

***Agate School District No. 300***  
**Agate, Colorado**

**Financial Statements**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**



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## **Independent Auditors' Report**

Board of Education  
Agate School District No. 300  
Agate, Colorado

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Agate School District No. 300 (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Other Matters**

### *Required Supplementary Information*

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

### *Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The other supplementary information listed in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

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

*Lauer, Szabo & Associates, P.C.*

Sterling, Colorado  
October 12, 2017

**Agate School District #300  
Management Discussion and Analysis  
For Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2017**

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This section of Agate School District's annual financial report presents its discussion and analysis of the District's financial performance during the year ended June 30, 2017.

**Financial Highlights**

- The assets and deferred outflows of resources of Agate School District exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$1,695,770 (net position).
- The District's total net position decreased by \$232,906.
- General revenues accounted for \$800,843 or 94% of the \$849,029 in total revenues. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants accounted for \$48,186 or 6% of revenues.
- The General Fund ending fund balance was \$843,287.

**Overview of Financial Statements**

The discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the School District's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements consist of four components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, 3) notes to the financial statements and, (4) required supplementary information. This report also contains required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

**Government-wide Statements**

The Government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with information about the School District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector businesses.

The statement of net position includes all of the School District's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the School District is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in these statements for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods, (e.g., uncollected taxes). In the government-wide financial statements, the School District's activities include the following:

- **Governmental activities:** Most of the School District's basic services are included here, such as instruction, transportation, maintenance and operations, and administration. Taxes and intergovernmental revenues principally support these activities.

## **Fund Financial Statements**

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the School District's operations, focusing on the most significant or "major" funds, not the School District as a whole. The School District has two kinds of funds: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

### **Governmental Funds**

Most of the District's basic services are included in the governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out of and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine the status of financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the School District's program.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Thus, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and change in fund balances provide reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements in order to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The School District maintains three individual governmental funds. Information is presented separately in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenue, expenditures and change in fund balances for the General Fund and Apartment Fund, which are considered to be major funds. Data for the other governmental fund is presentation in a separate column.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 14-17 of this report.

### **Fiduciary Funds**

Fiduciary funds are used to count for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the school district. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the School District's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds. The basic fiduciary fund financial statement can be found on page 18 of this report.

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

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements may be found on pages 19-43 of this report.

## Other Information

In addition to the basic financial statements, this report also presents other supplementary information concerning the School District's annual appropriated budgets with comparison statements that demonstrate compliance with budgets. Budget comparison schedules and statements may be found on pages 54-62.

## Financial Analysis of the School District as a Whole

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the School District's financial position.

The following table provides a summary of the district's net position:

	Governmental Activities		Total Percentage Change
	2017	2016	2016-2017
Current and Other assets	\$ 903,991	\$ 818,662	10.42%
Capital assets	1,873,437	1,939,139	-3.38%
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>2,777,428</b>	<b>2,757,801</b>	<b>.71%</b>
<b>Deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>625,051</b>	<b>109,649</b>	<b>470.04%</b>
<b>Total assets and deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>\$ 3,402,479</b>	<b>\$ 2,867,450</b>	<b>18.65%</b>
Long term liabilities	\$ 1,626,520	\$ 869,314	87.10%
Other liabilities	25,235	21,589	16.88%
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>1,651,755</b>	<b>890,903</b>	<b>85.40%</b>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>54,954</b>	<b>47,871</b>	<b>14.79%</b>
Net investment in capital assets	1,873,437	1,939,139	-3.38%
Restricted	36,938	35,486	4.09%
Unrestricted	(214,605)	(45,949)	-367.05%
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>1,695,770</b>	<b>1,928,676</b>	<b>-12.07%</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position</b>	<b>\$ 3,402,479</b>	<b>\$ 2,867,450</b>	<b>18.65%</b>

Following is a summary of the School District's change in net position:

	Governmental Activities		Total Percentage Change
	2017	2016	2016-2017
<b>Revenues</b>			
Program Revenues			
Charges for services	\$ 11,754	\$ 12,012	-2.14%
Operating Grants & Contributions	36,432	43,252	-15.76%
Capital Grants & Contributions	-	-	-
General Revenue			
Property taxes	303,778	294,726	3.07%
State equalization	474,779	481,327	-1.36%
Other	22,286	25,678	-13.20%
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>849,029</b>	<b>856,995</b>	<b>-0.92%</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Instruction	441,344	297,845	48.17%
Pupil & Instructional Services	5,832	6,112	-4.58%
Administration & Business	394,074	245,607	60.44%
Maintenance & Operations	72,755	73,982	-1.65%
Transportation	50,815	41,681	21.91%
Other	117,115	104,199	12.39%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>1,081,935</b>	<b>769,426</b>	<b>40.61%</b>
<b>Change in net position</b>	<b>\$ (232,906)</b>	<b>\$ 87,569</b>	<b>-365.96%</b>

### Governmental Activities

The primary source of operating revenue for school districts comes from the School Finance Act of 1994, as amended (SFA). Under the SFA, the School District received \$15,512 per funded student. In fiscal year 2016-2017, the funded pupil count was 50.0. Funding for the SFA comes from property taxes, specific ownership tax and state equalization. The School District receives approximately 62% of this funding from state equalization while the remaining amount comes from property taxes and specific ownership tax. The School District's assessed valuation generated \$258,980 in property taxes for fiscal year 2016-2017.

## Governmental Funds

The focus of the School District's governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School District's financing requirements. In particular, unrestricted fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the School District's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

At the end of the fiscal year, the School District's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balance of \$874,726. The general fund had a fund balance of \$843,287, the apartment fund had a fund balance of \$19,119 and the other governmental fund had a fund balance of \$12,320.

## General Fund Budget Highlights

The District's budget is prepared according to Colorado law and is based on accounting for transactions under generally accepted accounting principles. The most significant budgeted fund is the General Fund.

Difference between the original budget and final budget amounts can be briefly summarized as follows:

The final adopted appropriation was \$1,584,554 of which only \$727,955 was spent, which allowed \$856,599 to be retained by the district. The revenue had a shortfall of \$44,226.

## Capital Assets and Debt Administration

### Capital Assets

The School District's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of June 30, 2017 amounts to \$1,873,437 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings, improvements, and equipment all with an original cost greater than \$5,000.

The School District's total capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation were as follows:

	Governmental Activities
Land	\$ 11,208
Buildings & Improvements	1,833,777
Transportation Equipment	14,477
Other Equipment	13,975
Total Capital Assets	<u>\$ 1,873,437</u>

Additional information on the School District's capital assets can be found in Note E to the basic financial statements.

## Long-Term Debt

At year-end, the School District's long-term debt of \$1,626,520 consisted solely of its net pension liability.

## Economic Factors

There are various uncontrollable aspects facing the School District each year.

\*There has been growth in surrounding areas, but no increase to this school district's enrollment. Although new families move into the area, the District continues to experience instability in longevity of residences. For example, Agate Elementary has no student that has been consecutively enrolled for longer than three years.

- Enrollment in the School District has steadily declined over the past sixteen years, but due to Funded for 50 legislation that passed in 2013-2014, funding is now recovering; however, student enrollment is not.
- Tuition agreements are negotiated yearly but are not guaranteed.
- It is impossible to predict where the District might be in 2018-2019.

