

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.

Financial Statements

June 30, 2020



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Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
(A Component Unit of St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J)
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Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Directors
Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
Erie, Colorado

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Aspen Ridge School, Inc., a component unit of St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Aspen Ridge School, Inc., as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the 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 internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Aspen Ridge School, Inc. as of June 30, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and the required supplementary information listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the 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.

Hick & Company, PC

Greenwood Village, Colorado
November 3, 2020



Aspen Ridge Preparatory School

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2020

As management of Aspen Ridge Preparatory School (hereafter "ARPS"), we offer readers of the ARPS's basic financial statements this narrative and analysis of the financial activities of ARPS for the year ended June 30, 2020. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information provided by auditors in the accompanying financial statements.

Financial Highlights

The year ending June 30, 2020 was the 9th year of operations for ARPS. The net position of the school increased to (\$2,492,463). The continued negative net position is due in part to the implementation of regulations under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement (GASB) Number 68 (pension) and GASB 75(OPEB). Further information about GASB 68 and OPEB are provided in Notes 5 and 6 of the financial statements, respectively.

The operations of ARPS are funded primarily by tax revenue received under the State School Finance Act (the Act). Tax revenue for the year from Per Pupil Revenue was approximately \$8,292.42 per full-time equivalent student.

At the close of the fiscal year ARPS's governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$3,442,364.

Overview of Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to ARPS's basic financial statements. The basic statements are comprised of three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of ARPS's finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on ARPS's assets and liabilities, and deferred inflows and outflows, with the difference being reported as net position. Over time, the increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of ARPS is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how ARPS's net position changed during the 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 the related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in the statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods (for example, salaries and benefits earned but unpaid as of year-end).

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. ARPS keeps track of these monies to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on the near-term financing requirements.

ARPS adopts an annual budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

Notes to Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted previously, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of ARPS's financial position. For the year ending June 30, 2020, ARPS's liabilities and deferred inflows exceeded assets and deferred outflows by \$2,492,463 based on the implementation of regulations under the Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement (GASB) Number 68 and 75.

Net Position as of June 30, 2020 were as follows:

	2020	2019
Assets		
Cash and Investments	\$2,187,020	\$1,984,750
Restricted Cash and Investments	\$1,346,207	\$1,346,686
Accounts Receivable	\$15,890	\$15,954
Prepaid Expenses	\$103,021	\$96,965
Deposits	\$0	\$0
Capital Assets, Not Depreciated	\$682,150	\$682,150
Capital Assets, Depreciated Net of Accumulated Depreciation	\$11,960,564	\$12,415,364
Total Assets	\$16,294,852	\$16,541,509
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Related to Pensions/OPEB	\$848,291	\$2,554,813
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$49,956	\$60,697
Retainage Payable	\$0	\$0
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	\$147,289	\$146,453
Due to District	\$1,304	\$0
Unearned Revenue	\$11,225	\$900
Accrued Interest Payable	\$266,678	\$270,700
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Due in One Year	\$205,000	\$195,000
Due in More than One Year	\$10,465,000	\$10,670,000
Net Pension and OPEB Liability	\$5,148,441	\$6,359,710
Total Liabilities	\$16,294,893	\$17,703,460
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Related to Pensions/OPEB	\$3,340,713	\$4,171,774
Net Position		
Invested in Capital Assets	\$1,972,714	\$2,232,514
Restricted	\$1,224,446	\$1,196,471
Unrestricted	(\$5,689,623)	(\$6,207,897)
Total Net Position	(\$2,492,463)	(\$2,778,912)

Changes in Net Position for the years ended June 30, 2020 were as follows:

	2020	2019
Revenues		
Charges for Services	\$237,291	\$386,392
Grants and Contributions	\$642,004	\$1,727,806
Per Pupil Revenue	\$3,598,910	\$3,026,249
Mill Levy Override	\$747,599	\$150,984
Interest	\$19,681	\$23,658
Other	\$16,597	\$100,201
Total Revenues	<u>\$5,262,082</u>	<u>\$5,415,290</u>
Expenditures/Expenses		
Current		
Instruction	\$2,278,417	\$2,089,699
Support Services	<u>\$2,697,216</u>	<u>\$2,277,662</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$4,975,633</u>	<u>\$4,367,361</u>
Net Change in Net Position	\$286,449	\$1,047,929
Net Position, Beginning, As Restated	(<u>\$2,778,912</u>)	(<u>\$3,826,841</u>)
Net Position, Ending	<u>(<u>\$2,492,463</u>)</u>	<u>(<u>\$2,778,912</u>)</u>

Financial Analysis of ARPS's Funds

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

The general fund is the major operating fund of ARPS. At the end of the current fiscal year the general fund balance was \$2,096,157.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

ARPS budgeted amount for expenditures was \$4,818,071 for the year ended June 30, 2020. Actual expenditures were \$4,670,809. ARPS was \$147,262 under budget. This difference in anticipated spending is largely due to the shut down caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. The budget was amended twice through the year.

