrued interest:

Redemption Date

December 1, 2012 and thereafter

Redemption Price 100% of par

The final maturity stated of the only outstanding capital appreciation bond remaining after the 2014 advance refunding is December 1, 2015.

<u>2007 Advance Refunding of 2003 Bonds – Interest Rates 3.55 – 4.375%</u>: Proceeds from the outstanding bonds were used for the purpose of advance refunding of general obligation bonds, dated September 15, 2002, which were issued for the purpose of renovating and otherwise improving school facilities. The

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

bonds were issued on November 28, 2006. The bonds consisted of \$6,890,000 in current interest serial bonds and \$2,040,000 in term bonds and \$359,995, in capital appreciation bonds. This current refunding was undertaken to reduce total debt service payments over the next 24 years by \$652,293 and resulted in an economic gain of \$422,390.

The serial bonds shall bear interest at the rates per year and will mature in the principal amounts and on the following dates

| Fiscal | Principal | Interest |
|--------|-----------|----------|
| Year   | Amount    | Rate     |
| 2016   | \$85,000  | 4.000%   |
| 2019   | 495,000   | 4.000%   |
| 2020   | 520,000   | 4.000%   |
| 2021   | 550,000   | 4.125%   |
| 2022   | 585,000   | 4.125%   |
| 2023   | 615,000   | 4.000%   |
| 2024   | 650,000   | 4.125%   |
| 2027   | 765,000   | 4.000%   |
| 2028   | 805,000   | 4.000%   |
| 2029   | 850,000   | 4.000%   |

The term bond which matures on December 1, 2025, has an interest rate of 4.125 percent per year, and is subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100.529 percent of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1, in the year in the respective principal amounts as follows:

| Fiscal | Principal Amount |
|--------|------------------|
| Year   | to be Redeemed   |
| 2026   | \$755,000        |

The term bond which matures on December 1, 2030, has an interest rate of 4.375 percent per year, and is subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 102.403 percent of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1, in the year in the respective principal amounts as follows:

| Fiscal | Principal Amount to |  |
|--------|---------------------|--|
| Year   | be Redeemed         |  |
| 2031   | \$1.285.000         |  |

The capital appreciation bonds were issued in the aggregate original principal amount of \$359,995 and mature on December 1, in the years, have the original principal amounts and mature with the accreted values at maturity, as follows:

| Fiscal | Original Principal | Accreted Value at |
|--------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Year   | Amount             | Maturity          |
| 2017   | \$83,590           | \$475,000         |
| 2018   | 71,751             | 485,000           |

At June 30, 2015, the total amount of these bonds including accretion was \$680,350. The bonds are being retired through the Bond Retirement Debt Service Fund.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

2010 School Facilities Construction and Improvement Bonds – On July 14, 2010, the District issued \$5,999,994, in general obligation bonds for the construction of a school building. The bond issue included serial, term, and capital appreciation bonds, in the original amount of \$175,000, \$5,725,000, and \$99,994, respectively. The bonds were issued for a twenty-six year period, with final maturity during fiscal year 2037. During 2014, \$5,725,000 of the current term bonds were advance refunded. The remaining bonds will be retired through the Bond Retirement service fund.

The Series 2010A serial bonds are subject to optional prior redemption, by and at the sole option of the District, either in whole or in part and in integral multiples of \$5,000, on any date on or after June1, 2020, at a redemption equal to 100 percent of the principal amount redeemed plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

The capital appreciation bonds are not subject to prior redemption. The capital appreciation bonds will mature in fiscal years 2018-2022. The maturity amount of the bonds is \$865,000. For fiscal year 2015, \$53,724 was accreted for a total bond value of \$280,230 at fiscal year-end.

<u>2014 Advance Refunding of 2002 and 2010 Bonds – Interest Rates 1.00 – 4.00%</u>: Proceeds from the outstanding bonds were used for the purpose of advance refunding of general obligation bonds, dated September 15, 2002, which were issued for the purpose of renovating and otherwise improving school facilities; and for the advance refunding of the advance refunding bonds dated November 28, 2006. The 2014 advance refunding bonds issued in total of \$6,875,000 consisted of \$4,415,000 in current interest serial bonds and \$2,460,000 in term bonds. This current refunding was undertaken to reduce total debt service payments over the next 24 years by \$790,200 and resulted in an economic gain of \$448,315.

