Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund

Financial Statements

June 30, 2017 and 2016 (With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors and Board of Investors Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and the permanent fund of the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund (the "Fund"), which is a part of the State of Oklahoma financial reporting entity, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Fund'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; 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 audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT, CONTINUED

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities and the permanent fund of the Fund as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the respective changes in financial position for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

Emphasis of Matter

Component-Unit-Only Financial Statements

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the Fund, a permanent fund of the State of Oklahoma, are intended to present the financial position and the changes in financial position of only that portion of the governmental activities and governmental funds of the State of Oklahoma that is attributable to the transactions of the Fund. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the State of Oklahoma as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in its financial position for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages I-1 through I-16 and the schedule of the Fund's proportionate share of the net pension liability and the schedule of the Fund's contributions on pages 61 and 62, respectively, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States, 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.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT, CONTINUED

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 26, 2017, on our consideration of the Fund'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 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 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 the Fund's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Finley + Cook, PLLC

Shawnee, Oklahoma September 26, 2017

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A)

June 30, 2017 and 2016

The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) of the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund (the "Fund") provides an overview and overall review of the Fund's financial activities for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. The intent of the MD&A is to look at the Fund's financial performance as a whole. It should, therefore, be read in conjunction with the Fund's financial statements and the notes thereto.

The Fund was established pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma. The Fund's principal was established with funds received by the State of Oklahoma (the "State") on or after July 1, 2001, pursuant to any settlement with or judgment against any tobacco companies. The principal funds are invested, and the earnings (see Note 7) may be expended for operations; tobacco prevention and cessation programs; research and treatment efforts in Oklahoma to prevent and combat cancer and other tobacco-related diseases; and programs to maintain or improve the health of Oklahomans or to enhance health care services provided to Oklahomans, with a particular emphasis on children and senior adults.

A Board of Investors was created to manage the investment of the Fund and to annually certify the earnings that are available for program expenditures. A Board of Directors was created to oversee the Fund's operating and program expenditures.

Through the joint effort of both Boards in 2011, the Board of Investors requested an official Attorney General Opinion regarding conflicting language between Article X of the Constitution and the statutory language in Title 62, Section 2307 in defining earnings available for certification by the Board of Investors. An opinion was issued by the Attorney General on August 31, 2011, stating that earnings for the annual certification by the Board of Investors includes, but is not limited to, interest, dividends, and realized capital gains from investments, minus costs and expenses of the investments, and minus any losses realized by the Fund.

Since this method is reflective of the constitutional language, and the Board of Investors has historically used the definition within the statutory language to certify earnings, additional earnings were certified by the Board of Investors for the year ended June 30, 2011, inclusive of net realized gains. The recalculation according to the Attorney General's opinion resulted in \$36,023,061 being certified by the Board of Investors at their meeting on November 17, 2011.

At this joint meeting of both the Board of Investors and the Board of Directors, there was discussion of a possible action on the earnings previously certified between FY 2001 and FY 2010. It was determined that an additional \$42,898,847 would have been certified during this period had the Board of Investors calculated available earnings under the constitutional language. Upon the request of the Board of Directors, the Board of Investors voted to hold the \$42,898,847 in reserve to be certified when future earnings calculations were below 5% of the corpus of the Fund.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

In consideration of this, the Board of Directors approved the execution of a settlement agreement and release of all claims signed on February 16, 2012. This reserve is to be invested in the same manner as the Fund. According to the agreement, some or all of the reserve funds are to be available for spending when the current year earnings calculation is below 5% of the corpus of the Fund. The certification of reserve funds is limited to the 5% cap, inclusive of the initial calculation based upon the constitutional language. This agreement is in effect until the total amount of the reserve has been certified by the Board of Investors. At their November 14, 2012, meeting, the Board of Investors defined the corpus of the Fund as the custodial market value of the Fund as of June 30, less any previous certified earnings (current year and previous years' certified earnings that remain invested) within the Fund at June 30.

At their August 23, 2017, meeting, the Board of Investors certified \$38,078,419, reserving \$500,000 for possible audit adjustments. The estimated earnings available for certification for the period ended June 30, 2017, were \$38,578,419.

USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The basic financial statements presented in the annual report include both government-wide and fund financial statements.

Government-Wide Statements: The government-wide financial statements include the statements of net position and the statements of activities. These statements display information about the Fund as a whole. The government-wide financial statements of the Fund are presented on a full accrual economic resource basis, which includes all assets and liabilities whether current or noncurrent. These statements provide both short-term and long-term information about the Fund's overall financial status.

Fund Statements: The fund financial statements include the governmental fund's balance sheets and the statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance. In the fund financial statements, the revenues and expenditures of the Fund are presented using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under these accounting methods, revenues and assets are recognized when they become both measurable and available, and expenditures and liabilities are recognized when obligations are incurred as a result of the receipt of goods or services.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Statements of Net Position

The statements of net position provide an indication of the Fund's financial condition at the end of the 2017, 2016, and 2015 fiscal years; the statements report all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting.

Statements of Net Position				
Assets	2017	2016	2015	
Current assets Investments, at fair value Securities lending collateral—non-cash Capital assets Total assets	\$ 117,755,910 1,117,092,450 66,221,973 53,410 1,301,123,743	121,256,739 1,001,295,395 39,803,195 58,520 1,162,413,849	113,112,524 973,596,294 21,630,365 42,789 1,108,381,972	
Deferred outflows of resources: Deferred amounts related to the pension Liabilities	962,220	532,465	225,753	
Current liabilities Liability under securities lending Noncurrent liabilities Total liabilities	24,811,123 139,787,505 <u>852,322</u> 165,450,950	21,019,502 122,292,462 368,870 143,680,834	13,469,084 97,663,938 203,834 111,336,856	
Deferred inflows of resources: Deferred amounts related to the pension Net Position	270,393	376,012	413,472	
Net investment in capital assets Restricted for investment Unrestricted	53,410 1,044,101,129 92,210,081	58,520 914,652,652 104,178,296	42,789 871,615,601 125,199,007	
Total net position	\$ 1,136,364,620	1,018,889,468	996,857,397	

Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund Statements of Net Position

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

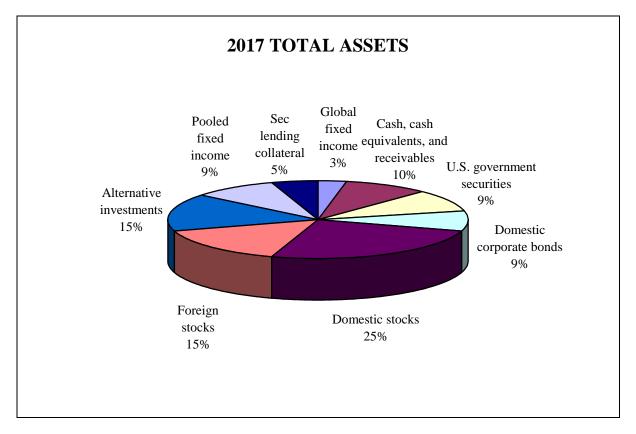
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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Net Position, Continued

The Fund's total net position increased \$117.48 million during the year, as the Fund invested an additional \$58.5 million in settlement receipts, recognized \$110.6 million as net investment income, and expended \$52.6 million on programs and operations. Total investments increased from \$1,001.3 million at the beginning of the year to \$1,117.1 million as of year-end, as the Board of Investors invested cash and cash equivalents held at the beginning of the year and additional settlement receipts were deposited during the year. The Fund recognized \$83.6 million from the net appreciation of the fair value of the portfolio and earned \$26.8 million in interest and dividends, net of investment management fees. The Fund's investment policy establishes investment goals and objectives and provides specific investment guidelines for investment managers, including a prohibition from investing in securities issued by companies engaged in the manufacture of tobacco products.

Cash balances also include restricted cash of approximately \$73.6 million, which represents cash collateral presented to the Fund by security borrowers through the Board of Investors' securities lending effort. Use of this cash is restricted unless the borrowers were to default in the return of the securities borrowed.

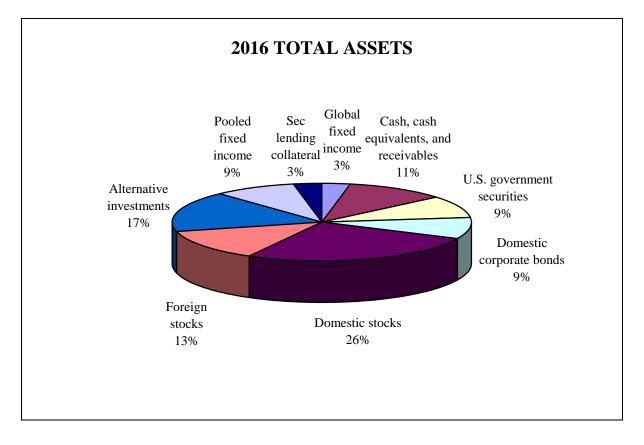


MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Net Position, Continued

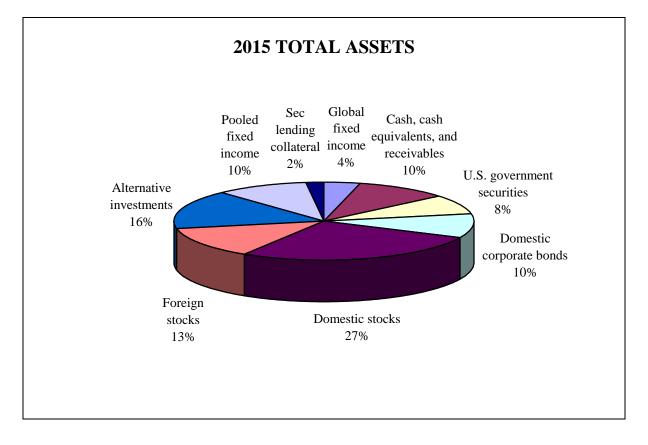


MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Net Position, Continued



MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Activities—Income and Expenses

The statements of activities report all of the income and expenses during the time periods indicated.

Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund Statements of Activities

Statements of Activities				
		2017	2016	2015
Investment income:				
Interest and dividend income	\$	32,553,851	34,158,974	31,019,513
Securities lending income		230,362	212,847	316,161
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments:				
Net unrealized gains and losses		70,870,942	(14,027,159)	(31,345,113)
Net realized gains and losses		12,739,782	(1,204,386)	19,639,273
		83,610,724	(15,231,545)	(11,705,840)
Total investment income		116,394,937	19,140,276	19,629,834
Investment expenses		(5,787,580)	(6,007,660)	(4,783,798)
Net investment income		110,607,357	13,132,616	14,846,036
Other income:				
Contract income		882,949	1,745,641	1,546,273
Miscellaneous income		112,751	57,237	95,442
Total other income	_	995,700	1,802,878	1,641,715
Expenses:				
Program		50,935,124	48,426,413	44,303,328
Operating		1,657,565	1,483,983	1,095,816
Total expenses		52,592,689	49,910,396	45,399,144
Changes in net position before				
settlement receipts		59,010,368	(34,974,902)	(28,911,393)
Contribution to fund principal:				
Settlement receipts		58,464,784	57,006,973	57,645,300
Changes in net position		117,475,152	22,032,071	28,733,907
Net position, beginning of year		1,018,889,468	996,857,397	968,635,426
Cumulative change in net position to adopt GASB 68 and GASB 71		<u> </u>		(511,936)
Net position, beginning of year, restated in 2015		1,018,889,468	996,857,397	968,123,490
Net position, end of year	\$	1,136,364,620	1,018,889,468	996,857,397

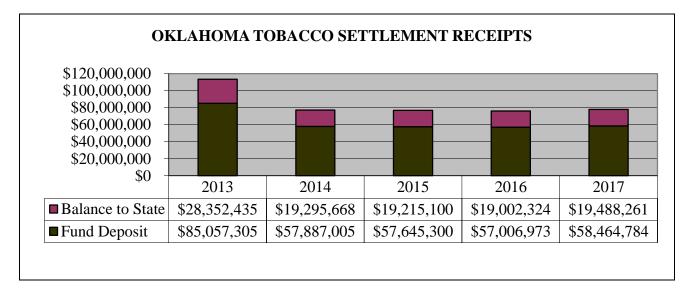
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Activities—Income and Expenses, Continued

Revenues continue to be dominated by settlement receipts which are restricted for investment purposes. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, 75% of settlement receipts paid to the State were deposited by the State into the Fund. The percentage of the State's settlement receipts to be received by the Fund increased by 5% annually until it reached 75% during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, where it remains. As reflected below, settlement receipts deposited by the Fund increased by \$1,457,811 from 2016.



There are no guarantees regarding the State's continued receipt of funds in the settlement of claims against the tobacco companies. The amount received by the State can be attributed to several factors. An independent auditor calculates and determines the amount of all payments based in part on the market share of tobacco consumption.

As settlement receipts were deposited and invested and the portfolio was diversified during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, net investment income increased by \$97.50 million. Interest and dividend income decreased \$1.61 million, while the net appreciation of investments in the Fund's portfolio increased \$98.84 million. Fees paid to investment managers, consultants, and custodians decreased \$0.22 million.

