FINANCIAL REPORT

JUNE 30, 2016

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Board of Education of Somerset County Westover, Maryland

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of The Board of Education of Somerset County, a component unit of Somerset County, Maryland, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of The Board of Education of Somerset County as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, schedule of funding progress and employer contributions and the schedule of the proportionate share of the net pension liability as listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Board of Education of Somerset County's basic financial statements. The additional supplementary information, as listed in the table of contents, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The additional supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the additional supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated September 29, 2016 on our consideration of The Board of Education of Somerset County's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, 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 Board of Education of Somerset County's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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

The Board of Education of Somerset County Westover, Maryland

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of The Board of Education of Somerset County, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise The Board of Education of Somerset County's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 29, 2016.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. 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 Board of Education of Somerset County's financial statements are free of 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 entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Salisbury, Maryland September 29, 2016

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

This section of the Board of Education of Somerset County's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the Board's financial performance during the fiscal year that ended on June 30, 2016. Please read it in conjunction with the Board's financial statements, which immediately follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Key financial highlights for the fiscal year (FY) ended June 30, 2016 include the following:

- Net position for the Governmental Activities totaled \$44,258,803 a decrease of \$1,573,803 or -3.40% from the prior year.
- General Fund assigned fund balance equals \$266,432, an increase of \$824,973 from the prior year.
- Unassigned General Fund balance equals \$289,068, an increase of \$22,636 from the prior year.
- The Food Service fund had a profit of \$53,334. Excluding depreciation, the fund showed a profit of \$79,933.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial section of the annual report consists of four parts – Independent Auditor's Report, required supplementary information which includes the Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the Board:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both short-term and long-term information about the Board's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are *fund financial statements* that focus on *individual parts* of the Board, reporting the Board's operations in *more detail* than the government-wide statements.
- The governmental funds statements tell how basic services such as regular and special education were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.
- Proprietary funds statements offer short- and long-term financial information about the activities the Board operates like businesses.
- Fiduciary funds statements provide information about the financial relationships in which the Board acts solely as a *trustee* or *agent* for the benefit of others to whom the resources belong.

Government-Wide Statements

The government-wide statements report information about the Board as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net assets includes *all* of the Board's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

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The two government-wide statements report the Board's net position and how they have changed. Net position, which is the difference between the Board's assets and liabilities, is one way to measure the Board's financial health or *position*.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the Board's net position are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the Board, additional non-financial factors such as changes in the condition of school buildings and other facilities must be considered.

In the government-wide financial statement the Board's activities are shown in two categories:

- Governmental activities Most of the Board's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation, administration, school administration and other student services. Local county and state aid finance most of these activities.
- Business-Type activities The Board's food service operation is included here. The Board operates cafeterias at the schools where breakfast and lunch are served.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the Board's *funds* – focusing on its most significant or "major" funds – not the Board as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the Board uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs:

- Some funds are required by State law.
- The Board establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is properly using certain revenues (e.g. federal and state grants).

The Board has three kinds of funds:

- Governmental funds Most of the Board's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps to determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Board's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, additional information is provided at the bottom of the governmental funds statements which explain the relationship (or differences) between them.
- Proprietary funds The Food Service operation is the only fund accounted for as proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the government-wide statements.

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YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

• Fiduciary funds – The Board is the trustee, or agent, for assets that belong to others. The Student Activities Fund is accounted for as a fiduciary fund. The Board is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. We exclude these activities from the government-wide financial statements because the Board cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE BOARD AS A WHOLE

Net Position

The Board's *combined* net position was \$44,300,326 on June 30, 2016. This was a decrease of \$1,520,469 from the prior year.

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

		RNMENTAL	BUSI	NESS-TYPE		
	AC	TIVITIES	AC	TIVITIES	TOTAL	TOTAL
	FY 2016	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2015
Current and other assets	\$ 4,234,743	\$ 3,983,533	\$ (102,088)	\$ (168,089)	\$ 4,132,655	\$ 3,815,444
Capital assets	51,120,493	50,682,514	169,945	196,544	51,290,438	50,879,058
Total assets	55,355,236	54,666,047	67,857	28,455	55,423,093	54,694,502
Current liabilities	3,038,823	2,328,133	22,558	36,354	3,061,381	2,364,487
Long-term liabilities	8,057,610	6,505,308	3,776	3,912	8,061,386	6,509,220
Total liabilities	11,096,433	8,833,441	26,334	40,266	11,122,767	8,873,707
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Investment in capital assets,						
net of related debt	51,120,493	50,682,514	169,945	196,544	51,290,438	50,879,058
Restricted	-	-	•	•		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Unrestricted	(6,861,690)	(4,849,908)	(128,422)	(208,355)	(6,990,112)	(5,058,263)
Total net position	\$ 44,258,803	\$ 45,832,606	\$ 41,523	\$ (11,811)	\$ 44,300,326	\$ 45,820,795

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YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE BOARD AS A WHOLE (Continued)

Changes in Net Position

The Board's total revenues were \$49,115,363 for the year ended June 30, 2016. (See Table 2) The State and County general appropriations accounted for approximately 76% of total revenue for the year. Another 4% came from Capital Contributions from both the State and County. The remaining funds (20%) came from program revenues and investment earnings. The total cost of all programs and services was \$50,635,832. Expenses surpassed revenues, decreasing net position \$1,520,469 from last year.

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES June 30, 2016

REVENUES

	Governmental			Busine	ss- T	ype				
	Activ	ities		Acti	vities	3		Total		Total
	FY 2016	FY 2015	*********	FY 2016		FY 2015		FY 2016		FY 2015
Program revenues										
Charges for services	\$	\$	\$	88,024	\$	127,262	\$	88,024	\$	127,262
Federal and state grants	7,522,289	7,316,818		1,954,021		1,713,053		9,476,310		9,029,871
Capital contributions	2,097,845	543,987				, ,		2.097,845		543,987
General revenues		*						, , ,		,
County appropriation	9,395,088	9,620,402						9,395,088		9,620,402
State formula aid	27,868,582	27,520,769						27,868,582		27,520,769
Other	189,388	219,276		126		103		189,514		219,379
Transfers	,-									
Total revenue	47,073,192	45,221,252		2,042,171		1,840,418	_	49,115,363		47,061,670
		EXPEN	ISES	+						
Instruction and special education	26,614,017	26,260,037						26,614,017		26,260,037
Administration	1,664,057	1,661,661						1,664,057		1,661,661
Support services	1,400,540	1,128,755		1,988,837		1,761,659		3,389,377		2,890,414
Fixed Charges	9,832,894	8,933,526		.,,		***************************************		9,832,894		8,933,526
Building Operations and Maintenance	3,445,905	3,578,257						3,445,905		3,578,257
Transportation	2,948,211	2,914,322						2,948,211		2,914,322
Other	2,741,371	2,551,156						2,741,371		2,551,156
Total expenses	48,646,995	47,027,714		1,988,837		1,761,659		50,635,832	_	48,789,373
Increase (decrease) in net position **	\$ (1,573,803)	\$ (1,806,462)	\$	53,334	\$	78,759	\$	(1,520,469)	\$	(1,727,703)
** excludes transfers from other funds			-							

Business-Type Activities

Revenues of the Board's only business-type activity, the food service operation, increased \$201,753 to \$2,042,171 and expenses increased \$227,178. (Refer to Table 2).

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE BOARD'S FUNDS

The financial performance of the Board as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds as well. As the Board completed the year, its governmental funds reported a *combined* fund balance of \$773,168, a decrease of \$720,886 from last year's ending fund balance.

GENERAL FUND

The General Fund includes the primary operations of the Board in providing educational services to students from pre-kindergarten through grade 12, including pupil transportation activities and maintenance and operations of all school facilities. See Table 3 for a summary of General Fund revenues and expenditures.

