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October 19, 2018

TO: Members of the Audit Committee & Finance, Facilities, Technology (FFT) Committee

FR: Ellen N. Doughty, Clerk of the Board

The University of Maine

RE: **October 29, 2018 Audit Committee & FFT Committee Joint Meeting**

University of Maine  
at Augusta

The Audit Committee & FFT Committee Joint Meeting will be from **9:00 am to 11:00 am on October 29, 2018**. The meeting will be held at the University of Maine Campus, Wells Conference Center, Room 1.

University of Maine  
at Farmington

University of Maine  
at Fort Kent

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University of Maine  
at Machias

Light refreshments will be provided. The meeting materials are posted to the Diligent Board Portal as well as the Board of Trustees website at: (<http://www.maine.edu/about-the-system/board-of-trustees/meeting-agendas/audit-committee/>).

University of Maine  
at Presque Isle

University of  
Southern Maine

If you have questions about the meeting materials please call me at 581-5840. If you have any questions or desire additional information about the agenda items, please call Tracy Elliott at 581-5492.

cc: James Page, Chancellor  
Trustees who are not members of the Audit or FFT Committees  
Presidents  
Ryan Low  
Tracy Elliott  
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Chip Gavin



Board of Trustees

**Audit Committee & Finance, Facilities, Technology Committee Joint Meeting**

October 29, 2018, 9:00 am to 11:00 am  
Wells Conference Center, Orono

**AGENDA**

**Audit Committee**

- 9:00 am  
TAB 1            [Audit Committee Work Plan & Duties and Responsibilities](#)
- 9:05 am  
TAB 2            [UM Department of Athletics Agreed-Upon Procedures Report](#)
- 9:20 am  
TAB 3            [Annual Financial Report FY2018](#)
- 10:00 am  
TAB 4            [Auditor Communications to the Audit Committee](#)
- 10:30 am  
TAB 5            [External Audit Services RFP Update](#)
- 10:35 am  
TAB 6            [Enterprise Risk Management Update](#)

**Finance, Facilities, Technology Committee**

- 10:55 am  
**TAB 7**            [Property Removal, Northern Road Duplexes, UMPI](#)

Action items within the Committee purview are noted in green.  
Items for Committee decisions and recommendations are noted in red.

*Note: An item may be brought up earlier or the order of items changed for effective deliberation of matters before the Committee.*



## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

1. **NAME OF ITEM:** Audit Committee Fiscal Year 2019 Work Plan & Duties and Responsibilities
2. **INITIATED BY:** James O. Donnelly, Chair
3. **BOARD INFORMATION:** X **BOARD ACTION:**
4. **OUTCOME:** **BOARD POLICY:**  
 Primary Outcome: Enhance fiscal positioning Bylaws – Section 3
5. **BACKGROUND:**

Board Committees annually review their Work Plans, which provide an overview of the agendas for the Committee for the fiscal year. The Audit Committee’s Fiscal Year 2019 Work Plan is presented for your information. This Plan will also be included in the November 18-19, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting materials as an information item.

In addition, a copy of the Committee Duties and Responsibilities are included for your information.

University of Maine System  
Board of Trustees

**Audit Committee  
Work Plan FY2019**

**Late October Meeting Agenda:**

1. UM Department of Athletics Agreed-Upon Procedures Report
2. Presentation of the Annual Financial Report (audited financial statements)
3. External auditor report including required communications letter, executive summary of financial statement audit results, and discussion of emerging accounting issues
4. External audit services Request for Proposal (RFP) update
5. Enterprise Risk Management update

**January Meeting Agenda:**

1. Interview external auditors as part of the RFP process

**May Meeting Agenda:**

1. Review Single Audit Report
2. External auditor summary of federal compliance Single Audit results
3. External auditor discussion of required communications, audit planning for the next fiscal year, and emerging accounting issues
4. UM Department of Athletics Agreed-Upon Procedures Report
5. Enterprise Risk Management – first annual report, feedback regarding the process, and preparation for BOT presentation

*Other meetings and agenda items scheduled as needed.*

University of Maine System  
Board of Trustees

**Audit Committee**  
Duties and Responsibilities

Committee established: July 1988  
Last Revised: 7/11/1988; 10/21/2008; 8/23/2010; 5/23/2011  
Approved by the Board of Trustees: 5/23/2011; 9/23/2013

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The Audit Committee shall monitor the adequacy and integrity of the University of Maine System's (System) internal controls, financial reporting, compliance with legal and regulatory requirements and ethics reporting.

Committee Authority

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Bylaws – Section 3

The primary duties and responsibilities of the Committee shall be to:

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1. Recommend for initial appointment by the Board the independent public accountant for the System.
2. Review and approve the annual audit scope and fees of the independent public accountant.
3. Review the independence of the independent public accountant and management's evaluation of this independence.
4. Review and approve the scope of other professional services performed or to be performed by any independent public accountant as well as the related fees and consider the possible effect that these services could have on the independence of such accountant.
5. Discuss with the independent public accountant the result of its audit of the prior year.
6. Review with management and the independent public accountant all significant issues concerning litigation contingencies, claims or assessments and all material accounting changes which require inclusion in the footnotes to the annual financial statements. This review should include a discussion of recent Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) or other pronouncements that have a material impact on the System. GASB is the independent organization that establishes and improves standards of accounting and financial reporting for U.S. state and local governments.
7. Monitor instances where management seeks second opinions on significant accounting issues.
8. Review management's evaluation of the adequacy of the System's internal controls and the extent to which major recommendations made by the independent public accountant and the System internal auditors have been implemented.

## Audit Committee Duties and Responsibilities Continued

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9. Review the internal audit services contracted for by the System.
10. Review the audit results of governmental and independent auditors engaged for specific purposes.
11. Review NCAA annual financial agreed-upon procedures reports and external compliance reports. Review the campus schedule to ensure that the entire rules compliance program receives an external comprehensive review at least once every four years.
12. Oversee the System efforts for enterprise risk management, to include the identification, assessment and prioritization of risks, as well as the development of action plans to address risks and progress towards mitigation.
13. As deemed appropriate by the Committee, unless otherwise specifically directed by the Board of Trustees, it shall direct and supervise an investigation into any matter within the scope of its duties and responsibilities. In connection with any such investigation, the Committee shall have the authority to utilize the System staff and other resources and to employ outside counsel or consultants at System expense.

#### Membership of the Committee

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The Audit Committee shall be made up of at least three voting members of the Board of Trustees. The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board and the Chancellor shall be ex-officio members, but the Chancellor shall have no vote. The Audit Committee can only include persons who are members of the Board.

#### Meetings

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The meetings of the Committee ordinarily shall be called by the Committee Chair, but may be called by the Chair of the Board or a majority of the Committee.

#### Staff to the Committee

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The Audit Committee shall be staffed by the Vice Chancellor for Administration and Finance and Treasurer.



### AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

- 1. **NAME OF ITEM:** UM Department of Athletics Agreed-Upon Procedures Report
- 2. **INITIATED BY:** James O. Donnelly, Chair
- 3. **BOARD INFORMATION:** X **BOARD ACTION:**
- 4. **OUTCOME:** **BOARD POLICY:**  
 Primary Outcomes: Bylaws – Section 3  
 Enhance fiscal positioning
- 5. **BACKGROUND:**

Claire Strickland, Chief Business Officer for the University of Maine, will provide a brief overview regarding the enclosed Department of Athletics Agreed-Upon Procedures Report for Academic Year 2017-2018, performed by O'Connor & Drew.

October 5, 2018

Mr. Ken Ralph, Director of Athletics  
University of Maine  
5747 Memorial Gym  
Orono, Maine 04469

Dear Mr. Ralph:

Enclosed please find three copies of the University of Maine Department of Athletics agreed-upon procedures report.

If you would like to meet to discuss this report, please contact us.

Very truly yours,

O'Connor & Drew, P.C.

FOB/ps  
Enclosures

# **UNIVERSITY OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS**

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## **AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO THE ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY  
AUDITORS NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION  
DIVISION I COMPLIANCE AUDIT GUIDE**

**Academic Year 2017-2018**

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS**

**Agreed-Upon Procedures Report**

**Pursuant to the Association of College & University Auditors National  
Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Compliance Audit Guide**

**Academic Year 2017-2018**

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## **INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES REPORT**

Mr. Ken Ralph, Director of Athletics  
University of Maine  
Orono, Maine

We have performed the procedures enumerated in the following sections of the Association of College & University Auditors (“ACUA”) National Collegiate Athletic Association (“NCAA”) Division I Compliance Audit Guide (“Audit Guide”) for the University of Maine (the "University") Department of Athletics (the "Department"), which were agreed to by the University, related to management’s assertion about the University’s compliance with the requirements enumerated below for the 2017-2018 academic year:

- Continuing-Eligibility Certification
- Transfer-Eligibility Certification
- Investigations and Self-Reporting of Rules Violations
- Playing and Practice Seasons
- Commitment of Personnel to Rules- Head Coach Responsibilities

The University’s Management is responsible for the compliance with those specified requirements. The sufficiency of these procedures is solely the responsibility of the specified parties. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures enumerated below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

This agreed-upon procedures engagement was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. We were not engaged to, and did not, conduct an examination or review, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion or conclusion, respectively, on compliance with the specified requirements. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of Mr. Ken Ralph, Director of Athletics, the board of trustees and management of the University, and it is not intended to be, and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. This restriction is not intended to limit the distribution of this report if this report is a matter of public record.

**Certified Public Accountants  
Braintree, Massachusetts**

August 17, 2018

# UNIVERSITY OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS

## Background

### For the Academic Year 2017-2018

The University is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I and competes in the Hockey East Conference for hockey, Colonial Athletic Association Conference for football and America East Conference for all other sports.

The NCAA requires the evaluation of the compliance program of a Division I athletic program at least every four years by an authority independent of the Institution's Athletic Department. To meet this requirement, the University has established a policy in which on a rolling basis over a four-year period, the areas listed in the Audit Guide are reviewed for compliance with the related requirements.

NCAA compliance is a shared responsibility of all members of the University who are involved in the recruitment and education of student athletes. The Compliance Office within the Athletics Department is responsible for monitoring NCAA compliance. The Compliance Office accumulates information on student athletes, educates other University personnel regarding the NCAA requirements, and monitors compliance with the regulations.

The Compliance Office maintains a compliance manual documenting the policies and procedures of the department. This manual addresses all NCAA compliance areas and is managed by the Director of Compliance, who is responsible for assuring, through review of applicable changes in NCAA compliance regulations, that the manual remains in conformity with regulations.

The Compliance Office educates coaches on NCAA regulations primarily by conducting seminars and by reviewing, training, and enforcing the coaches section of the University's Compliance Manual. Members of the Compliance Office obtain their NCAA regulation knowledge by attending NCAA related seminars and guidelines from conference representatives.

# UNIVERSITY OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS

## Findings

### For the Academic Year 2017-2018

#### Procedures:

As noted above, we have performed all of the applicable procedures enumerated in the previously stated sections of the ACUA NCAA Audit Guide, for the University's Department of Athletics, in evaluating management's assertion about the University's compliance with the requirements for the 2017-2018 academic year with findings described below:

#### Finding (F18-01):

##### *Playing and Practice Seasons*

Bylaw 17.1.7.9.2 states:

*No class time shall be missed at any time (e.g., regular academic term, mini term, summer term) for practice activities except when a team is traveling to an away-from-home contest and the practice is in conjunction with the contest.*

We selected a sample of student-athletes in baseball, field hockey, soccer and softball to test whether any student-athlete missed class time in conjunction with the non-championship segment of their respective sport. We noted five student-athletes on the softball and field hockey teams who appear to have missed class time based on conflicts between their class schedules and the playing and practice schedules entered into the University's ARMS software. We were advised by the assistant coaches of softball and field hockey that they released the student-athletes early to attend class, but the coaches did not update the practice times in ARMS accordingly.

#### Recommendation:

We recommend that Compliance emphasize the importance of accurate countable athletic related activity ("CARA") logs with all coaches. All CARA hours need to be entered accurately by the coaching staffs of the University including, but not limited, to early dismissal/late arrival for student-athletes to attend class to ensure compliance with this NCAA bylaw. The University should inquire if the ARMS software has the capability to notify coaches and Compliance when there is a possible conflict between class and practice time.

#### Management's Response:

Management agrees with the recommendation. The Compliance Office will address the issue of accurate time-keeping for all CARA activities at the upcoming monthly rules education session. The coaching staff will be reminded to review all individual CARA events prior to certification to ensure that accurate records are submitted for each student-athlete. ARMS (Automated Records Management System) software developers have been contacted to see if the software can be used to notify coaches and Compliance Officers of conflicts. The feature does not exist at this time but will be taken under consideration. In the meantime, coaches and their staffs will

# **UNIVERSITY OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS**

## **General Recommendations**

### **For the Academic Year 2017-2018**

use the ARMS Team Calendar, which allows CARA events to be included with class schedules. This will help to identify and prevent any conflicts between practice and class time.

# UNIVERSITY OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS

## General Recommendations

### For the Academic Year 2017-2018

#### Overview:

We have provided the enclosed “general recommendations” for the purposes of providing general best practices for the University. Although these recommendations do not specifically correspond to NCAA compliance bylaws, they have been found to aid in developing a solid foundation of documentation and rules compliance.

#### General Recommendation (GR18-01):

##### *Playing and Practice Seasons*

We reviewed documentation from the Department of Sports Medicine to ensure that each freshman football student-athlete passed a medical examination prior to the start of preseason practice, in accordance with NCAA bylaw 13.11.3.7.3. However, we noted that compliance did not receive notification from Sports Medicine that these student-athletes passed a medical exam prior to practice and thus were unable to monitor compliance with this bylaw.

#### Recommendation:

We recommend that the University require the Department of Sports Medicine to provide notification in ARMS confirming that each student-athlete has passed a physical prior to the start of their first respective season at the University. This will ensure that Compliance can properly monitor that all student-athletes are eligible to compete according to the NCAA bylaw.

#### Management’s Response:

Management agrees with the recommendation. The Compliance Office will no longer certify a student-athlete as eligible for practice until that student’s ARMS record has been updated by the Department of Sports Medicine staff indicating that the student has passed a medical exam. Each student-athlete’s ARMS profile now includes a field that must be checked by Department of Sports Medicine staff to verify that a medical exam has been passed.

#### General Recommendation (GR18-02):

##### *Playing and Practice Seasons*

Multiple practice sessions are held throughout the day for men’s and women’s track and field. When entering the data into ARMS, the coaches input the same practice time for all student-athletes. As a result, data in ARMS is incomplete and does not enable compliance to properly monitor adherence to the weekly limit of CARA hours.

# UNIVERSITY OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF ATHLETICS

## General Recommendations

### For the Academic Year 2017-2018

Recommendation:

In order to maintain accurate information related to practice sessions, the track and field coaching staff should input all practice times into ARMS, including which student-athletes attended each specific practice.

Management's Response:

Management agrees with the recommendation. The Compliance Office has met with the track and field coaching staff to discuss the importance of submitting accurate practice and lifting times into the compliance software (ARMS) for CARA certification. All countable athletic related activity (CARA) will be documented properly within the Automated Records Management System (ARMS).



## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

- 1. **NAME OF ITEM:** Annual Financial Report – Fiscal Year 2018
- 2. **INITIATED BY:** James O. Donnelly, Chair
- 3. **BOARD INFORMATION:** X **BOARD ACTION:**
- 4. **OUTCOME:** **BOARD POLICY:**  
 Primary Outcomes: Bylaws – Section 3  
 Enhance fiscal positioning
- 5. **BACKGROUND:**

The University of Maine System’s (UMS) fiscal year 2018 (FY18) draft Annual Financial Report is presented for the Audit Committee’s review. Darla Reynolds, UMS Director of Accounting, will provide an overview of the results at the October 29, 2018 joint Board/Committee meeting.

As shown on page 36 of the Annual Financial Report, the UMS ended FY18 with a *Loss Before Other Changes in Net Position* of \$588 thousand and *Total Other Changes in Net Position* of \$16 million, for a *Change in Net Position* for FY18 of nearly \$16 million.

As shown on page 34, *Total Net Position* at June 30, 2018 was nearly \$814 million increasing \$16 million from FY17. Changes in each *Net Position* category were:

<b>Net Position Category:</b>	<b>FY18</b>
	<b><u>Increase</u></b>
<i>Net Investment in Capital Assets</i>	\$7 million
<i>Restricted Nonexpendable</i>	\$1 million
<i>Restricted Expendable</i>	\$1 million
<i>Unrestricted</i>	<u>\$7 million</u>
<b><i>Change in Net Position</i></b>	<b><u>\$16 million</u></b>

The Audit Committee will review the FY2018 Annual Financial Report and forwarded it for Board of Trustee approval at the October 29, 2018 Special Board Meeting.



**DRAFT**

# Annual Financial Report

Year Ended June 30, 2018



# 2018

University of Maine  
University of Maine at Augusta  
University of Maine at Farmington  
University of Maine at Fort Kent  
University of Maine at Machias  
University of Maine at Presque Isle  
University of Southern Maine

Electronic statements are available at  
<http://www.maine.edu/about-the-system/system-office/finances/annual-financial-reports/>  
Or by contacting:

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October 2018

Office of the Chancellor  
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Tel: 207-973-3205  
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Dear Friend:

The Maine public university commitment to service, job-creating research, and scholarship must be matched by an equal obligation to stewardship and responsible fiscal management. We are pleased to share financial statements that illustrate the progress we have achieved as an enterprise and the capacity we are building as an institution of discovery and responsive state service.

The University of Maine

The University's nation-leading commitment to affordability and historic investments in campus financial aid budgets have lowered the financial barriers to higher education in Maine. The University has leveraged this progress to launch a promise initiative that covers tuition and mandatory fees for new students with the greatest financial need attending four of our institutions. The University Nursing Workforce Plan targeting a nursing shortage projected to grow to about 3,000 vacancies by 2025 is able to include an offer of nursing education to Pell-eligible students in many of the regions of Maine facing the most acute nursing workforce challenges.

University of Maine  
at Augusta

University of Maine  
at Farmington

The cost of tuition in Maine also provides a competitive advantage in terms of recruiting students from across the Northeast region to our campuses, contributing to out-of-state enrollment growth of more than 13% at a time when the number of students graduating from the state's high schools continues to decline. Many of the 5,727 non-resident students who have come to Maine to attend our universities will begin their careers here as well, helping to address a state need for 158,000 new credentialed workers by 2025.

University of Maine  
at Fort Kent

University of Maine  
at Machias

The Maine Legislature overwhelmingly approved a \$49 million University Workforce Development Bond for voter consideration in the Fall of 2018. The bond proposal is the largest ever approved by the Legislature for the University of Maine System and stands as a demonstration of confidence and State House support for public higher education in Maine.

University of Maine  
at Presque Isle

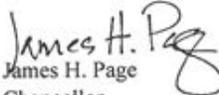
University of  
Southern Maine

We continue to build on that confidence with ongoing implementation of unified budget reforms that improve transparency, facilitate decision making, and increase our capacity for collaboration across our campuses. In July of 2018 the Board of Trustees approved the first comprehensive update to the state allocation model in the history of the System. The model uses institutional peer group comparisons to establish the costs and resource needs of delivering services across the System's mission-differentiated campuses. The new model will more fairly and accurately distribute state resources and help campus leaders set more informed fiscal goals.

During August 2018, S&P Global Ratings affirmed the System's investment-grade AA- long-term rating with a stable outlook. Their report assessed the System financial profile as very strong reflecting healthy financial management policies, sound financial performance, healthy financial resources, and low debt and contingent liabilities.

A cover story in the Chronicle of Higher Education earlier this year characterized Maine and its One University Initiative as a "laboratory for the future of public higher education." While we are pleased our reforms are becoming a national example for other institutions and states, our focus remains providing opportunity and service to the people of Maine. The standard of measure that matters most for our System and the dedicated public servants of the university community is that we have put Maine communities first and helped sustain a quality of life for Maine residents that is second to none.

Sincerely,

  
James H. Page  
Chancellor

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AS OF JUNE 30, 2018**

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**DRAFT****INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

The Board of Trustees  
University of Maine System

**Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the University of Maine System (the System), a component unit of the State of Maine, as of and for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the System'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 U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 audits. We did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit. Those statements were audited by another auditor, whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinions, insofar as they relate to the amounts included for the discretely presented component unit, are based solely on the reports of the other auditor. We conducted our audits in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. The financial statements of the discretely presented component unit were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

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***

The Board of Trustees  
University of Maine System

In our opinion, based on our audits and the reports of the other auditor, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the System as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

### ***Emphasis of a Matter***

#### *Adoption of New Accounting Pronouncements*

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, in 2018, the System adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* and GASB Statement No. 81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements*. The 2017 financial statements have been restated for the retrospective application of the new accounting guidance. Our opinion was not modified with respect to these matters.

### ***Other Matters***

#### *Required Supplementary Information*

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis and the required supplementary information related to the System's retirement plans as be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by GASB, 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 U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### *Other Information*

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the System's basic financial statements. The supplementary information presented in the Schedules of Activities is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from, and relates directly to, the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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The Board of Trustees  
University of Maine System

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

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

Bangor, Maine  
**REPORT DATE**

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**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM  
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS  
JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (UNAUDITED)**

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The Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) provides a broad overview of the University of Maine System's ("the System" or UMS) financial condition as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, the results of its operations for the years then ended, significant changes from the previous years, and outlook for the future where appropriate and relevant. Management has prepared the financial statements and related note disclosures along with this MD&A. The MD&A should be read in conjunction with the accompanying basic financial statements and related notes.

**Mission**

Established in 1968 by the Maine State Legislature, the System is the State's largest educational enterprise, uniting its public universities in the common purpose of providing high-quality educational undergraduate and graduate opportunities that are accessible, affordable, and relevant to the needs of Maine students, businesses, and communities. The System features seven universities —some with multiple campuses—located across the state, as well as eight outreach centers, a law school, an additional 32 course sites, and Cooperative Extension. The System carries out the traditional tripartite mission – teaching, research, and public service. A major resource for the State, the System drives economic development by conducting world-class research, commercializing valuable ideas, and partnering successfully with businesses and industries throughout Maine and beyond. Two-thirds of its alumni—approximately 120,000 people—live in Maine.

**Universities, Campuses, and Centers**

The System is a comprehensive public institution of higher education with nearly 29,000 enrolled students, supported by the efforts of 1,160 regular full-time faculty, 66 regular part-time faculty, 3,041 regular full-time staff, and 280 regular part-time staff members.

From Maine's largest city to its rural northern borders, our universities are known for excellence in teaching and research. Our universities are:



The State's land-grant university and the flagship institution in the System, the University of Maine (UM) is one of New England's premier universities. UM offers baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degree programs.



With full-service campuses in Maine's state capital of Augusta and in Bangor, the University of Maine at Augusta (UMA) is considered the university of choice for Mainers who want to receive a quality and affordable education without uprooting their lives.



Established in 1864 as Maine’s first public institution of higher education, the University of Maine at Farmington (UMF) is Maine’s public liberal arts college, offering quality programs in teacher education, human services, and arts and sciences.



Founded as the Madawaska Training School in 1878, the University of Maine at Fort Kent’s (UMFK) goal is to be Maine’s premier rural public university; educating students to become responsible citizens committed to environmental stewardship through experiential learning.



Through its environmental liberal arts core, distinctive baccalaureate programs, and student-centered community, the University of Maine at Machias (UMM) creates enriching educational opportunities that prepare graduates for professional success and lifelong engagement with the world.



For more than a century, the University of Maine at Presque Isle (UMPI) has been helping students find their path to great professional careers. UMPI provides students with life-changing opportunities in a caring, small-university environment. UMPI combines liberal arts and selected professional programs and serves as a cultural and educational resource for the entire region.



The University of Southern Maine (USM) is northern New England’s outstanding public, regional, comprehensive university, dedicated to providing students with a high-quality, accessible, affordable education. From campuses in Portland, Gorham, and Lewiston-Auburn, USM offers baccalaureate, master’s, and doctoral degree programs.

The University of Maine School of Law, a freestanding institution within the System, is located in Portland. Lewiston-Auburn College is a campus of USM. The Hutchinson Center in Belfast is a campus of UM. UMA Bangor is a campus of the University of Maine at Augusta. UMA also has eight UMA Centers that provide onsite, distance and online students with access and support to education courses offered by all seven UMS universities at the UMA Centers as well as at 32 Interactive Television (ITV) course receive sites statewide.

**Student Enrollment**

Chart 1 shows student enrollment, including early college, on a headcount basis with 28,997 students enrolled for the fall 2017 semester, down 1.6% from fall 2016 and down 4.5% since fall 2013. For fall 2017, 65% of the student population was enrolled full-time.

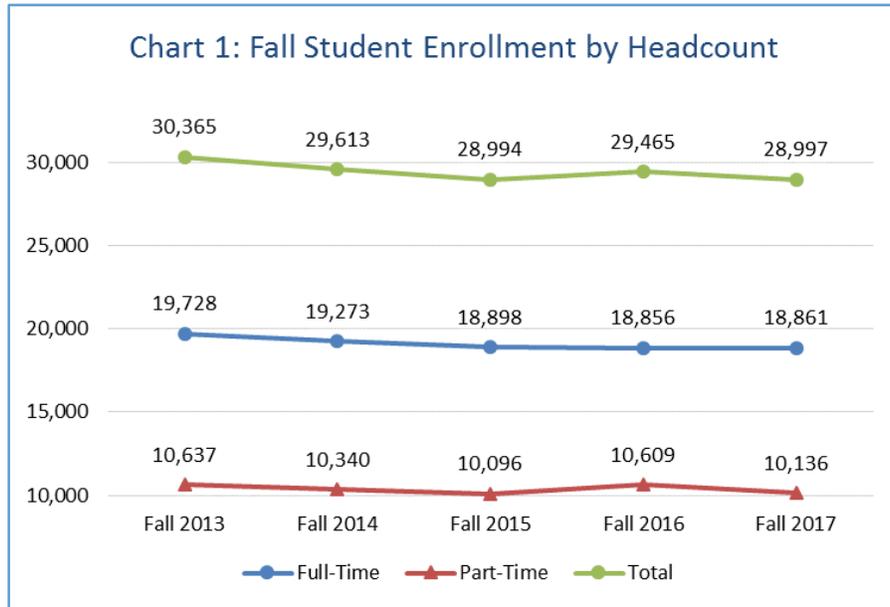
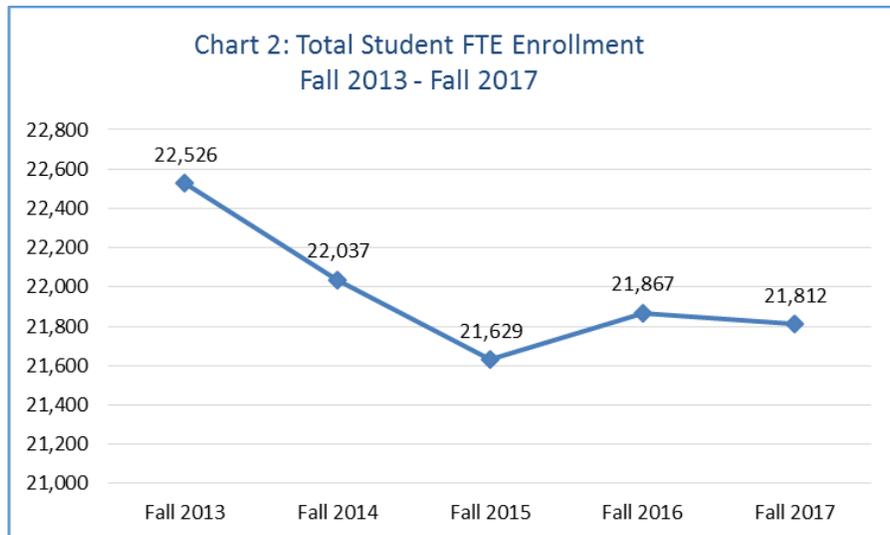


Chart 2 and Table 1 show student enrollment, including early college, on a full-time equivalent (FTE) basis with 21,812 students enrolled for the fall 2017 semester, down 0.3% from fall 2016. Since fall 2013, enrollments declined by a net 714 students, or 3.2%. For fall 2017 and fall 2016, 76% and 79%, respectively, of FTE enrollments were Maine residents.



## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

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Table 1: Fall Student FTE Enrollment

	% Change		% Change	% Change		% Change	% Change		% Change	% Change	
	Fall 2013 to 2017	Fall 2017		Fall 2016	Fall 2015		Fall 2014	Fall 2013			
UM	3.9%	9,720	1.3%	9,594	2.4%	9,371	-1.5%	9,512	1.7%	9,356	3.5%
UMA	-20.1%	2,169	-10.4%	2,422	-7.8%	2,626	0.4%	2,615	-3.6%	2,713	-5.2%
UMF	-4.6%	1,723	0.8%	1,709	-0.9%	1,724	1.7%	1,695	-6.2%	1,807	-4.7%
UMFK	18.0%	950	-9.7%	1,052	15.5%	911	8.7%	838	4.1%	805	3.3%
UMM	-16.6%	452	-8.1%	492	-0.2%	493	-4.5%	516	-4.8%	542	-5.1%
UMPI	7.1%	903	2.0%	885	7.5%	823	5.6%	779	-7.6%	843	-13.4%
USM	-8.7%	5,895	3.2%	5,713	0.6%	5,681	-6.6%	6,082	-5.9%	6,460	-6.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>-3.2%</b>	<b>21,812</b>	<b>-0.3%</b>	<b>21,867</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>21,629</b>	<b>-1.9%</b>	<b>22,037</b>	<b>-2.2%</b>	<b>22,526</b>	<b>-2.0%</b>

**Student Comprehensive Cost of Education**

Net student fee revenue, totaling \$256 million in FY18 and \$245 million in FY17, is the System's greatest source of revenue, contributing 37% of Total Operating and Net Nonoperating Revenues for FY18 and 36% for each of the prior five years. Net student fees are impacted by enrollment levels; tuition, room and board, and fee levels; and the amount of scholarship allowances provided to students.

The average comprehensive cost of education (tuition, fees, and room and board) for UMS undergraduate, graduate, and Law School students is shown in Table 2 and Chart 3. Due to a change in the methodology used to calculate the student cost of education from weighted average to average, the FY14 through FY17 information presented in Table 2 has been restated to conform to the FY18 data.

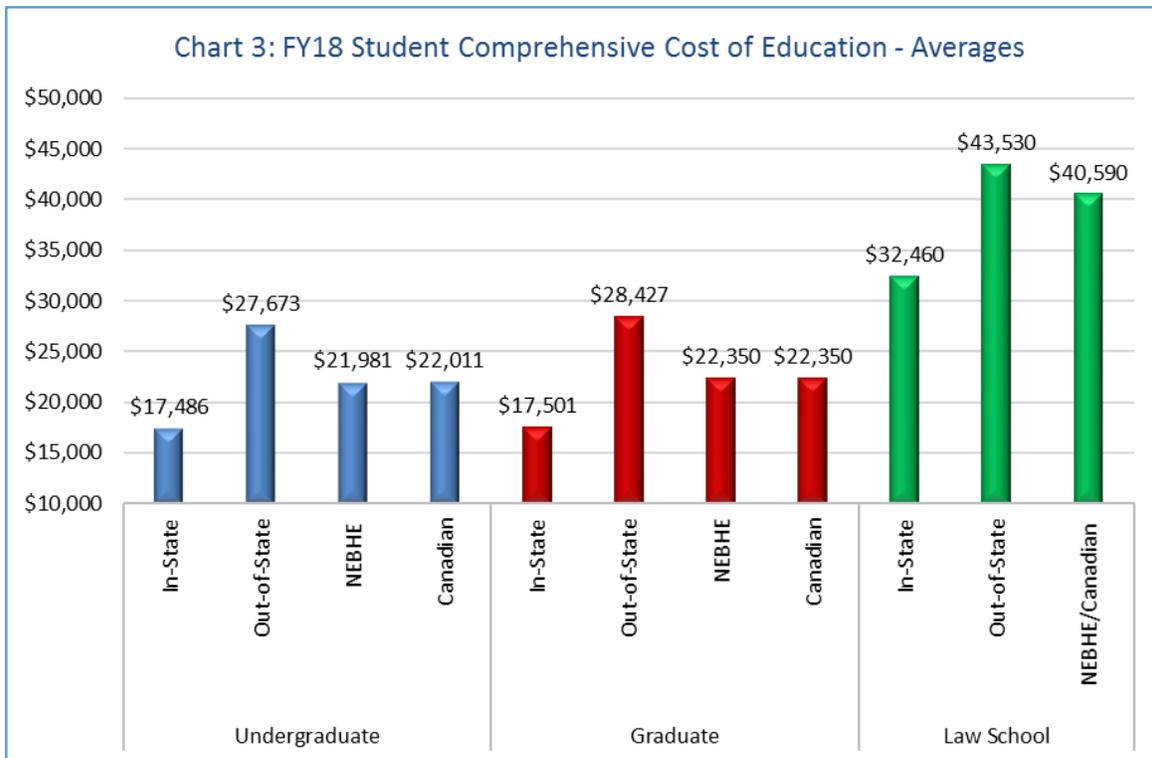
The percentage changes for the comprehensive cost of education in FY18 range from an increase of 4.4% for Undergraduate New England Board of Higher Education (NEBHE) and Canadian students, down to an increase of 0.1% for all categories of Law School students. Percentage changes in FY17 ranged from an increase of 2.0% for Undergraduate NEBHE and Graduate NEBHE and Canadian students, to a decrease of 0.6% for in-state Law School students.

The System increased tuition for in-state undergraduate students in FY18, the first time since FY12. Continuing with its commitment to affordable educational opportunities, the System held the in-state undergraduate tuition increase to a system-wide average of 3.3% and the overall average comprehensive cost of education for this same category of students to an increase of just 2.5%.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

**Table 2: Student Comprehensive Cost of Education  
Tuition, Mandatory Fees, and Room and Board Fiscal Year Averages**

	2018		2017		2016		2015		2014	
	Cost	% Change								
<b>Undergraduate:</b>										
In-State	\$17,486	2.5%	\$17,065	0.3%	\$17,008	1.0%	\$16,837	0.7%	\$16,719	1.3%
Out-of-State	27,673	2.8%	26,922	1.1%	26,634	0.9%	26,407	-6.1%	28,119	1.0%
NEBHE	21,981	4.4%	21,045	2.0%	20,633	0.8%	20,462	0.6%	20,344	1.1%
Canadian	22,011	4.4%	21,075	1.8%	20,710	0.8%	20,539	0.6%	20,421	1.1%
<b>Graduate:</b>										
In-State	\$17,501	2.3%	\$17,114	0.5%	\$17,031	1.1%	\$16,853	0.8%	\$16,724	1.4%
Out-of-State	28,427	2.7%	27,674	1.0%	27,405	1.1%	27,107	1.1%	26,822	1.4%
NEBHE	22,350	4.0%	21,488	2.0%	21,075	1.3%	20,808	0.2%	20,763	1.1%
Canadian	22,350	4.0%	21,488	2.0%	21,075	1.3%	20,808	0.2%	20,763	1.1%
<b>Law School:</b>										
In-State	\$32,460	0.1%	\$32,430	-0.6%	\$32,630	0.8%	\$32,380	0.6%	\$32,180	0.6%
Out-of-State	43,530	0.1%	43,500	-0.5%	43,700	0.6%	43,450	0.5%	43,250	0.4%
NEBHE/Canadian	40,590	0.1%	40,560	-0.5%	40,760	0.6%	40,510	0.5%	40,310	0.5%



## ***OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS***

The System's financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles and include three primary components, the:

- Statements of Net Position
- Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position
- Statements of Cash Flows

The University of Maine Foundation is a legally separate tax-exempt component unit of the System. This entity's financial position and activities are discretely presented in the System's financial statements as required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) statements. The MD&A includes information only for the System, not its component unit.

## ***STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION***

The Statements of Net Position present the financial position of the System at one point in time – June 30 – and include all assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position of the System. These statements are the primary statements used to report financial condition. Net position represents the residual interest in the System's assets and deferred outflows of resources after liabilities and deferred inflows of resources are deducted. The change in net position is an indicator of whether the overall financial condition has improved or deteriorated during the year. Table 3 on page 16 shows Condensed Statements of Net Position for the past five years.

### ***Restatement of Prior Years***

The FY17 financial statements have been restated to reflect:

- adoption of GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* (GASB No. 75), as described in Notes 1b and 18 to the financial statements,
- adoption of GASB Statement No. 81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements* (GASB No. 81), as described in Note 1b to the financial statements, and the
- early adoption of GASB Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period*, as described in Note 1b to the financial statements.

The overall impact on the Condensed Statements of Net Position is that the previously reported FY17 beginning of year net position decreased nearly \$102 million while the FY17 Change in Net Position increased \$12 million, resulting in a nearly \$90 million decrease from the previously stated unrestricted net position as of June 30, 2017.

## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

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As noted in the FY15 financial statements, the FY14 financial statements were restated to reflect:

- adoption of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, as described in the FY15 financial statements' Notes 1b and 17 and
- early adoption of GASB Statement No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*, as described in the FY15 financial statements' Notes 1b and 17.

The overall impact to the Condensed Statements of Net Position was that the previously reported FY14 beginning of year net position decreased over \$11 million while the FY14 Change in Net Position increased almost \$4 million, resulting in a nearly \$8 million decrease from the previously stated unrestricted net position as of June 30, 2014.

#### **Overview of Condensed Statements of Net Position**

As shown in Table 3, assets and liabilities are categorized as either current or noncurrent. Current assets are available to satisfy current liabilities, which in turn are those amounts expected to be payable within the next year. Total assets and deferred outflows of resources of \$1.23 billion at June 30, 2018, were relatively flat with the prior year, and increased \$33 million, or 3%, since June 30, 2014.

The major component of current assets is operating investments, which totaled \$252 million at June 30, 2018 and \$243 million at June 30, 2017. Noncurrent assets consist mainly of endowment investments and capital assets, net of depreciation. Endowment investments totaled \$154 million at June 30, 2018, an increase of \$7 million, or 5%, from the FY17 year-end balance of \$147 million and a \$4 million, or 3%, increase since June 30, 2014. Capital assets totaled \$700 million at June 30, 2018 and 2017.

Current liabilities of \$68 million and \$69 million at June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, consist primarily of accounts payable and various accrued liabilities including those for the System's workers compensation, health, and retirement plans. Impacts to accounts payable and accrued liabilities include the timing of the last check cycle for the fiscal year, the level of construction activity in progress and budget constraints.

At \$328 million, total noncurrent liabilities decreased \$12 million, or 4%, from June 30, 2017 to 2018. This decrease is primarily the result of a \$13 million decrease in bonds and notes payable offset by a \$1 million increase in other accrued liabilities. Total noncurrent liabilities increased \$82 million, or 32%, from June 30, 2016 to 2017 with the adoption of GASB No. 75 related to the System's postemployment health plan ("OPEB") accounting for \$76 million or 93% of the increase. Also included in this change was a \$7 million net increase in bonds and notes payable and a decrease in other accrued liabilities of \$1 million.

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The 2017 restatement is primarily due to the adoption of GASB No. 75 which resulted in a \$5 million increase in deferred outflows of resources, an \$18 million increase in deferred inflows of resources, and a \$90 million decrease in unrestricted net position.

Total net position at June 30, 2018 of \$814 million increased \$16 million, or 2%, from the June 30, 2017 balance which decreased \$69 million or 8% from the June 30, 2016 balance. Additional information about net position is presented on page 22.

**Table 3: Condensed Statements of Net Position as of June 30**  
(In millions)

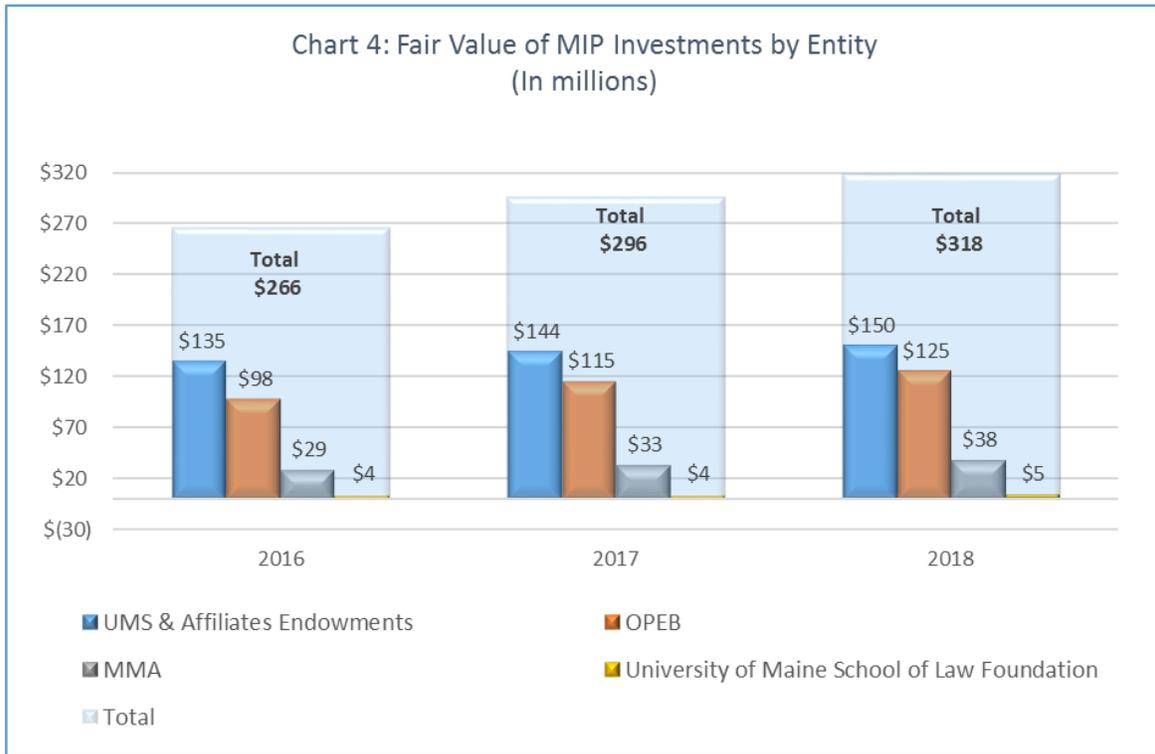
	2018	% Change	Restated 2017	% Change	2016	2015	2014
Current Assets	\$307	1%	\$304	4%	\$293	\$288	\$300
Noncurrent Assets							
Endowment investments	154	5%	147	8%	136	143	150
Capital assets, net	700	0%	700	-1%	707	703	698
Other	57	-15%	67	49%	45	60	46
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,218</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1,218</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1,181</b>	<b>1,194</b>	<b>1,194</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-7%</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Total Assets and Deferred Outflows</b>	<b>\$1,231</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>\$1,232</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>\$1,190</b>	<b>\$1,202</b>	<b>\$1,198</b>
Current Liabilities	\$68	-1%	\$69	8%	\$64	\$74	\$64
Noncurrent Liabilities							
Long-term debt	148	-8%	161	4%	155	165	158
Other	180	1%	179	74%	103	100	106
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>-3%</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>339</b>	<b>328</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>-16%</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2400%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	
<b>Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>-4%</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>328</b>
Net investment in capital assets	551	1%	544	0%	544	541	532
Restricted							
Nonexpendable	59	0%	59	2%	58	58	57
Expendable	115	1%	114	6%	108	106	109
Unrestricted	89	10%	81	-48%	157	156	172
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>814</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>798</b>	<b>-8%</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>861</b>	<b>870</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows and Net Position</b>	<b>\$1,231</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>\$1,232</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>\$1,190</b>	<b>\$1,202</b>	<b>\$1,198</b>

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

**Managed Investment Pool (MIP)**

The System pools certain funds for investment purposes including the System's endowment pool monies (including affiliated organizations) and monies on behalf of the following entities: the UMS OPEB Trust, Maine Maritime Academy (MMA), and the University of Maine School of Law Foundation.

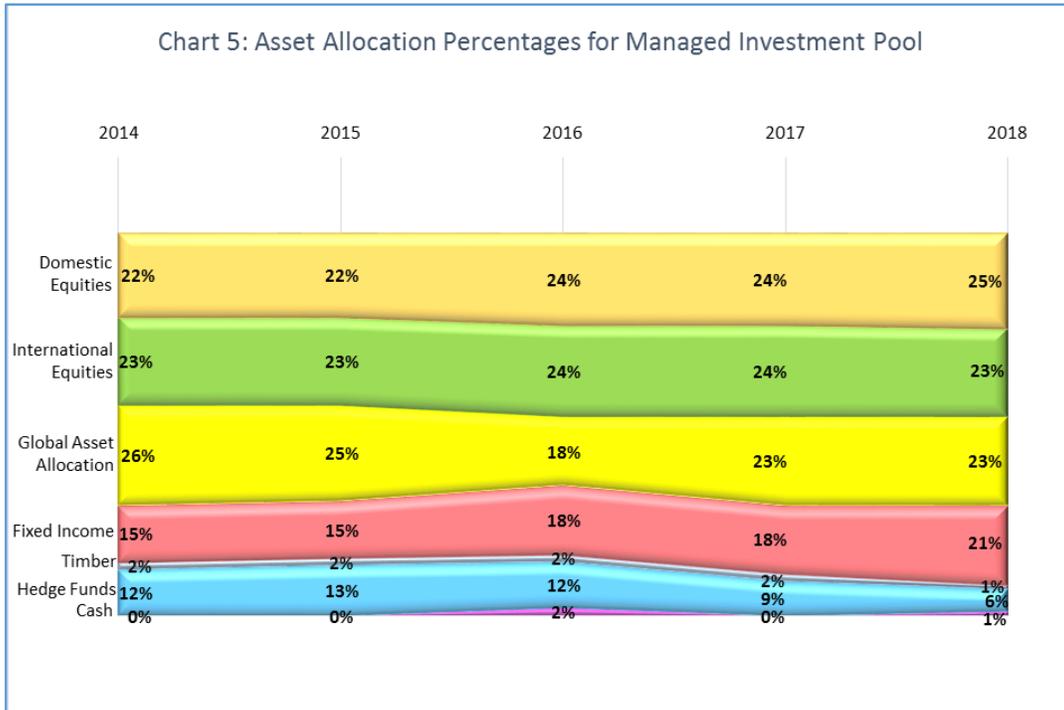
Chart 4 shows the June 30, 2016, 2017, and 2018 fair values of the MIP investments, including the amounts held on behalf of each entity.



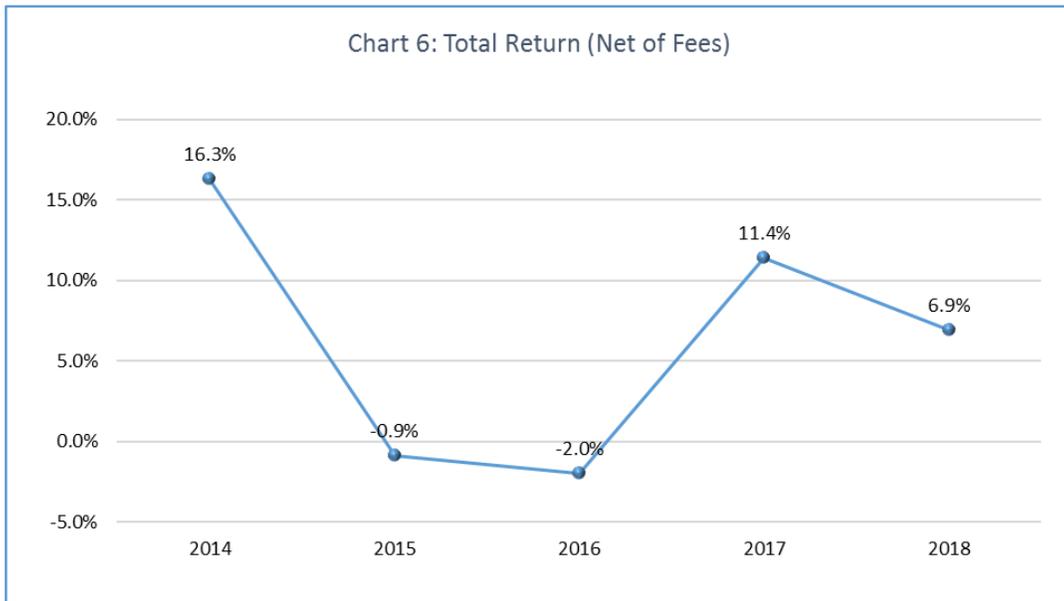
The System's and affiliates' share of the MIP are included in the accompanying Condensed Statements of Net Position as part of endowment investments. The OPEB Trust, Maine Maritime Academy, and the University of Maine School of Law Foundation portions of MIP investments are not included in those Statements.

The MIP investments are diversified among a number of asset classes to minimize risk while optimizing return. Chart 5 illustrates the percentage of holdings in each asset class and how they changed over the past 5 years.

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As shown in Chart 6, in FY18 the pool realized a net of fees return of 6.9%, down from 11.4% in FY17 and up from -2.0% in FY16. The pooled investments have a 5-year annualized net of fees return of 6.1%.



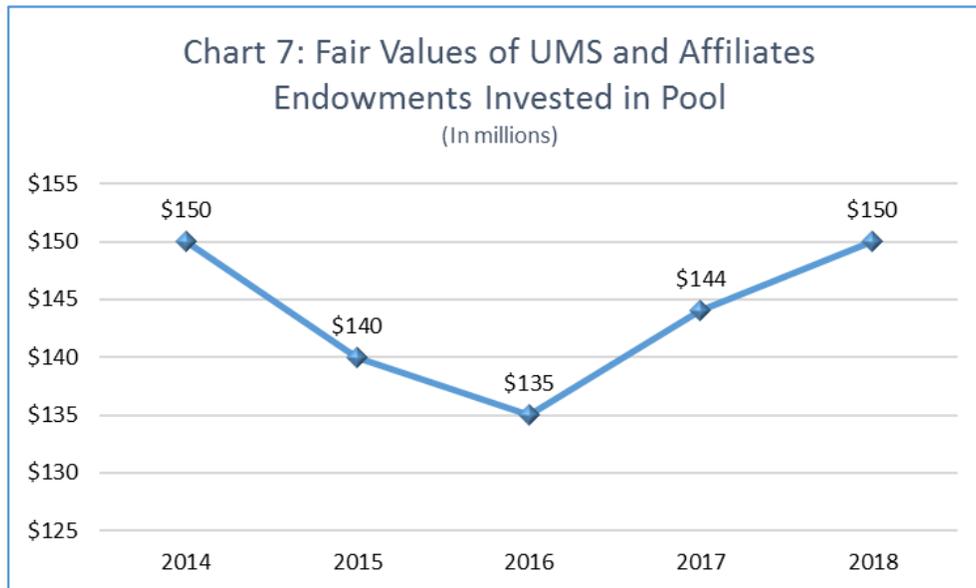
**Endowments (Including Affiliates)**

Endowments are generally created from donor gifts or bequests with the funds invested to create present and future income with the original amount of the gift (corpus) retained in perpetuity. If the donor established criteria to determine how the expendable amounts are to be used, then such amounts are considered restricted expendable. If the use of expendable amounts is left to the discretion of the System, the endowment income and appreciation are considered unrestricted.

As mentioned in the previous MIP section, the System uses a pooled investment approach for its endowments (unless otherwise specified by the donor) and the endowments of three affiliates. Affiliates investing in the endowment pool include: the University of Maine at Fort Kent Foundation, the University of Southern Maine Foundation, and the John L. Martin Scholarship Fund, Inc.

As shown in Chart 7, the UMS and its affiliates share of these pooled endowment investments had a fair value of \$150 million at June 30, 2018, increasing \$6 million from the 2017 year-end fair value of \$144 million. This increase included endowment contributions of \$2 million plus \$10 million in positive net performance less \$6 million distributed for scholarships and other operating activities.

These pooled investments' fair value of \$144 million at June 30, 2017 increased \$9 million from the 2016 year-end fair value of \$135 million. This increase included endowment contributions of \$1 million plus \$14 million in positive net performance less \$6 million distributed for scholarships and other operating activities.



## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

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The UMS endowment distribution formula is designed to smooth market volatility. The method uses a 3-year market value average with a percentage-spending rate applied. The spending rate applied in FY14 thru FY18 was 4.5%.

The fair value of the pooled endowment investments for the UMS and its affiliates and the fair value of separately invested UMS endowments comprise the endowment investments reported in the accompanying Condensed Statements of Net Position. The liability for the affiliates' share of the pooled endowment investments is also recognized in those Statements as part of funds held for others.

### **Capital Assets and Debt Activities**

Table 4 shows the status of major capital construction projects as of June 30, 2018 and the related budget approved by the Board of Trustees.

The System's facilities are critical to each university's mission as they provide the physical framework and environment for education, research, cultural programs and residential life. The System continually evaluates its long-term capital and strategic needs, including which facilities to upgrade, retire, or build. Capital assets are funded with various sources of funds including state bonds, gifts, grants, educational and general funds, and System revenue bonds.

During FY18, the System had capital asset additions of \$40 million, which included \$32 million of construction in progress and \$8 million of equipment. In FY17, the System had capital asset additions of \$31 million, which included \$27 million of construction in progress and \$4 million of equipment. In FY16, the System had capital asset additions of \$43 million, which included \$38 million of construction in progress and \$5 million of equipment.

The System strives to manage all of its financial resources effectively, including the prudent use of debt to finance construction projects that support the System's mission; thereby, placing the System in a better position to achieve its strategic goals. Total debt as of June 30, 2018 was \$162 million, a decrease of \$14 million, or 8%, from the FY17 total debt of \$176 million.

