

**Stone Creek Charter School**

**Financial Report**

**June 30, 2018**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

**To the Board of Directors  
Stone Creek Charter School  
Avon, Colorado**

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

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the General Fund of the Stone Creek Charter School (the "School"), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with account principles generally accepted in the United State 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.

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

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

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

### ***Opinions***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the General Fund of Stone Creek Charter School as of June 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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### **Emphasis of Matters**

As discussed in Note IV.H. to the financial statements, in the year ended June 30, 2018, the District adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No.75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### **Other Matters**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis in Section B, the Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and the Schedule of District Contributions, Schedule of the District's Other Post-Employment Benefit, Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Other Post-Employment Benefits Liabilities, and the Notes to the Required Supplemental Information in Section E, 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.

The budgetary comparison schedule in Section E is not a required part of the District's basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. However, 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.

  
**McMahan and Associates, L.L.C.**  
**October 15, 2018**

## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

**Stone Creek Charter School  
Management's Discussion and Analysis  
As of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018**

As management of the Stone Creek Charter School (the "School"), we offer readers of the School's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2018.

### **Financial Highlights**

- The assets and deferred outflows of the School were exceeded by its liabilities and deferred inflows as of June 30, 2018 by \$6,221,063 resulting deficit net position. Due to the long-term obligation for pension, the School was not able to report a positive amount for unrestricted net position.

### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The School's basic financial statements have three components: 1) school-wide financial statements; 2) fund financial statements; and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

**School-wide Financial Statements:** The school-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School's finances, using accounting methods similar to those used by a private-sector business.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all the School'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 is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the School'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 the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g. uncollected taxes and changes in long-term compensated absences).

The school-wide financial statements distinguish functions of the School that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities) from other functions that are intended to recover all or a significant portion their costs through user fees and charges (business-type activities). The School only reports governmental activities.

- **Governmental activities:** The School's basic services are included here, such as instructional services, support services, student activities, activities relating to building maintenance and operations, technology and administration.

The school-wide financial statements can be found on pages C1 and C2 of this report.

**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 operations of the School by fund instead of the School as a whole.

**Governmental Funds:** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the school-wide financial statements. However, unlike the school-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements. The School's only fund is a governmental fund.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the school-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the school-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund Balance Sheet and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The basic major governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages C1 – C2.

The School adopts an annual appropriated budget for its fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided to demonstrate compliance with state budget statutes on page E1.

**Notes to the Financial Statements:** The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the school-wide and fund financial statements. The Notes to the Financial Statements can be found at section D of this report.

**School-wide Financial Analysis:**

The following table provides a comparative summary of the School's net position as of June 30, 2018 and 2017:

**Stone Creek Charter School Summary of Net Position**

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
<b>Assets:</b>		
Current and other assets	\$ 996,838	\$ 813,551
Capital assets	88,466	104,952
<b>Total Assets</b>	<u>1,085,304</u>	<u>918,503</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows:</b>		
Pension related deferred outflow	2,615,860	3,546,411
OPEB related deferred outflow	7,665	-
<b>Total Deferred Outflows</b>	<u>2,623,525</u>	<u>3,546,411</u>
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
Other liabilities	90,551	117,503
Long-term liabilities	9,416,091	8,695,233
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<u>9,506,642</u>	<u>8,812,736</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows:</b>		
Prepaid tuition and fees	37,795	51,385
Pension related deferred inflow	376,439	39,287
OPEB related deferred inflow	9,016	-
<b>Total Deferred Inflows</b>	<u>423,250</u>	<u>90,672</u>
<b>Net Position:</b>		
Net investment in capital assets	88,466	104,952
Restricted for emergency	80,587	80,587
Unrestricted	(6,390,116)	(4,624,033)
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<u>\$ (6,221,063)</u>	<u>\$ (4,438,494)</u>

Of total assets, 8% are capital assets (e.g. land, buildings, and equipment). The decrease from 16% in 2017 is comprised of current year depreciation expense of \$16,487. The School uses these assets to provide instruction and related services to its students.

Note that net position may serve as an indicator of the School's financial position over time. The School's net position for governmental activities has decreased during the current year (see further discussion below).

The following table presents a summary of activities and changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017:

### Stone Creek Charter School Summary of Activities and Changes in Net Position

	2018	2017
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Per pupil funding	\$ 2,369,707	\$ 2,073,174
Tuition and fees	62,083	87,340
Contribution from private sources	294,780	330,292
State sources	192,973	164,863
Federal sources	91,208	84,634
Other	290	1,076
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>3,011,041</b>	<b>2,741,379</b>
<b>Expenditures/Expenses:</b>		
Direct instruction	3,676,325	3,407,635
Operation and maintenance	65,737	62,311
General and school administration	842,769	757,230
<b>Total Expenditures/Expenses</b>	<b>4,584,831</b>	<b>4,227,176</b>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	(1,573,790)	(1,485,797)
<b>Net Position - July 1 (Restated)</b>	<b>(4,647,273)</b>	<b>(2,952,697)</b>
<b>Net Position - June 30</b>	<b>\$ (6,221,063)</b>	<b>\$ (4,438,494)</b>

**Governmental Activities:** Net position from governmental activities decreased \$1,573,790. This decrease was a result of changes to the PERA State and School Division Trust Fund reporting assumptions, the resulting increase in net pension liabilities allocated to the School and implementation of GASB 75, *Accounting and Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*.

The majority of School's operating revenues are generated from Total Program Funding as determined by the School Finance Act of 1994 (see further discussion in Economic Factors below). Total Program Funding is comprised of general fund property taxes, specific ownership taxes and state equalization as enumerated above.

### Financial Analysis of the School's Funds

The School utilizes fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental Funds:** The focus of the School's governmental fund is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School's financing requirements. In particular, unreserved fund balances may serve as a useful measure of the School's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year. As of the end of the current fiscal year, the School's governmental fund reported ending fund deficit of \$205,578, an increase of \$ from the prior year ending fund balance.

**Budget Variances in the General Fund:** The School's budget is prepared according to Colorado law and is based on accounting for certain transactions on a basis of cash receipts and disbursements. Original and final adopted budgets, as well as variances between actual revenues, expenditures, and final budgeted amounts are reflected on page E1 of the audited financial statements.