Capital Asset and Debt Administration

Capital assets. ARPS's net capital assets, as of June 30, 2020, amounts to \$12,642,714. There was a decrease to capital assets from the prior fiscal year due to accumulated depreciation.

Long-term debt. The school has \$10,670,000 of long term debt as of June 30, 2020. This debt was issued to finance the purchase and construction of the ARPS land and building.

Additional information on capital assets and long-term debt is provided in Notes 3 and 4 to the financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The primary factor driving the budget for ARPS is student enrollment. Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year was 496 students.

The enrollment projected for the 2020-2021 school year is expected to be 519 students. This factor was considered in preparing ARPS's budget for 2020-2021.

Requests for Information

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of ARPS's finances for all those with an interest in ARPS. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to:

Aspen Ridge Preparatory School
705 Austin Avenue
Erie, CO 80516

Basic Financial Statements

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
(A Component Unit of St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J)
Statement of Net Position
June 30, 2020

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Assets	
Cash	\$ 2,187,020
Restricted Cash and Investments	1,346,207
Accounts Receivable	15,890
Prepaid Expenses	103,021
Capital Assets, <i>Not Being Depreciated</i>	682,150
Capital Assets, <i>Net of Accumulated Depreciation</i>	11,960,564
Total Assets	<u>16,294,852</u>
Deferred Outflows of Resources	
Pensions, <i>Net of Accumulated Amortization</i>	799,381
OPEB, <i>Net of Accumulated Amortization</i>	48,910
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>848,291</u>
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	49,956
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	147,289
Due to District	1,304
Unearned Revenues	11,225
Accrued Interest Payable	266,678
Noncurrent Liabilities	
Due Within One Year	205,000
Due in More Than One Year	10,465,000
Net Pension Liability	4,907,226
Net OPEB Liability	241,215
Total Liabilities	<u>16,294,893</u>
Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Pensions, <i>Net of Accumulated Amortization</i>	3,287,351
OPEB, <i>Net of Accumulated Amortization</i>	53,362
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>3,340,713</u>
Net Position	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,972,714
Restricted for:	
Debt Service	1,017,858
Building Repair and Replacement	61,671
Emergencies	144,917
Unrestricted	<u>(5,689,623)</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (2,492,463)</u>

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
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Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Change in Net Position	
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions		Capital Grants and Contributions
Primary Government					
<i>Governmental Activities</i>					
Instruction	\$ 2,278,417	\$ 156,177	\$ 343,678	\$ -	\$ (1,778,562)
Supporting Services	2,163,860	81,114	135,812	120,742	(1,826,192)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	533,356	-	-	-	(533,356)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 4,975,633</u>	<u>\$ 237,291</u>	<u>\$ 479,490</u>	<u>\$ 120,742</u>	<u>(4,138,110)</u>
General Revenues					
Per Pupil Revenue					3,598,910
Additional At-Risk Funding					296
District Mill Levy					747,599
Grants and Contributions not Restricted to Specific Programs					41,476
Investment Income					19,681
Other					16,597
Total General Revenues					<u>4,424,559</u>
Change in Net Position					286,449
Net Position, Beginning of year					<u>(2,778,912)</u>
Net Position, End of year					<u>\$ (2,492,463)</u>

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
(A Component Unit of St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J)
 Balance Sheet
 Governmental Funds
 June 30, 2020

	General	Building	Total
Assets			
Cash	\$ 2,187,020	\$ -	\$ 2,187,020
Restricted Cash and Investments	-	1,346,207	1,346,207
Accounts Receivable	15,890	-	15,890
Prepaid Expenditures	103,021	-	103,021
Total Assets	\$ 2,305,931	\$ 1,346,207	\$ 3,652,138
Liabilities and Fund Balance			
<i>Liabilities</i>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 49,956	\$ -	\$ 49,956
Accrued Salaries and Benefits	147,289	-	147,289
Due to District	1,304	-	1,304
Unearned Revenues	11,225	-	11,225
Total Liabilities	209,774	-	209,774
<i>Fund Balance</i>			
Nonspendable Prepaid Expenditures	103,021	-	103,021
Restricted:			
Emergencies	144,917	-	144,917
Debt Service	-	1,284,536	1,284,536
Building Repairs and Replacements	-	61,671	61,671
Unrestricted, Unassigned	1,848,219	-	1,848,219
Total Fund Balance	2,096,157	1,346,207	3,442,364
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 2,305,931	\$ 1,346,207	\$ 3,652,138

Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are Different Because:

Total Fund Balance of the Governmental Funds	\$ 3,442,364
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources, and therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.	12,642,714
Long-term liabilities and related items are not due and payable in the current year and therefore are not reported in governmental funds.	
Accrued Interest Payable	(266,678)
Long-Term Debt	(10,670,000)
Long-term liabilities and related items are not due and payable in the current year, and therefore, are not reported in governmental funds:	
Net pension liability	(4,907,226)
Pension-related deferred outflows of resources	799,381
Pension-related deferred inflows of resources	(3,287,351)
Net OPEB liability	(241,215)
OPEB-related deferred outflows of resources	48,910
OPEB-related deferred inflows of resources	(53,362)
Total Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$ (2,492,463)