In FY17, total debt increased \$10 million over the FY16 total debt of \$166 million which was primarily due to the System issuing \$30 million of revenue bonds to provide \$18 million for new projects and to achieve interest savings by refunding previously issued bonds. Refunding some prior bonds allowed the system to reduce the related debt service payments over the following 20 years by \$1.5 million and to obtain economic gain (difference between the present value of the old and new debt service payments) of \$1.4 million.

### **Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources**

Deferred outflows of resources of \$13 million at June 30, 2018 decreased just \$1 million from the prior year balance of \$14 million. The \$5 million increase from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017 is primarily the result of adopting GASB No. 75 related to the UMS' postemployment health plan, or OPEB.

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Deferred inflows of resources of \$21 million at June 30, 2018 decreased \$4 million from the \$25 million at June 30, 2017, primarily due to a \$3 million decrease in the deferred inflows of resources related to the UMS' OPEB plan.

In FY17, deferred inflows of resources increased \$24 million from the \$1 million at June 30, 2016, primarily due to the adoption of GASB No. 75 related to OPEB which accounts for \$18 million of the increase. The adoption of GASB No. 81 related to irrevocable split interest agreements accounts for \$2 million, and \$4 million is attributable to a dining service concession arrangement executed in June 2016 between Sodexo America LLC (Sodexo) and the System to provide food services at six of the System's campuses beginning in FY17.

**Table 4: Major Capital Projects Completed During FY18 or In Progress at June 30, 2018**  
(In millions)

Project	Funding Source	Status	BOT Approved Budget
<b>UMFK</b>			
• Forestry Geographic Info Sys Tech Labs/Nursing Lab Renovation/Teleconference Center Upgrades	2013 State Bond	In Progress	\$ 1.20
<b>UMM</b>			
• Campus Card Access Installation	Educational & General, Auxiliary Funds	In Progress	0.60
<b>UM</b>			
• Advanced Structures and Composites Ctr Equipment	Gift	In Progress	1.50
• Cooperative Extension Diagnostic and Research Lab	2017 State Bond, Educational & General, Grants	In Progress	9.40
• Aquatic Animal Health Facility	Grants, Campus Funds	In Progress	2.80
• Barrow's Hall STEM Renovations	Educational & General	Complete	1.90
• Memorial Union Bear's Den Renovations	Auxiliary Funds	Complete	3.60
• Darling Marine Center Waterfront Infrastructure	Grants, Campus Funds	In Progress	3.00
• Engineering Education and Design Center	Anticipated Revenue Bond, Educational & General, Gifts	In Progress	9.00
• Wells Commons Generator	Auxiliary Funds	In Progress	0.53
<b>USM</b>			
• Brooks Kitchen Exhaust Upgrade	Educational & General	Complete	0.89
• Costello Field House Floor Replacement	Gifts, Endowments	Complete	0.90
• Campus Card Access Installation	Educational & General	Complete	0.70
• Anderson Hall Renewal and Renovations	Educational & General	Complete	1.25
• Athletic Field Lighting	Educational & General	In Progress	1.78
• USM Center for the Arts	Gifts	In Progress	1.00
• Corthell Hall HVAC Upgrades	Educational & General	In Progress	0.55
<b>UMS</b>			
• IT Infrastructure - Wireless and Classroom Technology Upgrades	2017 Revenue Bond	In Progress	19.00
• MaineStreet Upgrade	2017 Revenue Bond	In Progress	2.00
<b>TOTAL</b>			\$ 61.60

**Net Position**

**Net investment in capital assets** represents the historical cost of the System's capital assets reduced by total accumulated depreciation and outstanding balances of debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. As seen in Table 3, on page 16, the System's net investment in capital assets was \$551 million at June 30, 2018 and \$544 million at June 30, 2017.

The FY18 increase in net investment in capital assets of \$7 million was primarily the result of an \$8 million decrease in debt offset by a \$1 million increase in deferred inflows of resources related to the Sodexo dining contract.

The net investment in capital assets did not change from June 30, 2016 to June 30, 2017, as a \$7 million net reduction in capital assets after annual depreciation (comprised of \$31 million in capital asset additions less \$38 million in depreciation) was offset by a \$7 million decrease in related debt, which was largely from the refinancing of the 2007 revenue bonds.

The **restricted-nonexpendable net position** of \$59 million at June 30, 2018 and June 30, 2017 represents the corpus of the System's permanent endowment funds. Items that impact this category of net position include new endowment gifts and fair value fluctuations for those endowments whose fair value has fallen below the endowment corpus.

The **restricted-expendable net position** of \$115 million at June 30, 2018 consists of a variety of funds including unexpended gifts, quasi-endowments and appreciation on true endowments, subject to externally imposed conditions on spending. This category of net position is restricted for various purposes including student financial aid, capital asset acquisitions, research, and public service. The FY18 net increase of \$1 million, or 1%, is primarily attributable to a \$3 million increase in endowment values mainly due to investment performance, offset by a \$2 million decrease in restricted cash gifts mainly from the use of gift dollars for scholarships and other restricted purposes.

For FY17, the \$6 million net increase in restricted-expendable net position was primarily the result of a \$7 million increase in endowment values mainly due to investment performance. Other notable items in the net change are a \$1.2 million increase in unexpended gift balances and the use of \$1.4 million for construction projects.

The **unrestricted net position** of \$89 million at June 30, 2018 increased by \$8 million, or 10%, from the FY17 year-end balance of \$81 million. For FY17, the unrestricted net position decreased \$76 million from FY16 primarily due to implementation of GASB No. 75 which resulted in a \$102 million decrease in the FY17 beginning of year net position that was offset by a \$12 million increase in the FY17 Change in Net Position, resulting in a \$90 million decrease from the previously stated June 30, 2017 unrestricted net position.

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The unrestricted net position category is not subject to externally imposed stipulations; however, these resources are critical for the financial stability of the UMS and have been designated by management for specific areas, including operational and capital needs, compensating for operating investment and other budget fluctuations, and benefits costs including covering the risks associated with self-insured plans. Given both the physical and financial size of the System, funds must be readily available to cover various situations including emergency expenditures, strategic priorities, operating losses, over-expenditures on capital or other projects, and benefits costs.

### ***STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION***

The Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position reports operating revenues, operating expenses, nonoperating revenues (expenses), other changes in net position, and the resulting change in net position for the fiscal year.

Table 5 shows Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position for the past five fiscal years ended June 30. The System's total net position increased \$16 million in FY18, \$33 million in FY17 and \$6 million in FY16.

#### ***Restatement of Prior Years***

As mentioned earlier on page 14, and as further described in FY18 financial statements' Notes 1b and 18, FY17 was restated to reflect application of the change in accounting principles related to OPEB. This restatement resulted in a \$12 million decrease to FY17 operating expenses. Accordingly, the change in net position for FY17 (as restated) increased from \$21 million to \$33 million.

The FY15 financial statements' Notes 1b and 17 explain that FY14 was restated to reflect application of the change in accounting principle related to pensions. This restatement resulted in a \$3 million decrease to FY14 operating expenses. Accordingly, the change in net position for FY14 (as restated) increased from \$27 million to \$30 million.

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**Table 5: Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position**  
**Years Ended June 30**  
**(In millions)**

	Restated				
	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Operating Revenues					
Net student fees	\$ 256	\$ 245	\$ 237	\$ 238	\$ 243
Grants, contracts and recovery of indirect costs	150	150	148	146	156
Other operating revenues	52	53	52	52	54
Total Operating Revenues	458	448	437	436	453
Operating Expenses	(692)	(668)	(660)	(669)	(671)
Operating Loss	(234)	(220)	(223)	(233)	(218)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)					
Noncapital State of Maine appropriations	211	212	201	199	198
Gifts currently expendable	14	13	17	15	14
Endowment return used for operations	6	6	6	6	5
Investment income	7	10	3	(1)	13
Interest expense, net	(4)	(5)	(5)	(5)	(6)
Net Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)	234	236	222	214	224
Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position	-	16	(1)	(19)	6
Other Changes in Net Position					
State of Maine capital appropriations	8	5	13	11	2
Capital grants and gifts	4	3	3	4	7
Endow. return, net of amount used for operations	3	8	(8)	(6)	14
Other	1	1	(1)	1	1
Total Other Changes in Net Position	16	17	7	10	24
Change in Net Position	\$ 16	\$ 33	\$ 6	\$ (9)	\$ 30

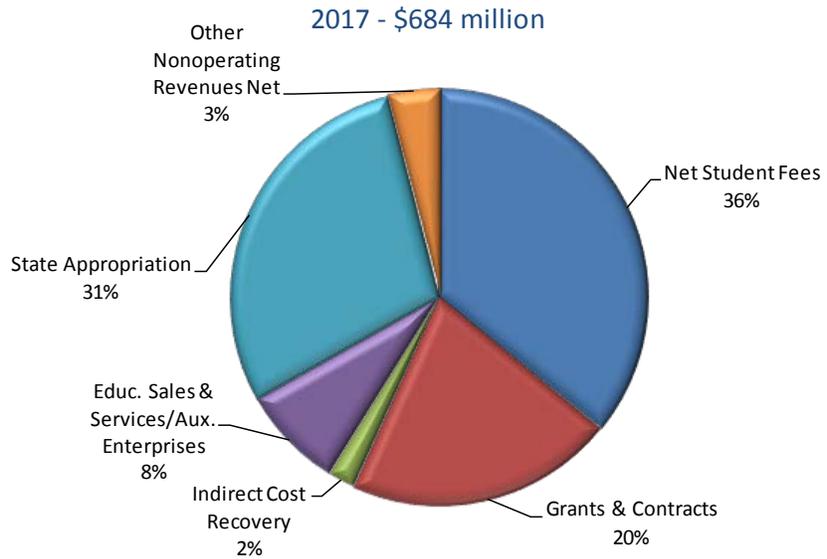
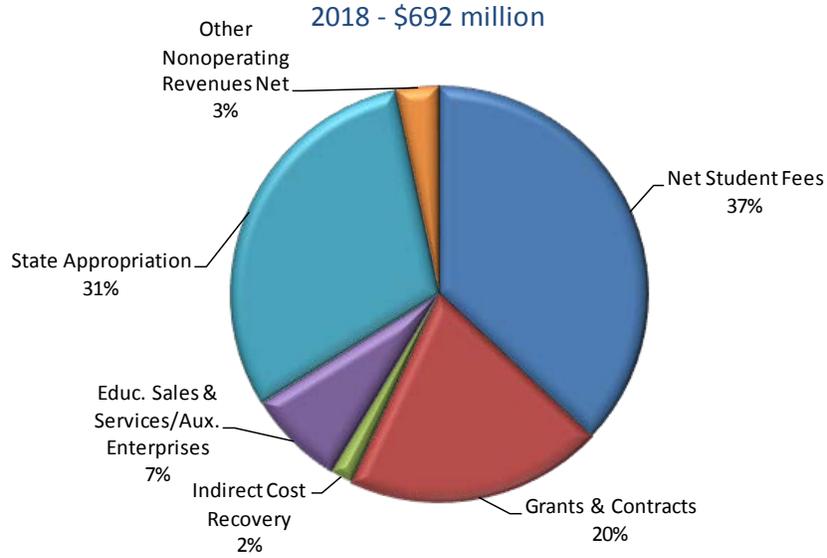
**Operating and Nonoperating Revenue**

In addition to receiving tuition and fees, the System receives revenue from other sources such as governmental and privately funded grants and contracts; gifts from individuals, foundations, and corporations; state appropriations; and investment income.

UMS revenues and expenses are categorized as either operating or nonoperating. Certain significant recurring revenues and expenses are considered nonoperating including state noncapital appropriations, gifts, endowment returns used for operations, investment income or loss, and interest expense.

The following pie charts illustrate the total operating and net nonoperating revenue sources used to fund the System's activities for FY18 and FY17.

**CHART 8: TOTAL OPERATING AND NET NONOPERATING REVENUE**



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Net student fees of \$256 million for FY18 are the primary source of revenues used to fund operating expenses, representing 37% of total operating and net nonoperating revenues. For FY14 through FY17, net student fees represented 36% of total operating and net nonoperating revenues.

Net student revenues are comprised of tuition and fees and residence and dining fees less scholarship allowances:

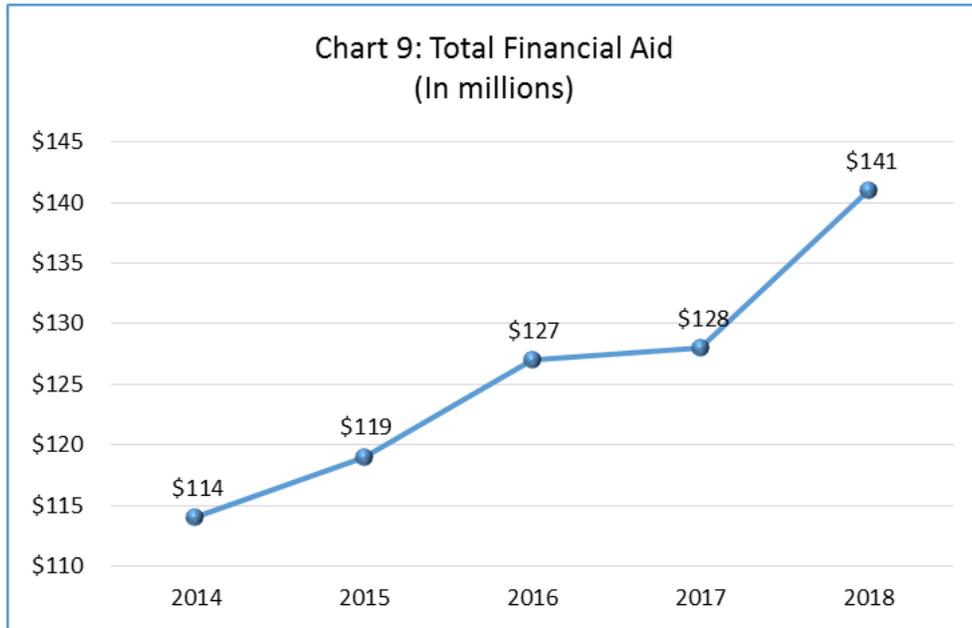
- Tuition and fees totaled \$300 million in FY18, increasing \$19 million (or 7%) from the prior year. FY17 revenues increased \$10 million (or 4%) from FY16, and FY16 revenues increased \$2 million (or almost 1%) from FY15.
- Residence and dining fees of \$64 million in FY18 were up \$2 million (or 3%) compared with FY17, which was up \$1 million (or 2%) from FY16, while such revenues were up \$3 million in FY16 (or 4%) from FY15.
- Scholarship allowances of \$108 million increased \$11 million (or 11%) in FY18, increased \$3 million (or 3%) in FY17, and increased \$6 million (or 7%) in FY16.

### **Student Financial Aid**

Student financial aid awards are made from a variety of sources including federal, state, private, and university funds. Aid received from third parties is recognized as grants and contracts revenue on the Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position while the distribution of aid from all sources is shown as one of two components:

1. Scholarship Allowances – financial aid retained by the System to cover students' tuition, fees, and on-campus housing and meals. These amounts are reported as a direct offset to operating revenues.
2. Student Aid Expense – financial aid refunded to students to cover off-campus living costs, books, and other personal living expenses. These amounts are reported as operating expense.

Federal financial aid awards are based on a student's financial need considering their total cost of education which includes tuition and fees, housing and meals (both on and off campus), books, and other personal living expenses.



During FY18, total financial aid provided to students was \$141 million, increasing \$13 million, or 10%, over FY17 aid of \$128 million. The increase includes an increase of \$13 million in institutional unrestricted aid, an increase of \$2 million in aid from the Federal Pell Grant Program, and a decrease of \$2 million in State of Maine aid.

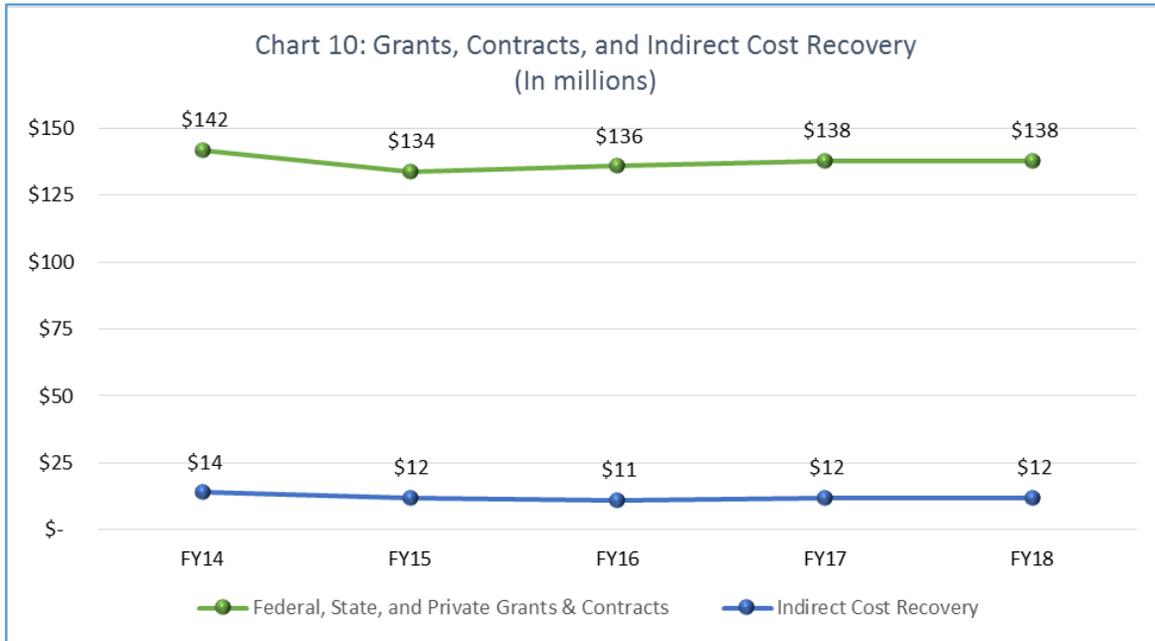
In FY17, total financial aid provided to students was \$128 million, increasing \$1 million, or less than 1%, over FY16 aid of \$127 million. The increase includes an increase of \$5 million in institutional unrestricted aid, a decrease of \$2 million in institutional restricted aid, and a decrease of \$3 million in aid from the Federal Pell Grant Program.

For FY16, total financial aid provided to students was \$127 million, increasing \$8 million, or 7%, over FY15 aid of \$119 million. The increase includes an increase of \$7 million in institutional unrestricted aid, an increase of \$2 million in State of Maine aid, and a decrease of \$1 million in aid from the Federal Pell Grant Program.

**Grants, Contracts, and Indirect Cost Recovery**

Grants and contracts revenues are recognized to the extent of related expenses. Consequently, reported revenues will fluctuate based on the timing of expenses across fiscal years. The System receives funding from federal, state, and private sources with the majority of funding being provided by the federal government for research activities. State research and development funding is often used to leverage federal dollars.

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Total grants and contracts revenues were unchanged from the prior year, remaining at \$138 million for FY18; however, the composition of these revenues did change from the prior year, as revenues from the U.S. Department of Education increased \$2 million and revenues from the Maine Department of Education decreased \$2 million.

Grants and contracts revenues totaled \$138 million in FY17, increasing \$2 million, or 1%, from FY16. This net increase is primarily due to additional funds received by NetworkMaine from the Public Utilities Commission. Reimbursed network and circuit provider costs increased \$4 million from FY16 to FY17 as a result of the e-rate reimbursement flowing through NetworkMaine in FY17 rather than being paid directly to the carriers as in FY16. Additionally, Federal student financial aid experienced a decrease of \$3 million in Pell revenue. Pell revenue is highly variable and is impacted by the financial status of the enrolling students as well as enrollment levels.

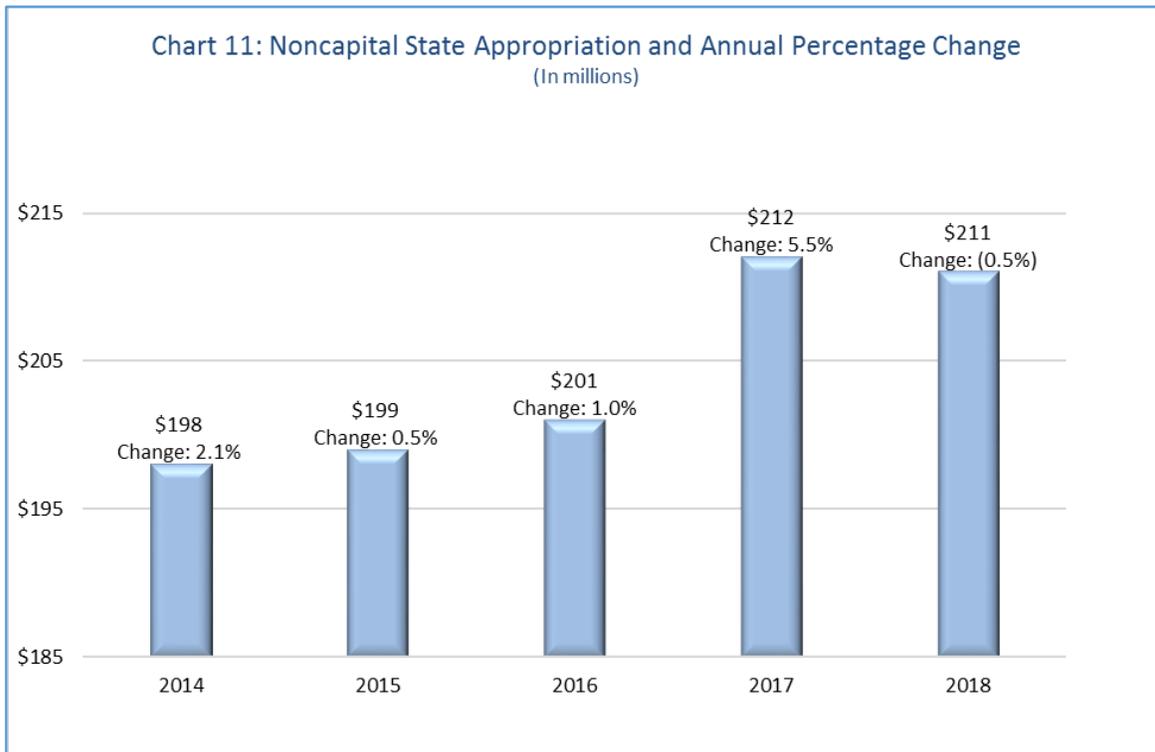
In addition to providing for direct costs, grants and contracts sponsors provide for recovery of Facilities and Administrative (F&A) costs, which are also known as indirect costs. The amount of allowable F&A costs is calculated for each grant and contract using the applicable negotiated rate subject to specific sponsor limitations and other proposal and award conditions. Recovery of indirect costs totaled \$12 million for both FY18 and FY17, having increased slightly from the \$11 million in FY16.

**Noncapital State of Maine Appropriations**

State noncapital appropriation revenue includes amounts for general operations and amounts legislatively earmarked for research and development, financial aid, and various other areas. Although not considered operating revenue under GASB reporting requirements, the noncapital state appropriation was the second largest funding source for educational and general operations behind Net Student Fees.

As shown in Chart 11, the System received \$211 million in noncapital state appropriation revenue during FY18, down \$1 million, or 0.5%, from FY17. The System received \$212 million in noncapital state appropriation revenue during FY17, up \$11 million, or 5.5%, from FY16.

At \$211 million, noncapital state appropriation revenue covered 90% of the \$234 million operating loss in FY18, down from the operating loss coverage level of 96% in FY17, and consistent with the 90% level in FY16.

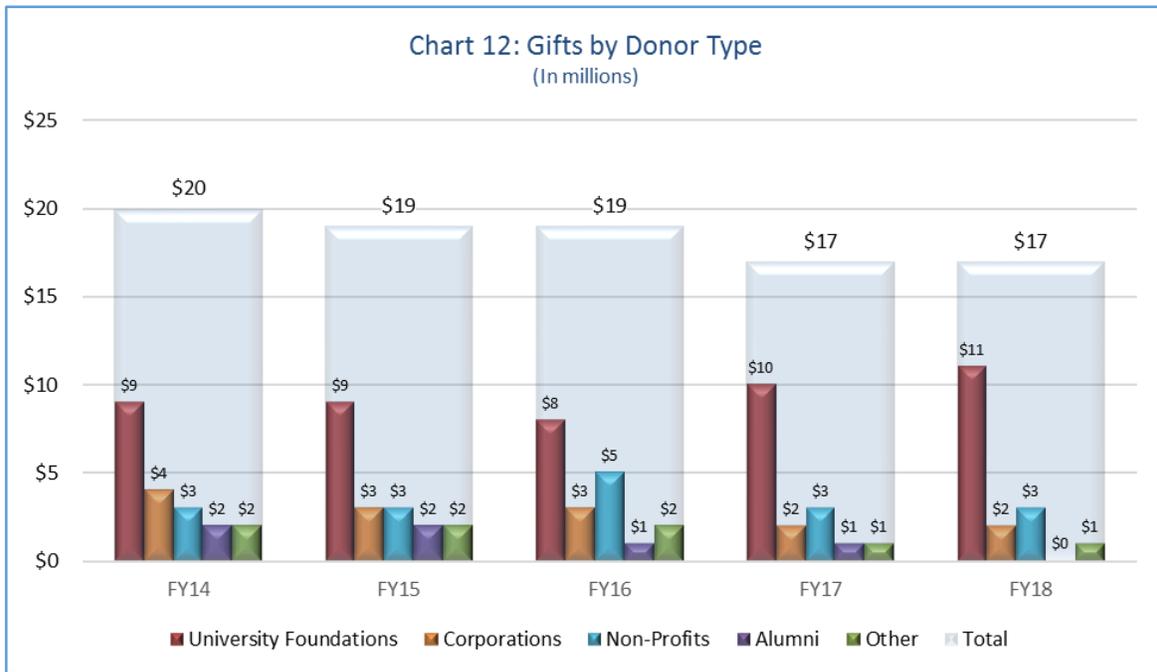


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**Cash Gifts**

As shown in Chart 12, total gifts received were unchanged from the prior year, remaining at \$17 million in FY18. FY18 gifts from university foundations increased \$1 million while alumni gifts decreased \$1 million with no change in gifts from other donor types. In FY17, gifts received decreased \$2 million from the prior year. University foundations consistently contribute the most gift dollars.

Of the \$17 million in gifts received in FY18, 90% were restricted, 8% were endowed, and 2% were unrestricted which was the same as FY17. Of the \$19 million in gifts received in FY16, 89% were restricted, 6% were endowed, and 5% were unrestricted.



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**Operating Expenses**

Table 6 shows expenses on a functional basis while Table 7 shows expenses by natural classification.