The serial bonds shall bear interest at the rates per year and will mature in the principal amounts and on the following dates:

| Fiscal Year | Principal<br><u>Maturing</u> | Interest<br><u>Rate</u> |
|-------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2016        | \$25,000                     | 1.00%                   |
| 2017        | 30,000                       | 1.00%                   |
| 2018        | 30,000                       | 3.00%                   |
| 2019        | 30,000                       | 1.50%                   |
| 2020        | 30,000                       | 2.00%                   |
| 2025        | 950,000                      | 3.00%                   |
| 2029        | 330,000                      | 3.50%                   |
| 2030        | 335,000                      | 4.00%                   |
| 2031        | 870,000                      | 4.00%                   |
| 2032        | 375,000                      | 4.00%                   |
| 2033        | 420,000                      | 4.00%                   |
| 2034        | 470,000                      | 4.00%                   |
| 2035        | 520,000                      | 4.00%                   |

The Term Bonds maturing on December 1, 2023 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 of the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

| Fiscal<br>Year | Principal Amount to be Redeemed |
|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 2021           | \$30,000                        |
| 2022           | 30,000                          |

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

| 2023 | 30,000 |
|------|--------|

The remaining principal amount of such Term Bonds (\$235,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2023.

The Term Bonds maturing on December 1, 2027 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 of the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

| Fiscal<br>Year | Principal Amount<br>to be Redeemed |  |  |
|----------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| 2026           | \$305,000                          |  |  |
| 2027           | 310,000                            |  |  |

The remaining principal amount of such Term Bonds (\$315,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2027.

The Term Bonds maturing on December 1, 2036 are subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a redemption price of 100% of the principal amount to be redeemed, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption, on December 1 of the years and in the respective principal amounts as follows:

| Fiscal | Principal Amount |  |  |
|--------|------------------|--|--|
| Year   | to be Redeemed   |  |  |
| 2026   | \$575,000        |  |  |

The remaining principal amount of such Term Bonds (\$630,000) will be paid at stated maturity on December 1, 2036.

Principal and interest requirements to retire long-term liabilities outstanding at June 30, 2015 are as follows:

|            | General Obligation Bonds |                 |              | Capital Appreciation Bonds |                 | ds           |
|------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Year Ended | <u>Principal</u>         | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> | <u>Principal</u>           | <u>Interest</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|            |                          |                 |              |                            |                 |              |
| 2016       | \$135,000                | \$576,581       | \$711,581    | \$10,000                   | \$370,000       | \$380,000    |
| 2017       | 55,000                   | 573,981         | 628,981      | 83,590                     | 391,410         | 475,000      |
| 2018       | 55,000                   | 572,694         | 627,694      | 71,751                     | 413,249         | 485,000      |
| 2019       | 525,000                  | 561,744         | 1,086,744    | 28,800                     | 141,200         | 170,000      |
| 2020       | 550,000                  | 540,919         | 1,090,919    | 23,963                     | 151,037         | 175,000      |
| 2021-2025  | 3,705,000                | 2,327,928       | 6,032,928    | 47,231                     | 472,769         | 520,000      |
| 2026-2030  | 5,630,000                | 1,440,366       | 7,070,366    |                            |                 |              |
| 2031-2035  | 3,050,000                | 490,941         | 3,540,941    |                            |                 |              |
| 2036-2037  | 1,205,000                | 49,300          | 1,254,300    |                            |                 |              |
|            |                          | <b>^</b>        |              |                            |                 |              |
| Total      | \$14,910,000             | \$7,134,454     | \$22,044,454 | \$265,335                  | \$1,939,665     | \$2,205,000  |

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

The District had a voted debt margin of \$5,035,549 and an unvoted debt margin of \$216,110.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

#### **NOTE 12 – SET ASIDE REQUIREMENTS**

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

The following cash basis information identifies the changes in the fund balance reserve for capital improvements, during 2015.

|                                       | Capital     |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
|                                       | Maintenance |
| Balance at June 30, 2014              |             |
| Current Year Set Aside<br>Requirement | \$239,548   |
| Offsets                               | (239,548)   |
| Balance at June 30, 2015              |             |

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

In addition to the above statutory reserve, the District also received and spent all monies restricted for school bus purchases during the year.

