

**RISEUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL**  
**BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**June 30, 2021**

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## **FINANCIAL SECTION**



## JOHN CUTLER & ASSOCIATES

Board of Directors  
RiseUp Community School  
Denver, Colorado

### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of RiseUp Community School, component unit of the Denver Public School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School'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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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 and each major fund of RiseUp Community School, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Other Matters

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, the budgetary comparison information, schedule of the school's proportionate share, and schedule of the school's contributions on pages 40-44 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.

*John Luttrell & Associates, LLC*

October 18, 2021

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## **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

### **As of and for the Year Ended June 30, 2021**

As management of RiseUp Community School (the School), we offer readers of the School's basic financial statements this narrative and analysis of the financial activities of the School as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information provided in the basic financial statements.

#### **Financial Highlights**

The year ended June 30, 2021, was the sixth year of operations for the School. As of June 30, 2021, the net position was a positive \$98,814. The operations of the School are funded primarily by tax revenue received under the State School Finance Act (the Act). State categorical revenue for the year was \$985,764 in Per Pupil Revenue and \$541,436 in Mill Levy Override revenue. The General Fund ending fund balance decreased from \$602,764 to \$541,844. This was a planned \$60,920 reduction or 10.10%. The reduction can be attributed to office renovation work with a cost of approximately \$94,771.

#### **Overview of Basic Financial Statements**

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

##### ***Government-wide Financial Statements***

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

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

The statement of activities presents information showing how the School's net position changed during the year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Thus, revenue and expenses are reported in the statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future periods (for example, salaries and benefits earned but unpaid as of year end).

##### ***Fund Financial Statements***

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School, like other local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. The School maintains two governmental funds, its General Fund and the Building Corporation Fund.

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The School adopts an annual budget for its General Fund and Building Fund. Budgetary comparisons have been provided for the General Fund in the basic financial statements to demonstrate compliance with the budget on page 40.

**Notes to Basic Financial Statements**

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements. The notes are disclosed on pages 6 through 39.

**Government-wide Financial Analysis**

As noted previously, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the School's financial condition. As of June 30, 2021, the School's assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$98,814, which is a positive net position. \$45,900 of this total is restricted to comply with Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, known as the TABOR Amendment. Accordingly, these funds are not available to satisfy general operating expenses of the School. The unrestricted net position balance was a negative (\$96,430) and the net investment in capital assets was \$149,344.

Net position as of June 30, 2021 and 2020 respectively are as follows:

|   | <u>June 30, 2021</u> | <u>June 30, 2020</u> |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|
| Assets  |                      |                      |
| Cash and Investments                              | \$ 491,157           | \$ 522,152           |
| Accounts Receivable                               | 157,825              | 56,009               |
| Deposits  | 10,000               | 10,000               |
| Prepaid Expenses                                  | 22,084               | 20,045               |
| Capital Assets (Net)                              | <u>149,344</u>       | <u>63,778</u>        |
| Total Assets                                      | <u>830,410</u>       | <u>671,984</u>       |
| Deferred Outflows – Pensions/OPEB                 | <u>392,599</u>       | <u>385,795</u>       |
| Liabilities                                       |                      |                      |
| Accounts Payable and Unearned Revenue             | 46,422               | 5,442                |
| Loans Payable                                     | -                    | 209,692              |
| Unearned Revenue                                  | 92,800               | -                    |
| Noncurrent Liability – Net Pension Liability/OPEB | <u>480,204</u>       | <u>504,948</u>       |
| Total Liabilities                                 | <u>619,426</u>       | <u>720,082</u>       |
| Deferred Inflows – Pensions                       | <u>504,769</u>       | <u>488,883</u>       |
| Net Position                                      |                      |                      |
| Net Investment in Capital Assets                  | 149,344              | 63,778               |
| Restricted for Loan PPP                           | -                    | 166,200              |
| Restricted for Emergencies                        | 45,900               | 49,000               |

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|                    |           |              |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Unrestricted       | (96,430)  | (430,164)    |
| Total Net Position | \$ 98,814 | \$ (415,009) |

Change in net position for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 respectively are as follows:

|                                       | <b>June 30,2021</b> | <b>June 30,2020</b> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Revenues                              |                     |                     |
| Program Revenues                      |                     |                     |
| Operating Grants and Contributions    | \$ 395,207          | \$ 172,040          |
| Charges for Services                  | -                   | -                   |
| Total Program Revenues                | 395,207             | 172,040             |
| General Revenues                      |                     |                     |
| State Categorical Revenue             | 985,764             | 1,132,820           |
| Mill Levy Override                    | 541,436             | 539,750             |
| Additional At-Risk Funding            | -                   | -                   |
| Capital Construction                  | 32,386              | 35,414              |
| Unrestricted Grants and Contributions | 166,200             | 16,258              |
| Other                                 | 1,759               | 38,057              |
| Total General Revenues                | 1,727,545           | 1,762,299           |
| Total Revenues                        | 2,122,752           | 1,934,339           |
| Expenditures/Expenses                 |                     |                     |
| Current                               |                     |                     |
| Interest on Long Term Debt            | 1,464               | 3,072               |
| Instruction                           | 820,621             | 686,445             |
| Administrative Support                | 1,050,667           | 980,999             |
| Total Expenses                        | 1,872,752           | 1,670,516           |
| Increase (decrease) in Net Position   | 250,000             | 263,823             |
| Net Position, Beginning of Year       | (151,186)           | (415,009)           |
| Net Position, End of Year             | \$ 98,814           | \$ (151,186)        |

**Financial Analysis of the School's Funds**

The School has two governmental funds, the General Fund and the Building Fund. The General Fund is considered a major fund and is used to account for the School's general operations. The General Fund began the year with a positive fund balance of \$602,764. The General fund balance

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decreased during the year due to an office renovation project costing approximately \$94,771. The decrease was \$60,920 or 10.1%.

The Building Fund had no assets or liabilities as of June 30, 2021. The outstanding debt of \$43,492 was paid off in September of 2020.

#### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The School budgeted General Fund expenditures of \$2,153,481 for the year ended June 30, 2021. Actual expenditures and transfers out were \$1,972,516. This resulted in a positive variance of \$180,965.

There was one resolution passed increasing appropriations by \$214,429 from \$1,939,052 to \$2,153,481.

#### **Capital Assets and Debt Administration**

The School leases its school facility and land under an operating lease with the Denver Firefighters Protective Association Building Corporation that expires July 1, 2027. The School had capital assets of \$186,767 and accumulated depreciation of \$37,423 at June 30, 2021. There were \$94,771 capital additions during FY21 and net capital assets were \$149,344 at June 30, 2021.

The Building Fund/Corp. had no outstanding debt on June 30, 2021, as the 5% loan with CSDC (Charter School Development Corporation), and the remaining balance of \$43,492 was paid in full.

#### **Economic Factors, Next Year's Budget, Student Counts**

The primary factor driving the budget for the School is student enrollment. Funded Pupil Count (FPC) was 127, and 114.5 for FY20 and FY21 respectively. The FPC used to create the FY22 budget was 120. Currently the School is projecting enrollment to be lower than budget.

