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**Quitman County School District**

Audited Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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Certified Public Accountants

# Quitman County School District

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## FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE BASIC FINANCIAL  
STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Superintendent and School Board  
Quitman County School District

**Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Quitman County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Quitman County School District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

**Auditor's Responsibility**

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the 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 District'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.

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## **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 Quitman County School District, as of June 30, 2017, 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.

## **Other Matters**

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, the Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, and the Schedule of District Contributions on pages 8 to 19 and 58 to 62, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### *Other Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Quitman County School District's basic financial statements. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for Governmental Funds, and the other information section, which includes the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - General Fund, Last Four Years and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, and the Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for Governmental Funds are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures

applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying supplementary information mentioned above is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The other information section, which includes the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - General Fund, Last Four Years and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 14, 2018, on our consideration of the Quitman County School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Quitman County School District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Quitman County School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*FORTENBERRY & BALLARD, PC*

Fortenberry & Ballard, PC  
September 14, 2018

Certified Public Accountants



## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**Quitman County School District**  
Management's Discussion and Analysis  
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The following discussion and analysis of Quitman County School District's financial performance provides an overview of the School District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2017. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the School District's performance as a whole. Readers are encouraged to review the financial statements and the notes the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Total net position for 2017 decreased \$2,340,182, including a prior period adjustment of (\$475,379), which represents a 27% decrease from fiscal year 2016. Total net position for 2016 decreased \$439,180, including a prior period adjustment of (\$35,903), which represents a 5% decrease from fiscal year 2015.
- General revenues amounted to \$9,328,069 and \$9,370,065, or 73% and 73% of all revenues for fiscal years 2017 and 2016, respectively. Program specific revenues in the form of charges for services and grants and contributions accounted for \$3,521,689, or 27% of total revenues for 2017, and \$3,455,598, or 27% of total revenues for 2016.
- The District had \$14,714,561 and \$13,228,940 in expenses for fiscal years 2017 and 2016; only \$3,521,689 for 2017 and \$3,455,598 for 2016 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$9,328,069 for 2017 and \$9,370,065 for 2016 were not adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among the major funds, the General Fund had \$8,993,751 in revenues and \$8,532,748 in expenditures for 2017, and \$8,919,921 in revenues and \$7,997,815 in expenditures for 2016. The General Fund's fund balance decreased by \$442,362, including a prior period adjustment of (\$151,402), from 2016 to 2017, and increased by \$438,066, including a prior period adjustment of (\$3,504), from 2015 to 2016.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, increased by \$1,239,734 for 2017 and increased by \$1,428,780 for 2016. The increase for 2017 was due to additions to construction in progress and mobile equipment.
- Long-term debt decreased by \$240,000 for 2017 and increased by \$627,000 for 2016. This decrease for 2017 was due primarily to principal payments on outstanding long-term debt. The liability for compensated absences decreased by \$8,932 for 2017 and increased by \$5,228 for 2016.

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis serves as an introduction to the District's basic financial statements, which include government-wide financial statements, fund financial statements, and notes to the financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information, supplementary information, and other information.

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**Government-wide Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide the reader with a broad overview of the District's finances. These statements consist of the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities, which are prepared using the flow of economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The current year's revenues and expenses are taken into account regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The Statement of Net Position presents information on all the District's nonfiduciary assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources with the differences between them reported as "net position." Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the District'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.

The government-wide financial statements outline functions of the District that are principally supported by property taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the District include instruction, support services, non-instructional, pension expense, and interest on long-term liabilities.

**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 District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the District can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

**Governmental funds** - Most of the District's general activities are reported in its governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting and the flow of current financial resources measurement focus. The approach focuses on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as balances of spendable resources available at year end. The governmental fund statements provide a detailed view of the District's near term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-

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wide financial statements. By doing so, the reader may gain a better understanding of the long-term impact of the District's near term financing decisions. The governmental funds Balance Sheet is reconciled to the Statement of Net Position, and the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances is reconciled to the Statement of Activities to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The District maintains individual governmental funds in accordance with the *Financial Accounting Manual for Mississippi Public School Districts*. Information is presented separately in the governmental funds Balance Sheet and in the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances for all major funds. All non-major funds are combined and presented in these reports as other governmental funds.

**Fiduciary funds** - Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the District. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because resources of those funds are not available to support the District's own programs. These funds are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The school district is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purpose.

### **Reconciliation of Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The financial statements include two schedules that reconcile the amounts reported on the governmental funds financial statements (modified accrual basis of accounting) with government-wide financial statements (accrual basis of accounting). The following summarizes the major differences between the two statements:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not reported on governmental funds financial statements.

Capital outlay spending results in capital assets on government-wide financial statements, but is reported as expenditures on the governmental funds financial statements.

Bond and note proceeds result in liabilities on government-wide financial statements, but are recorded as other financing sources on the governmental funds financial statements.

A net pension liability results in a liability on the government-wide financial statements but is not reported on governmental funds financial statements.

Certain other outflows represent either increases or decreases in liabilities on the government-wide financial statements, but are reported as expenditures on the governmental funds financial statements.

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**Notes to the financial statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found immediately following the basic financial statements.

**Required Supplementary Information**

In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents a budgetary comparison schedule, Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, and Schedule of District Contributions as required supplementary information. The District adopts an annual operating budget for all governmental funds. A budgetary comparison schedule has been provided for the General Fund and each additional major special revenue fund as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

**Supplementary Information**

Additionally, a Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards and a Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures for governmental funds can be found in this report.

**Other Information**

Although not a required part of the basic financial statements, the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - General Fund, Last Four Years and the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years, is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Mississippi Department of Education.

**GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS**

**Net position**

Net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the District's financial position. Liabilities and deferred inflows of resources exceeded assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$11,098,320 as of June 30, 2017.

The District's financial position is a product of several financial transactions including the net result of activities, the acquisition and payment of debt, the acquisition and disposal of capital assets and the depreciation of capital assets.

Table 1 presents a summary of the District's net position at June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016.

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**Table 1**  
**Condensed Statement of Net Position**

	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Current assets	\$ 3,274,684	3,155,761	4%
Restricted assets	822,895	3,361,746	(76)%
Capital assets, net	<u>5,934,100</u>	<u>4,694,366</u>	26%
<b>Total assets</b>	<u>10,031,679</u>	<u>11,211,873</u>	(11)%
 <b>Deferred outflows of resources</b>	 <u>4,092,389</u>	 <u>3,550,240</u>	 15%
 Current liabilities	 914,974	 494,444	 85%
Long-term debt outstanding	5,588,867	5,837,799	(4)%
Net pension liability	<u>17,370,208</u>	<u>16,846,005</u>	3%
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<u>23,874,049</u>	<u>23,178,248</u>	3%
 <b>Deferred inflows of resources</b>	 <u>1,348,339</u>	 <u>342,003</u>	 294%
 <b>Net position:</b>			
Net investment in capital assets	1,132,201	2,301,112	(51)%
Restricted	1,258,493	347,142	263%
Unrestricted	<u>(13,489,014)</u>	<u>(11,406,392)</u>	(18)%
<b>Total net position (deficit)</b>	<u>\$ (11,098,320)</u>	<u>(8,758,138)</u>	(27)%

Additional information on unrestricted net position:

In connection with the application of standards on accounting and financial reporting for pensions, management presents the following additional information:

Total unrestricted net position (deficit)	\$ (13,489,014)
Less unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of the net pension liability, including the deferred outflows and deferred inflows related to pensions	<u>14,626,158</u>
Unrestricted net position, exclusive of the net pension liability effect	<u>\$ 1,137,144</u>

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The following are significant current year transactions that have had an impact on the Statement of Net Position:

- Increase in net capital assets in the amount of \$1,239,734.
- The principal retirement of \$240,000 in long-term debt.

**Changes in net position**

The District's total revenues for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016 were \$12,849,758 and \$12,825,663, respectively. The total cost of all programs and services was \$14,714,561 for 2017 and \$13,228,940 for 2016.

Table 2 presents a summary of the changes in net position for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and June 30, 2016.

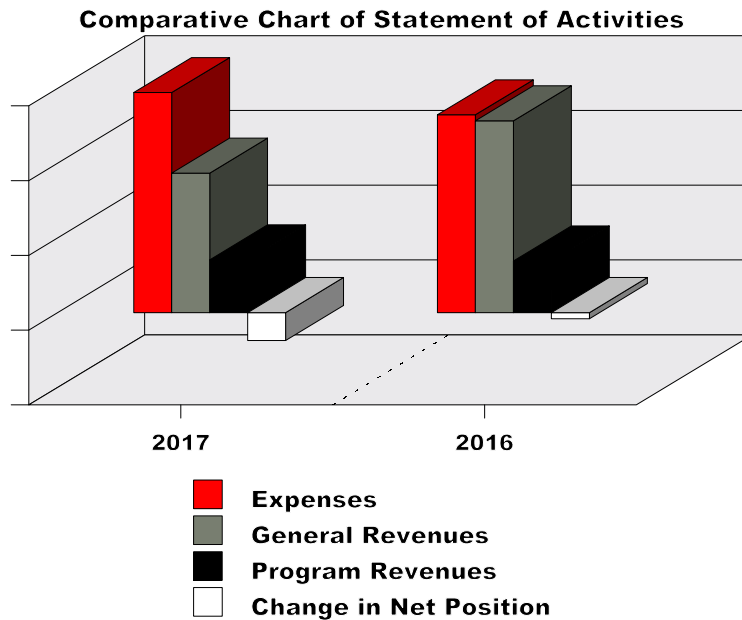
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**Table 2**  
**Changes in Net Position**

	<u>Year Ended June 30, 2017</u>	<u>Year Ended June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$ 137,351	143,776	(4)%
Operating grants and contributions	3,384,338	3,311,822	2%
General revenues:			
Property taxes	3,239,476	2,354,832	38%
Grants and contributions not restricted	5,677,694	6,434,954	(12)%
Investment earnings	31,287	40,715	(23)%
Sixteenth section sources	286,945	334,140	(14)%
Other	92,667	205,424	(55)%
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>12,849,758</u>	<u>12,825,663</u>	0%
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Instruction	5,493,314	5,417,565	1%
Support services	5,999,079	4,712,973	27%
Non-instructional	1,065,171	1,033,133	3%
Pension expense	1,966,753	1,905,995	3%
Interest on long-term liabilities	190,244	159,274	19%
<b>Total expenses</b>	<u>14,714,561</u>	<u>13,228,940</u>	11%
 Increase (Decrease) in net position	 <u>(1,864,803)</u>	 <u>(403,277)</u>	 (362)%
 <b>Net Position (Deficit), July 1, as previously reported</b>	 (8,758,138)	 (8,318,958)	 (5)%
<b>Prior Period Adjustment</b>	<u>(475,379)</u>	<u>(35,903)</u>	(1,224)%
<b>Net Position (Deficit), July 1, as restated</b>	<u>(9,233,517)</u>	<u>(8,354,861)</u>	(11)%
<b>Net Position (Deficit), June 30</b>	<u>\$ (11,098,320)</u>	<u>(8,758,138)</u>	(27)%



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**Governmental activities**

The following table presents the cost of five major District functional activities: instruction, support services, non-instructional, pension expense, and interest on long-term liabilities. The table also shows each functional activity's net cost (total cost less charges for services generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid provided for specific programs). The net cost presents the financial burden that was placed on the State and District's taxpayers by each of these functions.