As previously noted, the Fund's principal is restricted for investment purposes only. According to a recent Attorney General's opinion, interest, dividends, and realized capital gains from investments minus costs and expenses of the investments, and minus any losses realized by the Fund may be expended for operations; tobacco use prevention and cessation programs; research and treatment efforts in Oklahoma to prevent and combat cancer and other tobacco-related diseases; and other programs to improve the health and wellbeing of Oklahomans, with a particular emphasis on children and senior adults.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Activities—Income and Expenses, Continued

In the early years of the endowment, the Board of Directors adopted a strategic plan to maximize the impact of the limited earnings available at that time by focusing on preventing and reducing tobacco use in Oklahoma. Tobacco use was Oklahoma's leading cause of preventable death, and it was the reason for the Master Settlement Agreement, which created the funding source for the endowment. While Oklahoma has made great strides in reducing tobacco prevalence and consumption, tobacco use remains Oklahoma's leading cause of preventable death in FY17.

Since FY10, the Board of Directors has updated its annual strategic plan to emphasize three primary areas of funding: Prevention, Research, and Emerging Opportunities. Prevention programs focus on reducing cancer and cardiovascular disease, Oklahoma's leading causes of death, through comprehensive programs addressing the leading causes of each: tobacco use, physical inactivity, poor nutrition, and obesity. Research programs focus on cancer and tobacco-related diseases. Emerging opportunities are grants to organizations proposing innovative and evidence-based approaches to transform and improve health in Oklahoma. Preference is given to proposals that impact large populations, organizations, or systems, those with multiple funding partners, short-term grants, and those that address the Board of Directors' strategic goals.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the Board of Directors increased program funding by more than \$2.5 million from \$48,426,413 in FY16 to \$50,935,124 in FY17, as some grant programs ramped up into implementation phase. Grantee budgets were adjusted throughout the fiscal year to capture unspent funds to ensure funds could be used for future grants. Unspent funds are left in the endowment to be used for investment and can be used for grants in future years.

FY16 marked the second year in a row that endowment earnings were less than the previous year's earnings. FY16 earnings from the endowment fund investments totaled \$27.1 million—a decrease of more than \$19 million compared to the previous year. An additional \$18.8 million was certified for use by the Board of Investors in FY16. To account for reduced earnings, budgets across program and administrative areas were reduced and greater attention was placed on capturing unspent funds. FY17 earning from the endowment fund investments totaled \$39.7 million—an increase of \$12.6 million over FY16. The administration budget was 3.9% of certified earnings. By statute, the administration budget is capped at 15% of certified earnings.

In FY17, the TSET Board of Directors conducted a search for a new executive director after founding Executive Director Tracey Strader announced her retirement after 14 years with the agency. The Board of Directors hired John Woods as the executive director of the agency in November 2016.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Activities—Income and Expenses, Continued

FY17 also marked the first year that the target spending limit policy was put into practice for the TSET annual budget. In January 2016, the Board of Directors amended its "Allocation of Earnings and Reserve Fund" policy to establish a *target spending limit* as "the average of the preceding 3 years' certified earnings, plus expected lapse (for example, if the expected lapse is 10% then the targeted spending limit equals 3-year average certified earnings, divided by 0.9)." In addition, the policy was further amended to continue the reserve fund by holding back the excess of certified earnings over the target spending limit until the level of 2 years' expenses is obtained. The same process is used to replenish the reserve when needed. The original "Allocation of Earnings and Reserve Fund" policy limited yearly expenditures of certified funds to no more than 5% of the corpus of the trust fund. It also established a reserve fund of up to 2 years' expenses by holding back 10% of certified earnings annually. Each year, any unexpended certified earnings shall be added to this reserve. The balance of the reserve fund as of June 30, 2017, was \$36,232,449.

Prevention

As a result of TSET investments in tobacco control, smoking prevalence among high school youth dropped 9.4% from 24% in 2002 to 14.6% in 2015. Smoking prevalence among adults dropped 7% from 26.6% in 2002 to 19.6% in 2016. Additionally per capita cigarette consumption among Oklahoma adults declined 39% from 102 packs per person per year in 2002 to 61.6 packs per person in 2016. These accomplishments come after 12 years of community-based grants, health communication interventions, evidence-based health system change and cessation services, and constant collaboration to ensure that best practices are implemented to prevent and reduce tobacco use in Oklahoma.

FY17 marked the second year that the Oklahoma Tobacco Research Center had oversight over the Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline and maintained the agreement with provider, Optum. Oversight over the helpline had been in house with TSET for many years. The Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline offered expanded services for enrollees to include telephone coaching as well as web, email, and text services. In FY17, 18,026 referrals were made to the Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline—an increase of 37% compared to FY16. More than 34,000 Oklahomans enrolled in services through the Helpline in FY17. The Helpline is collaboratively funded by the TSET, the Oklahoma State Department of Health (OSDH), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Oklahoma Employees Group Insurance Division (EGID), and the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA).

In FY17, the Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline was top ranked by the North American Quitline Consortium for reaching tobacco users in need of treatment. In FY17, Optum also continued to employ Oklahoma workers as "Quit Coaches" to assist tobacco users in 26 states (and Guam) and over 750 commercial clients.

In FY17, the Board of Directors continued to invest in best practice health communication interventions and continued the *Tobacco Stops With Me* and *Shape Your Future* campaigns to encourage Oklahomans to eat better, move more, and be tobacco-free. Media products also promote the Oklahoma Tobacco Helpline to Oklahomans, with a special emphasis on women in the state's SoonerCare Medicaid program. Through a continuing agreement with the OHCA, matching funds for the *SoonerQuit for Women* campaign were \$1 million over the past 2 fiscal years.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Activities—Income and Expenses, Continued

Prevention, Continued

The TSET Healthy Living Program, a new community-based program to address and integrate the issues of tobacco use and obesity prevention, promoting good nutrition, physical activity, and tobacco-free living entered its second year of implementation working with businesses, community organizations, city governments and schools within each community. The TSET Healthy Living Program grants work 49 lead agencies to serve 63 of Oklahoma's 77 counties, or 94% of the state's population. The program promotes sustainable change through policy adoption. To date, policies have been adopted at twice the rate of policy adoption under the Communities of Excellence grants, which ended in FY15.

To support community-based initiatives, the Board of Directors also continued an agreement with the Oklahoma State Department of Health, Center for the Advancement of Wellness, to provide training, consultation, and technical assistance to grantees. In addition, an agreement with the University of Oklahoma College of Public Health and the Oklahoma State University Department of Nutrition Sciences (together known as the University Partnership for Applied Evaluation and Research or UPAER) for evaluation of the programs was continued.

In FY12, the Board of Directors expanded the agreement with the Oklahoma State Department of Health to provide incentive grants to communities to encourage them to implement policies and practices that promote prevention and wellness in the areas of tobacco use, physical inactivity, poor nutrition, mental health and substance abuse, and access to health services. City governments and schools that become "Certified Healthy" by the Oklahoma State Department of Health are eligible to apply for TSET Healthy Communities Incentive Grants or TSET Healthy Schools Incentive Grants. The original agreement provided \$3.5 million to be utilized by the Fund over the course of 3 years. The agreement was expanded in FY12 to provide incentive grants to school districts to encourage their school sites to become Certified Healthy Schools. The total of both agreements was \$8.5 million. Between FY12 and FY17, 100 communities, 98 school districts, and 33 school sites received incentive grant awards. The balance of the \$8.5 million, after expenses and awards, is \$3,932,427.

Three Health Systems Initiative (HSI) grantees entered their third year of a 5-year continuation grant beginning FY14. Under the HSI program, the Oklahoma Health Care Authority, the Oklahoma Hospital Association, and the Oklahoma Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services work to implement best practice interventions to address tobacco, nutrition, and physical activity (as appropriate) among patients in inpatient hospitals or outpatient care in a hospital affiliated clinic, Medicaid beneficiaries, and within routine mental health and substance abuse treatment inpatient and outpatient programs.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Activities—Income and Expenses, Continued

Research

The Peggy and Charles Stephenson Cancer Center (SCC) grant was renewed in FY17 in the amount of \$31.3 million over 5 years. TSET began funding work with the Stephenson Cancer Center in FY12, when the Board of Directors committed \$30.25 million over 5 years. The grant created a TSET Cancer Research Program, expanding access to Phase I Clinical Trials and leveraging additional dollars to recruit scientists as TSET Cancer Research Scholars. In FY17, the SCC began a partnership with OU Children's Hospital to increase clinical trials for pediatric cancer. SCC also continued its support of a statewide network of health providers who offered chemotherapy treatments closer to home. Nearly every county in Oklahoma was represented in the clinical trial patient census, and the TSET Phase I Clinical Trials program is ranked among the top 3 in the country for the number of patients enrolled in Phase I clinical trials. The FY17 budget was \$5.5 million.

The Oklahoma Tobacco Research Center (OTRC), a program of the Stephenson Cancer Center, was funded for a new, 5-year grant cycle beginning FY16. OTRC continues to recruiting scientists with external funding, funding research projects in population, regulatory, and clinical science, and to inform efforts to prevent and reduce cancer and other tobacco related diseases in Oklahoma. The FY17 budget was \$3.8 million.

The Oklahoma Center for Adult Stem Cell Research (OCASCR), which was established in FY10, entered the second year of a 5-year continuation grant to advance regenerative medicine through the use of adult stem cells. OCASCR is governed by the research directors of the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation, the University of Oklahoma, and Oklahoma State University, with the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation serving as the fiscal agent. In FY15 the Board of Directors committed up to \$3 million per year or \$15 million over 5 years. The FY17 budget was \$3 million.

Emerging Opportunities

TSET's Emerging Opportunities portfolio provides a channel for organizations to proactively submit a proposal related to any of the program areas listed in the constitutional amendment that created the Fund, instead of reactively applying for funding in response to a Request for Proposals.

A new grant to the Oklahoma State University—Center for Health Sciences was made beginning FY16, to expand medical residencies for rural and underserved areas of Oklahoma. Oklahoma experiences a severe shortage of primary care physicians and this \$3.8 million, 6-year program is one step toward addressing that issue. When this program is fully implemented it will graduate, on average, 36 new osteopathic doctors annually.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Statements of Activities—Income and Expenses, Continued

Emerging Opportunities, Continued

In FY17, the grant to the Physician Manpower Training Commission (PMTC) was renewed for the fifth year of a 10-year grant. The grant to PMTC helps to fund the Oklahoma Medical Loan Repayment Program, which recruits physicians to practice in rural and medically underserved areas. There are currently 33 physicians practicing across the state as part of the program that leverages federal health care dollars as 25% of each physician's caseload is comprised of Medicaid beneficiaries. Physicians can earn up to \$160,000 in loan repayment assistance if they practice in a rural area for up to 4 years. When this program is fully matured, approximately 72 physicians will have gone through the program with a total anticipated loan repayment at \$6.89 million during the 10-year period, which includes TSET funds and leveraged dollars.

In FY17, the Board of Directors renewed grants to the Oklahoma State Department of Health for the fifth year of a 5-year program to implement FitnessGram (an evidence-based, standardized fitness assessment tool) in elementary schools throughout Oklahoma, on a voluntary basis.

The Oklahoma City Boathouse Foundation grant completed its 3-year funding commitment. The grant was not continued. Through this public-private partnership agreement, the Oklahoma City Boathouse Foundation worked to increase awareness of and participation in lifetime recreation and availability of physical activity opportunities statewide. Programs through the boathouse worked with students who might not otherwise engage in physical activity and enrolled them in rowing programs. Some participants went on to participate in other organized sports and regular physical activity.

Conference Sponsorships

In FY10, the Board of Directors established a conference sponsorship process whereby organizations could apply for sponsorship funds for training and conferences that are statewide and address the Board's strategic plan or any area related to the constitutional mission. The FY17 budget for conference sponsorships was \$25,000. The grant category had been closed for a portion of FY16 to accommodate a decrease in program spending. The sponsorship category was re-opened July 1, 2016. Seven conference and training grants totaling \$14,500 were awarded in FY17.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FUND HIGHLIGHTS

Governmental Fund—Balance Sheets

The Fund is classified as a permanent fund, as the principal funds are restricted by law for investment purposes only. The earnings may be expended for operations; tobacco prevention and cessation programs; research and treatment efforts in Oklahoma to prevent and combat cancer and other tobacco-related diseases; and other programs to maintain or improve the health of Oklahomans or to enhance health care services provided to Oklahomans, with a particular emphasis on children and senior adults. Accordingly, the fund balance at year-end includes balances which are nonspendable (restricted for investment purposes) and balances which are assigned and unassigned that are expendable for operations and programs of the Fund.

Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund <u>Balance Sheets—Permanent Fund</u>

	2017	2016	2015
Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 113,712,842	116,663,252	110,058,676
Interest and dividends receivable	3,563,833	3,479,330	2,962,937
Contract receivable	458,901	1,091,373	78,753
Securities lending receivable	20,334	22,784	12,158
Securities lending collateral—non-cash	66,221,973	39,803,195	21,630,365
Investments at fair value	1,117,092,450	1,001,295,395	973,596,294
Total assets	\$ 1,301,070,333	1,162,355,329	1,108,339,183
Liabilities:			
Net payable to brokers	\$ 14,068,257	12,384,335	3,491,355
Accounts payable	10,685,196	8,569,548	9,916,886
Liability under securities lending	139,787,505	122,292,461	97,663,938
Total liabilities	164,540,958	143,246,344	111,072,179
Fund Balances:			
Nonspendable	1,044,101,129	914,652,652	871,615,601
Assigned	52,691,831	77,296,558	79,460,253
Unassigned	39,736,415	27,159,775	46,191,150
Total fund balances	1,136,529,375	1,019,108,985	997,267,004
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 1,301,070,333	1,162,355,329	1,108,339,183

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

FUND HIGHLIGHTS, CONTINUED

Governmental Fund—Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances

Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances—Permanent Fund

	2017	2016	2015
Revenues:			
Restricted:			
Net appreciation (depreciation) in			
fair value of investments:			
Net unrealized gains and losses	\$ 70,870,942	(14,027,159)	(31,345,113)
Net realized gains and losses	 12,739,782	(1,204,386)	19,639,273
	 83,610,724	(15,231,545)	(11,705,840)
Settlement receipts	58,464,784	57,006,973	57,645,300
Miscellaneous income	112,751	57,237	95,442
Total restricted revenues	 142,188,259	41,832,665	46,034,902
Interest and dividend income	32,553,851	34,158,974	31,019,513
Securities lending income	230,362	212,847	316,161
Contract income	 882,949	1,745,641	1,546,273
Total revenues	 175,855,421	77,950,127	78,916,849
Expenditures:			
Program and grant management support	2,835,371	3,293,917	3,190,447
Statewide programs	6,790,436	6,712,285	5,783,327
Community programs	12,818,574	11,795,132	9,502,552
Evaluation services	1,423,777	1,368,503	1,198,831
Furniture and equipment	28,608	43,783	44,275
Research	13,282,591	10,599,515	11,541,727
Investment management fees	5,787,580	6,007,660	4,783,798
Health communications	13,784,375	14,657,061	13,086,444
General operations and	1 (02 710	1 (20 200	1 0 (1 0 0 7
administrative expenses	 1,683,719	1,630,290	1,264,397
Total expenditures	 58,435,031	56,108,146	50,395,798
Net changes in fund balances	117,420,390	21,841,981	28,521,051
Fund balances, beginning of year	 1,019,108,985	997,267,004	968,745,953
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 1,136,529,375	1,019,108,985	997,267,004

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (MD&A), CONTINUED

June 30, 2017 and 2016

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Fund's finances for all those with an interest. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to Lisa Murray, Chief Investment Officer, Office of the Oklahoma State Treasurer, 2300 North Lincoln Boulevard, Room 217, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105-4895.

STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION

June 30,	2017	2016
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Unrestricted cash	\$ 40,147,310	34,173,986
Restricted cash:		
Securities lending collateral	73,565,532	82,489,266
Total cash and cash equivalents	113,712,842	116,663,252
Receivables:		
Interest and dividends	3,563,833	3,479,330
Contract receivable	458,901	1,091,373
Securities lending receivable	20,334	22,784
Total receivables	4,043,068	4,593,487
Investments, at fair value:		
U.S. government securities	121,649,364	104,958,482
Foreign government securities	15,828,160	9,120,908
Domestic corporate bonds	110,028,308	107,744,720
Foreign corporate bonds	29,217,304	28,230,161
Domestic stocks	330,978,137	302,613,827
Foreign stocks	191,927,259	150,304,822
Pooled fixed income funds	121,855,413	102,755,140
Alternative investments	195,608,505	195,567,335
Total investments, at fair value	1,117,092,450	1,001,295,395
Securities lending collateral—non-cash	66,221,973	39,803,195
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation of \$171,081 and \$149,690 as of		
June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.	53,410	58,520
Total assets	1,301,123,743	1,162,413,849
Deferred outflows of resources:		
Deferred amounts related to the pension	962,220	532,465

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STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION, CONTINUED

June 30,	2017	2016
Liabilities		
Net payable to brokers	14,068,257	12,384,335
Accounts payable	10,685,196	8,569,548
Liability under securities lending	139,787,505	122,292,461
Net pension liability—amount due in more than 1 year Compensated absences:	765,816	270,441
Payable within 1 year	57,670	65,620
Payable after 1 year	86,506	98,429
Total liabilities	165,450,950	143,680,834
Deferred inflows of resources:		
Deferred amounts related to the pension	270,393	376,012
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets	53,410	58,520
Restricted for investment	1,044,101,129	914,652,652
Unrestricted	92,210,081	104,178,296
Total net position	\$ 1,136,364,620	1,018,889,468

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

Years Ended June 30,		2017	2016
Expenses:			
Program:			
Program and grant management support	\$	2,835,371	3,293,917
Statewide programs		6,790,436	6,712,285
Community programs		12,818,574	11,795,132
Evaluation services		1,423,777	1,368,503
Health communications		13,784,375	14,657,061
Research		13,282,591	10,599,515
Total program expenses		50,935,124	48,426,413
Operating:			
General operations and administrative expenses		1,636,173	1,466,222
Depreciation		21,392	17,761
Total operating expenses	_	1,657,565	1,483,983
Total expenses		52,592,689	49,910,396
Investment income:			
Interest income		11,399,541	12,788,435
Dividend income		21,154,310	21,370,539
Securities lending income		230,362	212,847
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments:			
Net unrealized gains and losses		70,870,942	(14,027,159)
Net realized gains and losses		12,739,782	(1,204,386)
	_	83,610,724	(15,231,545)
Total investment income		116,394,937	19,140,276
Investment expenses		(5,787,580)	(6,007,660)
Net investment income		110,607,357	13,132,616

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STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES, CONTINUED

Years Ended June 30,	2017	2016
Other income:		
Contract income	882,949	1,745,641
Miscellaneous income	112,751	57,237
Total other income	995,700	1,802,878
Changes in net position, before settlement receipts	59,010,368	(34,974,902)
Contribution to fund principal: Settlement receipts	58,464,784	57,006,973
Changes in net position	117,475,152	22,032,071
Net position, beginning of year	1,018,889,468	996,857,397
Net position, end of year	\$ 1,136,364,620	1,018,889,468

BALANCE SHEETS—PERMANENT FUND

June 30,	2017	
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents:		
Unrestricted cash	\$ 40,147,310	34,173,986
Restricted cash:		, ,
Securities lending collateral	73,565,532	82,489,266
Total cash and cash equivalents	113,712,842	116,663,252
Receivables:		
Interest and dividends	3,563,833	3,479,330
Contract receivable	458,901	1,091,373
Securities lending receivable	20,334	22,784
Total receivables	4,043,068	4,593,487
Investments, at fair value:		
U.S. government securities	121,649,364	104,958,482
Foreign government securities	15,828,160	9,120,908
Domestic corporate bonds	110,028,308	107,744,720
Foreign corporate bonds	29,217,304	28,230,161
Domestic stocks	330,978,137	302,613,827
Foreign stocks	191,927,259	150,304,822
Pooled fixed income funds	121,855,413	102,755,140
Alternative investments	195,608,505	195,567,335
Total investments, at fair value	1,117,092,450	1,001,295,395
Securities lending collateral—non cash	66,221,973	39,803,195
Total assets	<u>\$ 1,301,070,333</u>	1,162,355,329
Liabilities and Fund Balances		
Liabilities:		
Net payable to brokers	\$ 14,068,257	12,384,335
Accounts payable	10,685,196	8,569,548
Liability under securities lending	139,787,505	122,292,461
Total liabilities	164,540,958	143,246,344
Fund balances:		
Nonspendable	1,044,101,129	914,652,652
Assigned	52,691,831	77,296,558
Unassigned	39,736,415	27,159,775
Total fund balances	1,136,529,375	1,019,108,985
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 1,301,070,333	1,162,355,329

2017 2016 June 30, Total fund balances, per the balance sheets-permanent fund \$ 1,136,529,375 1,019,108,985 Amounts reported in the statements of net position are different because: Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the fund. 53,410 58,520 Deferred outflows related to the pension are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds. 962,220 532,465 Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the fund. Those liabilities consist of: Compensated absences (144, 176)(164,049)Net pension liability (765, 816)(270, 441)Deferred inflows related to the pension are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in (270, 393)(376,012) the funds. Net position, per the statements of net position \$ 1,136,364,620 1,018,889,468

RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEETS—PERMANENT FUND TO THE STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION

See Independent Auditors' Report.

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES—PERMANENT FUND

Years Ended June 30,	2017	2016
Revenues:		
Restricted:		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments:	\$ 70,870,942	(14.007.150)
Net unrealized gains and losses	\$ 70,870,942 12,739,782	(14,027,159) (1,204,386)
Net realized gains and losses	83,610,724	
Cattlement receives		(15,231,545)
Settlement receipts	58,464,784	57,006,973
Miscellaneous income	112,751	57,237
Total restricted revenues	142,188,259	41,832,665
Interest income	11,399,541	12,788,435
Dividend income	21,154,310	21,370,539
Securities lending income	230,362	212,847
Contract income	882,949	1,745,641
Total revenues	175,855,421	77,950,127
Expenditures:		
Program and grant management support	2,835,371	3,293,917
Statewide programs	6,790,436	6,712,285
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Furniture and equipment	28,608	43,783
Research	13,282,591	10,599,515
Investment management fees	5,787,580	6,007,660
Health communications	13,784,375	14,657,061
General operations and administrative expenses	1,683,719	1,630,290
Total expenditures	58,435,031	56,108,146
Net changes in fund balances	117,420,390	21,841,981
Fund balances, beginning of year	1,019,108,985	997,267,004
Fund balances, end of year	<u>\$ 1,136,529,375</u>	1,019,108,985

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RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES—PERMANENT FUND TO THE STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES

Years Ended June 30,	2017	2016
Net changes in fund balances, per the statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances—permanent fund	\$ 117,420,390	21,841,981
Amounts reported in the statements of activities are different because:		
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statements of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays were (less than) greater than depreciation in the current period.	(5,110)	15,731
Some expenses reported in the statements of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. This amount represents the amount by which unused compensated absences decreased (increased) over the amount in the prior year.	19,873	(11,942)
In the statements of activities, the cost of pension benefits earned net of employee contributions is reported as an element of pension expense. The fund financial statements report pension contributions as expenditures.	 39,999	186,301
Changes in net position, per the statements of activities	\$ 117,475,152	22,032,071

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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2017 and 2016

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u>

Reporting Entity

The Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund (the "Fund") was established pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma. The Fund principal was established with funds received by the State of Oklahoma (the "State") on or after July 1, 2001, pursuant to any settlement with or judgment against any tobacco companies. Fifty percent (50%) of all such receipts were deposited into the Fund during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2002. That percentage increased by 5% annually until it reached 75% during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, where it remains. However, there are no guarantees regarding the State's continued receipt of funds in settlement of claims against tobacco companies. The principal funds are invested, and the earnings (see Note 7) may be expended for operations; tobacco prevention and cessation programs; research and treatment efforts in Oklahoma to prevent and combat cancer and other tobacco-related diseases; and other programs to maintain or improve the health of Oklahomans or to enhance health care services provided to Oklahomans, with a particular emphasis on children and senior adults.

Pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Oklahoma, the Board of Investors was created to manage the investment of the principal of the Fund and to annually certify the earnings that are available for program expenditures. The Board of Directors was created to oversee Fund operating and program expenditures. The Fund is a part of the State's financial reporting entity and is included in the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as a permanent fund and a governmental entity.

The financial statements of the Fund are intended to present the financial position and changes in financial position of only that portion of the governmental activities and governmental funds of the State that is attributable to the transactions of the Fund, and not those of the entire State.

Basis of Presentation, Measurement Focus, and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34 (GASB 34).

Government-Wide Financial Statements—The statements of net position and the statements of activities are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Investment purchases and sales are recorded as of their trade dates. Settlement receipts are recognized as revenue when they are received by the State and their use is restricted as noted above.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Basis of Presentation, Measurement Focus, and Basis of Accounting, Continued

Governmental Fund Financial Statements—As a permanent fund, the Fund is reported in the governmental fund financial statements 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. Since the Fund predominantly accounts for financial resources, revenue recognition is generally consistent between the accrual and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Settlement receipts are recognized as revenue when they are received by the State and their use is restricted as noted above.

Investment purchases and sales are recorded as of their trade dates. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred.

Since the governmental fund financial statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the government-wide financial statements, reconciliations are presented which briefly explain the adjustments necessary to reconcile the fund and the government-wide presentations.

Investments

The Fund is authorized to invest in eligible investments as approved by the Board of Investors and set forth in its investment policy.

Fund investments are reported at fair value, except for alternative investments (which are reported at net asset value (NAV), which approximates fair value) and SEC-registered money market mutual funds (which are reported as cash equivalents and reported at cost, which approximates fair value). Debt and equity securities are reported at fair value, as determined by the Fund's custodial agent, using pricing services or prices quoted by independent brokers based on the latest reported sales prices at current exchange rates for securities traded on national or international exchanges.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Investments, Continued

Generally accepted accounting principles establish a fair value hierarchy for the determination and measurement of fair value. This hierarchy is based on the type of valuation inputs needed to measure the fair value of an asset. The hierarchy generally is as follows:

Level 1—Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets.

