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**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**AUDITED**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**



**Certified Public Accountants**

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Superintendent and School Board  
Union 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 Union 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 Union 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.

### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America 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 of material misstatement.

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

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

### Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Union 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.

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## 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 District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, and the Schedule of District Contributions on pages 5-12, 41-45, and 46-47, 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 Union 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 Requirement 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 January 9, 2018 on our consideration of the Union 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 Union 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 Union County School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "The Sparks CPA Firm, P.C." in a cursive, flowing script.

The Sparks CPA Firm, P.C.  
Certified Public Accountants  
Booneville, Mississippi  
January 9, 2018

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



**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**

The following discussion and analysis of Union 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 to the financial statements to enhance their understanding of the School District's financial performance.

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Total net position for 2017 decreased \$1,348,024 (including a prior period adjustment of \$47,276) which represents a 9.68% decrease from fiscal year 2016. Total net position for 2016 increased \$97,482 which represents a 0.69% increase from fiscal year 2015.
- General revenues amounted to \$20,103,770 and \$18,857,164, or 81.63% and 79.16% 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 \$4,524,064 or 18.37% of the total revenues for 2016, and \$4,964,845 or 20.84% of the total revenues for 2016.
- The District had \$26,023,134 and \$23,724,527 in expenses for fiscal years 2017 and 2016; only \$4,524,064 for 2017 and \$4,964,845 for 2016 of these expenses was offset by program specific charges for services, grants and contributions. General revenues of \$20,103,770 for 2017 and \$18,857,164 for 2016 were adequate to provide for these programs.
- Among the major funds, the General Fund had \$20,834,270 in revenues and \$19,676,469 in expenditures for 2017 and \$19,934,788 in revenues and \$20,385,652 in expenditures for 2016. The General Fund's fund balance increased by \$715,875 from 2016 to 2017 and increased by \$40,017 from 2015 to 2016.
- Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, decreased by \$725,366 (including a prior period adjustment of \$117,182) for 2017 and increased \$877,266 for 2016. The decrease for 2017 was primarily due to the adjustment to leased property coupled with the increase in accumulated depreciation.
- Long-term debt decreased by \$461,612 for 2017 and increase by \$519,102 for 2016. The liability for compensated absences increased by \$31,173 for 2017 and decreased by \$9,580 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.

**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, liabilities, and deferred inflows 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.

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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 years.

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-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.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**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.

**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 budgetary comparison schedules, 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.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
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**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 \$15,278,205 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.

**Table 1  
Condensed Statement of Net Position**

	<b>June 30, 2017</b>	<b>June 30, 2016</b>	<b>Percentage Change</b>
Current assets	\$ 6,441,203	\$ 5,939,600	8.45%
Restricted assets	2,405,423	1,736,548	38.52%
Capital assets, net	13,048,290	13,773,656	-5.27%
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>21,894,916</b>	<b>21,449,804</b>	<b>2.08%</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>7,954,000</b>	<b>5,503,005</b>	<b>44.54%</b>
Current liabilities	376,863	342,440	10.05%
Long-term debt outstanding	7,639,848	8,070,287	-5.33%
Net pension liability	36,757,804	31,376,241	17.15%
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>44,774,515</b>	<b>39,788,968</b>	<b>12.53%</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>352,606</b>	<b>1,094,022</b>	<b>-67.77%</b>
<b>Net position:</b>			
Net investment on capital assets	5,620,800	5,884,554	-4.48%
Restricted	3,398,103	5,325,494	-36.19%
Unrestricted	(24,297,108)	(25,140,229)	3.35%
<b>Total net position</b>	<b>\$ (15,278,205)</b>	<b>\$ (13,930,181)</b>	<b>-9.68%</b>

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)	\$ (24,297,108)
Less unrestricted deficit in net position resulting from recognition of the net pension liability, including the deferred outflows and deferred inflows related to pensions	29,156,410
Unrestricted net position, exclusive of the net pension liability effect	<u>\$ 4,859,302</u>

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

- Decrease in capital assets in the amount of \$725,366.
- The principal retirement of \$461,612 of 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 \$24,627,834 and \$23,822,009, respectively. The total cost of all programs and services was \$26,023,134 for 2017 and \$23,724,527 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.

**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	\$ 1,466,676	\$ 1,716,813	-14.57%
Operating grants and contributions	3,057,388	3,248,032	-5.87%
General revenues:			
Property taxes	4,563,507	4,643,872	-1.73%
Grants and contributions not restricted	15,123,990	14,172,075	6.72%
Investment earnings	65,066	38,217	70.25%
Other	351,207	3,000	11606.90%
<b>Total revenues</b>	<u>24,627,834</u>	<u>23,822,009</u>	<u>3.38%</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Instruction	12,918,977	11,379,306	13.53%
Support services	6,435,114	7,395,734	-12.99%
Non-instructional	2,141,193	2,010,271	6.51%
Pension Expense	4,478,401	2,892,512	54.83%
Interest on long-term liabilities	49,449	46,704	5.88%
<b>Total expenses</b>	<u>26,023,134</u>	<u>23,724,527</u>	<u>9.69%</u>
<b>Increase(decrease) in net position</b>	<u>(1,395,300)</u>	<u>97,482</u>	<u>-1531.34%</u>
<b>Net Position, July 1, as previously stated</b>	<u>(13,930,181)</u>	<u>(14,027,663)</u>	<u>0.69%</u>
<b>Prior Period Adjustments</b>	<u>47,276</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>N/A</u>
<b>Net Position, July 1, as restated</b>	<u>(13,882,905)</u>	<u>(14,027,663)</u>	<u>1.03%</u>
<b>Net Position, June 30</b>	<u>\$ (15,278,205)</u>	<u>\$ (13,930,181)</u>	<u>-9.68%</u>

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**Governmental activities**

The following table presents the cost of five major District functional activities: instruction, support services, pension expense, non-instructional, 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</b>
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Change</b>
Instruction	\$ 12,918,977	\$ 11,379,306	13.53%
Support services	6,435,114	7,395,734	-12.99%
Non-instructional	2,141,193	2,010,271	6.51%
Pension expense	4,478,401	2,892,512	54.83%
Interest on long-term liabilities	49,449	46,704	5.88%
<b>Total expenses</b>	<b>26,023,134</b>	<b>23,724,527</b>	<b>9.69%</b>

  

	<b>Net (Expense) Revenue</b>		<b>Percentage</b>
	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>Change</b>
Instruction	(10,753,715)	(8,654,990)	24.25%
Support services	(5,790,371)	(6,786,842)	-14.68%
Non-instructional	(427,134)	(378,634)	12.81%
Pension expense	(4,478,401)	(2,892,512)	54.83%
Interest on long-term liabilities	(49,449)	(46,704)	5.88%
<b>Total net (expense) revenue</b>	<b>\$ (21,499,070)</b>	<b>\$ (18,759,682)</b>	<b>14.60%</b>

- Net cost of governmental activities \$21,499,070 for 2017 and \$18,759,682 for 2016 was financed by general revenue, which is primarily made up of property taxes of (\$4,563,507 for 2017 and \$4,643,872 for 2016) and state and federal revenues of (\$15,123,990 for 2017 and \$14,172,075 for 2016).
- Investment earnings amounted to \$65,066 for 2017 and \$38,217 for 2016.