#### **NOTE 13 – INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

During 2015 the following transfers were made:

|               | _                   | Tr                 |                     |             |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-------------|
|               |                     | Special<br>Revenue | Capital<br>Projects | Total       |
|               | Governmental Funds: |                    | _                   |             |
| Transfers Out | General             | \$100,000          |                     | \$100,000   |
|               | Capital Projects    |                    | \$2,167,040         | 2,167,040   |
|               | Fiduciary Funds:    |                    |                     |             |
|               | Agency              | 151                |                     | 151         |
| •             | Total               | \$100,151          | \$2,167,040         | \$2,267,191 |
|               |                     | · -                |                     |             |

Transfers are used to move receipts from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, move receipts restricted to debt service from the funds collecting the receipts to the debt service fund as debt service payments become due, and use unrestricted receipts collected in the General Fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

#### **NOTE 14 – CONTINGENCIES**

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

#### A. Grants

The District received financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. The expenditure of funds received under these programs generally requires compliance with terms and conditions specified in the grant agreements, and is subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Any disallowed claims resulting from such audits could become a liability of the General Fund or other applicable funds. However, in the opinion of management, any such disallowed claims will not have a material adverse effect on the overall financial position of the District at June 30, 2015.

#### B. Litigation

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

#### C. School Funding

School District Foundation funding is based on the annualized full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of each student. Effective for the 2014-2015 school year, traditional school districts must comply with minimum hours of instruction, instead of a minimum number of school days each year. The funding formula the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) is legislatively required to follow will continue to adjust as enrollment information is updated by the school district, which can extend past the fiscal year end. As of the date of this report, ODE has not finalized the impact of enrollment adjustments to the June 30, 2015 Foundation funding for the school district; therefore, the financial statement impact is not determinable at this time. ODE and management believe this will result in either a receivable to or liability of the District.

### **NOTE 15 – JOINTLY GOVERNED ORGANIZATIONS**

#### A. Northwest Ohio Area Computer Services Cooperative

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

The governing board of NOACSC consists of two representatives from each county elected by majority vote of all charter member school districts within each county plus one representative from the fiscal agent school district. Financial information can be obtained from Ray Burden, who serves as director, at 645 South Main Street, Lima, Ohio 45804.

#### B. Millstream Cooperative Career Center

The Millstream Cooperative Career Center is a distinct political subdivision of the State of Ohio established under Section 3313.90. The Career Center operates under the direction of an Advisory Council consisting of the superintendent of each participating school district and one additional representative appointed by the Findlay City School District. The Putnam and Hancock Counties Educational Service Centers serve in an ex-officio capacity for all meetings. To obtain financial information write to the Findlay City School District, Michael Barnhart, Treasurer, at 227 South West Street, Findlay, Ohio 45840-3377.

#### C. Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc.

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 (Continued)

The Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc. (NOERC) is a jointly governed organization formed to bring educational entities into a better understanding of their common educational problems, facilitate and conduct practical educational research, coordinate educational research among members, provide a means for evaluating and disseminating the results of research, serve as a repository for research and legislative materials, and provide opportunities for training. The NOERC serves a twenty-five county area in Northwest Ohio. The Board of Directors consists of superintendents from two educational service centers, two exempted village school districts, five local school districts, and five city school districts, as well as representative from two private or parochial schools and three institutions of higher education. Each active member is entitled to one vote on all issues addressed by the Board of Directors. Financial information can be obtained from the Northwestern Ohio Educational Research Council, Inc., Box 456, Ashland, Ohio 44805.

# D. State Support Team Region 1

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

### **NOTE 16 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

On July 14, 2015 the District entered into a House Bill 264 energy conservation project with Energy Optimizers, USA, LLC, in the amount of \$724,092. The project will be financed by issuing energy conservation notes in an amount not to exceed \$760,000 as approved by the Board on October 13, 2015.

On October 13, 2015 the District entered into a contract with Midwest Contracting for a three classroom addition at the Glandorf Elementary School building in the amount of \$703,400.