Level 2—Quoted prices for similar assets, or inputs that are observable or other forms of market corroborated inputs.

Level 3—Pricing based on best available information, including primarily unobservable inputs and assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset.

In addition to the above three levels, if an investment does not have a readily determined fair value, the investment can be measured using NAV per share (or its equivalent). Investments valued at NAV are categorized as NAV and not listed as level 1, 2, or 3.

The Fund invests in various traditional financial instruments that fall under the broad definition of derivatives. The Fund's derivatives may include U.S. Treasury strips, collateralized mortgage obligations, asset-backed securities, forward-based derivatives, option-based derivatives, and variable-rate instruments. These investments do not increase investment risk beyond allowable limits specified in the Fund's investment policy.

Net investment income includes net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments, interest income, dividend income, securities lending income, and investment expenses, which includes investment management and custodial fees and all other significant investment-related costs.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Securities Lending

The investment policy authorizes the Board of Investors to contract with their custodian to act as their securities lending agent. The policy requires the securities lending agent to provide indemnification against borrower default, have written agreements with each borrower, not loan securities until acceptable collateral is received and monitor that collateral on a daily basis, and review and monitor the approved borrowers to minimize risk.

The fair values of securities loaned and collateral maintained for those securities at June 30 were:

	Fair Value		
	2017	2016	
Securities loaned:			
U.S. government securities	\$ 46,870,437	18,185,464	
U.S. corporate bonds	39,258,714	27,840,682	
U.S. equity	49,469,931	73,049,661	
Foreign	 367,689	252,687	
Total securities loaned	\$ 135,966,771	119,328,494	
Collateral maintained for securities loaned	\$ 139,787,505	122,292,461	
Percentage of collateral to securities loaned as of June 30	102.81%	102.48%	
securities round us or suite so	102.01 %	102.40%	

Borrowers are required to deliver collateral for each loan with a fair value equal to 102% of the current fair value of the loaned securities. Collateral delivered in non-U.S. currency is required to be equal to 105% of the fair value of the securities loaned. At June 30, 2017, collateral was presented in both cash (U.S. currency—except for one security (EURO)), and non-cash securities. The total value of the collateral held at June 30, 2017 and 2016, was \$3,820,734 and \$2,963,967, respectively, more than the current fair value of the securities loaned. Cash collateral is invested in a short-term investment pool and is included as an asset on the balance sheet, with an offsetting liability for the return of the collateral.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Securities Lending, Continued

At June 30, 2017, cash collateral was \$73,565,532 and non-cash collateral totaled \$66,221,973. Non-cash collateral consisted of the following:

Description	Value
U.S. government debt—Treasuries U.S. government agencies	\$ 18,696,799
(i.e., FNMA, GNMA, FMAC)	37,477,218
Foreign securities	 10,047,956
	\$ 66,221,973

Securities lending income included as certified earnings was \$230,362 and \$212,847 for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Capital Assets

Office equipment and furnishings which have an expected useful life of more than 1 year are recorded as capital assets. Capital assets are recorded at cost when purchased. Depreciation is recorded on capital assets in the government-wide financial statements. Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis over a 4- to 12-year period.

No provision for depreciation is recorded in the governmental fund financial statements, as expenditures for capital assets are recorded as period costs when the capital assets are purchased.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Risks and Uncertainties

The Fund invests in various types of investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such change could materially affect investment balances, amounts used in the determination of certified earnings and the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Compensated Absences

Employees earn annual vacation leave at the rate of 10 hours per month for the first 5 years of service, 12 hours per month for service of over 5 years to 10 years, 13.33 hours per month for service of over 10 years to 20 years, and 16.67 hours per month for over 20 years of service. Unused annual leave may be accumulated to a maximum of 480 hours. All accrued annual leave is payable upon termination, resignation, retirement, or death. The governmental fund financial statements record expenditures when employees are paid for leave. The government-wide financial statements present the cost of accumulated vacation leave as a liability. The liability is valued based on the current rate of pay.

Advertising Costs

All costs associated with advertising are expensed as incurred.

Pensions

Defined Benefit Plan

The Fund participates in a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System. For purposes 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 Fund's participation in the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement Plan (OPERS) and additions to/deductions from OPERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by OPERS.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Pensions, Continued

Defined Contribution Plan

Effective November 1, 2015, OPERS established the Pathfinder Defined Contribution Plan ("Pathfinder"), a mandatory defined contribution plan for eligible state employees who first become employed by a participating employer on or after November 1, 2015, and have no prior participation in OPERS. Under Pathfinder, members will choose a contribution rate which will be matched by their employer up to 7%. During the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Fund had the following contributions to Pathfinder.

		2017	2016
Fund's portion	<u>\$</u>	16,335	14,748

Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In June 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* (GASB 75). GASB 75 addresses employer and governmental non-employer contributing entities' accounting and financial reporting when participating in an OPEB plan. This statement requires proper recognition of OPEB liabilities by employers and requires a more comprehensive measure of OPEB expense. More robust disclosures will also improve transparency and accountability. GASB 75 is effective for financial statements for the periods beginning after June 15, 2017. The Fund will adopt GASB 75 effective July 1, 2017, for the June 30, 2018, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 75 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

In August 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 77, *Tax Abatement Disclosures* (GASB 77). GASB 77 provides financial reporting and disclosure guidance to governments that have either entered into tax abatement agreements or that have revenues affected by tax abatements entered into by another government. Governments will generally use tax abatements to encourage specific economic development that benefit either the government or its citizens by forgoing certain taxes. The Fund adopted this statement on July 1, 2016. The Fund has no items to be reported, and the adoption had no significant impact on the Fund's financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Recent Accounting Pronouncements, Continued

In December 2015, GASB issued Statement No. 78, *Pensions Provided through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Plans* (GASB 78). GASB 78 addresses an issue that arose as a result of the employer reporting for pension plans under GASB 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*. Certain state and local governments participate in a cost-sharing multi-employer pension plan that (1) is not a state or local governmental plan, (2) provides defined benefits both to employees of state or local governmental employers and to employees of employers that are not state or local governmental employers, and (3) has no predominant state or local governmental employer. This Statement establishes the requirements for recognition, reporting, disclosures, and required supplementary information for governmental employers that provide pensions through pension plans with the above-mentioned characteristics. The Fund adopted this statement on July 1, 2016. The adoption had no significant impact on the Fund's financial statements.

In January 2016, GASB issued Statement No. 80, *Blending Requirements for Certain Component Units* (GASB 80). GASB 80 amends blending requirements for the financial statements of component units to include criteria requiring blending of a component unit organized as a not-for-profit corporation in which the primary government is the sole corporate member. The Fund adopted GASB 80 effective July 1, 2016, for the June 30, 2017, reporting year. The adoption had no significant impact on the financial statements.

In March 2016, GASB issued Statement No. 81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements* (GASB 81). GASB 81 provides recognition and measurement guidance for situations in which a government is one of the beneficiaries of an irrevocable split-interest agreement. Irrevocable split-interest agreements are a type of giving by a donor to provide resources to two or more beneficiaries, including governments. GASB 81 provides the recognition and reporting requirements applicable when a government is one of the parties to such an agreement. The Fund will adopt GASB 81 effective July 1, 2017, for the June 30, 2018, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 81 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

In November 2016, GASB issued Statement No. 83, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations* (GASB 83). GASB 83 provides accounting and reporting requirements for certain asset retirement obligations (ARO) that arise from legally enforceable liabilities associated with the retirement of certain tangible capital assets. ARO's require an internal and external obligating event and the costs to be reasonably estimable for the incurrence of such a liability. The Fund will adopt GASB 83 effective July 1, 2018, for the June 30, 2019, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 83 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Recent Accounting Pronouncements, Continued

In January 2017, GASB issued Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities* (GASB 84). GASB 84 improves guidance regarding the recognition and reporting of fiduciary activities. GASB 84 identifies four types of reportable fiduciary fund types, including 1) pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, 2) investment trust funds, 3) private-purpose trust funds, and 4) custodial funds. GASB 84 outlines the accounting and disclosure requirements for operating structures that qualify as a fiduciary activity. The Fund will adopt GASB 84 effective July 1, 2019, for the June 30, 2020, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 84 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

In March 2017, GASB issued Statement No 85, *Omnibus 2017* (GASB 85). GASB 85 clarified several practice issues identified during the application of earlier GASB pronouncements. GASB 85 addresses topics including the blending of component units, goodwill and negative goodwill, fair value measurement and application, employer accounting and reporting for pensions and OPEB, and reporting by OPEB plans. The Fund will adopt GASB 85 on July 1, 2017, for the June 30, 2018, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 85 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

In May 2017, GASB issued Statement No. 86, *Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues* (GASB 86). GASB 86 provides guidance regarding the in-substance defeasance of debt. Normally, a government will issue new debt at favorable rates and place the proceeds in trust to eliminate the liability of an existing debt. GASB 86 provides accounting and reporting guidance for situations where a government irrevocably sets aside cash and other assets to defease an existing debt. Guidance also addresses prepaid insurance related to extinguished debt and the financial valuation and disclosure of other assets used to defease debt. The Fund will adopt GASB 86 on July 1, 2017, for the June 30, 2018, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 86 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(1) <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED</u>

Recent Accounting Pronouncements, Continued

In June 2017, GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases* (GASB 87). GASB 87 defines a lease as a contract that conveys control of the right to use another entity's nonfinancial asset (the underlying asset) as specified in the contract for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. GASB 87 improves accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under GASB 87, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. The requirements of this Statement are effective for reporting periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Earlier application is encouraged. The Fund has not determined the impact of GASB 87 on the financial statements.

Annual Budget-to-Actual Comparison

The Fund is not required to prepare an annual budget. Therefore, an annual budget-to-actual comparison as required by GASB 34 is not presented.

Date of Management's Review of Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through September 26, 2017, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued, and determined that no subsequent events have occurred that require adjustment to or disclosure in the financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS</u>

At June 30, cash and cash equivalents were composed of the following:

	2017	2016
Cash on deposit with the State	\$ 9,391,244	7,014,844
Foreign currency	1,002,215	918,758
Collateral from securities lending-restricted cash	73,565,532	82,489,266
Cash and equivalents	14,799,274	12,957,701
Money market mutual fund	 14,954,577	13,282,683
	\$ 113,712,842	116,663,252

Restricted Cash

Cash collateral from securities lending activity is identified as restricted cash as it cannot be used by the Fund unless there is default in the return of the securities loaned.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of a counterparty, the Fund will not be able to recover the value of its investments. Deposits are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are uninsured and uncollateralized. Investment securities are exposed to custodial credit risk if they are uninsured, are not registered in the name of the Fund, and are held by the counterparty or the counterparty's trust department but not in the name of the Fund. The investment policy requires that all deposits be invested in a fully collateralized interest-bearing account. Policy also provides that investment collateral be held by a third-party custodian with whom the Fund has a current custodial agreement in the Fund's name.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Credit Risk

Fixed income securities are subject to credit risk. A bond's credit quality rating is one method of assessing the ability of the issuer to meet its obligation. Exposure to credit risk as of June 30 was as follows:

	2017		
	<u>Fair Value</u>		
	(Exp	pressed in	Moody
	thousands)		<u>Rating</u>
U.S. government agencies (held in U.S. currency):			
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$	19,590	AAA
U.S. Treasury notes		51,957	AAA
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.		13,527	AAA
Federal National Mortgage Corp.		3,090	AAA
Government National Mortgage Association		72	AAA
Other		2,463	AA1
Other		1,618	AA2
Other		1,317	AA3
Other		26,809	AAA
Other		1,206	NA/NR
		121,649	
Corporate bonds (held in U.S. currency):			
Domestic bonds		2,319	A1
Domestic bonds		2,528	A2
Domestic bonds		2,829	A3
Domestic bonds		1,935	AA1
Domestic bonds		211	AA2
Domestic bonds		738	AA3
Domestic bonds		161	AAA
Domestic bonds		16,902	B1
Domestic bonds		7,937	B2
Domestic bonds		7,717	B3
Domestic bonds		6,723	BA1
Domestic bonds		15,607	BA2
Domestic bonds		20,756	BA3
			(Continued)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Credit Risk, Continued

	2017	
	Fair Value	
	(Expressed in	Moody
	thousands)	Rating
Corporate bonds (held in U.S. currency), Continued:		
Domestic bonds	2,406	BAA1
Domestic bonds	1,526	BAA2
Domestic bonds	4,430	BAA3
Domestic bonds	731	С
Domestic bonds	780	CA
Domestic bonds	72	CAA
Domestic bonds	2,736	CAA1
Domestic bonds	1,946	CAA2
Domestic bonds	1,584	CAA3
Domestic bonds	7,441	NA/NR
Domestic bonds	13	DFLT
	110,028	
Foreign corporate bonds (held in U.S. currency):		
Foreign bonds	266	A1
Foreign bonds	3,207	B1
Foreign bonds	2,084	B2
Foreign bonds	2,514	B3
Foreign bonds	4,401	BA1
Foreign bonds	926	BA2
Foreign bonds	5,230	BA3
		(Continued)