The Per Pupil Revenue (PPR) for FY21 decreased on average 5.4% State wide due to the pandemic. Denver Public Schools PPR for RiseUp declined from \$8,920 in FY20 to \$8,609 in FY21 or 3.49%. For FY22, the State was successful in approving a substantial increase in PPR funding. The FY22 PPR of \$9,483.50 per student represents a 10.16% increase over FY21. With the additional Federal Support in ESSER and CRF Grants, RiseUp will continue to meet all of its operational needs without any financial challenges in FY22.

#### **Requests for Information**

The financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the School's finances for those interested. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional information should be addressed to RiseUp Community School, 2342 Broadway, Denver, Colorado 80205.

## **BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

RISEUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

As of June 30, 2021

|   | <u>Governmental<br/>Activities</u> |
|---|------------------------------------|
| ASSETS  |                                    |
| Cash  | \$ 491,157                         |
| Accounts Receivable   | 157,825                            |
| Deposits  | 10,000                             |
| Prepaid Assets  | 22,084                             |
| Capital Assets, Depreciated, Net of<br>Accumulated Depreciation | <u>149,344</u>                     |
| TOTAL ASSETS  | <u>830,410</u>                     |
| DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES                                  |                                    |
| Related to Pensions   | 389,107                            |
| Related to OPEB   | <u>3,492</u>                       |
| TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES                            | <u>392,599</u>                     |
| LIABILITIES   |                                    |
| Accounts Payable  | 46,422                             |
| Noncurrent Liabilities  |                                    |
| Due in One Year   | 84,028                             |
| Due in More than One Year                                       | 8,772                              |
| Net Pension Liability   | 456,954                            |
| OPEB Liability  | <u>23,250</u>                      |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES   | <u>619,426</u>                     |
| DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES                                   |                                    |
| Related to Pensions   | 485,851                            |
| Related to OPEB   | <u>18,918</u>                      |
| TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS RELATED TO PENSIONS                      | <u>504,769</u>                     |
| NET POSITION  |                                    |
| Investment in Capital Assets                                    | 149,344                            |
| Restricted for Emergencies                                      | 45,900                             |
| Unrestricted  | <u>(96,430)</u>                    |
| TOTAL NET POSITION  | <u>\$ 98,814</u>                   |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.



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BALANCE SHEET  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
June 30, 2021

|  | GENERAL<br>FUND   | BUILDING<br>CORP | TOTAL             |
|--|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| <b>ASSETS</b>                            |                   |                  |                   |
| Cash                                     | \$ 491,157        | \$ -             | \$ 491,157        |
| Accounts Receivable                      | 157,825           | -                | 157,825           |
| Deposits                                 | 10,000            | -                | 10,000            |
| Prepaid Expense                          | 22,084            | -                | 22,084            |
| <b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>                      | <b>\$ 681,066</b> | <b>\$ -</b>      | <b>\$ 648,982</b> |
| <b>LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES</b>     |                   |                  |                   |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>                       |                   |                  |                   |
| Accounts Payable                         | \$ 46,422         | \$ -             | \$ 46,422         |
| Deferred Revenue                         | 92,800            | -                | 92,800            |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>                 | <b>139,222</b>    | <b>-</b>         | <b>46,422</b>     |
| <b>FUND EQUITY</b>                       |                   |                  |                   |
| Fund Balance                             |                   |                  |                   |
| Nonspendable                             | 32,084            | -                | 32,084            |
| Restricted for Emergencies               | 45,900            | -                | 45,900            |
| Unassigned                               | 463,860           | -                | 463,860           |
| <b>TOTAL FUND EQUITY</b>                 | <b>541,844</b>    | <b>-</b>         | <b>541,844</b>    |
| <b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b> | <b>\$ 681,066</b> | <b>\$ -</b>      |                   |

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore, are not reported in the funds.   | 149,344          |
| Long-term liabilities and related assets are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the funds. This liability includes net pension liability (\$456,954), net OPEB liability (\$23,250), deferred outflows related to pensions \$389,107, deferred outflows related to OPEB \$3,492, deferred inflows related to pensions (\$485,851), deferred inflows related to OPEB (\$18,918).. | (592,374)        |
| Net assets of governmental activities  | <u>\$ 98,814</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES  
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

|   | GENERAL<br>FUND      | BUILDING<br>CORP    | TOTAL                |
|---|----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| REVENUES  |                      |                     |                      |
| Local Sources                                       | \$ 1,572,441         | \$ -                | \$ 1,572,441         |
| State and Federal Sources                           | 384,111              | -                   | 384,111              |
| <br>TOTAL REVENUES                                  | <br><u>1,956,552</u> | <br><u>-</u>        | <br><u>1,956,552</u> |
| EXPENDITURES  |                      |                     |                      |
| Current   |                      |                     |                      |
| Instruction   | 830,958              | -                   | 830,958              |
| Supporting Services                                 | 1,141,558            | -                   | 1,141,558            |
| Debt Service  |                      |                     |                      |
| Principal   | -                    | 43,492              | 43,492               |
| Intrest   | -                    | 1,464               | 1,464                |
| <br>TOTAL EXPENDITURES                              | <br><u>1,972,516</u> | <br><u>44,956</u>   | <br><u>2,017,472</u> |
| <br>EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER<br>(UNDER) EXPENDITURES | <br><u>(15,964)</u>  | <br><u>(44,956)</u> | <br><u>(60,920)</u>  |
| OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)                      |                      |                     |                      |
| Transfers In  | -                    | 44,956              | 44,956               |
| Transfers Out                                       | (44,956)             | -                   | (44,956)             |
| <br>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING<br>SOURCES (USES)         | <br><u>(44,956)</u>  | <br><u>44,956</u>   | <br><u>-</u>         |
| <br>NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES                     | <br>(60,920)         | <br>-               | <br>(60,920)         |
| FUND BALANCES, Beginning                            | <u>602,764</u>       | <u>-</u>            | <u>602,764</u>       |
| FUND BALANCES, Ending                               | <u>\$ 541,844</u>    | <u>\$ -</u>         | <u>\$ 541,844</u>    |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
Year Ended June 30, 2021

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

|   |                          |
|---|--------------------------|
| Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds  | \$ (60,920)              |
| 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. This is the amount of capital outlay \$94,801, exceeded depreciation (\$9,205). | 85,566                   |
| Issuance and repayment of long-term debt are revenues and expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.  | 209,692                  |
| Deferred Charges related to pensions are not recognized in the governmental funds. However, for the government-wide funds that amount is capitalized and amortized.   | <u>15,662</u>            |
| Change in net position of governmental activities   | <u><u>\$ 250,000</u></u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

RiseUp Community School (the “School”) was organized in 2014 pursuant to the Colorado Charter Schools Act to form and operate a charter school within the Denver Public School District (the “District”) in the State of Colorado.

The accounting policies of the School conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governmental units. Following is a summary of the more significant policies.

**Reporting Entity**

The financial reporting entity consists of the School and organizations for which the School is financially accountable. All funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments and offices that are not legally separate are part of the School. In addition, any legally separate organizations for which the School is financially accountable are considered part of the reporting entity. Financial accountability exists if the School appoints a voting majority of the organization’s governing board and is able to impose its will on the organization, or if the organization provides benefits to, or imposes financial burdens on the School.

RiseUp Building Corporation

The RiseUp Building Corporation (the “Corporation”) was created. The purpose of the Corporation is to provide a mechanism to issue and pay debt on behalf of the School. The Corporation is considered to be part of the School for financial reporting purposes because its resources are entirely for the direct benefit of the School and is blended into the School’s financial statements as a debt service fund. Separate financial statements are not available.