# FEDERAL AWARDS RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES SCHEDULE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

| FEDERAL GRANTOR  | Federal |                         |                         |
|--|---------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Pass Through Grantor   | CFDA    |                         |                         |
| Program Title  | Number  | Receipts                | Disbursements           |
| UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Passed Through Ohio Department of Education: |         |                         |                         |
| Nutrition Cluster: National School Lunch Program:                                    | 40.555  | <b>#</b> 220 <b>C24</b> | <b>#</b> 000 <b>604</b> |
| Cash Assistance  | 10.555  | \$232,631               | \$232,631               |
| Non-Cash Assistance (Food Distribution)  | _       | 55,446<br>288,077       | 55,446<br>288,077       |
| Total National School Lunch Program  | _       | 200,077                 | 200,077                 |
| Total U.S. Department of Agriculture   | _       | 288,077                 | 288,077                 |
| UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION Passed Through Ohio Department of Education:   |         |                         |                         |
| Title I, Part A Cluster:   |         |                         |                         |
| Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies   | 84.010  | 117,100                 | 127,877                 |
| Special Education Cluster:   |         |                         |                         |
| Education Grants to States   | 84.027  | 317,678                 | 319,288                 |
| Early Childhood Grant  | 84.173  | 8,657                   | 9,276                   |
| Total Special Education Cluster:   |         | 326,335                 | 328,564                 |
| Improving Teacher Quality State Grants   | 84.367  | 36,715                  | 39,005                  |
| 21st Century Learning Center   | 84.287  | 285,700                 | 291,976                 |
| Passed Through Auglaize County Educational Service Center:                           |         |                         |                         |
| English Language Acquisition Grants  | 84.365  |                         | 2,482                   |
| Total U.S. Department of Education   | _       | 765,850                 | 789,904                 |
| Total Federal Awards Receipts and Expenditures                                       | _       | \$1,053,927             | \$1,077,981             |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this Schedule.

# NOTES TO THE FEDERAL AWARDS RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES SCHEDULE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

### **NOTE A - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The accompanying Federal Awards Receipts and Expenditures Schedule (the Schedule) summarizes activity of the District's federal award programs. The Schedule has been prepared on the cash basis of accounting.

#### **NOTE B - CHILD NUTRITION CLUSTER**

The District commingles cash receipts from the U.S. Department of Agriculture with similar State grants. When reporting expenditures on this Schedule, the District assumes it expends federal monies first.

### **NOTE C - FOOD DONATION PROGRAM**

The District reports commodities consumed on the Schedule at the entitlement value. The District allocated donated food commodities to the respective programs that benefitted from the use of those donated food commodities.

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

Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District Putnam County 630 Glendale Avenue Ottawa, Ohio 45875-1162

To the Board of Education:

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*, the financial statements of Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District, Putnam County, Ohio (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 23, 2015, wherein we issued an adverse opinion on the District's financial statements because the District prepared its financial statements using accounting practices the Auditor of State prescribes or permits for governments not required to report using accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and wherein we noted the District did not adopt the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, unidentified material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting, that we consider material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of internal control deficiencies resulting in a reasonable possibility that internal control will not prevent or detect and timely correct a material misstatement of the District's financial statements. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider findings 2015-001 through 2015-003 described in the accompanying schedule of findings to be material weaknesses.

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#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we tested its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could directly and materially affect the determination of financial statement amounts. However, opining on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and accordingly, we do not express an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters we must report under *Government Auditing Standards* which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2015-001.

#### Entity's Response to Findings

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

#### Purpose of this Report

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

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

November 23, 2015

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District Putnam County 630 Glendale Avenue Ottawa. Ohio 45875-1162

To the Board of Education:

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

We have audited Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District, Putnam County, Ohio's (the District) compliance with the applicable requirements described in the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) *Circular A-133, Compliance Supplement* that could directly and materially affect each of Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. The *Summary of Auditor's Results* in the accompanying schedule of findings identifies the District's major federal programs.

#### Management's Responsibility

The District's Management is responsible for complying with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to opine on the District's compliance for each of the District's major federal programs based on our audit of the applicable compliance requirements referred to above. Our compliance audit followed auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards for financial audits included in the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. These standards and OMB Circular A-133 require us to plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether noncompliance with the applicable compliance requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the District's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

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

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#### Basis for Qualified Opinion on Special Education Cluster

As described in finding 2015-004 in the accompanying schedule of findings, the District did not comply with requirements regarding cash management applicable to its Special Education Cluster major federal programs. Compliance with this requirement is necessary, in our opinion, for the District to comply with requirements applicable to these programs.

#### Qualified Opinion on Special Education Cluster

In our opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion on Special Education Cluster* paragraph, Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect its *Special Education Cluster* for the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### Unmodified Opinion on the Other Major Federal Program

In our opinion, Ottawa-Glandorf Local School District complied, in all material respects with the requirements referred to above that could directly and materially affect its other major federal program identified in the *Summary of Auditor's Results* section of the accompanying schedule of findings for the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

The District's management is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the applicable compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our compliance audit, we considered the District's internal control over compliance with the applicable requirements that could directly and materially affect a major federal program, to determine our auditing procedures appropriate for opining on each major federal program's compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not to the extent needed to opine on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Therefore, we cannot assure we have identified all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. However, as discussed below, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over compliance that we consider to be a material weakness.