Significant variances between budgeted and actual results for the General Fund:

Account	Variance Positive (Negative)	Reason
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Contributions from private sources	131,080	Higher than expected donations than previous year
Per pupil funding	113,430	School had more students in current Fiscal Year than budgeted
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
Direct instruction	(9,180)	Increased PERA contributions as a result of the change in PERA liability

**Capital Assets:** The School's capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, totaled \$88,466 as of June 30, 2018. The School capitalizes assets, including land, buildings and improvements, equipment and construction in progress, with an original cost greater than \$5,000 and a useful life of more than two years.

Additional information as well as a detailed classification of the School's net capital assets can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

**Long-Term Liabilities:** As of the end of the current fiscal year, the School has long-term debt of \$9,416,091. This primarily includes the Net Pension Liability of \$9,205,868.

Additional information, as well as a detailed classification of the School's total long-term liabilities, can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements section of this report.

**Economic Factors:**

Enrollment at the end of June 30, 2018 increased 9.5% to 299.1 students as compared to enrollment at June 30, 2017, of 273.1 students. The District enrollment is estimated to be 330 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019.

**Next Year's Budget and Fund Balance:** The fund balance for the School's General Fund at the end of fiscal year 2018 is \$868,491. The fiscal year 2019 budget is fiscally balanced.

**Request for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the School's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Stone Creek Charter School, School Headmaster, P. O. Box 5670, Avon, Colorado 81620.

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS /  
FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Balance Sheet / Statement of Net Position**  
**June 30, 2018**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Adjustments</b>	<b>Statement of Net Position</b>
<b>Assets:</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	857,434	-	857,434
Accounts receivable, net of allowance	116,861	-	116,861
Deposits	22,543	-	22,543
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	-	88,466	88,466
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>996,838</b>	<b>88,466</b>	<b>1,085,304</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows:</b>			
Deferred pension expenses	-	2,615,860	2,615,860
Deferred OPEB expenses	-	7,665	7,665
<b>Total Deferred Outflows</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,623,525</b>	<b>2,623,525</b>
<b>Liabilities:</b>			
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>			
Accounts payable	15,751	-	15,751
Accrued payroll and related liabilities	74,800	-	74,800
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>90,551</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>90,551</b>
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities:</b>			
Net pension liability	-	9,205,868	9,205,868
Net OPEB liability	-	210,223	210,223
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,416,091</b>	<b>9,416,091</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>90,551</b>	<b>9,416,091</b>	<b>9,506,642</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows:</b>			
Prepaid tuition and fees	37,795	-	37,795
Deferred pension expenses	-	376,439	376,439
Deferred OPEB expenses	-	9,016	9,016
<b>Total Deferred Inflows</b>	<b>37,795</b>	<b>385,455</b>	<b>423,250</b>
<b>Fund Balances / Net Position:</b>			
<b>Fund Balance:</b>			
Non-spendable	22,543	(22,543)	
Restricted for emergencies	80,587	(80,587)	
Unassigned	765,362	(765,362)	
<b>Total Fund Balance</b>	<b>868,492</b>	<b>(868,492)</b>	
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Fund Balance</b>	<b>996,838</b>		
<b>Net Position (Deficit):</b>			
Net investment in capital assets		88,466	88,466
Restricted for emergencies		80,587	80,587
Unrestricted		(6,390,116)	(6,390,116)
<b>Total Net Position</b>		<b>(6,221,063)</b>	<b>(6,221,063)</b>

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

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and**  
**Changes in Fund Balance / Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2018**

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Statement of Activities</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Per pupil funding	2,369,707	-	2,369,707
Tuition and fees	62,083	-	62,083
Contributions from private sources	294,780	-	294,780
State sources	192,973	-	192,973
Federal sources	91,208	-	91,208
Other	290	-	290
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>3,011,041</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,011,041</u>
<b>Expenditures / Expenses:</b>			
Direct instruction	2,176,015	1,500,310	3,676,325
Operation and maintenance	59,142	6,595	65,737
General and school administration	552,050	290,719	842,769
Principal	18,256	(18,256)	-
<b>Total Expenditures / Expenses</b>	<u>2,805,463</u>	<u>1,779,368</u>	<u>4,584,831</u>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	205,578	(1,779,368)	(1,573,790)
<b>Change in Fund Balance / Net Position</b>	205,578	(1,779,368)	(1,573,790)
<b>Fund Balance / Net Position:</b>			
Beginning of the Year (Restated)	662,914		(4,647,273)
End of the Year	<u>868,492</u>		<u>(6,221,063)</u>

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

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**June 30, 2018**

**I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Stone Creek Charter School (the "School") was formed in 2005 to enable students to achieve academic excellence and to become self-motivated, competent, lifelong learners by providing a multi-cultural, student-centered environment, utilizing the tools of rigorous, sequenced, research-based education programs.

The School was incorporated in the State of Colorado as a non-profit organization, pursuant to the articles of incorporation dated October 29, 2005.

Additionally, on January 26, 2006, The Colorado Charter School Institute ("CSI") approved a charter to the School, operating within the geographical boundaries of Eagle County, Colorado, beginning with the 2006-2007 school year. As a result, the School is both a non-profit organization and a public entity.

The Colorado Charter School Institute is an independent agency within the Colorado Department of Education ("CDE"), established as a local education agency and public authority legally constituted within the State for the administrative control and direction of public elementary schools and secondary schools in the State of Colorado. All Charter Schools within the Colorado Charter School Institute are part of the free public school system and are required to be established and maintained in accordance with Section 2 of Article IX of the State Constitution. Charter Schools are financed from a portion of School Finance Act revenues and from revenues generated by the School, within the limits established by the Charter School Act, *CRS Section 22-30-101*. The School operates under an elected Board of Directors and follows state and federal accounting and reporting requirements in compliance with the terms of its approved charter.

The School's financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"). The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is responsible for establishing GAAP for state and local governments through its pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations). The more significant accounting policies established by GAAP used by the School are discussed below.

**A. Reporting Entity**

The reporting entity consists of (a) the primary government; i.e., the School, and (b) organizations for which the School is financially accountable. The School is considered financially accountable for legally separate organizations if it is able to appoint a voting majority of an organization's governing body and is either able to impose its will on that organization or there is a potential for the organization to provide specific financial benefits to, or to impose specific financial burdens on, the School. Consideration is also given to other organizations, which are fiscally dependent; i.e., unable to adopt a budget, levy taxes, or issue debt without approval by the School. Organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the School are such that exclusion would cause the reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete are also included in the reporting entity.