The School is a component unit of the Denver Public School District.

**Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements**

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the activities of the School. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by intergovernmental revenues, are reported in a single column.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of the given function or segment, are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment.

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation**

Program revenues include 1) charges to students or others who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Unrestricted intergovernmental revenues not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

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

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

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period, not to exceed 60 days. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures are recorded only when payment is due.

Intergovernmental revenues, grants, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the School.

Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

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

The School reports the following major governmental fund:

*General Fund*— This fund is the general operating fund of the School. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

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

*Building Corporation Fund* – This fund is used to account for the financial activities of the School's Building Corporation.

**Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources**

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position and fund balance that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to the liabilities, the statement of financial position and balance sheets will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position and fund balance that applies to a futures period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

**Assets, Liabilities and Fund Balance/Net Position**

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

*Inventory* – Merchandise consisting of school sweatshirts and shirts that are purchased for resale to the students and remain unsold at year end are recorded as inventory.

*Prepaid Expenses* – Payments made to vendors for services that will benefit future periods are recorded as prepaid expense. An expenditure is reported in the year in which the services are consumed.

*Capital Assets* – Capital assets, which include leasehold improvements, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the School 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.

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

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

Depreciation of exhaustible capital assets is charged as an expense against operations, and accumulated depreciation is reported on the statement of net position in the government-wide financial statements. Depreciation has been provided over the following estimated useful lives of the capital assets using the straight-line method. Machinery, equipment, and vehicles are depreciated over 10 years.

*Unearned Revenues* – Unearned revenues include grants and contribution revenues that have been received but the corresponding expenditure that have not been incurred.

*Net Position*– The government-wide and business-type fund financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as investment in capital assets, restricted, and unrestricted.

- Investment in Capital Assets is intended to reflect the portion of net position which are associated with non-liquid, capital assets less outstanding capital asset related debt. The net related debt is the debt less the outstanding liquid assets and any associated unamortized cost.
- Restricted Net Position are liquid assets, which have third party limitations on their use.
- Unrestricted Net Position represent assets that do not have any third party limitation on their use. While School management may have categorized and segmented a portion for various purposes, the School Board has the unrestricted right to revisit or alter these managerial decisions.

*Fund Balance Classification* – The governmental fund financial statements present fund balances based on classifications that comprise a hierarchy that is based primarily on the extent to which the School is bound to honor constraints on the specific purposes for which amounts in the respective governmental funds can be spent. The classifications used in the governmental fund financial statements are as follows:

- Nonspendable — amounts that cannot be spent either because they are in nonspendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The School has classified its prepaid expenses as nonspendable as of June 30, 2021.

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

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

- Restricted – This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through a debt covenant), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. The School has classified Emergency Reserves as being restricted because their use is restricted by State Statute for declared emergencies. The School has also classified amounts received from the PPP Loan as restricted for PPP approved expenditures.
- Committed – This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board of Directors. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action (ordinance or resolution) that was employed when the funds were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements. The School did not have any committed resources as of June 30, 2021.
- Unassigned – This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund. The Unassigned classification also includes negative residual fund balance of any other governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting of Assigned fund balance amounts.

The School would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources, and then assigned resources, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources.

**Compensated Absences**

The School's policy allows employees to accumulate sick and vacation leave. However, any amounts accrued are not payable upon termination. Therefore, no liability for accumulated sick leave or vacation is reported in the financial statements.

**Risk Management**

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The School carries commercial coverage for these risks of loss. The School has not had any claims that exceeded the insured amounts for the last three years.

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**NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES** (Continued)

**Comparative Data**

Comparative total data for the prior year has been presented in the accompanying financial statements in order to provide an understanding of changes in the School's financial position and operations. However, complete comparative data in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles has not been presented since its inclusion would make the financial statements unduly complex and difficult to read.

Data in these columns do not present financial position or results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Neither is such data comparable to a consolidation. Interfund eliminations have not been made in the aggregation of this data.

**NOTE 2: STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

**Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

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

School management submits to the Board of Directors a proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget is adopted by the Board of Directors by June 1. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Revisions must be approved by the Board of Directors. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. All appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.

**NOTE 3: CASH AND INVESTMENTS**

**Deposits**

Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA) requires that all units of local government deposit cash in eligible public depositories. Eligibility is determined by state regulations. At June 30, 2021, State regulatory commissioners have indicated that all financial institutions holding deposits for the School are eligible public depositories. Amounts on deposit in excess of federal insurance levels must be collateralized by eligible collateral as determined by the PDPA. PDPA allows the financial institution to create a single collateral pool for all public funds held.

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**NOTE 3:** *CASH AND INVESTMENTS* (Continued)

The pool is to be maintained by another institution, or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the collateral must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits. The School has no policy regarding custodial credit risk for deposits.

At June 30, 2021, the School had deposits with financial institutions with a carrying amount of \$491,157. The bank balances with the financial institutions were \$512,058. Of these balances \$250,000 were covered by federal depository insurance and \$262,058 were covered by collateral held by authorized escrow agents in the financial institution's name (PDPA).

**Investments**

Interest Rate Risk

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

Credit Risk

Colorado statutes specify in which instruments units of local government may invest, which include:

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. Government Agency securities
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities
- Bankers' acceptances of certain banks
- Local government investment pools
- Certain money market funds
- Guaranteed investment contracts

The School had no investments at June 30, 2021.

The School has no policy for managing credit risk.

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**NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital Assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2021 is summarized below:

|  | Balance<br><u>June 30, 2020</u> | <u>Additions</u> | <u>Deletions</u> | Balance<br><u>June 30, 2021</u> |
|--|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>Governmental Activities</b>           |                                 |                  |                  |                                 |
| Capital Assets, Not Depreciated          |                                 |                  |                  |                                 |
| Construction in Progress                 | \$ -                            | \$ 78,842        | \$ -             | \$ 78,842                       |
| Total Capital Assets,<br>Not Depreciated | -                               | 78,842           | -                | 78,842                          |
| Capital Assets, Depreciated              |                                 |                  |                  |                                 |
| Vehicles and Equipment                   | 85,796                          | 15,929           | -                | 101,725                         |
| Improvements                             | 6,200                           | -                | -                | 6,200                           |
| Total Capital Assets,<br>Depreciated     | 91,996                          | -                | -                | 107,925                         |
| Accumulated Depreciation                 |                                 |                  |                  |                                 |
| Vehicles and Equipment                   | 22,018                          | 9,205            | -                | 31,223                          |
| Improvements                             | 6,200                           | -                | -                | 6,200                           |
| Total Accumulated<br>Depreciation        | 28,218                          | 9,205            | -                | 37,423                          |
| Net Capital Assets, Depreciated          | 63,778                          | 6,724            | -                | 70,502                          |
| Net Capital Assets                       | <u>\$ 63,778</u>                | <u>\$ 85,566</u> | <u>\$ -</u>      | <u>\$ 149,344</u>               |

Depreciation has been charged to supporting services program of the School.