The excess of expenses over revenues was \$720,886 for the year ended June 30, 2016 compared to \$8,292 for FY 2015. The major changes in both revenues and expenditures results from the following:

- 1. State of Maryland revenues increased by \$347,813. The Foundation Program increased by \$306,454 and Guaranteed Tax Base increased by \$190,047. State revenue based on net taxable income increased by \$190,047.
- 2. Mid-Level Administration costs increased in total by \$201,305 compared to the prior year. This included the purchase of new computer equipment for several classrooms at various schools.
- 3. Instructional Textbooks and Supplies expenditures increased by \$319,155. This includes a new reading curriculum purchased for grades K-5.
- 4. Special Education increased by \$265,223. This increase is due to an increase in the numbers of Special Education staff. These include additional teachers, a sign language interpreter and several paraprofessionals. The addition of these positions allows us to better meet the needs of our growing Special Education student population.
- 5. Fixed Charges has steadily increased due to rising health care costs, retirement payouts and claims.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

Table 3

GENERAL FUND REVENUES

	FY 2016	FY 2015	Increase (Decrease)	% of Incr. (Decr.)
DETERMINED				
REVENUES	e 0.20 f.000	0 0 (00 400		
Somerset County Appropriations	\$ 9,395,088	\$ 9,620,402	\$ (225,314)	-2.3%
State of Maryland	27,868,582	27,520,769	347,813	1.3%
State share of retirement				
and pension contribution	2,530,203	2,545,395	(15,192)	-0.6%
Other	189,388	219,276	(29,888)	-13.6%
Total Revenues	39,983,261	39,905,842	77,419	0.2%
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	GENERAL FUND EXPE	NDITURES		
EXPENDITURES				h
Administration	1,584,268	1,595,561	(11,293)	-0.7%
Mid-level Administration	3,880,102	3,678,797	201,305	5.5%
Instructional salaries	13,055,415	13,134,605	(79,190)	-0.6%
Textbooks & instructional supplies	817,869	498,714	319,155	64.0%
Other instruction costs	200,264	233,936	(33,672)	-14.4%
Special Education	3,781,678	3,516,455	265,223	7.5%
Student personnel services	741,484	688,155	53,329	7.7%
Health services	385,555	367,142	18,413	5.0%
Transportation of pupils	2,871,502	2,864,450	7,052	0.2%
Operation of plant	2,396,764	2,490,305	(93,541)	-3.8%
Maintenance of plant	818,761	911,349	(92,588)	-10.2%
Fixed charges	7,559,334	7,299,243	260,091	3.6%
Capital outlay	80,948	90,027	(9,079)	-10.1%
State share of retirement				
and pension contribution	2,530,203	2,545,395	(15,192)	-0.6%
Total expenditures	40,704,147	39,914,134	790,013	2.0%
Excess/(Deficiency) of revenues				
over expenditures	\$ (720,886)	<u>\$ (8,292)</u>	<u>\$ (712,594)</u>	8593.8%

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

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RESTRICTED GRANT FUNDS

These funds are used to account for grants from Federal, State and Local sources. Grants provide a major source of revenue for specific educational programs not funded by the General Fund. Programs include initiatives for Special Education students, programs for adults to earn a GED or another alternative method to obtain a high school diploma for students from families who are socially and economically depressed. Table 4 below reflects an overall increase of \$220,663 in grant funds from the prior year. Grant funding will vary as most are subject to availability and qualifications as well as a selection and approval process.

Table 4

RESTRICTED GRANT REVENUE

	•	FY 2016	***************************************	FY 2015	Increase (Decrease)	% Incr. (Decr.)
REVENUES Federal through State State of Maryland	\$	4,369,752 622,334	\$	3,751,594 1,019,829	618,158 -397,495	16.48% -38.98%
Total Revenues	\$	4,992,086	<u>\$</u>	4,771,423	220,663	4.62%

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND

The Board has no legal authority to borrow funds. During FY 2016, the Board received County funding of \$2,038,121 and State funding of \$59,724, which is recorded on these financial statements. The County funds were used for design fees and construction matching funds for the Greenwood HVAC and roof replacement projects, the Princess Anne Elementary roof replacement, the Crisfield High School Athletic Fields improvements, the Washington High School Athletic Fields Improvements, and the JM Tawes Technology & Career Center Educational Specifications and site investigations. Also included were the design fees and HVAC equipment purchases for the Crisfield Academy & High School/Head Start project.

The State funding includes a reimbursement for an Aging Schools project at Princess Anne Elementary School which involved replacement of existing carpet throughout the building with vinyl composite tile. Also included is a reimbursement for the demolition of three State-Owned portables at Washington Academy & High School as well as lighting utility rebates for Energy Efficiency Upgrades to Marion Sarah Peyton and Crisfield Academy & High School.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

The following funds are accounted for as Fiduciary Funds:

- (1) <u>Private Purpose Trust Funds</u>: Funds received for specific purposes for the Sarah Peyton Fund and held in a trust capacity.
- (2) <u>Agency Funds</u> During FY 2016 the Board's nine (9) schools collected revenues and incurred expenditures for various student activities (See Table 5). The Board contracts with an independent Certified Public Accountant to perform an audit of these agency funds on an annual basis. Please refer to the separately issued audited financial statements for the School Activities Fund and schedule for specific details.

Table 5

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FUNDS

		FY 2016		FY 2015	_	Increase Decrease)	% Incr. (Decr.)	
Additions	\$	607,090	\$	536,229	\$	70,861	13.21%	
Deductions		(600,201)		(550,903)		(49,298)	8.95%	
Beginning balance due to school activities funds	***************************************	281,310	***************************************	295,984	***************************************	(14,674)	-4.96%	
Ending Balance due to School Activities Fund	<u>\$</u>	288,199	\$_	281,310	\$	6,889	2.45%	

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

Over the course of the year, the Board revised the annual operating and capital budgets. These budget amendments, which received both Board and County Commissioner approval for all categorical changes were made to avoid budget overruns. During the year the following amendments were approved to the budget:

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS, continued

	Original Approved FY 2016 Budget		Category ncreases	Category Fransfers	Final Amended FY 2016 Budget		
REVENUES							
Somerset County	\$	9,395,088	\$ -	\$ -	\$	9,395,088	
State of Maryland		28,105,282	-	-		28,105,282	
Other		104,000	-	-		104,000	
Prior Year's Fund Balance		1,091,405	 -	-		1,091,405	
Total Revenues		38,695,775	 *	 -		38,695,775	
EVENINELER							
EXPENDITURES							
Administration		1,416,895	171,000	-		1,587,895	
Mid-level Administration		3,763,168	165,000	-		3,928,168	
Instructional Salaries and Wages		13,219,136	-	-		13,219,136	
Instructional Textbooks and Supplies		607,122	258,000	-		865,122	
Other Instructional Costs		197,313	5,000	-		202,313	
Student Personnel Services		697,613	50,000	_		747,613	
Health Services		356,154	30,000	_		386,154	
Fixed Charges		8,481,620	-	(808,000)		7,673,620	
Student Transportation		2,846,229	27,000	-		2,873,229	
Operation of Plant		2,456,286	-			2,456,286	
Maintenance of Plant		780,655	94,000	-		874,655	
Special Education		3,863,584	-	-		3,863,584	
Capital Outlay		10,000	 8,000	 		18,000	
Total Expenditures	\$	38,695,775	\$ 808,000	\$ (808,000)	\$	38,695,775	

After these revisions, the actual General Fund and Capital expenditures matched the budget. Actual expenditures and encumbrances were under budget by \$440,379. Actual expenditures exceeded revenues by \$802,337. The Board utilized the FY 2014 fund balance designated for FY 2016 (excess of revenues over expenditures) in the amount of \$1,091,405. This leaves an unreserved, undesignated fund balance of \$289,068 to be carried forward to FY 2018. The excess fund balance from FY 2016 is primarily attributed to over budgeting for Instructional Salaries and Fixed Charges.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

CAPITAL ASSETS AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

Capital Assets

At June 30, 2016, the Board has invested \$51,290,438 in a broad range of capital assets, including land, school buildings, athletic facilities, furniture and equipment. (More detailed information about capital assets can be found in subsequent note to the financial statements.) Total depreciation expense for the year was \$1,888,978 in governmental and business-type activities.

Construction – Next Five Years

Periodically, the Board of Education prepares and submits to the State InterAgency Committee for School Construction and the local county government a 5-year capital improvement program. As a part of the ongoing improvement of our facilities several capital projects will be initiated or continued in the 2016-2017 school year.

Over the next five years, these projects are under consideration: Replacement of the JM Tawes Technology & Career Center, renovations and additions to the Crisfield Academy & High School to accommodate the local Head Start Early Childhood Center, renovations and additions to Princess Anne Elementary School, and minor additions to the Somerset Intermediate School.

Long-Term Liabilities

• At year-end, the Board had \$7,905,750 in amounts due or payable after one year. This amount consists of accrued compensated absences (\$669,178) which is an obligation resulting from accrued annual leave which is due and payable to employees upon retirement. Also included in this amount is the Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) liability (\$5,478,647) for future health insurance costs for retirees in compliance with GASB 45 and an amount for the net pension liability required under GASB 68 (\$1,757,925).

FACTORS BEARING ON THE BOARD'S FUTURE

The Government Accounting Standard Board (GASB) issued GASB 45, Accounting for Post-Employment Benefits. This standard required major changes to governmental accounting and financial statements. It required governments to change from a pay as you go system to full accrual accounting for post-employment medical, dental and life insurance. Compliance with this standard began in FY 2009. Under the new rules, governments will be required to recognize the expense of post-employment benefits earned that will be paid after the employee's retirement, as well as the related liability of amounts not funded. Considering the limited funding available, the Board has opted to not fund any potential liability, instead focusing its funds on instruction. Management plans a continued cooperative effort between the Board and the County Government to fund these benefits in the future. This is particularly critical when considering the economic hardships faced by governments during the current downturn.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2016

FACTORS BEARING ON THE BOARD'S FUTURE, continued

In FY 2016 the State contributed \$2,530,203 for teacher retirement which is disclosed as an on behalf payment on the Board's financial statements. In addition, the Somerset County Commissioners provided pension funding of \$609,676. The State of Maryland previously funded most of the employee share of retirement costs for employees enrolled in the Teachers Retirement and Pension Systems. Retirement costs for education continue to escalate at the State level primarily due to the salary increases realized during the implementation of the *Bridge to Excellence (Thornton) Funding*.