**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 \$8,509,602, an increase of \$1,134,869 including a decrease in inventory of \$9,616. \$4,570,096 or 53.71% 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, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the General Fund. The remaining fund balance of \$3,939,506 or 46.29% is either nonspendable, restricted, committed or assigned to indicate that it is not available for spending except only for the purposes to which it is restricted, committed or assigned.

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**FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS (continued)**

The General Fund is the principal operating fund of the District. The increase in fund balance in the General Fund for the fiscal year was \$715,875. The fund balance of Other Governmental Funds showed an increase in the amount of \$247,508. The increase (decrease) in the fund balances for the other major funds were as follows:

<u>Major Fund</u>		<u>Increase (Decrease)</u>
School Food Service Fund	\$	(40,620)
Title I Fund		no increase or decrease
IDEA - Part B Fund		no increase or decrease
Vocational Education Fund		no increase or decrease
QSCB 2009 Sinking Fund	\$	212,106

- The fund balance of the School Food Service Fund included a decrease of \$9,616 in reserve for inventory.

**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 major special revenue funds is provided in this report as required supplementary information.

**CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

**Capital Assets.** As of June 30, 2017, the District's total capital assets were \$22,790,330, including land, school buildings, building improvements, buses, other school vehicles, furniture and equipment. This amount represents a decrease of \$171,585 (including a prior period adjustment of \$130,202) from 2016. Total accumulated depreciation as of June 30, 2017, was \$9,742,040, and total depreciation expense for the year was \$631,066, resulting in total net capital assets of \$13,048,290.

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

	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Land	\$ 441,311	\$ 441,311	0.00%
Buildings	8,045,195	8,275,833	-2.79%
Building improvements	2,256,035	2,416,533	-6.64%
Improvements other than buildings	1,018,830	1,065,416	-4.37%
Mobile equipment	490,079	538,655	-9.02%
Furniture and equipment	178,693	225,285	-20.68%
Leased Chrome Books	-	117,182	-100.00%
Leased Buses	618,147	693,441	-10.86%
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 13,048,290</u>	<u>\$ 13,773,656</u>	-5.27%

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

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
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**Debt Administration.** At June 30, 2017, the District had \$7,639,848 in outstanding long-term debt, of which \$795,699 is due within one year. The liability for compensated absences increased \$31,173 from the prior year.

**Table 5  
Outstanding Long-Term Debt**

	<u>June 30, 2017</u>	<u>June 30, 2016</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
Limited obligation bonds payable	\$ 680,000	\$ 1,030,000	-33.98%
Qualified school construction bonds payable	6,000,000	6,000,000	0.00%
Compensated absences payable	212,358	181,185	17.21%
Obligations under capital leases	747,490	859,102	-12.99%
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 7,639,848</u>	<u>\$ 8,070,287</u>	-5.33%

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

**Current Issues**

The Union 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 an internal financial control 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.

**CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Superintendent's Office of the Union County School District, 250 Carter Avenue, New Albany, MS 38652.



## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Net Position**  
**June 30, 2017**

	Governmental Activities
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,414,896
Investments	2,238,694
Due from other governments	742,812
Accrued interest receivable	7,479
Other receivables	753
Inventories	36,569
Restricted assets	2,405,423
Capital assets, non-depreciable:	
Land	441,311
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation:	
Buildings	8,045,195
Building improvements	2,256,035
Improvements other than buildings	1,018,830
Mobile equipment	490,079
Furniture and equipment	178,693
Leased property under capital leases	618,147
Total Assets	<u>21,894,916</u>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	
Deferred outflows - pension	7,954,000
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	<u>7,954,000</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	337,024
Interest payable on long-term liabilities	39,839
Long-term liabilities, due within one year:	
Capital related liabilities	795,699
Long-term liabilities, due beyond one year:	
Capital related liabilities	6,631,791
Non-capital related liabilities	212,358
Net pension liability	36,757,804
Total Liabilities	<u>44,774,515</u>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	
Deferred inflows - pension	352,606
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	<u>352,606</u>
<b>Net Position</b>	
Net investment in capital assets	5,620,800
Restricted for:	
Expendable:	
School-based activities	571,922
Debt service	2,775,850
Unemployment benefits	50,331
Unrestricted	(24,297,108)
Total Net Position	<u>\$ (15,278,205)</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

					Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
		Program Revenues			
			Operating	Capital	
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Grants and Contributions	Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities
Governmental Activities:					
Instruction	\$ 12,918,977	\$ 1,001,038	\$ 1,164,224	\$ -	\$ (10,753,715)
Support services	6,435,114	-	644,743	-	(5,790,371)
Non-instructional	2,141,193	465,638	1,248,421	-	(427,134)
Pension expense	4,478,401	-	-	-	(4,478,401)
Interest on long-term liabilities	49,449	-	-	-	(49,449)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 26,023,134	\$ 1,466,676	\$ 3,057,388	\$ -	\$ (21,499,070)
General Revenues:					
Taxes:					
General purpose levies					4,331,198
Debt purpose levies					232,309
Unrestricted grants and contributions:					
State					14,862,403
Federal					261,587
Unrestricted investment earnings					65,066
Other					351,207
Total General Revenues					20,103,770
Change in Net Position					(1,395,300)
Net Position - Beginning, as previously reported					(13,930,181)
Prior Period Adjustments					47,276
Net Position - Beginning, as restated					(13,882,905)
Net Position - Ending					\$ (15,278,205)