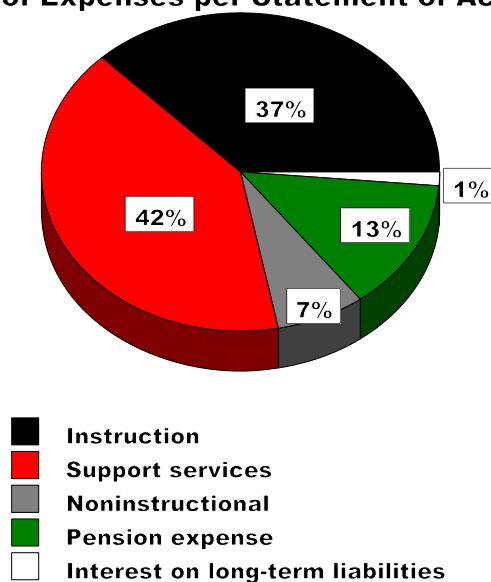
**Table 3**  
**Net Cost of Governmental Activities**

	<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>Percentage Change</b>
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	
Instruction	\$ 5,493,314	5,417,565	1%
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	<b>Net (Expense) Revenue</b>		
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Percentage Change</b>
Instruction	\$ (4,330,846)	(4,082,260)	(6)%
Support services	(4,701,179)	(3,698,934)	(27)%
Non-instructional	(3,850)	50,337	(108)%
Sixteenth section		22,784	(100)%
Pension expense	(1,966,753)	(1,905,995)	(3)%
Interest on long-term liabilities	(190,244)	(159,274)	(19)%
<b>Total net (expense) revenue</b>	<b>\$ (11,192,872)</b>	<b>(9,773,342)</b>	<b>(15)%</b>

**Chart of Expenses per Statement of Activiti**



- Net cost of governmental activities (\$11,192,872 for 2017 and \$9,773,342 for 2016) was financed by general revenue, which is primarily made of property taxes (\$3,239,476 for 2017 and \$2,354,832 for 2016) and state and federal revenues (\$5,677,694 for 2017 and \$6,434,954 for 2016). In addition, there was \$286,945 and \$334,140 in Sixteenth Section sources for 2017 and 2016, respectively.
- Investment earnings amounted to \$31,287 for 2017 and \$40,715 for 2016.

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**FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS**

As noted earlier, the District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

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

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$3,243,700, a decrease of \$2,831,662, which includes a prior period adjustment of (\$151,402) and an increase in inventory of \$6,048. \$1,762,641, or 54% of the fund balance is unassigned, which represents the residual classification for the general fund's fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The remaining fund balance of \$1,481,059, or 46% is either nonspendable, restricted or assigned to indicate that it is not available for spending except only for the purposes to which it is restricted or assigned.

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the District. The decrease in fund balance in the General Fund for the fiscal year was \$442,362, including a prior period adjustment of (\$151,402). The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed a decrease in the amount of \$425,272, which includes an increase in inventory of \$6,048. The increase (decrease) in the fund balances for the other major funds were as follows:

Major Fund	Increase (Decrease)
Title I Fund	no increase or decrease
QSCB Bond MS Gym Fund	\$ (1,964,028)

**BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

During the year, the District revised the annual operating budget. Budget revisions were made to address and correct the original budgets to reflect more accurately the sources and uses of funding for the School District.

A schedule showing the original and final budget amounts compared to the District's actual financial activity for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund is provided in this report as required supplementary information.

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**CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

**Capital Assets.** As of June 30, 2017, the District's total capital assets were \$9,608,935, including land, construction in progress, school buildings, building improvements, improvements other than buildings, buses, other school vehicles and furniture and equipment. This amount represents an increase of \$1,231,973 from 2016. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2017, was \$3,674,835, and total depreciation expense for the year was \$197,345, resulting in total net capital assets of \$5,934,100.

**Table 4**  
**Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation**

	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Land	\$ 76,602	76,602	0%
Construction in progress	2,864,909	1,463,656	96%
Buildings	230,327	230,327	0%
Building improvements	1,953,186	2,044,729	(4)%
Improvements other than buildings	256,823	271,398	(5)%
Mobile equipment	521,047	559,823	(7)%
Furniture and equipment	31,206	47,831	(35)%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ <u>5,934,100</u></b>	<b><u>4,694,366</u></b>	<b><u>26%</u></b>

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in Note 5 included in this report.

**Debt Administration.** At June 30, 2017, the District had \$5,588,867 in outstanding long-term debt, of which \$245,000 is due within one year. The liability for compensated absences decreased \$8,932 from the prior year.

**Table 5**  
**Outstanding Long-Term Debt**

	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
General obligation bonds payable	\$ 3,580,000	3,795,000	(6)%
Three mill notes payable	960,000	985,000	(3)%
Qualified school construction bonds payable	975,000	975,000	0%
Compensated absences payable	73,867	82,799	(11)%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ <u>5,588,867</u></b>	<b><u>5,837,799</u></b>	<b><u>(4)%</u></b>

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Additional information on the District's long-term debt can be found in Note 6 included in this report.

**CURRENT ISSUES**

The Quitman County School District is financially stable. The District is proud of its community support of the public schools.

The District has committed itself to financial excellence for many years. The District's system of financial planning, budgeting, and internal financial controls is well regarded. The District plans to continue its sound fiscal management to meet the challenges of the future.

The District actively pursues grant funding to supplement the local, state, and federal revenues.

Enrollment for the 2016 - 2017 year decreased by 9% to 960 students.

GASB Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, is to be implemented in fiscal year 6/30/2018. At this point, we do not have enough information to judge the impact this will have on this school district.

**CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Superintendent's Office of the Quitman County School District, P.O. Drawer E, Marks, MS 38666.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT****STATEMENT OF NET POSITION**

JUNE 30, 2017

	Governmental Activities
<b>Assets</b>	
<i>Cash and cash equivalents</i>	\$ 2,632,875
<i>Due from other governments</i>	622,202
<i>Inventories</i>	19,607
<i>Restricted assets</i>	822,895
<i>Capital assets, non-depreciable:</i>	
<i>Land</i>	76,602
<i>Construction in progress</i>	2,864,909
<i>Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:</i>	
<i>Buildings</i>	230,327
<i>Building improvements</i>	1,953,186
<i>Improvements other than buildings</i>	256,823
<i>Mobile equipment</i>	521,047
<i>Furniture and equipment</i>	31,206
Total Assets	<u>10,031,679</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Deferred outflows - pensions	4,092,389
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>4,092,389</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<i>Accounts payable and accrued liabilities</i>	845,531
<i>Unearned revenue</i>	8,348
<i>Interest payable on long-term liabilities</i>	61,095
Long-term liabilities, due within one year:	
<i>Capital related liabilities</i>	245,000
Long-term liabilities, due beyond one year:	
<i>Capital related liabilities</i>	5,270,000
<i>Non-capital related liabilities</i>	73,867
<i>Net pension liability</i>	17,370,208
Total Liabilities	<u>23,874,049</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Deferred inflows - pensions	1,348,339
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>1,348,339</u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,132,201
Restricted For:	
Expendable:	
School-based activities	345,550
Debt service	74,235
Capital projects	767,295
Unemployment benefits	9,322
Forestry improvements	62,091
Unrestricted	(13,489,014)
Total Net Position (Deficit)	<u>\$ (11,098,320)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

## QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

## STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Functions/Programs	Expenses	Program Revenues		Net (Expense)
		Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Governmental Activities:				Governmental Activities
<i>Instruction</i>	5,493,314	62,286	1,100,182	(4,330,846)
<i>Support services</i>	5,999,079	--	1,297,900	(4,701,179)
<i>Noninstructional services</i>	1,065,171	75,065	986,256	(3,850)
<i>Pension expense</i>	1,966,753	--	--	(1,966,753)
<i>Interest on long-term liabilities</i>	190,244	--	--	(190,244)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 14,714,561</u>	<u>\$ 137,351</u>	<u>\$ 3,384,338</u>	<u>(11,192,872)</u>
General Revenues:				
Taxes:				
<i>General purpose levies</i>				2,894,853
<i>Debt purpose levies</i>				344,623
Unrestricted grants and contributions:				
<i>State</i>				5,634,329
<i>Federal</i>				43,365
<i>Unrestricted investment earnings</i>				31,287
<i>Sixteenth section sources</i>				286,945
<i>Other</i>				92,667
Total General Revenues				<u>9,328,069</u>
Change in Net Position				<u>(1,864,803)</u>
Net Position (Deficit) - Beginning, as previously reported				(8,758,138)
Prior Period Adjustment				(475,379)
Net Position (Deficit) - Beginning, as restated				<u>(9,233,517)</u>
Net Position (Deficit) - Ending				<u>\$ (11,098,320)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.



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**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Title I Fund
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<b>Assets:</b>		
<i>Cash and Cash Equivalents</i>	\$ 2,174,637	\$ --
<i>Investments</i>	--	--
<i>Due from other governments</i>	60,143	385,823
<i>Due from other funds</i>	126,762	--
<i>Inventories</i>	--	--
Total Assets	<u>\$ 2,361,542</u>	<u>\$ 385,823</u>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances:</b>		
<b>Liabilities:</b>		
<i>Accounts payable and accrued liabilities</i>	\$ 437,430	\$ 347,765
<i>Due to other funds</i>	--	31,904
<i>Unearned revenue</i>	--	6,154
Total Liabilities	<u>437,430</u>	<u>385,823</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>		
<b>Nonspendable:</b>		
<i>Inventory</i>	--	--
<b>Restricted:</b>		
<i>Unemployment benefits</i>	--	--
<i>Forestry improvements</i>	--	--
<i>Capital improvements</i>	--	--
<i>Debt service</i>	--	--
Grant activities	--	--
Food service	--	--
<b>Assigned:</b>		
<i>Special education</i>	93,615	--
<i>Activity funds</i>	38,317	--
<i>Alternative school</i>	18,139	--
<i>At risk</i>	11,400	--
<b>Unassigned</b>	<u>1,762,641</u>	<u>--</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>1,924,112</u>	<u>--</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$ 2,361,542</u>	<u>\$ 385,823</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

EXHIBIT C

QSCB Bond MS Gym Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 471,747	\$ 699,592	\$ 3,345,976
--	109,794	109,794
--	189,683	635,649
--	3,417	130,179
--	19,607	19,607
<u>\$ 471,747</u>	<u>\$ 1,022,093</u>	<u>\$ 4,241,205</u>
\$ --	\$ 60,336	\$ 845,531
--	111,722	143,626
--	2,194	8,348
<u>--</u>	<u>174,252</u>	<u>997,505</u>
--	19,607	19,607
--	9,322	9,322
--	62,091	62,091
471,747	295,548	767,295
--	135,330	135,330
--	183,427	183,427
--	142,516	142,516
--	--	93,615
--	--	38,317
--	--	18,139
--	--	11,400
--	--	1,762,641
<u>471,747</u>	<u>847,841</u>	<u>3,243,700</u>
<u>\$ 471,747</u>	<u>\$ 1,022,093</u>	<u>\$ 4,241,205</u>

**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

*RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET  
TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2017*