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**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
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**I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**B. School-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

**1. School-wide Financial Statements**

The School's basic financial statements include both school-wide (financial activities of the overall School) and fund financial statements (reporting the School's major funds). Both the school-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type. The School does not have any business-type activities, only governmental activities. Governmental activities generally are financed through per pupil revenue allocations from the State Department of Education, fees charged for services, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions.

In the school-wide Balance Sheet / Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Net Position column is reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The School's net position is reported in three parts—net investment in capital assets; restricted net position; and unrestricted net position.

The School-wide focus is on the sustainability of the School as an entity and the change in the School's net position resulting from the current year's activities.

**2. Fund Financial Statements**

The financial transactions of the School are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures / expenses. The fund focus is on current available resources and budget compliance.

The School reports the following major governmental fund:

The *General Fund* is the School's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the School, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation**

Measurement focus refers to whether financial statements measure changes in current resources only (current financial focus) or changes in both current and long-term resources (long-term economic focus). Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues, expenditures, or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Financial statement presentation refers to classification of revenues by source and expenses by function.

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
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**I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)**

**1. Long-term Economic Focus and Accrual Basis**

Governmental activities in the school-wide financial statements use the long-term economic focus and are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

**2. Current Financial Focus and Modified Accrual Basis**

The School fund financial statements use the current financial focus and are presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. The School considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if they are collected within sixty days after year-end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term liabilities and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

**D. Financial Statement Accounts**

**1. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as deposits that can be withdrawn at any time without notice or penalty and investments with original maturities of three months or less.

**2. Receivables**

The School uses the allowance method for recognition of uncollectible receivables, whereby an allowance for possible uncollectibility is established when collection becomes doubtful.

**3. Capital Assets**

Capital assets, which include buildings and improvements, furniture, fixtures, and equipment, are reported in the school-wide financial statements. The School defines capital assets as assets with an initial cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical record exists. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair value at the date of donation.

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**I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**D. Financial Statement Accounts (continued)**

**3. Capital Assets (continued)**

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend the asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related fixed asset, as applicable.

Capital outlay for projects is capitalized as projects are constructed. Interest incurred during the construction phase, if applicable, is capitalized as part of the value of the assets.

Buildings and improvements, furniture, fixtures and equipment are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Capital Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings and improvements	10 - 39
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	5 - 7

**4. Long-term Obligations**

In the school-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the Statements of Net Position. In the fund financial statements, the School records the face amount of debt issued as other financing sources.

**5. Pensions**

The School 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.

**6. Defined Benefit Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Plan**

The School participates in the Health Care Trust Fund (“HCTF”), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit OPEB fund administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (“PERA”). The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position and additions to/deductions from the fiduciary net position of the HCTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefits paid on behalf of health care participants are recognized when due and/or payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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**I. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)**

**D. Financial Statement Accounts (continued)**

**7. Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources**

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

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School has two types of items that qualify for reporting in this category, prepaid tuition and pension related deferred inflows.

See Note IV (G) and Note IV (H) below for discussion on pension related and OPEB related deferred outflows and inflows.

**7. Categories and Classification of Fund Balance**

Governmental accounting standards establishes fund balance classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which a government is bound to observe constraints imposed upon the use of the resources reported in governmental funds. Fund balance classifications, include Non-spendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned, and Unassigned. These classifications reflect not only the nature of funds, but also provide clarity to the level of restriction placed upon fund balance. Fund Balance can have different levels of restraint, such as external versus internal compliance requirements. Unassigned fund balance is a residual classification within the general fund. The general fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned balance. In all other funds, unassigned is limited to negative residual fund balance. For further details of the various fund balance classifications refer to Note IV (I).

**8. Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the School's management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amount of revenues and expenditures or expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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**II. Reconciliation of School-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

**A. Explanation of differences between the governmental fund Balance Sheet and the school-wide Statement of Net Position**

The governmental fund Balance Sheet / school-wide Statement of Net Position includes an adjustment column. Explanations of adjustments included in this column are as follows:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds. The adjustment of \$88,466 represents the net book value of capital assets of \$310,093 and accumulated depreciation of \$221,627 at June 30, 2018.

Another element of the reconciliation represents long-term liabilities that are not due and payable with current financial resources. The adjustments of 210,223 and \$9,205,868 represent the net OBEB liability and net pension liability balances at June 30, 2018.

Other reconciling items include changes in pension related actuarial assumptions, proportion of collective pension amounts, difference between actual and expected experience and investment earnings, and difference between actual and annualized contributions to the pension plan are recorded as deferred inflows or outflows of resources and amortized over the average remaining service life of all active and inactive plan members. For the year ending June 30, 2018 pension changes include:

Unamortized Pension-related Deferred Outflows:	
Change in investment return difference	\$ -
Change in proportionate share	(26,355)
Change in actual and reported contributions difference	503
Change in contributions after measurement date	121,850
Change in actuarial assumptions	2,350,604
Change in pension experience	169,258
Total	\$ 2,615,860

Unamortized Pension-related Deferred Inflows:	
Change in pension experience	\$ -
Change in actuarial assumptions	14,916
Total	\$ 14,916

**B. Explanation of differences between the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance and the school-wide Statement of Activities**

The governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance / school-wide Statement of Activities includes an adjustment column. Explanations of adjustments included in this column are as follows:

One element of the adjustment column accounts for governmental funds reporting capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. Depreciation expense for the year was \$16,487.

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**II. Reconciliation of School-wide and Fund Financial Statements (continued)**

**B. Explanation of differences between the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance and the school-wide Statement of Activities (continued)**

Another element of the adjustment column accounts for the governmental funds reporting capital outlay as expenditures. However, the expenditure increases capital assets in the Statement of Net Position.

Another element of the adjustment column accounts for the repayment of debt principal. Repayment of debt principal is expended in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. The School's principal repayments totaled \$18,256.

The difference between employer contributions to pension plan and change in pension liability and amortization of pension-related deferrals in the amount of \$1,781,137 are another element of reconciliation.

**III. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability**

**A. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

Budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. As required by Colorado Statutes, all funds have legally adopted budgets and appropriations. The total expenditures for each fund may not exceed the amount appropriated. Appropriations for a fund may be increased if unanticipated revenues offset them. All appropriations lapse at year-end.

As required by Colorado Statutes, the School followed the required timetable noted below in preparing, approving, and enacting its budget for 2018.

1. The proposed budget was submitted to the Board of Education by May 31 of the year proceeding the budget year. The proposed budget must include a description of major educational objectives and how the proposed budget fulfills those objectives.
2. Notice was published within ten (10) days which contained: availability of proposed budget for inspection, date and time of budget adoption meeting, and that any County taxpayer may file objections prior to the adoption of the budget.
3. The Board of Education certified revenue requirements to the local County Commissioners prior to December 15.
4. The final budget was adopted prior to June 30, along with an appropriation resolution.