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds**  
**June 30, 2017**

	Major Funds							Total Governmental Funds
	General Fund	School Food Service Fund	Title I, Part A Fund	IDEA-Part B Fund	Vocational Education Fund	QSCB 2009 Sinking Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Assets</b>								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,705,114	\$ 447,810	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97,493	\$ -	\$ 413,591	\$ 3,664,008
Cash with fiscal agent	-	-	-	-	-	1,347,098	809,213	2,156,311
Investments	2,000,000	-	-	-	-	-	238,694	2,238,694
Due from other governments	345,288	-	85,637	76,343	-	10,545	224,999	742,812
Accrued interest receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,479	7,479
Due from other funds	260,789	-	-	-	-	-	-	260,789
Inventories	-	36,569	-	-	-	-	-	36,569
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 5,311,191</b>	<b>\$ 484,379</b>	<b>\$ 85,637</b>	<b>\$ 76,343</b>	<b>\$ 97,493</b>	<b>\$ 1,357,643</b>	<b>\$ 1,693,976</b>	<b>\$ 9,106,662</b>
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>								
<b>Liabilities:</b>								
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 239,531	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97,493	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 337,024
Due to other funds	-	85,000	85,637	76,343	-	-	13,056	260,036
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>239,531</b>	<b>85,000</b>	<b>85,637</b>	<b>76,343</b>	<b>97,493</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,056</b>	<b>597,060</b>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>								
Nonspendable:								
Inventory	-	36,569	-	-	-	-	-	36,569
Restricted:								
Debt service	-	-	-	-	-	1,357,643	1,458,046	2,815,689
Unemployment benefits	-	-	-	-	-	-	50,331	50,331
Grant activities	-	362,810	-	-	-	-	172,543	535,353
Assigned:								
Student activities	501,564	-	-	-	-	-	-	501,564
Unassigned	4,570,096	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,570,096
<b>Total Fund Balances</b>	<b>5,071,660</b>	<b>399,379</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,357,643</b>	<b>1,680,920</b>	<b>8,509,602</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>	<b>\$ 5,311,191</b>	<b>\$ 484,379</b>	<b>\$ 85,637</b>	<b>\$ 76,343</b>	<b>\$ 97,493</b>	<b>\$ 1,357,643</b>	<b>\$ 1,693,976</b>	<b>\$ 9,106,662</b>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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

	<u>Amount</u>
Total fund balances for governmental funds	\$ 8,509,602
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:	
1. Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds:	
Land	\$ 441,311
Buildings	12,887,973
Building improvements	4,012,445
Improvements other than buildings	1,251,022
Mobile equipment	2,627,822
Furniture and equipment	801,022
Leased property under capital leases	768,735
Accumulated depreciation	<u>(9,742,040)</u>
	13,048,290
2. Some liabilities, including net pension obligations, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Net pension liability	(36,757,804)
Deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions are applicable to future periods and, therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions	7,954,000
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions	<u>(352,606)</u>
	(29,156,410)
3. Long-term liabilities and related accrued interest are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the funds:	
Limited obligation bonds	(680,000)
Qualified school construction bond	(6,000,000)
Compensated absences	(212,358)
Capital lease obligations	(747,490)
Accrued interest payable	<u>(39,839)</u>
	(7,679,687)
Net position of governmental activities	\$ <u><u>(15,278,205)</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -**  
**Governmental Funds**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

	Major Funds							
	General Fund	School Food Service Fund	Title I Fund	IDEA-Part B Fund	Vocational Education Fund	QSCB 2009 Sinking Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
<b>Revenues:</b>								
Local sources	\$ 5,832,782	\$ 353,762	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,559	\$ 252,203	\$ 6,468,306
State sources	14,739,901	13,987	-	-	84,700	-	543,366	15,381,954
Federal sources	261,587	1,224,159	658,952	628,682	-	-	26,045	2,799,425
Total Revenues	<u>20,834,270</u>	<u>1,591,908</u>	<u>658,952</u>	<u>628,682</u>	<u>84,700</u>	<u>29,559</u>	<u>821,614</u>	<u>24,649,685</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>								
Instruction	12,942,659	-	476,253	392,774	364,834	-	54,787	14,231,307
Support services	6,005,532	137,934	175,293	235,908	38,602	-	57,006	6,650,275
Noninstructional services	682,139	1,399,978	7,406	-	-	-	-	2,089,523
Debt service:								
Principal	40,719	-	-	-	-	-	420,893	461,612
Interest	5,420	-	-	-	-	-	45,215	50,635
Total Expenditures	<u>19,676,469</u>	<u>1,537,912</u>	<u>658,952</u>	<u>628,682</u>	<u>403,436</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>577,901</u>	<u>23,483,352</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>1,157,801</u>	<u>53,996</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(318,736)</u>	<u>29,559</u>	<u>243,713</u>	<u>1,166,333</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>								
Insurance loss recoveries	4,200	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,200
Operating transfers in	87,653	-	-	-	318,736	205,747	215,043	827,179
Operating transfers out	(533,779)	(85,000)	-	-	-	-	(208,400)	(827,179)
Other financing uses	-	-	-	-	-	(23,200)	(2,848)	(26,048)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(441,926)</u>	<u>(85,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>318,736</u>	<u>182,547</u>	<u>3,795</u>	<u>(21,848)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	715,875	(31,004)	-	-	-	212,106	247,508	1,144,485
Fund Balances:								
July 1, 2016	4,355,785	439,999	-	-	-	1,145,537	1,433,412	7,374,733
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	-	(9,616)	-	-	-	-	-	(9,616)
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 5,071,660</u>	<u>\$ 399,379</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,357,643</u>	<u>\$ 1,680,920</u>	<u>\$ 8,509,602</u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues,**  
**Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

		<u>Amount</u>
Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$	1,144,485
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
1. Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. In the current period, these amounts are:		
Capital outlay	\$ 24,245	
Depreciation expense	<u>(631,066)</u>	(606,821)
2. In the statement of activities, only the gain/loss on the sale of assets is reported, while in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the sale increases financial resources. Thus, the change in net position differs from the change in fund balance by the cost of the assets sold.		(1,363)
3. This issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position.		
Payments of debt principal	461,612	
Accrued interest payable	<u>1,186</u>	462,798
4. Some items relating to pensions and reported in the statement of activities do not provide or require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as revenues/expenditures in the governmental funds. These activities include:		
Pension expense for the current year	(4,478,401)	
Pension contributions made subsequent to the measurement date	<u>2,124,791</u>	(2,353,610)
5. Some items reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as revenues/expenditures in governmental funds. These activities include:		
Change in compensated absences		(31,173)
Change in inventory reserve		(9,616)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$	<u><u>(1,395,300)</u></u>

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities**  
**June 30, 2017**

	Agency Funds
<b>Assets</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ <u>923,761</u>
Total Assets	<u><u>923,761</u></u>
<b>Liabilities</b>	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	819,626
Due to other funds	753
Due to student clubs	<u>103,382</u>
Total Liabilities	\$ <u><u>923,761</u></u>

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.