**Table 6: Operating Expenses by Functional Classification**  
For the Years Ended June 30  
(In millions)

	2018		Restated 2017		2016		2015		2014	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
Instruction	\$ 174	25%	\$ 171	26%	\$ 168	25%	\$ 180	27%	\$ 181	27%
Academic support	74	11%	71	10%	66	10%	70	10%	76	11%
Student services	58	8%	54	8%	54	8%	52	8%	49	7%
Subtotal	<b>306</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>44%</b>	288	43%	302	45%	306	45%
Research	76	11%	73	11%	66	10%	65	10%	72	11%
Public service	57	8%	60	9%	60	9%	61	9%	60	9%
Institutional support	64	9%	55	8%	64	10%	58	9%	48	7%
Operation and maintenance of plant	51	8%	51	7%	49	7%	50	7%	51	8%
Depreciation and amortization	40	6%	38	6%	37	6%	35	5%	34	5%
Student aid	34	5%	31	5%	33	5%	31	5%	30	5%
Auxiliary enterprises	64	9%	64	10%	63	10%	67	10%	70	10%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 692</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 668</b>	<b>100%</b>	\$ 660	100%	\$ 669	100%	\$ 671	100%

**Table 7: Total Expenses by Natural Classification**  
For the Years Ended June 30  
(In millions)

	2018		Restated 2017		2016		2015		2014	
	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%	\$	%
Operating:										
Compensation	\$ 310	45%	\$ 302	45%	\$ 296	45%	\$ 306	46%	\$ 310	46%
Benefits	124	18%	116	17%	124	19%	130	19%	126	19%
Utilities	30	4%	31	4%	27	4%	30	4%	35	5%
Supplies and Services	154	22%	150	22%	143	21%	137	20%	136	20%
Depreciation and Amortization	40	5%	38	6%	37	5%	35	5%	34	5%
Student Aid	34	5%	31	5%	33	5%	31	5%	30	4%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>99%</b>	660	99%	669	99%	671	99%
Nonoperating:										
Interest	4	1%	5	1%	5	1%	5	1%	6	1%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 696</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 673</b>	<b>100%</b>	\$ 665	100%	\$ 674	100%	\$ 677	100%

Compensation and benefits expense totaled \$434 million in FY18, increasing \$16 million (4%) where FY17 saw a decrease of \$2 million (0.5%) compared with FY16.

## ***STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS***

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The Statements of Cash Flows examines the changes in cash position for each year of operations. Its primary purpose is to provide relevant information about the cash receipts and cash payments of the System during the fiscal year. These statements help users assess the System's ability to generate future cash flows, its ability to meet obligations as they become due and its need for external financing.

## ***STRATEGIC VISION AND PRIORITIES***

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### ***The One University Promise***

The System launched the *One University for all of Maine* promise in 2015, with the vision of seven mission-differentiated, mutually dependent campuses operating as one fully integrated university singularly focused on student success and responsive service to the State of Maine. This vision is front and center as we work to align our universities in size and in structure while understanding Maine's demographic challenges and workforce needs.

### ***Strategic Priorities, Partnerships & Meeting the Needs of Maine***

The Board of Trustees ("the Board") adopted a set of four strategic primary outcomes, which is the cornerstone that guides our work: increase enrollment; improve student success and completion; enhance the fiscal positioning of the System; and support Maine through research and economic development. The Board also identified two secondary outcomes to supplement this work: develop relevant academic programming that supports student success and meets state needs; and engage the System's employee workforce. These outcomes will guide the work of strategic resource planning through 2021.

The System continues to nurture and grow internal and external partnerships and otherwise align our efforts in support of Maine families, businesses and communities. To this end, the System:

- held in-state undergraduate tuition and unified fees flat from FY12 to FY17 and limited the increase in FY18 to just 2.6%.
- is enhancing diversity, growing enrollments, and providing opportunity for future workforce growth by adopting innovative tuition strategies to attract out-of-state students.
- is addressing a projected state-wide nursing workforce shortage with a five-year plan seeking to double nursing enrollment and bring new nursing programs to the regions of Maine with the most urgent need to replace retiring nurses. The plan will also cover tuition and mandatory fees for new, first-degree nursing education students with the greatest financial need attending certain campuses. In addition, the System plans to expand online education opportunities to provide a suite of programs for healthcare professionals.

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- is developing the Maine Center for Graduate and Professional Studies to address our State's workforce challenges in innovative ways, inviting deeper engagement with Maine's employers and creating more relevant, responsive programming. The Maine Center comprises an academic consortium of graduate and professional programs working collaboratively and interactively with one another, and with the private and public sectors, to serve students, the employer community, and public organizations statewide.

***ECONOMIC CONSIDERATIONS***

The System routinely issues revenue bonds for its capital needs and S&P Global Ratings (S&P) reviews the credit worthiness of the System and its debt. In August 2018, S&P affirmed the System's AA- long-term rating and underlying rating on its various series of outstanding revenue bonds with a stable outlook. While the revenue bonds are secured by a broad pledge of the System's available resources, the State of Maine periodically provides debt service support. The State will provide such support starting in FY19 for \$2 million and then an additional \$3 million in FY20 with each commitment for 10 years, for a total of \$50 million. The anticipated use of this funding is for costs associated with the construction of an Engineering Education Design Center at the University of Maine.

The Maine Legislature also overwhelmingly approved a \$49 million University Workforce Development Bond for voter consideration in the fall of 2018. The bond proposal is the largest ever approved by the Legislature for the System. These funds would expand the capacity of the System to educate more students to become the nurses, engineers, educators and other in-demand professionals that the State's economy and communities need to grow and prosper. Such funding would enable the System to:

- improve and expand classrooms and labs to provide modern education and training in sectors where Maine most needs workers.
- increase student recruitment, retention and graduates who would be ready for good-paying Maine careers.
- reduce operating and maintenance costs and the System's facilities footprint.
- bring more students, jobs, investments and opportunities to our universities and communities.

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM**  
**STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION**  
**JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)**

	2018	Restated 2017
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 1,528	\$ 1,641
Operating investments (Note 3)	252,236	243,093
Accounts, grants, and pledges receivable, net (Note 4)	47,399	53,606
Inventories and prepaid expenses	5,637	5,391
Notes and lease receivable, net (Note 5)	63	63
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>306,863</b>	<b>303,794</b>
Noncurrent Assets		
Deposits with bond trustees (Notes 3 and 6)	14,828	20,997
Accounts, grants and pledges receivable, net (Note 4)	738	3,193
Notes and leases receivable, net (Note 5)	40,060	41,288
Endowment investments (Note 3)	154,114	146,807
Capital assets, net (Note 6)	700,043	700,367
Irrevocable split interest agreements	1,673	1,602
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>911,456</b>	<b>914,254</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,218,319</b>	<b>1,218,048</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>	<b>12,571</b>	<b>14,000</b>
<b>Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>\$ 1,230,890</b>	<b>\$ 1,232,048</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 16,791	\$ 16,703
Unearned revenue and deposits (Note 8)	9,513	10,861
Accrued liabilities - current portion (Notes 7, 11 and 13)	25,979	25,042
Funds held for others - current portion	2,016	1,806
Long-term debt - current portion (Note 7)	13,958	14,931
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>68,257</b>	<b>69,343</b>
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Accrued liabilities (Notes 7, 11, 13 and 14)	127,624	129,029
Funds held for others (Note 3)	22,887	20,475
Long-term debt (Note 7)	147,664	160,871
Government advances refundable (Note 9)	29,502	29,464
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>327,677</b>	<b>339,839</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>395,934</b>	<b>409,182</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>	<b>21,283</b>	<b>25,027</b>
Net Position		
Net investment in capital assets (Note 10)	550,658	543,984
Restricted		
Nonexpendable (Note 10)	59,459	58,696
Expendable (Notes 3 and 10)	114,988	113,507
Unrestricted (Notes 3 and 10)	88,568	81,652
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>813,673</b>	<b>797,839</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 1,230,890</b>	<b>\$ 1,232,048</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM**  
**STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION – DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT**  
**JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)**

	2018	2017
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,727	\$ 2,268
Other receivables	100	119
Promises to give, less allowance for uncollectible pledges of \$140 and \$70, respectively	10,901	1,397
Short-term investments	5,201	3,157
Cash surrender value of life insurance	153	157
Long-term investments, endowment	220,679	203,012
Long-term investments, life income plans	5,054	4,995
Notes receivable	150	227
Equity in Buchanan Alumni House	2,684	2,682
Investment real estate	5,877	5,767
Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$273 and \$213, respectively	160	207
Other assets	577	439
Irrevocable trusts	8,308	8,515
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 262,571</b>	<b>\$ 232,942</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 469	\$ 287
Distributions due income beneficiaries	1,933	1,902
Accrued expenses	765	589
Notes payable	-	99
Custodial accounts payable	3,192	3,066
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>6,359</b>	<b>5,943</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		
Unrestricted net assets	11,613	9,943
Temporarily restricted net assets	82,202	59,743
Permanently restricted net assets	162,397	157,313
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<b>256,212</b>	<b>226,999</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Net Assets</b>	<b>\$ 262,571</b>	<b>\$ 232,942</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)**

	2018	Restated 2017
<b>Operating Revenues</b>		
Tuition and fees	\$ 299,827	\$ 280,611
Residence and dining fees	63,842	62,222
Less: scholarship allowances	(107,561)	(97,344)
<b>Net student fees</b>	256,108	245,489
Federal, state and private grants and contracts	137,699	137,529
Recovery of indirect costs	12,264	12,333
Educational sales and services and other revenues	34,493	34,345
Other auxiliary enterprises	17,455	18,476
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	458,019	448,172
<b>Operating Expenses</b>		
Instruction	174,198	170,901
Research	76,005	73,175
Public service	57,586	59,950
Academic support	73,956	71,101
Student services	57,538	53,983
Institutional support	63,822	55,121
Operation and maintenance of plant	50,970	50,638
Depreciation and amortization (Note 6)	39,768	37,914
Student aid	33,797	31,007
Auxiliary enterprises	64,471	64,469
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	692,111	668,259
<b>Operating Loss</b>	(234,092)	(220,087)
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>		
Noncapital State of Maine appropriations	210,979	212,036
Gifts currently expendable	14,172	12,671
Endowment return used for operations (Note 3)	6,204	6,280
Investment income (Note 3)	6,490	9,455
Interest expense, net (Note 7)	(4,341)	(4,658)
<b>Net Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>	233,504	235,784
<b>Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position</b>	(588)	15,697
<b>Other Changes in Net Position</b>		
State of Maine capital appropriations	8,029	5,148
Capital grants and gifts	4,370	3,276
Endowment return, net of amount used for operations (Note 3)	3,086	7,358
True and quasi endowment gifts	1,380	1,313
Gain (Loss) on disposal of capital assets	(443)	1
<b>Total Other Changes in Net Position</b>	16,422	17,096
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	<b>15,834</b>	<b>32,793</b>
<b>Net Position - Beginning of the Year - As Restated (Note 18)</b>	797,839	765,046
<b>Net Position - End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 813,673</b>	<b>\$ 797,839</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM**  
**STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES – DISCRETELY PRESENTED COMPONENT UNIT**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 WITH COMPARATIVE TOTALS FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,**  
**2017 (IN THOUSANDS)**

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total 2018	Total 2017
<b>Revenues, Gains, Losses, and Reclassification</b>					
Contributions	\$ 5,222	\$ 15,818	\$ 5,099	\$ 26,139	\$ 10,362
Advancement services	3,696	-	-	3,696	4,649
Investment income and other revenue	875	15,165	81	16,121	23,483
Reinvestment of donor funds	-	457	(457)	-	-
Net assets released from restrictions	8,620	(8,981)	361	-	-
<b>Total Revenues, Gains, Losses, and Reclassification</b>	<b>18,413</b>	<b>22,459</b>	<b>5,084</b>	<b>45,956</b>	<b>38,494</b>
<b>Expenses and Losses</b>					
Program services	12,817	-	-	12,817	10,425
Management and general	1,365	-	-	1,365	1,300
Fundraising	2,561	-	-	2,561	2,461
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>16,743</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16,743</b>	<b>14,186</b>
<b>Change in Net Assets</b>	<b>1,670</b>	<b>22,459</b>	<b>5,084</b>	<b>29,213</b>	<b>24,308</b>
<b>Net Assets - Beginning of Year</b>	<b>9,943</b>	<b>59,743</b>	<b>157,313</b>	<b>226,999</b>	<b>202,691</b>
<b>Net Assets - End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 11,613</b>	<b>\$ 82,202</b>	<b>\$ 162,397</b>	<b>\$ 256,212</b>	<b>\$ 226,999</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)**

	2018	Restated 2017
<b>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</b>		
Tuition, residence, dining, and other student fees	\$ 253,012	\$ 245,031
Grants and contracts	152,123	148,933
Educational sales and services and other auxiliary enterprise revenues	51,173	53,834
Payments to and on behalf of employees	(430,443)	(424,889)
Financial aid paid to students	(40,156)	(37,529)
Payments to suppliers	(183,601)	(178,971)
Loans issued to students	(4,888)	(6,599)
Collection of loans to students	5,748	5,571
<b>Net Cash Used for Operating Activities</b>	<b>(197,032)</b>	<b>(194,619)</b>
<b>Cash Flows From Noncapital Financing Activities</b>		
State appropriations	210,979	212,036
Noncapital grants and gifts	18,082	13,589
Agency transactions	5,701	4,740
<b>Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities</b>	<b>234,762</b>	<b>230,365</b>
<b>Cash Flows From Capital and Related Financing Activities</b>		
Proceeds from capital debt issuances	65	21,108
Capital appropriations	9,972	3,801
Capital grants and gifts	1,360	4,598
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	140	1
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(34,425)	(27,933)
Principal paid on capital debt and leases	(12,841)	(10,007)
Interest paid on capital debt and leases	(6,540)	(6,564)
<b>Net Cash Used for Capital and Related Financing Activities</b>	<b>(42,269)</b>	<b>(14,996)</b>
<b>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</b>		
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	697,973	673,488
Purchases of investments	(699,361)	(698,696)
Earnings from investments	5,814	4,801
<b>Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Investing Activities</b>	<b>4,426</b>	<b>(20,407)</b>
<b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>(113)</b>	<b>343</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year</b>	<b>1,641</b>	<b>1,298</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 1,528</b>	<b>\$ 1,641</b>

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM**  
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**Reconciliation of operating loss to net cash used for operating activities:**

	2018	Restated 2017
Operating Loss	\$ (234,092)	\$ (220,087)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used for operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	39,768	37,914
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts and grants receivable, net	1,921	773
Inventories and prepaid expenses	(246)	(39)
Notes receivable, net	1,165	(549)
Deferred outflows related to pensions	839	196
Deferred outflows related to OPEB	296	(5,170)
Accounts payable	(1,137)	748
Unearned revenue and deposits	(1,366)	188
Accrued liabilities	(403)	(26,385)
Grants refundable	38	(304)
Deferred inflows related to pensions	(114)	319
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	(3,251)	17,668
Deferred inflows related to dining contract	(450)	109
<b>Net Cash Used for Operating Activities</b>	<b>\$ (197,032)</b>	<b>\$ (194,619)</b>

**Noncash investing, capital, and financing activities:**

Capital asset additions included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities as of June 30	\$ 4,451	\$ 3,233
Capital asset additions acquired through long-term debt	\$ 644	\$ -
Refunding of debt through new bond issuance	\$ -	\$ 13,245
Capital asset additions acquired through service concession arrangement	\$ 1,785	\$ 2,291

See accompanying notes to the basic financial statements.

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**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)**

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

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**a. Organization**

The University of Maine System ("the System"), a discretely presented component unit of the State of Maine, consists of seven universities, eight centers, and a central administrative office. All activities of the System are included in the accompanying financial statements, including those of its discretely presented component unit, the University of Maine Foundation, which is a not-for-profit entity controlled by a separate governing board whose goal is to support the System (see Note 16). The component unit receives funds primarily through donations and contributes funds to the System for student scholarships and institutional support.

**b. Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying financial statements of the System have been prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

Under the System's policy, operating activities in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position are those that generally result from exchange transactions such as payments received for services and payments made for the purchase of goods and services and certain grants. Certain other transactions are reported as nonoperating activities in accordance with GASB Statement No. 35, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for Public Colleges and Universities*. These nonoperating activities include the System's noncapital appropriations from the State of Maine, gifts currently expendable, endowment return used for operations, net investment income, and interest expense.

In FY18, the System adopted GASB Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions* (GASB No. 75). This statement addresses accounting and financial reporting related to the System's postemployment health plan, or OPEB. This statement establishes standards for recognizing and measuring liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expenses/expenditures.

Under GASB No. 75, the actuarially determined net OPEB liability is reported in full as a liability in the Statements of Net Position and certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities are reported as outflows of resources or inflows of resources in the year incurred or received. The System adopted the provisions of GASB No. 75 retroactive to July 1, 2016, and has restated its FY17 financial statements in accordance with the provisions of GASB No. 75. The adoption of GASB No. 75 is described further in Note 18.

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In FY18, the System adopted GASB Statement No. 81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements* (GASB No. 81). This statement addresses the accounting and financial reporting related to the System's irrevocable split-interest agreements which are a specific type of giving arrangement used by donors to provide resources to two or more beneficiaries. This statement establishes standards for recognizing and measuring assets, deferred inflows of resources, and revenues. The System adopted the provisions of GASB No. 81 retroactive to July 1, 2016, and has restated the accompanying FY17 Statements of Net Position and these notes to include an irrevocable split-interest agreement asset and related deferred inflow of resources.

Also, in FY18, the System early adopted GASB Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period* (GASB No. 89) which was otherwise effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2019. GASB No. 89 requires that interest cost incurred before the end of a construction period be recognized as an expense in the period in which the cost is incurred rather than capitalized as part of the historical cost of the constructed asset. Implementation of GASB No. 89 is prospective; therefore, restatement of the FY17 data included in these notes and the accompanying financial statements is not required.

### **c. Net Position**

The System's net position (assets plus deferred outflows of resources less liabilities and deferred inflows of resources) is classified for accounting purposes in the following four categories:

**Net investment in capital assets:** Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and outstanding principal balances of debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, repair or improvement of those assets. It also includes the premiums/discounts related to the outstanding debt. This category excludes the portion of debt attributable to unspent bond proceeds.

**Restricted – nonexpendable:** Net position subject to externally imposed conditions that the System maintain them in perpetuity. Such net position includes the historical gift value of restricted true endowment funds. In the event that market fluctuations have caused the fair value of an endowment to fall below corpus, the related net position is valued at the lower fair value amount.

**Restricted – expendable:** Net position subject to externally imposed conditions that can be fulfilled by the actions of the System or by the passage of time. Such net position includes the accumulated net gains on true endowment funds, restricted gifts and income, and other similarly restricted funds.

**Unrestricted:** All other categories of net position. Unrestricted net position may be committed by actions of the System's Board of Trustees.

The System has adopted a policy of generally utilizing restricted – expendable resources, when available, prior to unrestricted resources.

**d. Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The System considers all highly liquid investments (including restricted assets) with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

**e. Investments**

All investments are reported at fair value except for the state pool, which is reported at amortized cost. System management is responsible for the fair measurement of investments reported in the financial statements. The System has implemented policies and procedures to assess the reasonableness of the fair values provided and believes that reported fair values at the Statements of Net Position dates are reasonable.

**Third party investments:** Three outside entities, the UMS Other Post Employment Benefit (OPEB) Trust, Maine Maritime Academy and the University of Maine School of Law Foundation, pool monies with the System's endowment pool. Investment performance results of these pooled monies are allocated on a pro rata basis based on the number of pool shares held by each entity. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are allowed only on the first business day of a calendar quarter. Investment of these monies follows guidelines approved by the System's Board of Trustees Investment Committee. These guidelines are further disclosed in the remainder of this Note and Note 3 to these financial statements as part of the discussion of endowments.

**Endowment:** The System follows the pooled investment concept for its endowed funds, whereby all invested funds are included in one pool, except for funds that are separately invested as directed by the donor. Investment income is allocated to each endowed fund in the pool based on its pro rata share of the pool.

The income produced by the fund, including realized and unrealized gains, can be used to meet the spending objective. As determined by policy, the expendable income objective was 4.5% for FY18 and FY17. The percentage was applied to a 3-year market value average to determine expendable income.

Under State of Maine law, subject to the intent of a donor expressed in the gift instrument, an institution may appropriate for expenditure or accumulate so much of an endowment fund as the institution determines is prudent for the uses, benefits, purposes and duration for which the endowment fund is established. The System's policy is to spend endowment appreciation to the extent of the approved annual spending rate while not invading corpus. The return (loss) net of the amount used for operations is presented as Other Changes in Net Position in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position.

**Authorized Investment Vehicles - Operating Investments:** The System has a three-tiered approach regarding its operating investments:

- **Liquidity Pool** – The purpose of this pool is to meet the day-to-day obligations of the System. It consists of funds that are invested in a portfolio of highest quality short-term fixed-income securities (e.g., Treasury obligations, agency securities, repurchase agreements, money

market funds, commercial paper, and/or short-term bond mutual funds) with adequate liquidity. The average quality of the pool will be rated at least “A-1” by Standard and Poor’s (or equivalent).

- **Income Pool** – The purpose of this pool is to provide sufficient income to meet budgetary goals and provide additional diversification to minimize downside risk. This pool invests in a diversified portfolio which may include items such as, but not limited to, fixed income securities, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insured or adequately collateralized certificates of deposit (CDs), or unconstrained, short or intermediate term bond funds with a normal average duration of -2 to 7 years. The pool may invest in funds rated from BB to AAA quality. The overall average quality rating of this pool will be at least “A-” by Standard and Poor’s (or equivalent).
- **Total Return Pool** – This pool is expected to add diversification and growth to the portfolio and may invest in diversified assets made up of, but not limited to, equities, hedge funds, and global asset allocation mandates.

**Authorized Investment Vehicles - Endowment Investments:** The fund is diversified both by asset class and within asset classes. In order to have a reasonable probability of consistently achieving the Fund’s return objectives, the following asset allocation policy ranges were applicable as of June 30, 2018 and 2017:

	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Equity securities	35-55%	35-55%
Fixed income securities	13-29%	13-23%
Other	24-44%	27-47%
Cash	0-10%	0-10%

**Authorized Investment Vehicles - Deposits with Bond Trustees:** These monies are invested in accordance with the governing bond resolutions and arbitrage certificates.

**f. Inventories**

Inventories are stated at cost. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method or the average-cost method.

**g. Gifts and Pledges**

Gifts are recorded at their fair value at the date of gift. Promises to donate to the System are recorded as receivables and revenues when the System has met all applicable eligibility and time requirements. Gifts and bequests to be used for endowment purposes are categorized as endowment gifts. Other gifts are categorized as currently expendable. Pledges receivable are reported net of amounts deemed uncollectible and after discounting to the present value of the expected future cash flows. Since the System cannot fulfill the time requirement for gifts to endowments until the gift is received, pledges to endowments are not reported. Because of

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uncertainties with regard to their realizability and valuation, bequests and intentions to give and other conditional promises are not recognized as assets until the specified conditions are met.

#### **h. Grants and Contracts and Capital Appropriations**

The System records a receivable and corresponding revenue for grants and contracts and capital appropriations at the point all eligibility requirements (e.g., allowable costs are incurred) are met.

#### **i. Capital Assets**

Capital assets which include property, plant, equipment, intangible assets and library holdings are recorded at cost when purchased or constructed and at fair value at date of donation. Costs for maintenance, repairs and minor renewals and replacements are expensed as incurred; major renewals and replacements are capitalized.

Prior to July 1, 2003, library materials were generally capitalized and depreciated over a ten-year period. Effective July 1, 2003, the System began to expense library materials as incurred. The System will retain the undepreciated library materials balance as a core non-depreciating asset.

The System does not capitalize and depreciate its collections of historical treasures and works of art because it is the System's policy that:

- Works of art and historical treasures are to be held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, rather than for financial gain.
- Works of art and historical treasures are to be protected, kept unencumbered, cared for, and preserved.
- Proceeds from sale of works of art and historical treasures are to be used to acquire other items for the collections.

A capitalization threshold of \$50 is used for buildings, building additions and improvements, land improvements and internally generated intangibles. Equipment (including equipment acquired under capital leases) and purchased software are capitalized with a unit cost of \$5 or more. These assets, with the exception of land, are depreciated and amortized using the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the related assets, which range from 4 to 60 years.

#### **j. Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements**

The System's irrevocable split-interest agreements consist of the System's remainder interest in trusts held by third parties. The System reports these irrevocable split-interest agreements as assets and deferred inflows of resources when it becomes aware of the agreement and has sufficient information to measure its beneficial interest. The System recognizes the annual change in the fair values of the split interest agreements as an increase or decrease in the asset and the related deferred inflows of resources. The System will recognize revenue at the termination of the agreement, as stipulated in the irrevocable split-interest agreement. Also, at

the termination of the agreement, the split-interest asset and the related deferred inflow of resources will be eliminated.

**k. Unearned Revenue and Deposits**

Unearned revenue and deposits in the Statements of Net Position consists primarily of grant and contract advances and deposits and advance payments received for tuition and fees related to certain summer programs and tuition received for the following academic year. Unearned revenue for summer programs is presented net of related expenses (e.g., student aid).

**l. Compensated Absences**

Employees earn the right to be compensated during absences for annual vacation leave. The accompanying Statements of Net Position reflect an accrual for the amounts earned, including related benefits ultimately payable. The System accounts for the vacation leave hours on a last-in, first-out basis. A portion of this liability is classified as current and represents the System's estimate of vacation time that will be paid during the next fiscal year to employees leaving the System.

**m. Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Deferred outflows of resources are the consumption of assets or increase in liabilities that is applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred outflows of resources are presented separately after Total Assets in the Statements of Net Position.

The System's deferred outflows consist of:

1. The difference between the reacquisition price and the carrying value of refunded revenue bonds. These amounts are to be recognized as a component of interest expense over the shorter of the remaining life of the refunded bonds or the life of the new bonds.
2. Assumption and experience changes and net investment losses that increase the pension and OPEB liabilities. These amounts are to be recognized as components of pension and postemployment health expense in future reporting periods.

Deferred inflows of resources are the acquisition of assets or reduction of liabilities that is applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred inflows of resources are presented separately after Total Liabilities in the Statements of Net Position.

The System's deferred inflows of resources consist of:

1. Assumption and experience changes and net investment gains that reduce the pension and OPEB liabilities. These amounts are to be recognized as components of pension and postemployment health expense in future reporting periods.
2. The unamortized balances of a service concession arrangement with Sodexo America, LLC that provided the System with equipment, facility improvements, and a signing bonus. These amounts will be recognized as revenue over the life of the agreement.

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3. An offsetting credit to the fair value of the System's remainder interest in irrevocable split-interest agreements. These deferrals will be recognized as gift income at the termination of the split-interest agreement.