**B. TABOR Amendment – Revenue and Spending Limitation Amendment**

In November 1992, Colorado voters amended Article X of the Colorado Constitution by adding Section 20; commonly known as the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights ("TABOR"). TABOR contains revenue, spending, tax and debt limitations that apply to the State of Colorado and local governments.

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**III. Stewardship, Compliance, and Accountability (continued)**

**B. TABOR Amendment – Revenue and Spending Limitation Amendment (continued)**

TABOR requires, with certain exceptions, advance voter approval for any new tax, tax rate increase, mill levy above that for the prior year, extension of any expiring tax, or tax policy change directly causing a net tax revenue gain to any local government.

Except for refinancing bonded debt at a lower interest rate or adding new employees to existing pension plans, TABOR requires advance voter approval for the creation of any multiple fiscal year debt or other financial obligation unless adequate present cash reserves are pledged irrevocably and held for payments in all future fiscal years.

TABOR also requires local governments to establish emergency reserves to be used for declared emergencies only. Emergencies, as defined by TABOR, exclude economic conditions, revenue shortfalls, or salary or fringe benefit increases. These reserves are required to be 3% or more of fiscal year revenues. The School has reserved a portion of its June 30, 2018 year-end fund balance in the General Fund for emergencies as required under TABOR in the amount of \$80,587.

The School's management believes it is in compliance with the financial provisions of TABOR. However, TABOR is complex and subject to interpretation. Many of its provisions, including the interpretation of how to calculate fiscal year spending limits, will require judicial interpretation.

**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds**

**A. Deposits**

The School's deposits are entirely covered by federal depository insurance (FDIC) or by collateral held under Colorado's Public Deposit Protection Act ("PDPA"). The FDIC insures the first \$250,000 of the School's deposits at each financial institution. All deposit balances over \$250,000 are collateralized as required by PDPA.

The deposits held by the School at June 30, 2018, were as follows:

	Standard and Poor's Rating	Carrying Amounts	Maturities	
			Less than One Year	Less than Five Years
<b>Deposits:</b>				
Checking	Not rated	\$ 325,881	\$ 325,881	\$ -
Savings	Not rated	531,553	531,553	-
		<u>\$ 857,434</u>	<u>\$ 857,434</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**A. Deposits (continued)**

**Credit Risk.** Colorado statutes specify instruments in which local governments may invest, including:

- Obligations of the U.S. and certain U.S. governmental agency securities
- Certain international agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds for U.S. local governmental 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

**B. Receivables**

Receivables as of year-end for the School's funds, including applicable allowances for uncollectible accounts, are as follows:

	<b>General Fund</b>
<b>Current Receivables:</b>	
Accounts receivable	\$ 134,635
Intergovernmental	-
Gross receivables	134,635
Less: Allowance for uncollectible	(17,774)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 116,861</b>

**C. Capital Assets**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2018 was as follows:

	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Increases</b>	<b>Decreases</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Buildings and building improvements	\$ 164,866	-	-	\$ 164,866
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	145,227	-	-	145,227
Total capital assets, being depreciated	310,093	-	-	310,093
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings and building improvements	(59,914)	(16,486)	-	(76,400)
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	(145,227)	-	-	(145,227)
Total accumulated depreciation	(205,141)	(16,486)	-	(221,627)
<b>Total Capital Assets, Net</b>	<b>\$ 104,952</b>	<b>(16,486)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$ 88,466</b>

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**C. Capital Assets (continued)**

The School's depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2018 was as follows:

<b>Function:</b>	
Direct instruction	\$ 16,486
Operations and maintenance	-
<b>Total Depreciation</b>	<u><u>\$ 16,486</u></u>

**D. Operating Leases**

**1. Gracious Savior**

On July 1, 2018 the School entered into a lease with Gracious Savior Lutheran Church for use of space to provide class room space for the 2017 – 2018 school year. The lease has a term of one year with annual rent of \$70,020. Additionally, the School is responsible for monthly operating costs of the facilities. If the student count exceeds 185 in the K-8 program, the lease payment will be increased by \$35 for each student above 185 base count per month.

The School paid rent of \$70,020 for the year ended June 30, 2018.

**2. Eagle Valley Religious Foundation**

Effective July 1, 2017 the School entered into a lease with Eagle Valley Religious Foundation ("EVRF") for a term ending June 30, 2018 to provide classroom space for the 2017 - 2018 school year. The lease calls for base rent of \$55,920, paid in twelve equal monthly payments. The School paid rent of \$55,920 for the year ended June 30, 2018.

**3. US Bank National Association**

Beginning July 1, 2013, the School entered into a lease agreement with U.S. Bank National Association ("U.S. Bank") to lease classroom space in Gypsum, Colorado. The lease has an initial term of one year which is renewable for four additional one-year periods, subject to annual appropriation by the School. On December 9, 2013, the lease was amended to one annual renewable term. Additional rent includes any sales or similar tax payable from U.S. Bank as a result of the rent received as noted above and the School's proportionate share of utilities and property association dues. The School paid rent of \$168,399 for the year ended June 30, 2018.

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**E. Note Payable – Colorado Charter School Institute**

On July 31, 2013, the School entered into a Note Payable with the Colorado Charter School Institute (“CSI”). The Note is in the amount of \$94,280. The Note calls for annual payments over a five-year period with no stated interest rate. CSI will retain one fifth of the original loan balance from the Per Pupil Revenue (“PPR”) for five years beginning in the 2014 school year. Principal payments of \$18,256 were made on the Note during the year. The loan is paid in full as of end of the Fiscal Year 2018.

**F. Changes in Long-term Debt**

The following is a summary of changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2018:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Note payable	\$ 18,256	\$ -	\$ (18,256)	\$ -	\$ -
Net unfunded pension liability	8,695,233	510,635	-	9,205,868	-
Net unfunded OPEB liability	-	210,223	-	210,223	-
	<u>\$ 8,713,489</u>	<u>\$ 720,858</u>	<u>\$ (18,256)</u>	<u>\$ 9,416,091</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**G. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflow**

At June 30, 2018, the School reported a liability of \$9,205,868 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability of Colorado Public Employee Retirement Association’s School District Trust Fund (SCHDTF) (See note V.A.). The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2017, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2016. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2017. The School proportion of the net pension liability was based on School contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2017 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the SCHDTF.