**UNION 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, Union 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.
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.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

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.

School Food Service Fund – This fund is used to account for revenues and expenditures used to account for the operation of providing meals to students.

Title I, Part A Fund – This fund accounts for the revenues and expenditures of the Title I program.

IDEA-Part B Fund – This fund is used to account for the federal revenues and expenditures of the Special Education Program

Vocational Education Fund – This fund is used to account for the revenues and expenditures of the Vocational Education Fund.

QSCB 2009 Sinking Fund – This fund is used to account for the repayment of the District’s 2009 qualified school construction bonds.

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:

Student Club Funds – This fund is used to account for activity of various student clubs in the District.

Accounts Payable Clearing Fund – This fund is used to account for the District’s claims payable and the payment of those claims.

Payroll Clearing Fund – This fund is used to account for salaries and related salary expenditures payable and the payment of those payables.

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 Projects 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.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

**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 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 is 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.

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.

**UNION 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 not maintained to account for commitments resulting from approved purchase orders, work orders and contracts.

**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 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.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
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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 Bond sinking funds.

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 applicable governmental or business type activities columns 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.

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.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
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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 future periods and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred outflows of the school district relate to pensions. (1) the difference between expected and actual experience, (2) changes in assumptions, (3) net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments (4) changes in proportion and differences between employer contributions and proportionate share of contributions, and (5) district contributions subsequent to the measurement date.

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 future periods and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Deferred inflows of the school district relate to pensions.

See notes 7 and 15 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 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 purpose of 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 are 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.

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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 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. This formal action is a resolution approved by the Board. 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 the Business Manager pursuant to authorization established by the District's approved fund balance policy.

*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/expense 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/expenses 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.

**Note 2 – Cash and Cash Equivalents, Cash with Fiscal Agents, 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 are imposed by statutes as follows:

**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 the 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

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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) and bond sinking funds (Debt Service 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 \$7,870,319 (which includes \$2,050,000 of certificates of deposit with original maturities beyond three months and reported on the Balance Sheet as investments) and \$923,761, 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 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 \$5,369,505 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

**Cash with Fiscal Agents**

The carrying amount of school district's cash with fiscal agents held by financial institutions was \$2,156,311.

**Investments**

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

Investment Type	Rating	Maturities (in years)		Fair Value
Certificates of deposit	None	1	\$	2,050,000
Federated US Treasury Cash Reserve	AAAm	Various		188,694
Total			\$	<u>2,238,694</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.



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

- Federated US Treasury Cash Reserve type of investments of \$188,694 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. Of the Districts investments in Federated US Treasury Cash Reserve Securities, \$188,694, of underlying securities are held by the investments counterparty, not is the name of the District.

*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.

**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**

Receivable Fund	Payable Fund	Amount
General Fund	School Food Service Fund	\$ 85,000
General Fund	Title I, Part A Fund	85,637
General Fund	IDEA-Part B Fund	76,343
General Fund	Other governmental funds	13,056
General Fund	Fiduciary funds	753
Total		\$ 260,789

The purpose of the inter-fund loans was to cover federal funds not received prior to year-end.

**A. Inter-fund Transfers**

Transfers Out	Transfers In	Amount
General Fund	Vocational Education Fund	\$ 318,736
General Fund	Other governmental funds	215,043
School Food Service Fund	General Fund	85,000
Other governmental funds	General Fund	2,653
Other governmental funds	QSCB 2009 Sinking Fund	205,747
Total		\$ 827,179

The primary purpose of inter-fund transfers was to provide funds for daily operations. All transfers were routine and consistent with the activities of the fund making the transfer.

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**Note 4 – Restricted Assets**

The restricted assets represent the cash balances, totaling \$2,405,423 of debt service funds whose balances are legally restricted and may not be used except for their restricted purposes. Included in the restricted assets balance is the cash with fiscal agent balance of \$1,347,098 and \$809,213, respectively of the QSCB Bond Retirement Funds. The remaining \$249,112 represents debt service funds whose balances are restricted for future debt services requirements.

**Note 5 – Capital Assets**

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

	Balance 7/1/2016	Increases	Decreases	Adjustments	Balance 6/30/2017
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>					
<u>Non-depreciable capital assets:</u>					
Land	\$ 441,311	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 441,311
Total non-depreciable capital assets	<u>441,311</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>441,311</u>
<u>Depreciable capital assets:</u>					
Buildings	12,887,973	-	-	-	12,887,973
Building improvements	4,012,445	-	-	-	4,012,445
Improvements other than buildings	1,251,022	-	-	-	1,251,022
Mobile equipment	2,618,822	9,000	-	-	2,627,822
Furniture and equipment	851,405	15,245	65,628	-	801,022
Leased property Chrome Books	130,202	-	-	(130,202)	-
Leased property under capital lease	768,735	-	-	-	768,735
Total depreciable capital assets	<u>22,520,604</u>	<u>24,245</u>	<u>65,628</u>	<u>(130,202)</u>	<u>22,349,019</u>
<u>Less accumulated depreciation for:</u>					
Buildings	4,612,140	230,638	-	-	4,842,778
Building improvements	1,595,912	160,498	-	-	1,756,410
Improvements other than buildings	185,606	46,586	-	-	232,192
Mobile equipment	2,080,167	57,576	-	-	2,137,743
Furniture and equipment	626,120	60,474	64,265	-	622,329
Leased property Chrome Books	13,020	-	-	(13,020)	-
Leased property under capital lease	75,294	75,294	-	-	150,588
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>9,188,259</u>	<u>631,066</u>	<u>64,265</u>	<u>(13,020)</u>	<u>9,742,040</u>
Total depreciable capital assets, net	13,332,345	(606,821)	1,363	(117,182)	12,606,979
Governmental activities capital assets, net	<u>\$ 13,773,656</u>	<u>\$ (606,821)</u>	<u>\$ 1,363</u>	<u>\$ (117,182)</u>	<u>\$ 13,048,290</u>

The adjustment to capital assets was to remove leased property that should not have been capitalized in the prior period.