Total fund balances for governmental funds	\$ 3,243,700
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not reported in the funds.	5,934,100
Liabilities due in one year are not recognized in the funds.	(245,000)
Payables for bond principal which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(4,335,000)
Payables for bond interest which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(61,095)
Payables for notes which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(935,000)
Payables for compensated absences which are not due in the current period are not reported in the funds.	(73,867)
Recognition of the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability is not reported in the funds.	(17,370,208)
Deferred Inflows of Resources related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds.	(1,348,339)
Deferred Outflows of Resources related to the pension plan are not reported in the funds.	<u>4,092,389</u>
Net position of governmental activities	\$ <u>(11,098,320)</u>

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**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES**  
**IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

	General Fund	Title I Fund
<b>Revenues:</b>		
<i>Local sources</i>	\$ 2,997,981	\$ --
<i>State sources</i>	5,665,460	--
<i>Federal sources</i>	43,365	1,219,507
<i>Sixteenth section sources</i>	286,945	--
<i>Total Revenues</i>	<u>8,993,751</u>	<u>1,219,507</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
<i>Instruction</i>	4,528,243	568,606
<i>Support services</i>	3,917,469	540,950
<i>Noninstructional services</i>	87,036	84,948
<i>Facilities acquisition and construction</i>	--	--
<i>Debt service:</i>		
<i>Principal</i>	--	--
<i>Interest</i>	--	--
<i>Other</i>	--	--
<i>Total Expenditures</i>	<u>8,532,748</u>	<u>1,194,504</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>461,003</u>	<u>25,003</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>		
<i>Payment held by QSCB escrow agent</i>	--	--
<i>Payment to QSCB debt escrow agent</i>	--	--
<i>Operating transfers in</i>	88,918	--
<i>Operating transfers out</i>	(840,881)	(25,003)
<i>Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)</i>	<u>(751,963)</u>	<u>(25,003)</u>
 Net Change in Fund Balances	 (290,960)	 --
July 1, 2016 - Beginning, as previously reported	2,366,474	--
Prior Period Adjustment	(151,402)	--
July 1, 2016, as restated	<u>2,215,072</u>	<u>--</u>
Increase (decrease) in inventory	--	--
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 1,924,112</u>	<u>\$ --</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

QSCB Bond MS Gym Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
\$ 11,636	\$ 491,164	\$ 3,500,781
--	559,316	6,224,776
--	1,574,384	2,837,256
--	--	286,945
<u>11,636</u>	<u>2,624,864</u>	<u>12,849,758</u>
--	834,388	5,931,237
939,830	958,317	6,356,566
--	929,601	1,101,585
1,035,834	689,396	1,725,230
--	240,000	240,000
--	180,948	180,948
--	500	500
<u>1,975,664</u>	<u>3,833,150</u>	<u>15,536,066</u>
<u>(1,964,028)</u>	<u>(1,208,286)</u>	<u>(2,686,308)</u>
--	109,000	109,000
--	(109,000)	(109,000)
--	840,881	929,799
--	(63,915)	(929,799)
<u>--</u>	<u>776,966</u>	<u>--</u>
(1,964,028)	(431,320)	(2,686,308)
2,435,775	1,273,113	6,075,362
--	--	(151,402)
<u>2,435,775</u>	<u>1,273,113</u>	<u>5,923,960</u>
--	6,048	6,048
<u>\$ 471,747</u>	<u>\$ 847,841</u>	<u>\$ 3,243,700</u>

**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

*RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017*

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (2,686,308)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities ("SOA") are different because:	
Capital outlays are not reported as expenses in the SOA.	1,788,290
The depreciation of capital assets used in governmental activities is not reported in the funds.	(197,345)
Trade-in or disposal of capital assets decrease net position in the SOA but not in the funds.	(27,234)
Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the funds but is not an expense in the SOA.	240,000
(Increase) decrease in accrued interest from beginning of period to end of period.	(8,796)
Change in inventory affects fund balance in the funds but affects expense in the SOA.	6,048
Compensated absences are reported as the amount earned in the SOA but as the amount paid in the funds.	8,932
Pension contributions made after the measurement date but in current FY were de-expended & reduced NPL.	978,363
Pension expense relating to GASB 68 is recorded in the SOA but not in the funds.	<u>(1,966,753)</u>
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ <u>(1,864,803)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.



**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
**FIDUCIARY FUNDS**  
**JUNE 30, 2017**

	Agency Funds
<b>Assets</b>	
<i>Cash and cash equivalents</i>	\$ 19,332
<i>Due from other funds</i>	14,491
Total Assets	<u>\$ 33,823</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
<i>Accounts payable and accrued liabilities</i>	\$ 4,981
<i>Due to student clubs</i>	14,568
<i>Due to other funds</i>	1,044
<i>Other payables</i>	13,230
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 33,823</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

**Quitman County School District**

Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

## **Quitman County School District**

Notes to the Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### **Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

The accompanying financial statements of the school district have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). GASB is the accepted standard-setting body for governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The most significant of the school district's accounting policies are described below.

#### **A. Financial Reporting Entity**

As defined by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, the school district is considered a "primary government." The school district is governed by a five member board to which each member is elected by the citizens of each defined county district.

For financial reporting purposes, Quitman County School District has included all funds and organizations. The District has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body and (1) the ability of the District to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the District.

#### **B. Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements**

Government-wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of inter-fund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Net Position presents the District's non-fiduciary assets, deferred outflows, liabilities and deferred inflows with the difference reported as net position. Net position is reported in three categories:

1. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, and reduced by outstanding balances of bonds, notes and other debt attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

2. Restricted net position results when constraints placed on net position use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
3. Unrestricted net position consists of net position not meeting the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net position often has constraints on resources imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function, or segment, are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property taxes and other items not included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported in separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as other governmental funds.

The school district reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - This is the school district's primary operating fund. The general fund is used to account for and report all financial resources not accounted for and reported in another fund.

Title I Fund - This is a special revenue fund that accounts for the federal revenue received and expenditures incurred related to the Title I grants to local educational agencies program.

QSCB Bond MS Gym Fund - This is a capital project fund used to account for the proceeds of the qualified school construction bond and expenditures related to the construction of the middle school's new gymnasium.

All other governmental funds not meeting the criteria established for major funds are presented in the other governmental column of the fund financial statements.

The District's fiduciary funds include the following:

Payroll Clearing Fund - This fund is used to report the payroll resources held by the district in a purely custodial capacity (assets and liabilities) and does not involve the measurement of results of operations.

## Quitman County School District

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

**Student Club Funds** - These various funds account for the monies raised through student club activities.

**Accounts Payable Clearing Fund** - This fund is used to report the resources of paid claims held by the district in a purely custodial capacity (assets and liabilities) and does not involve the measurement of results of operations.

Additionally, the school district reports the following fund types:

#### GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

**Special Revenue Funds** - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specified purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

**Capital Projects Funds** - Capital Project Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for capital outlays, including the acquisition or construction of capital facilities and other capital assets.

**Debt Service Funds** - Debt Service Funds are used to account for and report financial resources that are restricted, committed, or assigned to expenditure for principal and interest.

#### FIDUCIARY FUNDS

**Agency Funds** - Agency Funds are used to report resources held by the district in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations.

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

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, governmental activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the Fiduciary Fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred or economic asset used, regardless of the timing of the 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. Measurable means knowing or being able to reasonably estimate the amount. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if

## Quitman County School District

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

they are collected within 60 days after year end. Expenditures (including capital outlay) are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Federal grants and assistance awards made on the basis of entitlement periods are recorded as receivables and revenues when entitlement occurs. Federal reimbursement type grants are recorded as revenues when the related expenditures are recognized. Use of grant resources is conditioned upon compliance with terms of the grant agreements and applicable federal regulations, which include subjecting grants to financial and compliance audits.

Property taxes, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual.

Ad valorem property taxes are levied by the governing authority of the county on behalf of the school district based upon an order adopted by the school board of the school district requesting an ad valorem tax effort in dollars. Since the taxes are not levied and collected by the school district, the revenues to be generated by the annual levies are not recognized until the taxes are actually collected by the tax levying authority.

Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Under the terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net position available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs and then general revenues.

The effect of inter-fund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide statements.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District's Enterprise Fund are charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Enterprise Funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation of capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses. As of June 30, 2017, the school district does not have proprietary funds. Revenues from the Mississippi Adequate Education Program are appropriated on a fiscal year basis and are recorded at the time the revenues are received from the State of Mississippi.

## Quitman County School District

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

The account classifications used in the financial statements conform to the broad classifications recommended in *Governmental Accounting, Auditing, and Financial Reporting*, issued in 2012 by the Government Finance Officers Association and are consistent with the broad classifications recommended in *Financial Accounting for Local and State School Systems, 2014*, issued by the U.S. Department of Education.

#### **D. Encumbrances**

An encumbrance system is maintained to account for commitments or assignments resulting from approved purchase orders, work orders and contracts. However, the school district attempts to liquidate all encumbrances at year-end. Encumbrances outstanding at year-end are not reported within committed or assigned fund balances.

#### **E. Assets, liabilities, deferred outflows/inflows, and net position/fund balances**

##### **1. Cash, Cash equivalents and Investments**

###### **Cash and cash equivalents**

The district's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. The school district deposits excess funds in the financial institutions selected by the school board. State statutes specify how these depositories are to be selected.

###### **Investments**

The school district can invest its excess funds, as permitted by Section 29-3-113, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), in interest-bearing deposits or other obligations of the types described in Section 27-105-33, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), or in any other type investment in which any other agency, instrumentality or subdivision of the State of Mississippi may invest, except that 100% of said funds are authorized to be so invested.

For accounting purposes, certificates of deposit are classified as investments if they have an original maturity greater than three months when acquired.

Investments for the district are reported at fair market value.

##### **2. Receivables and payables**

Activities between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of inter-fund loans) or "advances to/from other

## Quitman County School District

### Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

funds” (i.e., the non-current portion of inter-fund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as “due to/from other funds.”

Advances between funds, as reported in the fund financial statements, are offset by a fund balance reserve account in applicable governmental funds to indicate that they are not available for appropriation and are not expendable available financial resources.

#### 3. Due from Other Governments

Due from other governments represents amounts due from the State of Mississippi and various grants and reimbursements from other governments.

#### 4. Inventories and Prepaid Items

Donated commodities are received from the USDA and are valued at USDA cost. Other inventories are valued at cost (calculated on the first-in, first-out basis). The costs of governmental fund type inventories are reported as expenditures when purchased.

Prepaid items, such as prepaid insurance, are not reported for governmental fund types since the costs of such items are accounted for as expenditures in the period of acquisition.

#### 5. Restricted Assets

Certain resources set aside for repayment of debt are classified as restricted assets on the Statement of Net Position because their use is limited by applicable debt statutes, e.g. Qualified School Construction Bonds sinking fund. The restricted assets represent the unexpended bond and note proceeds.

#### 6. Capital Assets

Capital assets include land, improvements to land, easements, water rights, timber rights, buildings, building improvements, vehicles, machinery, equipment, works of art and historical treasures, infrastructure, and all other tangible or intangible assets that are used in operations and that have initial useful lives extending beyond a single reporting period. Capital assets are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost based on appraisals or deflated current replacement cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the thresholds in the table below.



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Capital acquisition and construction are reflected as expenditures in the Governmental Fund statements and the related assets are reported as capital assets in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements.

Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line basis for all assets, except land.

The following schedule details the capitalization thresholds:

	Capitalization Policy	Estimated Useful Life
Land	\$ 0	0
Buildings	50,000	40 years
Building Improvements	25,000	20 years
Improvements other than Buildings	25,000	20 years
Mobile Equipment	5,000	5-10 years
Furniture and Equipment	5,000	3-7 years
Leased Property Under Capital Leases	*	*

( \*) The threshold amount will correspond with the amounts for the asset classifications, as listed. See Note 5 for details.

#### 7. Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The school district has a deferred outflow which is presented as a deferred outflow related to pension.

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

See Note 12 for further details.

#### 8. Compensated Absences

Employees of the school district accumulate sick leave at a minimum amount as required by state law. A greater amount may be provided by school district policy provided that it does not exceed the provisions for leave as provided in Sections 25-3-93 and 25-3-95. Some employees are allowed personal leave and/or vacation

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leave in accordance with school district policy. The district pays for unused leave for employees as required by Section 37-7-307(5), Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

The liability for these compensated absences is recorded as a long-term liability in the government-wide statements. The current portion of this liability is estimated based on historical trends. In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report the liability for compensated absences from expendable available financial resources only if the payable has matured, for example, an employee retires.

#### 9. Long-term Liabilities and Bond Discounts/ Premiums

In the government-wide financial statements, outstanding debt is reported as liabilities. Bond discounts or premiums and the difference between reacquisition price and the net carrying value of refunded debt are capitalized and amortized over the terms of the respective bonds using a method that approximates the effective interest method.

The governmental fund financial statements recognize the proceeds of debt and premiums as other financing sources of the current period. Issuance costs are reported as expenditures. See Note 6 for details.

#### 10. Pensions

For purposes measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and additions to/deductions from PERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they reported by PERS. For this purpose, the 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.

#### 11. Fund Balances

Fund balance for governmental funds is reported in classifications that comprise a hierarchy based primarily on the extent to which the government is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in those funds can be spent.

Governmental fund balance is classified as nonspendable, restricted, committed, assigned or unassigned. Following are descriptions of fund classifications used by the district:

*Nonspendable fund balance* includes items that cannot be spent. This includes activity that is not in a spendable form (inventories, prepaid amounts, long-term portion of loans/notes receivable, or property held for resale unless the proceeds are

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restricted, committed, or assigned) and activity that is legally or contractually required to remain intact, such as a principal balance in a permanent fund.

*Restricted fund balance* includes amounts that have constraints placed upon the use of the resources either by an external party or imposed by law through a constitutional provision or enabling legislation.

*Committed fund balance* includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by a formal action of the School Board, the District's highest level of decision-making authority. Currently there is no committed fund balance for this school district.

*Assigned fund balance* includes amounts that are constrained by the District's intent to be used for a specific purpose, but are neither restricted nor committed. For governmental funds, other than the general fund, this is the residual amount within the fund that is not restricted or committed. Assignments of fund balance are created by the Superintendent and Business Manager pursuant to authorization established by the policy adopted by the School District.

*Unassigned fund balance* is the residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. The general fund should be the only fund that reports a positive unassigned fund balance amount. In other governmental funds, it may be necessary to report a negative unassigned fund balance.

When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned) resources are available, it is the District's general policy to use restricted resources first. When expenditures are incurred for purposes for which unrestricted (committed, assigned and unassigned) resources are available, and amounts in any of these unrestricted classifications could be used, it is the District's general policy to spend committed resources first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts.

It is the goal of the District to achieve and maintain an unassigned fund balance in the general fund at fiscal year end of not less than 3% of revenues. If the unassigned fund balance at fiscal year end falls below the goal, the District shall develop a restoration plan to achieve and maintain the minimum fund balance.

#### **Note 2 - Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments**

The district follows the practice of aggregating the cash assets of various funds to maximize cash management efficiency and returns. Restrictions on deposits and investments are imposed by statutes as follows:

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**Deposits.** The school board must advertise and accept bids for depositories no less than once every three years as required by Section 37-7-333, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The collateral pledged for the school district's deposits in financial institutions is held in the name of the State Treasurer under a program established by the Mississippi State Legislature and is governed by Section 27-105-5, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Under this program, the entity's funds are protected through a collateral pool administered by the State Treasurer. Financial institutions holding deposits of public funds must pledge securities as collateral against those deposits. In the event of failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

**Investments.** Section 29-3-113 and 37-59-43, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), authorizes the school board to invest excess funds in the types of investments authorized by Section 27-105-33(d) and (e), Miss. Code Ann. (1972). This section permits the following types of investments: (a) certificates of deposit or interest bearing accounts with qualified state depositories; (b) direct United States Treasury obligations; (c) United States Government agency, United States Government instrumentality or United States Government sponsored enterprise obligations, not to exceed fifty percent of all monies invested with maturities of thirty days or longer; (d) direct security repurchase agreements and reverse direct security repurchase agreements of any federal book entry of only those securities enumerated in (b) and (c) above; (e) direct obligations issued by the United States of America that are deemed to include securities of, or other interests in, any open-end or closed-end management type investment company or investment trust approved by the State Treasurer and the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration, not to exceed twenty percent of invested excess funds. Investment income on bond funds (Capital Projects), bond sinking funds (Debt Service Funds) and sixteenth section principal funds (Permanent Funds) must be credited to those funds. Investment income of \$100 or more of any fund must be credited to that fund. Investment income of less than \$100 can be credited to the General Fund.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

The carrying amount of the school district's deposits with financial institutions reported in the governmental funds and fiduciary funds was \$3,345,976 and \$19,332, respectively.

*Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits.* Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of a financial institution, the district will not be able to recover deposits or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The district does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. In the event of a failure of a financial institution, securities pledged by that institution would be liquidated by the State Treasurer to replace the public deposits not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. Deposits above FDIC coverage are collateralized by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of the Mississippi State Treasurer on behalf of the district. As of June 30, 2017, none of the district's bank balance of \$3,884,303 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

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#### Investments

As of June 30, 2017, the district had the following investments.

Investment Type	Rating	Maturities (in years)	Fair Value
U.S. Treasury SLGS	N/A	1 to 5	\$ <u>109,794</u>

The district categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

The district has the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30, 2017:

U.S. Treasury SLGS of \$109,794 are valued using quoted market prices (Level 1 inputs)

*Interest Rate Risk.* The district does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

*Credit Risk.* State law limits investments to those prescribed in Sections 27-105-33(d) and 27-105-33(e), Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The district does not have a formal investment policy that would further limit its investment choices or one that addresses credit risk.

*Custodial Credit Risk - Investments.* Custodial credit risk is defined as the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty, the district will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. The district does not have a formal investment policy that addresses custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2017, the district did not have any investments to which this would apply.

*Concentration of Credit Risk.* Disclosure of investments by amount and issuer for any issuer that represents five percent or more of total investments is required. This requirement does not apply to investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government, investments in mutual funds and external investment pools, and other pooled investments.

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### Note 3 - Inter-fund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

The following is a summary of inter-fund transactions and balances:

#### A. Due From/To Other Funds

<u>Receivable Fund</u>	<u>Payable Fund</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$ 94,858
	Title I Fund	31,904
Fiduciary Fund	Fiduciary Fund	1,044
	Other Governmental Funds	13,447
Other Governmental Funds	Other Governmental Funds	3,417
Total		<u>\$ 144,670</u>

The purpose of interfund loans was to cover deficit cash balances. All balances are expected to be repaid within one year from the date of the financial statements.

#### B. Inter-fund Transfers

<u>Transfers In</u>	<u>Transfers Out</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	Other Governmental Funds	\$ 63,915
	Title I Fund	25,003
Other Governmental Funds	General Fund	840,881
Total		<u>\$ 929,799</u>

Transfers are used primarily to move unrestricted general fund monies to finance various programs and projects accounted for in other funds.

### Note 4 - Restricted Assets

The restricted assets represent the unexpended bond proceeds in the form of cash balance, totaling \$471,747 of the QSCB Bond MS Gym Fund which is legally restricted and may not be used for purposes that support the district's programs. In addition, the restricted assets represent the unexpended bond proceeds in the form of cash balance, totaling \$241,354 of the Limited Tax Note Fund which is legally restricted and may not be used for purposes that support the district's programs. In addition, the restricted assets represent the investment balance, \$109,794, of the Qualified School Construction Bond Fund.

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### Note 5 - Capital Assets

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets for governmental activities:

	Balance 7-1-2016	Additions	Retirements	Adjustments	Balance 6-30-2017
<u>Non-depreciable capital assets:</u>					
Land	\$ 76,602				76,602
Construction in progress	1,463,656	1,725,230		(323,977)	2,864,909
Total non-depreciable capital assets	1,540,258	1,725,230	0	(323,977)	2,941,511
<u>Depreciable capital assets:</u>					
Buildings	1,151,635				1,151,635
Building improvements	3,120,544				3,120,544
Improvements other than buildings	364,377				364,377
Mobile equipment	1,707,021	63,060	200,570		1,569,511
Furniture and equipment	493,127		31,770		461,357
Total depreciable capital assets	6,836,704	63,060	232,340	0	6,667,424
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>					
Buildings	921,308				921,308
Building improvements	1,075,815	91,543			1,167,358
Improvements other than buildings	92,979	14,575			107,554
Mobile equipment	1,147,198	81,779	180,513		1,048,464
Furniture and equipment	445,296	9,448	24,593		430,151
Total accumulated depreciation	3,682,596	197,345	205,106	0	3,674,835
Total depreciable capital assets, net	3,154,108	(134,285)	27,234	0	2,992,589
Governmental activities capital assets, net	\$ 4,694,366	1,590,945	27,234	(323,977)	5,934,100

Adjustments were made to properly present capital assets at year end.

Depreciation expense was charged to the following governmental functions:

	Amount
Instruction	\$ 138,142
Support services	39,469
Non-instructional	19,734
Total depreciation expense	\$ 197,345

The details of construction-in-progress are as follows:

	Spent to June 30, 2017	Remaining Commitment
Quitman County HVAC Replacement	\$ 144,102	10,000
Quitman County Middle School New Gymnasium	2,720,807	520,673
Total	\$ 2,864,909	530,673

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Construction projects included in governmental activities are funded with QSCB Bond MS Gym Fund and Limited Tax Note Fund.

#### Note 6 - Long-term liabilities

The following is a summary of changes in long-term liabilities and other obligations for governmental activities:

	Balance 7-1-2016	Reductions	Balance 6-30-2017	Amounts due within one year
A. General obligation bonds payable	\$ 3,795,000	215,000	3,580,000	220,000
B. Three mill notes payable	985,000	25,000	960,000	25,000
C. Qualified school construction bonds payable	975,000		975,000	
D. Compensated absences payable	82,799	8,932	73,867	
	<u>\$ 5,837,799</u>	<u>248,932</u>	<u>5,588,867</u>	<u>245,000</u>

#### A. General Obligation Bonds Payable

General obligation bonds are direct obligations and pledge the full faith and credit of the school district. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
General obligation bonds, Series 2015	2.5-3.25%	04-01-15	04-01-30	\$ <u>4,000,000</u>	<u>3,580,000</u>

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 220,000	99,006	319,006
2019	230,000	92,406	322,406
2020	240,000	85,506	325,506
2021	245,000	78,906	323,906
2022	255,000	72,475	327,475
2023 - 2027	1,415,000	261,150	1,676,150
2028 - 2030	<u>975,000</u>	<u>59,101</u>	<u>1,034,101</u>
Total	\$ <u>3,580,000</u>	<u>748,550</u>	<u>4,328,550</u>

This debt will be retired from the G.O. Bond Debt Service Fund.