At December 31, 2017, the School proportion was 0.0285%, as compared to its proportion of 0.0292% measured as of December 31, 2016.

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**G. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflow (continued)**

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the School recognized pension expense of \$2,044,505. At June 30, 2018, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$ 169,258	\$ -
Changes of assumptions or other inputs	2,350,604	(14,916)
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	-	(361,523)
Changes of assumptions or other		
Changes in proportionate share of contributions	(26,355)	-
Difference between actual and reported contributions recognized	503	-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	121,850	-
	<b>\$ 2,615,860</b>	<b>\$ (376,439)</b>

Contributions subsequent to the measurement date of December 31, 2017, which are reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability calculated at the December 31, 2018 measurement date. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<b>Year ended June 30:</b>		
2019		\$ 1,470,203
2020		791,741
2021		(9,830)
2022		(134,543)
Total		<b>\$ 2,117,571</b>

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**G. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflow (continued)**

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total pension liability in the December 31, 2014 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

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
Future 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 prior to 12/3/06; (ad hoc, substantively automatic)	Financed by the Annual Increase Reserve

Mortality rates 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.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2014 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.

Changes to assumptions or other inputs since the December 31, 2013 actuarial valuation are as follows:

The following programming changes were made:

- Valuation of the full survivor benefit without any reduction for possible remarriage.
- Reflection of the employer match on separation benefits for all eligible years.
- Reflection of one year of service eligibility for survivor annuity benefit.
- Refinement of the 18-month annual increase timing.
- Refinements to directly value certain and life, modified cash refund and pop-up benefit forms.

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**G. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflow (continued)**

The following methodology changes were made:

- Recognition of merit salary increases in the first projection year.
- Elimination of the assumption that 35% of future disabled members elect to receive a refund.
- Removal of the negative value adjustment for liabilities associated with refunds of future terminating members.
- Adjustments to the timing of the normal cost and unfunded actuarial accrued liability payment calculations to reflect contributions throughout the year.

The SCHDTF's long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed 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.

As of the most recent analysis of the long-term expected rate of return, presented to the PERA Board on November 15, 2013, 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	1.00%	0.20%
Total	<u>100.00%</u>	

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**G. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflow (continued)**

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 5.26%.

*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:

- 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 3.90%.
- 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.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law, including current and estimated 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 reserve 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.

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**G. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflow (continued)**

Based on the above actuarial cost method and assumptions, the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination does not use the Municipal Bond Index Rate. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

*Sensitivity of the School'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:

	<b>1% Decrease (3.78%)</b>	<b>Current Discount Rate (4.78%)</b>	<b>1% Increase (5.78%)</b>
Collective net pension liability	\$ 40,846,431,000	32,336,446,000	25,401,780,000
Proportionate share of net pension liability	\$ 11,628,577	\$ 9,205,868	\$ 7,231,637

*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).

*Changes between the measurement date of the net pension liability and June 30, 2018.* During the 2018 legislative session, the Colorado General Assembly passed significant pension reform through SB 18-200: *Concerning Modifications to the Public Employees' Retirement Association Hybrid Defined Benefit Plan Necessary to Eliminate with a High Probability the Unfunded Liability of the Plan Within the Next Thirty Years*. The bill was signed into law by Governor Hickenlooper on June 4, 2018. SB 18-200 makes changes to the plans administered by PERA with the goal of eliminating the unfunded actuarial accrued liability of the Division Trust Funds and thereby reach a 100 percent funded ratio for each division within the next 30 years.

A brief description of some of the major changes to plan provisions required by SB 18-200 are listed below. A full copy of the bill can be found online at [www.leg.colorado.gov](http://www.leg.colorado.gov).

- Increases employer contribution rates by 0.25 percent on July 1, 2019.
- Increases employee contribution rates by a total of 2 percent (to be phased in over a period of 3 years starting on July 1, 2019).
- Directs the state to allocate \$225 million each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. A portion of the direct distribution will be allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the other divisions eligible for the direct distribution.
- Modifies the retirement benefits, including temporarily suspending and reducing the annual increase for all current and future retirees, modifying the highest average salary for employees with less than five years of service credit on December 31, 2019 and raises the retirement age for new employees.

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**G. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflow (continued)**

- Member contributions, employer contributions, the direct distribution from the state, and the annual increases will be adjusted based on certain statutory parameters beginning July 1, 2020, and then each year thereafter, to help keep PERA on path to full funding in 30 years.

At June 30, 2018, the District reported a liability of \$9,205,868 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability which was measured using the plan provisions in effect as of the pension plan's year-end based on a discount rate of 4.78%. For comparative purposes, the following schedule presents an estimate of what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability and associated discount rate would have been had the provisions of SB 18-200, applicable to the SCHDTF, become law on December 31, 2017. This pro forma information was prepared using the fiduciary net position of the SCHDTF as of December 31, 2017. Future net pension liabilities reported could be materially different based on changes in investment markets, actuarial assumptions, plan experience and other factors.

<b>Estimated Discount Rate Calculated Using Plan Provisions Required by SB 18-200 (pro forma)</b>	<b>Proportionate Share of the Estimated Net Pension Liability Calculated Using Plan Provisions Required by SB 18-200 (pro forma)</b>
7.25%	\$ 4,159,131

Recognizing that the changes in contribution and benefit provisions also affect the determination of the discount rate used to calculate proportionate share of the net pension liability, approximately \$4,297,357 of the estimated reduction is attributable to the use of a 7.25 percent discount rate.

**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)**

At June 30, 2018, the School reported a liability for Other Post-Employment Benefits ("OPEB") of \$210,223 for its proportionate share of net OPEB. The net OPEB liability was measured as of December 31, 2017, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2016. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2017. The School proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on School contributions to the Health Care Trust Fund ("HCTF") for the calendar year 2017 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the HCTF.

At December 31, 2017, the School proportion was 0.01618%, as compared to its proportion of 0.01660% measured as of December 31, 2016.