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
(A Component Unit of St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J)
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Governmental Funds
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	General	Building	Total
Revenues			
Local Sources	\$ 4,648,615	\$ 751,424	\$ 5,400,039
State Sources	209,567	-	209,567
	4,858,182	751,424	5,609,606
Total Revenues			
Expenditures			
Instruction	2,240,361	-	2,240,361
Supporting Services	2,430,448	-	2,430,448
Debt Service			
Principal	-	195,000	195,000
Interest	-	537,378	537,378
	4,670,809	732,378	5,403,187
Total Expenditures			
Excess Revenues over Expenditures	187,373	19,046	206,419
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfer In (Out)	19,525	(19,525)	-
Net Change in Fund Balance	206,898	(479)	206,419
Fund Balance, Beginning of year	1,889,259	1,346,686	3,235,945
Fund Balance, End of year	\$ 2,096,157	\$ 1,346,207	\$ 3,442,364

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
(A Component Unit of St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J)
**Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in
Fund Balance of the Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020**

**Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the
Statement of Activities are Different Because:**

Net Change in Fund Balance of the Governmental Funds	\$	206,419
<p>Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense:</p>		
Depreciation		(454,800)
<p>Repayment of debt principal are expenditures in governmental funds, but the repayments reduce long-term liabilities in the statement of net position and do not affect the statement of activities</p>		
Bond Payments		195,000
<p>Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. This includes changes in the following:</p>		
Net pension liability		1,149,964
Pension-related deferred outflows of resources		(1,689,506)
Pension-related deferred inflows of resources		883,962
Net OPEB liability		61,305
OPEB-related deferred outflows of resources		(17,016)
OPEB-related deferred inflows of resources		(52,901)
Accrued Interest Payable		<u>4,022</u>
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities	\$	<u><u>286,449</u></u>

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
(A Component Unit of St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J)
Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2020

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Aspen Ridge School, Inc., dba Aspen Ridge Preparatory School (the School) was organized pursuant to the Colorado Charter Schools Act to form and operate a charter school within St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J (the District). The School began operations in the Fall of 2011.

The accounting policies of the School conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental entities. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. Following is a summary of the more significant policies.

Reporting Entity

The financial reporting entity consists of the School, organizations for which the School is financially accountable, and organizations that raise and hold economic resources for the direct benefit of the School. All funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that are not legally separate are part of the School. Legally separate organizations for which the School is financially accountable are considered part of the reporting entity. Financial accountability exists if the School appoints a voting majority of the organization's governing board and is able to impose its will on the organization, or if the organization has the potential to provide benefits to, or impose financial burdens on, the School.

Based upon the application of this criteria, the School includes the Aspen Ridge Preparatory School, Inc. (the Building Corporation) in its reporting entity. The Building Corporation was organized to establish and operate a not-for-profit charter school and has purchased and constructed educational facilities that are leased solely to the School. The Building Corporation is blended into the School's financial statements as a Special Revenue Fund and does not issue separate financial statements.

The School is a component unit of the District. The School's charter is authorized by the District and the majority of the School's funding is provided by the District.

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all activities of the School. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Exceptions to this general rule are charges for interfund services that are reasonably equivalent to the services provided. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported in a single column.

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Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2020

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of the given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include 1) charges to students or others who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Unrestricted revenues not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting as are the proprietary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current year or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current year. For this purpose, the School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current year. Intergovernmental revenues, grants, and interest associated with the current year are considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current year. All other revenues are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the School. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, are recorded only when payment is due.

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation (Continued)

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

In the fund financial statements, the School reports the following major governmental fund:

General Fund - This fund is the general operating fund of the School. It is currently used to account for all financial activities except those accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Fund - This fund is used to account for the financial activities of the Building Corporation, primarily related to capital assets and the related debt service.

Assets, Liabilities and Net Position/Fund Balance

Receivables - All receivables are reported at their gross value and, where appropriate, are reduced by the estimated portion that is expected to be uncollectible.

Prepaid Expenses - Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future years and are reported as prepaid expenses.

Capital Assets - Capital assets are reported in the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary fund in the fund financial statements. Capital assets are defined as assets with an initial, individual cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at the acquisition value on the date of donation.

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives, as follows:

Buildings	30 years
Equipment	5 - 30 years

Accrued Salaries and Benefits - Salaries and benefits of certain contractually employed personnel are paid over a twelve-month period from August to July but are earned during a school year of approximately nine to ten months. The salaries and benefits earned, but unpaid, are reported as a liability of the General Fund.

Unearned Revenues - Unearned revenues represent resources received by the School before it has a legal claim to them, including tuition and fees.

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
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Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2020

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities and Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)

Long-Term Debt - In the government-wide financial statements and the proprietary fund in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. In the governmental fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the debt proceeds, are reported as current expenses or expenditures.