Depreciation expenses was charged to the following governmental functions:

<b>Governmental Activities:</b>	Amount
Instruction	\$ 147,699
Support services	432,417
Non-instructional	50,950
Total Depreciation Expense	<u>\$ 631,066</u>

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**Note 6 – Long-term liabilities**

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

	Balance 7/1/16	Additions	Reductions	Balance 6/30/17	Due within one year
A Limited obligation bonds payable	\$ 1,030,000	\$ -	\$ 350,000	\$ 680,000	\$ 680,000
B Obligations under capital leases	859,102	-	111,612	747,490	115,699
C Qualified school construction bonds	6,000,000	-	-	6,000,000	-
D Compensated absences payable	181,185	31,173	-	212,358	-
	<u>\$ 8,070,287</u>	<u>\$ 31,173</u>	<u>\$ 461,612</u>	<u>\$ 7,639,848</u>	<u>\$ 795,699</u>

**A. Limited obligation bonds payable**

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

Description	Interest Rate(s)	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
State aid capital improvement refunding, Series 2008	2.2-3.60%	06/30/08	02/01/18	\$ 3,075,000	\$ 680,000
Total				<u>\$ 3,075,000</u>	<u>\$ 680,000</u>

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

Limited obligation bond issue of 06/30/08.

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ 680,000	17,479	\$ 697,479
Total	<u>\$ 680,000</u>	<u>\$ 17,479</u>	<u>\$ 697,479</u>

This debt will be retired from the Bond Retirement fund.

The state aid capital improvement bonds are secured by an irrevocable pledge of certain revenues the District receives from the State of Mississippi pursuant to the Mississippi Accountability and Adequate Education Program Act, Sections 37-151-1 through 37-151-7, Miss. Code Ann. (1972). The state aid capital improvement bonds are not included in the computation of the debt limit percentage.

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**B. Obligations under capital lease**

The school district has entered into a lease agreement (Bus Lease) as lessee for financing the acquisition of buses at a cost of \$775,039 with a down payment of \$0. This lease qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes.

The school district has entered into a lease agreement (Chrome Books Lease) as lessee for financing the acquisition of Chrome Books at a cost of \$130,202 with a down payment of \$0. This lease qualifies as a capital lease for accounting purposes.

Description	Interest Rate	Issue Date	Maturity Date	Amount Issued	Amount Outstanding
1. Bus Lease	2.00%	07/07/15	07/07/25	\$ 775,039	\$ 704,145
2. Chrome Books Lease	0.00%	10/01/15	10/01/17	130,202	43,345
Total				<u>\$ 905,241</u>	<u>\$ 747,490</u>

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

1. Bus Lease dated 07/07/15

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest and Maintenance Charges	Total
2018	\$ 72,355	\$ 14,116	\$ 86,471
2019	73,802	12,669	86,471
2020	75,278	11,193	86,471
2021	76,784	9,687	86,471
2022	78,320	8,152	86,471
2023-2026	327,606	16,626	344,232
Total	<u>\$ 704,145</u>	<u>\$ 72,442</u>	<u>\$ 776,587</u>

The school district uses the straight-line method of amortization for the lease payments which is not in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. However, the difference between the effective interest method and the straight-line method is not considered material.

This debt will be retired from the Building and Buses Fund.

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

2. Chrome Books Lease dated 10/01/15

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest and Maintenance Charges	Total
2018	\$ 43,345	\$ 2,795	\$ 46,140
Total	<u>\$ 43,345</u>	<u>\$ 2,795</u>	<u>\$ 46,140</u>

The school district uses the straight-line method of amortization for the lease payments which is not in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. However, the difference between the effective interest method and the straight-line method is not considered material.

This debt will be retired from the General Fund.

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**C. Qualified school construction bonds payable**

As more fully explained in Note 11, 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
1. Qualified school construction bond series 2009	0.69%	12/29/09	09/15/24	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,000,000
2. Qualified school construction bond series 2012	0.00%	10/01/12	10/01/25	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>3,000,000</u>
Total				<u>\$ 6,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,000,000</u>

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

1. Qualified school construction bonds issue of 12/29/09

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ -	\$ 20,700	\$ 20,700
2019	-	20,700	20,700
2020	-	20,700	20,700
2021	-	20,700	20,700
2022	-	20,700	20,700
2023-2025	<u>3,000,000</u>	<u>62,100</u>	<u>3,062,100</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,000,000</u>	<u>\$ 165,600</u>	<u>\$ 3,165,600</u>

2. Qualified school construction issue of 10/01/12

Year Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2018	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
2019	-	-	-
2020	-	-	-
2021	-	-	-
2022	-	-	-
2023-2026	<u>3,000,000</u>	-	-
Total	<u>\$ 3,000,000</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

**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 – 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.

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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) 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 \$2,124,791, \$2,071,096 and \$1,997,234, 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 \$36,757,804 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 0.205782 percent, which was based on a measurement date of June 30, 2016. This was an increase of .002805 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.

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For the year ended June 30, 2017, the District recognized pension expense of \$4,478,401. At June 30, 2017, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 1,017,275	\$ -
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments	2,533,693	-
Changes of assumptions	1,709,222	97,677
Changes in proportion and differences between District contributions and proportionate share of contributions	569,019	254,929
District contributions subsequent to the measurement date	2,124,791	-
Total	<u>\$ 7,954,000</u>	<u>\$ 352,606</u>

\$2,124,791 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 ended June 30:	
2018	\$ 1,817,599
2019	1,593,389
2020	1,339,459
2021	726,156

*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	100	%		

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.75 percent. 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 members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

*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	\$ 47,131,745	\$ 36,757,804	\$ 28,150,794

*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 8 – Prior Period Adjustments**

A summary of significant Net Position adjustments is as follows:

Exhibit B – Statement of Activities

<u>Explanation</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Correct prior year deferred inflows and outflows related to pensions	\$ 164,458
Correct prior year capital assets that should have been included as inventory items and not capitalized.	(117,182)
Total	\$ <u>47,276</u>

**Note 9 – 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 disallowances 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



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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 10 – Risk Management**

The school is exposed to various risks of loss related 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 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 member's 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 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 11 – 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. The school district did not apply for any subsidies for the year ended June 30, 2017.

The school district makes equal annual payments into a sinking fund which is used to pay off the bonds at termination. The current maturity limit of tax credit bonds is 17 years, per 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. The amount on deposit at June 30, 2017 was \$1,347,098 and \$809,213, respectively. The amount accumulated in the sinking fund at the end of the seventeen-year period will be sufficient to retire the debt. The following schedules report the annual deposits to be made to the sinking funds by the school district.

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1. Qualified school construction bonds issue of 2009.