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (continued)**

For the year ended June 30, 2018, the School incurred other post-employment benefit expense of \$. The School incurred OPEB expense due to the increase in employer proportionate share from 2016 to 2017. At June 30, 2018, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>
Difference between expenses and actual experience	994	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	-	(3,518)
Changes in proportionate share of contributions	-	(5,498)
Difference between actual and reported contributions recognized	-	-
Contributions subsequent to measurement date	6,671	-
	<b>\$ 7,665</b>	<b>\$ (9,016)</b>

Contributions subsequent to the measurement date of December 31, 2017 which are reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2019. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

<b>Year Ended June 30,</b>	<b>Amortization</b>
2019	\$ (1,587)
2020	(1,587)
2021	(1,587)
2022	(1,586)
2023	(707)
2024	(886)
2025	(82)
	<b>\$ (8,022)</b>

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (continued)**

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2016, actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

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 percent in in aggregate
Long-term investment Rate of Return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25 percent
Discount rate	7.25 percent
Health care cost trend rates	
PERA benefit structure:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00 percent
PERACare Medicare plans	5.00 percent
Medicare Part A Premiums	3.00 percent for 2017 gradually rising to 4.25 percent in 2023
DPS benefit structure	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.00 percent
PERACare Medicare plans	N/A
Medicare Part A Premiums	N/A

Calculations are based on the benefits provided under the terms of the substantive plan in effect at the time of each actuarial valuation and on the pattern of sharing of costs between employers of each fund to that point.

Health care cost trend rates reflect the change in per capita health costs over time due to factors such as medical inflation, utilization, plan design, and technology improvements. For the PERA benefit structure, health care cost trend rates are needed to project the future costs associated with providing benefits to those PERACare enrollees not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A.

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**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (continued)**

Health care cost trend rates for the PERA benefit structure are based on published annual health care inflation surveys in conjunction with actual plan experience (if credible), building block models and heuristics developed by health plan actuaries and administrators, and projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Effective December 31, 2016, the health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

Year	PERACare	Medicare Part A
	Medicare Plans	Premiums
2017	5.00%	3.00%
2018	5.00%	3.25%
2019	5.00%	3.50%
2020	5.00%	3.75%
2021	5.00%	4.00%
2022	5.00%	4.00%
2023	5.00%	4.25%
2024 and after	5.00%	4.25%

Mortality assumptions for the determination of the total OPEB liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below are applied, as applicable, in the determination of the total OPEB liability for the HCTF. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members were based on 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.

Healthy, post-retirement mortality assumptions for the State and Local Government Divisions were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted as follows:

- Males: Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 73 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 108 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- Females: Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 78 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 109 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

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**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (continued)**

Healthy, post-retirement mortality assumptions for the School and Judicial Divisions were based on 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 adjustments 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 based on 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The following economic and demographic assumptions were specifically developed for, and used in, the measurement of the obligations for the HCTF:

- The assumed rates of PERACare participation were revised to reflect more closely actual experience.
- Initial per capita health care costs for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to attain age 65 and older ages and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits were updated to reflect the change in costs for the 2017 plan year.
- The percentages of PERACare enrollees who will attain age 65 and older ages and are assumed to not qualify for premium-free Medicare Part A coverage were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.
- The percentage of disabled PERACare enrollees who are assumed to not qualify for premium-free Medicare Part A coverage were revised to reflect more closely actual experience.
- Assumed election rates for the PERACare coverage options that would be available to future PERACare enrollees who will qualify for the "No Part A Subsidy" when they retire were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.
- Assumed election rates for the PERACare coverage options that will be available to those current PERACare enrollees, who qualify for the "No Part A Subsidy" but have not reached age 65, were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.
- The health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the then-current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

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**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (continued)**

- The rates of PERACare coverage election for spouses of eligible inactive members and future retirees were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.
- The assumed age differences between future retirees and their participating spouses were revised to reflect more closely actual experience.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2016, valuations were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the periods January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as, the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by the PERA Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting.

In addition, certain actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and their related trends are analyzed and reviewed by PERA's actuary, as needed.

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.

Several factors were considered in evaluating the long-term rate of return assumption for the HCTF, 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 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.

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

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**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (continued)**

<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 Bonds	0.46%	3.90%
Core Real Estate	8.50%	4.90%
Opportunity Fund	6.00%	3.80%
Private Equity	8.50%	6.60%
Cash	1.00%	0.20%
Total	<u>100.00%</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%.

Sensitivity of the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates. The following presents the net OPEB liability using the current health care cost trend rates applicable to the PERA benefit structure, as well as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

	<u>1% Decrease in Trend Rates</u>	<u>Current Trend Rates</u>	<u>1% Increase in Trend Rates</u>
PERA Care Medicare Trend Rate	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%
Initial Medicare Part A Trend Rate	2.00%	3.00%	4.00%
Ultimate Medicare Part A Trend	3.25%	4.25%	5.25%
Collective Net OPEB Liability	\$ 1,263,843,000	\$ 1,299,600,000	\$ 1,342,667,000
Proportionate Share OPEB Liability	204,439	210,223	217,190

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**IV. Detailed Notes on all Funds (continued)**

**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (continued)**

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25 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 health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums as of the December 31, 2017, measurement date.
- 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%.
- 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. For future plan members, employer contributions were reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- 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.
- Transfers of a portion of purchase service agreements intended to cover the costs associated with OPEB benefits 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 HCTF's fiduciary net position was projected to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent.

Sensitivity of the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

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**H. Liabilities Related to Health Care Trust Fund and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) (continued)**

	<u>1% Decrease 6.25%</u>	<u>Current Discount 7.25%</u>	<u>1% Increase 8.25%</u>
Collective Net OPEB Liability	\$1,461,159,000	\$1,299,600,000	\$1,161,705,000
Proportionate Share OPEB Liability	\$236,357	\$210,223	\$187,917

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

**I. Fund Balances**

The School classifies governmental fund balances as follows:

*Non-spendable.* includes fund balance amounts inherently non-spendable since they represent inventories, prepaid items, long-term portion of loans receivable, etc.

*Spendable:*

- Restricted – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Committed – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision-making authority which is the Board of Education.
- Assigned – includes spendable fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund Balance may be assigned by the Board or its management designee.
- Unassigned - includes residual positive fund balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the other above-mentioned categories. Unassigned fund balance may also include negative balances for any governmental fund if expenditures exceed amounts restricted, committed, or assigned for those specific purposes.

The School uses restricted amounts to be spent first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available unless there are legal documents / contracts that prohibit doing this, such as in grant agreements requiring dollar for dollar spending. Additionally, the School would first use committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made. The School governmental funds had the following equity designations at June 30, 2018:

	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Reason</u>
Non-spendable	\$ 22,543	Security deposits
Restricted	80,587	TABOR
Total	<u>\$ 103,130</u>	

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**V. Other Information**

**A. Defined Benefit Pension Plan**

*Plan Description.* Eligible employees of the School 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).