Pensions - The School participates in the School Division Trust Fund (SCHDTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan 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 and deductions from the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, the same basis of accounting used by the SCHDTF. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Employer contributions are recognized when the compensation is payable to the employees. Investments are reported at fair value.

The Colorado General Assembly passed significant pension reform through Senate Bill (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 certain benefit provisions. Some, but not all, of these changes were in effect as of 2020.

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB) - The School participates in the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF), a cost-sharing multiple-employer postemployment healthcare plan 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 and deductions from the HCTF's fiduciary net position have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, the HCTF recognizes benefit payments when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Employer contributions are recognized when the compensation is payable to the employees. Investments are reported at fair value.

Net Position/Fund Balance - In the government-wide and fund financial statements, net position and fund balance are restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are externally imposed. The Board of Directors is authorized to establish a fund balance commitment through passage of a resolution and may assign fund balances to a specific purpose through an informal action.

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
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Notes to Financial Statements
June 30, 2020

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Assets, Liabilities and Net Position/Fund Balance (Continued)

The School has not established a formal policy for its use of restricted and unrestricted fund balances. However, if both restricted and unrestricted fund balances are available for a specific purpose, the School uses restricted fund balance first, followed by committed, assigned, and unassigned balances.

Risk Management

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The School carries commercial insurance for these risks of loss.

Implementation of New Accounting Pronouncements

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the School Implemented GASB Statement No. 90 – Majority Equity Interests. This statement changes Building Corporations of the School from a Proprietary Internal Service Fund to a Special Revenue fund and will be a blended component unit of the School.

Prior Period Adjustments

The Building Corporation is part of the School for financial reporting purposes because its resources are entirely for the direct benefit of the School and is blended into the School's financial statements as a Special Revenue Fund. Separate financial statements are not available.

Prior Period Adjustments (Continued)

The financial impact for the changes in fund effects on the financial statement opening balances of the Special Revenue Fund are summarized as follows:

Building Corporation Fund	As Originally Stated Balance 06/30/19	Capital Assets Adjustments	Loan Payable Adjustments	Interest Payable Adjustments	As Restated Balance 06/30/19
Balance Sheet					
Assets					
Cash	\$ 1,346,686	-	-	-	\$ 1,346,686
Capital Assets	13,064,714	(13,064,714)	-	-	-
Liabilities					
Interest Payable	270,700	-	-	(270,700)	-
Loan Payable	10,865,000	-	(10,865,000)	-	-
Fund Balance	<u>\$ 3,275,700</u>	<u>\$ (13,064,714)</u>	<u>\$ 10,865,000</u>	<u>\$ 270,700</u>	<u>\$ 1,346,686</u>

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Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Subsequent Events

The School has evaluated subsequent events through November 3, 2020, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 2: Cash and Investments

Cash and investments at June 30, 2020, consisted of the following:

Deposits	\$ 2,187,020
Investments	<u>1,346,207</u>
Total	\$ <u><u>3,533,227</u></u>

Deposits

The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires local government entities to deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by State regulations. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized by eligible collateral as determined by the PDPA. The PDPA allows the financial institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds held. The pool is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust for all uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits. At June 30, 2020, the School had bank deposits of \$2,298,933 collateralized with securities held by the financial institution's agent but not in the School's name.

Investments

The School is required to comply with State statutes which specify investment instruments meeting defined rating, maturity, and concentration risk criteria in which local governments may invest, which include the following. State statutes do not address custodial risk.

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

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Note 2: Cash and Investments (Continued)

Investments (Continued)

Interest Rate Risk - State statutes generally limit investments to a maturity of five years from the date of purchase unless the governing board authorizes the investment for a period in excess of five years.

Credit Risk - State statutes limit investments in money market funds to those that maintain a constant share price, with a maximum remaining maturity in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Commission's Rule 2a-7, and either have assets of one billion dollars or the highest rating issued by one or more nationally recognized statistical rating organizations. At June 30, 2020, the Building Corporation's investment of \$1,346,207 in the Fidelity Government Portfolio Money Market Fund was rated AAAM by Standard and Poor's.

Concentration of Credit Risk - State statutes do not limit the amount the School may invest in a single issuer, except for corporate securities.

Fair Value Measurements - The money market fund is measured at the net asset value per share, with each share valued at \$1.

Note 3: Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2020, is summarized below.

Governmental Activities	Balance 6/30/19	Additions	Deletions	Balance 6/30/20
Capital Assets, <i>Not Being Depreciated</i>				
Land	\$ 682,150	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 682,150
Total Capital Assets, <i>Not Being Depreciated</i>	<u>682,150</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>682,150</u>
Capital Assets, <i>Being Depreciated</i>				
Buildings	13,581,024	-	-	13,581,024
Equipment	46,050	-	-	46,050
Total Capital Assets, <i>Being Depreciated</i>	<u>13,627,074</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>13,627,074</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation				
Buildings	(1,198,460)	(452,700)	-	(1,651,160)
Equipment	(13,250)	(2,100)	-	(15,350)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(1,211,710)</u>	<u>(454,800)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,666,510)</u>
Total Capital Assets, <i>Being Depreciated, net</i>	<u>12,415,364</u>	<u>(454,800)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>11,960,564</u>
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, <i>net</i>	<u>\$ 13,097,514</u>	<u>\$ (454,800)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 12,642,714</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to the supporting services program of the School.