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A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or to timely detect and correct, noncompliance with a federal program's applicable compliance requirement. 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 federal program's compliance requirement will not be prevented, or timely detected and corrected. A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control over compliance with a federal program's applicable compliance requirement that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings as item 2015-004 to be a material weakness.

The District's response to our internal control over compliance finding is described in the accompanying schedule of findings. We did not audit the District's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

This report only describes the scope of our test of internal control compliance and the results of this testing based on OMB Circular A-133 requirements. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

**Dave Yost** Auditor of State

Columbus, Ohio

November 23, 2015

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# OTTAWA-GLANDORF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PUTNAM COUNTY

### SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS OMB CIRCULAR A -133 § .505 JUNE 30, 2015

# 1. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

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|--------------|--|---|
| (d)(1)(i)    | Type of Financial Statement Opinion  | Adverse   |
| (d)(1)(ii)   | Were there any material control weaknesses reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?                  | Yes   |
| (d)(1)(ii)   | Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported at the financial statement level (GAGAS)? | No  |
| (d)(1)(iii)  | Was there any reported material noncompliance at the financial statement level (GAGAS)?                        | Yes   |
| (d)(1)(iv)   | Were there any material internal control weaknesses reported for major federal programs?                       | Yes   |
| (d)(1)(iv)   | Were there any significant deficiencies in internal control reported for major federal programs?               | No  |
| (d)(1)(v)    | Type of Major Programs' Compliance<br>Opinion  | Qualified: Special Education<br>Cluster: Education Grants to<br>States CFDA #84.027 and<br>Early Childhood Grant<br>CFDA #84.173<br>Unqualified: Twenty-First<br>Century Learning Centers<br>CFDA #84.287 |
| (d)(1)(vi)   | Are there any reportable findings under § .510(a)?   | Yes   |
| (d)(1)(vii)  | Major Programs (list):   | Special Education Cluster: Education Grants to States CFDA #84.027 Early Childhood Grant CFDA #84.173  Twenty-First Century Learning Centers CFDA #84.287   |
| (0/4)/ !!!   | Dollar Threshold: Type A\B Programs  | Type A: > \$ 300,000  |
| (d)(1)(viii) |  | Type B: all others  |

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# 2. FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2015-001**

#### **Noncompliance Citation and Material Weakness**

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

**Ohio Admin. Code § 117-2-03(B)**, which further clarifies the requirements of Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38, requires school districts to prepare their annual financial report in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The District lacks a GASB 34 policy and therefore prepares its financial statements in accordance with standards established by the Auditor of State for governmental entities not required to prepare annual reports in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The accompanying financial statements and notes omit assets, liabilities, fund equities, and disclosures, while material, cannot be determined at this time. The District can be fined and various other administrative remedies may be taken against the District.

We recommend the District prepare its financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

#### Officials' Response:

The Board of Education and management of the District are knowledgeable concerning the required reporting format (GASB 34 / Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) and the similarities and differences from the required reporting format and the method currently incorporated by the District (Cash Basis of Accounting). District personnel considered the cost-benefit of the two reporting formats and determined reporting on the Cash Basis of Accounting format to be the more fiscally responsible format at this time.

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2015-002**

#### **Material Weakness**

#### Implementation of GASB 54

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions introduces five fund balance classifications and clarifies the existing governmental fund type definitions. The fund balance classifications relate to constraints imposed upon the use of its governmental-fund resources. Those classifications include: Non-spendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned, and Unassigned.

The District failed to adopt the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions for the year ended June 30, 2015 as mandated by the Auditor of State Bulletin 2011-004 for regulatory basis financial statements.

By not implementing GASB No. 54 the District is not fully disclosing the manner in which fund balances are restricted. Noncompliance due to a lack of a GASB 54 policy could also affect the classification of funds and increases the risk fund balances may be improperly spent.

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We recommend the District adopt the provisions of GASB No. 54 as specified in Auditor of State Bulletin 2011-004.