*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. § 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.

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**V. Other Information (continued)**

**A. Defined Benefit Pension Plan (continued)**

Benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit are generally eligible to receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs), 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) 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 percent of PERA's Annual Increase Reserve 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 School are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, *et seq.* Eligible employees are required to contribute eight percent (8.0%) of their PERA-includable salary. The employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below with rates expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42):

	<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2016</b>	<b>For the Year Ended December 31, 2017</b>
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Employer Contribution Rate	10.15%	10.15%
Amount of Employer Contribution apportioned to the Health care Trust Fund as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f)	(1.02)%	(1.02)%
Amount Apportioned to the SCHDTF	9.13%	9.13%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	4.50%	4.50%
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	4.50%	5.00%
Total	<hr/> <hr/> 18.13%	<hr/> <hr/> 18.63%

Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from the School were \$244,657 for the year ended June 30, 2018.

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**V. Other Information (continued)**

**B. Postemployment Healthcare Benefits**

*Plan Description.* The School contributes 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, self-insure 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 annual 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 School is required to contribute at a rate of 1.02% of PERA includable salary for all PERA members as set by statute. No member contributions are required. The contribution requirements for the School 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.

*Benefits provided.* The HCTF provides a health care premium subsidy to eligible participating PERA benefit recipients and retirees who choose to enroll in one of the PERA health care plans, however, the subsidy is not available if only enrolled in the dental and/or vision plan(s). The health care premium subsidy is based upon the benefit structure under which the member retires and the member's years of service credit. The basis for the amount of the premium subsidy funded by each trust fund is the percentage of the member contribution account balance from each division as it relates to the total member contribution account balance from which the retirement benefit is paid.

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 et seq. specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated. All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure, are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare.

Enrollment in the PERACare is voluntary and is available to benefit recipients and their eligible dependents, certain surviving spouses, and divorced spouses and guardians, among others. Eligible benefit recipients may enroll into the program upon retirement, upon the occurrence of certain life events, or on an annual basis during an open enrollment period.

*PERA Benefit Structure.* The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The basis for the maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for benefit recipients with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5 percent reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The benefit recipient pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

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**B. Postemployment Healthcare Benefits (continued)**

For benefit recipients who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, C.R.S. § 24-51-1206(4) provides an additional subsidy. According to the statute, PERA cannot charge premiums to benefit recipients without Medicare Part A that are greater than premiums charged to benefit recipients with Part A for the same plan option, coverage level, and service credit. Currently, for each individual PERACare enrollee, the total premium for Medicare coverage is determined assuming plan participants have both Medicare Part A and Part B and the difference in premium cost is paid by the HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

**C. Defined Contribution Pension Plan**

*Plan Description.* Employees of the School who are members of the SDTF 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 CRS, 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 for the Plan. That report may be obtained online at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

*Funding Policy.* Voluntary Investment Program is fund by voluntary member contributions up to a maximum limit set by the Internal Revenue Service, as established under Title 24, Article 51, Section 1402 of the C.R.S., as amended. Employees are immediately vested in their own contributions, employer contributions and investment earnings. There were no 401(k) Plan member contributions from the School for the year ended June 30, 2018, 2017, and 2016.

**D. Risk Management**

*Risk of Loss.* The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to workers' compensation; general liability; unemployment; torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; and errors and omissions. The School has acquired commercial coverage for these risks and claims, if any, are not expected to exceed the commercial insurance

*Pupil Counts.* Each year the School submits data regarding pupil counts to the Colorado Department of Education (CDE). The purpose of this data collection is to obtain required student level data as provided for by state statute (s), including information regarding students' funding eligibility as outlined in the Public School Finance Act of 1994 (22-54-101, C.R.S.).

The Student October Count is based on a one (1) day membership count in which districts are asked to report all students who are actively enrolled and attending classes through their district on that date. In an effort to ensure accurate reporting of those data fields associated with student funding, CDE conducts periodic compliance audits of each district's student October count data. This data not only determine per pupil funding, but also at risk and English Language Proficiency Act (ELPA) funding. CDE audits districts every one to four years, the frequency of which is determined by a number of factors including, but not limited to, the size and location of the district, as well as issues or concerns that might have arisen from prior audits.

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**V. Other Information (continued)**

**D. Risk Management (continued)**

The School believes its pupil count information is accurate and any adjustment would not be material.

**E. Restatement of Net Position**

In 2018, the School implemented Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions, requires employers to recognize their long-term obligation for OPEB as a liability and OPEB related deferred inflows and outflows on the Statement of Net Position. As such, the School's 2018 financial statements report a restatement of net position on the Statement of Activities for governmental activities for \$208,779 , which was the amount of the School's long-term obligation and deferred inflows and outflows related to OPEB benefits at June 30, 2017.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures and Changes in Fund**  
**Balances - Budget and Actual (GAAP Basis)**  
**General Fund**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2018**  
**(With Comparative Actual Amounts for the Year Ended June 30, 2017)**

	<u>2018</u>			<b>Final Budget Variance Positive (Negative)</b>	<u>2017</u>
	<b>Original Budget</b>	<b>Final Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>		<b>Actual</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Per pupil funding	2,329,183	2,256,277	2,369,707	113,430	2,073,174
Tuition and fees	77,500	62,500	62,083	(417)	87,340
Contributions from private sources	167,480	163,700	294,780	131,080	330,292
State sources	77,745	164,336	192,973	28,637	164,863
Federal sources	168,406	90,155	91,208	1,053	84,634
Other	-	-	290	290	1,077
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<u>2,820,314</u>	<u>2,736,968</u>	<u>3,011,041</u>	<u>274,073</u>	<u>2,741,380</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Direct instruction	2,159,835	2,166,835	2,176,015	(9,180)	2,075,552
Operation and maintenance	57,500	57,500	59,142	(1,642)	55,588
General and school administration	583,959	556,924	552,050	4,874	488,479
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<u>2,801,294</u>	<u>2,781,259</u>	<u>2,787,207</u>	<u>(5,948)</u>	<u>2,619,619</u>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures</b>	<u>19,020</u>	<u>(44,291)</u>	<u>223,834</u>	<u>268,125</u>	<u>121,761</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Repayment of principal debt	(18,252)	(18,252)	(18,256)	(4)	(18,256)
<b>Total Other Financing (Uses):</b>	<u>(18,252)</u>	<u>(18,252)</u>	<u>(18,256)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(18,256)</u>
<b>Net Change in Fund Balance</b>	768	(62,543)	205,578	268,121	103,505
<b>Fund Balance - Beginning of the Year</b>	-	65,000	662,914	597,914	559,409
<b>Fund Balance - End of the Year</b>	<u>768</u>	<u>2,457</u>	<u>868,492</u>	<u>866,035</u>	<u>662,914</u>

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

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Schedule of Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability**  
**Colorado Public Employees' Retirement Association School Division Trust Fund**  
**Last 10 Fiscal Years \***

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
School's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0285%	0.0292%	0.0286%	0.0270%	0.0246%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 9,205,868	\$ 8,695,233	\$ 4,373,683	\$ 3,658,994	\$ 3,137,817
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,394,958	\$ 1,371,600	\$ 1,418,268	\$ 1,224,034	\$ 1,162,885
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	659.94%	633.95%	308.38%	298.93%	269.83%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	43.96%	43.13%	59.16%	62.84%	64.07%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year. Information is only available beginning in fiscal year 2014.