The Food Service Fund has continued being profitable in FY 2016. In FY 2015 Somerset County Public Schools began participating in the State of Maryland's Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) to provide students at all schools in the district with free breakfast and lunch. The school district qualified for this program based on the high percentage of directly certified students already receiving Free and Reduced meals. Claim reimbursements submitted to the State for meals served will be approximately 92% at the free rate and 8% at the paid rate. Advantages of participating in the program include providing free breakfast and lunch to all students, improving nutrition to students at risk, reduction of paperwork at the school district level, simplification of meal counting and claims, and increases in meal participation. As a result, our Food Service department served 28,815 more meals in FY 2016 than in FY 2015.

CONTACTING THE BOARD'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and creditors with a general overview of the Board's finances and to demonstrate the Board's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Finance Office, Somerset County Board of Education, 7982-A Tawes Campus Drive, Westover, Maryland 21871.



STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2016

A GOTTO	_	overnmental Activities		Business- Type Activities		Total
ASSETS	Φ.	1 722 (04	•	445.065	•	0.150.640
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,733,684	\$	445,965	\$	2,179,649
Due from other governmental agencies		1,410,428		98,206		1,508,634
Inventory		-		21,620		21,620
Internal balances Land		667,879		(667,879)		402.252
		493,252		-		493,252
Construction in progress		734,284		160.045		734,284
Depreciable assets, net of accumulated depreciation		49,892,957		169,945		50,062,902
TOTAL ASSETS		54,932,484		67,857		55,000,341
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Pensions (see Note 8)		422,752		_		422,752
LIABILITIES Accounts payable:						
Vendors		1,039,207		21,907		1,061,114
Payroll deductions and withholdings		1,584,878		307		1,585,185
Due to other governments		10,943		-		10,943
Accrued salaries		142,204		-		142,204
Unearned revenue		261,591		344		261,935
Long-term liabilities:						
Due within one year		25,000				25,000
Due in more than one year		7,905,750		3,776		7,909,526
TOTAL LIABILITIES		10,969,573		26,334		10,995,907
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES						
Pensions (see Note 8)		126,860		_	w	126,860
NET POSITION						
Net investment in capital assets		51,120,493		169,945		51,290,438
Unrestricted		(6,861,690)		(128,422)		(6,990,112)
TOTAL NET POSITION		44,258,803	\$	41,523	\$	44,300,326

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES Year Ended June 30, 2016

				Pro	gram Revenues			
					Operating		Capital	
		,	Charges for		Grants and		Grants and	
		Expenses	 Services	Contributions			Contributions	
Governmental Activities								
Current:								
Administration	\$	1,664,057	\$ -	\$	68,681	\$	-	
Mid-level administration		3,951,429	-		87,204		-	
Instructional services		18,298,360	-		2,724,694			
Special education		4,364,228	-		582,550		-	
Student personnel services		1,000,962	-		259,478			
Health services		399,578	-		14,023		-	
Student transportation		2,948,211	_		92,709		-	
Operation of plant and equipment		2,700,349	-		5,232			
Maintenance of plant		745,556	_		-		_	
Fixed charges		9,832,894	-		982,664			
Community services		174,851	_		174,851		-	
Capital outlay		36,317	-		-		2,097,845	
State of Maryland share of retirement								
and pension contribution		2,530,203	 -		2,530,203		-	
Total Governmental Activities		48,646,995	 -		7,522,289		2,097,845	
Business-Type Activities								
Food services		1,988,837	 88,024		1,954,021		_	
Totals	_\$_	50,635,832	\$ 88,024	\$	9,476,310	\$	2,097,845	

General Revenues

State Of Maryland

Somerset County appropriation

Other revenue

Unrestricted investment earnings

Total General Revenues

Change in Net Position

Net Position Beginning of Year

Net Position End of Year

Net (Expenses) Revenue and changes in Net Position

	Governmental	Business-Type		
	Activities	Activities		Total
¢	(1 505 276)	&	æ	(1 505 276)
\$	(1,595,376)	\$ -	\$	(1,595,376)
	(3,864,225)	. •		(3,864,225)
	(15,573,666)	-		(15,573,666)
	(3,781,678)	-		(3,781,678)
	(741,484)			(741,484)
	(385,555)	-		(385,555)
	(2,855,502)	-		(2,855,502)
	(2,695,117)	•		(2,695,117)
	(745,556)	-		(745,556)
	(8,850,230)	•		(8,850,230)
	-	-		-
	2,061,528	-		2,061,528
	-	-		-
	(39,026,861)	u u		(39,026,861)
	_	53,208		53,208
		33,200		33,200
	(39,026,861)	53,208		(38,973,653)
	•			
	27,868,582	-		27,868,582
	9,395,088	•		9,395,088
	30,372	-		30,372
	159,016	126		159,142
	37,453,058	126		37,453,184
	(1,573,803)	53,334		(1,520,469)
	(1,373,003)	33,334		(1,320,409)
	45,832,606	(11,811)		45,820,795
_\$	44,258,803	\$ 41,523	\$	44,300,326

BALANCE SHEET - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS June 30, 2016

1 COTTON		General	Restricted Grants			Capital Projects		Total Governmental Funds	
ASSETS	•	1 700 604	•		•		•	1 7700 604	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	1,733,684	\$	- 110 000	\$	10 (17	\$	1,733,684	
Due from other governmental agencies		246,848		1,119,933		43,647		1,410,428	
Due from other funds	***************************************	1,514,512				30,385		1,544,897	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	3,495,044	\$	1,119,933	\$	74,032	\$	4,689,009	
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES LIABILITIES Accounts payable:									
Vendors	\$	966,295	¢	33,918	¢	38,994	\$	1.039.207	
Payroll deductions and withholdings	J)	1,584,878	Þ	33,916	Ф	30,934	Þ	1,584,878	
Due to other funds		30,385		846,633		_		877,018	
Due to other government		10,943		040,033		_		10,943	
Accrued salaries		102,148		40,056		_		142.204	
Unearned revenue	***************************************	27,227		199,326		35,038		261,591	
TOTAL LIABILITIES		2,721,876		1,119,933		74,032		3,915,841	
FUND BALANCES									
Assigned to:									
Subsequent year expenditures		266,432		-		-		266,432	
Other purposes (encumbrances)		217,668		-		-		217,668	
Unassigned	***************************************	289,068		-		-		289,068	
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		773,168		-		-		773,168	
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES		3,495,044	\$	1,119,933	\$	74,032	\$	4,689,009	

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION June 30, 2016

\$ 773,168

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and are therefore not reported in the fund financial statements, but are reported in the governmental activities of the Statement of Net Position.

51,120,493

Deferred outflow of resources - pensions (see Note 6)

422,752

Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the fund financial statements, but are reported in the governmental activities of the Statement of Net Position. Those liabilities consist of:

Accrued compensated absences Net pension liability Post-employment benefits

Total fund balances, governmental funds

(682,178) (1,757,925)

(5,490,647)

(7,930,750)

Deferred inflow of resources - pensions (see Note 6)

(126,860)

Total

Net assets of governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position

\$ 44,258,803

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2016

	General		Restricted Grants		Capital Projects	Total Governmental Funds		
REVENUES	_				_		_	
Somerset County	\$	9,395,088	\$		\$	2,038,121	\$	11,433,209
Federal government		_		4,369,752				4,369,752
State Of Maryland		27,868,582		622,334		59,724		28,550,640
State Of Maryland on-behalf payments		2,530,203		-		-		2,530,203
Interest income and other		159,016		-		-		159,016
ROTC reimbursements		30,372		_		_		30,372
TOTAL REVENUES		39,983,261		4,992,086		2,097,845		47,073,192
EXPENDITURES				•				
Administration		1,584,268		68,681		-		1,652,949
Mid-level administration		3,880,102		87,204		_		3,967,306
Instructional salaries and wages		13,055,415		1,784,524		-		14,839,939
Textbooks and instructional supplies		817,869		304,067				1,121,936
Other instructional costs		200,264		636,103		-		836,367
Student personnel services		741,484		259,478		_		1,000,962
Health services		385,555		14,023				399,578
Student transportation		2,871,502		92,709		-		2,964,211
Operation of plant and equipment		2,396,764		5,232		_		2,401,996
Maintenance of plant		818,761		·		_		818,761
Special education		3,781,678		582,550		-		4,364,228
Fringe benefits on-behalf payments		2,530,203				_		2,530,203
Fixed charges		7,559,334		982,664		-		8,541,998
Community services		-		174,851		-		174,851
Capital outlay		80,948		•		2,097,845		2,178,793
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		40,704,147		4,992,086		2,097,845		47,794,078
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER								
EXPENDITURES		(720,886)	······································	-				(720,886)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES		(720,886)		-		-		(720,886)
Fund balances, beginning		1,494,054		-				1,494,054
Fund balances, ending	\$	773,168	\$	-	\$	•	\$	773,168

RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2016

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Net change in fund balances, governmental funds

(720,886)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. In the current period, these amounts are:

Capital outlay
Depreciation expense and disposal of assets
Excess of capital outlay over depreciation expense

2,316,993 (1,879,014)

437,979

Some items reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. These activities consist of:

Increase in OPEB liability
Increase in pension expense
Decrease in accrued compensated absences
Total

(914,350) (395,444) 18,898

(1,290,896)

Change in net position of governmental activities

\$ (1,573,803)

STATEMENT OF FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS

June 30, 2016

		Enterprise Fund Food Services	
ASSETS			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents		\$	445,965
Due from other governments			98,206
Inventory of food, at cost			21,620
Total current assets			565,791
Noncurrent assets:			
Equipment			1,318,736
Less: accumulated depreciation		***************************************	(1,148,791)
Total noncurrent assets			169,945
TOTAL ASSETS			735,736
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities:			
Accounts payable			21,907
Due to general fund			667,879
Accrued payroll			307
Unearned revenue			344
Total current liabilities			690,437
Long-term liabilities:	•		
Accrued compensated absences		***************************************	3,776
TOTAL LIABILITIES			694,213
NET POSITION			
Invested in capital assets			169,945
Unrestricted (deficit)			(128,422)
TOTAL NET POSITION		\$	41,523

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS

Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Enterprise Fund Food Services
OPERATING REVENUES	¢ 99.034
Food Service Sales	\$ 88,024
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Operation Of Plant	2,674
Fixed Charges	171,518
Salaries And Wages	564,914
Contracted Services	626
Food and Food Related Supplies	1,220,310
Other Charges	2,196
Depreciation	26,599
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,988,837
OPERATING LOSS	(1,900,813)
NONOPERATING REVENUES	
Interest Income	126
State Of Maryland:	***************************************
Reimbursement Of Food Costs	36,613
Federal Through State:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Reimbursement Of Food Costs	1,798,337
Donation Of Food Commodities	119,071
Total Federal Through State	1,917,408
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES	1,954,147
Change in net position	53,334
Net position beginning of year	(11,811)
Net position end of year	\$ 41,523

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Enterprise Fund Food Services	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Cash received from user charges	\$	85,965
Cash payments to employees for services and fringe benefits		(736,984)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services		(1,118,792)
Cash payments for other operating expenses		(5,496)
Net cash used for operating activities	***************************************	(1,775,307)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Non-operating grants received		1,854,219
Received from other funds (net of repayments)		107,148
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	441400000000000000000000000000000000000	1,961,367
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest on investments	,	126
Net cash provided investing activities		126
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		186,186
Cash and equivalents, beginning of year		259,779
Cash and equivalents, end of year		445,965
RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH		
USED FOR OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating loss	\$	(1,900,813)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash		
used in operating activities:		
Depreciation		26,599
Donated commodities used		119,071
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Inventory of food, at cost		(6,232)
Unearned revenue		(2,059)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	-	(11,873)
Net cash used for operating activities		(1,775,307)
NONCASH ACTIVITIES		
During the year the board received food commodities		
from the U.S. Department of Agriculture	\$	119,071

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION FIDUCIARY FUNDS June 30, 2016

	A	Agency Funds School Activities Funds	
ASSETS			
Cash	\$	272,739	
Certificates of deposit		23,813	
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	296,552	
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable	\$	8,353	
Due to school activity funds		288,199	
TOTAL LIABILITES	\$	296,552	

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Reporting Entity

The Board of Education of Somerset County is a component unit of Somerset County, Maryland. These separate financial statements are also included within the basic financial statements of Somerset County.

The Board is the basic level of government which has financial accountability and control over all activities related to public school education in Somerset County, Maryland. The Board of Education receives substantial appropriations from and is subject to the indirect control of Somerset County, although the Board has its own separate governing board.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of changes in net position) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the Board. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

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

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements, unless labeled otherwise.

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

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

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The Board reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund

All financial resources appropriated for current operating expenditures, exclusive of certain restricted funds, are accounted for in the General Fund.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

C. Measurement Focus, Basis Of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation - continued

Restricted Funds

These funds are used to account for revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditure for a specific purpose, such as federal, state and local grants.

Capital Projects Fund

This fund accounts for financial resources that are restricted to construction of new buildings, additions and alterations and acquisitions of equipment. Revenue is recognized from other governmental entities.

The Board reports the following major proprietary fund:

Food Service Fund

This fund accounts for the activity of the Board's Food Service operation which operates cafeterias in the Board's schools.

The Board also reports the following fiduciary fund:

Agency Fund

School Activities Funds are administered by the individual schools in a fiduciary capacity.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivery goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the Board are charges for lunch, breakfast and catered meals. Operating expenses for enterprise funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

D. Budgetary Data

All funds, other than agency funds, are legally required to be budgeted and appropriated. The budget is prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. The budget establishes a limit on the amounts that the Board may appropriate and sets annual limits as to the amount of expenditures at a level of control selected by the Board. The legal level of control has been established by the Board at the category level within each fund.

The budget may be amended during the year if projected increases or decreases in revenue are identified. The amounts reported as the original budgeted amounts in the budgetary statements reflect the amounts when the original budget was adopted. The amounts reported in the final budgeted amounts reflect amendments approved by the County government between categories and those approved by the Board within categories.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

E. Inventories

Inventories of the Food Service Fund are stated at cost, determined on a FIFO basis. Food received from the USDA is included at values stated by the USDA but is offset by a deferred credit until consumed.

Inventories of material and supplies are charged to expenditures when consumed, rather than when purchased or donated.

F. Capital Assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities columns in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the Board as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Property, plant and equipment of the Board is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

ASSETS	YEARS
Land improvements	20
Buildings and improvements	7 - 50
Equipment	5 - 15
Library materials	5
Vehicles	8

G. Accrued Compensated Absences

The Board of Education accrues a liability for certain compensated absences (primarily vacation pay) that employees have earned but have not yet been paid. Expenditures in the statement of revenues and expenditures for such items are the amounts paid during the year with expendable available financial resources. All accrued compensated absences are recorded in the government-wide financial statements.

H. Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue consists of federal and state grants and other revenues that have not been expended by the end of the fiscal year.

I. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations

All payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations are reported in the government-wide statements, and all payables, accrued liabilities and long-term obligations payable from proprietary funds are reported on the proprietary fund financial statements.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

I. Accrued Liabilities and Long-Term Obligations - continued

In general, governmental fund payables and accrued liabilities that, once incurred, are paid in a timely manner and in full from current financial resources are reported as obligations of the funds. However, claims and judgments and compensated absences that will be paid from governmental funds are reported as a liability in the fund financial statements only to the extent that they are due for payment during the current year.

J. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows for the proprietary fund, the Board considers highly liquid investments to be cash equivalents if they have a maturity of three months or less when purchased.

K. Net Position

In the government-wide financial statements, net position represents the difference between assets plus deferred outflows of resources and liabilities plus deferred inflows of resources. Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the Board or through external restrictions imposed by grantors, creditors or laws or regulations of other governments.

The Board applies restricted resources first when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available. Furthermore, committed fund balances are reduced first, followed by assigned amounts, and then unassigned amounts when expenditures are incurred for purposes for which amounts in any of those unrestricted fund balance classifications can be used.

L. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until that period. The Board has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. The Board recognizes a deferred outflow of resources related to its pension obligation (Note 8) for changes in assumptions and contributions subsequent to the measurement date. These amounts are deferred and recognized as an outflow from resources in the period that the amounts become available.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The Board has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category. The Board recognizes a deferred inflow of resources related to its pension obligation (Note 8) for the net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments. This item is deferred and recognized as an inflow from resources in the period that the amounts become available.

The deferred outflows and inflows of resources represent reconciling items between the governmental fund financial statements and the government-wide financial statements.

Note 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - continued

M. Fund Balance

Fund balances are reported separately within classifications based on a hierarchy of the constraints placed on the use of those resources. The classifications are based on the relative strength of the constraints that control how the specific amounts can be spent. The classifications are nonspendable (i.e. inventory or long term receivables), restricted (by external parties or legislation), committed (by resolution of the Board of Education), assigned (by management approval for specific purposes) and unassigned. Nonspendable fund balance cannot be spent because of its form. Restricted fund balance has limitations imposed by creditors, grantors, or contributors or by enabling legislation or constitutional provisions. Committed fund balance is a limitation imposed by the Board. Assigned fund balances is a limitation imposed by a designee of the Board. Unassigned fund balance in the General Fund is the net resources in excess of what can be properly classified in one of the above four categories. Proprietary fund equity is classified the same as in the government-wide statements.