#### Officials' Response:

The Board of Education and management of the District are knowledgeable concerning the required reporting format of GASB 54 and the similarities and differences from the required reporting format and the method currently incorporated by the District. District personnel considered the cost-benefit of the two reporting formats and determined our current reporting format to be the more fiscally responsible format at this time.

#### **FINDING NUMBER 2015-003**

#### **Material Weakness**

### **Monitoring of Financial Statements**

Accurate financial reporting is the responsibility of the Treasurer and Board of Education, and is essential to ensure the information provided to the readers of the financial statements accurately reflects the District's activity.

The fiscal year 2015 financial statements contained an error in which a total \$8,160,643 was posted by the District as Repayment of Debt Service, in the Debt Service Fund, instead of correctly breaking down the total between specific line items of Payment to Escrow Agent, Principal Retirement, Interest and Fiscal Charges, and Bond Issuance Costs.

The District lacked a policy regarding financial review which contributed to this material posting error, occurring without detection. Adjusting entries were posted to the financial statements and the District's financial records to correct this error.

To ensure the District's financial statements and notes to the statements are complete and accurate, we recommend the Treasurer post all transactions in accordance with the guidance established by the Uniform School Accounting System issued by the Auditor of State. Furthermore, the Board should adopt policies and procedures, including a final review of the statements and notes by the Treasurer and Board, to identify and correct errors and omissions.

#### Officials' Response:

We did not receive a response from Officials to this finding.

| 3. FINDINGS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS |  |
|--------------------------------|--|
|                                |  |

| Finding Number        | 2015-004                                |  |
|-----------------------|---|--|
| CFDA Title and Number | Special Education Cluster:              |  |
|                       | Education Grants to States, CFDA 84.027 |  |
|                       | Early Childhood Grant, CFDA 84.173      |  |
| Federal Agency        | United States Department of Education   |  |
| Pass-Through Agency   | Ohio Department of Education            |  |

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## **Noncompliance Citation and Material Weakness**

**34 CFR 80.20 (b)(7)** requires in part, when advances are made by letter-of-credit or electronic transfer of funds methods, the grantee must make drawdowns as close as possible to the time of making disbursements. This has been interpreted as being spent within 30 days.

The District did not sufficiently monitor the timing of request for funds for the Special Education Fund. Review of activity in the District's Special Education Fund showed 10.5% of the drawdowns received by electronic transfers were not spent within 30 days during fiscal year 2015.

We recommend improvements be made in the internal control procedures for minimizing the time elapsing between the transfer of funds and disbursement by the District whenever the advance payment procedure is used. This will allow the District to comply with Ohio Department of Education requirements that were adopted to facilitate federal cash management.

#### Officials' Response:

See Corrective Action Plan for Officials' response.

# OTTAWA-GLANDORF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PUTNAM COUNTY

## CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN OMB CIRCULAR A -133 § .315 (c) JUNE 30, 2015

| Finding<br>Number | Planned Corrective<br>Action  | Anticipated<br>Completion<br>Date | Responsible<br>Contact Person |
|-------------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2015-004          | My understanding of requirements for advance cash requests was incorrect. Since then I have become aware that advanced funds this fiscal year must be spent even more quickly. From this time forward, I am only initiating cash requests for spending that has already been incurred. I will not ask for advances. | November 23, 2015                 | Kathy Fruchey,<br>Treasurer   |

# OTTAWA-GLANDORF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT PUTNAM COUNTY

## SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2015

| Finding<br>Number | Finding<br>Summary   | Fully<br>Corrected? | Not Corrected, Partially Corrected; Significantly Different Corrective Action Taken; or Finding No Longer Valid; <i>Explain</i> |
|-------------------|--|---------------------|---|
| 2014-001          | Ohio Rev. Code § 117.38 and Ohio Admin. Code § 117-2-03(B) for reporting on basis other than generally accepted accounting principles.                                       | No                  | Finding has not been corrected and is repeated in this report as finding 2015-001.  |
| 2014-002          | Material weakness for not adopting the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 54 Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. | No                  | Finding has not been corrected and is repeated in this report as finding 2015-002.  |
| 2014-003          | Material weakness to improve monitoring of financial statement errors.   | No                  | Finding has not been corrected and is repeated in this report as finding 2015-003.  |



### OTTAWA GLANDORF LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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#### **CLERK'S CERTIFICATION**

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

**CLERK OF THE BUREAU** 

Susan Babbitt

CERTIFIED DECEMBER 8, 2015