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Schedule of School Contributions**  
**Colorado Public Employees' Retirement Association School Division Trust Fund**  
**Last 10 Fiscal Years \***

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 244,657	\$ 237,637	\$ 215,974	\$185,820	\$154,016
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>(244,657)</u>	<u>(237,637)</u>	<u>(215,974)</u>	<u>(185,820)</u>	<u>(154,016)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,394,958	\$ 1,371,600	\$ 1,418,268	\$1,224,034	\$1,162,885
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	17.54%	17.33%	15.23%	15.18%	13.24%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year. Information is only available beginning in fiscal year 2014.

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Schedule of School's Proportionate Share of the Net Other Post-Employment Benefit Liability**  
**Colorado Public Employees' Retirement Association School Division Trust Fund**  
**Last 10 Fiscal Years \***

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
School's proportion of the net Other Post-Employment Benefit liability	0.01618%	0.01660%
School's proportionate share of the net Other Post-Employment Benefit liability	210,223	208,779
School's covered-employee payroll	1,394,958	1,371,600
School's proportionate share of the net Other Post-Employment Benefit liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	15%	15%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total Other Post-Employment Benefit liability	43.96%	43.13%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year. Information is only available beginning in fiscal year 2017.

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Schedule of Employer Other Post-Employment Benefits Contributions**  
**Colorado Public Employees' Retirement Association Health Care Trust Fund**  
**Last 10 Fiscal Years \***

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Contractually required contributions	\$ 13,395	\$ 13,370
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	<u>\$ (13,395)</u>	<u>\$ (13,370)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,394,958	\$ 1,371,600
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	0.96%	0.97%

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the calendar year-end that occurred within the fiscal year. Information is only available beginning in fiscal year 2017.

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Notes to Required Supplementary Information**  
**June 30, 2018**

**I. Schedule of School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability**

**A. Changes to assumptions or other inputs**

**1. Changes since the December 31, 2016 actuarial valuation:**

- The single equivalent interest rate ("SEIR") was lowered from 5.26 percent to 4.78 percent to reflect the changes to the projection's valuation basis, a projected year of depletion of the FNP, and the resulting application of the municipal bond index rate.
- The municipal bond index rate used in the determination of the SEIR changed from 3.86 percent on the prior measurement date to 3.43 percent on the measurement date.

**2. Changes since the December 31, 2015 actuarial valuation:**

- The investment return assumption was lowered from 7.50 percent to 7.25 percent
- The wage inflation assumption was lowered from 3.90 percent to 3.50 percent
- The post-retirement mortality assumption for healthy lives for the School and DPS Divisions was changed to the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table with adjustments for credibility and gender adjustments of a 93 percent factor applied to ages below 80 and a 113 percent factor applied to age 80 and above, projected to 2018, or males, and a 68 percent factor applied to ages below 80 and a 106 percent factor applied to age 80 and above, projected to 2020, for females.
- For disabled retirees, the mortality assumption was changed to reflect 90 percent of RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.
- The mortality assumption for active members was changed to 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.
- The rates of retirement, withdrawal, and disability were revised to reflect more closely actual experience.
- The estimated administrative expense as a percentage of covered payroll was increased from 0.35 percent to 0.40 percent.
- The single equivalent interest rate (the "SEIR") for the SCHDTF was lowered from 7.50 percent to 5.26 percent to reflect the changes to the projection's valuation basis, a projected year of depletion of the fiduciary net position (the "FNP"), and the resulting application of the municipal bond index rate
- The SEIR for the DPS Division was lowered from 7.50 percent to 7.25 percent, reflecting the change in the long-term expected rate of return.

**Stone Creek Charter School**  
**Notes to Required Supplementary Information**  
**June 30, 2018**

**I. Schedule of School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (continued)**

**A. Changes to assumptions or other inputs (continued)**

**3. Changes since the December 31, 2014 actuarial valuation**

- Valuation of the full survivor benefit without any reduction for possible remarriage.
- Reflection of the employer match on separation benefits for all eligible years.
- Reflection of one year of service eligibility for survivor annuity benefit.
- Refinement of the 18-month annual increase timing.
- Refinements to directly value certain and life, modified cash refund and pop-up benefit forms.
- Recognition of merit salary increases in the first projection year.
- Elimination of the assumption that 35% of future disabled members elect to receive a refund.
- Removal of the negative value adjustment for liabilities associated with refunds of future terminating members.
- Adjustments to the timing of the normal cost and unfunded actuarial accrued liability payment calculations to reflect contributions throughout the year.

**B. Changes of benefit terms.**

No changes during the years presented.

**C. Changes of size or composition of population covered by benefit terms.**

No changes during the years presented.

**II. Notes to the Schedule of School Contributions**

**A. Changes to assumptions or other inputs**

No changes during the years presented.

**B. Changes of benefit terms.**

No changes during the years presented.

**C. Changes of size or composition of population covered by benefit terms.**

No changes during the years presented.

**Stone Creek Charter School  
Notes to Required Supplementary Information  
June 30, 2018**

**III. Schedule of School's Proportionate Share of the OPEB Liability**

**A. Changes to assumptions or other inputs**

No changes during the years presented.

**B. Changes of benefit term**

No changes during the years presented.

**C. Changes of size or composition of population covered by terms**

No changes during the years presented.

**IV. Notes to the Schedule of School OPEB Contributions**

**A. Changes to assumptions or other inputs**

No changes during the years presented.

**B. Changes of benefit terms.**

No changes during the years presented.

**C. Changes of size or composition of population covered by benefit terms.**

No changes during the years presented.