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The amount of bonded indebtedness that can be incurred by the school district is limited by Sections 37-59-5 and 37-59-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Total outstanding bonded indebtedness during a year can be no greater than 15% of the assessed value of the taxable property within such district, according to the then last completed assessment for taxation, unless certain conditions, as set forth in Section 37-59-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) have been met. As of June 30, 2017, the amount of outstanding bonded indebtedness was equal to 5% of property assessments as of October 1, 2016.

#### **B. Three mill notes payable**

Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
Limited tax note, Series 2016	3.0-4.25%	05-16-16	05-01-31	\$ <u>985,000</u>	<u>960,000</u>

The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 25,000	31,225	56,225
2019	25,000	30,162	55,162
2020	25,000	29,100	54,100
2021	25,000	28,038	53,038
2022	25,000	26,975	51,975
2023 - 2027	320,000	116,238	436,238
2028 - 2031	<u>515,000</u>	<u>40,299</u>	<u>555,299</u>
Total	\$ <u>960,000</u>	<u>302,037</u>	<u>1,262,037</u>

This debt will be paid from the Three mill 10/20 years note Fund.

#### **C. Qualified school construction bonds payable**

As more fully explained in Note 15, debt has been issued by the school district that qualifies as Qualified School Construction bonds. Debt currently outstanding is as follows:

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
Qualified school construction bonds, Series 2013	4.56%	04-15-13	12-01-24	\$ <u>975,000</u>	<u>975,000</u>

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The following is a schedule by years of the total payments due on this debt:

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$	44,460	44,460
2019		44,460	44,460
2020		44,460	44,460
2021		44,460	44,460
2022		44,460	44,460
2023 - 2025	<u>975,000</u>	<u>133,380</u>	<u>1,108,380</u>
Total	\$ <u>975,000</u>	<u>355,680</u>	<u>1,330,680</u>

The annual sinking bond payments will be paid from the Qualified School Construction Bond Debt Retirement Fund (debt service fund). It is secured with a pledge of Education Enhancement (EEF) Funds for buildings and buses that are to be used for repayment of the bonds. Proceeds of the bonds were used to finance capital improvements. The notes are payable partially from future revenues of the state Education Enhancement revenue funds for buildings and buses and partially from local funds and are payable through December 1, 2024. Annual sinking fund deposits are expected to require all of the district's annual allocation of such state revenues and other local funds to complete the required debt service payments. The total amount remaining to be paid on the bonds is \$975,000. The school district made a sinking fund payment totaling \$109,000 which was required for the current year. Interest payments of \$44,460 were made. Total state Education Enhancement Fund revenue for buildings and buses was \$58,391.

#### **D. Compensated absences payable**

As more fully explained in Note 1(E)(8), compensated absences payable is adjusted on an annual basis as required by Section 37-7-307(5), Miss. Code Ann. (1972). Compensated absences will be paid from the fund from which the employees' salaries were paid.

### **Note 7 - Other Commitments**

Commitments under construction contracts are described in Note 5.

Operating leases:

The school district has several operating leases for the following:

1. Seven (7) copiers at Quitman Elementary School
2. Eight (8) copiers at Quitman Middle School
3. Four (4) copiers at Quitman High School
4. Eight (8) copiers at Quitman County Vocational Center

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Lease expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2017, amounted to \$43,702. Future lease payments for this lease are as follows:

Year Ending June 30		Amount
2018	\$	22,724
2019		14,107
Total	\$	<u>36,831</u>

#### Note 8 - Defined Benefit Pension Plan

##### General Information about the Pension Plan

*Plan Description.* The school district contributes to the Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. PERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Plan provisions and the Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Miss. Code Ann. Section 25-11-1 et seq., (1972, as amended) and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature. PERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to Public Employees' Retirement System of Mississippi, PERS Building, 429 Mississippi Street, Jackson, MS 39201 or by calling (601) 359-3589 or 1-800-444-PERS.

*Benefits provided.* Membership in PERS is a condition of employment granted upon hiring for qualifying employees and officials of the State of Mississippi, state universities, community and junior colleges, and teachers and employees of the public school districts. For those persons employed by political subdivisions and instrumentalities of the State of Mississippi, membership is contingent upon approval of the entity's participation in PERS by the PERS' Board of Trustees. If approved, membership for the entity's employees is a condition of employment and eligibility is granted to those who qualify upon hiring. Participating members who are vested and retire at or after age 60 or those who retire regardless of age with at least 30 years of creditable service (25 years of creditable service for employees who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011) are entitled, upon application, to an annual retirement allowance payable monthly for life in an amount equal to 2.0 percent of their average compensation for each year of creditable service up to and including 30 years (25 years for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), plus 2.5 percent for each additional year of creditable service with an actuarial reduction in the benefit for each year of creditable service below 30 years or the number of years in age that the member is below 65, whichever is less. Average compensation is the average of the employee's earnings during the four highest compensated years of creditable service. Benefits vest upon completion of eight years of membership service (four years of membership service for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2007). PERS also provides certain death and disability benefits. A Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA)

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payment is made to eligible retirees and beneficiaries. The COLA is equal to 3.0 percent of the annual retirement allowance for each full fiscal year of retirement up to the year in which the retired member reaches age 60 (55 for those who became members of PERS before July 1, 2011), with 3.0 percent compounded for each fiscal year thereafter. Plan provisions are established and may be amended only by the State of Mississippi Legislature.

*Contributions.* PERS members are required to contribute 9.00% of their annual covered salary, and the school district is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The employer's rate as of June 30, 2017 was 15.75% of annual covered payroll. Plan provisions and the Board of Trustees' authority to determine contribution rates are established by Section 25-11-1 of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, and may be amended only by the Mississippi Legislature. The school district's contributions to PERS for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2017, 2016 and 2015 were \$978,363, \$979,796, and \$1,072,319, respectively, which equaled the required contributions for each year.

#### **Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions**

At June 30, 2017, the school district reported a liability of \$17,370,208 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the school district's long-term share of contribution to the pension plan relative to projected contributions of all participating entities, actuarially determined. The school district's proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2017 net pension liability was 0.097244 percent, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2016. This was a decrease of 0.011735 percent from its proportionate share used to calculate the June 30, 2016 net pension liability, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2015.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized pension expense of \$1,966,753. At June 30, 2017 the District 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>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 736,309	\$
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	2,358,280	
Changes in assumptions		46,158
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	19,437	1,302,181
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	978,363	
Total	<u>\$ 4,092,389</u>	<u>\$ 1,348,339</u>

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\$978,363 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction to the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30:		
2018	\$	672,827
2019		365,646
2020		384,062
2021		343,152
Total	\$	<u>1,765,687</u>

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total pension liability in the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	3.00 percent
Salary increases	3.75 – 19.00 percent, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.75 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table Projected with Scale BB to 2016, with males rates set forward one year.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2016 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2014. The experience report is dated May 4, 2015.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected nominal returns, net of pension plan investment expense and the assumed rate of inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table:

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<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
U.S. Broad	34%	5.20%
International Equity	19	5.00
Emerging Markets Equity	8	5.45
Fixed Income	20	0.25
Real Assets	10	4.00
Private Equity	8	6.15
Cash	1	(0.50)
Total	<u>100%</u>	

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that Employer contributions will be made at the current employer contribution rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan. 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.

*Sensitivity of the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.75 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.75 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.75 percent) than the current rate:

	<u>1% Decrease (6.75%)</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate (7.75%)</u>	<u>1% Increase (8.75%)</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ <u>22,272,499</u>	\$ <u>17,370,208</u>	\$ <u>13,302,893</u>

*Pension plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERS financial report.

## Note 9 - Risk Management

The school district is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Except as described below, the district carries commercial insurance for these risks. Settled claims resulting from these insured risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

### Participation in Public Entity Risk Pool

The school district is a member of the Mississippi School Boards Association Workers' Compensation Trust (MSBAWCT). The trust is a risk-sharing pool; such a pool is frequently

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referred to as a self-insurance pool. The trust consists of approximately 71 school districts and covers risks of loss arising from injuries to the members' employees. The Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission requires that an indemnity agreement be executed by each member in a workers' compensation self-insurance pool for the purpose of jointly and severally binding the pool and each of the employers comprising the group to meet the workers' compensation obligations of each member. Each member of MSBAWCT contributes quarterly to a fund held in trust by Wells Fargo in Portland, Oregon. The funds in the trust account are used to pay any claim up to \$750,000. For a claim exceeding \$750,000, MSBAWCT has insurance which will pay the excess up to the statutory amount required by the Mississippi Workers' Compensation Commission Act. If total claims during a year were to deplete the trust account, then the member school districts would be required to pay for the deficiencies. The district has not had an additional assessment for excess losses incurred by the pool.

#### **Note 10 - Contingencies**

**Federal Grants** - The school district has received federal grants for specific purposes that are subject to audit by the grantor agencies. Entitlements to these resources are generally conditional upon compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant agreements and applicable federal regulations, including the expenditure of resources for allowable purposes. Any disallowance resulting from the grantor audit may become a liability of the school district.

**Litigation** - The school district is party to legal proceedings, many of which occur in the normal course of governmental operations. It is not possible at the present time to estimate the outcome or liability, if any, of the school district with respect to the various proceedings. However, the school district's legal counsel believes that ultimate liability resulting from these lawsuits will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the school district.

#### **Note 11 - Sixteenth Section Lands**

Sixteenth section school lands, or lands granted in lieu thereof, constitute property held in trust for the benefit of the public schools. The school board, under the general supervision of the Office of the Secretary of State, has control and jurisdiction of said school trust lands and of all funds arising from any disposition thereof. It is the duty of the school board to manage the school trust lands and all funds arising therefrom as trust property. Accordingly, the board shall assure that adequate compensation is received for all uses of the trust lands, except for uses by the public schools. The following are the future rental payments to be made to the school district for the use of school trust lands. These future rental payments are from existing leases and do not anticipate renewals or new leases.

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<u>Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2018	\$ 270,435
2019	198,135
2020	178,424
Total	<u>\$ 646,994</u>

#### Note 12 - Effect of Deferred Amounts of Net Position

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$13,489,014) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses resulting from a deferred outflow from pensions. A portion of the deferred outflow of resources related to pension in the amount of \$978,363 resulting from the school district contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2018. The \$3,114,026 balance of deferred outflow of resources, at June 30, 2017 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 4 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$13,489,014) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenue resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$1,348,339 balance of deferred inflow of resources, at June 30, 2017 will be recognized as a revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 3 years.