**NOTE 5: LONG TERM DEBT**

Following is a summary of the Academy's long-term debt transactions for the year ended June 30, 2021:

|              | Balance<br><u>June 30, 2020</u> | <u>Additions</u> | <u>Payments</u>  | Balance<br><u>June 30, 2021</u> | Due In<br><u>One Year</u> |
|--------------|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Note Payable | <u>\$ 43,492</u>                | <u>\$ -</u>      | <u>\$ 43,492</u> | <u>\$ -</u>                     | <u>\$ -</u>               |

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**NOTE 5: LONG TERM DEBT** (Continued)

**Note Payable**

On October 2018, the School entered into a loan agreement with the Charter School Development Corporation (“CSDC”). Loan proceeds in the amount of \$100,000 were used to finance tenant leasehold improvements to the Academy’s new facility. The note carries an interest rate of 5%. Monthly interest payments in the amount of \$2,997 are due through August 2021. On September 14, 2020 the loan from CSDC was paid in full.

**Loan Payable – PPP**

The School received a loan in the amount of \$166,200 through the Small Business Administration’s Paycheck Protection Program under Division A, Title I of the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act. (“CARES Act”).

The full amount of this loan was forgiven on May 25, 2021.

**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN**

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Pensions.* The School participates in the Denver Public Schools Division Trust Fund (DPS Division), a single-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Public Employees’ Retirement Association of Colorado (“PERA”). The net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the DPS Division have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

The Colorado General Assembly passed significant pension reform through Senate Bill (SB) 18-200: *Concerning Modifications To the Public Employees’ Retirement Association Hybrid Defined Benefit Plan Necessary to Eliminate with a High Probability the Unfunded Liability of the Plan Within the Next Thirty Years.* The bill was signed into law by Governor Hickenlooper on June 4, 2018. SB 18-200 made changes to certain benefit provisions. Most of these changes were in effect as of June 30, 2021.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

**General Information about the Pension Plan**

*Plan description.* Eligible employees of the School are provided with pensions through the DPS Division—a single-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by PERA. Plan benefits are specified in Title 24, Article 51 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), administrative rules set forth at 8 C.C.R. 1502-1, and applicable provisions of the federal Internal Revenue Code. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (Annual Report) that can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

*Benefits provided as of December 31, 2020.* PERA provides retirement, disability, and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined by the amount of service credit earned and/or purchased, highest average salary, the benefit structure(s) under which the member retires, the benefit option selected at retirement, and age at retirement. Retirement eligibility is specified in tables set forth at C.R.S. § 24-51-602, 604, 1713, and 1714.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the Denver Public Schools (DPS) benefit structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- \$15 times the first 10 years of service credit plus \$20 times service credit over 10 years plus a monthly amount equal to the annuitized member contribution account balance based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

The lifetime retirement benefit for all eligible retiring employees under the PERA benefit structure is the greater of the:

- Highest average salary multiplied by 2.5 percent and then multiplied by years of service credit.
- The value of the retiring employee's member contribution account plus a 100 percent match on eligible amounts as of the retirement date. This amount is then annuitized into a monthly benefit based on life expectancy and other actuarial factors.

In all cases the service retirement benefit is limited to 100 percent of highest average salary and also cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by federal Internal Revenue Code.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

**General Information about the Pension Plan** (Continued)

Members may elect to withdraw their member contribution accounts upon termination of employment with all PERA employers; waiving rights to any lifetime retirement benefits earned. If eligible, the member may receive a match of either 50 percent or 100 percent on eligible amounts depending on when contributions were remitted to PERA, the date employment was terminated, whether 5 years of service credit has been obtained and the benefit structure under which contributions were made.

As of December 31, 2020, benefit recipients who elect to receive a lifetime retirement benefit are generally eligible to receive post-retirement cost-of-living adjustments, referred to as annual increases in the C.R.S., once certain criteria are met. Pursuant to SB 18-200, eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership before January 1, 2007 and all eligible benefit recipients of the DPS benefit structure will receive an annual increase of 1.25 percent unless adjusted by the automatic adjustment provision (AAP) pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-51-413. Eligible benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure who began membership on or after January 1, 2007, will receive the lesser of an annual increase of 1.25 percent or the average of the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers for the prior calendar year, not to exceed 10 percent of PERA's Annual Increase Reserve (AIR) for the DPS Division. The AAP may raise or lower the aforementioned annual increase by up to 0.25 percent based on the parameters specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-413.

Disability benefits are available for eligible employees once they reach five years of earned service credit and are determined to meet the definition of disability. The disability benefit amount is based on the lifetime retirement benefit formula(s) shown above considering a minimum 20 years of service credit, if deemed disabled.

Survivor benefits are determined by several factors, which include the amount of earned service credit, highest average salary of the deceased, the benefit structure(s) under which service credit was obtained, and the qualified survivor(s) who will receive the benefits.

*Contributions provisions as of June 30, 2021:* Eligible employees of, the School, and the State are required to contribute to the DPS Division at a rate set by Colorado statute. The contribution requirements for the DPS Division are established under C.R.S. § 24-51-401, *et seq.* and § 24-51-413. Eligible employees are required to contribute 10.00 percent of their PERA-includable salary period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

**General Information about the Pension Plan** (Continued)

Employer contribution requirements are summarized in the table below:

|  | July 1, 2020<br>Through<br>December 31,<br>2020 | January 1, 2021<br>Through<br>June 30, 2021 |
|--|---|---|
| Employer contribution rate   | 10.90%  | 10.90%                                      |
| Amount of employer contribution apportioned to the DPS HCTF as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f) | (1.02%)   | (1.02%)                                     |
| PCOP offset as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-412   | (12.75%) <sup>1</sup>                           | (12.09%)                                    |
| Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411                      | 4.50%   | 4.50%                                       |
| Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-411        | 5.50%   | 5.50%                                       |
| <b>Total employer contribution rate to the DPS Division</b>  | <b>7.13%</b>                                    | <b>7.79%</b>                                |

<sup>1</sup> To conform with this presentation of contribution rates, the 2020 annual PCOP offset of 12.50 percent has been adjusted based on the portion of the PCOP offset used to satisfy employer contribution requirements.

\*\*Contribution rates for the DPS Division are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42)

As specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the State is required to contribute \$225 million (actual dollars) each year to PERA starting on July 1, 2018. A portion of the direct distribution payment is allocated to the DPS Division based on the proportionate amount of annual payroll of the DPS Division to the total annual payroll of the DPS Division, State Division Trust Fund, School Division Trust Fund, and Judicial Division Trust Fund. House Bill (HB) 20-1379 suspended the \$225 million (actual dollars) direct distribution payable on July 1, 2020 for the State's 2020-21 fiscal year.

Employer contributions are recognized by the DPS Division in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the DPS Division. Employer contributions recognized by the DPS Division from the School were \$91,948 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

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

The net pension liability for the DPS Division was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019. Standard update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to December 31, 2020. The School's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the School's contributions to the DPS Division for the calendar year 2020 relative to the total contributions of participating employers and the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

Due to the aforementioned suspension of the July 1, 2020, direct distribution payment, the nonemployer contributing entity's proportion is zero percent. Pursuant to C.R.S. § 24-51-414, the direct distribution payment from the State of Colorado is to recommence annually starting on July 1, 2021. For purposes of GASB 68 paragraph 15, a circumstance exists in which a nonemployer contributing entity is legally responsible for making contributions to the DPS Division and is considered to meet the definition of a special funding situation.

At June 30, 2021, the School reported a liability of \$456,954 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability.