Year	Agate	Tuition School	Funded Count
2017-2018	3	29	50.0
2016-2017	5	23	50.0
2015-2016	3	13	50.0
2014-2015	10	5	50.0
2013-2014	12	23	50.0
2012-2013	10	36	36.0
2011-2012	9	39	58.0
2010-2011*		32.0	50.9
2009-2010		43.5	58.3
2008-2009		57.0	67.9
2007-2008		50.0	67.5
2006-2007		54.5	72.9

- The Agate School District successfully completed its seventh year as an elementary school for Kindergarten through Fifth grade only, and currently work with one surrounding district through a tuition agreement to educate our middle and high school students who live within our district lines.

## Contacting the Districts Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the District's citizens, taxpayers, parents, investor and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact Agate School District #300, 41032 Second Avenue, P. O. Box 118, Agate, CO 80101.

## **Basic Financial Statements**

The basic financial statements of the District include the following:

*Government-wide financial statements.* The government-wide statements display information about the reporting government as a whole, except for its fiduciary activities.

*Fund financial statements.* The fund financial statements display information about major funds individually and nonmajor funds in the aggregate for governmental and enterprise funds.

*Notes to the financial statements.* The notes communicate information essential for fair presentation of the financial statements that is not displayed on the face of the financial statements. As such, the notes are an integral part of the basic financial statements.

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**June 30, 2017**

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets	
Cash	\$ 571,476
Cash with fiscal agent	1,937
Investments	320,762
Receivables	9,434
Inventory	382
Capital assets, net of depreciation	<u>1,873,437</u>
Total assets	2,777,428
Deferred outflows of resources	
Pension deferrals	<u>625,051</u>
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	<u>\$ 3,402,479</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 2,927
Accrued salaries and benefits	13,358
Unearned revenue	8,950
Noncurrent liabilities	
Due in more than one year	<u>1,626,520</u>
Total liabilities	1,651,755
Deferred inflows of resources	
Pension deferrals	54,954
Net position	
Net investment in capital assets	1,873,437
Restricted for emergencies	25,000
Restricted for food service operations	11,938
Unrestricted (deficit)	<u>(214,605)</u>
Total net position	<u>1,695,770</u>
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position	<u>\$ 3,402,479</u>

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

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**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	Expenses	Program Revenues		
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions
Governmental activities				
Instruction	\$ 441,344		\$ 23,848	
Supporting services				
Students	4,781			
Instructional staff	1,051			
General administration	248,031			
School administration	57,121			
Business services	88,922			
Operations and maintenance	72,755	\$ 7,200		
Student transportation	50,815		8,560	
Central support services	7,868			
Food service operations	32,141	4,554	4,024	
Facilities acquisition	19,120			
Unallocated depreciation *	57,986			
Total governmental activities	\$ 1,081,935	\$ 11,754	\$ 36,432	\$ -

General revenues  
 Taxes  
   Property taxes, levied for general purposes  
   Specific ownership taxes  
   Delinquent taxes and interest  
 State categorical aid  
 Earnings on investments  
 Other

Total general revenues

Change in net position

Net position at beginning of year

Net position at end of year

\* This amount excludes depreciation included in the direct expenses of the various programs.

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

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Net  
Governmental  
Activities

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\$ (417,496)

(4,781)

(1,051)

(248,031)

(57,121)

(88,922)

(65,555)

(42,255)

(7,868)

(23,563)

(19,120)

(57,986)

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(1,033,749)

257,218

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474,779

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(232,906)

1,928,676

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\$ 1,695,770

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**June 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Apartment Fund	Other Governmental Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>				
Cash	\$ 535,691	\$ 28,576	\$ 7,209	\$ 571,476
Cash with fiscal agent	1,937			1,937
Investments	320,762			320,762
Property taxes receivable	9,030			9,030
Due from other funds			4,518	4,518
Grants receivable			211	211
Other receivables	70	123		193
Inventories			382	382
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 867,490</b>	<b>\$ 28,699</b>	<b>\$ 12,320</b>	<b>\$ 908,509</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Accounts payable	\$ 2,297	\$ 630		\$ 2,927
Due to other funds	4,518			4,518
Deposits payable		8,950		8,950
Accrued salaries and benefits	13,358			13,358
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>20,173</b>	<b>9,580</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>29,753</b>
<b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>				
Deferred property tax revenues	4,030			4,030
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>4,030</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4,030</b>
<b>Fund balance</b>				
Nonspendable inventories			382	382
Restricted for:				
Emergencies	25,000			25,000
Food service operations			11,938	11,938
Committed to apartment maintenance		19,119		19,119
Unassigned	818,287			818,287
<b>Total fund balance</b>	<b>843,287</b>	<b>19,119</b>	<b>12,320</b>	<b>874,726</b>
<b>Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balance</b>	<b>\$ 867,490</b>	<b>\$ 28,699</b>	<b>\$ 12,320</b>	<b>\$ 908,509</b>

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

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**

**Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Position  
June 30, 2017**

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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement  
of net position are different because:

Total fund balance - governmental funds	\$ 874,726
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds.	1,873,437
Property taxes receivable will be collected this year, but are not available soon enough to pay for the current period's expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.	4,030
Long-term liabilities and related deferred outflows and inflows of resources are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds.	<u>(1,056,423)</u>
Net position of the governmental activities	<u>\$ 1,695,770</u>

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

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Apartment Fund	Other Governmental Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				
Local sources	\$ 314,732	\$ 9,131	\$ 4,558	\$ 328,421
Intermediate sources	11,159		27	11,186
State sources	489,060		3,997	493,057
Federal sources	18,127			18,127
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>833,078</b>	<b>9,131</b>	<b>8,582</b>	<b>850,791</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Instruction	353,194		32,141	385,335
Supporting services	374,761	7,250		382,011
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>727,955</b>	<b>7,250</b>	<b>32,141</b>	<b>767,346</b>
<b>Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures</b>	<b>105,123</b>	<b>1,881</b>	<b>(23,559)</b>	<b>83,445</b>
<b>Other financing sources (uses)</b>				
Transfers in			25,797	25,797
Transfers out	(25,797)			(25,797)
<b>Total other financing sources (uses)</b>	<b>(25,797)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>25,797</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Net change in fund balance</b>	<b>79,326</b>	<b>1,881</b>	<b>2,238</b>	<b>83,445</b>
<b>Fund balance at beginning of year</b>	<b>763,961</b>	<b>17,238</b>	<b>10,082</b>	<b>791,281</b>
<b>Fund balance at end of year</b>	<b>\$ 843,287</b>	<b>\$ 19,119</b>	<b>\$ 12,320</b>	<b>\$ 874,726</b>

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

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances**  
**of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balances - governmental funds	\$ 83,445
Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities, those costs are shown in the statement of net position and allocated over their estimated useful lives as annual depreciation expense in the statement of activities. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital outlays in the current period.	(65,702)
Because some property taxes will not be collected for several months after the fiscal year ends, they are not considered as "available" revenues in the governmental funds and are, instead, counted as deferred tax revenues. They are, however, recorded as revenues in the statement of activities.	(1,762)
In the statement of activities, certain expenses related to the pension liabilities and related deferred outflows and inflows, are measured by the amounts incurred or earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for those items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid).	<u>(248,887)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	<u><u>\$ (232,906)</u></u>

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

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Statement of Fiduciary Net Position**  
**Fiduciary Funds**  
**June 30, 2017**

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	<u>Agency Fund</u>
Assets	
Cash	\$ 4,261
Total assets	<u>\$ 4,261</u>
Liabilities	
Due to student groups	\$ 4,261
Total liabilities	<u>\$ 4,261</u>

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

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Notes to Financial Statements**

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**Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies**

This summary of the Agate School District No. 300's significant accounting policies is presented to assist the reader in interpreting the financial statements and other data in this report. The policies are considered essential and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements.