**n. Net Student Fees**

Student tuition, dining, residence, and other fees are presented net of scholarships and fellowships applied to students' accounts. Certain other scholarship amounts are paid directly to, or refunded to, the student and are generally reflected as student aid expense.

**o. Tax Status**

The System is exempt from income taxes under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code ("the Code") as a governmental entity. It is also recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

**p. Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities at the dates of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting periods. The most significant estimates in the financial statements include liabilities for self-insured plans, pension and other retirement benefit obligations, as well as allowances for uncollectible receivables. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

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Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the System's deposits may not be returned. Deposits are considered uninsured if they are not covered by depository insurance and are (a) uncollateralized, (b) collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or (c) collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the System's name. The System's policy is that with the exception of daily operating cash, it will carry no deposits that are uncollateralized or uninsured. As of June 30, 2018 and 2017, bank balances with uninsured or uncollateralized operating cash deposits were \$1,354 and \$1,587, respectively.

### 3. INVESTMENTS

#### **a. Composition and Fair Value Measurements**

##### **Composition and Purpose of Investments:**

The System uses a pooled investment approach for its endowments (including Affiliates' endowments invested with the System) unless otherwise required by the donor. As previously noted, three outside entities - the UMS OPEB Trust, Maine Maritime Academy, and the University of Maine School of Law Foundation - pool monies for investment purposes with the System's endowment. Investment policies and strategies are determined for this combined Managed Investment Pool (MIP). Fair values, credit ratings, and interest rate risk for the entire investment pool are presented below under 'endowment' investments. The amount held for the three outside entities is then deducted to show only the amount of the System's endowment investment.

**Operating Investments:** The System's operating investments are available to fund operations or other purposes as determined by System management.

**Endowment Investments:** Except for certain gifts invested separately at the request of the donors (\$428 and \$384 at June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively), the System's endowment is managed as a pooled investment fund using external investment managers. The University of Maine at Fort Kent Foundation, the University of Southern Maine Foundation, and the John L. Martin Scholarship Fund, Inc. participate in the System's endowment pool through a management agreement. The fair values of the investments held for these affiliated organizations at June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively are \$22,883 and \$20,475, and are reported as funds held for others in the accompanying Statements of Net Position.

Endowed gifts are invested to generate income to be used to fund various activities such as scholarships and research as specified by the donors. The total endowment accumulated net income and appreciation available to the System for spending is as follows at June 30:

	2018	2017
Restricted - expendable	\$55,678	\$52,688
Unrestricted	16,012	14,825
Total available for spending	\$71,690	\$67,513

**Deposits with Bond Trustees:** Deposits with bond trustees are composed of unexpended revenue bond proceeds.

**Fair Value Measurements:**

GASB Statement No. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application* (GASB No. 72), defines fair value as the exchange price that would be received for an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in the entity's principal or most advantageous market for the asset or liability in an orderly transaction between market participants on the measurement date. GASB No. 72 also establishes a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value, and describes three levels of inputs that may be used to measure fair value:

- Level 1. Valuations based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date. Since valuations are based on quoted prices that are readily and regularly available in an active market, valuation of these securities does not entail a significant degree of judgement.
- Level 2. Valuations based on significant other observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in markets that are not active, and other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.
- Level 3. Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement. They reflect an entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

The above hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset and gives the highest priority to level 1 measurements and the lowest priority to level 3 measurements. Investments that are measured at fair value using net asset value (NAV) per share (or its equivalent) as a practical expedient are not classified in the fair value hierarchy.

The System measures the fair value of investments in certain entities that do not have a quoted market price at the calculated NAV per share or its equivalent. As these investments are not readily marketable the estimated value is subject to uncertainty, and therefore, may differ from the value that would have been used had a ready market for the investments existed.

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The System's investments were composed of the following at June 30, 2018:

	Total	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Credit Rating	Interest Rate Risk	
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3			
<b>Operating Investments:</b>							
Equities:							
Multi-strategy funds	\$ 57,053	\$ 57,053	\$ -	\$ -			
Fixed income funds:							
Bonds	125,999	48,729	77,270	-	Not rated	1.81-7.8 years	Duration
Money markets	22,290	22,290	-	-	Not rated	23-25 days	Weighted Average Maturity
<b>Total operating investments by fair value level</b>	<b>205,342</b>	<b>\$ 128,072</b>	<b>\$ 77,270</b>	<b>\$ -</b>			
Operating investments measured at NAV							
Equities: Multi-Strategy	14,817						
Bank loans	18,704				Not rated	.10 years	Duration
Total operating investments measured at NAV	33,521						
Total operating investments measured at fair value plus NAV	238,863						
State pool measured at amortized cost	13,373				Not rated	.45 years	Duration
<b>Total operating investments</b>	<b>\$ 252,236</b>						
<b>Deposits with Bond Trustees:</b>							
Bonds and money markets	\$ 14,828	\$ 14,828	\$ -	\$ -	Not rated	23-25 days	Weighted Average Maturity
<b>Endowment Investments:</b>							
MIP investments:							
Equities:							
Equity securities	\$ 9,935	\$ 9,935	\$ -	\$ -			
Equity funds	131,788	131,788	-	-			
Multi-strategy funds	68,014	68,014	-	-	Not rated	Not rated	
Fixed income funds:							
Money markets	14	14	-	-	Not rated	22 days	Weighted Average Maturity
Bonds	50,593	34,187	16,406	-	Not rated	2.28-7.8 years	Duration
Real assets	2,717	-	-	2,717	Not rated	Not rated	
<b>Total MIP investments by fair value level</b>	<b>263,061</b>	<b>\$ 243,938</b>	<b>\$ 16,406</b>	<b>\$ 2,717</b>			
MIP investments measured at NAV							
Multi-strategy funds	38,655						
Bank Loans	15,883				Not rated	2 months	Duration
Total MIP investments measured at NAV	54,538						
Total MIP investments measured at fair value plus NAV	317,599						
Less portion held on behalf of outside entities	(167,680)						
Endowment portion of MIP investments	149,919						
Separately invested assets	4,195	\$ 4,195	\$ -	\$ -			
<b>Total endowment investments measured at fair value</b>	<b>\$ 154,114</b>						

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Additional disclosures for investments measured at NAV at June 30, 2018:

	Fair Value	Redemption Frequency (If Currently Eligible)	Redemption Period Notice
<b>Operating Investments:</b>			
Equities: Multi-strategy <sup>1</sup>	\$14,817	Monthly, Quarterly	60, 90 days
Bank loans <sup>2</sup>	18,704	Bi-monthly	15 days
<b>Total operating investments measured at NAV</b>	<b>\$33,521</b>		
<b>Endowment Investments:</b>			
MIP investments measured at NAV			
Multi-strategy funds <sup>1</sup>			
(includes unfunded commitments of \$1,642)	\$38,655	Monthly, Quarterly	30, 45, 60, 90 days
Bank loans <sup>2</sup>	15,883	Monthly	30 days
Total pooled investments measured at NAV	54,538		
Less portion held on behalf of outside entities	(28,794)		
<b>Total endowment investments measured at NAV</b>	<b>\$25,744</b>		

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The System's investments were composed of the following at June 30, 2017:

	Total	Fair Value Measurements Using:			Credit Rating	Interest Rate Risk	
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3			
<b>Operating Investments:</b>							
Equities:							
Multi-strategy funds	\$ 44,393	\$ 30,473	\$ 13,920	\$ -			
Fixed income funds:							
Bonds	116,854	39,804	77,050	-	Not rated	1.83-8.0 years	Duration
Money markets	45,139	45,139	-	-	Not rated	28-34 days	Weighted Average Maturity
<b>Total operating investments by fair value level</b>	<b>206,386</b>	<b>\$ 115,416</b>	<b>\$ 90,970</b>	<b>\$ -</b>			
Operating investments measured at NAV							
Equities: Multi-Strategy	13,443						
Bank loans	18,075				Not rated	.10 years	Duration
Total operating investments measured at NAV	31,518						
Total operating investments measured at fair value plus NAV	237,904						
State pool measured at amortized cost	5,189				Not rated	.67 years	Duration
<b>Total operating investments</b>	<b>\$ 243,093</b>						
<b>Deposits with Bond Trustees:</b>							
Bonds and money markets	\$ 20,997	\$ 20,997	\$ -	\$ -	Not rated	28-34 days	Weighted Average Maturity
<b>Endowment Investments:</b>							
MIP investments:							
Equities:							
Equity securities	\$ 9,460	\$ 9,460	\$ -	\$ -			
Equity funds	132,595	132,595	-	-			
Multi-strategy funds	64,416	64,416	-	-	Not rated	Not rated	
Fixed income funds:							
Money markets	8,550	8,550	-	-	Not rated	24 days	Weighted Average Maturity
Bonds	37,538	22,722	14,816	-	Not rated	4.29-8.0 years	Duration
Real assets	5,125	-	-	5,125	Not rated	Not rated	
<b>Total MIP investments by fair value level</b>	<b>257,684</b>	<b>\$ 237,743</b>	<b>\$ 14,816</b>	<b>\$ 5,125</b>			
MIP investments measured at NAV							
Multi-strategy funds	23,685						
Bank Loans	14,470				Not rated	0.9 years	Duration
Total MIP investments measured at NAV	38,155						
Total MIP investments measured at fair value plus NAV	295,839						
Less portion held on behalf of outside entities	(151,880)						
Endowment portion of MIP investments	143,959						
Separately invested assets	2,848	\$ 2,848	\$ -	\$ -			
<b>Total endowment investments measured at fair value</b>	<b>\$ 146,807</b>						

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IN THOUSANDS)

Additional disclosures for investments measured at NAV at June 30, 2017:

	Fair Value	Redemption Frequency (If Currently Eligible)	Redemption Period Notice
<b>Operating Investments:</b>			
Equities: Multi-strategy <sup>1</sup>	\$13,443	Monthly, Quarterly	60, 90 days
Bank loans <sup>2</sup>	18,075	Bi-monthly	15 days
<b>Total operating investments measured at NAV</b>	<b>\$31,518</b>		
<b>Endowment Investments:</b>			
MIP investments measured at NAV			
Multi-strategy funds <sup>1</sup>			
(includes unfunded commitments of \$2,629)	\$23,685	Monthly, Quarterly	30, 45, 60, 90 days
Bank loans <sup>2</sup>	14,470	Monthly	30 days
Total pooled investments measured at NAV	38,155		
Less portion held on behalf of outside entities	(19,588)		
<b>Total endowment investments measured at NAV</b>	<b>\$18,567</b>		

Additional information for investments measured at NAV at June 30, 2018 and 2017 is as follows:

<sup>1</sup> Multi-strategy funds: Includes investments in equities and limited partnerships. Limited partnerships may invest in pooled vehicles in global equities, fixed income instruments, currencies, commodities; long and short positions with respect to bonds, leveraged loans, trade claims and other investments; or other hedge funds with objectives to outperform certain benchmarks. Fair values of these investments are completed on a monthly or quarterly basis using other significant direct or indirect observable inputs or recent observable transaction information for similar investments. Includes investments in liquidation status awaiting final distributions.

<sup>2</sup> Bank loans: Investments in these funds include floating rate loans in a diverse set of industries and are traditionally rated below investment grade. Other observable inputs determine fair value of this investment.

### **b. Interest Rate Risk**

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The System's policy for managing interest rate risk is as follows:

**Operating Investments:** To limit interest rate exposure, the System diversifies its investments as specified in Note 1.e.

**Endowment Investments:** To limit interest rate exposure, the endowment investment policy restricts the average effective duration of the fixed income portfolio to no more than 1 year from the duration of the applicable benchmark (e.g., the Barclays Capital Aggregate Bond Index was 6.05 years and 6.02 years at June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively).

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**c. Foreign Currency Risk**

**Operating Investments:** The System's operating investments include various fixed income, equity, and hedge fund holdings which have foreign currency exposure, with some funds hedging against foreign currency risk. Portfolio foreign currency exposure was \$17,993 and \$13,918 at June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

**Endowment Investments:** The System's endowments are invested in the System MIP. The MIP invests in various fixed income, equity, and hedge funds which have foreign currency exposure, with some funds hedging against foreign currency risk. The endowment investments share of the foreign currency exposure in the MIP was \$44,591 and \$48,773 at June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IN THOUSANDS)

**d. Investment Income (Loss)**

Income (loss) related to the System's investments is as follows:

	<b>2018</b>			
	<b>Net Gains (Losses)</b>	<b>Interest and Dividends</b>	<b>Investment Fees</b>	<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>
Endowment investment income and fees	\$ 7,871	\$ 2,023	\$ (973)	\$ 8,921
Net loss allocated to affiliates				369
System endowment net income				<u>\$ 9,290</u>
Reported as endowment return used for operations				\$ 6,204
Reported as endowment return, net of amount used for operations				<u>3,086</u>
System endowment income				<u>\$ 9,290</u>
Operating investments	\$ 1,040	\$ 6,371	\$ (1,125)	\$ 6,286
Perkins savings account	-	3	-	3
Deposits with bond trustees	-	201	-	201
Total other investment income (loss)	<u>\$ 1,040</u>	<u>\$ 6,575</u>	<u>\$ (1,125)</u>	<u>\$ 6,490</u>

	<b>2017</b>			
	<b>Net Gains (Losses)</b>	<b>Interest and Dividends</b>	<b>Investment Fees</b>	<b>Net Income (Loss)</b>
Endowment investment income and fees	\$ 13,038	\$ 2,168	\$ (903)	\$ 14,303
Net income allocated to affiliates				(665)
System endowment net income				<u>\$ 13,638</u>
Reported as endowment return used for operations				\$ 6,280
Reported as endowment return, net of amount used for operations				<u>7,358</u>
System endowment income				<u>\$ 13,638</u>
Operating investments	\$ 5,114	\$ 5,369	\$ (1,051)	\$ 9,432
Perkins savings account	-	2	-	2
Deposits with bond trustees	-	21	-	21
Total other investment income (loss)	<u>\$ 5,114</u>	<u>\$ 5,392</u>	<u>\$ (1,051)</u>	<u>\$ 9,455</u>

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IN THOUSANDS)

**4. ACCOUNTS, GRANTS, AND PLEDGES RECEIVABLE**

Accounts, grants, and pledges receivable include the following at June 30:

	2018			Restated 2017		
	Total	Current Portion	Noncurrent Portion	Total	Current Portion	Noncurrent Portion
Student and other accounts receivable	\$37,568	\$37,167	\$ 401	\$38,016	\$37,647	\$ 369
Grants receivable	18,327	18,208	119	23,632	21,570	2,062
Pledges receivable	571	330	241	1,979	1,160	819
Total gross receivables	56,466	55,705	761	63,627	60,377	3,250
Less allowance for doubtful accounts	(8,309)	(8,306)	(3)	(6,778)	(6,771)	(7)
Less discount on pledges receivable	(20)	-	(20)	(50)	-	(50)
Total receivables, net	\$48,137	\$47,399	\$ 738	\$56,799	\$53,606	\$ 3,193

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 35, grants receivable related to the acquisition of capital assets is reported as a noncurrent receivable even though collection is expected within the next twelve months.

**5. NOTES AND LEASES RECEIVABLE**

Notes and leases receivable include the following at June 30:

	2018			2017		
	Total	Current Portion	Noncurrent Portion	Total	Current Portion	Noncurrent Portion
Perkins loans	\$ 28,583	\$ -	\$ 28,583	\$ 30,257	\$ -	\$ 30,257
Nursing loans	2,344	-	2,344	2,001	-	2,001
Institutional loans	10,203	-	10,203	9,960	-	9,960
Lease receivable (a)	689	63	626	751	63	688
Total notes and leases receivable	41,819	63	41,756	42,969	63	42,906
Less allowance for doubtful accounts	(1,696)	-	(1,696)	(1,618)	-	(1,618)
Total notes and leases receivable, net	\$ 40,123	\$ 63	\$ 40,060	\$ 41,351	\$ 63	\$ 41,288

Collections of the notes receivable for Perkins, Nursing, and Institutional loans may not be used to pay current liabilities, as the proceeds are restricted for making new loans. Accordingly, these notes receivable are recorded in the accompanying Statements of Net Position as noncurrent assets.

- (a) Lease receivable consists of a lease with the University of New Hampshire, secured by equipment with monthly payments of \$5, including interest at 4.85% per annum. The lease matures in 2029.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IN THOUSANDS)

**6. CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2018 is as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reclassifications	Retirements	Ending Balance
Land	\$ 17,895	\$ -	\$ 481	\$ -	\$ 18,376
Library materials	25,686	-	-	-	25,686
Construction in progress	18,929	32,465	(28,065)	(225)	23,104
Total nondepreciable assets	62,510	32,465	(27,584)	(225)	67,166
Land improvements	57,341	-	7,453	(55)	64,739
Buildings & improvements	896,762	-	16,966	(1,621)	912,107
Equipment	142,852	7,436	2,906	(116)	153,078
Software	32,652	120	259	-	33,031
Total depreciable assets	1,129,607	7,556	27,584	(1,792)	1,162,955
Less accumulated depreciation:					
Land improvements	37,228	2,215	-	(38)	39,405
Buildings & improvements	339,946	24,120	-	(1,344)	362,722
Equipment	90,836	10,746	-	(58)	101,524
Software	23,740	2,687	-	-	26,427
Total accumulated depreciation	491,750	39,768	-	(1,440)	530,078
Net depreciable assets	637,857	(32,212)	27,584	(352)	632,877
Total capital assets	\$ 700,367	\$ 253	\$ -	\$ (577)	\$ 700,043

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2017 is as follows:

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reclassifications	Retirements	Ending Balance
Land	\$ 17,895	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,895
Library materials	25,686	-	-	-	25,686
Construction in progress	11,496	27,327	(19,894)	-	18,929
Total nondepreciable assets	55,077	27,327	(19,894)	-	62,510
Land improvements	55,130	-	2,211	-	57,341
Buildings & improvements	884,381	-	12,381	-	896,762
Equipment	133,342	4,257	5,253	-	142,852
Software	32,568	35	49	-	32,652
Total depreciable assets	1,105,421	4,292	19,894	-	1,129,607
Less accumulated depreciation:					
Land improvements	35,289	1,939	-	-	37,228
Buildings & improvements	316,935	23,011	-	-	339,946
Equipment	80,578	10,258	-	-	90,836
Software	21,034	2,706	-	-	23,740
Total accumulated depreciation	453,836	37,914	-	-	491,750
Net depreciable assets	651,585	(33,622)	19,894	-	637,857
Total capital assets	\$ 706,662	\$ (6,295)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700,367

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As of June 30, 2018 and 2017, \$14,805 and \$20,974, respectively, in proceeds from revenue bond issuances remain unspent. These amounts are included in the accompanying Statements of Net Position as part of deposits with bond trustees.

Also remaining unspent as of June 30, 2018 is \$486 in capital appropriations awarded by the State of Maine. These amounts are not included in the accompanying financial statements because the System has not met all eligibility requirements (e.g., incurred costs).

Both the revenue bond and capital appropriation monies are earmarked for specific projects, most of which are capital construction projects. As monies are spent on these projects, the costs are included in capital assets in the accompanying Statements of Net Position.

Outstanding commitments on uncompleted construction contracts totaled \$10,363 and \$6,767 at June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively.

**7. ACCRUED LIABILITIES AND LONG-TERM DEBT**

Changes in accrued liabilities and long-term debt during the year ended June 30, 2018 include the following:

	Beginning Balance Restated	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Accrued liabilities:					
Workers' compensation (Note 11)	\$ 3,235	\$ 332	\$ (996)	\$ 2,571	\$ 873
Health insurance (Note 11)	5,584	69,402	(68,516)	6,470	6,470
Postemployment health plan (Note 14)	76,614	30,266	(29,375)	77,505	-
Other employee benefit programs (Note 13)	51,521	56,507	(56,190)	51,838	4,757
Other	17,117	13,328	(15,226)	15,219	13,879
<b>Total accrued liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 154,071</b>	<b>\$ 169,835</b>	<b>\$ (170,303)</b>	<b>\$ 153,603</b>	<b>\$ 25,979</b>
Long-term debt:					
Capital lease obligations <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 3,538	\$ -	\$ (564)	\$ 2,974	\$ 622
Bonds and notes payable <sup>(b)</sup>	172,264	65	(14,313)	158,016	13,213
Lease purchase agreement <sup>(b)</sup>	-	644	(12)	632	123
<b>Total long-term debt</b>	<b>\$ 175,802</b>	<b>\$ 709</b>	<b>\$ (14,889)</b>	<b>\$ 161,622</b>	<b>\$ 13,958</b>

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IN THOUSANDS)

Changes in accrued liabilities and long-term debt during the year ended June 30, 2017 include the following:

	Beginning Balance Restated	Additions Restated	Reductions Restated	Ending Balance Restated	Current Portion
Accrued liabilities:					
Workers' compensation (Note 11)	\$ 4,306	\$ 310	\$ (1,381)	\$ 3,235	\$ 1,049
Health insurance (Note 11)	6,124	67,756	(68,296)	5,584	5,584
Postemployment health plan (Note 14)	102,341	38,156	(63,883)	76,614	-
Other employee benefit programs (Note 13)	52,311	54,585	(55,375)	51,521	4,364
Other	16,596	13,476	(12,955)	17,117	14,045
Total accrued liabilities	\$181,678	\$174,283	\$ (201,890)	\$154,071	\$25,042
Long-term debt:					
Capital lease obligations <sup>(a)</sup>	\$ 4,206	\$ -	\$ (668)	\$ 3,538	\$ 624
Bonds and notes payable <sup>(b)</sup>	162,079	34,353	(24,168)	172,264	14,307
Total long-term debt	\$166,285	\$ 34,353	\$ (24,836)	\$175,802	\$14,931

**a. Lease Obligations**

The System leases certain equipment and real estate under leases with terms exceeding one year. Future minimum lease payments under capital leases and under non-cancelable operating leases (with initial or remaining lease terms in excess of one year) as of June 30, 2018 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30:	Capital Leases		Operating Leases	Total
	Principal	Interest		
2019	\$ 622	\$ 91	\$ 623	\$ 1,336
2020	457	78	342	877
2021	426	71	233	730
2022	162	63	245	470
2023	169	56	239	464
2024-2028	967	158	1,211	2,336
2029-2033	171	5	1,013	1,189
2034-2038	-	-	527	527
Total minimum lease payments	\$ 2,974	\$ 522	\$ 4,433	\$ 7,929

The rent expense related to operating leases amounted to \$756 for the year ended June 30, 2018 and \$1,142 for the year ended June 30, 2017.

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**b. Bonds and Notes Payable**

Bonds, notes payable and lease purchase agreements consist of the following at June 30:

	2018	2017
<b>2017 Series A Revenue Bonds (original principal of \$30,340)</b>		
Serial bonds, maturing from 2018 to 2026, with annual principal payments from \$2,285 to \$4,460 and coupon interest rates from 4.0% to 5.0%. Issued to refund 2007A Series Revenue bonds and to provide funding for capital projects. Includes premiums of \$2,993 and \$3,898, respectively.	\$ 28,873	\$ 34,238
<b>2015 Series A Revenue Bonds (original principal of \$48,450)</b>		
Serial bonds, maturing from 2016 to 2037, with annual principal payments from \$405 to \$3,760 and coupon interest rates from 3.0% to 5.0%. Issued to refund 2004A, 2005A, and 2007A Series Revenue bonds and to provide funding for capital projects. Includes premiums of \$2,994 and \$3,629, respectively.	47,619	49,494
<b>2013 Series A Revenue Bonds (original principal of \$65,255)</b>		
Serial and Term bonds, maturing from 2014 to 2035, with annual principal payments from \$1,275 to \$4,425 and coupon interest rates from 2.0% to 5.0%. Issued to refund 2000A, 2003A, 2004A, and 2005A Series Revenue bonds. Includes premiums of \$4,089 and \$4,978, respectively.	57,679	61,688
<b>2012 Series A Revenue Bonds (original principal of \$34,975)</b>		
Serial and Term bonds, maturing from 2013 to 2033, with annual principal payments from \$1,070 to \$2,620 and coupon interest rates from 2.0% to 4.0%. Issued to refund balloon on the 2002A Series Revenue bonds and to provide funding for a capital project. Includes premiums of \$720 and \$890, respectively.	21,775	24,485
<b>University of Maine Foundation</b>		
Note payable, drawn against \$300 line of credit, unsecured, semi-annual payments of \$5, including interest at 2.75%, matured in 2018	-	5
Note payable, secured by equipment, with annual payments of \$75, including interest at 3.94%, matured in 2018.	-	83
Note payable, secured by equipment, with annual payments of \$15, including interest at 4.25%, matures 2023	59	-

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	2018	2017
<b>Efficiency Maine Trust</b>		
\$2,595 loan for biomass energy project, quarterly principal payments of \$65 plus interest at 1.5% beginning in June 2016 and continuing through March 2026.	\$ 2,011	\$ 2,271
<b>Total bonds and notes payable, net</b>	<b>158,016</b>	<b>172,264</b>
<b>Banc of America</b>		
Lease purchase agreement, secured by equipment, with semi-annual payments of principal and interest at 1.82% to 2.40%, maturing from October 2022 to June 2023	632	-
<b>Total bonds, notes payable and lease purchase agreements, net</b>	<b>\$ 158,648</b>	<b>\$ 172,264</b>
<b>Total par value of outstanding bonds, notes payable and lease purchase agreements</b>	<b>\$ 147,852</b>	<b>\$ 158,869</b>
<b>Total unamortized premiums and discounts</b>	<b>10,796</b>	<b>13,395</b>
<b>Total bonds, notes payable and lease purchase agreements</b>	<b>\$ 158,648</b>	<b>\$ 172,264</b>

with the issuance of revenue bonds have been expensed as incurred and included in the accompanying Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Premiums, discounts, and deferred amounts on refunding are being amortized over the life of the respective bond issuances as part of interest expense using the effective interest method.

Principal and interest payments on bonds, notes payable and lease purchase agreements for the next five years and in subsequent five-year periods are as follows at June 30, 2018:

<b>Year Ending June 30:</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2019	\$ 11,090	\$ 6,197	\$ 17,287
2020	11,888	5,692	17,580
2021	10,842	5,168	16,010
2022	11,315	4,693	16,008
2023	10,783	4,160	14,943
2024-2028	47,439	13,605	61,044
2029-2033	36,465	5,182	41,647
2034-2037	8,030	458	8,488
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>\$ 147,852</b>	<b>\$ 45,155</b>	<b>\$193,007</b>

Interest costs related to the revenue bonds for FY18 and FY17 were \$4,216 and \$4,498, respectively.

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On May 17, 2017, the System issued \$30,340 of 2017 Series A Revenue Bonds to currently refund \$13,245 of 2007 Series A Revenue Bonds and to provide \$18,225 for new projects. The System completed the refunding to reduce its total debt service payments over the following twenty years by \$1,515 and to obtain economic gain (difference between the present values of the old and new debt service payments) of \$1,406. The principal amount of debt refunded through in-substance defeasance was \$13,245. The amount still outstanding at June 30, 2017 was \$0. Refunding bond proceeds of \$13,431 were placed in an escrow account to pay the interest due on the refunded bonds and to retire the bonds on their respective call dates which was June 16, 2017.