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Note 4: Long-Term Debt

Following is a summary of long-term debt transactions for the year ended June 30, 2020:

	<u>Balance 6/30/19</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Payments</u>	<u>Balance 6/30/20</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
Governmental Activities					
2015 Loan	\$ 10,865,000	\$ -	\$ (195,000)	\$ 10,670,000	\$ 205,000

Note 4: Long-Term Debt (Continued)

In June 2015, the Colorado Educational and Cultural Facilities Authority issued \$11,235,000 Charter School Revenue Bonds, Series 2015A and 2015B. Bond proceeds were loaned to the Building Corporation to purchase and construct the School's education facilities. The School is obligated under a lease agreement to make monthly lease payments to the Building Corporation for using the facilities. The Building Corporation is required to make equal loan payments to the Trustee, for payment of the bonds. Interest accrues on the bonds at rates ranging from 4.125% to 5.25% and is payable semi-annually on January 1 and July 1. Principal payments are due annually on July 1, through 2046.

Annual debt service requirements for the bonds are as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2021	\$ 205,000	\$ 529,128	\$ 734,128
2022	215,000	520,466	735,466
2023	225,000	511,391	736,391
2024	230,000	502,006	732,006
2025	240,000	492,313	732,313
2026-2030	1,365,000	2,290,244	3,655,244
2031-2035	1,740,000	1,909,125	3,649,125
2036-2040	2,220,000	1,411,487	3,631,487
2041-2045	2,865,000	749,831	3,614,831
2046-2047	1,365,000	72,581	1,437,581
Total	\$ 10,670,000	\$ 8,988,572	\$ 19,658,572

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Note 5: Defined Benefit Pension Plan

General Information

Plan Description - The School contributes to the SCHDTF, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. All employees of the School participate in the SCHDTF. 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 financial report (CAFR) that includes information on the SCHDTF that may be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Benefits Provided - The SCHDTF provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits to plan participants or their beneficiaries. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA benefit structure is the greater of the a) highest average salary over three years multiplied by 2.5% and then multiplied by years of service credit, or b) the value of the retiring employee's contribution account plus an equal match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date, annualized into a monthly amount 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.

As of December 31, 2019, retirees who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit are generally eligible to receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) in certain years, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S., once certain criteria are met. Pursuant to SB 18-200, the annual increase for 2019 is 0.00 percent for all benefit recipients. Thereafter, benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began eligible employment before January 1, 2007 and all benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure will receive an annual increase of 1.25 percent adjusted by the automatic adjustment provision (AAP) pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-51-413. Benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began eligible employment on or after January 1, 2007, will receive the lessor of an annual increase of 1.25 percent or the average of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the prior calendar year, not to exceed 10 percent of PERA's Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the SCHDTF. The AAP may raise or lower the annual increase by up to 0.25 percent based on the parameters specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-413.

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Note 5: Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

General Information (Continued)

Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of a disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the lifetime retirement benefit formula described previously, considering a minimum of twenty 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 in place under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor who will receive the benefits.

Contributions - The School, eligible employees and the State are required to contribute to the SCHDTF at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements for the SCHDTF are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, et seq. and § 24-51-413. The contribution rate for eligible employees is 8.75% of covered salaries during the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. The School's contribution rate was 20.40% of covered salaries for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. However, a portion of the School's contribution (1.02% of covered salaries) is allocated to the Health Care Trust Fund (See Note 6). Contribution rates for the SCHDTF are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42).

As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the State is required to contribute \$225 million each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. A portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the SCHDTF based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the SCHDTF to the total annual payroll of the SCHDTF, State Division Trust Fund, Judicial Division Trust Fund, and Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund. A portion of the direct distribution allocated to the SCHDTF is considered a nonemployer contribution for financial reporting purposes. During the year ended June 30, 2020, the direct distribution for the SCHDTF was \$126,505,213.

Subsequent to the SCHDTF's December 31, 2019, measurement date, HB 20-1379 Suspend Direct Distribution to PERA Public Employees Retirement Association for 2020-21 Fiscal Year, was passed into law during the 2020 legislative session and signed by Governor Polis on June 29, 2020. This bill suspends the July 1, 2020, \$225 million direct distribution allocated to the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Divisions, as required under Senate Bill 18-200.

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. The School's contributions to the SCHDTF for the year ended June 30, 2020, were \$399,165 equal to the required contributions.