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

**A.1 – Reporting entity**

The Agate School District No. 300 is a school district governed by an elected five-member board of education. The financial reporting entity consists of (1) the primary government, (2) organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and (3) other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The reporting entity's financial statements should present the funds of the primary government (including its blended component units, which are, in substance, part of the primary government) and provide an overview of the discretely presented component units.

The District has examined other entities that could be included as defined in number 2 and 3 above. Based on these criteria, the District has no component units.

**A.2 – Fund accounting**

The District uses funds to report its financial position and results of operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain government functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Funds are classified into three categories: governmental, proprietary and fiduciary. Each category, in turn, is divided into separate "fund types." The district does not have any proprietary funds.

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**Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

Governmental funds are used to account for all or most of a government's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of earmarked funds (special revenue funds), and the servicing of general long-term debt (debt service fund). The following are the District's major governmental funds:

General Fund – The General Fund is the operating fund of the District. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Major revenue sources include local property taxes, specific ownership taxes, and State of Colorado equalization funding, as determined by the School Finance Act of 1994, as amended.

Expenditures include all costs associated with the daily operation of the schools, except for certain capital outlay expenditures, debt service, food service operations and pupil activities.

Apartment Fund – This fund is a special revenue fund used to account for transactions related to the district owned real estate.

The following is the District's nonmajor governmental fund:

Food Service Fund – This fund is a special revenue fund used to account for the financial activities associated with the District's food service operations.

Fiduciary Funds focus on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and agency funds. Trust funds are used to account for assets held by the District under a trust agreement for individuals, private organizations or other governments and are therefore not available to support the District's own programs. Agency funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve the measurement of results of operations. The District has the following agency fund:

Pupil Activity Agency Fund – This fund is an agency fund used to record transactions related to school-sponsored pupil organizations and activities.

**Note A.3 – Basis of presentation**

Government-wide financial statements – The statement of net position and the statement of activities display information about the District as a whole. These statements include the financial activities of the primary government except for fiduciary funds. The statements distinguish between those activities of the District that are governmental and those that are considered business-type activities.

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**Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

The government-wide statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. This is the same approach used in the preparation of the proprietary fund financial statements but differs from the manner in which governmental fund financial statements are prepared. Governmental fund financial statements therefore include reconciliations with a brief explanation to better identify the relationship between the government-wide statements and the statements for governmental funds.

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

Fund financial statements – Fund financial statements report detailed information about the District. The focus of governmental fund financial statements is on major funds rather than reporting funds by type. Each major fund is presented in a separate column. Nonmajor funds are aggregated and presented in a single column. Fiduciary funds are reported by fund type.

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. All governmental fund types are accounted for using a flow of current financial resources management focus. The financial statements for governmental funds are a balance sheet, which generally includes only current assets, deferred outflows of resources, expenditures and changes in fund balance, which reports the sources (revenues and other financing sources) and uses (expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources.

Fiduciary funds focus on net position and changes in net position and are reported using accounting principles similar to proprietary funds. The District's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements by type. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party and cannot be used to address the activities or obligations of the District, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide financial statements.

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**Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

**A.4 – Basis of accounting**

Basis of accounting determines when transactions are recorded in the financial records and reported on the financial statements. Government-wide financial statements are prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Governmental funds use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Fiduciary funds also use the accrual basis of accounting.

Revenues – exchange and non-exchange transactions – Revenues resulting from exchange transactions, in which each party gives and receives essentially equal value, are recorded on the accrual basis when the exchange takes place. On a modified accrual basis, revenues are recorded in the fiscal year in which the resources are measurable and become available. Available means that the resources will be collected within the current fiscal year or are expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current fiscal year. For the District, available means expected to be received within sixty days of fiscal year-end.

Nonexchange transactions, in which the District receives value without directly giving equal value in return, include property taxes, grants, entitlements and donations. On an accrual basis, revenues from property taxes are recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. State equalization monies are recognized as revenues during the period in which they are appropriated. Revenues from grants, entitlements and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the fiscal year when use is first permitted, matching requirements, in which the District must provide local resources to be used for a specified purpose, and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the District on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis, revenue from nonexchange transactions must also be available before it can be recognized.

Under the modified accrual basis, the following revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at fiscal year-end: property taxes collected within sixty days after year-end, interest, tuition, grants and student fees.

Deferred outflows/inflows of resources - In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expenditure) until then.

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**Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Unearned revenue – Unearned revenues arise when potential revenue does not meet both the “measurable” and “available” criteria for recognition in the current period. Unearned revenues also arise when resources are received by the District before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to meeting eligibility requirements. In subsequent periods, when both revenue recognition criteria are met, or when the District has a legal claim to the resources, the liability for unearned revenue is removed and the revenue is recognized.

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

**A.5 – Encumbrances**

Encumbrance accounting is utilized by the District to record purchase orders, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of monies to assure effective budgetary control and accountability. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are canceled and reappropriated in the ensuing year’s budget.

**A.6 – Short-term interfund receivables/payables**

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as internal balances on the government-wide statement of net position, and are classified as due from other funds or due to other funds on the balance sheet.

**A.7 – Inventories**

Food Service Fund – purchased inventories are stated at cost as determined by the first-in, first-out method. Commodity inventories are stated at the United States Department of Agriculture’s assigned values, which approximate fair value, at the date of receipt. Expenditures for food items are recorded when consumed. The federal government donates surplus commodities to the national school lunch program. Commodity distributions used by the District are recorded as revenues at the date of their consumption.

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**Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

**A.8 – Capital assets**

General capital assets are those assets not specifically related to activities reported in the proprietary funds. These assets generally result from expenditures in the governmental funds. These assets are reported in the governmental activities column of the government-wide statement of net position, but are not reported in the fund financial statements.

All capital assets with a unit cost greater than \$5,000 are capitalized at cost (or estimated historical cost, if actual cost is not available) and updated for additions and retirements during the year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their fair value on the date received. Infrastructure assets, consisting of certain improvements other than buildings (such as parking facilities, sidewalks, landscaping and lighting systems) are capitalized along with other capital assets. Improvements to assets are capitalized; the cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the life of the asset are not.

All reported capital assets are depreciated with the exception of land costs. Improvements are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Buildings and improvements	20-50 years
Furniture and equipment	5-25 years
Licensed vehicles	7-15 years

**A.9 – Compensated absences**

Each staff member of the District is granted leave for sickness, business, funerals or other personal needs. The number of personal days varies from six to eight days per year depending on the number of scheduled work days, while the number of vacation days varies from eight to fifteen days per year depending on the number of years of employment with the District. Accumulation of no more than 20 days of personal time may be carried forward into the next school year. No liability is shown in the financial statements as the compensated absences are not vested benefits.