#### Note 13 - Prior Period Adjustments

A summary of significant Net Position/Fund Balance adjustment is a follows:

##### Exhibit B - Statement of Activities

<u>Explanation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. To correct prior year assets and liabilities.	\$ (151,402)
2. Adjustments were made to properly present capital assets at year end.	(323,977)
Total	<u>\$ (475,379)</u>

##### Exhibit D - Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds

<u>Major Funds</u>	<u>Explanation(s)</u>	<u>Amount</u>
General Fund	To correct prior year assets and liabilities.	<u>\$ (151,402)</u>



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### **Note 14 - Alternative School Consortium**

The school district entered into an Alternative School Agreement dated July 1, 2015 creating the North Delta Alternative Education Consortium. This consortium was created pursuant to the provisions of Section 37-13-92 (6), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), and approved by the Mississippi Department of Education and includes the West Tallahatchie School District, East Tallahatchie School District, Coahoma County School District, Coahoma Agricultural High School, and Quitman County School District.

Section 37-13-92 (6), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), allows two or more adjacent school districts to enter into a contract to operate an alternative school program. The school board of the school district designated by the agreement as the lead district will serve as the governing board of the alternative school program. Transportation for students attending the alternative school program will be the responsibility of the individual school district sending the students.

The West Tallahatchie School District has been designated as the lead school district for the North Delta Alternative Education Consortium, and the operations of the consortium are included in its financial statements.

### **Note 15 - Qualified School Construction Bonds**

Section 1521 of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 provides for a source of capital at no or at nominal interest rates for costs incurred by certain public schools in connection with the construction, rehabilitation or repair of a public school facility or for the acquisition of land where a school will be built. Investors receive Federal income tax credits at prescribed tax credit rates in lieu of interest, which essentially allows state and local governments to borrow without incurring interest costs. While Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCBs) are intended to be interest free to a borrower, the ARRA legislation allows a lender to charge supplemental interest, and such supplemental interest is the responsibility of the school district.

When the stated interest rate on the QSCB results in interest payments that exceed the supplemental interest payments discussed in the preceding paragraph, the school district may apply for a direct cash subsidy payment from the U.S. Treasury which is intended to reduce the stated interest rate to a nominal percentage. These subsidy payments do not include the amount of any supplemental interest paid on a QSCB. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the subsidy payments amount to \$41,393.

The school district makes equal annual payments into a sinking fund which is used to payoff the bonds at termination. The current maturity limit of tax credit bonds is 17 years, per the U. S. Treasury Department. Under this program, ten percent of the proceeds must be subject to a binding commitment to be spent within six months of issuance and 100% must be spent within three years. Up to two percent of bond proceeds can be used to pay costs of issuance. Annual sinking fund deposit amounts are inclusive of any interest earnings for the prior 12

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months. The indicated deposit amount will be reduced by the amount of the prior 12 months' interest earnings. The amount on deposit at June 30, 2017 was \$109,794. The amount accumulated in the sinking fund at the end of the fourteen-year period will be sufficient to retire the debt. The following schedule reports the annual deposits to be made to the sinking fund by the school district.

Year Ending June 30		Amount
2018	\$	109,000
2019		109,000
2020		108,000
2021		108,000
2022		108,000
2023 - 2025		324,000
Total	\$	<u>866,000</u>

### Note 16 - Subsequent Events

Events that occur after the Statement of Net Position date but before the financial statements are available to be issued must be evaluated for recognition or disclosure. The effects of subsequent events that provide evidence about conditions that existed at the Statement of Net Position date are recognized in the accompanying financial statements. Subsequent events which provide evidence about conditions that existed after the Statement of Net Position date require disclosure in the accompanying notes. Management of the School District evaluated the activity of the district through the date the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined that no subsequent events have occurred that require disclosure in the notes to the financial statements:

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**
**Exhibit 1**

Budgetary Comparison Schedule

General Fund

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Local sources	\$ 2,906,829	3,039,378	2,997,981	132,549	(41,397)
State sources	5,411,221	5,665,461	5,665,460	254,240	(1)
Federal sources	-	1,972	43,365	1,972	41,393
Sixteenth section sources	310,340	286,945	286,945	(23,395)	-
Total Revenues	<u>8,628,390</u>	<u>8,993,756</u>	<u>8,993,751</u>	<u>365,366</u>	<u>(5)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	4,714,036	4,545,813	4,528,243	168,223	17,570
Support services	3,820,995	3,917,470	3,917,469	(96,475)	1
Noninstructional services	86,262	87,035	87,036	(773)	(1)
Total Expenditures	<u>8,621,293</u>	<u>8,550,318</u>	<u>8,532,748</u>	<u>70,975</u>	<u>17,570</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>7,097</u>	<u>443,438</u>	<u>461,003</u>	<u>436,341</u>	<u>17,565</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Operating transfers in	1,482,987	1,828,741	88,918	345,754	(1,739,823)
Operating transfers out	(1,909,415)	(2,473,316)	(840,881)	(563,901)	1,632,435
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(426,428)</u>	<u>(644,575)</u>	<u>(751,963)</u>	<u>(218,147)</u>	<u>(107,388)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>(419,331)</u>	<u>(201,137)</u>	<u>(290,960)</u>	<u>218,194</u>	<u>(89,823)</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>					
July 1, 2016, as previously reported	2,029,983	2,029,793	2,366,474	(190)	336,681
Prior period adjustment	-	(97,151)	(151,402)	(97,151)	(54,251)
July 1, 2016, as restated	<u>2,029,983</u>	<u>1,932,642</u>	<u>2,215,072</u>	<u>(97,341)</u>	<u>282,430</u>
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 1,610,652</u>	<u>1,731,505</u>	<u>1,924,112</u>	<u>120,853</u>	<u>192,607</u>

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT****Exhibit 2**

Budgetary Comparison Schedule

Title I Fund

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

	Budgeted Amounts		Actual (GAAP Basis)	Variances Positive (Negative)	
	Original	Final		Original to Final	Final to Actual
<b>Revenues:</b>					
Federal sources	\$ 1,018,550	1,373,621	1,219,507	355,071	(154,114)
Total Revenues	<u>1,018,550</u>	<u>1,373,621</u>	<u>1,219,507</u>	<u>355,071</u>	<u>(154,114)</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	508,674	628,512	568,606	(119,838)	59,906
Support services	393,958	641,254	540,950	(247,296)	100,304
Noninstructional services	87,818	103,855	84,948	(16,037)	18,907
Total Expenditures	<u>990,450</u>	<u>1,373,621</u>	<u>1,194,504</u>	<u>(383,171)</u>	<u>179,117</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>28,100</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25,003</u>	<u>(28,100)</u>	<u>25,003</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Operating transfers out	<u>(28,100)</u>	<u>(25,003)</u>	<u>(25,003)</u>	<u>3,097</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(28,100)</u>	<u>(25,003)</u>	<u>(25,003)</u>	<u>3,097</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>-</u>	<u>(25,003)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(25,003)</u>	<u>25,003</u>
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	<u>295,166</u>	<u>295,166</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(295,166)</u>
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 295,166</u>	<u>270,163</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(25,003)</u>	<u>(270,163)</u>

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**Quitman County School District**

## Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

## PERS

## Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability \$ (asset)	17,370,208	16,846,005	12,212,091
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.097244%	0.108979%	0.100609%
District's covered payroll	6,221,327	6,808,375	6,147,702
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	279.20%	247.43%	198.64%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.47%	61.70%	67.21%

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

\* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of the measurement date of 6/30 of the year prior to the fiscal year presented.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, GASB 68 was implemented in FYE 6/30/15, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

**Quitman County School District**  
Schedule of District Contributions  
PERS  
Last 10 Fiscal Years\*

	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 978,363	979,859	1,072,319
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	978,363	979,859	1,072,319
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	-	-
District's covered payroll	6,211,829	6,221,327	6,808,375
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	15.75%	15.75%	15.75%

The notes to the required supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

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Notes to the Required Supplementary Information  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### Budgetary Comparison Schedules

(1) Basis of Presentation

The Budgetary Comparison Schedules present the original legally adopted budget, the final legally adopted budget, the actual data on the GAAP basis, variances between the original budget and the final budget, and variances between the final budget and the actual data.

(2) Budget Amendments and Revisions

The budget is adopted by the school board and filed with the taxing authority. Amendments can be made on the approval of the school board. By statute, final budget revisions must be approved on or before October 15. A budgetary comparison is presented for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund consistent with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Pension Schedules

(1) Changes in benefit provisions

2016:

Effective July 1, 2016, the interest rate on employee contributions shall be calculated based on the money market rate as published by the Wall Street Journal on December 31 of each preceding year with a minimum rate of one percent and a maximum rate of five percent.

(2) Changes of assumptions

2015:

The expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant Blue Collar Table projected to 2016 using Scale BB rather than the RP-2000 Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015.

The expectation of disabled mortality was changed to the RP-2014 Disabled Retiree Table, rather than the RP-2000 Disabled Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2015.

Withdrawal rates, pre-retirement mortality rates, disability rates and service retirement rates were also adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience.

Assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience.

The price inflation and investment rate of return assumptions were changed from 3.50% to 3.00% and 8.00% to 7.75% respectively.

2016:

The assumed rate of interest credited to employee contributions was changed from 3.50% to 2.00%.



## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

**Quitman County School District****Schedule 1**

## Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<b>FEDERAL GRANTOR/ PASS-THROUGH GRANTOR/ PROGRAM TITLE</b>	<b>Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number</b>	<b>Federal Expenditures</b>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u></b>		
Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education:		
Child Nutrition Cluster:		
School Breakfast Program	10.553	\$ 67,657
National School Lunch Program	10.555	823,484
Summer Food Service Program for Children	10.559	21,128
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		912,269
Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.582	18,128
Total passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education		930,397
<b>Total U.S. Department of Agriculture</b>		<b>930,397</b>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Education</u></b>		
Passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education:		
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	1,219,507
Career and Technical Education - Basic Grants to States	84.048	24,142
Twenty - First Century Community Learning Centers	84.287	25,274
Rural Education	84.358	37,500
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367	257,976
Sub-total		1,564,399
Special Education Cluster:		
Special Education - Grants to States	84.027	302,653
Special Education - Preschool Grants	84.173	7,816
Total Special Education Cluster		310,469
Total passed-through the Mississippi Department of Education		1,874,868
<b>Total U.S. Department of Education</b>		<b>1,874,868</b>
<b>TOTAL FOR ALL FEDERAL AWARDS</b>		<b>\$ 2,805,265</b>

The notes to the supplementary information are an integral part of this schedule.

**Schedule 2****Quitman County School District**

Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures - Governmental Funds  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures</b>	<b>General Administration</b>	<b>School Administration</b>	<b>Other</b>
Salaries and fringe benefits	\$ 9,098,462	6,367,155	764,570	686,127	1,280,610
Other	6,437,604	1,236,352	403,372	65,278	4,732,602
Total	\$ <u>15,536,066</u>	<u>7,603,507</u>	<u>1,167,942</u>	<u>751,405</u>	<u>6,013,212</u>
Total number of students *	<u>960</u>				
Cost per student	\$ <u>16,183</u>	<u>7,920</u>	<u>1,217</u>	<u>783</u>	<u>6,263</u>

For purposes of this schedule, the following columnar descriptions are applicable:

Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures - includes the activities dealing directly with the interaction between teachers and students. Included here are the activities of teachers, teachers aides or classroom assistants of any type.

General Administration - includes expenditures for the following functions: Support Services - General Administration and Support Services - Business.

School Administration - includes expenditures for the following function: Support Services - School Administration

Other - includes all expenditure functions not included in Instruction or Administration Categories.