N. Encumbrance Accounting

In the fund financial statements, reservations for fund balances of governmental funds are created to either (1) satisfy legal covenants that require that a portion of the fund balance be segregated or (2) identify the portion of the fund balance that is not appropriable for future expenditures. Assigned for encumbrances represents encumbrances outstanding at the end of the year based on purchase orders and contracts signed by the Board but not completed as of the close of the fiscal year. Encumbrances outstanding at June 30, 2016 totaled \$217,668.

O. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

A. Deposits and Investments

The Board is authorized to invest monies for which it has custody or control. The types of investments are in accordance with Section 6-222 of the Maryland State Finance and Procurement Article.

B. Custodial Risk

The Annotated Code of Maryland (Article 95, Section 22) requires that deposits with financial institutions by local boards of education be collateralized. Collateral for repurchase agreements must be at least 102% of market value of principal and accrued interest. The Board's collateral is held by a custodian in accordance with Section 6-209(c) of the State Finance and Procurement Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland and acceptable collateral is as specified under Section 6-202 of the same document.

These collateralization requirements are established to reduce custodial risk which is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Board's deposits may not be returned to it.

Note 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments - continued

B. Custodial Risk - continued

At June 30, 2016, the Board's funds were invested as follows:

	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities	
Demand deposits Savings deposits	\$	1,686,062 47,622	\$	445,965
TOTAL	\$	1,733,684	\$	445,965
CARRYING VALUE	\$	1,733,684	\$	445,965

The bank balances were exposed to custodial credit risk as follows:

		Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities	
Insured Uninsured and collateral held by pledging Bank's trust department in the	\$	250,000	\$	-	
Board's name		2,107,850		445,965	
TOTAL		2,357,850	\$	445,965	

C. Credit Risk

The Board's exposure to investment rate and credit risk is minimal, as all investments are in cash and are thus precluded from having to sell or liquidate below original cost.

Note 3. Accounts Receivable

As of June 30, 2016, the Board also has amounts due from governmental agencies of \$1,410,428 and \$98,206 for governmental and business-type activities, respectively. These receivables are due primarily from the Maryland State Department of Education, from Somerset County and from nonprofit agencies located on the Eastern Shore.

Note 4. Interfund Receivables - Payables

At June 30, 2016, the interfund account balances, prior to eliminations on the statement of net position - government-wide financial statements, are as follows:

	·	Due From Other Funds		e To Funds
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES				
General fund				
Due from food services fund	\$	667,879	\$	-
Due from restricted funds		846,633		-
Due to capital projects fund		-	:	30,385
Restricted grants				
Due to general fund		-	8	46,633
Capital projects				
Due from general fund		30,385		-
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES				
Enterprise fund - food service				
Due to general fund		_	6	67,879
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	_\$	1,544,897	\$ 1,5	44,897

Note 5. Changes in Long-Term Liability Activity

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2016 was as follows:

		Beginning Balance	Increases	Г	Decreases	Ending Balance	in	Due One Year
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	***************************************		 					
Other Post Employment Benefits	\$	4,576,297	\$ 914,350	\$	-	\$ 5,490,647	\$	_
Net pension liability		1,106,790	651,135		_	1,757,925		-
Accrued Compensated								
Absences		701,076	50,140		69,038	\$ 682,178		25,000
Total	\$	6,384,163	\$ 1,615,625	\$	69,038	\$ 7,930,750	\$	25,000
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES Accrued Compensated		2.012			100			
Absences	_\$_	3,912	\$ _	\$	136	\$ 3,776	\$	-

Note 6. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2016 was as follows:

		Beginning Balance		Increases	r	Decreases		Ending Balance
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		Barance		increases	1	Decreases		Barance
Capital assets not being depreciated:								
Land	\$	493,252	\$	_	\$	_	\$	493,252
Construction in progress	Ψ	513,923	Ψ	624,252	Ψ	(403,891)	Ψ	734,284
Total capital assets not		313,723		024,232		(405,071)		757,204
being depreciated		1,007,175		624,252		(403,891)		1,227,536
Capital assets being depreciated:	***************************************	1,007,175		027,232	***************************************	(405,051)		1,227,330
Buildings		70,659,322		1,495,778		403,891		72,558,991
Land improvements		3,263,609		31,437		-		3,295,046
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		1,806,841		31,371		_		1,838,212
Library materials		2,763,693		-		(2,763,693)		-
Vehicles		133,500		134,155		(19,011)		248,644
Total capital assets being		100,000		101,100		(1),011)		210,017
depreciated		78,626,965		1,692,741		(2,378,813)		77,940,893
Less accumulated depreciation:		,,				(2,0.0,010)		,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
Buildings		(21,822,547)		(1,736,554)		_		(23,559,101)
Land improvements		(2,823,626)		(31,273)		_		(2,854,899)
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		(1,503,884)		(67,985)		_		(1,571,869)
Library materials		(2,763,693)		_		2,763,693		-
Vehicles		(37,876)		(26,567)		2,376		(62,067)
Total accumulated depreciation	***************************************	(28,951,626)		(1,862,379)		2,766,069		(28,047,936)
Total capital assets being		***************************************			****************			······································
depreciated, net of								
accumulated depreciation		49,675,339		(169,638)		387,256		49,892,957
<u> </u>	***************************************							
GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES								
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF	_							
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	\$	50,682,514	\$	454,614	\$	(16,635)	\$	51,120,493
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES								
Capital assets being depreciated:								
Equipment	\$	1,318,736	¢		\$		\$	1,318,736
Less accumulated depreciation:	φ	1,516,750	Ф	-	Þ	-	Ф	1,316,730
Equipment		(1,122,192)		(26,599)				(1,148,791)
BUSINESS-TYPE ACTIVITIES		(1,122,192)		(20,399)		-		(1,140,791)
CAPITAL ASSETS, NET OF								
ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	\$	196,544	\$	(26,599)	\$	-	\$	169,945
ACCOMODATED DEI RECIATION	-	170,377	φ	(40,333)	φ	-	ψ	102,273

Note 6. Capital Assets - continued

*Depreciation for governmental activities is allocated as follows:

A dm inistration	\$ 56,058
Operation of plant	298,353
Instruction	 1,507,968
TOTAL	\$ 1,862,379

The Board removed \$2,763,693 of fully depreciated library materials, all of which were under the capitalization policy.

Note 7. Risk Management

The Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The Board is a member of the Maryland Association of Board's of Education Group Insurance Pool ("the Pool"), a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for fourteen of the twenty-four Boards of Education. The Pool was formed in 1986 when several boards of education through Maryland joined together to pool their casualty risks. Property insurance coverage was added in 1988 and workers compensation in 2000.

The Board pays an annual premium to the Pools for its property and casualty insurance coverage. It is intended for the Pool to be self-sustaining through member premiums. Reinsurance is carried through commercial companies for claims which exceed coverage limits as specified in the agreement.

Should the Pool(s) encounter deficits in its casualty and/or property funds, the deficit(s) may be made up from additional assessments of Boards' participating in the deficit pool year in an amount equal to the ratio of the Board's annual premium to the total annual premium contributed by all Boards in the year in which the deficit occurred.

The Board continues to carry commercial insurance for all other risks of loss, including employee health and accident insurance. Other than the legal settlement discussed in prior audits, settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

In 2004, the Board joined the Eastern Shore of Maryland Educational Consortium (ESMEC) Health Alliance Trust, a public entity risk pool operating as a common risk management and insurance program for health insurance coverage. It is intended that ESMEC be self sustaining through member premiums. Callable deficits, which are paid to ESMEC to cover potential shortfalls, are 8% of total premiums. Currently, ESMEC keeps on hand 16% as a recommended conservative reserve. As of December 31, 2015 the Boards' funds held by ESMEC exceeded the recommended conservative reserve by \$1,204,259. All funds held by ESMEC are restricted to being used only for health care expenses.

Note 8. Pension Plans

The State Retirement Agency is the administrator of the Maryland State Retirement and Pension System (the System). The System was established by the State Personnel and Pensions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland to provide retirement allowances and other benefits. The System is comprised of the Teachers' Retirement and Pension Systems, Employees' Retirement and Pension Systems, State Police Retirement System, Judges' Retirement System, and the Law Enforcement Officers' Pension System. Responsibility for the System's administration and operation is vested in a 15 member Board of Trustees. The State Retirement Agency issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the State Retirement and Pension System of Maryland, 120 E. Baltimore Street, Suite 1660, Baltimore, Maryland 21202-1600 or on-line at www.sra.maryland.gov.

Note 8. Pension Plans (continued)

The System's financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. For purposes of measuring 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 System and additions to/deductions from the System's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the System. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Generally, all regular employees of the Board participate in the Employees' Retirement and Pension Systems (Employee's Systems). Teachers employed by the Board generally participate in the Teachers' Retirement and Pensions Systems (Teachers' Systems). Both the Employees' Systems and the Teachers' Systems (collectively the Systems) are cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plans.