**A.10 – Accrued liabilities and long-term obligations**

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

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**Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

In general, payables and accrued liabilities that will be paid from governmental funds are reported on the governmental fund financial statements regardless of whether they will be liquidated with current resources. However, the noncurrent portion of compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds is reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they will be paid with current, expendable, available financial resources. Bonds payable and other long-term obligations that will be paid from governmental funds are not recognized as a liability in the fund financial statements until due.

**A.11 – Fund balance**

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions* (GASB 54). This Statement defines the different type of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes.

GASB 54 requires the fund balance amounts to be properly reported within one of the fund balance categories listed below.

*Nonspendable*, such as fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenditures, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed or assigned),

*Restricted* fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation,

*Committed* fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the board of education (the District's highest level of decision-making authority),

*Assigned* fund balance classification are intended to be used by the government for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed, and

*Unassigned* fund balance is the residual classification for the District's general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

Committed fund balance is established by a formal passage of a resolution. This is typically done through the adoption and amendment of the budget. A fund balance commitment is further indicated in the budget document as a designation or commitment of the fund. Assigned fund balance is established by the board of education through adoption or amendment of the budget as intended for specific purpose (such as purchase of fixed assets, construction, debt service or for other purposes).

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**Note A – Summary of significant accounting policies (Continued)**

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available in governmental funds, the District applies expenditures against restricted fund balance first, and followed by committed fund balance, assigned fund balance and unassigned fund balance.

**A.12 – Net position**

Net position represents the difference between assets and liabilities. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position are reported as restricted when there are liabilities imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors or laws or regulations of other governments.

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

**A.13 – Interfund transactions**

Quasi-external transactions are accounted for as revenues, expenditures or expenses. Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures/expenses initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund, are recorded as expenditures/expenses in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures/expenses in the fund that is reimbursed. All other interfund transactions, except quasi-external transactions and reimbursements, are reported as transfers. In general, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

**A.14 – Extraordinary and special items**

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

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**Note B – Cash and investments**

**Cash and deposits**

Colorado State statutes govern the District's deposit of cash. The Public Deposit Protection Acts (PDPA) for banks and savings and loans require state regulators to certify eligible depositories for public deposits. The PDPA require eligible depositories with public deposits in excess of federal insurance levels to create a single institution collateral pool of defined eligible assets. Eligible collateral includes obligations of the United States, obligations of the State of Colorado or Colorado local governments and obligations secured by first lien mortgages on real property located in the state. The pool is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust for all uninsured public deposits as a group and not held in any individual government's name. The fair value of the assets in the pool must be at least equal to 102% of the aggregate uninsured deposits.

Custodial credit risk – deposits – Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of year-end, the District had total deposits of \$583,178, of which \$250,000 was insured and \$333,178 was collateralized with securities held by the pledging institution's trust department or agent in the District's name.

**Investments**

Authorized Investments – Investment policies are governed by Colorado State Statutes and the District's own investment policies and procedures. Investments of the District may include:

- Obligations of the U.S. Government such as treasury bills, notes and bonds
- Certain international agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of United States local government entities
- Bankers acceptances of certain banks
- Commercial paper
- Local government investment pools
- Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities
- Certain money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts

At year-end, the District had the following investments. The investment in Colotrust (a local government investment pool) is maintained in the General Fund.

Investment type	Fair value	Investment maturities (in years)		
		Less than 1	1-5	6-10
Investment in Colotrust	\$ 320,762	\$ 320,762	\$ -	\$ -

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**Note B – Cash and investments (Continued)**

Credit risk – State law limits investments in commercial paper, corporate bonds, and mutual bond funds to the highest rating from at least one nationally recognized rating agency at the time of purchase. The District has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices. The District invests funds in Colotrust, a state investment pool operated under C.R.S. 24-75-701, with the Colorado Securities Commissioner having oversight authority. The pool operates similar to a 2a-7-like money market fund with a share value equal to \$1.00 and a maximum weighted average maturity of 60 days. At year-end, the District’s investment in Colotrust was rated AAA by Standard and Poor’s, Fitch Ratings and Moody’s Investors Service.

The following table provides a reconciliation of cash and investments on the statement of net position:

Cash	\$ 575,737
Investment in Colotrust	<u>320,762</u>
Total	<u>\$ 896,499</u>
 <u>Statement of net position</u>	
Cash	\$ 571,476
Investments	<u>320,762</u>
Subtotal	892,238
 <u>Statement of fiduciary net position</u>	
Cash	<u>4,261</u>
Total	<u>\$ 896,499</u>

**Note C – Receivables**

Receivables at year-end consist of the following:

	<u>Governmental</u>
	<u>Receivables</u>
Property taxes receivable	\$ 9,030
Grants receivable	211
Other receivables	<u>193</u>
Total	<u>\$ 9,434</u>

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**Note C – Receivables (Continued)**

Property taxes are levied on December 15<sup>th</sup> and attach as a lien on property the following January 1<sup>st</sup>. They are payable in full by April 30<sup>th</sup> or are due in two equal installments on February 28<sup>th</sup> and June 15<sup>th</sup>. Elbert County bills and collects property taxes for all taxing entities within the county. The tax receipts collected by the county are remitted to the District in the subsequent month.

**Note D – Interfund transactions**

The following is a summary of interfund borrowings and transactions for the year as presented in the fund financial statements:

	<u>Interfund Receivables</u>	<u>Interfund Payables</u>
<u>Governmental funds</u>		
General fund	\$ -	\$ 4,518
Other governmental fund	<u>4,518</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 4,518</u>	<u>\$ 4,518</u>

All balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

	<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>
<u>Governmental funds</u>		
General fund	\$ -	\$ 25,797
Other governmental fund	<u>25,797</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 25,797</u>	<u>\$ 25,797</u>

Transfers are used to move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them. The District transferred funds in the amount of \$25,797 from the General Fund to the Other Governmental Fund to subsidize the costs of maintaining the District's food service operations.

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**Note E – Capital assets**

Capital asset activity for the year was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions/ Adjustments</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
<b>Governmental activities</b>				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 11,208	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,208
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	11,208	-	-	11,208
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and improvements	3,057,320	-	-	3,057,320
Transportation equipment	168,960	-	-	168,960
Other equipment	<u>32,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,500</u>
Total capital assets, being depreciated	<u>3,258,780</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,258,780</u>
Total capital assets	3,269,988	-	-	3,269,988
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and improvements	(1,165,557)	(57,986)	-	(1,223,543)
Transportation equipment	(148,067)	(6,416)	-	(154,483)
Other equipment	<u>(17,225)</u>	<u>(1,300)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(18,525)</u>
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(1,330,849)</u>	<u>(65,702)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,396,551)</u>
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 1,939,139</u>	<u>\$ (65,702)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,873,437</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to programs of the District as follows:

Governmental activities	
Operations and maintenance	\$ 1,300
Student transportation	6,416
Unallocated	<u>57,986</u>
Total	<u>\$ 65,702</u>

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**Note F – Accrued salaries and benefits**

Salaries and benefits of certain contractually employed personnel are paid over a twelve-month period from September to August, but are earned during a school year of approximately nine to ten months. The salaries and benefits earned but not paid at year-end are estimated to be \$13,358. Accordingly, this accrued compensation is reflected as a liability in the accompanying financial statements.

**Note G – Long-term debt**

The following is a summary of the changes in long-term debt for the year:

	<u>Beginning</u> <u>Balances</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Transfers/</u> <u>Reductions</u>	<u>Ending</u> <u>Balances</u>	<u>Due within</u> <u>one year</u>
<b>Governmental activities</b>					
Net pension liability	\$ 869,314	\$ 757,206	\$ -	\$ 1,626,520	\$ -

The net pension liability attributable to the governmental activities will be liquidated primarily by the General Fund.