Year Ending June 30	Amount
2018	\$ 209,000
2019	209,000
2020	209,000
2021	209,000
2022	209,000
2023-2025	627,000
Total	\$ <u>1,672,000</u>

2. Qualified school construction bonds issue of 2012.

Year Ending June 30	Amount
2018	\$ 200,000
2019	200,000
2020	200,000
2021	200,000
2022	200,000
2023-2027	1,000,000
2028	200,000
Total	\$ <u>2,200,000</u>

**Note 12 – Alternative School Consortium**

The school district entered into an Alternative School Agreement dated March 20, 1996, creating the New Albany, South Tippah and Union County (NASTUC) Alternative School 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 New Albany School District, South Tippah School District and Union 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 New Albany School District has been designated as the lead school district for the NASTUC Alternative School Consortium and the operations of the consortium are included in its financial statements.

**Note 13 – Vocational School Consortium**

The school district entered into a Vocational Educational Agreement dated April 4, 1969, creating the New Albany-Union County Vocational Center. This consortium was created pursuant to the provisions of Section 37-31-73, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), and approved by the Mississippi Department of Education. The consortium includes the New Albany School District and the Union County School District.

Section 37-31-73, Miss. Code Ann (1972), authorizes the above noted entities to enter into an agreement that would provide for the construction or operation of a regional vocational education center. Any such agreement should provide for a designated fiscal agent, providing the method of financing the construction and operation of such facilities, the manner in which such facilities are to be controlled and staffed and detail procedures for student admission and transportation services for those students.

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The New Albany School District has been designated as the fiscal agent for the New Albany-Union County Vocational Center, and the operations of the consortium are included in its financial statements.

**Note 14 – Insurance Loss Recoveries**

The Union County School District received \$4,200 in insurance loss recoveries related damage to the band trailer during the 2016-2017 fiscal year. In the government-wide Statement of Activities, the insurance loss recoveries were reported as other revenues and allocated 100% to the instructional expense function.

**Note 15 – Effects of Deferred Amounts on Net Position**

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$24,297,108) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of expenses resulting from the deferred outflow from pensions. The \$7,954,000 balance of deferred outflows of resources at June 30, 2017 will be recognized as an expense and will decrease the unrestricted net position over the next 3 years.

The unrestricted net position amount of (\$24,297,108) includes the effect of deferring the recognition of revenues resulting from a deferred inflow from pensions. The \$352,606 balance of deferred inflow of resources at June 30, 2017 will be recognized as revenue and will increase the unrestricted net position over the next 4 years.

Please reference Note 7 for details on amortization of deferred outflows/inflows related to pensions.

**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 Union County School District evaluated the activity of the District for potential recognition and disclosure through January 9, 2018 (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. No adjustments were considered necessary to the financial statements.

## **REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**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	\$ 5,617,554	\$ 5,832,782	\$ 5,832,782	\$ 215,228	\$ -
State sources	14,869,386	14,739,901	14,739,901	(129,485)	-
Federal sources	128,352	261,587	261,587	133,235	-
Total Revenues	<u>20,615,292</u>	<u>20,834,270</u>	<u>20,834,270</u>	<u>218,978</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	13,102,556	12,942,659	12,942,659	159,897	-
Support services	6,221,573	6,005,532	6,005,532	216,041	-
Noninstructional services	665,469	682,139	682,139	(16,670)	-
Debt Service:					-
Principal	46,139	40,719	40,719	5,420	-
Interest	-	5,420	5,420	(5,420)	-
Total Expenditures	<u>20,035,737</u>	<u>19,676,469</u>	<u>19,676,469</u>	<u>359,268</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>579,555</u>	<u>1,157,801</u>	<u>1,157,801</u>	<u>578,246</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Indirect costs	85,000	-	-	(85,000)	-
Sale of transportation equipment	1,500	-	-	(1,500)	-
Insurance recoveries	2,500	4,200	4,200	1,700	-
Operating transfers in	2,256,902	87,653	87,653	(2,169,249)	-
Operating transfers out	(2,771,477)	(533,779)	(533,779)	2,237,698	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(425,575)</u>	<u>(441,926)</u>	<u>(441,926)</u>	<u>(16,351)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>153,980</u>	<u>715,875</u>	<u>715,875</u>	<u>561,895</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	4,477,519	4,355,785	4,355,785	(121,734)	-
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 4,631,499</u>	<u>\$ 5,071,660</u>	<u>\$ 5,071,660</u>	<u>\$ 440,161</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule School Food Service 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	\$ 377,495	\$ 353,762	\$ 353,762	\$ (23,733)	\$ -
State sources	15,000	13,987	13,987	(1,013)	-
Federal sources	1,213,500	1,224,159	1,224,159	10,659	-
Total Revenues	<u>1,605,995</u>	<u>1,591,908</u>	<u>1,591,908</u>	<u>(14,087)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Expenditures</b>					
Support services	106,993	137,934	137,934	(30,941)	-
Noninstructional services	1,413,935	1,399,978	1,399,978	13,957	-
Total Expenditures	<u>1,520,928</u>	<u>1,537,912</u>	<u>1,537,912</u>	<u>(16,984)</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>85,067</u>	<u>53,996</u>	<u>53,996</u>	<u>(31,071)</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses)</b>					
Sale of other property				-	-
Operating transfers out	<u>(85,000)</u>	<u>(85,000)</u>	<u>(85,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(85,000)</u>	<u>(85,000)</u>	<u>(85,000)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>67</u>	<u>(31,004)</u>	<u>(31,004)</u>	<u>(31,071)</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	496,759	439,999	439,999	(56,760)	-
Increase (Decrease) in Reserve for Inventory	-	(9,616)	(9,616)	(9,616)	-
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 496,826</u>	<u>\$ 399,379</u>	<u>\$ 399,379</u>	<u>\$ (97,447)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Title I, Part A 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	\$ 596,408	\$ 658,952	\$ 658,952	\$ 62,544	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>596,408</u>	<u>658,952</u>	<u>658,952</u>	<u>62,544</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	411,375	476,253	476,253	(64,878)	-
Support services	179,069	175,293	175,293	3,776	-
Noninstructional services	5,964	7,406	7,406	(1,442)	-
Total Expenditures	<u>596,408</u>	<u>658,952</u>	<u>658,952</u>	<u>(62,544)</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Operating transfers in				-	-
Operating transfers out				-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule - IDEA-Part B 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	\$ 561,218	\$ 628,682	\$ 628,682	\$ 67,464	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>561,218</u>	<u>628,682</u>	<u>628,682</u>	<u>67,464</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	372,285	392,774	392,774	(20,489)	-
Support services	188,933	235,908	235,908	(46,975)	-
Total Expenditures	<u>561,218</u>	<u>628,682</u>	<u>628,682</u>	<u>(67,464)</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Operating transfers out	-	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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