Teachers' and Employees' Retirement Systems and the Teachers' and Employees' Pension Systems

General Plan Policies

The Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Maryland was established on August 1, 1927 and is administered in accordance with the State Personnel and Pensions Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits to teachers in the State. In addition, on January 1, 1980, the Teachers' Pension System of the State of Maryland was established. In this regard, teachers hired on or after January 1, 1980 become members of the Teachers' Pension System, unless they elect to join an optional retirement program. Until December 31, 2004, existing members of the Teachers' Retirement System had the option of remaining in the Teachers' Retirement System or transferring to the Teachers' Pension System.

On October 1, 1941, the Employees' Retirement System was established to provide retirement allowances and other benefits to State employees, elected and appointed officials and the employees of participating governmental units. Effective January 1, 1980, the Employees' Retirement System was essentially closed to new members and the Employees' Pension system was established. Until December 31, 2004, existing members of the Employees' Retirement System had the option of remaining in the Employees' Retirement System or transferring to the Employees' Pension System.

Significant Plan Benefits and Policies

The following is a general description of the significant plan benefits and related contribution requirements for the Teachers' and Employees' Retirement Systems and the Teachers' and Employees' Pension Systems:

Teachers' and Employees' Retirement Systems

Retirement Benefits:

A member may retire with full benefits after attaining the age of 60, or after completing 30 years of creditable service, regardless of age. The annual retirement allowance is equal to 1/55 of a member's average final compensation (i.e. average of the member's three highest years of annual earnable compensation) multiplied by the number of years and months of accumulated creditable service. A member may retire with reduced benefits after completing 25 years of creditable service regardless of age. Retirement allowances are adjusted each year based on the Consumer Price Index. Cost-of-living adjustments (COLAs) are applied to all allowances payable for the year, however, the method by which the COLA is computed depends upon elections made by members and is tied to member contributions.

Note 8. Pension Plans (continued)

Teachers' and Employees' Retirement Systems

Vested Allowance:

A member terminating employment before attaining retirement age but after completing 5 years of creditable service becomes eligible for a vested retirement allowance, provided the member lives to the age of 60 and does not withdraw his or her accumulated contributions. Members terminating employment before attaining retirement age and before completing 5 years of creditable service are refunded their accumulated contributions plus earned interest.

Employee and Employer Contributions:

Members of the Teachers' and Employees' Retirement System are required to contribute to the systems a fixed percentage of their regular salaries and wages (e.g. 7% or 5%, depending on the COLA option selected). The contributions are deducted from each member's salary and wage payment and are remitted to the systems on a regular, periodic basis.

Teachers' and Employees' Pension System

Pension Benefits:

A member may retire with full benefits after completing 30 years of eligibility service regardless of age, or at age 62 or older with specified years of eligibility service. On retirement from service, a member shall receive an annual service pension allowance. The annual pension allowance is equal to 1.2% of average compensation for the three highest consecutive years as an employee for years of creditable service accrued prior to July 1, 1998 and 1.8% of average compensation for the three highest consecutive years as an employee for years of creditable service accrued on or after July 1, 1998. Members are eligible for early service pension allowances upon attaining age 55 with at least 15 years of eligibility service.

Vested Allowance:

A member terminating employment before attaining retirement age, but after completing 5 years of eligibility service, becomes eligible for a vested pension allowance provided the member lives to age 62. Members terminating employment before attaining retirement age and before completing 5 years of eligibility service are refunded their accumulated contributions plus earned interest.

Employee and Employer Contributions:

Effective July 1, 2011, members of the Teachers' and Employees' Pension Systems are required to contribute to the systems 7% of their regular salaries and wages up to the social security wage base in the year ending June 30, 2015. The contributions are deducted from each member's salary and wage payments and are remitted to the systems on a regular, periodic basis.

For members enrolled on and after July 1, 2011, the employee contribution is 7%; vesting requires ten years of eligible service; service retirement is at age 65 with ten years of eligibility service or based on the Rule of 90 (age and service must equal 90); early service retirement is age 60 with 15 years of eligibility service; average final compensation is a five year average; and the benefit multiplier per year is 1.5%.

For the year ended June 30, 2016 the Board's total payroll for all employees was \$26,489,611 Total covered payroll was \$24,019,259. Covered payroll refers to all compensation paid by the Board to active employees covered by either the Teachers' Systems or Employees' Systems.

Note 8. Pension Plans (continued)

Teachers' and Employees' Pension System

Employee and Employer Contributions:

In accordance with Maryland Senate Bill 1301, *Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act of 2012*, the Board is required to pay the State a specified percentage of the normal cost portion of the total pension cost for teachers. The normal cost is the portion of the total retirement benefit cost that is allocated to the current year of the employee's service. The specified percentage increases each fiscal year, until fiscal year 2017, when the Board will be paying 100% of the normal cost for each teacher. The related payment for fiscal year ending 2016 was \$895,121. In addition, the State of Maryland contributed \$2,530,203 on behalf of the Board. The Board has recognized the State on-behalf payments as both a revenue and expense.

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

Because the State of Maryland pays the unfunded liability for the Teachers' Systems and the Board pays the normal cost for the Teachers' Systems, the Board is not required to record its' share of the unfunded pension liability for the Teachers' Systems, the State of Maryland is required to record that liability. The Board is required to record a liability for the Employees' Systems.

At June 30, 2016, the Board reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability that reflected a reduction for State pension support provided to the Board. The amount recognized by the Board as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the Board were as follows:

2016

	2010
Board's proportionate share of the net pension liability (Employees'	
Systems)	\$ 1,757,925
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (Teachers' Systems)	 25,096,984
Total	\$ 26,854,909

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Boards proportion of the net pension liability was calculated as follows by the System(s):

- 1. Net pension liability for the entire System was calculated. For purposes of funding the System, all calculations are determined on an actuarial basis and are completed through the development of rates based on two separate asset pools, one for employees of the State of Maryland and one for primary government employees.
- 2. Determined the total contributions to the System by the State and by the primary governments, inclusive of any underfunding of contributions.
- 3. Based on the number of participants at each Board of Education, calculate the difference between what each Board would have contributed if they funded at the rate of all other participating governments and what the Board actually contributed. The difference between what the Board contributed and what they would have contributed if they funded at the rate of the other participating governments, is then added to the total contribution to the System, to calculate the System's adjusted contribution.
- 4. Calculated for each participating government, their percentage of the adjusted System contribution by dividing the total adjusted System contribution into each primary government contribution. At June 30, 2015, the Board's proportion was approximately .008459%.

Note 8. Pension Plans (continued)

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the Board recognized pension expense for the employees system of \$563,352 in the government wide financial statements and \$167,908 in the fund financial statements. At June 30, 2016, the Board reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

		2015	ice Amorti:	zation	2014 Balance Amortization						
	Deferred Outflows				Defer	red Inflows	Deferre	d Outflows	Deferred Inflows		
Year End June 30,	Net Difference in Investment Earnings		Change in Assumptions		Actual and Expected Experience		Change in Assumptions		Net Difference in Investment Earnings		
2017	\$	30,967	\$	17,600	\$	(7,200)	\$	4,002	\$	(30,286)	
2018		30,967		17,600		(7,200)		4,003		(30,286)	
2019		30,968		17,600		(7,200)		4,003		(30,286)	
2020		30,968		17,599		(7,201)		-		-	
2021		30,968		17,599	*****	(7,201)				-	
Total		154,838		87,998	-	(36,002)	-	12,008	-	(90,858)	

In addition, there is \$167,908 of deferred outflows of resources resulting from the Board's contributions to the Employees' Systems subsequent to the measurement date that will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2017. The deferred inflows and outflows related to non-investment activity are being amortized over the remaining service life of 5.87 years. The 2014 deferred outflows not related to investment activity are being amortized over the remaining service life of 5 years. The net difference in investment earnings for both 2015 and 2014 is being amortized over a closed five year period.

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2015 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Actuarial	Entry age normal
Amortization method	Level percentage of payroll, closed
Inflation	2.95% general, 3.45% wage
Salary increases	3.45% to 10.7%, including wage inflation
Discount rate	7.55%
Investment rate of return	7.55%
Mortality	RP-2014 Mortality tables

Note 8. Pension Plans (continued)

Investments

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method 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 weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return were adopted by the Board of Trustees after considering input from the System's investment consultant(s) and actuary(s). For each major asset class that is included in the System's target asset allocation, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

	Target	Long-Term Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
Public Equity	35%	6.30%
Fixed Income	10%	0.60%
Credit Opportunity	10%	3.20%
Real Return	14%	1.80%
Absolute Return	10%	4.20%
Private Equity	10%	7.20%
Real Estate	10%	4.40%
Cash	1%	0.00%
Total	100%	

Discount rate

A single discount rate of 7.55% was used to measure the total pension liability. The single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.55%. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Boards Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the System's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.55%, as well as what the proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1% point lower or 1% point higher than the current rate:

	Discount Rate	Board's Net Pension Liability		
1% decrease	6.55%	\$	2,484,557	
Current discount rate	7.55%	\$	1,757,925	
1% increase	8.55%	\$	1,155,402	

Note 9. Budget Calendar

The following calendar reflects the anticipated general sequence of events for the preparation and adoption of the operating budget of The Board of Education of Somerset County:

Note 9

•	Approximate Date	Procedures Performed
November		Budget packets are sent to A&S staff. Parent, community and staff input is received.
December		Public input session (BOE meeting) School and central office budget conferences begin.
January		School and central office budget conferences continue. Superindendent presents proposed budget to BOE. BOE conducts open budget work sessions.
February		BOE conducts open budget work sessions. BOE adobts budget.