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Note 5: Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

The net pension liability for the SCHDTF was measured at December 31, 2019, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2018. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2019. The School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on School's contributions to the SCHDTF for the calendar year 2019 relative to the total contributions of participating employers and the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

At June 30, 2020, the School reported a net pension liability of \$4,907,226 representing its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected a reduction for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity. The amount recognized by the School as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the School were as follows:

School's proportionate share of net pension liability	\$ 5,529,641
The State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a nonemployer contributing entity associated with the School	<u>(622,415)</u>
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	<u>\$ 4,907,226</u>

At December 31, 2019, the School's proportion was 0.0328467047%, which was a decrease of 0.0013610731% from its proportion measured at December 31, 2018.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the School recognized pension expense of \$78,711 which includes \$19,688 of support from the state as a nonemployer contributing entity. At June 30, 2020, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 267,447	\$ -
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	140,093	2,225,872
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	-	581,307
Changes in proportion	156,970	480,172
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	<u>234,871</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 799,381</u>	<u>\$ 3,287,351</u>

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Note 5: Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

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School contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$234,871 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the subsequent fiscal year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized as pension expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>	
2021	\$ (1,385,399)
2022	(1,105,515)
2023	(34,183)
2024	(197,742)
2025	<u>(2)</u>
 Total	 \$ <u>(2,722,841)</u>

Actuarial Assumptions - The actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2018, determined the total pension liability using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs.

Price inflation	2.4%
Real wage growth	1.1%
Wage inflation	3.5%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.5% - 9.7%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post retirement benefit increases:	
Hired prior to 1/1/2007	1.25%
Hired after 12/31/2006	ad hoc

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.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Healthy Annuitant Mortality Table, with certain adjustments, adjusted as follows:

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

- *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 actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2018, 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.

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 SCHDTF, including long-term historical data, estimates inherent in current market data, and a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected return, net of investment expense and inflation) were developed for each major asset class. These ranges were combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and then adding expected inflation.

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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, as follows:

<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>	

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

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. 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 3.50%.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200 and the additional 0.50% resulting from the 2018 AAP assessment, statutorily recognized July 1, 2019, and effective July 1, 2020. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200. Employer contributions also include the 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.
- As specified in law, the State will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million (actual dollars), commencing July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process 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. AIR transfers to the fiduciary net position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- The projected benefit payments reflect the lowered annual increase cap, from 1.50% to 1.25% resulting from the 2018 AAP assessment, statutorily recognized July 1, 2019, and effective July 1, 2020.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the projection test indicates 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 of 7.25 percent on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount determination does not use the municipal bond rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

Sensitivity of the School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the School's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.25%) or one percentage point higher (8.25%) than the current rate, as follows:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net Pension liability	\$ <u>6,508,033</u>	\$ <u>4,907,226</u>	\$ <u>3,563,210</u>

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about the SCHDTF's fiduciary net position is available in PERA's separately issued financial report, which may be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Note 6: Postemployment Healthcare Benefits

General Information

Plan Description - All employees of the School are eligible to receive postemployment benefits other than pensions (OPEB) through the HCTF, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado (PERA). The HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (CRS), as amended. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the C.R.S., as amended, 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 the premium subsidies. PERA issues a publicly available financial report that includes information on the HCTF. That report may be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

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Note 6: Postemployment Healthcare Benefits

General Information (Continued)

Benefits Provided - The HCTF provides a healthcare premium subsidy to eligible 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. For members who retire having service credit with employers in the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Division and one or more of the other four Divisions (State, School, Local Government and Judicial), the premium subsidy is allocated between the HCTF and the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust Fund (DPS HCTF). 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 and all retirees under the DPS benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare. Upon the death of a DPS benefit structure retiree, no further subsidy is paid.

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.

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, and \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are over 65 years of age 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.

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 or the DPS HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

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Note 6: Postemployment Healthcare Benefits (Continued)

General Information (Continued)

Contributions - As established by Title 24, Article 51, Section 208 of the CRS, 1.02% of the School's contributions to the SCHDTF (see Note 5) is apportioned to the HCTF. No employee contributions are required. These contribution requirements are established and may be amended by the State Legislature. Employer contributions are recognized by the HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the HCTF from the School for the year ended June 30, 2020, was \$21,009, equal to the required amount.

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

At June 30, 2020, the School reported a net OPEB liability of \$241,215, representing its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability of the HCTF. The net OPEB liability was measured at December 31, 2019, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2018. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2019.

The School's proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the School's contributions to the HCTF for the calendar year ended December 31, 2019, relative to the contributions of all participating employers. At December 31, 2019, the School's proportion was 0.0214604636%, which was a decrease of 0.0007747791% from its proportion measured at December 31, 2018.

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the School recognized OPEB expense of \$23,671. At June 30, 2020, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 801	\$ 40,534
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	2,002	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	-	4,026
Changes in proportion	33,788	8,802
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	12,319	-
Total	<u>\$ 48,910</u>	<u>\$ 53,362</u>

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Note 6: Postemployment Healthcare Benefits (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

School contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$12,319 will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the subsequent fiscal year. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized as OPEB expense as follows:

<u>Year Ended June 30,</u>		
2021	\$	30
2022		32
2023		1,195
2024		(7,931)
2025		(9,517)
Thereafter		<u>(580)</u>
Total	\$	<u><u>(16,771)</u></u>

Actuarial Assumptions - The actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2018, determined the total OPEB liability using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement.