The FY17 refunding resulted in a deferred amount on refunding of (\$48) which represents the difference between the reacquisition price and the carrying value of the refunded bonds. Amortization of this deferred amount on refunding will be charged to operations as additional interest expense through the year FY24. The unamortized portion of the deferred amount on refunding, which was (\$38) and (\$43) as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively, is included in deferred outflows of resources in the accompanying Statements of Net Position.

## 8. UNEARNED REVENUE AND DEPOSITS

Unearned revenue and deposits as of June 30 consist of the following:

	2018	2017
Unearned grant advances	\$ 1,298	\$ 3,527
Unearned summer session revenue	6,732	6,267
Other unearned revenue and deposits	1,483	1,067
<b>Total unearned revenue and deposits</b>	<b>\$ 9,513</b>	<b>\$ 10,861</b>

The System recognizes grant and contract revenue to the extent that it has fulfilled the eligibility requirements (e.g., incurred allowable costs) of the grant or contract award. Some awards pay the System in advance of the System fulfilling its obligations. In such situations, the System reports the cash as an asset and the offset as unearned revenue and deposits, a current liability, in the Statements of Net Position (see unearned grant advances in the above table).

The vast majority of grant and contract awards made to the System pay the funds to the System on a reimbursement basis. To the extent that the System has eligible, unreimbursed expenses, it recognizes a grant receivable in the Statements of Net Position. The System excludes from its financial statements the portion of an award not currently reimbursable because the System has not yet met the eligibility requirements. As of June 30, 2018 and 2017, the portion of outstanding awards excluded from the financial statements totaled \$48,183 and \$45,872, respectively.

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**9. GOVERNMENT ADVANCES REFUNDABLE**

The System participates in the Federal Perkins Loan and Nursing Loan Programs. These programs are funded through a combination of Federal and Institutional resources. The portion of these programs that has been funded with Federal funds is ultimately refundable to the U.S. Government upon the termination of the System's participation in the programs. The portion that would be refundable if the programs were terminated as of June 30, 2018 and 2017 has been included in the accompanying Statements of Net Position as a noncurrent liability.

**10. NET POSITION**

The System's net position is composed of the following as of June 30:

	2018	Restated 2017
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 550,658	\$ 543,984
Restricted - Nonexpendable:		
Endowment funds	59,459	58,696
Restricted - Expendable:		
Student financial aid	49,026	46,370
Capital assets and retirement of debt	3,205	2,835
Loans	16,467	16,026
Academic support	12,862	13,888
Research and public service	8,203	10,127
Library	3,360	3,083
Other	21,865	21,178
Total restricted - expendable	114,988	113,507
Unrestricted:		
Educational and general reserves	67,358	65,361
Risk management	2,132	2,503
Budget stabilization	13,178	11,453
Auxiliary enterprises	12,981	11,610
Benefit pool carryover	15,729	9,923
Implementation of GASB 75 for OPEB	(89,607)	(89,607)
Information technology initiatives	430	25
Internally designated projects	18,421	17,700
Facility projects	28,521	34,718
Quasi endowment corpus	7,189	6,416
Endowment appreciation	8,823	8,409
Cost sharing and other	3,413	3,141
Total unrestricted	88,568	81,652
Total Net Position	\$ 813,673	\$ 797,839

## **11. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

### **a. Grant Program Involvement**

The System participates in a number of federal programs subject to financial and compliance audits. The amount of expenditures that may be disallowed by the granting agencies cannot be determined at this time, although the System does not expect these amounts, if any, to be material to the financial statements.

### **b. Risk Management – Insurance Programs**

The System is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; thefts of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries; environmental pollution and natural disasters. The System manages these risks through a combination of commercial insurance policies purchased in the name of the System, a large deductible all-risk property insurance program and a self-insured retention program for physical damage to vehicles and mobile equipment.

The System's retention obligation for the general liability and vehicle liability is capped at \$400 per claim, with an aggregate limit of \$20,000 per year. Educator's legal liability risks are subject to a \$150 per loss retention with no annual cap. The System's estimate of the amount payable under these retention levels has been included in the accompanying Statements of Net Position as part of current accrued liabilities. As of June 30, 2018 and 2017 certain legal claims existed for which the probability or amount of payment could not be determined. The System, however, does not expect these amounts, if any, to be material to the financial statements.

At October 1, 2016, the System moved from a self-funded workers' compensation model to commercial insurance. Prior to October 1, 2016, the System was self-funded for the risk of loss related to workers' compensation. The liability for pre-existing unpaid claims is based on the requirements of GASB Statement No. 10, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Risk Financing and Related Insurance Issues*, which requires that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. The System's estimated liability at June 30, 2018 and 2017 of \$2,571 and \$3,235, respectively, for pre-existing workers' compensation claims is included in accrued liabilities in the accompanying Statements of Net Position (see Note 7). The System now purchases commercial workers' compensation insurance which limits the exposure for any one incident to \$1.

The System's active employee and under age 65 retiree health plans are self-funded with an Administrative Services Only (ASO) agreement with a commercial carrier. The System's Medicare eligible retiree health plan is a fully insured Medicare Advantage Private Fee for Service program with a commercial carrier. Both contracts are in effect from January 1 through December 31, 2018. As of June 30, 2018 and 2017, the estimated liability for claims incurred but not reported is included in total health insurance accrued liabilities in the accompanying Statements of Net Position (see Note 7). The System purchases stop-loss insurance which limits the exposure to \$1,000 per individual.

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The System's health insurance liability at June 30 consists of the following:

	2018	2017
Claims incurred but not reported	\$ 5,358	\$ 5,271
Reported claims	1,112	313
<b>Total health insurance liability (Note 7)</b>	<b>\$ 6,470</b>	<b>\$ 5,584</b>

Related to the System's self-insured health plan, certain collective bargaining agreements with System employees provide for a health insurance 'premium rebate' in the event that the total aggregate premium amount for the applicable two-year period (the "calculation period") exceeds, by a stated percentage, the total aggregate costs paid for claims and other expenses for the same period. Throughout each calculation period, the System receives periodic reports on how actual costs are trending in relation to the premiums; however, probability of a rebate cannot be determined prior to the end of the calculation period. The current calculation period ends December 31, 2018.

## 12. PASS THROUGH GRANTS

During FY18 and FY17, the System distributed \$121,873 and \$125,407, respectively, for student loans through the U.S. Department of Education Federal Direct Lending Program. These distributions and related funding sources are not included as expenses and revenues or as cash disbursements and cash receipts in the accompanying financial statements.

## 13. PENSION PLANS

The System has several single-employer pension plans, each of which is described in more detail below. The System's pension expense for each of these plans was as follows for the years ended June 30:

	2018	2017
Faculty and Professional Employees:		
Contributory retirement plan	\$ 19,878	\$ 19,450
Incentive retirement plan	1,399	1,533
Hourly Employees:		
Basic retirement plan	3,306	3,299
Defined benefit plan	1,575	772
<b>Total net pension expense</b>	<b>\$ 26,158</b>	<b>\$ 25,054</b>

**a. Contributory Retirement Plan - Faculty and Professional Employees**

Eligible salaried employees participate in the University of Maine System Retirement Plan for Faculty and Professional Employees (Contributory Plan), a defined contribution retirement plan administered by the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America (TIAA). The Board of Trustees and collective bargaining agreements establish benefit terms and mandatory employee and employer contribution rates.

All full-time employees are eligible once employment begins. Part-time employees are eligible upon achieving the equivalent of five years of continuous, full-time, regular service. All eligible employees are required to participate when they reach thirty years of age. The System contributes an amount equal to 10% of each participant's base salary and each participant contributes 4% of base salary. Participants may make additional voluntary contributions up to limits allowable by the Internal Revenue Service. The System implemented a five-year vesting schedule for the employer matching contribution for certain salaried employees hired on or after January 1, 2010. All participant contributions are fully and immediately vested.

Prior to June 1, 2014, participants had the option to direct up to 100% of existing accumulations and/or current contributions to selected investment vehicles outside of TIAA. As of June 1, 2014, all future contributions are directed to TIAA as the sole record-keeper. Upon separation from the System, participants may withdraw up to 100% of their vested account balances or transfer funds to other investment alternatives subject to Internal Revenue Service limitations and the contractual provisions of the Contributory Plan.

**b. Incentive Retirement Plan – Faculty and Professional Employees**

The Incentive Retirement Plan is a single employer plan administered by the System. The Plan does not issue standalone financial statements.

Represented faculty who were employed before July 1, 1996 and other professional employees who were employed before July 1, 2006 participate in the University of Maine System Incentive Retirement Plan (Incentive Plan), a defined benefit plan, which was established on July 1, 1975. The Board of Trustees has authority to establish and amend provisions under the Incentive Plan subject to collective bargaining.

The Incentive Plan provides that eligible retiring employees with at least 10 years of continuous regular full-time equivalent service immediately prior to retirement will receive a benefit equivalent to 1½% times their completed years of service (up to a maximum of 27 years) times their final annual base salary. This amount is to be paid as a lump-sum contribution to the participant's retirement account. Employees enrolled in the Incentive Plan may elect to retire at any age on or after 55.

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**Employees covered by benefit terms:** At June 30, total incentive retirement pension plan membership consisted of the following:

	2018	2017
Active plan participants	992	1,074

**Contributions:** The Incentive Plan is funded on a terminal funding basis - funded when costs become due and payable. Employees do not make contributions under the Incentive Plan.

The total pension liability related to the Incentive Plan at the measurement date of June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$21,504 and \$22,312, respectively. The fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability was 0.00% as this plan has no assets.

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2017, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Inflation	Not explicitly assumed
Salary increases	3.5% per year, including longevity
Discount rate	3.87% as of June 30, 2018 3.58% as of June 30, 2017
Life expectancy:	
Non-annuitants:	RP-2000 Mortality Table projected to 2028 with Scale AA
Annuitants:	RP-2000 Mortality Table projected to 2020 with Scale AA

**Discount rate:** GASB Statement No. 73, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and Related Assets That Are Not within the Scope of GASB Statement 68, and Amendments to Certain Provisions of GASB Statements 67 and 68*, requires projected benefit payments be discounted to their actuarial present value using a tax-exempt, high-quality municipal bond rate.

For the Incentive Plan, which does not hold assets, the total pension liability is based on the discount rate of 3.87% and 3.58% as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. The rates are based on the municipal bond rates as of the measurement dates. The municipal bond rates for 2018 and 2017 are based on the Bond Buyer 20-Bond General Obligation (GO) Index published for the weeks of June 28, 2018 and June 29, 2017, respectively.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IN THOUSANDS)

3.1

**Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate:** The following presents the total pension liability as of June 30, 2018 calculated using the discount rate of 3.87%, as well as what the total pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1-percentage point lower (2.87 %) or 1-percentage point higher (4.87 %) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (2.87%)	Current Discount Rate (3.87%)	1% Increase (4.87%)
Total pension liability	\$ 22,280	\$ 21,504	\$ 20,734

 Changes in Total Pension Liability for the **Incentive Retirement Plan:**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	2018	2017
Total pension liability – beginning	\$ 22,312	\$ 22,246
Changes for the year:		
Service cost	604	862
Interest	785	629
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	1,287
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	(225)	(628)
Benefit payments	(1,972)	(2,084)
Total pension liability – ending (a)	21,504	22,312
Fiduciary net position – beginning	-	-
Contributions – employer	1,972	2,084
Benefit payments	(1,972)	(2,084)
Fiduciary net position – ending (b)	-	-
Net pension liability – ending (a)-(b)	\$ 21,504	\$ 22,312
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	0.00%	0.00%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 72,541	\$ 77,644
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	29.64%	28.74%
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	2.72%	2.68%

**c. Basic Retirement Plan - Classified Employees**

The Basic Retirement Plan is a single employer defined contribution plan administered by the System. The Plan does not issue standalone financial statements.

The Defined Contribution Program of the Basic Retirement Plan for Classified Employees (Basic Plan) was created on July 1, 1998 in accordance with Section 403(b) of the Internal Revenue Code. Classified employees hired July 1, 1998 or later participate in the Basic Plan.

Eligible employees who were hired before July 1, 1998 could elect to roll over to the Basic Plan the value of their accrued benefit in the Defined Benefit Retirement Plan for Classified Staff (Defined Benefit Plan), as described further below, or remain in the Defined Benefit Plan. Eligible employees that remained in the Defined Benefit Plan and were age 50 and over on June 30, 1998 would continue to accrue additional benefits while the value of the benefit for those under age 50 would remain static. The majority of those under age 50 chose to roll over the value of their accrued benefit to the Basic Plan.

Full-time employees are eligible to participate in the Basic Plan once employment begins. Part-time employees are eligible once they have achieved the equivalent of five years of continuous, full-time regular service. Since June 1, 2014, all contributions have been directed to TIAA as the sole record-keeper.

Employees hired prior to July 1, 1998 and who have more than five years of completed service may voluntarily contribute up to 4% of base pay to the Basic Plan and receive a 100% match from the System. Employees hired July 1, 1998 or later are required to contribute 1%. Employee contributions to the Basic Plan of up to 4% of base pay are matched 100% by the System. In addition, employees who have four or more years of completed service and do not participate in the Defined Benefit Plan, receive System contributions equal to 6% of their base pay, for a total maximum employer contribution of 10%.

The System implemented a four-year vesting schedule for the employer matching contribution for classified employees hired on or after January 1, 2010 and, on January 1, 2013, implemented a five-year vesting schedule. Employees hired before January 1, 2010 were fully and immediately vested in the employer matching contribution. All participant contributions are fully and immediately vested.

Upon separation from the System, participants may withdraw up to 100% of their vested account balances or transfer funds to other investment alternatives subject to Internal Revenue Service limitations and the contractual provisions of the Basic Plan.

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**d. Defined Benefit Plan – Classified Employees**

The Defined Benefit Plan (the Plan) is a single employer plan administered by the System. The Plan does not issue standalone financial statements. The Plan is maintained for eligible classified employees who chose not to join the Basic Plan. Normal retirement benefits are paid to participants who attain age 65 and retire.

The monthly retirement benefit is based on a formula specified by policy in collective bargaining agreements. Eligible employees receive the sum of:

- a. 1.25% or 1.50% (based on years of service) of the participant's average annual compensation times credited service (up to a maximum of 30 years); plus
- b. 1.25% or 1.50% (based on years of service) of the participant's unused sick leave.

Early retirement benefits are paid to participants who retire upon the attainment of age 55 and who have completed five years of continuous service. The benefit is computed in accordance with the normal retirement age benefit, but is reduced by an actuarial factor because benefits will be paid over a longer period of time. No reduction is made if an employee retires after attaining 62 years of age with 25 or more years of service. Participants are also eligible for disability and death benefits.

The Board of Trustees has authority to establish or amend provisions of all classified employee plans noted above, including contribution requirements, subject to collective bargaining agreements.

Employees who participate in the Plan may also participate in the Optional Retirement Savings Plan (ORSP). The ORSP is a voluntary, employee-funded defined contribution plan. Employees may contribute up to 4% of their base pay and receive a 100% match from the System. The ORSP is administered by TIAA.

**Employees covered by benefit terms:** At June 30, pension plan membership consisted of the following:

	2018	2017
Inactive plan participants or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	715	751
Inactive plan participants entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	304	310
Active plan participants	6	6
<b>Total plan participants</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>1,067</b>

The Plan is closed to new entrants.

**Contributions:** The System adopted a funding strategy for the Plan on February 27, 2014. The System's funding strategy follows a long-term contribution schedule, such that a level annual dollar amount will be contributed to the plan indefinitely, while never allowing the Plan's assets to be depleted. The actuarially determined annual projected contribution to the Plan is \$714 through and including FY47, at which point the projected fiduciary net position is estimated to

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be sufficient to meet annual benefit payments; however, any required contribution amount will be re-determined with each actuarial valuation as market performance and other factors will impact the required future funding. Funding the Plan over the long-term allows the System to minimize contribution volatility.

Employees do not make contributions under the Plan.

The components of the net pension liability at the measurement date of June 30 were as follows:

	2018	2017
Total pension liability	\$ 38,397	\$ 40,291
Fiduciary net position	(28,930)	(31,216)
Net pension liability	\$ 9,467	\$ 9,075
Fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	75.34%	77.48%

For purposes of determining fiduciary net position, benefits are recorded when paid.

The total pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2017, rolled forward to the measurement date, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Actuarial asset method	The actuarial value of assets is the market value of assets
Inflation	3%
Salary increases	3.5% for all years
Investment rate of return	6.25% net of investment expenses, including inflation
Life expectancy:	
Pre-retirement	RP-2000 Mortality Table projected to 2028 with Scale AA
Post-retirement healthy	RP-2000 Mortality Table projected to 2020 with Scale AA
Post-retirement disabled	RP-2000 Mortality Table, no projection

The long-term expected rate of return on the Plan's investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

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Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2018 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Large Cap Equity	8.0%	4.50%
Small/Mid Cap Equity	4.0%	4.75%
International Equity	7.0%	4.75%
Emerging Market Equity	3.0%	6.25%
Core Fixed Income	35.0%	0.75%
Global Asset Allocation	27.5%	3.60%
Real Estate	8.0%	3.25%
Alternative Investments	4.5%	6.50%
Cash	3.0%	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	

**Investment Returns:**

<u>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2017</u>
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expenses	4.80%	7.04%

**Discount Rate:** GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, requires that projected benefit payments be discounted to their actuarial present value using the single rate that reflects (1) a long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments to the extent that the pension plan's assets are sufficient to pay benefits and pension plan assets are expected to be invested using a strategy to achieve that return and (2) a tax-exempt, high-quality municipal bond rate to the extent that the conditions for use of the long-term expected rate of return are not met.

For the Plan, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability at June 30, 2018 and 2017 was 6.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from the System will be made in accordance with the Plan's funding policy adopted on February 27, 2014. Based on those assumptions, the Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected benefit payments of current plan participants. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the Total Pension Liability.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IN THOUSANDS)

3.1

**Sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate:** The following presents the net pension liability as of June 30, 2018 calculated using the discount rate of 6.25%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1-percentage point lower (5.25 %) or 1-percentage point higher (7.25 %) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease (5.25%)	Current Discount Rate (6.25%)	1% Increase (7.25%)
Net pension liability	\$ 12,146	\$ 9,467	\$ 7,104

 Changes in Net Pension Liability for the **Defined Benefit Pension Plan:**

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	2018	2017
Total pension liability – beginning	\$ 40,291	\$ 42,934
Changes for the year:		
Service cost	1	6
Interest	2,385	2,545
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(759)
Benefit payments	(4,280)	(4,435)
Total pension liability – ending (a)	38,397	40,291
Fiduciary net position – beginning	31,216	32,763
Contributions – employer	695	735
Net investment income	1,335	2,173
Benefit payments	(4,280)	(4,435)
Administrative expenses	(36)	(20)
Fiduciary net position – ending (b)	28,930	31,216
Net pension liability – ending (a)-(b)	\$ 9,467	\$ 9,075
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	75.34%	77.48%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 105	\$ 168
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	9052.65%	5400.37%
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	664.54%	437.48%
Plan assets measured at fair value	\$ 28,930	\$ 31,216

**e. Funding of Basic and Defined Benefit Plans – Classified Employees**

While the Basic Plan and Defined Benefit Plan are administratively separate, they are both part of the Retirement Plan for Classified Employees and are covered by the same plan document. In accordance with Section 414(k) of the Internal Revenue Code, the System may elect to fund employer contributions to the Basic Plan and ORSP from any excess assets in the Defined Benefit Plan, subject to certain limitations.

**14. POSTEMPLOYMENT HEALTH PLAN**

The Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) Health Plan (“OPEB Plan”) is a defined benefit, single employer plan, administered by the System. The OPEB Plan does not produce standalone financial statements. Within certain limits, the Board of Trustees has authority to establish and amend provisions under the Plan for retirees. This authority is subject to collective bargaining agreements for active employees.

System retirees at or above the normal retirement age of 65 with at least ten years of continuous full-time regular university service immediately prior to retirement and who have remained in the System health plan are provided group health coverage. This coverage is also extended to those former employees in the plan receiving benefits under the System’s long-term disability (LTD) insurance and to widows/widowers of university employees and retirees. Employees who retire on or after April 1, 2008 and former employees receiving LTD benefits will have a one-time election to cease coverage under the System health plan and later reenroll for coverage provided continuous coverage is documented.

The System subsidizes the cost of insurance for eligible persons who are retired from the System and have reached age 65 and former employees approved for LTD benefits regardless of age or service. The subsidies have changed over time as summarized here:

- For employees who retired prior to July 1, 2010, the subsidy is 100% of the cost for the retiree and 50% of the costs for eligible dependents.
- For employees who retired on or after July 1, 2010, but before January 1, 2017, the subsidy is reduced to 93%, 90%, or 85%, of the individual health premium, depending on the employee's years of System service.
- For employees who retired on or after January 1, 2017, the subsidy is 80% of the cost for the retiree and 50% of the costs for eligible dependents.
- Former employees who began LTD benefits on or after September 20, 2016 are eligible to continue the health plan for a maximum of 24 months with an 80% individual premium subsidy and a 50% dependent premium subsidy.

With certain restrictions, dependents are eligible to continue coverage at the 50% rate after the death of a retiree meeting the above criteria.

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Eligible persons who were under age 65 and who retired from the System prior to January 1, 2011 do not receive a direct subsidy until they reach age 65. They must pay 100% of the active employee premium rate for the medical plan elected which includes an implicit subsidy as the actual medical plan premiums for this age group would be more than the active employee population. Eligible retirees under age 65 who retire on or after January 1, 2011 no longer receive the implicit subsidy but rather contribute a percentage of the actual medical plan premium for the early retiree group. The contribution percentage is phased in through calendar year 2019 (from 62.5% in 2011 to 100% in 2019).

Health insurance coverage for eligible persons is provided as part of the System's regular health insurance contract. Persons eligible for a subsidy from the System may not convert their benefit into an in-lieu-of payment to secure coverage under independent plans.

The System's OPEB expense for June 30, 2018 and 2017 was \$9,878 and \$2,918, respectively.

**Plan membership:** At June 30, OPEB Plan membership consisted of the following:

	2018	2017
Inactive plan participants or beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	2,359	2,134
Active plan participants	3,961	3,950
Total plan participants	6,320	6,084

**Contributions:** The System annually contributes an actuarially determined contribution to a Trust, based on the results of the most recent actuarial valuation.

Funding the OPEB Plan over the long-term allows the System to smooth market impacts, limiting contribution volatility. The required contribution amount will be re-determined with each actuarial valuation as market performance and other factors will impact the required future funding.

The components of the net OPEB liability at June 30 were as follows:

	2018	2017
Total OPEB liability	\$ 202,855	\$ 191,497
Fiduciary net position	(125,350)	(114,883)
Net OPEB liability	\$ 77,505	\$ 76,614
Fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	61.79%	59.99%

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The total OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2017, rolled forward to the measurement date of June 30, 2018, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal
Actuarial asset method	Market value
Inflation	3%
Investment rate of return	7.5% net of investment expenses, including inflation
Healthcare cost trend rate	8% for 2017 decreasing 1% per year to an ultimate rate of 5% for 2020 and later years
Life expectancy:	
Pre-retirement	RP-2014 Mortality Table projected with fully generational mortality improvement using scale MP-2014. For disabled lives, RP-2014 Disabled Mortality Table
Post-retirement	RP-2014 Mortality Table projected with fully generational mortality improvement using scale MP-2014

The long-term expected rate of return on OPEB Plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of OPEB Plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the OPEB Plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2018 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Domestic Large Cap	16%	4.50%
Domestic Small/Mid Cap	6%	4.75%
International Equity	23%	4.75%
Fixed Income	21%	1.39%
Global Asset Allocation	23%	3.60%
Hedge Funds	6%	4.25%
Real Assets	3%	3.25%
Private Equity	2%	6.50%
Cash and Equivalents	0%	0.00%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>	

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**Discount Rate:** Projected benefit payments are required to be discounted to their actuarial present value using the single rate that reflects (1) a long-term expected rate of return on OPEB Plan investments to the extent that the OPEB Plan’s fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to make projected benefit payments and OPEB Plan assets are expected to be invested using a strategy to achieve that return and (2) a tax-exempt, high-quality municipal bond rate to the extent that the conditions for use of the long-term expected rate of return are not met.

The discount rate used to measure the total OPEB liability at the measurement date was 7.5%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from the System will be made in accordance with the OPEB Plan’s funding policy. Based on those assumptions, the OPEB Plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.5% on OPEB Plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total OPEB liability.

**Sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate:** The following presents the net OPEB liability calculated using the current discount rate of 7.5%, as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate 1-percentage point lower (6.5%) or 1-percentage point higher (8.5%) than the current rate:

	<b>1% Decrease (6.50%)</b>	<b>Current Discount Rate (7.50%)</b>	<b>1% Increase (8.50%)</b>
Net OPEB liability	\$ 105,713	\$ 77,505	\$ 56,466

**Sensitivity of the net OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rates:** The following presents the net OPEB liability calculated using the current healthcare cost trend rates as well as what the net OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using healthcare cost trend rates that are 1-percentage point lower (7 % year 1 decreasing to 4%) or 1-percentage point higher (9 % year 1 decreasing to 6%) than the current healthcare cost trend rates:

	<b>1% Decrease 7% Year 1 Decreasing to 4%</b>	<b>Healthcare Cost Trend Rates 8% Year 1 Decreasing to 5%</b>	<b>1% Increase 9% Year 1 Decreasing to 6%</b>
Net OPEB liability	\$ 52,779	\$ 77,505	\$ 110,373

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## Changes in the net OPEB liability:

Fiscal Year Ended June 30	2018	2017
Total OPEB liability – beginning	\$ 191,497	\$ 199,877
Changes for the year:		
Service cost	6,330	6,174
Interest	14,482	15,567
Changes of benefit terms	-	(8,670)
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(17,138)
Changes of assumptions	-	6,051
Benefit payments	(9,454)	(10,364)
Total OPEB liability – ending (a)	202,855	191,497
Fiduciary net position – beginning	114,883	97,536
Contributions – employer	11,942	16,146
Net investment income	7,979	11,565
Benefit payments	(9,454)	(10,364)
Fiduciary net position – ending (b)	125,350	114,883
Net OPEB liability – ending (a)-(b)	\$ 77,505	\$ 76,614
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability	61.79%	59.99%
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 220,849	\$ 214,956
Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll	35.09%	35.64%
Contributions as a percentage of covered employee payroll	5.41%	7.51%
Plan assets measured at fair value	\$ 125,350	\$ 114,883

Changes of assumptions from FY16 to FY17 include a decrease in the investment rate of return/discount rate from 7.75% to 7.5% and changes to the actuarial funding method from Projected Unit Credit to Entry Age Normal.