Note 10. Post-Employment Health Care Benefits

Plan Description

The Board of Education of Somerset County administers a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan ("the Plan"). The plan provides healthcare insurance for eligible retirees and their spouses through the Board's group health insurance plan, which covers both active and retired members. Benefit provisions are based on contractual agreements with employee groups. Employees are eligible to participate in the Plan upon retirement. Participants must meet the eligibility requirements of the Maryland State Teachers' pension system, which are 15 years of service up to age 55 or 10 years of service at age 60. As of June 30, 2016, the date of the last actuarial valuation, approximately 235 retirees were receiving benefits, and an estimated 376 active employees are potentially eligible to receive future benefits.

Funding Policy

The Board pays retiree healthcare premiums up to the greater of \$250 per month or 50% of the total premium. For fiscal year 2016, the Board contributed \$786,212 to the plan for approximately 235 eligible retirees.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The Board's annual other post-employment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed 30 years. The Board pays post retirement benefits (normal cost) from the General Fund.

Note 10. Post-Employment Health Care Benefits - continued

The following table shows the components of the Board's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the Board's net OPEB obligation.

Annual required contribution	\$ 1,656,834
Interest on net OPEB obligation	274,578
Adjustment to annual required contribution	(230,850)
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	1,700,562
Contributions made	(786,212)
Net OPEB obligation	914,350
Net OPEB obligation at beginning of year	4,576,297
Net OPEB obligation at end of year	\$ 5,490,647

The Board's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the Plan, and the net OPEB obligation was as follows:

				Percentage of Annual			
F	iscal Year	An	mual OPEB	OPEB Cost		Net OPEB	
	Ended	Cost		Contributed	Obligation		
6	5/30/2016	\$	1,700,562	46.23%	\$	5,490,647	
6	5/30/2015	\$	1,618,549	50.15%	\$	4,576,297	
6	5/30/2014	\$	1,326,783	51.44%	\$	3,769,460	
6	5/30/2013	\$	1,326,783	49.19%	\$	3,125,231	
(5/30/2012	\$	1,370,523	57.37%	\$	2,451,055	

Funding Status and Funding Progress

As of June 30, 2016 the most recent actuarial valuation date, the plan was zero percent funded. The actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$20,595,199, all of which was unfunded. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$24,019,259, and the ratio of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability to the covered payroll was 86 percent.

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

Note 10. Post-Employment Health Care Benefits - continued

Funding Status and Funding Progress - continued

In the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included: a 6.0 percent investment rate of return (net of administrative expenses) based on the Board's own investments; an annual healthcare cost trend rate of 8.0 percent initially, reduced by decrements to an ultimate rate of 5.0 percent by 2021. The UAAL is being amortized on a level of percentage of payroll basis over a 30 year period. The remaining amortization period at June 30, 2016 was 23 years.

Note 11. Commitments and Contingencies

The Board regularly enters into contracts for goods and services during the normal course of operations. The contracts often extend over fiscal years. The Board receives a substantial amount of its support from Federal, State, and local agencies in the form of grants. Costs charged to the respective grant programs are subject to audit and adjustment by the grantor agencies; therefore, to the extent that the Board has not complied with the rules and regulations governing the grants, refunds, of any money received may be required and the collectability of any related receivable at June 30, 2016 may be impaired. In the opinion of the Board, there are no significant contingent liabilities relating to compliance with the rules and regulations governing the respective grants; therefore, no provision has been recorded in the accompanying financial statements for such contingencies.

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REQUIRED SUPPLEME	NTARY INFORMATION	

SCHEDULE OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND

	Budge Original	t Final	Actual	Variance With Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES	Original	T mar	Actual	(Olliavorable)
Somerset County	\$ 9,395,088 \$	9,395,088 \$	9,395,088	\$ -
State Of Maryland:				·····
Current expense	13,280,501	13,280,501	13,280,501	-
Special education	1,709,290	1,709,290	1,709,290	
Transportation	1,854,662	1,854,662	1,854,662	-
Transportation - boat	105,362	105,362	105,362	-
Nonpublic placement	80,000	80,000	21,600	(58,400)
Compensatory education	8,879,475	8,879,475	8,879,475	-
Limited english proficiency	512,772	512,772	512,772	60
Other state revenues	349,524	349,524	171,224	(178,300)
Guaranteed tax base	1,333,696	1,333,696	1,333,696	-
Total State Of Maryland	28,105,282	28,105,282	27,868,582	(236,700)
Interest income and other	50,000	50,000	159,016	109,016
ROTC reimbursement	54,000	54,000	30,373	(23,627)
TOTAL REVENUES	37,604,370	37,604,370	37,453,059	(151,311)
EXPENDITURES				
Administration	1,416,895	1,587,895	1,584,870	3,025
Mid-level administration	3,763,168	3,928,168	3,926,626	1,542
Instructional salaries and wages	13,219,136	13,219,136	13,055,415	163,721
Textbooks and instructional supplies	607,122	865,122	863,503	1,619
Other instructional costs	197,313	202,313	200,530	1,783
Student personnel services	697,613	747,613	741,484	6,129
Health services	356,154	386,154	385,555	599
Student transportation	2,846,229	2,873,229	2,871,502	1,727
Operation of plant and equipment	2,456,286	2,456,286	2,393,942	62,344
Maintenance of plant	780,655	874,655	873,220	1,435
Special education	3,863,584	3,863,584	3,781,678	81,906
Fixed charges	8,481,620	7,673,620	7,559,334	114,286
Capital outlay	10,000	18,000	17,737	263
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	38,695,775	38,695,775	38,255,396	440,379
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES				
OVER EXPENDITURES	(1,091,405)	(1,091,405)	(802,337)	289,068
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES				
Designated from June 30, 2015				
for June 30, 2016 Expenditures	1,091,405	1,091,405	1,091,405	-
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER				
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER				
FINANCING SOURCES	- \$		289,068	\$ 289,068

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SOMERSET COUNTY, MARYLAND REQURIED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY

- 2	Total Plan's Percentage	Total	Pension		E F (E/F)	\$45,339,988 \$63,086,719 71.87%	\$45,789,840 \$66,571,552 68.78%
Proportionate Share P				Payroll Pc	(B / D)	4.78% \$45	7.32% \$45
	Board's	Covered	Employee	Payroll	D	\$ 23,159,421	\$ 24,019,259
				Total	(B+C)	\$ 21,045,424 \$ 23,159,421	\$ 26,854,909
Board's Share of State's	Proportionate	Share	of the	NPL	၁	\$ 19,938,634	\$ 25,096,984
Board's	Proportionate	Share	of the	NPL	В	1,106,790	1,757,925
			of the	NPL	A	0.0062365% \$	0.0084590% \$ 1,757,925
			Fiscal Measurement	Date		June 30, 2014	June 30, 2015
			Fiscal	Year		2015	2016

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirements to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, pension plans should present information for those years for which information is available.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SOMERSET COUNTY, MARYLAND

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION Year Ended June 30, 2016

SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS

						Actual Contribution
					Employer's	as a
		Contractually		Contribution	Covered	Percentage
		Required	Actual	Deficiency	Employee	of Covered
		~	~ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(T)	D 11	D 11
Fiscal	Measurement	Contribution	Contribution	(Excess)	Payroll	Payroll
Fiscal Year	Measurement Date	Contribution A	Contribution B	(Excess) (A - B)	Payroll C	(B / C)
Year	Date	Α	В	(A - B)	C	(B / C)
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This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirements to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, pension plans should present information for those years for which information is available.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SOMERSET COUNTY REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION Schedule of Funding Progress

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)		Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll (b-a)/c
June 30, 2011	\$	-	\$ 14,626,357	\$ 14,626,357	0.00%	\$ 19,896,000	73.51%
June 30, 2013	\$	-	\$ 16,871,130	\$ 16,871,130	0.00%	\$ 19,689,000	85.69%
June 30, 2015	\$	-	\$ 19,634,899	\$ 19,634,899	0.00%	\$ 23,159,421	84.78%
June 30, 2016	\$	-	\$ 20,595,199	\$ 20,595,199	0.00%	\$ 24,019,259	85.74%

	Annual		
Year Ended	Required	Percentage	Net OPEB
June 30	Contributions	Contributed	Obligation
2011	\$ 1,370,523	46.77%	\$ 1,866,779
2012	1,370,523	57.37%	2,451,055
2013	1,326,783	49.19%	3,125,231
2014	1,326,783	51.44%	3,769,460
2015	1,618,549	50.15%	4,576,297
2016	1,700,562	46.23%	5,490,647

NOTES TO STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

Note 1. Budget

The original budget, subsequent supplements and major transfers are approved by the Somerset County Council. Appropriations are for one year and lapse at year end.