\* Includes the number of students reported on the ADA report submission for month 9, which is the final submission for the school year.

## Quitman County School District

Notes to the Supplementary Information  
For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

### Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

(1) Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the School District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2017. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the School District.

(2) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are presented on the same basis of accounting and the same significant accounting policies, as applicable, as those used for the financial statements; however, the expenditures include transfers out. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

(3) Indirect Cost Rate

The school district did not elect to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

(4) Other Items

The pass-through entities did not assign identifying numbers to the school district.

Donated commodities of \$49,743 are included in the National School Lunch Program.

## OTHER INFORMATION

**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

## Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

"UNAUDITED"

## General Fund

## Last Four Years

	2017	2016*	2015*	2014*
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Local sources	\$ 2,997,981	2,311,596	2,310,249	2,083,892
State sources	5,665,460	6,250,311	5,936,228	5,550,142
Federal sources	43,365	1,090	21,562	
Sixteenth section sources	286,945	356,924	354,880	-
Total Revenues	<u>8,993,751</u>	<u>8,919,921</u>	<u>8,622,919</u>	<u>7,634,034</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Instruction	4,528,243	4,199,301	4,502,983	4,410,900
Support services	3,917,469	3,695,296	3,582,074	3,221,257
Noninstructional services	87,036	103,218	73,904	63,246
Sixteenth section	-	-	18,495	-
Debt Service:				
Interest	-	-	4,460	-
Other	-	-	500	-
Total Expenditures	<u>8,532,748</u>	<u>7,997,815</u>	<u>8,182,416</u>	<u>7,695,403</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>461,003</u>	<u>922,106</u>	<u>440,503</u>	<u>(61,369)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Operating transfers in	88,918	36,500	158,599	63,297
Operating transfers out	(840,881)	(517,036)	(378,663)	(505,873)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(751,963)</u>	<u>(480,536)</u>	<u>(220,064)</u>	<u>(442,576)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>(290,960)</u>	<u>441,570</u>	<u>220,439</u>	<u>(503,945)</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	2,366,474	1,928,408	765,441	1,269,386
Prior period adjustments	(151,402)	(3,504)	942,528	-
Beginning of period, as restated	<u>2,215,072</u>	<u>1,924,904</u>	<u>1,707,969</u>	<u>1,269,386</u>
End of Period	<u>\$ 1,924,112</u>	<u>2,366,474</u>	<u>1,928,408</u>	<u>765,441</u>

\*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

**QUITMAN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

**"UNAUDITED"**

All Governmental Funds

Last Four Years

	2017	2016*	2015*	2014*
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Local sources	\$ 3,500,781	2,721,963	2,603,865	2,605,276
State sources	6,224,776	6,856,868	6,597,448	6,170,757
Federal sources	2,837,256	2,889,908	2,851,611	2,478,896
Sixteenth section sources	286,945	356,924	354,880	625,738
Total Revenues	<u>12,849,758</u>	<u>12,825,663</u>	<u>12,407,804</u>	<u>11,880,667</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Instruction	5,931,237	5,833,480	6,081,354	5,679,325
Support services	6,356,566	5,219,079	5,043,031	5,249,097
Noninstructional services	1,101,585	1,051,127	1,080,227	1,109,091
Sixteenth section	-	-	18,495	18,185
Facilities acquisition and construction	1,725,230	1,463,656	93,174	-
Debt service:				
Principal	240,000	358,000	217,000	269,000
Interest	180,948	163,367	55,338	27,134
Other	500	1,290	5,070	-
Total Expenditures	<u>15,536,066</u>	<u>14,089,999</u>	<u>12,593,689</u>	<u>12,351,832</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>(2,686,308)</u>	<u>(1,264,336)</u>	<u>(185,885)</u>	<u>(471,165)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Bonds and notes issued	-	985,000	4,000,000	-
Payment held for QSCB escrow agent	109,000	-	-	-
Payment to QSCB debt escrow agent	(109,000)	-	-	-
Operating transfers in	929,799	657,685	634,148	671,784
Other financing sources	-	-	-	6,000
Operating transfers out	(929,799)	(657,685)	(634,148)	(671,784)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>985,000</u>	<u>4,000,000</u>	<u>6,000</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>(2,686,308)</u>	<u>(279,336)</u>	<u>3,814,115</u>	<u>(465,165)</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
Beginning of period, as previously reported	6,075,362	6,390,341	2,539,805	2,999,402
Prior period adjustments	(151,402)	(35,593)	41,680	-
Beginning of period, as restated	<u>5,923,960</u>	<u>6,354,748</u>	<u>2,581,485</u>	<u>2,999,402</u>
Increase (decrease) in inventory	6,048	(50)	(5,259)	5,568
End of period	<u>\$ 3,243,700</u>	<u>6,075,362</u>	<u>6,390,341</u>	<u>2,539,805</u>

\*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

## REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROLS AND COMPLIANCE



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL  
REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN  
AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Superintendent and School Board  
Quitman County School District

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Quitman County School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Quitman County School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 14, 2018.

**Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the school district's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the school district's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the school district's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as Findings 2017-001, 2017-002, 2017-003, and 2017-004 to be material weaknesses.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Quitman County School District's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

## **Quitman County School District's Response to Findings**

Quitman County School District's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying auditee's corrective action plan. The Quitman County School District's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

*Fortenberry & Ballard, PC*

Fortenberry & Ballard, PC  
September 14, 2018

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR  
FEDERAL PROGRAM AND REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER  
COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Superintendent and School Board  
Quitman County School District

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

We have audited Quitman County School District's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Quitman County School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017. The Quitman County School District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of the auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

**Management's Responsibility**

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

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

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

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

In our opinion, the Quitman County School District complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017.

## **Other Matters**

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as Findings 2017-005, 2017-006, and 2017-007. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

Quitman County School District's responses to the noncompliance findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying auditee's corrective action plan. Quitman County School District's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

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

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

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

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as Findings 2017-005, 2017-006, and 2017-007 that we consider to be significant deficiencies.

Quitman County School District's responses to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Auditee's Corrective Action Plan. Quitman County School District's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

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

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September 14, 2018

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH  
STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH  
STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Superintendent and School Board  
Quitman County School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Quitman County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, which collectively comprise the Quitman County School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 14, 2018. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Section 37-9-18(3)(a), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states in part, "the auditor shall test to ensure that the school district is complying with the requirements of Section 37-61-33(3)(a)(iii), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), relating to classroom supply funds." As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, we have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain other state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with all state laws and regulations was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of our procedures performed to test compliance with the requirements of Section 37-61-33(3)(a)(iii), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), disclosed no instances of noncompliance.

Section 37-9-18(3)(b), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), states in part, "the auditor shall test to ensure correct and appropriate coding at the function level. The audit must include a report showing the correct and appropriate functional level expenditure codes in expenditures by the school district."

The results of our procedures performed to test compliance with the requirements of Section 37-9-18(3)(b), Miss. Code Ann. (1972), disclosed no instances of noncompliance related to incorrect or inappropriate functional level expenditure coding.

As required by the state legal compliance audit program prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, we have also performed procedures to test compliance with certain other state laws and regulations. However, providing an opinion on compliance with all state laws and regulations was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The results of procedures performed to test compliance with certain other state laws and regulations and our audit of the financial statements disclosed the following instances of noncompliance with other state laws and regulations. Our findings and recommendations and your responses are as follows:

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## **Finding 1**

### Criteria:

Section 71-5-359, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), requires that Mississippi Public School Districts maintain cash and investment balance in the Unemployment Compensation Fund equal to 2% of applicable wages.

### Condition:

Quitman County School District required a balance of \$25,440 but only had \$9,323 in the fund.

### Cause:

The cause of the above condition is primarily due to lack of training with state requirements.

### Effect:

The District failed to maintain the minimum balance required and as a result was not in compliance with Section 71-5-359, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

### Recommendation:

The District should comply with Section 71-5-359, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

### Response:

The Quitman County School District will comply with Section 71-5-359, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

## **Finding 2**

### Criteria:

The Mississippi Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) requires, under the re-employment provisions of Section 25-11-127, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), school districts hiring PERS service retirees to file PERS Form 4B "Certification/Acknowledgment of Re-employment of Retiree" with the PERS office within five days from the date of employment of the retiree and within five days of termination of employment.

### Condition:

During the testing of retired personnel, it was noted that two (2) re-hired employees' forms were not filed in the PERS office within five (5) days from the date of re-employment.

### Cause:

The school district failed to comply with Section 25-11-127, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

### Effect:

The retirees' retirement income could be affected by the district not filing PERS Form 4B upon re-employment of PERS service retirees each year. In addition, the Mississippi Public Employees Retirement System may assess a penalty per occurrence payable by the district for not filing PERS Form 4B within five days of re-employment and within five days of termination of the service retiree.



Recommendation:

PERS Form 4B must be properly completed and submitted to the PERS office within five (5) days from the date of re-employment and within (5) days from the termination of such re-employment and employees must not be paid in excess of the maximum amount allowed.

Response:

The Quitman County School District will make sure PERS Form 4B be properly completed and submitted to the PERS office within five (5) days from the date of re-employment and with (5) days from the termination of such employment and employees will not be paid in excess of the maximum amount allowed.

The Office of the State Auditor or a public accounting firm will review, on the subsequent year's audit engagement, the findings in this report to ensure that corrective action has been taken. The Quitman County School District's responses to the findings included in this report were not audited and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the school board and management, entities with accreditation overview, and federal awarding agencies, the Office of the State Auditor and pass-through entities and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

*Fortenberry & Ballard, PC*

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September 14, 2018

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## SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

## Quitman County School District

### Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

#### Section I: Summary of Auditor's Results

##### Financial Statements:

1. Type of auditor's report issued: Unmodified.
2. Internal control over financial reporting:
  - a. Material weakness(es) identified? Yes.
  - b. Significant deficiency(ies) identified? None.
3. Noncompliance material to financial statements? No.

##### Federal Awards:

4. Internal control over major programs:
  - a. Material weakness(es) identified? No.
  - b. Significant deficiency(ies) identified? Yes.
5. Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs: Unmodified.
6. Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)? Yes.
7. Identification of major programs:

<u>CFDA Numbers</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies
84.027 & 84.173	Special Education Cluster

8. Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs: \$750,000
9. Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee? No.

#### Section II: Financial Statement Findings

The results of our tests disclosed the following findings related to the financial statements that are required to be reported by *Government Auditing Standards*.

## **Material Weaknesses**

### **Finding 2017-001**

#### Criteria:

The district is charged with the responsibility of designing and implementing a system of internal controls surrounding non-payroll expenditures and related liabilities that will effectively reduce the risk of financial statement misstatement and asset misappropriation to an acceptably low level.

#### Condition:

The controls surrounding the cycle of non-payroll expenditures and related liabilities is not working effectively to reduce the risk of financial statement misstatement.

We performed detailed testing on sixty nine (69) non-payroll expenditure transactions. Our testing showed nine (9) instances where the invoice date fell before the purchase order date, revealing purchases made without appropriate authorization. We noted three (3) instances where no receiving documentation was preserved to document the receipt and condition of goods or services received. Finally, we noted one instance where the invoice was not paid within the 45 day time period.

#### Cause:

The district failed to design and implement a sound system of internal controls surrounding non-payroll expenditures and related payables.