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Credit Risk, Continued

	201	7
	Fair Value	
	(Expressed in	Moody
	thousands)	<u>Rating</u>
Foreign corporate bonds (held in U.S. currency), Co	ntinued:	
Foreign bonds	301	BAA1
Foreign bonds	631	BAA2
Foreign bonds	2,146	BAA3
Foreign bonds	737	CAA1
Foreign bonds	212	CAA2
Foreign bonds	1,753	NA
	24,408	
Foreign corporate bonds (held in foreign currency):		
Foreign bonds	87	A3
Foreign bonds	861	B1
Foreign bonds	473	B2
Foreign bonds	121	B3
Foreign bonds	873	BA1
Foreign bonds	341	BA2
Foreign bonds	241	BA3
Foreign bonds	171	BAA1
Foreign bonds	224	BAA3
Foreign bonds	127	CAA1
Foreign bonds	1,290	NR
	4,809	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Credit Risk, Continued

	2017		
	Fair Value		
	(Expressed in	Moody	
	thousands)	<u>Rating</u>	
Foreign government bonds (held in U.S. currency):			
Foreign government bonds	532	AA2	
Foreign government bonds	215	B 1	
Foreign government bonds	248	B2	
Foreign government bonds	1,165	B3	
Foreign government bonds	442	BA2	
Foreign government bonds	1,147	BAA2	
Foreign government bonds	1,351	BAA3	
	5,100		
Foreign government bonds (held in foreign currency):			
Foreign government bonds	1,478	A3	
Foreign government bonds	220	B1	
Foreign government bonds	222	B2	
Foreign government bonds	1,658	B3	
Foreign government bonds	1,834	BA1	
Foreign government bonds	5,311	BA2	
Foreign government bonds	5	BAA2	
	10,728		
Total fair value of credit risk	<u>\$ 276,722</u>		

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Credit Risk, Continued

2016		
Fair Value		
(Expressed in		Moody
the	ousands)	<u>Rating</u>
\$	16,000	AAA
		AAA
	,	AAA
	,	AAA
	89	AAA
	28,180	AAA
	88	Aa1
	766	A2
	721	A3
	104,959	
	389	(P)BA2
	230	A1
	2,331	A2
	2,756	A3
	1,560	AA1
	1,648	AA2
	2,088	AA3
	1,160	AAA
	13,591	B1
	6,181	B2
	6,404	B3
	9,346	BA1
	12,004	BA2
	(Exp the	$\begin{array}{r} \underline{\text{Fair Value}}\\ (Expressed in thousands)\\ \$ 16,000\\ 51,896\\ 5,795\\ 1,424\\ 89\\ 28,180\\ 88\\ 766\\ 721\\ 104,959\\ \hline \end{array}\\ \begin{array}{r} 389\\ 230\\ 2,331\\ 2,756\\ 1,560\\ 1,648\\ 2,088\\ 1,160\\ 13,591\\ 6,181\\ 6,404\\ 9,346\\ \hline \end{array}$

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Credit Risk, Continued

	2016		
	Fair Value		
	(Expressed in	Moody	
	thousands)	Rating	
Corporate bonds (held in U.S. currency), Continued:			
Domestic bonds	22,713	BA3	
Domestic bonds	2,562	BAA1	
Domestic bonds	1,395	BAA2	
Domestic bonds	5,246	BAA3	
Domestic bonds	91	С	
Domestic bonds	1,145	CA	
Domestic bonds	3,640	CAA1	
Domestic bonds	2,915	CAA2	
Domestic bonds	2,791	CAA3	
Domestic bonds	13	DFLT	
Domestic bonds	5,545	NA/NR	
	107,744		
Foreign corporate bonds (held in U.S. currency):			
Foreign bonds	274	A1	
Foreign bonds	2,061	B1	
Foreign bonds	2,360	B2	
Foreign bonds	2,856	B3	
Foreign bonds	1,931	BA1	
Foreign bonds	2,561	BA2	
Foreign bonds	2,455	BA3	
		(Continued)	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Credit Risk, Continued

	201	2016		
	Fair Value			
	(Expressed in	Moody		
	thousands)	<u>Rating</u>		
Foreign corporate bonds (held in U.S. currency), Co	ontinued:			
Foreign bonds	290	BAA1		
Foreign bonds	1,414	BAA2		
Foreign bonds	1,941	BAA3		
Foreign bonds	352	CA		
Foreign bonds	978	CAA1		
Foreign bonds	685	CAA2		
Foreign bonds	2,192	NA/NR		
	22,350			
Foreign corporate bonds (held in foreign currency):				
Foreign bonds	128	(P)BA3		
Foreign bonds	444	A3		
Foreign bonds	1,153	B1		
Foreign bonds	1,301	B2		
Foreign bonds	746	B3		
Foreign bonds	278	BA1		
Foreign bonds	421	BA2		
Foreign bonds	473	BA3		
Foreign bonds	65	BAA3		
Foreign bonds	230	CAA1		
Foreign bonds	641	NR		
	5,880			

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Credit Risk, Continued

	201	2016	
	Fair Value		
	(Expressed in	Moody	
	thousands)	<u>Rating</u>	
Foreign government bonds (held in U.S. currency):			
Foreign government bonds	194	B1	
Foreign government bonds	741	B3	
Foreign government bonds	442	Ba2	
Foreign government bonds	216	Ba3	
Foreign government bonds	1,173	Baa2	
Foreign government bonds	1,326	Baa3	
	4,092		
Foreign government bonds (held in foreign currency):			
Foreign government bonds	1,545	A3	
Foreign government bonds	214	B1	
Foreign government bonds	218	B2	
Foreign government bonds	424	Ba1	
Foreign government bonds	2,623	Ba2	
Foreign government bonds	5	Baa2	
	5,029		
Total fair value of credit risk	<u>\$ 250,054</u>		

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Fund limits its exposure to concentrations of credit risk through its investment policy and asset allocation policy. Within asset classes, individual securities are limited to not more than 6% of the investment manager's portfolio; however, securities of one issuer could be represented in more than one asset class. No investments in any one organization, excluding those guaranteed by the U.S. government, represented 5% or more of the Fund's net position at June 30, 2017 or 2016, except for \$121,855,413 and \$102,755,140 invested in the Pooled Fixed Income Fund at June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. While the investment is over 5% of the net position, the Fund has a share of each individual security of the Pooled Fixed Income Fund and no ownership interest in a single security would exceed 5%.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Mortgage-backed securities are highly sensitive to interest rate changes. The investment policy manages interest rate risk by limiting the effective duration of an actively managed fixed-income portfolio. Excluding U.S. government guaranteed securities, effective duration is not to exceed 7 years.

	2017		
	Fair Value		Effective
	(Expressed in		Duration
	th	ousands)	Years
U.S. government securities (government guaranteed):			
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$	19,590	20.77
U.S. Treasury notes		51,957	2.69
Federal National Mortgage Association—FHR		12,062	3.86
Federal National Mortgage Association—FNR		13,681	3.84
Government National Mortgage Association		72	3.27
GNR		447	7.71
Other		7,224	6.38
Foreign government securities:			
Foreign government bonds (held in U.S. currency)		5,100	9.60
Foreign government bonds (held in foreign currency)		10,728	6.01
Mortgage-backed securities:			
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.		13,527	1.40
Federal National Mortgage Corp.		3,090	2.41
Corporate bonds:			
Domestic bonds (held in U.S. currency)		110,028	4.70
Foreign bonds (held in U.S. currency)		24,408	4.89
Foreign bonds (held in foreign currency)		4,809	3.58
Total fixed income	\$	276,723	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Interest Rate Risk, Continued

	2016		
	Fair Value		Effective
	(Expressed in		Duration
	tho	usands)	Years
U.S. government securities (government guaranteed):			
U.S. Treasury bonds	\$	16,000	20.62
U.S. Treasury notes		51,896	4.12
Federal National Mortgage Association—FHR		13,515	3.06
Federal National Mortgage Association—FNR		14,266	3.07
Government National Mortgage Association		89	1.38
GNR		399	7.42
Other		1,575	3.01
Foreign government securities:			
Foreign government bonds (held in U.S. currency)		4,092	20.97
Foreign government bonds (held in foreign currency)		5,029	12.71
Mortgage-backed securities:			
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.		5,795	1.53
Federal National Mortgage Corp.		1,424	1.95
Corporate bonds:			
Domestic bonds (held in U.S. currency)		107,744	4.94
Foreign bonds (held in U.S. currency)		22,350	4.95
Foreign bonds (held in foreign currency)		5,880	3.60
Total fixed income	\$	250,054	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Foreign Currency Risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or a deposit. The investment policy limits foreign equity investments to 10% of total net position through its asset allocation policy. Investment in foreign equities and fixed income is shown by monetary unit to indicate possible foreign currency risk.

	2017		
	Fair Value		
	(Expressed in		
	tho	usands)	Type
Foreign currency:			
Argentina peso	\$	2,968	Fixed income
Argentina peso		32	Foreign currency
Armenian dram		220	Fixed income
Australian dollar		3,040	Equity
Australian dollar		341	Fixed income
Australian dollar		101	Foreign currency
Bermuda dollar		8,521	Equity
Bermuda dollar		1,377	Fixed income
Brazilian real		3,887	Equity
Brazilian real		3,208	Fixed income
Brazilian real		77	Foreign currency
British pound sterling		26,106	Equity
British pound sterling		5,436	Fixed income
British pound sterling		147	Foreign currency
Canadian dollar		5,569	Equity
Canadian dollar		2,386	Fixed income
Cayman dollar		9,568	Equity
Cayman dollar		1,518	Fixed income
Colombian peso		1,358	Fixed income
Colombian peso		1	Foreign currency
Ecuador		432	Fixed income
Euro		48,949	Equity
Euro		16,106	Fixed income
Euro		503	Foreign currency
Honduran lempira		470	Fixed income
Hong Kong dollar		5,592	Equity

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Foreign Currency Risk, Continued

ency Risk, Continueu	2017			
	Fair Value			
	(Expressed in			
	thousands)	Type		
Foreign currency, Continued:				
Hong Kong dollar	34	Foreign currency		
Indian Rupee	3,379	Equity		
Indonesian rupiah	2,263	Equity		
Indonesian rupiah	1,351	Fixed income		
Japanese yen	32,611	Equity		
Jersey Pound	249	Equity		
Jersey Pound	418	Fixed income		
Kenyan shilling	215	Fixed income		
Kuwaiti dinar	532	Fixed income		
Mexican peso	1,502	Equity		
Mexican peso	2,482	Fixed income		
Mexican peso	51	Foreign currency		
Moroccan dirham	556	Fixed income		
Multiple	1,296	Fixed income		
Israeli new shekel	3,969	Equity		
New Taiwan dollar	4,555	Equity		
Norwegian krone	5,011	Equity		
Peruvian nuevo sol	301	Fixed income		
Philippines peso	240	Fixed income		
Russian ruble	947	Fixed income		
Russian ruble	55	Foreign currency		
Singaporean dollar	4,244	Equity		
South Korean won	2,667	Equity		
Swedish krona	6,328	Equity		
Swiss franc	12,083	Equity		
Thai baht	1,832	Equity		
Turkish new lira	887	Fixed income		
Virgin Islands	4	Equity		
	\$ 237,975			

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Foreign Currency Risk, Continued

Fair Value (Expressed in thousands)TypeForeign currency:	
thousands) <u>Type</u>	
Foreign currency:	
r oreign currency.	
Argentina peso \$ 944 Fixed income	
Armenian Dram 214 Fixed income	
Australian dollar 2,972 Equity	
Australian dollar 499 Fixed income	
Australian dollar133Australian dollar112Foreign currence	v
Bermuda dollar 4,255 Equity	,
Bermuda dollar 1,204 Fixed income	
Brazilian real 4,949 Equity	
Brazilian real 3,065 Fixed income	
Brazilian real 142 Foreign currence	v
British pound sterling 21,924 Equity	,
British pound sterling 6,383 Fixed income	
British pound sterling 371 Foreign currence	V
Canadian dollar 6,701 Equity	
Canadian dollar 3,063 Fixed income	
Cayman dollar 6,817 Equity	
Cayman dollar 1,679 Fixed income	
CFA Franc Bceao 216 Fixed income	
Colombian peso 1,265 Fixed income	
Euro 36,204 Equity	
Euro 12,774 Fixed income	
Euro 40 Foreign currenc	у
Hong Kong dollar 6,679 Equity	-
Hong Kong dollar 35 Foreign currence	у

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Foreign Currency Risk, Continued

	2016			
	Fair Value			
	(Expressed in			
	thousands)	Type		
Foreign currency, Continued:				
Indian rupee	2,003	Equity		
Indonesian rupiah	1,548	Equity		
Indonesian rupiah	1,326	Fixed income		
Japanese yen	23,546	Equity		
Kenyan shilling	194	Fixed income		
Lempira	218	Fixed income		
Mexican nuevo peso	2,465	Fixed income		
Mexican nuevo peso	219	Foreign currency		
Moroccan dirham	543	Fixed income		
Netherlands Antillean guilder	331	Fixed income		
New Israeli shekel	8,002	Equity		
New Taiwan dollar	4,031	Equity		
Norwegian krone	3,882	Equity		
Peruvian nuevo sol	290	Fixed income		
Philippines peso	254	Fixed income		
Russian ruble	424	Fixed income		
South Korean won	1,461	Equity		
Swedish krona	2,254	Equity		
Swiss franc	11,145	Equity		
Thai baht	1,932	Equity		
	<u>\$ 188,575</u>			

Securities held in U.S. currency that are traded in foreign markets or are significantly influenced by foreign exchange rates are included in the foreign currency risk shown in the schedule above.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Pooled Fixed Income Funds

The pooled fixed income funds consisted of an investment in the Reams Asset Management, Unconstrained Fixed Income Composite (the "Pooled Fixed Income Fund"), a commingled fund. The Pooled Fixed Income Fund seeks to maximize risk-adjusted total return by systematically pursuing relative value opportunities throughout all sectors of the fixed income market. At June 30, 2017, the average duration of the portfolio of the Pooled Fixed Income Fund was 1.2 years, the average maturity was 2.7 years, the yield to maturity was 1.60%, and the average asset quality was (0.02) years, the average maturity was 2.6 years, the yield to maturity was 1.7%, and the average asset quality was Aa2.