A legally adopted budget is prepared for the General Fund only. Amendments to the budget can be made with approval from Somerset County and the Board for intercategory transfers, and by approval of the Board for intracategory transfers. By law, actual expenditures for each category may not materially exceed budgeted expenditures. The budgeted amounts presented on page 48 include all budget revisions.

						Fund
		Revenues	E	xpenditures	В	alances
		General		General	(General
	J _U	me 30, 2016	Ju	ne 30, 2016	June	30, 2016
GAAP basis	\$	39,983,262	\$	40,704,147	\$	773,168
On-behalf payments		(2,530,203)		(2,530,203)		-
June 30, 2016 fund balance designated for June 30, 2017 expenditures		-		-		(266,432)
Expenditures of amounts encumbered during year ended June 30, 2015		-		(136,216)		-
Amounts encumbered and reserved (GAAP) at June 30, 2016 but recognized as expenditures for budgetary purposes		-		217,668		(217,668)
Budgetary basis	\$	37,453,059	\$	38,255,396	\$	289,068

ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND - BUDGETARY BASIS

	Bue	dget					ariance avorable
	 Original	-8	Final	•	Actual		favorable)
ADMINISTRATION						····	
Salaries and wages	\$ 1,012,525	\$	1,122,525	\$	1,126,571	\$	(4,046)
Contracted services	218,420		188,420		186,351		2,069
Materials and supplies	85,150		128,950		125,493		3,457
Other charges	99,500		101,000		100,223		777
Capital outlay	1,300		47,000		46,232		768
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	 1,416,895		1,587,895		1,584,870		3,025
MID-LEVEL ADMINISTRATION							
Salaries and wages	3,135,858		3,187,858		3,130,095		57,763
Contracted services	10,000		115,270		97,973		17,297
Materials and supplies	41,900		41,900		39,301		2,599
Other charges	141,770		36,500		34,479		2,021
Capital outlay	433,640		546,640		624,778		(78,138)
TOTAL MID-LEVEL							
ADMINISTRATION	 3,763,168		3,928,168		3,926,626		1,542
INSTRUCTIONAL SALARIES							
AND WAGES	 13,219,136		13,219,136		13,055,415		163,721
INSTRUCTIONAL TEXTBOOKS							
AND SUPPLIES	607,122		865,122		863,503		1,619
OTHER INSTRUCTIONAL COSTS							
Contracted services	19,550		50,330		54,676		(4,346)
Other charges	118,565		98,785		93,744		5,041
Capital outlay	59,198		53,198		52,110		1,088
TOTAL OTHER	39,190		33,196		32,110		1,000
INSTRUCTIONAL COSTS	 197,313		202,313		200,530		1,783
STUDENT PERSONNEL SERVICES	 	***************************************					
Salaries and wages	684,363		734,363		729,705		4,658
Contracted services	8,000		8,000		8,504		(504)
Materials and supplies	0,000		-		415		(415)
Other charges	5,250		5,250		2,860		2,390
TOTAL STUDENT PERSONNEL	5,250		3,230		2,000		2,370
SERVICES	 697,613		747,613		741,484		6,129
HEALTH SERVICES							
Salaries and wages	344,804		274 904		275 265		(461)
Contracted services	344,004		374,804 300		375,265 850		(461)
Materials and supplies	4 500				4,127		(550)
Other charges	4,500		4,500		•		373 605
<u> </u>	2,550		2,250		1,645		605
Capital outlay TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES	 4,300		4,300		3,668		632
	 356,154		386,154		385,555		599
FIXED CHARGES	0.401.600		7 (70 (00		7 550 004		114 206
Insurance And Employee Benefits	 8,481,620		7,673,620		7,559,334		114,286

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (CONTINUED) GENERAL FUND - BUDGETARY BASIS

		Ru	dget					ariance vorable
		Original	iget	Final	-	Actual		favorable)
STUDENT TRANSPORTATION					***************************************	1 1010001	(022	
Salaries and wages	\$	194,129	\$	208,129	\$	212,461	\$	(4,332)
Contracted services		2,434,100		2,447,100		2,449,215		(2,115)
Materials and supplies		6,000		6,000		4,613		1,387
Other charges		182,000		182,000		182,332		(332)
Capital outlay		30,000		30,000		22,881		7,119
TOTAL STUDENT						•		,
TRANSPORTATION		2,846,229		2,873,229		2,871,502		1,727
OPERATION OF PLANT								
Salaries and wages		1,025,286		1,025,286		1,054,334		(29,048)
Contracted services		237,000		235,000		236,988		(1,988)
Materials and supplies		105,000		106,500		104,654		1,846
Other charges		1,079,000		1,079,500		995,375		84,125
Capital outlay		10,000		10,000		2,591		7,409
TOTAL OPERATION OF PLANT		2,456,286		2,456,286		2,393,942		62,344
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT								
Salaries and wages		364,192		364,192		346,799		17,393
Contracted services		258,963		303,963		308,087		(4,124)
Materials and supplies		125,000		125,000		134,979		(9,979)
Other charges		3,500		3,500		5,598		(2,098)
Capital outlay		29,000		78,000		77,757		243
TOTAL MAINTENANCE								
OF PLANT		780,655		874,655		873,220		1,435
SPECIAL EDUCATION								
Salaries and wages		2,921,582		2,921,582		2,977,806		(56,224)
Contracted services		803,500		803,500		671,950		131,550
Materials and supplies		19,617		19,617		21,779		(2,162)
Other charges		15,400		115,400		103,114		12,286
Capital outlay		3,485		3,485		7,029		(3,544)
Outgoing transfers		100,000				-		_
TOTAL SPECIAL EDUCATION		3,863,584		3,863,584		3,781,678	-	81,906
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY		10,000		18,000		17,737		263
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES	_\$	38,695,775	\$	38,695,775	\$	38,255,396	\$	440,379

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS-BUDGETARY BASIS

	Enterprise Fund Food Services
OPERATING REVENUES	
Food service sales	\$ 88,024
OPERATING EXPENSES	
Operation of plant	2,674
Fixed charges	171,518
Salaries and wages	565,050
Contracted services	626
Food and food related supplies	1,209,393
Other charges	2,194
Capital outlay	10,916
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,962,371
OPERATING LOSS	(1,874,347)
NONOPERATING REVENUES	
Interest income	126
State Of Maryland:	
Reimbursement of food costs	36,613
Federal through state:	
Reimbursement of food costs	1,798,337
Donation of food commodities	119,071
Total federal through state	1,917,408
TOTAL NONOPERATING REVENUES	1,954,147
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	\$ 79,800

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SOMERSET COUNTY, MARYLAND SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FUNDS

COMBINING SCHEDULE OF ADDITIONS, DEDUCTIONS AND CHANGES IN DUE TO SCHOOL ACTIVITIES FUNDS Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Activ B	to School ities Funds alance 30, 2015	ds							Due to School Activities Funds Balance June 30, 2016	
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS											
Deal Island (Pre-K To 5th Grades)	\$	5,016	\$	9,927	\$	10,573	\$	_	:	\$ 4,370	
Woodson (Pre-K To 5th Grades)		18,748		70,553		70,514		-		18,787	
Princess Anne (Pre-K To 5th Grades)		11,650		24,640		22,762		-		13,528	
Greenwood (Pre-K To 5th Grades)		16,536		71,344		72,647		-		15,233	
TOTAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	***************************************	51,950		176,464		176,496		-		51,918	
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS - 6TH TO 7TH GRADES											
Somerset 6/7 Intermediate		17,084		61,319		65,794		-		12,609	
HIGH SCHOOLS - 8TH TO 12 GRADES Crisfield		46,275		146 029		142 452				40.051	
Washington		88,940		146,028		143,452		-		48,851	
Washington	***************************************	00,940		161,242	,	157,074				93,108	
TOTAL HIGH SCHOOLS		135,215	······································	307,270		300,526				141,959	
SPECIALIZED SCHOOLS Ewell Elementary Middle School											
(Pre-K To 7th grade) J. Millard Tawes Technology		857		8,689		4,385		-		5,161	
And Career Center		76,204		53,348		53,000		_		76,552	
TOTAL SPECIALIZED SCHOOLS		77,061		62,037		57,385		-		81,713	
TOTAL SCHOOL ACTIVITY		281,310	\$	607,090	\$	600,201	\$	_		288,199	

NOTES TO ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Note 1. Budget

A budget is adopted for the Food Service Fund for internal purposes only.

	Revenues Proprietary June 30, 2016		Expenditures Proprietary June 30, 2016		Fund Balances Proprietary June 30, 2016	
GAAP basis	\$	2,042,171	\$	1,988,837	\$	41,523
Depreciation		-		(26,599)		-
Effect of accrued compensated absences and other		-		133		3,776
Amounts reserved (GAAP) at June 30, 2016	***************************************			-		(169,945)
Budgetary basis	\$	2,042,171	\$	1,962,371	\$	(124,646)