#### Effect:

There is an increased risk that misstatements in the area of non-payroll expenditures will exist that will not be corrected in a timely manner by district personnel. This risk means that transactions may not be properly authorized and accurately classified and recorded. This risk further increases the likelihood that the financial statement information will not be complete and that a proper cut-off at the end of the fiscal year will not be made.

#### Recommendation:

We recommend the district develop a system of sound internal controls surrounding the cycle of non-payroll expenditures and related liabilities and begin steps to implement the system of controls.

### **Finding 2017-002**

#### Criteria:

Proper internal control should be in place to ensure that daily cash count sheets and deposit slips are properly maintained, signed and attested to by more than one individual.

#### Condition:

Cafeteria daily sales reports and deposit slips were not signed and attested to by more than one individual.

Cause:

Controls were not in place to ensure that daily cash count sheets and deposits slips are properly maintained, signed and attested to by more than one individual.

Effect:

Without strong internal controls in place to ensure cash received in the cafeterias are accounted and accurately documented, the district increases the risk that unauthorized or inappropriate use of the funds from cafeterias would not be detected in a timely manner. This could also result in cash being understated.

Recommendation:

We recommend the district revise its system of cash collections process whereby there would be at least two individuals present to ensure cash collected is all accounted for and signed by those individuals attesting to the amount for deposit.

**Finding 2017-003**

Criteria:

Management is responsible for establishing an internal control system that ensures strong financial accountability and safeguarding of assets. Each gate worker is to fill out the gate reconciliation, sign them, and the money is taken to the office safe where it is to be deposited within three business days.

Condition:

During test work, it was noted several instances where the District's internal controls procedures were not adequate in regard to athletic gate receipts. Instances were noted where reconciliations of cash received and what should have been received did not agree and differences were not explained. In addition, we noted one instance out of fifteen where funds were not being deposited timely.

Cause:

A lack of oversight of the District's internal controls led to school bookkeepers reconciling gate admissions, improperly prepared reconciliations, and funds not being deposited timely.

Effect:

A lack of strong internal controls over gate admission funds could lead to the misappropriation of District's assets.

Recommendation:

Polices and procedures should be implemented to ensure all funds received at the gate are properly documented, signed by each gate worker attesting to the amount received, and deposited within three business days. Any unreconciled differences should be explained and resolved in a timely manner.

## **Finding 2017-004**

### Criteria:

Management is responsible for establishing an internal control system that ensures strong financial accountability. A critical aspect of financial management is the maintenance of accurate accounting records.

### Condition:

Local, state and federal revenue reconciliation was not prepared with reliable data.

### Cause:

The district failed to include 2016 receivables and unearned revenue in revenue reconciliation.

### Effect:

Several adjustments were made to properly reflect revenue and receivables in the school district's books.

### Recommendation:

The school district should establish an internal control system that ensures strong financial accountability and accurate accounting records.

## Section III: Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

The results of our tests disclosed the following findings and questioned costs related to the federal awards.

## **Significant Deficiencies and Noncompliance**

## **Finding 2017-005**

### **U.S. Department of Education**

Passed through the Mississippi Department of Education

Program Name: Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

CFDA# 84.010

Compliance: Activities Allowed or Unallowed

### Criteria:

The district is charged with the responsibility for designing and implementing a set of internal controls to ensure compliance with federal award programs. As part of this responsibility, the district must ensure that goods and services purchased are appropriately authorized and that such goods and services are received in good condition. The district must further ensure that all employees being paid from program award dollars are actually working in the federal award area.

Condition:

During the course of our audit, the auditor found two of the sixty-nine instances where the district's purchase order authorizing the purchase was dated after the related expenditure invoice date.

Context:

In our testing of 69 non-payroll expenditure testing, we noted two (2) instances where the district's purchase order authorizing the purchase was dated after the related expenditure invoice date.

Questioned costs:

None

Whether sampling was statistically valid:

No.

Identification of a repeat finding:

This is a repeat finding from the immediate previous audit, Finding 2016-004.

Cause:

The district failed to fully implement a sound system of internal controls surrounding grant award expenditures.

Effect:

Our testing showed that the grant award dollars were being obligated without documentation of proper authorization for the purchases made. Further, claims were not supported by adequate receiving documentation, increasing the risk that claims could be paid for goods or services not received or that goods and services are received in poor condition.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the school district improve the controls surrounding grant award expenditures by requiring properly authorized purchase orders prior to actual purchases being made, and by requiring written receiving documentation to verify receipt of goods and services prior to actual payment for the goods and services.

View of responsible officials:

The Quitman County School District will improve the controls surrounding grant award expenditures by requiring properly authorized purchase orders prior to actual purchases being made, and by requiring written receiving documentation to verify receipt of goods and services prior to actual payment for the goods and services.

**Finding 2017-006**

**U.S. Department of Education**

Passed through the Mississippi Department of Education

Program Name: Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies

CFDA# 84.010

Compliance: Cash Management

Criteria:

The school district must have a system for drawing down federal award dollars that will ensure that cash is drawn only for immediate needs.

Condition:

The district drew excessive cash down in one (1) of the twelve (12) months tested for the year ending June 30, 2017.

Context:

In our testing of 12 months reimbursement requests, we noted 1 instance where the district requested excess cash of more than immediate use.

Questioned costs:

\$128,567

Whether sampling was statistically valid:

No.

Identification of a repeat finding:

This is a repeat finding from the immediate previous audit, Finding 2016-005.

Cause:

The district failed to properly implement a sound system of internal controls surrounding cash management in the grant award. The district requested cash draw downs based on current month expenditures, without looking at the related cash receipts flowing into the program. Refunds and approved program transfers from other federal award grants were ignored instead of being considered when cash needs were computed.

Effect:

For the month of July 2016, the district requested more cash than was needed to satisfy current needs. The excessive cash draws are a violation of the cash management requirements.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the school district limit cash draws to those amounts needed for immediate use.

View of responsible officials:

The Quitman County School District will limit cash draws to those amounts needed for immediate use.

**Finding 2017-007**

**U.S. Department of Education**

Passed through the Mississippi Department of Education

Program Name: Special Education Cluster

CFDA# 84.027 & 84.173

Compliance: Cash Management



Criteria:

The school district must have a system for drawing down federal award dollars that will ensure that cash is drawn only for immediate needs.

Condition:

The district drew excessive cash down in one (1) of the twelve (12) months tested for the year ending June 30, 2017.

Context:

In our testing of 12 months reimbursement requests, we noted 1 instance where the district requested excess cash of more than immediate use.

Questioned costs:

\$30,535

Whether sampling was statistically valid:

No.

Identification of a repeat finding:

This is a repeat finding from the immediate previous audit, Finding 2016-008.

Cause:

The district failed to properly implement a sound system of internal controls surrounding cash management in the grant award. The district requested cash draw downs based on current month expenditures, without looking at the related cash receipts flowing into the program. Refunds and approved program transfers from other federal award grants were ignored instead of being considered when cash needs were computed.

Effect:

The district requested more cash than was needed to satisfy current needs. The excessive cash draws are a violation of the cash management requirements.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the school district limit cash draws to those amounts needed for immediate use.

View of responsible officials:

The Quitman County School District will limit cash draws to those amounts needed for immediate use.

**AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN AND  
SUMMARY OF PRIOR FEDERAL AUDIT FINDINGS**



**Dr. Evelyn Jossell • Superintendent of Education**

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## AUDITEE'S CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

As required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (UG), the Quitman County School District has prepared and hereby submits the following corrective action plan for the findings included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Cost for the year ended June 30, 2017:

<u>Finding</u>	<u>Corrective Action Plan Details</u>
2017-001	<p>a. Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Name: Miron Thompson Phone Number: 662-326-5451</p> <p>b. Corrective Action Planned:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The Quitman County School District will develop a system of sound internal controls surrounding the cycle of non-payroll expenditures and related liabilities and begin steps to implement the system of controls.</p> <p>c. Anticipated Completion Date: June 28, 2018</p>
2017-002	<p>a. Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Name: Miron Thompson/Stacey Wiley Phone Number: 662-326-5451</p> <p>b. Corrective Action Planned:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The Quitman County School District will revise its system of cash collections process whereby there would be at least two individuals present to ensure cash collected is all accounted for and signed by those individuals attesting to the amount for deposit.</p> <p>c. Anticipated Completion Date: June 28, 2018</p>



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<u>Finding</u>	<u>Corrective Action Plan Details</u>
2017-003	<p>a. Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action</p> <p>Name: Miron Thompson/Walter Atkins, Jr./Stephanie Crowell  Phone Number: 662-326-5451</p> <p>b. Corrective Action Planned:</p> <p>The Quitman County School District will implement policies and procedures to ensure all funds received at the gate are properly documented, signed by each gate worker attesting to the amount received, and deposited within three business days. Any unreconciled differences will be explained and resolved in a timely manner.</p> <p>c. Anticipated Completion Date: June 28, 2018</p>
2017-004	<p>a. Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action</p> <p>Name: Miron Thompson  Phone Number: 662-326-5451</p> <p>b. Corrective Action Planned:</p> <p>The Quitman County School District will establish an internal control system that ensures strong financial accountability and accurate accounting records.</p> <p>c. Anticipated Completion Date: June 28, 2018</p>



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<u>Finding</u>	<u>Corrective Action Plan Details</u>
2017-005	<p>a. Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Name: Miron Thompson/Reginald Griffin Phone Number: 662-326-5451</p> <p>b. Corrective Action Planned:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The Quitman County School District will improve the controls surrounding grant award expenditures by requiring properly authorized purchase orders prior to actual purchases being made, and by requiring written receiving documentation to verify receipt of goods and services prior to actual payment for the goods and services.</p> <p>c. Anticipated Completion Date: June 28, 2018</p>
2017-006	<p>a. Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Name: Miron Thompson/Reginald Griffin Phone Number: 662-326-5451</p> <p>b. Corrective Action Planned:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">The Quitman County School District will limit cash draws to those amounts needed for immediate use.</p> <p>c. Anticipated Completion Date: June 28, 2018</p>



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As required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (UG), the Quitman County School District has prepared and hereby submits the following corrective action plan for the findings included in the Schedule of Findings and Questioned Cost for the year ended June 30, 2017:

<u>Finding</u>	<u>Corrective Action Plan Details</u>
2017-007	<p>a. Name of Contact Person Responsible for Corrective Action</p> <p>Name: Miron Thompson/Latisha Rudd Phone Number: 662-326-5451</p> <p>b. Corrective Action Planned:</p> <p>The Quitman County School District will limit cash draws to those amounts needed for immediate use.</p> <p>c. Anticipated Completion Date: June 30, 2018</p>



**Dr. Evelyn Jossell • Superintendent of Education**

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### SUMMARY OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS

As required by Title 2 U. S. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (UG), the Quitman County School District has prepared and hereby submits the following summary of prior year audit findings follow up as of June 30, 2017:

<u>Finding</u>	<u>Status</u>
2016-001	Not Corrected (See Finding 2017-001)
2016-002	Corrected
2016-003	Not Corrected (See Finding 2017-002)
2016-004	Not Corrected (See Finding 2017-005)
2016-005	Not Corrected (See Finding 2017-006)
2016-006	Corrected
2016-007	Corrected
2016-008	Not Corrected (See Finding 2017-007)
2016-009	Corrected