**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan**

Summary of significant accounting policies

*Pensions.* The District participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension fund administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado (PERA). The net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position of the SCHDTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

General information about the pension plan

*Plan description.* Eligible employees of the District are provided with pensions through the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF) – a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. Plan benefits are specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), administrative rules set forth at 8 C.C.R. 1502-1, and applicable provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report that can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

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**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)**

*Benefits provided.* PERA provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned and/or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure(s) under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement. Retirement eligibility is specified in tables set forth at C.R.S. Section 24-51-602, 604, 1713, and 1714.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA Benefit Structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- The value of the retiring employee's member contribution account plus a 100 percent match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date. This amount is then annuitized into a monthly benefit based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Benefit Structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- \$15 times the first 10 years of service credit plus \$20 times service credit over 10 years plus a monthly amount equal to the annuitized member contribution account balance based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

In all cases the service retirement benefit is limited to 100 percent of highest average salary and also cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

Members may elect to withdraw their member contribution accounts upon termination of employment with all PERA employers; waiving rights to any lifetime retirement benefits earned. If eligible, the member may receive a match of either 50 percent or 100 percent on eligible amounts depending on when contributions were remitted to PERA, the date employment was terminated, whether 5 years of service credit has been obtained and the benefit structure under which contributions were made.

Benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit are generally eligible to receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S. Benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began eligible employment before January 1, 2007 and all benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure receive an annual increase of 2 percent, unless PERA has a negative investment year, in which case the annual increase for the next three years is the lesser of 2 percent or the average of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

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**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)**

average of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W) for the prior calendar year. Benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began eligible employment after January 1, 2007 receive an annual increase of the lesser of 2 percent or the average CPI-W for the prior calendar year, not to exceed 10% of PERA’s Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the SCHDTF.

Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the retirement benefit formula shown above considering a minimum 20 years of service credit, if deemed disabled.

Survivor benefits are determined by several factors, which include the amount of earned service credit, highest average salary of the deceased, the benefit structure(s) under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor(s) who will receive the benefits.

*Contributions.* Eligible employees and the District are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements are established under C.R.S. Section 24-51-401, *et seq.* Eligible employees are required to contribute 8 percent of their PERA-includable salary. The employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below:

	For the Year Ended December 31, <u>2016</u>	For the Year Ended December 31, <u>2017</u>
Employer contribution rate <sup>1</sup>	10.15%	10.15%
Amount of employer contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. Section 24-51-208(1)(f) <sup>1</sup>	<u>(1.02)%</u>	<u>(1.02)%</u>
Amount apportioned to the SCHDTF <sup>1</sup>	9.13%	9.13%
Amortization equalization disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. Section 24-51-411 <sup>1</sup>	4.50%	4.50%
Supplemental amortization equalization disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. Section 24-51-411 <sup>1</sup>	<u>4.50%</u>	<u>5.00%</u>
Total employer contribution rate to the SCHDTF <sup>1</sup>	<u><u>18.13%</u></u>	<u><u>18.63%</u></u>

<sup>1</sup> Rates are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. Section 24-51-101(42).

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Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the District is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from the District were \$45,735 for the year ended.

Pension liabilities, pension expense, and deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions

At year-end, the District reported a liability of \$1,626,520 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2015. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2016. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the District's contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2016 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the SCHDTF.

At December 31, 2016, the District's proportion was 0.0055 percent, which was a decrease of 0.0002 percent from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2015.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized pension expense of \$294,622. At year-end, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 20,611	\$ 27
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	527,771	7,631
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	53,518	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions	-	47,296
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>23,151</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 625,051</u>	<u>\$ 54,954</u>

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**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)**

\$23,151 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ended <u>June 30, ___</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2018	\$ 215,287
2019	217,003
2020	114,113
2021	<u>543</u>
Totals	<u>\$ 546,946</u>

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total pension liability in the December 31, 2015 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.80 percent
Real wage growth	1.10 percent
Wage inflation	3.90 percent
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.90 – 10.10 percent
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.50 percent
Discount rate	7.50 percent
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07; and DPS benefit structure (automatic)	2.00 percent
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06; (ad hoc, substantively automatic)	financed by the annual increase reserve

Based on the 2016 experience analysis and the October 28, 2016 actuarial assumptions workshop, revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA’s Board on November 18, 2016 and effective as of December 31, 2016. These revised assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll-forward calculation of the total pension liability from December 31, 2015 to December 31, 2016.

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**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)**

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.40 percent
Real wage growth	1.10 percent
Wage inflation	3.50 percent
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.50 – 9.70 percent
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25 percent
Discount rate	5.26 percent
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07; and DPS benefit structure (automatic)	2.00 percent
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06; (ad hoc, substantively automatic)	Financed by the annual increase reserve

Mortality rates used in the December 31, 2015 valuation were based on the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on a projection of Scale AA to 2020 with Males set back 1 year, and Females set back 2 years. Active member mortality was based upon the same mortality rates but adjusted to 55 percent of the base rate for males and 40 percent of the base rate for females. For disabled retirees, the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table (set back 2 years for males and set back 2 years for females) was assumed.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2015 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2011, adopted by PERA’s Board on November 13, 2012, and an economic assumption study, adopted by PERA’s Board on November 15, 2013 and January 17, 2014.

As a result of the 2016 experience analysis and the October 28, 2016 actuarial assumptions workshop, revised economic and demographic actuarial assumptions including withdrawal rates, retirement rates for early reduced and unreduced retirement, disability rates, administrative expense load, and pre- and post-retirement and disability mortality rates were adopted by PERA’s Board on November 18, 2016 to more closely reflect PERA’s actual experience. As the revised economic and demographic assumptions are effective as of the measurement date, December 31, 2016, these revised assumptions were reflected in the total pension liability and roll-forward procedures.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members reflect the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

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**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)**

Healthy, post-retirement mortality assumptions reflect the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- Males: Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustment for credibility.
- Females: Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

For disabled retirees, the mortality assumption was changed to reflect 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four or five years for PERA. Recently, this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in presentations to PERA's Board on October 28, 2016. As a result of the October 28, 2016 actuarial assumptions workshop and the November 18, 2016 PERA Board meeting, the economic assumptions changed, effective December 31, 2016, as follows:

- Investment rate of return assumption decreased from 7.50 percent per year, compounded annually, net of investment expenses to 7.25 percent per year, compounded annually, net of investment expenses.
- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.80 percent per year to 2.40 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.70 percent per year, net of investment expenses, to 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.90 percent per year to 3.50 percent per year.

Several factors were considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption for the SCHDTF, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed by the investment consultant for each major asset class.

These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation.