The amount recognized by the School as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the School were as follows:

|  |           |
|--|-----------|
|  |           |
| School's proportionate share of the net pension liability  | \$456,954 |
| The State's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a nonemployer contributing entity associated with the School | -         |
| Total  | \$456,954 |

At December 31, 2020, the School's proportion was .1016 percent, which was an increase of .0909 percent from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School recognized pension income of \$84,681 and revenue of \$0 for support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

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

At June 30, 2021, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

|   | <u>Deferred Outflows<br/>of Resources</u> | <u>Deferred Inflows of<br/>Resources</u> |
|---|---|--|
| Difference between expected and actual experience   | \$67,618                                  | N/A                                      |
| Changes of assumptions or other inputs  | \$95,653                                  | N/A                                      |
| Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments                                | N/A                                       | \$454,628                                |
| Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions | \$176,254                                 | \$31,223                                 |
| Contributions subsequent to the measurement date  | \$49,582                                  | N/A                                      |
| Total   | \$389,107                                 | \$485,851                                |

\$49,582 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

| <b>Year ended June 30:</b> |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| 2022                       | (\$32,836) |
| 2023                       | \$26,487   |
| 2024                       | (\$68,592) |
| 2025                       | (\$71,385) |

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

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

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total pension liability in the December 31, 2019 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Actuarial cost method   | Entry age           |
| Price inflation   | 2.40%               |
| Real wage growth  | 1.10%               |
| Wage inflation  | 3.50%               |
| Salary increases, including wage inflation  | 3.50% – 9.70%       |
| Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation | 7.25%               |
| Discount rate   | 7.25%               |
| Post-retirement benefit increases:  |                     |
| PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)            | 1.25%               |
| PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 <sup>1</sup>  | Financed by the AIR |

<sup>1</sup> Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR (Annual Rate Increase), accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

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

- **Males:** Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- **Females:** Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

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**NOTE 6: DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

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

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

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019, valuation were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the periods January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as, the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by PERA's Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting.

Based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, for the period January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019, revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 20, 2020, and were effective as of December 31, 2020.

The assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll forward calculation of the total pension liability from December 31, 2019, to December 31, 2020.

|   |                     |
|---|---------------------|
| Actuarial cost method   | Entry age           |
| Price inflation   | 2.30%               |
| Real wage growth  | 0.70%               |
| Wage inflation  | 3.00%               |
| Salary increases, including wage inflation:   | 3.80%-11.50%        |
| Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation | 7.25%               |
| Discount rate   | 7.25%               |
| Post-retirement benefit increases:  |                     |
| PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)            | 1.25%               |
| PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 <sup>1</sup>  | Financed by the AIR |

<sup>1</sup> Post-retirement benefit increases are provided by the AIR, accounted separately within each Division Trust Fund, and subject to moneys being available; therefore, liabilities related to increases for members of these benefit tiers can never exceed available assets.

Salary scale assumptions were revised to align with revised economic assumptions and to more closely reflect actual experience.

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

Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.

The pre-retirement mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 94 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 106 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 97 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 105 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99 percent of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The mortality tables described above are generational mortality tables on a benefit-weighted basis.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four to five years for PERA. Recently this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020. As a result of the November 20, 2020, PERA Board meeting, the following economic assumptions were changed, effective December 31, 2020:

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

- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.40 percent per year to 2.30 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses to 4.95 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.50 percent per year to 3.00 percent per year.

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

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25 percent long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020. As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

| <b>Asset Class</b>        | <b>Target Allocation</b> | <b>30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return</b> |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| Global Equity             | 54.00%                   | 5.60%   |
| Fixed Income              | 23.00%                   | 1.30%   |
| Private Equity            | 8.50%                    | 7.10%   |
| Real Estate               | 8.50%                    | 4.40%   |
| Alternatives <sup>1</sup> | 6.00%                    | 4.70%   |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>100.00%</b>           |   |

<sup>1</sup>The Opportunity Fund's name changed to Alternatives, effective January 1, 2020.

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

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**NOTE 6:** **DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN** (Continued)

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

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00 percent.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200. Employer contributions also include current and estimated future AED and SAED, until the actuarial value funding ratio reaches 103 percent, at which point the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50 percent every year until they are zero. Additionally, estimated employer contributions reflect reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.
- Employer contributions for the DPS Division Trust Fund are reduced by an amount equal to the principal payments plus interest necessary each year to finance the pension certificates of participation (PCOPs) issued in 1997 and 2008 and refinanced thereafter.
- As specified in law, the State, as a nonemployer contributing entity, will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million (actual dollars), commencing July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded. HB 20-1379 suspended the \$225 million (actual dollars) direct distribution payable on July 1, 2020, for the State's 2020-21 fiscal year.

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

- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial FNP, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits reserve or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. AIR transfers to the FNP position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.
- Based on the above assumptions and methods, the DPS Division’s FNP was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination did not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

*Sensitivity of the School’s proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, 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-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

|  | 1% Decrease<br>(6.25%) | Current Discount<br>Rate (7.25%) | 1% Increase<br>(8.25%) |
|--|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Proportionate share of the net pension liability | \$1,025,519            | \$456,954                        | (\$12,237)             |

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the DPS Division’s FNP is available in PERA’s Annual Report which can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

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**Taxable Pension Certificates of Participation (PCOPs)**

The District issued Taxable Pension Certificates of Participation (PCOPs) on July 17, 1997 to fully fund the unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of the Plan. Full funding of the UALL reduced the employer contribution rate from the full funding rate of 15.75% to the normal cost rate of 4.98%. This rate is based upon actuarially determined contribution requirements, the approval and recommendation of the Plan's Board and approval of the District's Board of Education. The School contributed 8.67%, 9.54% and 9.60%, of covered payroll for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2019 and 2018, respectively, to the District to cover its obligation relating to the PCOPs.

During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2021, 2019 and 2018 the School made contributions totaling \$71,720, \$71,145 and \$73,109, respectively, to the District towards its PCOPs obligation.

**NOTE 7: DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN**

**Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*OPEB.* The School participates in the Denver Public Schools Health Care Trust Fund (DPS HCTF), a single-employer defined benefit OPEB fund administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado ("PERA"). The net OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position (FNP) and additions to/deductions from the FNP of the DPS HCTF have been determined using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. For this purpose, benefits paid on behalf of health care participants are recognized when due and/or payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

**General Information about the OPEB Plan**

*Plan description.* Eligible employees of the School are provided with OPEB through the DPS HCTF—a single-employer defined benefit OPEB plan administered by PERA. The DPS HCTF is established under Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.), as amended. Title 24, Article 51, Part 12 of the C.R.S., as amended, sets forth a framework that grants authority to the PERA Board to contract, self-insure, and authorize disbursements necessary in order to carry out the purposes of the PERACare program, including the administration of the premium subsidies. Colorado State law provisions may be amended from time to time by the Colorado General Assembly. PERA issues a publicly available comprehensive annual financial report (Annual Report) that can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

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**General Information about the OPEB Plan (Continued)**

*Benefits provided.* The DPS HCTF provides a health care premium subsidy to eligible participating PERA benefit recipients and retirees who choose to enroll in one of the PERA health care plans, however, the subsidy is not available if only enrolled in the dental and/or vision plan(s). The health care premium subsidy is based upon the benefit structure under which the member retires and the member's years of service credit. For members who retire having service credit with employers in the Denver Public Schools (DPS) Division and one or more of the other four Divisions (State, School, Local Government and Judicial), the premium subsidy is allocated between the Health Care Trust Fund (HCTF) and the DPS HCTF. The basis for the amount of the premium subsidy funded by each trust fund is the percentage of the member contribution account balance from each division as it relates to the total member contribution account balance from which the retirement benefit is paid.