**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Budgetary Comparison Schedule - Vocational Education 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>					
State sources	\$ 65,000	\$ 84,700	\$ 84,700	\$ 19,700	\$ -
Total Revenues	<u>65,000</u>	<u>84,700</u>	<u>84,700</u>	<u>19,700</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Instruction	347,830	364,834	364,834	(17,004)	-
Support services	38,745	38,602	38,602	143	-
Total Expenditures	<u>386,575</u>	<u>403,436</u>	<u>403,436</u>	<u>(16,861)</u>	<u>-</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>(321,575)</u>	<u>(318,736)</u>	<u>(318,736)</u>	<u>2,839</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>					
Operating transfers in	321,575	318,736	318,736	(2,839)	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>321,575</u>	<u>318,736</u>	<u>318,736</u>	<u>(2,839)</u>	<u>-</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balances:					
July 1, 2016	-	-	-	-	-
June 30, 2017	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

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

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of the District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability**  
**PERS**  
**Last 10 Fiscal Years\***

	<u><b>2017</b></u>		<u><b>2016</b></u>		<u><b>2015</b></u>
District's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.205782%		0.202977%		0.198671%
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 36,757,804	\$	31,376,241	\$	24,115,022
District's covered-employee payroll	\$ 13,149,816	\$	12,680,849	\$	12,139,835
District's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	279.53%		247.43%		198.64%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	57.47%		61.70%		67.21%

\* 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 6/30/16, and, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the District has only presented information for the years in which information is available.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of District Contributions**  
**PERS**  
**Last 10 Fiscal Years\***

	<u><b>2017</b></u>		<u><b>2016</b></u>		<u><b>2015</b></u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 2,124,791	\$	2,071,096	\$	1,997,234
Contributions in relation to the					
contractually required contribution	<u>(2,124,791)</u>		<u>(2,071,096)</u>		<u>(1,997,234)</u>
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ <u><u>-</u></u>	\$	<u><u>-</u></u>	\$	<u><u>-</u></u>
 District's covered-employee payroll	 13,490,737		 13,149,816		 12,680,849
Contributions as a percentage of					
covered-employee payroll	15.75%		15.75%		15.75%

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.

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Budgetary Comparison Schedule

(1) Basis of Presentation.

The Budgetary Comparison Schedule presents 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) Change 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%.

(2) 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.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**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 No.</b>	<b>Federal Expenditures</b>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Agriculture</u></b>		
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:		
Child nutrition cluster:		
School breakfast program	10.553	\$ 335,854
National school lunch program	10.555	860,319
Total Child Nutrition Cluster		<u>1,196,173</u>
Total passed through Mississippi Department of Education		<u>1,196,173</u>
<b>Total U.S. Department of Agriculture</b>		<u><u>1,196,173</u></u>
<b><u>Federal Communications Commission</u></b>		
Administered through the Universal Service Administrative Company:		
The schools and libraries program of the universal service fund	32.XXX	<u>115,154</u>
<b>Total Federal Communications Commission</b>		<u><u>115,154</u></u>
<b><u>U.S. Department of Education</u></b>		
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Education:		
Title I grants to local educational agencies	84.010	658,952
Improving teacher quality-state grants	84.367	10,275
Subtotal		<u>669,227</u>
Special education cluster:		
Special education-grants to states	84.027	628,682
Special education-preschool grants	84.173	15,770
Total special education cluster		<u>644,452</u>
Total passed through Mississippi Department of Education		<u>1,313,679</u>
Passed-through Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services		
Vocational Rehabilitation	84.126	462
Total passed through Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services		<u>462</u>
<b>Total U.S. Department of Education</b>		<u><u>1,314,141</u></u>
<b>Total for All Federal Awards</b>		<u><u>\$ 2,625,468</u></u>

The accompanying notes to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is an integral part of this schedule.

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

**Note 1 – Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal grant activity of the Union County 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 Union County School District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position or cash flows of the Union County School District.

**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified accrual basis of accounting. 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. Negative amounts show on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years.

**Note 3 – Non-Cash Awards**

The Union County School District is the recipient of certain non-cash assistance in the form of donated commodities received from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Revenues and expenditures are recorded for the value of commodities received. In addition, the Union County School District may receive certain other non-cash assistance from federal and state awarding agencies. The amount of non-cash assistance received at June 30, 2017 was \$79,273.

**Note 4 – Indirect Cost Rate**

The Union County School District has not elected to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of Instructional, Administrative and Other Expenditures - Governmental Funds**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Instruction and Other Student Instructional Expenditures</u>	<u>General Administration</u>	<u>School Administration</u>	<u>Other</u>
Salaries and fringe benefits \$	18,233,286	13,956,634	913,677	1,433,710	1,929,265
Other	5,250,066	1,675,567	299,019	185,760	3,089,720
Total	\$ <u>23,483,352</u>	<u>15,632,201</u>	<u>1,212,696</u>	<u>1,619,470</u>	<u>5,018,985</u>
Total number of students *	<u>2,797</u>				
Cost per student \$	<u>8,396</u>	<u>5,589</u>	<u>434</u>	<u>579</u>	<u>1,794</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 Administrative Categories.

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



## **OTHER INFORMATION**

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -**  
**General Fund, Last Four Years**

**UNAUDITED**

	2017	2016*	2015*	2014*
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Local sources	\$ 5,832,782	\$ 5,368,605	\$ 5,281,807	\$ 4,855,450
Intermediate	-	3,000	-	-
State sources	14,739,901	14,405,500	14,074,239	13,019,130
Federal sources	261,587	157,683	148,184	142,749
Total Revenues	<u>20,834,270</u>	<u>19,934,788</u>	<u>19,504,230</u>	<u>18,017,329</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Instruction	12,942,659	12,467,814	11,950,961	11,682,987
Support services	6,005,532	6,591,325	5,763,664	5,753,793
Noninstructional services	682,139	714,915	690,238	609,210
Facilities acquisition and construction		565,459	45,208	2,000
Debt service:				
Principal	40,719	46,139	-	50,026
Interest	5,420	-	-	608
Total Expenditures	<u>19,676,469</u>	<u>20,385,652</u>	<u>18,450,071</u>	<u>18,098,624</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>1,157,801</u>	<u>(450,864)</u>	<u>1,054,159</u>	<u>(81,295)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Inception of Capital Lease	-	905,241	-	-
Insurance loss recoveries	4,200	1,721	2,710	30,110
Sale of transportation equipment	-	5,652	-	-
Operating transfers in	87,653	295,726	298,815	87,088
Operating transfers out	(533,779)	(717,487)	(761,899)	(576,832)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(441,926)</u>	<u>490,853</u>	<u>(460,374)</u>	<u>(459,634)</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>715,875</u>	<u>39,989</u>	<u>593,785</u>	<u>(540,929)</u>
Fund Balances:				
Beginning of period	4,355,785	4,315,768	3,721,983	4,262,912
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	-	28	-	-
End of Period	<u>\$ 5,071,660</u>	<u>\$ 4,355,785</u>	<u>\$ 4,315,768</u>	<u>\$ 3,721,983</u>