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**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)**

As of the November 18, 2016 adoption of the current long-term expected rate of return by the PERA Board, the target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return</u>
U.S. equity – large cap	21.20%	4.30%
U.S. equity – small cap	7.42%	4.80%
Non U.S. equity – developed	18.55%	5.20%
Non U.S. equity – emerging	5.83%	5.40%
Core fixed income	19.32%	1.20%
High yield	1.38%	4.30%
Non U.S. fixed income - developed	1.84%	0.60%
Emerging market debt	0.46%	3.90%
Core real estate	8.50%	4.90%
Opportunity fund	6.00%	3.80%
Private equity	8.50%	6.60%
Cash	<u>1.00%</u>	0.20%
Total	<u><u>100.00%</u></u>	

In setting the long-term expected rate of return, projections employed to model future returns provide a range of expected long-term returns that, including expected inflation, ultimately support a long-term expected rate of return assumption of 7.25%.

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 5.26 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Updated economic and demographic actuarial assumptions adopted by PERA’s board on November 18, 2016.
- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.50%.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the current member contribution rate. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.

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**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)**

- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law and effective as of the measurement date, including current and estimate future AED and SAED, until the Actuarial Value Funding Ratio reaches 103%, at which point, the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50% every year until they are zero. Additionally, estimated employer contributions included reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process used by the plan to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial fiduciary net position, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. As the ad hoc post-retirement benefit increases financed by the AIR are defined to have a present value at the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments equal to the amount transferred for their future payment, AIR transfers to the fiduciary net position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments have no impact on the Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR) determination process when the timing of AIR cash flows is not a factor (i.e., the plan's fiduciary net position is not projected to be depleted). When AIR cash flow timing is a factor in the SEIR determination process (i.e., the plan's fiduciary net position is projected to be depleted), AIR transfers to the fiduciary net position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the end of the month.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the projection test indicates the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position was projected to be depleted in 2041 and, as a result, the municipal bond index rate was used in the determination of the discount rate. The long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on pension plan investments was applied to periods through 2041 and the municipal bond index rate, the December average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, was applied to periods on and after 2041 to develop the discount rate. For the measurement date, the municipal bond index rate was 3.86 percent, resulting in a discount rate of 5.26 percent.

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**Note H – Defined benefit pension plan (Continued)**

As of the prior measurement date, the projection test indicated the SCHDTF’s fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments of 7.50 percent was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination did not use a municipal bond index rate and the discount rate was 7.50 percent, 2.24 percent higher compared to the current measurement date.

*Sensitivity of the District’s proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 5.26 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (4.26 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (6.26 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease <u>(4.26%)</u>	Current Discount <u>(5.26%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(5.26%)</u>
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 2,045,296	\$ 1,626,520	\$ 1,285,441

*Pension plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the SCHDTF’s fiduciary net position is available in PERA’s comprehensive annual financial report which can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

Payables to the pension plan

The District did not report any payables to the pension plan at year-end.

**Note I – Defined contribution pension plan**

Voluntary Investment Program

*Plan description.* Employees of the District that are also members of the SCHDTF may voluntarily contribute to the Voluntary Investment Program, an Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) defined contribution plan administered by PERA. Title 24, Article 51, Part 14 of the C.R.S., as amended, assigns the authority to establish the Plan provisions to the PERA Board of Trustees. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report of the Plan. That report can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

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**Note I – Defined contribution pension plan (Continued)**

*Funding policy.* The Voluntary Investment Program is funded by voluntary member contributions up to the maximum limits set by the Internal Revenue Service, as established under Title 24, Article 51, Section 1402 of the C.R.S., as amended. The District does not offer matching contributions to its employees. Employees are immediately vested in their own contributions and investment earnings. There were no 401(k) Plan member contributions from the District for the year ended June 30, 2017.

**Note J – Other postemployment benefits**

**Health Care Trust Fund**

*Plan description.* The District contributed to the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer healthcare trust administered by PERA. The HCTF benefit provides a health care premium subsidy and health care programs (known as PERACare) to PERA participating benefit recipients and their eligible beneficiaries. Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the C.R.S., as amended, establishes the HCTF and sets forth a framework that grants authority to the PERA Board to contract, selfinsure and authorize disbursements necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the PERACare program, including the administration of health care subsidies. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the HCTF. That report can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

*Funding policy.* The District is required to contribute at a rate of 1.02 percent of PERA-includable salary for all PERA members as set by statute. No member contributions are required. The contribution requirements for the District are established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 4 of the C.R.S., as amended. The apportionment of the contributions to the HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1)(f) of the C.R.S., as amended. For the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017, 2016 and 2015, the District's contributions to the HCTF were \$2,405, \$2,533 and \$2,560, respectively, equal to their required contributions for each year.

**Note K – Risk management**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District participates in the Colorado School Districts Self-Insurance Pool (the Pool). The Pool's objectives are to provide member school districts defined property and liability coverages through self-insurance and excess insurance purchased from commercial

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**Note K – Risk management (Continued)**

companies. The District pays an annual contribution to the Pool for its insurance coverages. The District's contribution for the year was \$14,820. The District continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including workers' compensation and employee health and accident insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage or the deductible in any of the past three fiscal years. There has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage from the prior year in any of the major categories of risk.

**Note L – Commitments and contingencies**

Federal and state funding

The District receives revenues from various federal and state grant programs which are subject to final review and approval by the grantor agencies. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time although the District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

TABOR Amendment

In November 1992, Colorado voters passed an amendment, commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights (TABOR), to the State Constitution (Article X, Section 20) which limits the revenue raising and spending abilities of state and local governments. The limits on property taxes, revenue, and "fiscal year spending" include allowable annual increases tied to inflation and local growth in student enrollment. Fiscal year spending as defined by the amendment excludes spending from certain revenue and financing sources such as federal funds, gifts, property sales, fund transfers, damage awards, and fund reserves (balances). The amendment requires voter approval for any increase in mill levy or tax rates, new taxes, or creation of multi-year debt. Revenue earned in excess of the "spending limit" must be refunded or approved to be retained by the District under specified voting requirements by the entire electorate. On November 3, 1998, the voters of the District approved a ballot initiative permitting the District to retain, appropriate, and utilize, by retention for reserve, carryover fund balance, or expenditure, the full proceeds and revenues received from every source whatsoever, without limitation, in this fiscal year and all subsequent fiscal years notwithstanding any limitation of Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution. TABOR is complex and subject to judicial interpretation. The District believes it is in compliance with the requirements of TABOR. However, the District has made certain interpretations of TABOR's language in order to determine its compliance. The District has reserved funds in the General Fund in the amount of \$25,000 for the emergency reserve.

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**Note M – Joint venture**

The District participates in the East Central Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES). This joint venture does not meet the criteria for inclusion within the reporting entity because the BOCES:

- is financially independent and responsible for its own financing deficits and entitled to its own surpluses,
- has a separate governing board from that of the District,
- has a separate management which is responsible for the day to day operations and is accountable to the separate board,
- governing board and management have the ability to significantly influence operations by approving budgetary requests and adjustments, signing contracts, hiring personnel, exercising control over facilities and determining the outcome or disposition of matters affecting the recipients or services provided, and
- has absolute authority over all funds and fiscal responsibility including budgetary responsibility and reporting to state agencies and controls fiscal management.

The District has one member on the board. The board has final authority for all budgeting and financing of the joint venture.

Separate financial statements of the East Central Board of Cooperative Educational Services are available by contacting their administrative office in Limon, Colorado.

For the year, the District's contribution was \$28,875.