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 et seq. specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated.

All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure and all retirees under the DPS benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare. Upon the death of a DPS benefit structure retiree, no further subsidy is paid.

Enrollment in the PERACare is voluntary and is available to benefit recipients and their eligible dependents, certain surviving spouses, and divorced spouses and guardians, among others. Eligible benefit recipients may enroll into the program upon retirement, upon the occurrence of certain life events, or on an annual basis during an open enrollment period.

*PERA Benefit Structure*

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum service-based subsidy, in each case, is for benefit recipients with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5 percent reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The benefit recipient pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

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**General Information about the OPEB Plan (Continued)**

For benefit recipients who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, C.R.S. § 24-51-1206(4) provides an additional subsidy. According to the statute, PERA cannot charge premiums to benefit recipients without Medicare Part A that are greater than premiums charged to benefit recipients with Part A for the same plan option, coverage level, and service credit. Currently, for each individual PERACare enrollee, the total premium for Medicare coverage is determined assuming plan participants have both Medicare Part A and Part B and the difference in premium cost is paid by the HCTF or the DPS HCTF on behalf of benefit recipients not covered by Medicare Part A.

*DPS Benefit Structure*

The maximum service-based premium subsidy is \$230 per month for retirees who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; the maximum service-based subsidy is \$115 per month for retirees who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum subsidy, in each case, is for retirees with retirement benefits based on 20 or more years of service credit. There is a 5 percent reduction in the subsidy for each year less than 20. The retiree pays the remaining portion of the premium to the extent the subsidy does not cover the entire amount.

For retirees who have not participated in Social Security and who are not otherwise eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A for hospital-related services, the HCTF or the DPS HCTF pays an alternate service-based premium subsidy. Each individual retiree meeting these conditions receives the maximum \$230 per month subsidy reduced appropriately for service less than 20 years, as described above. Retirees who do not have Medicare Part A pay the difference between the total premium and the monthly subsidy.

*Contributions.* Pursuant to Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1)(f) of the C.R.S., as amended, certain contributions are apportioned to the DPS HCTF. PERA reporting agencies of the DPS Division are required to contribute at a rate of 1.02 percent of PERA-includable salary into the DPS HCTF.

Employer contributions are recognized by the DPS HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the DPS HCTF from the School were \$26,213 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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

At June 30, 2021, the School reported a liability of \$23,250 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability for the DPS HCTF was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2020. The School proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on the School contributions to the DPS HCTF for the calendar year 2020 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the DPS HCTF.

At December 31, 2020, the School proportion was .102 percent, which was a decrease of .00078 percent from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the School recognized OPEB income of \$17,818. At June 30, 2021, the School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

|   | <u>Deferred Outflows<br/>of Resources</u> | <u>Deferred Inflows of<br/>Resources</u> |
|---|---|--|
| Difference between expected and actual experience   | N/A                                       | \$8,961                                  |
| Changes of assumptions or other inputs  | \$2                                       | \$1,545                                  |
| Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments                                   | N/A                                       | \$4,006                                  |
| Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions | N/A                                       | \$4,406                                  |
| Contributions subsequent to the measurement date  | \$3,490                                   | N/A                                      |
| Total   | \$3,492                                   | \$18,918                                 |

\$3,490 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2022.

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Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

| <b>Year ended June 30:</b> |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| 2022                       | (\$4,253) |
| 2023                       | (\$3,854) |
| 2024                       | (\$4,385) |
| 2025                       | (\$3,768) |
| 2026                       | (\$1,432) |
| Thereafter                 | (\$1,224) |

*Actuarial assumptions.* The total OPEB liability in the December 31, 2018 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial cost method, actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

|  |  |
|--|--|
| Actuarial cost method  | Entry age  |
| Price inflation  | 2.40 percent   |
| Real wage growth   | 1.10 percent   |
| Wage inflation   | 3.50 percent   |
| Salary increases, including wage inflation   | 3.50 percent in aggregate  |
| Long-term investment rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation | 7.25 percent   |
| Discount rate  | 7.25 percent   |
| Health care cost trend rates   |  |
| PERA benefit structure:  |  |
| Service-based premium subsidy  | 0.00 percent   |
| PERACare Medicare plans  | 8.10 percent in 2020, gradually decreasing to 4.50 percent in 2029 |
| Medicare Part A Premiums   | 3.5% in 2020, gradually increasing to 4.5% in 2029                 |
| DPS benefit structure:   |  |
| Service-based premium subsidy  | 0.00%  |
| PERACare Medicare plans  | N/A  |
| Medicare Part A premiums   | N/A  |

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

In determining the additional liability for PERACare enrollees who are age 65 or older and who are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A, the following monthly costs/premiums (actual dollars) are assumed for 2020 for the PERA Benefit Structure:

| Medicare Plan                            | Initial Costs for Members<br>without Medicare Part A |                 |                                 |
|--|--|-----------------|---------------------------------|
|  | Monthly Cost   | Monthly Premium | Monthly Cost Adjusted to Age 65 |
| Medicare Advantage/Self-Insured Rx       | \$588  | \$227           | \$550                           |
| Kaiser Permanente Medicare Advantage HMO | 621  | 232             | 586                             |

The 2020 Medicare Part A premium is \$458 (actual dollars) per month.

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

Health care cost trend rates reflect the change in per capita health costs over time due to factors such as medical inflation, utilization, plan design, and technology improvements. For the PERA benefit structure, health care cost trend rates are needed to project the future costs associated with providing benefits to those PERACare enrollees not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A.

Health care cost trend rates for the PERA benefit structure are based on published annual health care inflation surveys in conjunction with actual plan experience (if credible), building block models and industry methods developed by health plan actuaries and administrators. In addition, projected trends for the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund (Medicare Part A premiums) provided by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services are referenced in the development of these rates. Effective December 31, 2019, the health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

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

The PERA benefit structure health care cost trend rates used to measure the total OPEB liability are summarized in the table below:

| Year  | PERACare<br>Medicare Plans | Medicare Part A<br>Premiums |
|-------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 2020  | 8.10%                      | 3.50%                       |
| 2021  | 6.40%                      | 3.75%                       |
| 2022  | 6.00%                      | 3.75%                       |
| 2023  | 5.70%                      | 3.75%                       |
| 2024  | 5.50%                      | 4.00%                       |
| 2025  | 5.30%                      | 4.00%                       |
| 2026  | 5.10%                      | 4.00%                       |
| 2027  | 4.90%                      | 4.25%                       |
| 2028  | 4.70%                      | 4.25%                       |
| 2029+ | 4.50%                      | 4.50%                       |

Mortality assumptions for the determination of the total pension liability used in the December 31, 2019, valuation for the DPS Division as shown below are applied, as applicable, in the determination of the total OPEB liability for the DPS HCTF. Affiliated employers of the DPS Division participate in the DPS HCTF.