Price inflation	2.4%
Real wage growth	1.1%
Wage inflation	3.5%
Salary increases, including wage inflation	3.5%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Health care cost trend rates:	
Service-based premium subsidy	0.0%
Medicare plans:	
5.60% for 2019, gradually decreasing to 4.50% in 2029	
Medicare Part A premiums:	
3.50% for 2019, gradually increasing to 4.50% in 2029	

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.

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The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2018 valuation were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the periods January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, and were adopted by PERA's governing board on November 18, 2016. In addition, certain actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and the related trends are analyzed and reviewed by PERA's actuary as needed.

All costs are subject to the health care cost trend rates, as discussed below.

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.

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 industry methods developed by health plan actuaries and administrators. In addition, projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services are referenced in the development of these rates. Effective December 31, 2018, 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.

Mortality assumptions for the determination of the total pension 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. The mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

Post-retirement non-disabled 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.

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For disabled retirees, the mortality assumption was based on 90 percent of the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Mortality Table.

The following health care costs assumptions were updated and used in the measurement of the obligations for the HCTF:

- 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 2019 plan year.
- The morbidity assumptions were updated to reflect the assumed standard aging factors.
- 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.

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.

The most recent analysis of the long-term expected rate of return was adopted by PERA's governing board on November 18, 2016 and included the target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class, as presented previously (see Note 5).

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%.

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OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Discount Rate - The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25%. 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, 2019, 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.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

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% 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%.

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate - The following presents the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower (6.25%) or one percentage point higher (8.25%) than the current rate, as follows:

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 272,742	\$ 241,215	\$ 214,253

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Note 6: Postemployment Healthcare Benefits (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Sensitivity of the Net OPEB Liability to Changes in the Healthcare Cost Trend Rates - The following presents the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the current healthcare cost trend rates, ranging from 2.5% to 6.5% as well as the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates, as follows:

	1% Decrease	Current Healthcare Cost Trend Rate	1% Increase
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ <u>235,485</u>	\$ <u>241,215</u>	\$ <u>247,837</u>

OPEB Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Detailed information about the HCTF's fiduciary net position is available in PERA's separately issued financial report, which may be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

Note 7: Commitments and Contingencies

Claims and Judgments

The School participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by revenues received from other governmental entities. Expenditures financed by these revenues are subject to audit by the appropriate government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with program regulations, the School may be required to reimburse the other government. At June 30, 2020, significant amounts of related expenditures have not been audited but the School believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on the overall financial position of the School.

TABOR Amendment

In November 1992, Colorado voters passed the TABOR Amendment to the State Constitution which limits state and local government taxing powers and imposes spending limitations. The Amendment is subject to many interpretations, but the School believes it is in substantial compliance with the Amendment. In accordance with the Amendment, the School has established an emergency reserve representing 3% of qualifying expenditures. At June 30, 2020, the reserve was reported as restricted fund balance in the General Fund, in the amount of \$144,917.

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Note 8: Subsequent Event

Subsequent to year-end, the United States of America and the State of Colorado have declared an emergency associated with the Coronavirus Pandemic. The School has been economically impacted by the event, however the full economic effect has yet to be determined.

Required Supplementary Information

Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
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 Required Supplementary Information
 Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and Contributions
 Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado School Division Trust Fund
 June 30, 2020

	12/31/19	12/31/18
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability		
School's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0328467047%	0.0342077778%
School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 4,907,226	\$ 6,057,190
School's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 1,929,634	\$ 1,880,585
School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	254%	322%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	65%	57%
	6/30/20	6/30/19
School Contributions		
Statutorily Required Contribution	\$ 399,165	\$ 351,661
Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contribution	(399,165)	(351,661)
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$ -	\$ -
School's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 2,059,671	\$ 1,838,267
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	19.38%	19.13%

This schedule is presented to show information for 10 years. Until information for the full 10-year period is available, information will be presented for the years it is available.

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 Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and Contributions
 Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado School Division Trust Fund
 June 30, 2020
 (Continued)

	<u>12/31/17</u>	<u>12/31/16</u>	<u>12/31/15</u>	<u>12/31/14</u>	<u>12/31/13</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability					
School's Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	0.0364648693%	0.0295498945%	0.0242852847%	0.0180704381%	0.0141738138%
School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	\$ 11,791,443	\$ 8,798,164	\$ 3,714,272	\$ 2,449,151	\$ 1,807,866
School's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 1,682,081	\$ 1,453,520	\$ 1,058,347	\$ 835,087	\$ 565,234
School's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	701%	605%	351%	293%	320%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability	44%	43%	59%	63%	64%
School Contributions	<u>6/30/18</u>	<u>6/30/17</u>	<u>6/30/16</u>	<u>6/30/15</u>	<u>6/30/14</u>
Statutorily Required Contribution	\$ 355,268	\$ 282,142	\$ 227,709	\$ 162,147	\$ 118,577
Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contribution	<u>(355,268)</u>	<u>(282,142)</u>	<u>(227,709)</u>	<u>(162,147)</u>	<u>(118,577)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 1,881,255	\$ 1,453,520	\$ 1,213,398	\$ 953,806	\$ 718,649
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	18.88%	19.41%	18.77%	17.00%	16.50%