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### **Required Supplementary Information**

Required supplementary information includes financial information and disclosures that are required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board but are not considered a part of the basic financial statements. Such information includes:

- Budgetary Comparison Schedule – General Fund
- Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Apartment Fund
- Schedule of District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability
- Schedule of District Contributions

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**General Fund**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
<b>Revenues</b>				
Local sources	\$ 296,660	\$ 297,920	\$ 314,732	\$ 16,812
Intermediate sources	10	11,169	11,159	(10)
State sources	551,121	534,242	489,060	(45,182)
Federal sources	23,550	33,973	18,127	(15,846)
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>871,341</b>	<b>877,304</b>	<b>833,078</b>	<b>(44,226)</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Instruction	390,275	465,712	353,194	112,518
Supporting services	497,283	533,547	374,761	158,786
Appropriated reserves	463,490	585,295		585,295
<b>Total expenditures</b>	<b>1,351,048</b>	<b>1,584,554</b>	<b>727,955</b>	<b>856,599</b>
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(479,707)	(707,250)	105,123	812,373
<b>Other financing uses</b>				
Transfers out	(30,292)	(30,292)	(25,797)	4,495
<b>Net change in fund balance</b>	<b>\$ (509,999)</b>	<b>\$ (737,542)</b>	<b>79,326</b>	<b>\$ 816,868</b>
Fund balance at beginning of year			763,961	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 843,287	

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Apartment Fund**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Rent	\$ 7,200	\$ 7,200	\$ 7,200	\$ -
Other local revenues	3,000	4,560	1,931	(2,629)
Total revenues	10,200	11,760	9,131	(2,629)
Expenditures				
Purchased services	7,260	7,260	5,863	1,397
Other	4,723	4,723	1,387	3,336
Appropriated reserves	17,389	18,949		18,949
Total expenditures	29,372	30,932	7,250	23,682
Net change in fund balance	\$ (19,172)	\$ (19,172)	1,881	\$ 21,053
Fund balance at beginning of year			17,238	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 19,119	

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability <sup>1</sup>**  
**June 30, 2017**

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	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>June 30, 2015</u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0054629108%	0.0056839079%	0.0060193320%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 1,626,520	\$ 869,314	\$ 815,822
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 235,748	\$ 248,284	\$ 251,019
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	689.94%	350.13%	325.00%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	43.10%	59.20%	62.84%

<sup>1</sup> Information is not available prior to June 30, 2015. In future reports, additional years will be added until 10 years of historical data are presented.

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Schedule of District Contributions <sup>1</sup>**  
**June 30, 2017**

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	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>June 30, 2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 45,735	\$ 46,573	\$ 44,906
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(45,735)</u>	<u>(46,573)</u>	<u>(44,906)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 235,748	\$ 248,284	\$ 251,019
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	19.40%	18.76%	17.89%

<sup>1</sup> Information is not available prior to June 30, 2015. In future reports, additional years will be added until 10 years of historical data are presented.

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Notes to the Required Supplementary Information**

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**Note A - Budgetary data**

The District adheres to the following procedures in compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes, establishing the budgetary data in the financial statements:

1. Budgets are required by state law for all funds. Prior to June 1, the superintendent of schools submits to the board of education a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. Public hearings are conducted by the board of education to obtain taxpayer comments.
3. Prior to June 30, the budget is adopted by formal resolution.
4. Prior to January 31, the board of education submits its adopted annual budget to the department of education.
5. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Authorization to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund and reallocation of budget line items within any department in the General Fund rests with the superintendent of schools. Revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the board of education.
6. Budgets for all funds are adopted on a basis consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, except that depreciation is not budgeted as an expense in the Food Service Fund.
7. Budgeted amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements are as originally adopted and as amended by the board of education throughout the year. After budget approval, the District board of education may approve supplemental appropriations if an occurrence, condition, or need exists which was not known at the time the budget was adopted.
8. Appropriations lapse at year-end.

**Note B - Factors affecting trends in amounts reported in the pension schedules**

Information about factors that significantly affect trends in the amounts reported in the Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of District Contributions is available in PERA's comprehensive annual financial report which can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

### **Other Supplementary Information**

Other supplementary information includes financial statements and schedules not required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, nor a part of the basic financial statements, but are presented for purposes of additional analysis.

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## **Budgetary Comparison Schedules - General Fund**

The General Fund accounts for all transactions of the District not required to be accounted for in other funds. This fund represents an accounting of the District's ordinary operations financed primarily from property and specific ownership taxes and state aid. It is the most significant fund in relation to the District's overall operations. The schedules of revenues and expenditures are included to provide a greater level of detail to the reader of the financial statements.

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**General Fund**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Revenues**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
<b>Revenues</b>				
<b>Local sources</b>				
Property taxes	\$ 234,601	\$ 234,601	\$ 258,980	\$ 24,379
Specific ownership taxes	39,609	39,609	45,904	6,295
Delinquent taxes and interest	350	425	656	231
Earnings on investments	400	1,585	3,015	1,430
Other local revenue	21,700	21,700	6,177	(15,523)
<b>Total local sources</b>	<b>296,660</b>	<b>297,920</b>	<b>314,732</b>	<b>16,812</b>
<b>Intermediate sources</b>				
Payment in lieu of taxes		11,159	11,148	(11)
Mineral leasing	10	10	11	1
<b>Total intermediate sources</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11,169</b>	<b>11,159</b>	<b>(10)</b>
<b>State sources</b>				
Equalization	510,874	510,874	474,779	(36,095)
State ELPA			293	293
English language proficiency			204	204
Transportation	10,569	10,569	8,560	(2,009)
READ act	2,718	2,718		(2,718)
State grants to libraries	3,500			-
Small rural schools funding	13,123			-
Additional at-risk funding			81	81
Services within the BOCES	10,337	10,081	5,143	(4,938)
<b>Total state sources</b>	<b>551,121</b>	<b>534,242</b>	<b>489,060</b>	<b>(45,182)</b>
<b>Federal sources</b>				
Race to the top	50	50	18	118
REAP	18,500	25,064	8,995	(16,069)
Services within the BOCES	5,000	8,859	9,114	255
<b>Total federal sources</b>	<b>23,550</b>	<b>33,973</b>	<b>18,127</b>	<b>(15,696)</b>
<b>Total revenues</b>	<b>\$ 871,341</b>	<b>\$ 877,304</b>	<b>\$ 833,078</b>	<b>\$ (44,076)</b>

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**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**General Fund**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Expenditures**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
<b>Expenditures</b>				
<b>Instruction</b>				
Salaries	\$ 165,245	\$ 168,740	\$ 77,909	\$ 90,831
Employee benefits	53,023	61,444	35,869	25,575
Purchased services	149,753	213,591	228,412	(14,821)
Supplies and materials	19,654	19,337	9,004	10,333
Property	2,500	2,500	2,000	500
Other	100	100		100
<b>Total instruction</b>	<b>390,275</b>	<b>465,712</b>	<b>353,194</b>	<b>112,518</b>
<b>Supporting services</b>				
<b>Students</b>				
Salaries		1,000	1,000	-
Employee benefits		211	350	(139)
Purchased services	2,392	2,392	2,300	92
Supplies and materials	1,000	1,000		1,000
<b>Total students</b>	<b>3,392</b>	<b>4,603</b>	<b>3,650</b>	<b>953</b>
<b>Instructional staff</b>				
Supplies and materials	3,800	300	105	195
Property	13,400	13,400	946	12,454
<b>Total instructional staff</b>	<b>17,200</b>	<b>13,700</b>	<b>1,051</b>	<b>12,649</b>
<b>General administration</b>				
Salaries	75,000	75,000	75,000	-
Employee benefits	30,306	36,485	28,943	7,542
Purchased services	56,958	51,458	52,918	(1,460)
Supplies and materials	700	700	210	490
Other	6,187	6,425	6,102	323
<b>Total general administration</b>	<b>169,151</b>	<b>170,068</b>	<b>163,173</b>	<b>6,895</b>