At June 30, the Pooled Fixed Income Fund primarily consisted of:

Fixed Income Securities	Percer	ntage
	2017	2016
Corporate	23%	25%
Asset-backed	2%	3%
Government-related	0%	3%
Cash and cash equivalents	20%	15%
Treasury	49%	46%
Mortgage-backed	6%	8%

The Fund's investment in the Pooled Fixed Income Fund was approximately 1.83% and 1.62% of the total portfolio of the Pooled Fixed Income Fund at June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Investments Measured at Fair Value

The Fund categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The Fund had the following recurring fair value measurements as of June 30:

		Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using		
<u>2017</u> Investments Measured at <u>Fair Value</u>	Amounts Measured at <u>Fair Value</u>	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs <u>(Level 2)</u>	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)
U.S. government securities Foreign government securities Domestic corporate bonds Foreign corporate bonds Domestic stocks Foreign stocks Pooled fixed income funds Alternative investments	\$ 121,649,364 15,828,160 110,028,308 29,217,304 330,978,137 191,927,259 121,855,413 52,251,759 973,735,704	85,533,366 - - 330,951,988 189,490,857 - 52,251,759 658,227,970	36,115,998 15,828,160 108,853,477 29,217,304 2,362 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	- 1,174,831 - 23,787 2,436,402 121,855,413 - 125,490,433
Alternative investments measured at NAV: Core real estate Non-real estate	90,769,546 52,587,200 143,356,746			
Total investments at fair value	\$1,117,092,450	658,227,970	190,017,301	125,490,433

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Investments Measured at Fair Value, Continued

		Fair Value Measurements at			
		Reporting Date Using			
	Amounts	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical	Significant Other Observable	Significant Unobservable	
	Measured at	Assets	Inputs	Inputs	
2016	Fair Value	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)	
Investments Measured at	<u>run vuluo</u>				
Fair Value					
U.S. government securities	\$ 104,958,482	72,248,849	32,709,633	-	
Foreign government securities	9,120,908	-	9,120,908	-	
Domestic corporate bonds	107,744,720	-	106,373,603	1,371,117	
Foreign corporate bonds	28,230,161	-	28,230,161	-	
Domestic stocks	302,613,827	298,201,123	4,412,704	-	
Foreign stocks	150,304,822	147,185,353	-	3,119,469	
Pooled fixed income funds	102,755,140	-	-	102,755,140	
Alternative investments	44,413,382	44,413,382			
	850,141,442	562,048,707	180,847,009	107,245,726	
Alternative investments measured at NAV: Core real estate Non-real estate	81,712,253 69,441,700 151,153,953			<u> </u>	
Total investments at fair value	<u>\$1,001,295,395</u>	562,048,707	180,847,009	107,245,726	

Debt and equity securities and alternative investments in Level 1 are reported at fair value, as determined by the Fund's custodial agent, using pricing services or prices quoted by independent brokers based on the latest reported sales prices at current exchange rates for securities traded on national or international exchanges. Debt and equity securities classified in Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy are inputs, other than quoted prices included within Level 1, which are observable either directly or indirectly.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(2) <u>CASH AND INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

Investments Measured at Fair Value, Continued

Alternative investments that are not classified as Level 1 investments are carried at the NAV of the fund as provided by the administrator or general partner as these investments do not have a readily determinable fair value. The Fund uses the NAV to determine the fair value for all alternative investments which (a) do not have a readily determinable fair value and (b) a proportionate share of the net assets is attributed to member units or an ownership interest in partners' capital. Management evaluates the values provided based on a number of factors, including obtaining an understanding of the fund's underlying investments, strategy, positions, and valuation methodologies, obtaining audited financial statements, obtaining verification of transactions at or near year end, and comparing information provided by the fund administrator or general partner to other available information such as sector data and indexes. Because alternative investments are not readily marketable, their NAV is subject to uncertainty and therefore may differ from the value that would have been used had a ready market for such investments existed. Such a difference could be material. Discretionary redemption of the investment in the limited partnerships by the Fund is not permitted.

<u>Fair Value of Private Equity</u>—The Fund participates in a number of private equity partnerships as a limited partner. Private equity investments are structured to be operated by a general partner, usually highly experienced in the specific focus of the partnership, who calls for investments from the limited partners when a suitable investment opportunity arises. As such, investments in private equity can generally never be redeemed, but instead participate in distributions from the partnership as liquidation of the underlying assets are realized.

The Fund's private equity (PE) investments have a long investment horizon of 5 to 10 years, are not liquid, and the Fund generally holds this type of investment to maturity. Depending on the type of holdings within a given partnership, the investment horizon can be extended if the general partner deems the remaining investments in the fund still hold significant future value and a majority of limited partners concur. The Fund's PE general partners typically make fair value determinations on the investments in each of their respective funds quarterly using a variety of pricing techniques including, but not limited to, observable transaction values for similar investments, third-party bids, appraisals of both properties and businesses, and public market capitalization of similar or like businesses. Each PE fund then calculates the fair value of the Fund's ownership of the partners' capital on a quarterly basis. Although most PE interests are marketable in a secondary market, the Fund generally does not sell its interests early at values less than its interest in the partnership.

Additional information on alternative investments are described in Note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(3) **DERIVATIVES**

Derivative instruments are financial contracts whose values depend on the values of one or more underlying assets, reference rates, or financial indexes. They include futures contracts, swap contracts, options contracts, and forward foreign currency exchange. The Fund's derivatives policy identifies and allows common derivative investments and strategies which are consistent with applicable law and the Investment Policy Statement and requires investment managers to petition for the inclusion of additional derivative instruments and strategies. The guidelines also require investment managers to follow certain controls and documentation and risk management procedures. The Fund enters into these certain derivative instruments primarily to enhance the performance and reduce the volatility of its portfolio. It enters futures contracts to gain or hedge exposure to certain markets and to manage interest rate risk and uses forward foreign exchange contracts primarily to hedge foreign currency exposure. The tables below summarize the various contracts in the portfolio as of June 30, 2017 and 2016. The notional values associated with the futures and options contracts are generally not recorded in the financial statements, as they represent the obligation to purchase the futures contracts. Unrealized gains or losses are recognized daily by the investment manager and have been reflected in the Fund's financial statements. Interest risks associated with these investments are included in the interest rate risk disclosures. The Fund does not anticipate additional significant market risk from the futures, options, or currency contracts.

Futures Contracts

	Expiration Date	Long/Short	Notional/ <u>Fair Value</u> (Expressed in thousands)
<u>2017</u> U.S. 10-year note U.S. 5-year note Euro BUXL 30-year bond U.S. long bond U.S. Ultra bond Euro BUND future	September 2017 September 2017 September 2017 September 2017 September 2017 September 2017	Short Short Short Short Short Short	$ \begin{array}{r} & (10,545) \\ \hline \$ & 8,131 \\ \hline \$ & (187) \\ \hline \$ & (1,537) \\ \hline \$ & (1,161) \\ \hline \$ & (2,585) \\ \end{array} $
<u>2016</u> U.S. 10-year note U.S. 5-year note Euro BUXL 30-year bond U.S. long bond U.S. Ultra bond	September 2016 September 2016 September 2016 September 2016 September 2016	Short Short Short Short Short	$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(3) **DERIVATIVES, CONTINUED**

Options Contracts

	Expiration <u>Date</u>	Long/Short	Notional/ <u>Fair Value</u> (Expressed in thousands)
<u>2017</u> U.S. bond fund	July 2017	Short	<u>\$ (2,655)</u>
2016 CDS Option MARKIT CDX.NA.HY.26	July 2016	Short	<u>\$ (1,534)</u>
Foreign Currency Forward Contracts			
		<u>2017</u> (Expressed in	2016 thousands)
Pending receivable Pending payable	\$	20,805 (20,836)	19,094 (19,060)
Foreign currency forward contracts (liability) asset	<u>\$</u>	(31)	34

As of June 30, 2017, the foreign currency forward contracts expire in August 2017. During the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, realized gains (losses) on foreign currency contracts were approximately \$114,016 and \$(88,220), respectively.

The Fund invests in mortgage-backed securities, which are reported at fair value in the statements of net position and the balance sheets and are based on the cash flows from interest and principal payments by the underlying mortgages. As a result, they are sensitive to prepayments by mortgagees, which are likely in declining interest rate environments, thereby reducing the values of these securities. The Fund invests in mortgage-backed securities to diversify the portfolio and increase the return while minimizing the extent of risk. Details regarding interest rate risks for these investments are included under the interest rate risk disclosures.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(4) <u>ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS</u>

Alternative investments as of June 30, including limited partnerships, were follows:

	20	17	
		Unfunded	
<u>Company</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>	Commitment	Purpose
<u>Real Estate</u> AEW Core Property Trust, Inc.	\$ 33,047,110	-	Real estate investment trust.
AEW VII	6,802,535	2,762,830	Real estate investment trust.
Siguler Guff	27,746,475	8,995,000	Investments in distressed opportunities in commercial real estate.
UBS Trumbull	 23,173,426		Real estate investment trust.
	 90,769,546	11,757,830	
Fund of Funds			
PIMCO All Asset Fund	 52,251,759		Fund invests in other PIMCO funds (A fund of funds).
Other			
Medley Opportunity Fund II L.P.	31,030,195	1,332,729	Investments consist of senior secured direct loans to corporate entities that meet certain criteria.
SJC Offshore (Frontpoint)	696,999	2,292,987	Investments consist of senio secured direct loans to corporate entities that meet certain criteria.
SJC Offshore II (Frontpoint)	6,945,570	1,600,213	Investments consist of senior secured direct loans to corporate entities that meet certain criteria.
SJC Onshore	 13,914,436	3,099,511	Investments consist of senio secured direct loans to corporate entities that meet
	52,587,200	8,325,440	certain criteria.
Total alternative	 52,507,200	0,525,440	
investments	\$ 195,608,505	20,083,270	
pendent Auditors' Report.			