Healthy mortality assumptions for active members were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Employee Mortality Table, a table specifically developed for actively working people. To allow for an appropriate margin of improved mortality prospectively, the mortality rates incorporate a 70 percent factor applied to male rates and a 55 percent factor applied to female rates.

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

- **Males:** Mortality improvement projected to 2018 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 93 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 113 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.
- **Females:** Mortality improvement projected to 2020 using the MP-2015 projection scale, a 68 percent factor applied to rates for ages less than 80, a 106 percent factor applied to rates for ages 80 and above, and further adjustments for credibility.

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

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

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2019, valuation were based on the results of the 2016 experience analysis for the period January 1, 2012, through December 31, 2015, as well as the October 28, 2016, actuarial assumptions workshop and were adopted by PERA's Board during the November 18, 2016, Board meeting.

Based on the 2020 experience analysis, dated October 28, 2020, and November 4, 2020, for the period of January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2019, revised economic and demographic assumptions were adopted by PERA's Board on November 20, 2020, and were effective as of December 31, 2020. The assumptions shown below were reflected in the roll forward calculation of the total OPEB liability from December 31, 2019, to December 31, 2020.

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| Actuarial cost method                       | Entry age    |
| Price inflation                             | 2.30%        |
| Real wage growth                            | 0.70%        |
| Wage inflation                              | 3.00%        |
| Salary increases, including wage inflation: | 3.80%-11.50% |

The long-term rate of return, net of OPEB plan investment expenses, including price inflation and discount rate assumptions were 7.25 percent.

Rates of termination/withdrawal, retirement, and disability were revised to more closely reflect actual experience.

Mortality assumptions used in the roll forward calculation for the determination of the total pension liability of the DPS Division as shown below were applied, as applicable, in the roll forward calculation for the DPS HCTF.

The pre-retirement mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubT-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 112 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 94 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 83 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 106 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled beneficiary mortality assumptions were based upon the Pub-2010 Contingent Survivor Table, adjusted as follows:

- **Males:** 97 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- **Females:** 105 percent of the rates for all ages, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Disabled mortality assumptions were based upon the PubNS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table using 99 percent of the rates for all ages with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

The mortality tables described above are generational mortality tables on a head-count weighted basis.

The following health care costs assumptions were updated and used in the roll forward calculation for the DPS HCTF:

- Initial per capita health care costs for those PERACare enrollees under the PERA benefit structure who are expected to attain age 65 and older ages and are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A benefits were updated to reflect the change in costs for the 2020 plan year.
- The health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums were revised to reflect the then-current expectation of future increases in rates of inflation applicable to Medicare Part A premiums.

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

Actuarial assumptions pertaining to per capita health care costs and their related trend rates are analyzed and updated annually by the Board's actuary, as discussed above.

The long-term expected return on plan assets is reviewed as part of regular experience studies prepared every four to five years for PERA. Recently this assumption has been reviewed more frequently. The most recent analyses were outlined in the Experience Study report dated October 28, 2020. As a result of the November 20, 2020, PERA Board meeting, the following economic assumptions were changed, effective December 31, 2020:

- Price inflation assumption decreased from 2.40 percent per year to 2.30 percent per year.
- Real rate of investment return assumption increased from 4.85 percent per year, net of investment expenses to 4.95 percent per year, net of investment expenses.
- Wage inflation assumption decreased from 3.50 percent per year to 3.00 percent per year.

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

The PERA Board first adopted the 7.25 percent long-term expected rate of return as of November 18, 2016. Following an asset/liability study, the Board reaffirmed the assumed rate of return at the Board's November 15, 2019, meeting, to be effective January 1, 2020.

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

As of the most recent reaffirmation of the long-term rate of return, the target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the table as follows:

| Asset Class               | Target Allocation | 30 Year Expected Geometric Real Rate of Return |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Global Equity             | 54.00%            | 5.60%  |
| Fixed Income              | 23.00%            | 1.30%  |
| Private Equity            | 8.50%             | 7.10%  |
| Real Estate               | 8.50%             | 4.40%  |
| Alternatives <sup>1</sup> | 6.00%             | 4.70%  |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>100.00%</b>    |  |

<sup>1</sup>The Opportunity Fund's name changed to Alternatives, effective January 1, 2020.

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

*Sensitivity of the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates.* The following presents the net OPEB liability using the current health care cost trend rates applicable to the PERA benefit structure, as well as if it were calculated using health care cost trend rates that are one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rates:

|                                       | 1% Decrease in Trend Rates | Current Trend Rates | 1% Increase in Trend Rates |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Initial PERACare Medicare trend rate  | 7.10%                      | 8.10%               | 9.10%                      |
| Ultimate PERACare Medicare trend rate | 3.50%                      | 4.50%               | 5.50%                      |
| Initial Medicare Part A trend rate    | 2.50%                      | 3.50%               | 4.50%                      |
| Ultimate Medicare Part A trend rate   | 3.50%                      | 4.50%               | 5.50%                      |
| <b>Net OPEB Liability</b>             | <b>\$23,249</b>            | <b>\$23,250</b>     | <b>\$23,252</b>            |

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

*Discount rate.* The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability was 7.25 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate applied the actuarial cost method and assumptions shown above. In addition, the following methods and assumptions were used in the projection of cash flows:

- Updated health care cost trend rates for Medicare Part A premiums as of the December 31, 2020, measurement date.
- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00 percent.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law and effective as of the measurement date.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- Estimated transfers of dollars into the DPS HCTF representing a portion of purchase service agreements intended to cover the costs associated with OPEB benefits.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the DPS HCTF's FNP was projected to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on OPEB plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent.

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

*Sensitivity of the School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate.* The following presents the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.25 percent, as well as what the proportionate share of the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.25 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.25 percent) than the current rate:

|   | 1% Decrease<br>(6.25%) | Current Discount<br>Rate (7.25%) | 1% Increase<br>(8.25%) |
|---|------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability | \$29,631               | \$23,250                         | \$17,800               |

*OPEB plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about the DPS HCTF's fiduciary net position is available in PERA's Annual Report which can be obtained at [www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports](http://www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports).

**NOTE 8: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

On September 8, 2017, the School entered into a lease agreement and relocated to a different building. The agreement requires monthly payments ranging from \$10,000 to \$22,017, beginning on October 1, 2017, through July 1, 2027. In addition, the School has the option to renew the lease for an additional five years at fair market rental rates. During the year ended June 30, 2021, the School reported lease expense of \$205,357, including under this agreement and the previous lease agreement.

A security deposit of \$10,000 was required by the lease agreement, and is reported as a deposit in the financial statements. In addition, the School deposited \$100,000 with the landlord at the commencement of the lease agreement. This deposit is being amortized into lease expense over the first two years of the lease term. The remaining balance of the deposit is reported in the financial statements as prepaid expenses, in the amount of \$20,045.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
June 30, 2021

**NOTE 8: COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES** (Continued)

Following is a schedule of future minimum lease payments required by the lease agreement.