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
School administration				
Salaries	24,590	24,590	21,840	2,750
Employee benefits	12,229	11,866	8,973	2,893
Purchased services	2,150	2,150	704	1,446
Supplies and materials	2,000	2,000	893	1,107
Property	2,500	2,500		2,500
Total school administration	43,469	43,106	32,410	10,696
Business services				
Salaries	32,724	33,325	33,025	300
Employee benefits	13,945	13,709	13,554	155
Purchased services	6,000	6,000	4,630	1,370
Supplies and materials	330	345	348	(3)
Property	200	200		200
Total business services	53,199	53,579	51,557	2,022
Operations and maintenance				
Employee benefits	1,982	2,500		2,500
Purchased services	52,446	41,000	25,406	15,594
Supplies and materials	68,325	68,825	38,799	30,026
Property	31,500	1,500		1,500
Other		42,340		42,340
Total operations and maintenance	154,253	156,165	64,205	91,960
Student transportation				
Salaries	15,844	14,544	11,200	3,344
Employee benefits	3,273	5,616	4,602	1,014
Purchased services	20,752	18,396	14,152	4,244
Supplies and materials	5,300	5,300	1,198	4,102
Property	100	100		100
Other	500	1,000	575	425
Total student transportation	45,769	44,956	31,727	13,229

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**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**General Fund**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Expenditures**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

(continued)	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Central support services				
Purchased services	8,850	9,370	7,868	1,502
Total central support services	8,850	9,370	7,868	1,502
Facilities acquisition services				
Property	2,000	38,000	19,120	18,880
Total facilities acquisition services	2,000	38,000	19,120	18,880
Total supporting services	497,283	533,547	374,761	158,786
Appropriated reserves	463,490	585,295		585,295
Total expenditures	<u>\$ 1,351,048</u>	<u>\$ 1,584,554</u>	<u>\$ 727,955</u>	<u>\$ 856,599</u>

## **Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Nonmajor Governmental Fund**

The District reports the following nonmajor governmental fund:

Special Revenue Funds – These funds account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

- Food Service Fund – This fund is used to record financial transactions related to the District's food service operations.

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Food Service Fund**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Revenues				
Local sources	\$ 8,160	\$ 8,160	\$ 4,558	\$ (3,602)
State sources	1,438	1,438	27	(1,411)
Federal sources	1,000	2,404	3,997	1,593
Total revenues	10,598	12,002	8,582	(3,420)
Expenditures				
Salaries and benefits	26,077	26,077	25,797	280
Purchased services	250	250		250
Supplies and materials	6,055	6,055	6,344	(289)
Property	100	100		100
Appropriated reserves	11,866	13,269		13,269
Total expenditures	44,348	45,751	32,141	13,610
Excess of revenues over (under) expenditures	(33,750)	(33,749)	(23,559)	10,190
Other financing sources				
Transfers in	25,770	25,770	25,797	27
Net change in fund balance	\$ (7,980)	\$ (7,979)	2,238	\$ 10,217
Fund balance at beginning of year			10,082	
Fund balance at end of year			\$ 12,320	

## **Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Fiduciary Fund**

These funds focus on net position and changes in net position. The fiduciary fund category is split into four classifications: pension trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and agency funds.

Agency funds – These funds are used to report resources held by the District in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities). These funds typically involve only the receipt, temporary investment, and remittance of fiduciary resources to individuals, private organizations, or other governments.

- Pupil Activity Agency Fund – This fund is an agency fund used to record transactions related to school-sponsored pupil organizations and activities.

**AGATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 300**  
**Pupil Activity Agency Fund**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
Additions				
Fundraising and other events	\$ 152	\$ 152	\$ 2	\$ (150)
Deductions				
Pupil activity expenditures	150	150		150
Appropriated reserves	4,259	4,259		4,259
Total deductions	4,409	4,409		4,409
Excess of additions over (under) deductions	\$ (4,257)	\$ (4,257)	2	\$ 4,259
Due to student groups at beginning of year			4,259	
Due to student groups at end of year			\$ 4,261	

**Colorado Department of Education  
Supplementary Schedule**

Auditors' integrity report – This fiscal-year report is required by the Colorado Department of Education to maintain statewide consistency in financial reporting. This report is also used to gather financial data that could affect future state funding.

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**Independent Auditors' Report on Auditors' Integrity Report**

Board of Education  
Agate School District No. 300  
Agate, Colorado

We have audited the financial statements of the Agate School District No. 300 (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and our report thereon dated October 12, 2017, which expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements, appears on pages 1-2. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The Auditors' Integrity Report is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

*Lauer, Szabo & Associates, P.C.*

Sterling, Colorado  
October 12, 2017



**Colorado Department of Education**  
**Auditors Integrity Report**  
 District: 0960 - AGATE 300  
 Fiscal Year 2016-17  
 Colorado School District/BOCES

Revenues, Expenditures, & Fund Balance by Fund

Fund Type & Number	Beg Fund Balance & Prior Per Adj (6880*)	1000 - 5999 Total Revenues & Other Sources	0001-0999 Total Expenditures & Other Uses	6700-6799 & Prior Per Adj (6880*) Ending Fund Balance
<b>Governmental</b>				
10 General Fund	763,961	807,281	727,955	843,287
18 Risk Mgmt Sub-Fund of General Fund	0	0	0	0
19 Colorado Preschool Program Fund	0	0	0	0
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>763,961</b>	<b>807,281</b>	<b>727,955</b>	<b>843,287</b>
11 Charter School Fund	0	0	0	0
20-29 Special Revenue Fund	12,238	9,131	7,250	19,119
05 Supplemental Cap Const, Tech, Main, Fund	0	0	0	0
21 Food Service Spec Revenue Fund	10,042	34,378	32,141	12,320
22 Govt Designated-Purpose Grants Fund	0	0	0	0
23 Pupil Activity Special Revenue Fund	0	0	0	0
24 Full Day Kindergarten Mill Levy Override	0	0	0	0
25 Transportation Fund	0	0	0	0
31 Bond Redemption Fund	0	0	0	0
39 Certificate of Participation (COP) Debt Service Fund	0	0	0	0
41 Building Fund	0	0	0	0
42 Special Building Fund	0	0	0	0
43 Capital Reserve Capital Projects Fund	0	0	0	0
45 Supplemental Cap Const, Tech, Main, Fund	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>791,281</b>	<b>850,730</b>	<b>767,346</b>	<b>874,725</b>
<b>Proprietary</b>				
50 Other Enterprise Funds	0	0	0	0
64 (63) Risk-Related Activity Fund	0	0	0	0
60,65-69 Other Internal Service Funds	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Fiduciary</b>				
70 Other Trust and Agency Funds	0	0	0	0
72 Private Purpose Trust Fund	0	0	0	0
73 Agency Fund	0	0	0	0
74 Pupil Activity Agency Fund	4,259	2	0	4,261
79 GASB 34 Permanent Fund	0	0	0	0
85 Foundations	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4,259</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,261</b>

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