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(4) <u>ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENTS, CONTINUED</u>

	20)16	
		Unfunded	
<u>Company</u>	Fair Value	Commitment	Purpose
<u>Real Estate</u> AEW Core Property Trust, Inc.	\$ 30,975,622	-	Real estate investment trust.
AEW VII	5,266,660	4,178,759	Real estate investment trust.
Siguler Guff	23,293,136	12,302,500	Investments in distressed opportunities in commercial real estate.
UBS Trumbull	22,176,835	-	Real estate investment trust.
	81,712,253	16,481,259	
<u>Fund of Funds</u> PIMCO All Asset Fund	44,413,382		Fund invests in other PIMCO funds (A fund of funds).
<u>Other</u> Medley Opportunity Fund II L.P.	37,287,841	1,332,729	Investments consist of senior secured direct loans to corporate entities that meet certain criteria.
SJC Offshore (Frontpoint)	3,019,585	2,292,987	Investments consist of senior secured direct loans to corporate entities that meet certain criteria.
SJC Offshore II (Frontpoint)	8,996,660	2,600,213	Investments consist of senior secured direct loans to corporate entities that meet certain criteria.
SJC Onshore	20,137,614	3,021,315	Investments consist of senior secured direct loans to corporate entities that meet certain criteria.
	69,441,700	9,247,244	
Total alternative investments	\$ 195,567,335	25,728,503	

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(5) <u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u>

The following is a summary of changes in capital assets:

		alance at ne 30, 2016	Additions	<u>Disposals</u>	Balance at June 30, 2017
Depreciable capital assets: Office equipment and furnishings	\$	208,210	16,282	-	224,492
Accumulated depreciation: Office equipment and furnishings		(149,690)	(21,392)		(171,082)
Capital assets, net	\$	58,520	(5,110)	<u> </u>	53,410
		alance at ne 30, 2015	Additions	<u>Disposals</u>	Balance at June 30, 2016
Depreciable capital assets: Office equipment and furnishings			<u>Additions</u> 33,492	<u>Disposals</u> -	
1 1	Jun	ne 30, 2015		<u>Disposals</u> - -	June 30, 2016

(6) <u>CHANGES IN COMPENSATED ABSENCES</u>

Compensated absence activity was as follows:

20	llance at 2 30, 2016	Additions	<u>Reductions</u>	Balance at June 30, 2017	Amounts Due Within <u>1 Year</u>
\$	164,049	121,553	(141,426)	144,176	57,670
20	llance at 2 30, 2015	Additions	Reductions	Balance at <u>June 30, 2016</u>	Amounts Due Within <u>1 Year</u>
\$	152,107	97,931	(85,989)	164,049	65,620

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(7) <u>AVAILABLE EARNINGS AND FUND BALANCES</u>

Available Earnings

Annual earnings available for expenditure were previously considered to be dividends and interest, less fees to manage the Fund. However, Attorney General Opinion 2011-11 (AG Opinion 2011-11), which was issued in August 2011, states that earnings are equal to the income generated from the Fund, including but not limited to interest, dividends, and realized capital gains from investments, minus the costs and expenses of investments and minus any losses realized by the Fund. As a result of the AG Opinion 2011-11, the Board of Investors and the Board of Directors reached an agreement in February 2012 that \$42,898,847 of earnings (July 1, 2001, through June 30, 2010) as defined by AG Opinion 2011-11 would be available for certification in addition to any current year earnings in years in which current year earnings to be certified were less than 5% of the corpus of the Fund. The \$42,898,847 was reflected as assigned to be certified earnings. Of this reserve, \$18,789,438, \$84,186, \$1,041,808, and \$7,620,259 was certified in the November 2016, November 2015, November 2013, and in November 2012 board meetings, respectively, to bring the amount in the total certification up to 5% of the corpus, thus reducing the reserve balance to \$15,363,157 as of June 30, 2016.

Fund Balances

Fund balance refers to the difference between assets and liabilities in the governmental funds balance sheet. Fund balance, as defined in GASB Statement No. 54, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, as applicable to the Fund, consists of the following three categories:

• <u>Nonspendable Fund Balance</u>: The nonspendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. This would include items not expected to be converted to cash, including inventories and prepaid amounts. It may also include the long-term amounts of loans and receivables, as well as property acquired for resale and the corpus (principal) of a permanent fund.

Nonspendable amounts are primarily composed of settlement receipts and the net unrealized appreciation or depreciation in the fair value of invested funds.

• <u>Assigned Fund Balance</u>: The assigned fund balance classification reflects amounts that are constrained by the Fund's intent to be used for specific purposes. For purposes of the assigned fund balance, the Fund's Board of Directors and Board of Investors have authority to assign funds for specific purposes.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(7) <u>AVAILABLE EARNINGS AND FUND BALANCES, CONTINUED</u>

Fund Balances, Continued

• Assigned Fund Balance, Continued:

Assigned by Board of Directors (Certified)

Prior to 2012, the Board of Directors had set aside 10% of the unassigned fund balance as a reserve to be used for future periods should annual earnings prove insufficient for operations. In November 2011, the Board of Directors chose to limit yearly expenditures of certified earnings to no more than 5% of the corpus of the Fund. Each year, any unexpended certified earnings will be added to the reserve of prior year unspent certified earnings. In essence, unexpended amounts will be moved to assigned fund balances for future years' operations. All the unspent amounts have previously been certified by the Board of Investors.

Assigned by Board of Investors (Uncertified)

As previously discussed, an additional \$42,898,847 was reserved during 2012 in accordance with an agreement between the Board of Directors and the Board of Investors. According to the agreement, some or all of the reserve funds are to be available for spending when the current year earnings calculation is below 5% of the corpus of the Fund. When future earnings calculations are below 5% of the corpus of the reserve will be reduced by the difference and certified for use. The certification of reserve funds is limited to the 5% cap, inclusive of the initial calculation based upon the constitutional language. The agreement will remain in effect until the total amount of the reserve has been certified by the Board of Investors.

• <u>Unassigned Fund Balance</u>: The unassigned fund balance essentially consists of excess funds that have not been classified in the above fund balance categories.

The unassigned fund balance consists of annual earnings that have been certified by the Board of Investors as available for expenditures for approved programs and operations, and contractual income less program and operational expenses.

It is the Fund's policy that expenditures which are incurred for purposes for which both unassigned and assigned fund balances are available, unassigned fund balances are considered to have been spent first.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(7) AVAILABLE EARNINGS AND FUND BALANCES, CONTINUED

Fund Balances, Continued

The Board of Directors manages program and operating expenses that are expended from the assigned and unassigned fund balance. Contract income is the reimbursement of program expenses related to the Helpline and is considered a reduction to unassigned expenses. Operating expenses include salaries, travel, and other operating expenses of the Board of Investors and the Board of Directors. The maximum amount allowed for operating expenses is 15% of certified earnings in any fiscal year. Operating expenses do not include program expenses or investment management expenses.

A reconciliation of the nonspendable, assigned, and unassigned components of the fund balances as of June 30 is as follows:

			2017		
		Assigned	Assigned		
		Available for	Available for		
		Expenditure	Expenditure		
		but	and		
	<u>Nonspendable</u>	<u>Uncertified</u>	Certified	Unassigned	Total
Balance at June 30, 2016	\$ 914,652,652	11,614,942	65,681,616	27,159,775	1,019,108,985
Adjustment	-	3,748,215	(3,748,215)	-	-
Estimated transfer—		5,710,210	(3,710,210)		
2017—5% cap	-	(13,104,186)	13,104,186	-	-
Settlement receipts	58,464,784	-	-	-	58,464,784
Net unrealized gains on					
investments	70,870,942	-	-	-	70,870,942
Miscellaneous income	112,751	-	-	-	112,751
Contract income	-	-	-	882,949	882,949
Expendable earnings,					
including net realized					
gains/losses on					
investments	-	-	-	39,736,415	39,736,415
Program and operating					
expenses	-	-	-	(52,647,451)	(52,647,451)
Transfer—estimate of					
certified earnings			(24, 604, 727)	24 604 727	
for 2017			(24,604,727)	24,604,727	
Balance at June 30, 2017	\$ 1,044,101,129	2,258,971	50,432,860	39,736,415	1,136,529,375

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(7) <u>AVAILABLE EARNINGS AND FUND BALANCES, CONTINUED</u>

Fund Balances, Continued

			2016		
		Assigned	Assigned		
		Available for	Available for		
		Expenditure	Expenditure		
		but	and		
	Nonspendable	<u>Uncertified</u>	Certified	Unassigned	<u>Total</u>
Balance at June 30, 2015	\$ 871,615,601	34,152,594	45,307,659	46,191,150	997,267,004
Estimated transfer—	\$ 071,010,001	0 1,10 2,000 1	,,	,1,1,100	<i>,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,</i>
2016—5% cap	-	(22,537,652)	22,537,652	-	-
Settlement receipts	57,006,973	-	-	-	57,006,973
Net unrealized losses on					
investments	(14,027,159)	-	-	-	(14,027,159)
Miscellaneous income	57,237	-	-	-	57,237
Contract income	-	-	-	1,745,642	1,745,642
Expendable earnings,					
including net realized					
gains/ losses on					
investments	-	-	-	27,159,775	27,159,775
Program and operating					
expenses	-	-	-	(50,100,487)	(50,100,487)
Transfer—estimate of					
certified earnings for 2016			(2,163,695)	2,163,695	
Balance at June 30, 2016	\$914,652,652	11,614,942	65,681,616	27,159,775	1,019,108,985

The amount of earnings available for certification for the period ended June 30, 2017, was \$39,736,415, which is below 5% of the corpus of the Fund.

At their August 23, 2017, meeting, the Board of Investors certified \$38,078,419, reserving a portion of the amount available for certification for possible audit adjustments. It is anticipated that the Board of Investors will certify an additional amount at their November 2017 meeting. The Board of Investors has defined the corpus of the Fund as the custodial market value of the Fund as of June 30, less any previous certified earnings (current year and previous years' certified earnings that remain invested) within the Fund at June 30.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(7) AVAILABLE EARNINGS AND FUND BALANCES, CONTINUED

Fund Balances, Continued

The transfers of fund balances during 2017 and 2016 as noted in the above reconciliation are as follows:

2017

- The adjustment of \$3,748,215 was to adjust the uncertified reserve fund balance to equal to the actual available balance after the November 30, 2016, Board Meeting. The balance of the uncertified reserve was recalculated to be equal to \$15,363,157.
- The transfer of \$13,104,186 was to adjust the certification to equal the 5% cap for 2017.
- The transfer of \$24,604,727 was to adjust the unassigned balance to the estimate of certified earnings at June 30, 2017, before the 5% cap adjustment.

2016

- The transfer of \$22,537,652 was to adjust the certification to equal the 5% cap for 2016.
- The transfer of \$2,163,695 was to adjust the unassigned balance to the estimate of certified earnings at June 30, 2016, before the 5% cap adjustment.

(8) <u>PENSION PLAN</u>

Plan Description

The Fund contributes to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement Plan (OPERS), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit public employee retirement plan administered by the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System (the "System"). OPERS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The benefit provisions are established and may be amended by the Oklahoma Legislature. Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 901–943, as amended, assigns the authority for management and operation of OPERS to the Board of Trustees of the System. The System issues a publicly available annual financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for OPERS. That annual report may be obtained by writing to the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System, 5801 N. Broadway Extension, Suite 200, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73118 or by calling 1-800-733-9008, or can be obtained at www.opers.ok.gov/websites/opers/images/pdfs/CAFR-2016-OPERS.pdf.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(8) <u>PENSION PLAN, CONTINUED</u>

Benefits Provided

OPERS provides members with full retirement benefits at their specified normal retirement age or, for any person who became a member prior to July 1, 1992, when the sum of the member's age and years of credited service equals or exceeds 80 (Rule of 80), and for any person who became a member after June 30, 1992, when the member's age and years of credited service equals or exceeds 90 (Rule of 90).

Normal retirement date is further qualified to require that all members employed on or after January 1, 1983, must have 6 or more years of full-time equivalent employment with a participating employer before being eligible to receive benefits. Credited service is the sum of participating and prior service. Prior service includes nonparticipating service before January 1, 1975, or the entry date of the employer and active wartime military service.

A member with a minimum of 10 years of participating service may elect early retirement with reduced benefits beginning at age 55 if the participant became a member prior to November 1, 2011, or age 60 if the participant became a member on or after November 1, 2011.

Disability retirement benefits are available for members having 8 years of credited service whose disability status has been certified as being within 1 year of the last day on the job by the Social Security Administration. Disability retirement benefits are determined in the same manner as retirement benefits, but payable immediately without an actuarial reduction.

For state, county, and local agency employees, benefits are determined at 2% of the average annual salary received during the highest 36 months of the last 10 years of participating service, but not to exceed the applicable annual salary cap, multiplied by the number of years of credited service. Members who join OPERS on or after July 1, 2013, will have their salary averaged over the highest 60 months of the last 10 years. Normal retirement age under the Plan is 62 or Rule of 80/90 if the participant became a member prior to November 1, 2011, or age 65 or Rule of 90 if the participant became a member on or after November 1, 2011.

Members who elect to pay the additional contribution rate, which became available in January 2004, will receive benefits using a 2.5% computation factor for each full year the additional contributions are made. In 2004, legislation was enacted to provide an increased benefit to retiring members who were not yet eligible for Medicare. The Medicare Gap benefit option became available to members under age 65 who retired on or after May 1, 2006. Members may elect to receive a temporary increased benefit to cover the cost of health insurance premiums until the member is eligible to receive Medicare. After the member becomes eligible for Medicare, the retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an actuarially determined amount. The option is irrevocable, must be chosen prior to retirement, and is structured to have a neutral actuarial cost to the plan.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(8) <u>PENSION PLAN, CONTINUED</u>

Benefits Provided, Continued

Members become eligible to vest fully upon termination of employment after attaining 8 years of credited service, or the members' contributions may be withdrawn upon termination of employment.

Upon the death of an active member, the accumulated contributions of the member are paid to the member's named beneficiary(ies) in a single lump sum payment. If a retired member elected a joint annuitant survivor option or an active member was eligible to retire with either reduced or unreduced benefits or eligible to vest the retirement benefit at the time of death, benefits can be paid in monthly payments over the life of the spouse if the spouse so elects.

Benefits are payable to the surviving spouse of an elected official only if the elected official had at least 6 years of participating elected service and was married at least 3 years immediately preceding death. Survivor benefits are terminated upon death of the named survivor and, for elected officials, remarriage of the surviving spouse. Upon the death of a retired member, with no survivor benefits payable, the member's beneficiary(ies) are paid the excess, if any, of the member's accumulated contributions over the sum of all retirement benefit payments made.

Upon the death of a retired member, OPERS will pay a \$5,000 death benefit to the member's beneficiary or estate of the member if there is no living beneficiary. The death benefit will be paid in addition to any excess employee contributions or survivor benefits due to the beneficiary.