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**15. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES**

The composition of deferred outflows and inflows of resources at June 30 is summarized as follows:

		2018					
	Pension Liability	OPEB	Deferred Amount on Debt Refunding	Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements	Service Concession Arrangement	Total	
Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 3,403	\$ 4,874	\$ 4,294	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,571	
Deferred inflows of resources	\$ 1,593	\$ 14,417	\$ -	\$ 1,673	\$ 3,600	\$ 21,283	

		2017					
	Pension Liability	OPEB	Deferred Amount on Debt Refunding	Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements	Service Concession Arrangement	Total	
Deferred outflows of resources	\$ 4,242	\$ 5,170	\$ 4,588	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14,000	
Deferred inflows of resources	\$ 1,707	\$ 17,668	\$ -	\$ 1,602	\$ 4,050	\$ 25,027	

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources for pensions and OPEB were related to the following sources for the year ended June 30:

		2018			
		Incentive Retirement Plan	Defined Benefit Plan	Total Pension	OPEB
Deferred outflows of resources					
Changes of assumption or other inputs		\$ 847	\$ -	\$ 847	\$ 4,289
Difference between expected and actual experience		932	-	932	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments		-	1,624	1,624	585
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>		<b>1,779</b>	<b>1,624</b>	<b>3,403</b>	<b>4,874</b>
Deferred inflows of resources					
Changes of assumption or other inputs		649	-	649	-
Difference between expected and actual experience		944	-	944	12,148
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments		-	-	-	2,269
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>		<b>1,593</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,593</b>	<b>14,417</b>
<b>Net deferred outflows (inflows)</b>		<b>\$ 186</b>	<b>\$1,624</b>	<b>\$1,810</b>	<b>\$ (9,543)</b>

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<b>2017 Restated</b>				
	<b>Incentive Retirement Plan</b>	<b>Defined Benefit Plan</b>	<b>Total Pension</b>	<b>OPEB</b>
Deferred outflows of resources				
Changes of assumption or other inputs	\$ 1,019	\$ -	\$1,019	\$ 5,170
Difference between expected and actual experience	1,110	-	1,110	-
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	-	2,113	2,113	-
<b>Total deferred outflows of resources</b>	<b>2,129</b>	<b>2,113</b>	<b>4,242</b>	<b>5,170</b>
Deferred inflows of resources				
Changes of assumption or other inputs	541	-	541	
Difference between expected and actual experience	1,166	-	1,166	14,643
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	-	-	-	3,025
<b>Total deferred inflows of resources</b>	<b>1,707</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,707</b>	<b>17,668</b>
<b>Net deferred outflows (inflows)</b>	<b>\$ 422</b>	<b>\$2,113</b>	<b>\$2,535</b>	<b>\$(12,498)</b>

Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions and OPEB will be recognized in pension expense and postemployment health expense, respectively, during the years ending June 30 as follows:

<b>Year Ending June 30:</b>	<b>Incentive Retirement Plan</b>	<b>Defined Benefit Plan</b>	<b>Total Pension</b>	<b>OPEB</b>
2019	\$ 11	\$ 992	\$ 1,003	\$ (2,224)
2020	11	479	490	(2,224)
2021	11	52	63	(2,224)
2022	11	101	112	(1,467)
2023	130	-	130	(1,404)
Thereafter	12	-	12	-
	<b>\$ 186</b>	<b>\$ 1,624</b>	<b>\$ 1,810</b>	<b>\$ (9,543)</b>

## **16. COMPONENT UNITS**

The System is supported in part by several foundations and alumni associations that raise funds on the System's behalf. The System determined that one of those entities, the University of Maine Foundation ("the Foundation"), meets the criteria set forth under GASB Statement No. 61, *The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34*, for inclusion as a discretely presented component unit of the System.

The Foundation is a legally separate, tax-exempt organization, which acts primarily as a fund-raising organization to supplement the resources that are available to the System in support of its programs. The Board of Directors of the Foundation is self-perpetuating and independent of the System's Board of Trustees. Although the System does not control the timing or amount of receipts from the Foundation, the Foundation holds and invests resources almost entirely for the System's benefit (specifically the University of Maine); the System is entitled to access a majority of the economic resources held; and the economic resources held are "significant to the System" based on a 5% of net position threshold. The Foundation has accordingly been discretely presented as a component unit of the System in the accompanying financial statements as of and for the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, and is reported in separate financial statements as the Foundation reports its financial results under Financial Accounting Standards Board standards rather than GASB standards. Contributions to the permanent endowment were \$5,099 for FY18 and \$3,804 for FY17.

The Foundation asset category, long-term investments, endowment, comprised 84% and 87% of the Foundation's total assets as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, respectively. Remaining disclosures in this note relate to this asset group.

### **Long-term investments, endowment**

The Foundation maintains a general pool of investments for its endowments. These investment securities are stated at fair value based on quoted market prices within active markets. The fair values of alternative investments are determined from information supplied by the investment managers based on the market values of underlying investments on a net asset value basis. Investment income is reflected in the Statements of Activities as unrestricted or temporarily restricted based upon the existence and nature of any donor-imposed restrictions.

The Foundation has established a specific set of investment objectives and guidelines for investment managers that attempt to provide a predictable stream of income while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets over the long-term. The investment policy establishes an achievable return objective and seeks to manage risk through diversification of asset classes. The current long-term return objective is to return 7.25% in 2018 and 2017. Actual returns in any given year may vary from these amounts.

**Endowment spending policy**

The Foundation utilizes a spending policy for its pooled endowment in order to provide for the current and long-term needs of endowment recipients. The spending policy determines the endowment income to be distributed. For the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, the spending policy was 4.5% of the average market value for the five previous years ending December 31. For subsequent fiscal years, distributions will be calculated as of September 30.

Endowment spending is contingent upon a fund's market value exceeding its historic dollar value (principal). In accordance with the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act, a prudent expenditure may be allowed unless the donor has explicitly prohibited expenditure of principal. During the years ended June 30, 2018 and 2017, the Foundation distributed \$10,755 and \$8,769, respectively, to the System for both restricted and unrestricted purposes.

**Fair value measurements**

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (i.e., the "exit price") in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

A fair value hierarchy for inputs is used in measuring fair value that maximizes the use of observable inputs and minimizes the use of unobservable inputs by requiring that the most observable inputs be used when available. Observable inputs are those that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability based on market data obtained from sources independent of the Foundation. Unobservable inputs reflect assumptions about the inputs market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability developed based on the best information available in the circumstances. The fair value hierarchy is categorized into three levels based on the inputs as follows:

- Level 1. Valuations based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Fund has the ability to access. Valuation adjustments and block discounts are not applied to Level 1 securities. Since valuations are based on quoted prices that are readily and regularly available in an active market, valuation of these securities does not entail a significant degree of judgment.
- Level 2. Valuations based on quoted prices in markets that are not active or for which all significant inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3. Valuations based on inputs that are unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurement.

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The following table summarizes the Foundation's long-term endowment investments by class in the fair value hierarchy as of June 30:

	2018			Total	Liquidity
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		
U.S. equities	\$ 55,654	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 55,654	Daily/Monthly
Non U.S. equities	76,070	-	-	76,070	Daily/Monthly/Quarterly
U.S. fixed income	25,355	-	-	25,355	Daily
Global fixed income	5,046	-	-	5,046	Monthly
Total private investments	-	-	3,740	3,740	Illiquid
					Illiquid/Monthly/Quarterly/ Semi-
Alternative investments	-	-	54,462	54,462	Annually/Annually
Cash	352	-	-	352	Daily
<b>Total long-term investments, endowment</b>	<b>\$ 162,477</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 58,202</b>	<b>\$ 220,679</b>	

Complete financial statements for the Foundation may be obtained from the Foundation's office at Two Alumni Place, Orono, ME 04469-5792.

## 17. SERVICE CONCESSION ARRANGEMENTS

In June 2016, the System contracted with Sodexo America LLC ("Sodexo") to provide food services at all campuses except the University of Maine. The agreement is for a term of 5 years (subject to renewal for 5 additional 1 year terms, upon mutual agreement of the parties). Upon execution of the contract, the System received a signing bonus of \$500 and a commitment by Sodexo to provide up to \$4,000 for equipment and improvements to the System's dining facilities during the first 2 years of the agreement. Any such improvements and equipment provided will remain the property of the System. Improvements to facilities are materially complete as of June 30, 2018.

As of June 30, 2018 and 2017, the equipment and improvements provided under this agreement have been classified as either capital assets or expenses in accordance with the System's capitalization policies, with an offsetting deferred inflow of resources. The signing bonus has also been classified as a deferred inflow of resources. Over the life of the contract, the System will amortize the deferred inflows of resources while recognizing auxiliary revenue each year. If the agreement expires, terminates or is amended in a way that has an adverse impact on Sodexo, the System will be liable for the unamortized portion of Sodexo's investment.

As of June 30, 2018 and 2017 the balance of the deferred inflows of resources related to the Sodexo service concession arrangement is \$3,600 and \$4,050, respectively (see Note 15). During FY18 and FY17, amortization in the amount of \$450 has been recognized as auxiliary revenue.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (IN THOUSANDS)

**18. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS**

The provisions of GASB No. 75 are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2017. This statement applies to the System's OPEB plan and the System adopted GASB No. 75 for its June 30, 2018 financial statements. The change represents a change from one generally accepted accounting principle to another generally accepted accounting principle that is the current preferred industry practice.

The changes adopted to conform to the provisions of GASB No. 75 are applied retroactively by restating the FY17 financial statements. The effect of the FY17 restatement was to reduce beginning net position (unrestricted), increase the change in net position and decrease ending net position (unrestricted) by the following amounts:

Net Position – Beginning of the year – as previously reported	\$ 866,705
Cumulative adjustment to net position	
OPEB liability	(101,659)
Net Position – Beginning of the year – as restated	765,046
FY17 Change in net position – as previously reported	20,741
Effect on change in net position	
Decrease in benefits expense	12,052
FY17 Change in net position – as restated	32,793
Net Position at June 30, 2017 – as restated	\$ 797,839

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM**  
**REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION – RETIREMENT AND OPEB PLANS**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 (UNAUDITED)**  
**(IN THOUSANDS)**

**Incentive Retirement Plan:**

**Changes in Total Pension Liability and Related Ratios**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Service cost	\$ 604	\$ 862	\$ 718	\$ 880
Interest	785	629	877	1,110
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	1,287	-	(1,831)
Changes of assumptions and other inputs	(225)	(628)	921	505
Benefit payments	(1,972)	(2,084)	(5,260)	(3,114)
Net change in total pension liability	(808)	66	(2,744)	(2,450)
Total pension liability – beginning	22,312	22,246	24,990	27,440
Total pension liability – ending	\$ 21,504	\$ 22,312	\$ 22,246	\$ 24,990
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 72,541	\$ 77,644	\$ 95,653	\$ 92,419
Total pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	29.64%	28.74%	23.26%	27.04%

**Schedule of Employer Contributions**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	1,972	2,084	5,260	3,114
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ (1,972)	\$ (2,084)	\$ (5,260)	\$ (3,114)
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 72,541	\$ 77,644	\$ 95,653	\$ 92,419
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	2.72%	2.68%	5.50%	3.37%

**Incentive Retirement Plan – Continued:**

**Notes to Required Supplementary Information:**

<i>Changes of benefit terms:</i>	None.								
<i>Changes of assumptions and other inputs:</i>	<p>2018: The discount rate changed from 3.58% as of the beginning of the measurement period to 3.87% as of the end of the measurement period.</p> <p>2017: The discount rate changed from 2.85% as of the beginning of the measurement period to 3.58% as of the end of the measurement period.</p>								
<i>Methods and assumptions used in calculations of actuarially determined contributions:</i>	<p>The University of Maine System Incentive Retirement Plan is funded on a terminal funding basis - funded when costs become due and payable.</p> <table border="0" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <tr> <td>Actuarial cost method</td> <td>Entry age normal</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Inflation</td> <td>Not explicitly assumed</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Salary increases</td> <td>3.5% per year, including longevity</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Payroll growth</td> <td>3.5% per year</td> </tr> </table>	Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal	Inflation	Not explicitly assumed	Salary increases	3.5% per year, including longevity	Payroll growth	3.5% per year
Actuarial cost method	Entry age normal								
Inflation	Not explicitly assumed								
Salary increases	3.5% per year, including longevity								
Payroll growth	3.5% per year								
<i>Assets:</i>	There are no assets accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement No. 73.								

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - RETIREMENT PLANS (UNAUDITED) (IN THOUSANDS)

**Defined Benefit Pension Plan:****Changes in Total Pension Liability and Related Ratios**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014**</b>
Changes for the year:					
Service cost	\$ 1	\$ 6	\$ 5	\$ 40	\$
Interest	2,385	2,545	2,769	2,884	
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(759)	-	12	
Changes of assumptions	-	-	1,427	-	
Benefit payments	(4,280)	(4,435)	(4,585)	(4,693)	
Net change in total pension liability	(1,894)	(2,643)	(384)	(1,757)	
Total pension liability – beginning	40,291	42,934	43,318	45,075	
Total pension liability – ending (a)	38,397	40,291	42,934	43,318	45,075
Contributions – employer	695	735	538	1,100	
Net investment income	1,335	2,173	202	27	
Benefit payments	(4,280)	(4,435)	(4,585)	(4,693)	
Administrative expenses	(36)	(20)	(19)	(8)	
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	(2,286)	(1,547)	(3,864)	(3,574)	
Fiduciary net position – beginning	31,216	32,763	36,627	40,201	
Fiduciary net position – ending (b)	28,930	31,216	32,763	36,627	40,201
Net pension liability – ending (a)-(b)	\$ 9,467	\$ 9,075	\$ 10,171	\$ 6,691	\$ 4,874
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	75.34%	77.48%	76.31%	84.56%	89.19%
Covered-employee payroll*	\$ 105	\$ 168	\$ 312	\$ 301	\$ 692
Net pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	9052.65%	5400.37%	3259.34%	2219.09%	704.23%

\* Covered payroll for 2016 is the 2015 covered payroll, increased by payroll growth of 3.5%

\*\* Detailed information regarding the change in the total pension liability for FY14 has not been presented as that information was not available.

**Schedule of Employer Contributions**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 695	\$ 735	\$ 538	\$ 550	\$ 550
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	695	735	538	1,100	550
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (550)	\$ -
Covered-employee payroll*	\$ 105	\$ 168	\$ 312	\$ 301	\$ 692
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	664.54%	437.48%	172.49%	364.84%	79.47%

**Defined Benefit Pension Plan – continued:**

**Notes to Required Supplementary Information:**

*Changes of benefit terms:*

None.

*Changes of assumptions:*

2018: None

2017: None

2016: The investment return rate was changed from 6.75% to 6.25% and the administrative expense assumption was changed from \$50, increasing by 3% per year, to \$30, increasing by 2% per year up to a maximum of \$70.

2015: The actuarial funding method was changed from Projected Unit Credit to Entry Age Normal, the investment return rate was changed from 7.25% to 6.75% and the administrative expense assumption was changed from \$90 per year to \$50 per year.

*Methods and assumptions used in calculations of actuarially determined contributions:*

The actuarially determined contributions in the schedule of employers' contributions are calculated as of July 1, one year prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported. The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine contributions reported in that schedule:

Actuarial cost method	2015 to 2018: Entry age normal 2014: Projected Unit Credit
Asset valuation method	The actuarial value of assets is the market value of assets.
Inflation	2016 to 2018: 3% per year 2015: 3.25% per year
Salary increases	3.5% per year
Payroll increases	3.5% per year
Investment rate of return/discount rate	2016 to 2018: 6.25%, net of investment expenses, compounded annually. 2015: 6.75%, net of investment expenses, compounded annually. 2014: 7.25%, net of investment expenses, compounded annually.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - RETIREMENT PLANS (UNAUDITED) (IN THOUSANDS)

**Defined Benefit Pension Plan – continued:**

**Investment Returns:**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expenses	4.80%	7.04%	0.64%	0.12%	14.27%

The money-weighted rate of return considers the changing amounts actually invested during a period and weights the amount of pension plan investments by the proportion of time they are available to earn a return during that period. The rate of return is then calculated by solving, through an iterative process, for the rate that equates the sum of the weighted external cash flows into and out of the pension plan investments to the ending fair value of pension plan investments.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - RETIREMENT PLANS (UNAUDITED) (IN THOUSANDS)

**OPEB Plan:****Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016**</b>
<b>Changes for the year:</b>			
Service cost	\$ 6,330	\$ 6,174	\$
Interest	14,482	15,567	
Changes in benefit terms	-	(8,670)	
Differences between expected and actual experience	-	(17,138)	
Changes of assumptions	-	6,051	
Benefit payments	(9,454)	(10,364)	
Net change in total OPEB liability	11,358	(8,380)	
<b>Total OPEB liability – beginning</b>	<b>191,497</b>	<b>199,877</b>	
<b>Total OPEB liability – ending (a)</b>	<b>202,855</b>	<b>191,497</b>	<b>199,877</b>
<b>Contributions – employer</b>	<b>11,942</b>	<b>16,146</b>	
<b>Net investment income</b>	<b>7,979</b>	<b>11,565</b>	
<b>Benefit payments</b>	<b>(9,454)</b>	<b>(10,364)</b>	
<b>Net change in plan fiduciary net position</b>	<b>10,467</b>	<b>17,347</b>	
<b>Fiduciary net position – beginning</b>	<b>114,883</b>	<b>97,536</b>	
<b>Fiduciary net position – ending (b)</b>	<b>125,350</b>	<b>114,883</b>	<b>97,536</b>
<b>Net OPEB liability – ending (a)-(b)</b>	<b>\$ 77,505</b>	<b>\$ 76,614</b>	<b>\$102,341</b>
<b>Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability</b>	<b>61.79%</b>	<b>59.99%</b>	<b>48.80%</b>
<b>Covered-employee payroll</b>	<b>\$220,849</b>	<b>\$214,956</b>	
<b>Net OPEB liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll</b>	<b>35.09%</b>	<b>35.64%</b>	

\*\* Detailed information regarding the change in the total OPEB liability for FY16 has not been presented as that information was not available.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - RETIREMENT PLANS (UNAUDITED) (IN THOUSANDS)

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**OPEB Plan - continued:**

<b>Schedule of Employer Contributions</b>		
<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Actuarially determined contribution	\$ 12,819	\$ 14,970
Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	11,942	16,146
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ 877	\$ (1,176)
Covered-employee payroll	\$220,849	\$214,956
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	5.41%	7.51%

**Notes to Required Supplementary Information:***Changes of assumptions:*2018: *None*

2017: The investment rate of return/discount rate was changed from 7.75% to 7.5% and the actuarial funding method was changed from Projected Unit Credit to Entry Age Normal.

*Methods and assumptions used in calculations of actuarially determined contributions:*

The actuarially determined contributions in the schedule of employers' contributions are calculated as of July 1, one year prior to the end of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported. The following actuarial methods and assumptions were used to determine contributions reported in that schedule:

Actuarial cost method	2017 to 2018: Entry age normal 2016: Projected Unit Credit
Amortization method	Level dollar amount over 30 years on a closed amortization period
Amortization period	30 years
Asset valuation method	Market value
Inflation	3% per year
Healthcare cost trend rate	8% for 2017 decreasing 1% per year to an ultimate rate of 5% for 2020 and later years
Investment rate of return/ discount rate	2017 to 2018: 7.5% net of investment expenses, including inflation 2016: 7.75% net of investment expenses, including inflation

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION - RETIREMENT PLANS (UNAUDITED) (IN THOUSANDS)

**OPEB Plan - continued:**

**Investment Returns:**

<b>Fiscal Year Ended June 30</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Annual money-weighted rate of return, net of investment expenses	6.90%	11.56%

The money-weighted rate of return considers the changing amounts actually invested during a period and weights the amount of OPEB plan investments by the proportion of time they are available to earn a return during that period. The rate of return is then calculated by solving, through an iterative process, for the rate that equates the sum of the weighted external cash flows into and out of the OPEB plan investments to the ending fair value of OPEB plan investments.

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM  
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF MAINE  
SCHEDULES OF ACTIVITIES  
(IN THOUSANDS)**

Year Ended June 30, 2018						
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Program Investment Gain	Operating Grants/ Contributions	Capital Grants/ Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue
University of Maine System	\$696,452	\$ 308,056	\$ 3,086	\$ 170,339	\$ 4,370	\$ (210,601)
<b>General Revenues:</b>						
						6,490
						1,380
						210,979
						8,029
						(443)
						<u>226,435</u>
						15,834
						797,839
						<u>\$ 813,673</u>

Year Ended June 30, 2017 - Restated						
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Program Investment Gain	Operating Grants/ Contributions	Capital Grants/ Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue
University of Maine System	\$672,917	\$ 298,310	\$ 7,358	\$ 168,813	\$ 3,276	\$ (195,160)
<b>General Revenues:</b>						
						9,455
						1,313
						212,036
						5,148
						<u>1</u>
						<u>227,953</u>
						32,793
						765,046
						<u>\$ 797,839</u>



# DRAFT

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

To the Board of Trustees  
University of Maine System

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the University of Maine System (the System), a component unit of the State of Maine, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the System's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated **REPORT DATE**. Our report includes a reference to other auditors, who audited the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit of the System, as described in our report on the System's financial statements. The audit of the financial statements of the component unit was not conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and accordingly this report does not include reporting on internal control over financial reporting or instances of reportable noncompliance or other matters associated with the discretely presented component unit of the System.

## Internal Control over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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The Board of Trustees  
University of Maine System

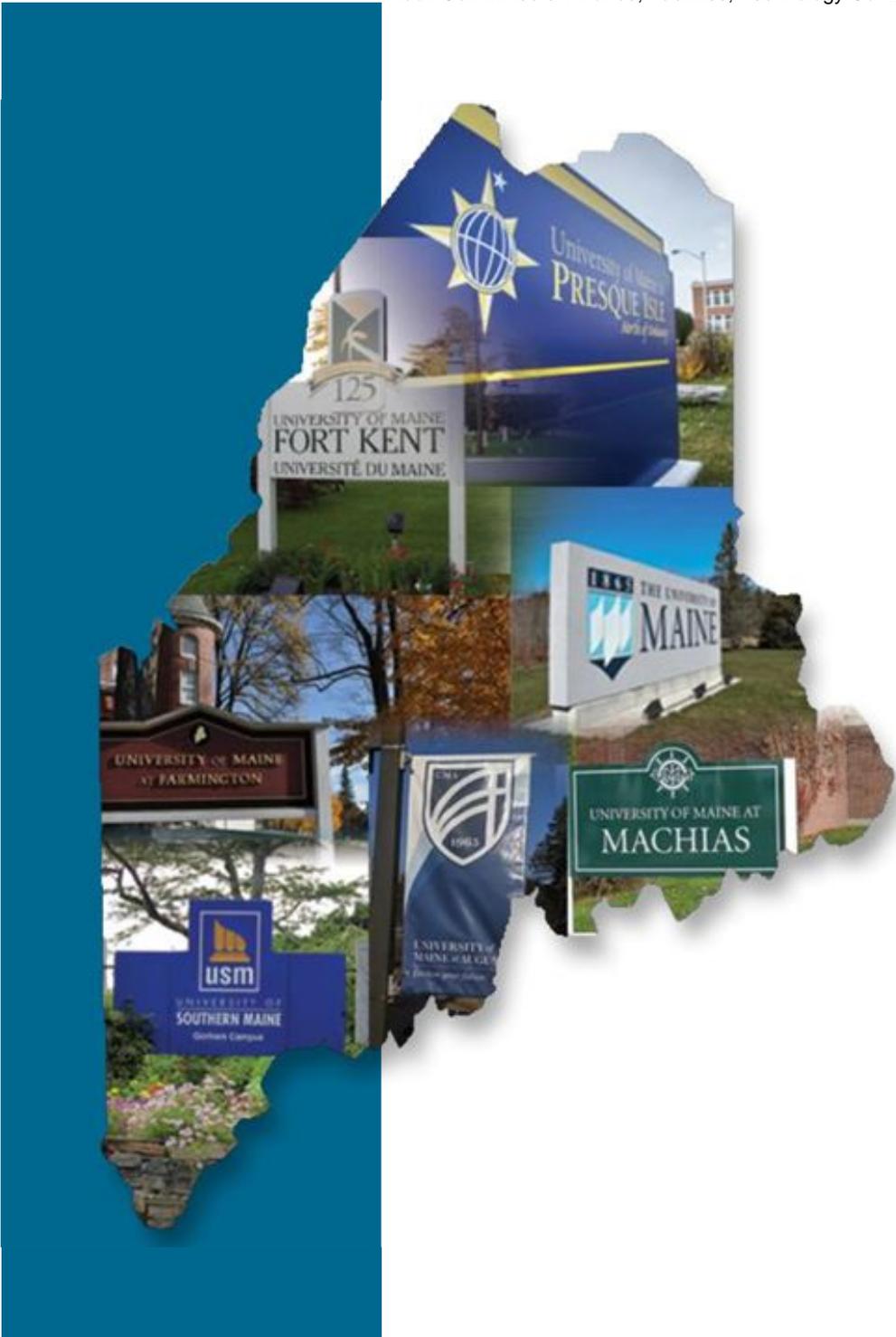
### Compliance and Other Matters

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

### Purpose of this Report

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

Bangor, Maine  
**REPORT DATE**



Discussion of the  
**2018**  
**ANNUAL FINANCIAL**  
**REPORT**

Audit Committee Meeting  
October 29, 2018

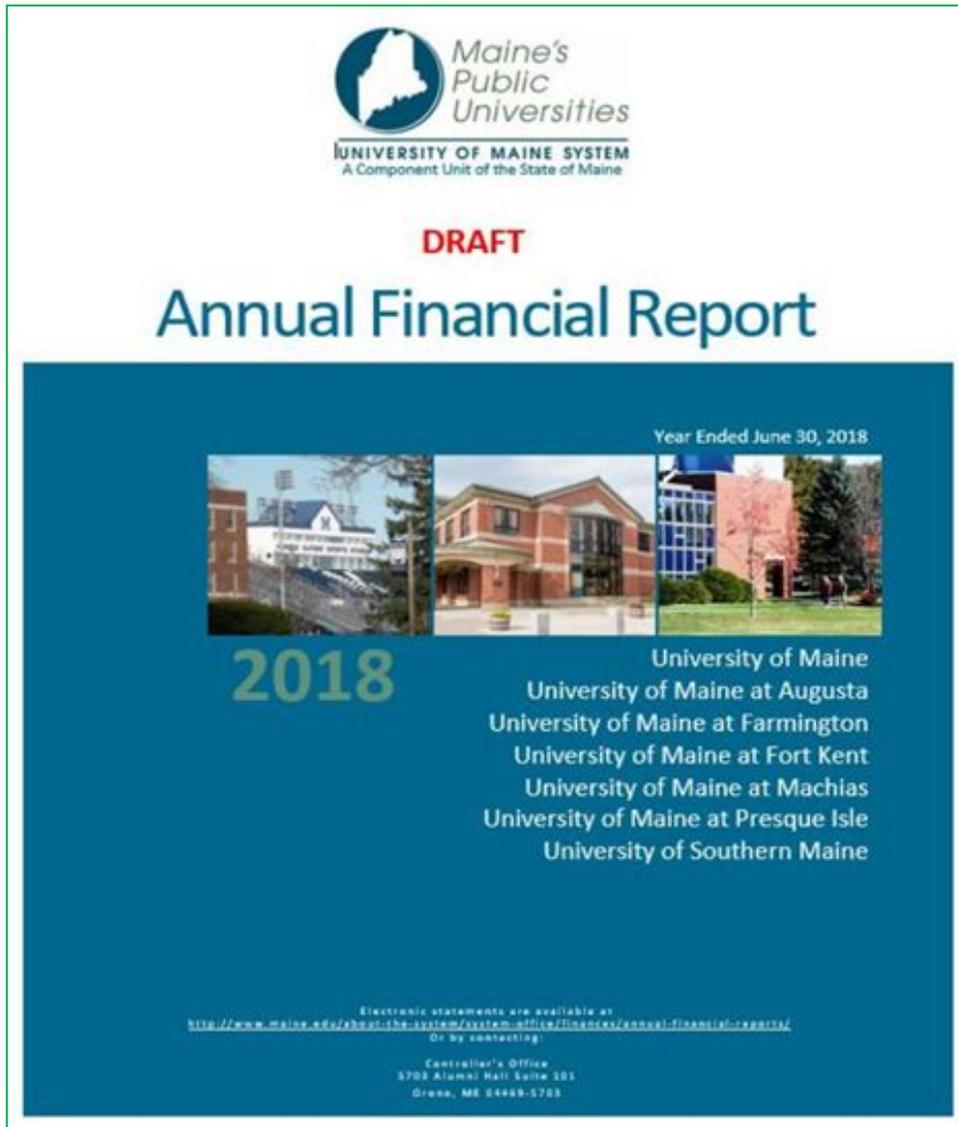
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# Introduction