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 Required Supplementary Information
 Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability and Contributions
 Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado Health Care Trust Fund
 June 30, 2020

	<u>12/31/19</u>	<u>12/31/18</u>	<u>12/31/17</u>
Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability			
School's Proportion of the Net OPEB Liability	0.0214604636%	0.0222352427%	0.0207192003%
School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability	\$ 241,215	\$ 302,520	\$ 269,267
School's Covered Payroll	\$ 1,929,634	\$ 1,880,585	\$ 1,682,081
School's Proportionate Share of the Net OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	13%	16%	16%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total OPEB Liability	24%	17%	18%
	<u>6/30/20</u>	<u>6/30/19</u>	<u>6/30/18</u>
School Contributions			
Statutorily Required Contribution	\$ 21,009	\$ 18,750	\$ 19,189
Contributions in Relation to the Statutorily Required Contribution	<u>(21,009)</u>	<u>(18,750)</u>	<u>(19,189)</u>
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
School's Covered Payroll	\$ 2,059,671	\$ 1,838,267	\$ 1,881,255
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%

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Aspen Ridge School, Inc.
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Budgetary Comparison Schedule
General Fund
For the Year Ended June 30, 2020

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual	Variance Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
<i>Local Sources</i>				
Per Pupil Revenue	\$ 3,643,219	\$ 3,598,915	\$ 3,598,910	\$ (5)
District Mill Levy	649,115	747,599	747,599	-
Tuition and Fees	262,495	198,124	198,143	19
Student Activities	32,710	38,800	39,148	348
Contributions	80,000	32,734	41,476	8,742
Investment Earnings	5,098	6,700	6,742	42
Other	-	13,620	16,597	2,977
<i>State Sources</i>				
Additional At-Risk Funding	179	296	296	-
Capital Construction	113,085	110,301	120,742	10,441
Grants	36,294	41,387	88,529	47,142
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 4,822,195</u>	<u>\$ 4,788,476</u>	<u>\$ 4,858,182</u>	<u>\$ 69,706</u>
Expenditures				
Salaries	2,313,444	2,185,311	2,116,802	68,509
Benefits	668,431	642,520	652,354	(9,834)
Purchased Services	1,421,714	1,317,574	1,236,261	81,313
Supplies and Materials	172,500	263,678	487,524	(223,846)
Property	143,133	322,000	122,884	199,116
Other	40,172	41,988	54,984	(12,996)
Contingency	58,927	45,000	-	45,000
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 4,818,321</u>	<u>\$ 4,818,071</u>	<u>\$ 4,670,809</u>	<u>\$ 147,262</u>
Excess Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	\$ 3,874	\$ (29,595)	\$ 187,373	\$ 216,968
Transfers				
Transfer In	-	19,525	19,525	-
Net Change in Fund Balance	3,874	(10,070)	206,898	216,968
Fund Balance, Beginning of year	<u>1,808,867</u>	<u>1,889,258</u>	<u>1,889,259</u>	<u>1</u>
Fund Balance, End of year	<u>1,812,741</u>	<u>\$ 1,879,188</u>	<u>\$ 2,096,157</u>	<u>\$ 216,969</u>

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Note 1: Schedule of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability and Contributions

The Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado (PERA) School Division Trust Fund's net pension liability and associated amounts are measured annually at December 31, based on an actuarial valuation as of the previous December 31. The School's contributions and related ratios represent cash contributions and any related accruals that coincide with the School's fiscal year ending on June 30.

Changes in Assumptions and Other Inputs

For the year ended June 30, 2020, the total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2018. The following revised economic and demographic assumptions were effective as of December 31, 2019.

- Investment rate of return assumption of 7.25% per year, compounded annually. This assumption did not change from the prior year.
- Price inflation assumption of 2.4% per year. This assumption did not change from the prior year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.78% per year, net of investment expenses, to 7.25%. The rate reflected in the roll-forward calculation of the collective total pension liability to the measurement date was 7.25%. This assumption did not change from the prior year.
- Wage inflation assumption of 3.5% per year. This assumption did not change from the prior year.
- Healthy and disabled mortality assumptions are based on the RP-2014 Mortality Tables.

Note 2: Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability

Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

A budget is adopted for the General Fund on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Management submits to the Board of Directors a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1, for their approval. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.

Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the Board of Directors.

All appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

The Board of Directors does not adopt a budget for the Building Fund, which may be a violation of State statutes.