Year Ended June 30,

|       |                            |
|-------|----------------------------|
| 2022  | \$ 240,000                 |
| 2023  | 244,820                    |
| 2024  | 249,666                    |
| 2025  | 254,512                    |
| 2026  | 259,358                    |
| 2027- | <u>264,204</u>             |
| Total | <b><u>\$ 1,512,560</u></b> |

**Claims and Judgments**

The School participates in a number of federal and state programs that are fully or partially funded by grants received from other governmental units. Expenditures financed by grants are subject to audit by the appropriate grantor government. If expenditures are disallowed due to noncompliance with grant program regulations, the School may be required to reimburse the grantor government. As of June 30, 2021, significant amounts of grant expenditures have not been audited, but the School believes that disallowed expenditures, if any, based on subsequent audits will not have a material effect on the overall financial position of the School.

**Tabor Amendment**

In November 1992, Colorado voters passed the Tabor Amendment to the State Constitution, which limits state and local government tax powers and imposes spending limitations. Fiscal year 1993 provides the basis for limits in future years to which may be applied allowable increases for inflation and student enrollment. Revenue received in excess of the limitations may be required to be refunded. The School believes it has complied with the Amendment.

As required by the Amendment, the School has established a reserve for emergencies. At June 30, 2021, the reserve of \$45,900 was recorded as a reservation of fund balance in the General Fund.

**NOTE 9: SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Potential subsequent events were considered through **November 2, 2021**. It was determined that no events were required to be disclosed through this date.  
time.

**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

RISEUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL

GENERAL FUND  
 BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE  
 Year Ended June 30, 2021

|   | 2021               |                   |                   | VARIANCE<br>Positive<br>(Negative) |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
|   | ORIGINAL<br>BUDGET | FINAL<br>BUDGET   | ACTUAL            |                                    |
| REVENUES  |                    |                   |                   |                                    |
| Local Sources                                   |                    |                   |                   |                                    |
| Per Pupil Revenue                               | \$ 1,071,649       | \$ 1,071,649      | \$ 985,764        | \$ (85,885)                        |
| Mill Levy Override                              | 539,750            | 539,750           | 541,436           | 1,686                              |
| Grants and Donations                            | 7,200              | 47,450            | 43,482            | (3,968)                            |
| Other   | 5,500              | 5,500             | 1,759             | (3,741)                            |
| State and Federal Sources                       |                    |                   |                   |                                    |
| Grants and Donations                            | 314,953            | 489,132           | 384,111           | (105,021)                          |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>                           | <b>1,939,052</b>   | <b>2,153,481</b>  | <b>1,956,552</b>  | <b>(196,929)</b>                   |
| EXPENDITURES                                    |                    |                   |                   |                                    |
| Salaries  | 848,888            | 975,064           | 957,629           | 17,435                             |
| Employee Benefits                               | 224,708            | 251,130           | 255,270           | (4,140)                            |
| Purchased Services                              | 619,415            | 622,965           | 508,067           | 114,898                            |
| Supplies and Materials                          | 48,800             | 80,550            | 56,209            | 24,341                             |
| Property  | 72,500             | 208,900           | 194,288           | 14,612                             |
| Other   | 124,741            | 14,872            | 1,053             | 13,819                             |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>                       | <b>1,939,052</b>   | <b>2,153,481</b>  | <b>1,972,516</b>  | <b>180,965</b>                     |
| EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER<br>(UNDER) EXPENDITURES | -                  | -                 | (15,964)          | (15,964)                           |
| OTHER FINANCING SOURCES                         |                    |                   |                   |                                    |
| Transfers Out                                   | -                  | -                 | (44,956)          | (44,956)                           |
| <b>TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USED)</b>     |                    |                   | <b>(44,956)</b>   | <b>(44,956)</b>                    |
| CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES                         | -                  | -                 | (60,920)          | (60,920)                           |
| FUND BALANCE, Beginning                         | 375,204            | 436,564           | 602,764           | 166,200                            |
| FUND BALANCE, Ending                            | <u>\$ 375,204</u>  | <u>\$ 436,564</u> | <u>\$ 541,844</u> | <u>\$ 105,280</u>                  |

See the accompanying independent auditors' report.

RISEUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE  
SCHOOL DIVISION TRUST FUND

Years Ended December 31,

|   | <u>2015</u> | <u>2016</u>  | <u>2017</u>  | <u>2018</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|---|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability   | 0.0108%     | 0.0106%      | 0.0126%      | 0.0773%     | 0.0709%     | 0.1016%     |
| School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability   | \$ 876,480  | \$ 1,163,365 | \$ 1,129,776 | \$ 790,595  | \$ 467,249  | \$ 456,954  |
| School's covered-employee payroll   | \$ 337,076  | \$ 701,714   | \$ 854,180   | \$ 784,510  | \$ 767,200  | \$ 659,314  |
| School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll | 260.0%      | 165.8%       | 132.3%       | 100.8%      | 60.9%       | 69.3%       |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability                                | 79.3%       | 74.1%        | 80.0%        | 75.7%       | 84.7%       | 90.1%       |

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RISEUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
 SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS  
 SCHOOL DIVISION TRUST FUND

Years Ended June 30,

|   | <u>2016</u>   | <u>2017</u>   | <u>2018</u>   | <u>2019</u>   | <u>2020</u>   | <u>2021</u>   |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Statutorily required contributions                                  | \$ 12,792     | \$ 25,608     | \$ 41,721     | \$ 42,743     | \$ 49,725     | \$ 91,948     |
| Contributions in relation to the Statutorily required contributions | <u>12,792</u> | <u>25,608</u> | <u>41,721</u> | <u>42,743</u> | <u>49,725</u> | <u>91,948</u> |
| Contribution deficiency (excess)                                    | <u>\$ -</u>   |
| School's covered-employee payroll                                   | \$ 654,013    | \$ 769,114    | \$ 926,353    | \$ 854,180    | \$ 772,478    | \$ 659,314    |
| Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll           | 1.96%         | 3.33%         | 4.50%         | 5.00%         | 6.44%         | 13.95%        |

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RISEUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE  
DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND

Years Ended December 31,

|   | <u>2017</u> | <u>2018</u> | <u>2019</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability   | 0.126%      | 0.117%      | 0.102%      | 0.102%      |
| School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability   | \$ 64,047   | \$ 52,998   | \$ 37,699   | \$ 23,250   |
| School's covered-employee payroll   | \$ 865,713  | \$ 784,510  | \$ 767,200  | \$ 659,314  |
| School's proportionate share of the Net Pension Liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll | 7.4%        | 6.8%        | 4.9%        | 3.5%        |
| Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability                                | 30.5%       | 34.7%       | 47.0%       | 65.4%       |

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RISEUP COMMUNITY SCHOOL

SCHEDULE OF THE SCHOOL'S CONTRIBUTIONS  
DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS HEALTH CARE TRUST FUND

Years Ended June 30,

|   | <u>2018</u>  | <u>2019</u>  | <u>2020</u>  | <u>2021</u>  |
|---|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Statutorily required contributions                                  | \$ 9,449     | \$ 8,002     | \$ 7,880     | \$ 6,725     |
| Contributions in relation to the Statutorily required contributions | <u>9,449</u> | <u>8,002</u> | <u>7,880</u> | <u>6,725</u> |
| Contribution deficiency (excess)                                    | <u>\$ -</u>  | <u>\$ -</u>  | <u>\$ -</u>  | <u>\$ -</u>  |
| School's covered-employee payroll                                   | \$ 938,974   | \$ 784,510   | \$ 772,478   | \$ 659,314   |
| Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll           | 1.01%        | 1.02%        | 1.02%        | 1.02%        |

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