\*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances -**  
**All Governmental Funds, Last Four Years**

**UNAUDITED**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016*</u>	<u>2015*</u>	<u>2014*</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>				
Local sources	\$ 6,468,306	\$ 5,995,106	\$ 5,889,653	\$ 5,471,225
Intermediate	-	3,000	-	-
State sources	15,381,954	15,014,392	14,707,855	13,616,514
Federal sources	<u>2,799,425</u>	<u>2,809,511</u>	<u>2,572,774</u>	<u>2,554,806</u>
Total Revenues	<u>24,649,685</u>	<u>23,822,009</u>	<u>23,170,282</u>	<u>21,642,545</u>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
Instruction	14,231,307	13,809,473	13,285,986	12,958,893
Support services	6,650,275	7,183,265	6,339,344	6,400,975
Noninstructional services	2,089,523	2,169,205	2,093,471	2,106,609
Facilities acquisition and construction	-	565,459	619,848	1,107,179
Debt service:				
Principal	461,612	386,139	325,000	370,026
Interest	50,635	41,025	51,831	83,602
Other	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,857</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>23,483,352</u>	<u>24,154,566</u>	<u>22,717,337</u>	<u>23,027,284</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over (under) Expenditures	<u>1,166,333</u>	<u>(332,557)</u>	<u>452,945</u>	<u>(1,384,739)</u>
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>				
Interception of Capital Lease	-	905,241	-	-
Insurance loss recoveries	4,200	1,721	2,710	30,110
Sale of other property	-	5,652	-	-
Operating transfers in	827,179	1,013,213	1,060,714	883,580
Operating transfers out	(827,179)	(1,013,213)	(1,060,714)	(883,580)
Other financing uses	<u>(26,048)</u>	<u>(25,378)</u>	<u>(22,482)</u>	<u>(3,005)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>(21,848)</u>	<u>887,236</u>	<u>(19,772)</u>	<u>27,105</u>
Net Change in Fund Balances	<u>1,144,485</u>	<u>554,679</u>	<u>433,173</u>	<u>(1,357,634)</u>
<b>Fund Balances:</b>				
Beginning of period	7,374,733	6,817,899	6,382,646	7,729,498
Increase (Decrease) in reserve for inventory	(9,616)	2,155	2,080	10,782
End of Period	<u>\$ 8,509,602</u>	<u>\$ 7,374,733</u>	<u>\$ 6,817,899</u>	<u>\$ 6,382,646</u>

\*SOURCE - PRIOR YEAR AUDIT REPORTS

## **REPORTS ON INTERNAL CONTROL 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 THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

Superintendent and School Board  
Union 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 Union 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 Union County School District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 9, 2018.

**Internal Control over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Union County 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 Union County School District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Union County 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. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

**Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Union 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*.

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### **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.

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Booneville, Mississippi  
January 9, 2018

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

Superintendent and School Board  
Union County School District

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

We have audited the Union 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 the Union County School District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017. Union County School District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

**Management's Responsibility**

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

**Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of Union 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 Union County 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 Union County School District's compliance.

**Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, Union 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.

## Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of Union 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 Union 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 Union County 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. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE  
LAWS AND REGULATIONS**



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Superintendent and School Board  
Union County School District

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Union County School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, which collectively comprise Union County School District's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated January 9, 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 insure 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 insure 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 the following instance of noncompliance related to incorrect or inappropriate functional level expenditure coding. The noncompliance is reported in finding number 1 below.

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 immaterial instance of noncompliance with other state laws and regulations. Our finding and recommendation and your response are as follows:

1. **Finding:** During test work one instance of inappropriate functional level coding was noted. The District held a raffle as a fund raiser and paid the winners inappropriately out of activity funds. Outside funds that are comingled with activity funds must be spent in accordance with Section 37-7-301(s) Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

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**Recommendation:** The District should properly expend activity funds in accordance with Section 37-7-301(s) Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

**Response:** As of January 2018, the district will not allow this type of fundraiser in the future now that we are aware it does not meet the guidelines for allowable expenses for activity funds in accordance with Section 37-7-301(s) Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

The Office of the State Auditor or a public accounting firm will review, on the subsequent year's audit engagement, the finding in this report to insure that corrective action has been taken.

The Union County School District's response to the finding included in this report was not audited and, accordingly we express no opinion on it.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the school board and management, entities with accreditation overview, 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.

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January 9, 2018

## **SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS**

**UNION COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs**  
**For the Year Ended June 30, 2017**

Section 1: Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements:

- |    |   |               |
|----|---|---------------|
| 1. | Type of auditors' report issued:                      | Unmodified    |
| 2. | Internal control over financial reporting:            |               |
|    | a. Material weaknesses identified?                    | No            |
|    | b. Significant deficiencies identified?               | None reported |
| 3. | Noncompliance material to financial statements noted? | No            |

Federal Awards:

- |    |   |               |
|----|---|---------------|
| 4. | Internal control over major programs:   |               |
|    | a. Material weaknesses identified?  | No            |
|    | b. Significant deficiencies identified?   | None reported |
| 5. | Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major programs:                                 | Unmodified    |
| 6. | Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a) | No            |
| 7. | Identification of major programs:   |               |

<u>CFDA Numbers</u>	<u>Name of Federal Program or Cluster</u>
<b>Title I, Part A</b>	
84.010	Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies
<b>Special Education Cluster</b>	
84.027	Special Education – Grants to States
84.173	Special Education – Preschool Grants

- |    |  |    |
|----|--|----|
| 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 did not disclose any findings related to the financial statements that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Section III: Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

The results of our tests did not disclose any findings and questioned costs related to the federal awards.