Legislation was enacted in 1999 which provided a limited additional benefit for certain terminated members eligible to vest as of July 1, 1998. This limited benefit is payable as an additional \$200 monthly benefit upon the member's retirement up to the total amount of certain excess contributions paid by the participant to OPERS. In April 2001, limited benefit payments began for qualified retired members.

Benefits are established and may be amended by the State Legislature.

Contributions

The contribution rates for each member category of OPERS are established by the Oklahoma Legislature after recommendation by the Board of Trustees of the System based on an actuarial calculation, which is performed to determine the adequacy of such contribution rates.

Each member participates based on their qualifying gross salary earned, excluding overtime. There is no cap on the qualifying gross salary earned, subject to Internal Revenue Service (IRS) limitations on compensation.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(8) <u>PENSION PLAN, CONTINUED</u>

Contributions, Continued

For 2017, 2016, and 2015, *state agency employers* contributed 16.5% on all salary, and *state employees* contributed 3.5% on all salary.

Members have the option to elect to increase the benefit computation factor for all future service from 2.0% to 2.5%. The election is irrevocable, binding for all future employment under OPERS, and applies only to full years of service. Those who make the election pay the standard contribution rate plus an additional contribution rate, 2.91% which is actuarially determined. The election is available for all state, county, and local government employees, except for elected officials and hazardous duty members.

Contributions to OPERS for the pension plan by the Fund for 2017, 2016, and 2015, were as follows:

2017	2016	2015
\$ 233,186	225,292	219,311

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

At June 30, 2017, the Fund reported a liability 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 July 1, 2016. The Fund's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Fund's contributions received by OPERS relative to the total contributions received by OPERS for all participating employers as of June 30, 2016. Based upon this information, the Fund's proportion was 0.07718124%.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(8) <u>PENSION PLAN, CONTINUED</u>

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

For the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Fund recognized pension expense of \$193,187 and \$38,991, respectively. At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Fund reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	red Outflows Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
2017		
Differences between expected and		
actual experience	\$ -	33,653
Changes of assumptions	122,431	-
Proportionate changes	49,425	-
Net difference between projected and		
actual earnings on pension plan investments Fund contributions subsequent to	557,178	236,740
the measurement date	 233,186	
	\$ 962,220	270,393
2016		
Differences between expected and		
actual experience	\$ -	30,070
Changes of assumptions	4,207	-
Proportionate changes	79,698	-
Net difference between projected and		
actual earnings on pension plan investments	223,268	345,942
Fund contributions subsequent to		
the measurement date	 225,292	
	\$ 532,465	376,012

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(8) <u>PENSION PLAN, CONTINUED</u>

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

Reported deferred outflows of resources of \$233,186 related to pensions resulting from the Fund's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a decrease of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2018. Any other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions as of June 30, 2017, will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Years Ending June 30:	
2018	\$ 123,976
2019	96,358
2020	141,074
2021	 97,233
	\$ 458,641

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

The total pension liability was determined on an actuarial valuation prepared as of July 1, 2016 and 2015, using the following actuarial assumptions:

Investment return:	7.25% for 2016 and 7.50% for 2015, compounded annually net of investment expense and including inflation
Salary increases:	4.5% to 8.4% per year, including inflation
Mortality rates:	Active participants and nondisabled pensioners: RP-2000 Mortality Table projected to 2010 by Scale AA (disabled pensioners set forward 15 years).
Annual post-retirement	
benefit increases:	None
Assumed inflation rate:	3%
Payroll growth:	4% per year
Actuarial cost method:	Entry age
Select period for the termination of employment assumptions:	10 years

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(8) <u>PENSION PLAN, CONTINUED</u>

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions, Continued

With the exception of the long-term rate of return used as of July 1, 2016, the actuarial assumptions used in the July 1, 2016 and 2015, valuations are based on the results of the most recent actuarial experience study, which covers the 3-year period ending June 30, 2013. The experience study report is dated May 9, 2014. The long-term rate of return was modified by the Board of Trustees of the System during 2016.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a lognormal distribution analysis in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and 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 geometric real rates of return for each major asset class as of June 30, 2016 and 2015, are summarized in the following table:

	Target Asset	Long-Term Expected
Asset Class	Allocation	Real Rate of Return
U.S. large cap equity	38.0%	5.3%
U.S. small cap equity	6.0%	5.6%
U.S. fixed income	25.0%	0.7%
International stock	18.0%	5.6%
Emerging market stock	6.0%	6.4%
TIPS	3.5%	0.7%
Rate anticipation	<u>3.5</u> %	1.5%
	<u>100.0</u> %	

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25% for 2016 and 7.50% for 2015. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members and the employers will be made at the current contribution rate as set out in state statute. Based on those assumptions, OPERS' 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. The discount rate determined does not use a municipal bond rate.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(8) <u>PENSION PLAN, CONTINUED</u>

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability of the employer calculated using the discount rate of 7.25% for 2016 and 7.50% for 2015, as well as what the Fund's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage point lower or 1 percentage point higher than the current rate:

	1% Decrease	Current Discount	1% Increase
	<u>(6.25%)</u>	<u>Rate (7.25%)</u>	<u>(8.25%)</u>
June 30, 2017			
Net pension liability	\$ 1,567,661	765,816	85,118
	1% Decrease	Current Discount	1% Increase
	<u>(6.50%)</u>	Rate (7.50%)	<u>(8.50%)</u>
June 30, 2016			
Net pension liability	\$ 1,007,734	270,441	356,374

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about OPERS' fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report of OPERS, which can be located at <u>www.opers.ok.gov</u>.

(9) OKLAHOMA STATE EMPLOYEES DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN AND DEFERRED SAVINGS INCENTIVE PLAN

Deferred Compensation Plan

The State offers its employees a Deferred Compensation Plan as authorized by Section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC), as amended by the Tax Reform Act of 1986, and in accordance with the provisions of Sections 1701 through 1706 of Title 74 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

The supervisory authority for the management and operation of the Deferred Compensation Plan is the Board of Trustees of the Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement System (the "Board").

The Deferred Compensation Plan is available to all State employees, as well as any elected officials receiving a salary from the State. Participants may direct the investment of their contributions in available investment options offered by the Deferred Compensation Plan. The minimum contribution amount is the equivalent of \$25 per month, and participants are immediately 100% vested in their respective accounts. All interest, dividends, and investment fees are allocated to participants' accounts.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(9) OKLAHOMA STATE EMPLOYEES DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN AND DEFERRED SAVINGS INCENTIVE PLAN, CONTINUED

Deferred Compensation Plan, Continued

Participants may defer until future years up to the lesser of 100% of their compensation as defined by Deferred Compensation Plan documents or the maximum amount allowed each year as determined by the Internal Revenue Service.

The Deferred Compensation Plan offers a catch-up program to participants, which allows them to defer annually for the 3 years prior to their year of retirement up to twice that plan year's deferral limit. The amount of additional contributions in excess of the normal maximum contributions to the Deferred Compensation Plan is also limited to contributions for years in which the participant was eligible but did not participate in the Deferred Compensation Plan or the difference between contributions made and the maximum allowable level. To be eligible for the catch-up program, the participant must be within 3 years of retirement with no reduced benefits.

Participants age 50 or older may make additional contributions annually subject to certain limits.

Deferred compensation benefits are paid to participants or beneficiaries upon termination, retirement, death, or unforeseeable emergency. Such benefits are based on a participant's account balance and are disbursed in a lump sum or periodic payments at the option of the participant or beneficiaries in accordance with the Deferred Compensation Plan's provisions.

Effective January 1, 1998, the Board established a trust and a trust fund covering the Deferred Compensation Plan's assets, pursuant to federal legislation enacted in 1996, requiring public employers to establish such trusts for plans meeting the requirements of Section 457 of the IRC no later than January 1, 1999. Under the terms of the trust, the corpus or income of the trust fund may be used only for the exclusive benefit of the Deferred Compensation Plan's participants and their beneficiaries. Prior to the establishment of the trust, the Deferred Compensation Plan's assets were subject to the claims of general creditors of the State. The Board acts as trustee of the trust. The participants' accounts are invested in accordance with the investment elections of the participants. The Board is accountable for all deferred compensation received, but has no duty to require any compensation to be deferred or to determine that the amounts received comply with the Deferred Compensation Plan or to determine that the trust fund is adequate to provide the benefits payable pursuant to the Deferred Compensation Plan.

Further information may be obtained from the Deferred Compensation Plan's audited financial statements for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. The Fund believes that it has no liabilities with respect to the Deferred Compensation Plan.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(9) OKLAHOMA STATE EMPLOYEES DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN AND DEFERRED SAVINGS INCENTIVE PLAN, CONTINUED

Deferred Savings Incentive Plan

Effective January 1, 1998, the State established the Oklahoma State Employees Deferred Savings Incentive Plan (the "Savings Incentive Plan") as a money purchase pension plan pursuant to IRC Section 401(a). The Savings Incentive Plan and its related trust are intended to meet the requirements of IRC Sections 401(a) and 501(a).

Any qualified participant who is a State employee who is an active participant in the Deferred Compensation Plan is eligible for a contribution of the amount determined by Oklahoma Legislature, currently the equivalent of \$25 per month. Participation in the Savings Incentive Plan is automatic in the month of participation in the Deferred Compensation Plan and is not voluntary.

Upon cessation of contributions to the Deferred Compensation Plan, termination of employment with the State, retirement, or death, a participant will no longer be eligible for contributions from the State into the Savings Incentive Plan. Participants are at all times 100% vested in their Savings Incentive Plan account. Participant contributions are not required or permitted. Qualified participants may make rollover contributions to the Savings Incentive Plan, provided such rollover contributions meet applicable requirements of the IRC. Plan participants may direct the investment of the contributions in available investment options offered by the Savings Incentive Plan. All interest, dividends, and investment fees are allocated to the participants' accounts.

Savings Incentive Plan benefits are paid to participants or beneficiaries upon termination, retirement, or death. Such benefits are based on a participant's account balance and are disbursed in a lump sum or periodic payments or may be rolled over to a qualified plan at the option of the participant or beneficiaries.

(10) **OPERATING EXPENSES**

The State constitutional amendment creating the Fund also provides for the payment of authorized administrative expenses of the Office of the State Treasurer and the Board of Directors. State statutes further specify that the State Treasurer shall provide any necessary staff support to the Board of Investors and may request funding for the cost of up to two full-time equivalent employees.

During 2007, State statutes were amended and specify that annual operating expenses shall not exceed 15% of certified earnings.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, CONTINUED

(11) <u>COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES</u>

Contracts

The Fund has entered into various contracts to assist in its program operations. The contracts are generally for a commitment of 1 year with options to renew.

Settlement Receipts

As part of the 2013 NPM Adjustment Arbitration settlement, the State agreed to take on additional responsibilities, many of which it was already performing. Major requirements of the settlement are that the State must enforce its Complementary Statute against contraband tobacco products and pay a per-stick amount for cigarette sales which have been taxed and stamped. Enforcement of the settlement is expected to require some State statutory changes. Once the agreement has been finalized, the State may receive additional funds in the future because, as part of the settlement, there will be no withholding from the State's Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) payment, which is expected to increase the State's future annual settlement receipts by an estimated additional \$8 million to \$10 million.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF THE FUND'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement Plan

Last 3 Fiscal Years			
	2017 *	<u>2016</u> *	2015 *
The Fund's proportion of the net pension liability	0.07718124%	0.07518864%	0.06132439%
The Fund's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 765,816	270,441	112,570
The Fund's covered payroll	1,365,406	1,329,158	1,038,952
The Fund's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered payroll	56.09%	20.35%	10.83%
OPERS' fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	89.48%	96.00%	97.90%

* The amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30th of the prior year.

Only the last 3 fiscal years are presented because 10-year data is not readily available.

SCHEDULE OF THE FUND'S CONTRIBUTIONS Oklahoma Public Employees Retirement Plan

Last 7 Fiscal Years							
	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Contractually required contribution	\$ 233,186	225,292	219,311	171,427	129,208	103,380	70,30
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contributions	233,186	225,292	219,311	171,427	129,208	103,380	70,3
Contribution deficiency (excess)	<u>\$</u>						
The Fund's covered payroll	\$1,413,248	1,365,406	1,329,158	1,038,952	783,079	626,545	453,98
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	16.50%	16.50%	16.50%	16.50%	16.50%	16.50%	15.50%

Only the last 7 fiscal years are presented because 10-year data is not readily available.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN <u>ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS</u>

Board of Directors and Board of Investors Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States 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 and the permanent fund of the Tobacco Settlement Endowment Trust Fund (the "Fund"), which is a part of the State of Oklahoma financial reporting entity, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Fund's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 26, 2017. Our report includes an explanatory paragraph disclaiming an opinion on required supplementary information. In addition, our report also includes an explanatory paragraph to emphasize the fact that the financial statements include only that portion of the State of Oklahoma that is attributable to transactions of the Fund.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Fund'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 opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund'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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN <u>ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS, CONTINUED</u>

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, Continued

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 the Fund'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*.

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 Fund'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 Fund's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Finley + Cook, PLLC

Shawnee, Oklahoma September 26, 2017