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Selected information from the annual report

Draft 2018 Annual Financial Report (94 pages) provided as separate materials

Acceptance of the report is an agenda item for today's Board of Trustees meeting

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# Independent Auditor's Report

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Unmodified or 'clean' opinion (page 7 of annual report)

## ***Opinions***

*In our opinion, based on our audits and the reports of the other auditor, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the System as of June 30, 2018 and 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.*

# Adoption of New Accounting Standard

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## **Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions***

- Applies to the System’s postemployment health plan
- FY17 financial data restated
- Nearly \$90 million decrease in previously reported unrestricted net position as of June 30, 2017
- More details in Note 18 on page 83 of the 2018 Annual Financial Report

# Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

**UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM**  
**STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**  
**YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)**

	2018	Restated 2017
<b>Operating Revenues</b>		
Tuition and fees	\$ 299,827	\$ 280,611
Residence and dining fees	63,842	62,222
Less: scholarship allowances	(107,561)	(97,344)
<b>Net student fees</b>	<b>256,108</b>	<b>245,489</b>
Federal, state and private grants and contracts	137,699	137,529
Recovery of indirect costs	12,264	12,333
Educational sales and services and other revenues	34,493	34,345
Other auxiliary enterprises	17,455	18,476
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>458,019</b>	<b>448,172</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>		
Instruction	174,198	170,901
Research	76,005	73,175
Public service	57,586	59,950
Academic support	73,956	71,101
Student services	57,538	53,983
Institutional support	63,822	55,121
Operation and maintenance of plant	50,970	50,638
Depreciation and amortization (Note 6)	39,768	37,914
Student aid	33,797	31,007
Auxiliary enterprises	64,471	64,469
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>692,111</b>	<b>668,259</b>
<b>Operating Loss</b>	<b>(234,092)</b>	<b>(220,087)</b>
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>		
Noncapital State of Maine appropriations	210,979	212,036
Gifts currently expendable	14,172	12,671
Endowment return used for operations (Note 3)	6,204	6,280
Investment income (Note 3)	6,490	9,455
Interest expense, net (Note 7)	(4,341)	(4,658)
<b>Net Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>	<b>233,504</b>	<b>235,784</b>
<b>Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position</b>	<b>(588)</b>	<b>15,697</b>
<b>Other Changes in Net Position</b>		
State of Maine capital appropriations	8,029	5,148
Capital grants and gifts	4,370	3,276
Endowment return, net of amount used for operations (Note 3)	3,086	7,358
True and quasi endowment gifts	1,380	1,313
Gain (Loss) on disposal of capital assets	(443)	1
<b>Total Other Changes in Net Position</b>	<b>16,422</b>	<b>17,096</b>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	<b>15,834</b>	<b>32,793</b>
<b>Net Position - Beginning of the Year - As Restated (Note 18)</b>	<b>797,839</b>	<b>765,046</b>
<b>Net Position - End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 813,673</b>	<b>\$ 797,839</b>

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“SRECNP”

**Categories**

As required by the  
 Governmental Accounting  
 Standards Board (GASB)

**Restated FY17 Items**

Institutional Support Expense  
 Beginning of Year Net Position

# SRECNP - Operating Revenues, Expenses, and Loss

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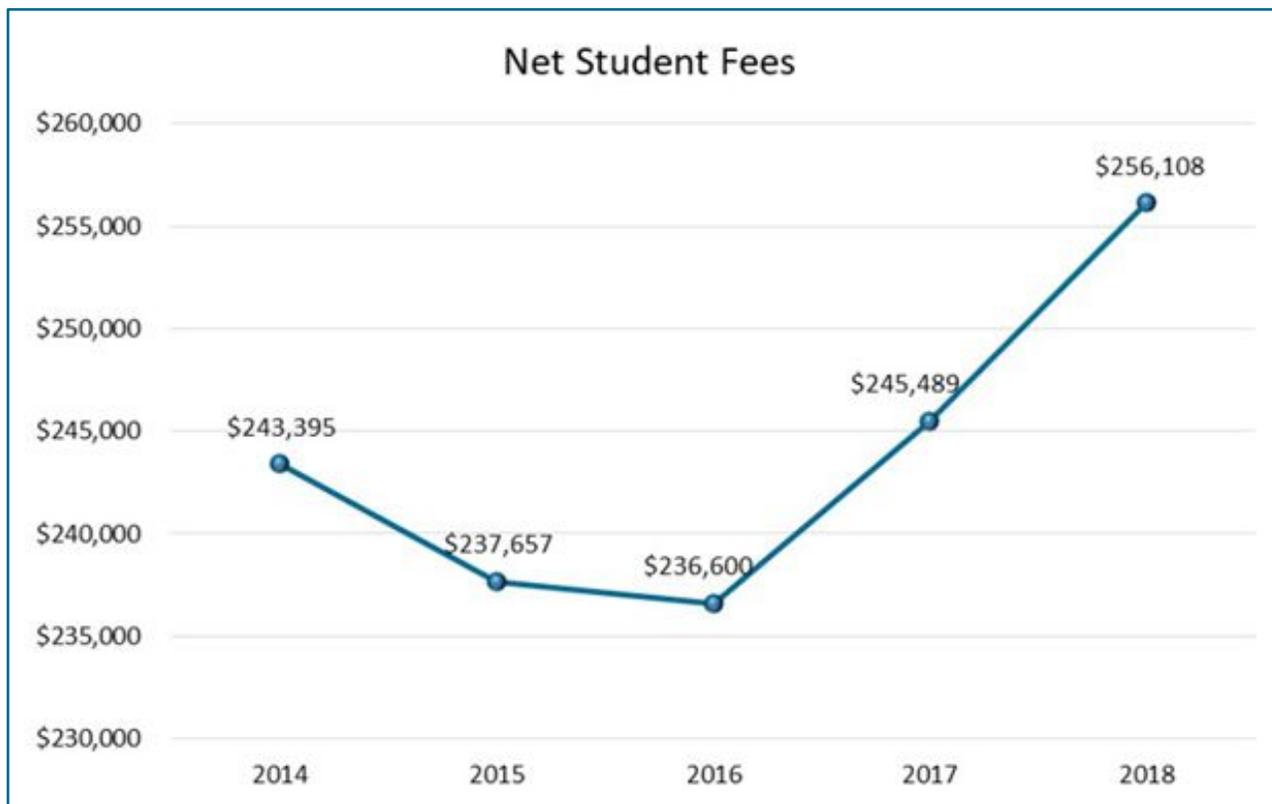
UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM  
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 YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)

	2018	Restated 2017	\$ Variance	% Variance
<b>Operating Revenues</b>				
Tuition and fees	\$ 299,827	\$ 280,611	\$ 19,216	7%
Residence and dining fees	63,842	62,222	1,620	3%
Less: scholarship allowances	(107,561)	(97,344)	(10,217)	11%
<b>Net student fees</b>	256,108	245,489	10,619	4%
Federal, state and private grants and contracts	137,699	137,529	170	0%
Recovery of indirect costs	12,264	12,333	(69)	-1%
Educational sales and services and other revenues	34,493	34,345	148	0%
Other auxiliary enterprises	17,455	18,476	(1,021)	-6%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	458,019	448,172	9,847	2%
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Instruction	174,198	170,901	3,297	2%
Research	76,005	73,175	2,830	4%
Public service	57,586	59,950	(2,364)	-4%
Academic support	73,956	71,101	2,855	4%
Student services	57,538	53,983	3,555	7%
Institutional support	63,822	55,121	8,701	16%
Operation and maintenance of plant	50,970	50,638	332	1%
Depreciation and amortization (Note 6)	39,768	37,914	1,854	5%
Student aid	33,797	31,007	2,790	9%
Auxiliary enterprises	64,471	64,469	2	0%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	692,111	668,259	23,852	4%
<b>Operating Loss</b>	(234,092)	(220,087)	(14,005)	6%
<b>Nonoperating Revenues</b>				
Noncapital State				
Gifts currently expected				
Endowment return, net				
Investment income, net				
Interest expense, net				
<b>Net Nonoperating Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position</b>				
State of Maine capital grants and gifts				
Endowment return, net				
True and quasi endowment gifts	1,380	1,313		
Gain (Loss) on disposal of capital assets	(443)	1		
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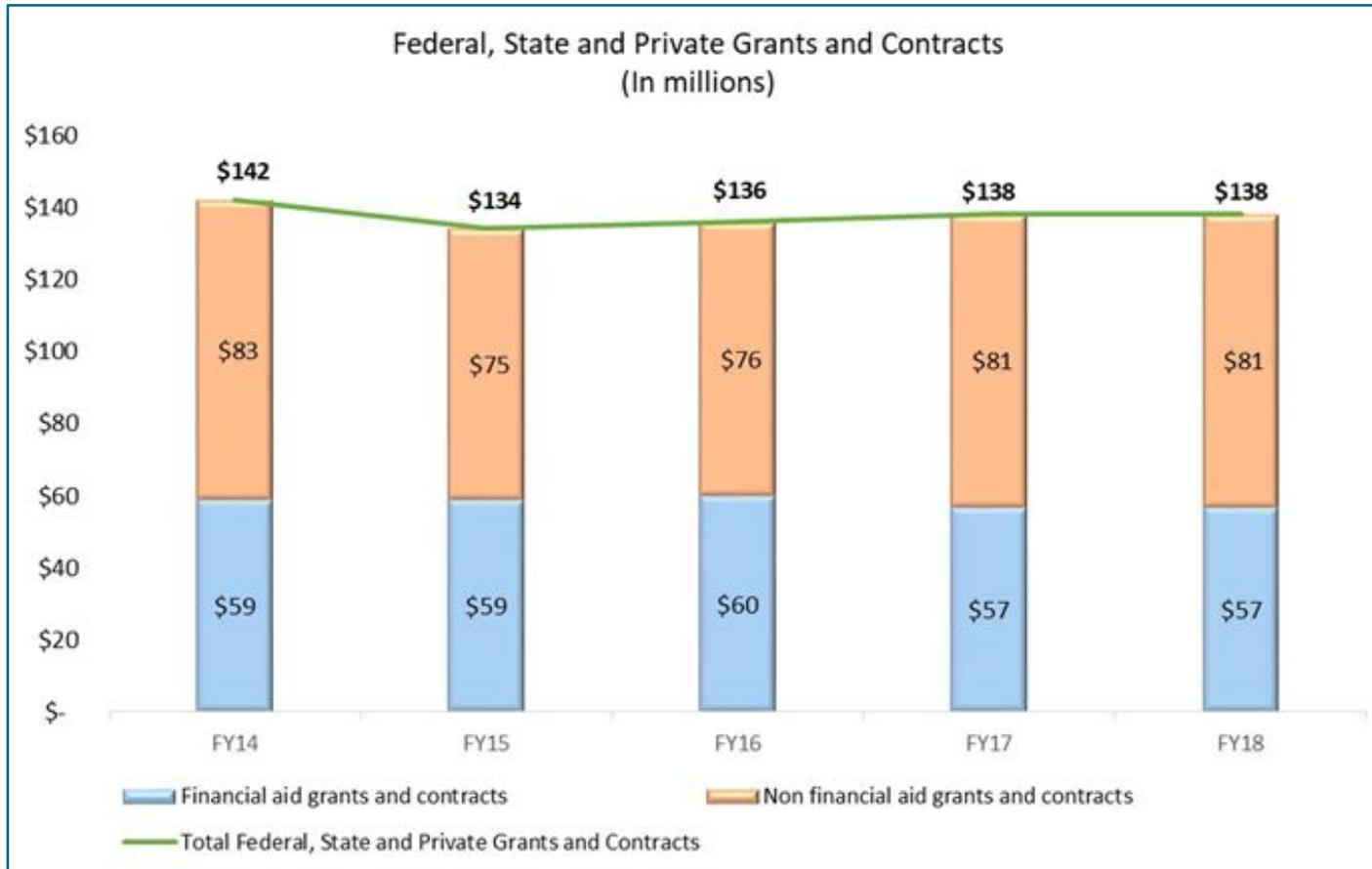
Variations added for analysis

# Net Student Fees Revenue

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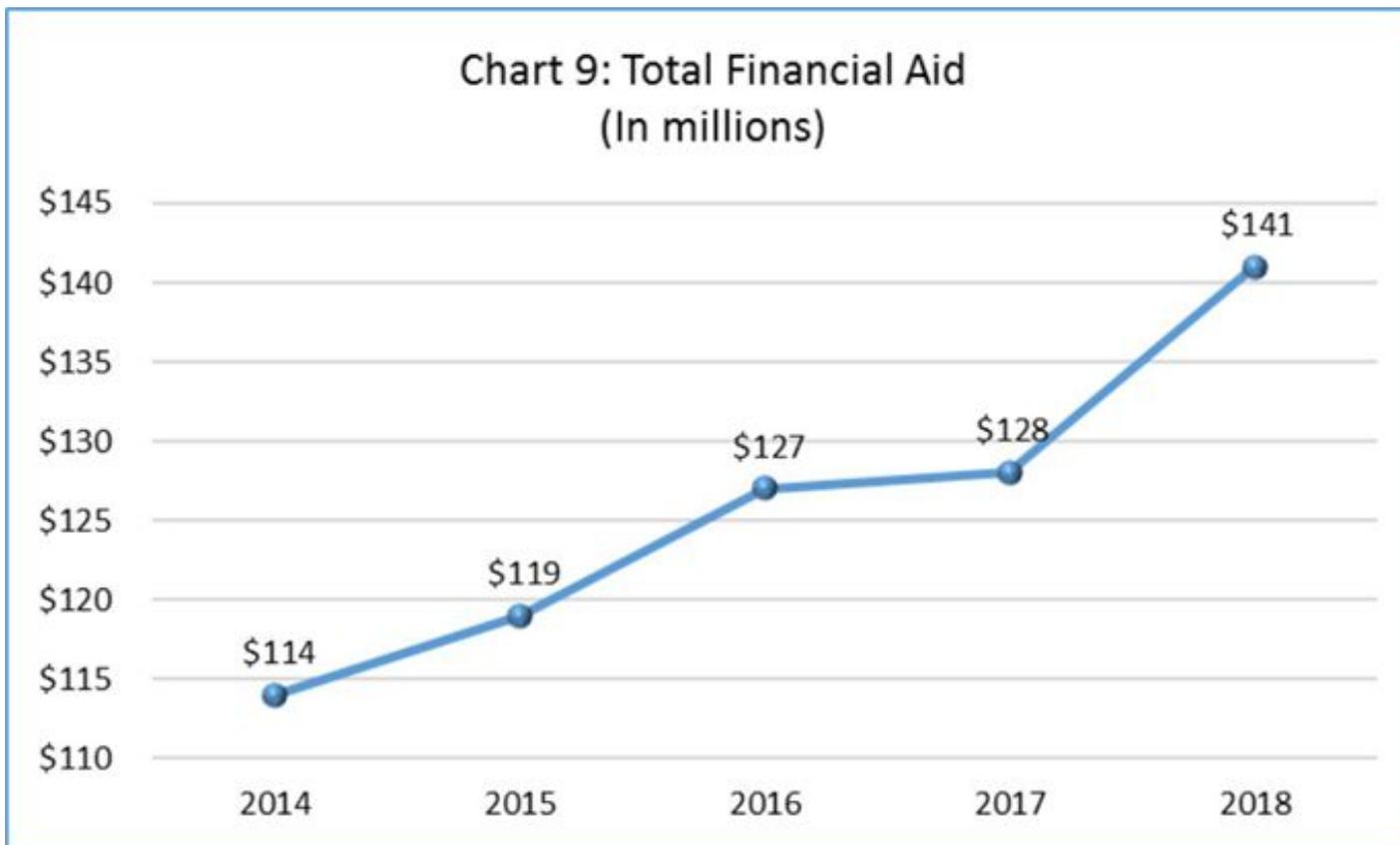


# Grants and Contracts Revenues



# Scholarship Allowances Plus Student Aid Expense

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# Operating Expenses – Natural Classification

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**Table 7: Total Expenses by Natural Classification**  
**For the Years Ended June 30**  
(In millions)

	2018		Restated 2017		2016		2015		2014	
Operating:										
Compensation	\$ 310	45%	\$ 302	45%	\$ 296	45%	\$ 306	46%	\$ 310	46%
Benefits	124	18%	116	17%	124	19%	130	19%	126	19%
Utilities	30	4%	31	4%	27	4%	30	4%	35	5%
Supplies and Services	154	22%	150	22%	143	21%	137	20%	136	20%
Depreciation and Amortization	40	5%	38	6%	37	5%	35	5%	34	5%
Student Aid	34	5%	31	5%	33	5%	31	5%	30	4%
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>692</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>660</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>669</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>671</b>	<b>99%</b>
Nonoperating:										
Interest	4	1%	5	1%	5	1%	5	1%	6	1%
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 696</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 673</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 665</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 674</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$ 677</b>	<b>100%</b>

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# SRECNP – Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position

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	2018	Restated 2017		
<b>Operating Revenues</b>				
Tuition and fees	\$ 299,827	\$ 280,611		
Residence and dining fees	63,842	62,222		
Less: scholarships				
<b>Net student aid</b>				
Federal, state and local				
Recovery of instructional costs				
Educational savings				
Other auxiliary				
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>				
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Instruction				
Research				
Public service				
Academic support				
Student services				
Institutional support				
Operation and maintenance				
Depreciation and amortization				
Student aid				
Auxiliary enterprises				
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>				
<b>Operating Loss</b>	(234,092)	(220,087)		
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>				
Noncapital State of Maine appropriations	210,979	212,036	(1,057)	-1%
Gifts currently expendable	14,172	12,671	1,501	12%
Endowment return used for operations (Note 3)	6,204	6,280	(76)	-1%
Investment income (Note 3)	6,490	9,455	(2,965)	-31%
Interest expense, net (Note 7)	(4,341)	(4,658)	317	-7%
<b>Net Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>	233,504	235,784	(2,280)	-1%
<b>Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position</b>	(588)	15,697	(16,285)	-104%
<b>Other Changes in Net Position</b>				
State of Maine capital appropriations	8,029	5,148		
Capital grants and gifts	4,370	3,276		
Endowment return, net of amount used for operations (Note 3)	3,086	7,358		
True and quasi endowment gifts	1,380	1,313		
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<b>Net Position - End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 813,673</b>	<b>\$ 797,839</b>		

	2018	Restated 2017	\$ Variance	% Variance
<b>Operating Loss</b>	(234,092)	(220,087)	(14,005)	6%
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>				
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<b>Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position</b>	(588)	15,697	(16,285)	-104%

Variance added for analysis

# SRECNP – Other Changes and Change in Net Position

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**Variances added for analysis**

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<b>Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position</b>	<b>(588)</b>	<b>15,697</b>	<b>(16,285)</b>	<b>-104%</b>
<b>Other Changes in Net Position</b>				
State of Maine capital appropriations	8,029	5,148	2,881	56%
Capital grants and gifts	4,370	3,276	1,094	33%
Endowment return (loss), net of amount used for operations (Note 3)	3,086	7,358	(4,272)	-58%
True and quasi endowment gifts	1,380	1,313	67	5%
Gain (Loss) on disposal of capital assets	(443)	1	(444)	-44400%
<b>Total Other Changes in Net Position</b>	<b>16,422</b>	<b>17,096</b>	<b>(674)</b>	<b>-4%</b>
<b>Change in Net Position</b>	<b>15,834</b>	<b>32,793</b>	<b>(16,959)</b>	<b>-52%</b>
<b>Net Position - Beginning of the Year - As Restated (Note 18)</b>	<b>797,839</b>	<b>765,046</b>	<b>32,793</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Net Position - End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 813,673</b>	<b>\$ 797,839</b>	<b>\$ 15,834</b>	<b>2%</b>

<b>Income (Loss) Before Other Changes in Net Position</b>	<b>(588)</b>	<b>15,697</b>
<b>Other Changes in Net Position</b>		
State of Maine capital appropriations	8,029	5,148
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# Restated 2017 Beginning of Year Net Position

## 18. PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENTS

The provisions of GASB No. 75 are effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2017. This statement applies to the System's OPEB plan and the System adopted GASB No. 75 for its June 30, 2018 financial statements. The change represents a change from one generally accepted accounting principle to another generally accepted accounting principle that is the current preferred industry practice.

The changes adopted to conform to the provisions of GASB No. 75 are applied retroactively by restating the FY17 financial statements. The effect of the FY17 restatement was to reduce beginning net position (unrestricted), increase the change in net position and decrease ending net position (unrestricted) by the following amounts:

Net Position – Beginning of the year – as previously reported	\$ 866,705
Cumulative adjustment to net position	
OPEB liability	(101,659)
Net Position – Beginning of the year – as restated	765,046
FY17 Change in net position – as previously reported	20,741
Effect on change in net position	
Decrease in benefits expense	12,052
FY17 Change in net position – as restated	32,793
Net Position at June 30, 2017 – as restated	\$ 797,839

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# Statements of Net Position

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JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)

	2018	Restated 2017
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 1,528	\$ 1,641
Operating investments (Note 3)	252,236	243,093
Accounts, grants, and pledges receivable, net (Note 4)	47,399	53,606
Inventories and prepaid expenses	5,637	5,391
Notes and lease receivable, net (Note 5)	63	63
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>306,863</b>	<b>303,794</b>
Noncurrent Assets		
Deposits with bond trustees (Notes 3 and 6)	14,828	20,997
Accounts, grants and pledges receivable, net (Note 4)	738	3,193
Notes and leases receivable, net (Note 5)	40,060	41,288
Endowment investments (Note 3)	154,114	146,807
Capital assets, net (Note 6)	700,043	700,367
Irrevocable split interest agreements	1,673	1,602
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>911,456</b>	<b>914,254</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,218,319</b>	<b>1,218,048</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>	<b>12,571</b>	<b>14,000</b>
<b>Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>\$ 1,230,890</b>	<b>\$ 1,232,048</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 16,791	\$ 16,703
Unearned revenue and deposits (Note 8)	9,513	10,861
Accrued liabilities - current portion (Notes 7, 11 and 13)	25,979	25,042
Funds held for others - current portion	2,016	1,806
Long-term debt - current portion (Note 7)	13,958	14,931
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>68,257</b>	<b>69,343</b>
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Accrued liabilities (Notes 7, 11, 13 and 14)	127,624	129,029
Funds held for others (Note 3)	22,887	20,475
Long-term debt (Note 7)	147,664	160,871
Government advances refundable (Note 9)	29,502	29,464
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>327,677</b>	<b>339,839</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>395,934</b>	<b>409,182</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>	<b>21,283</b>	<b>25,027</b>
<b>Net Position</b>		
Net investment in capital assets (Note 10)		
Restricted		
Nonexpendable (Note 10)	59,459	58,696
Expendable (Notes 3 and 10)	114,988	113,507
Unrestricted (Notes 3 and 10)	88,568	81,652
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>813,673</b>	<b>797,839</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 1,230,890</b>	<b>\$ 1,232,048</b>

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“SNP”

Single point in time

Assets + Deferred  
Outflows of Resources

=

Liabilities + Deferred  
Inflows of Resources +  
Net Position

Current versus  
Noncurrent

Net position carried  
forward from SRECNP

# Statements of Net Position - Assets

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	2018	Restated 2017	\$ Variance	% Variance
<b>Assets</b>				
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents ( <i>Note 2</i> )	\$ 1,528	\$ 1,641	\$ (113)	-7%
Operating investments ( <i>Note 3</i> )	252,236	243,093	9,143	4%
Accounts, grants, and pledges receivable, net ( <i>Note 4</i> )	47,399	53,606	(6,207)	-12%
Inventories and prepaid expenses	5,637	5,391	246	5%
Notes and lease receivable, net ( <i>Note 5</i> )	63	63	-	0%
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>306,863</b>	<b>303,794</b>	<b>3,069</b>	<b>1%</b>
Noncurrent Assets				
Deposits with bond trustees ( <i>Notes 3 and 6</i> )	14,828	20,997	(6,169)	-29%
Accounts, grants and pledges receivable, net ( <i>Note 4</i> )	738	3,193	(2,455)	-77%
Notes and leases receivable, net ( <i>Note 5</i> )	40,060	41,288	(1,228)	-3%
Endowment investments ( <i>Note 3</i> )	154,114	146,807	7,307	5%
Capital assets, net ( <i>Note 6</i> )	700,043	700,367	(324)	0%
Irrevocable split interest agreements	1,673	1,602	71	4%
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>911,456</b>	<b>914,254</b>	<b>(2,798)</b>	<b>0%</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,218,319</b>	<b>1,218,048</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>0%</b>

Variations added for analysis

# Statements of Net Position - Liabilities

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	2018	Restated 2017	\$ Variance	% Variance
<b>Liabilities</b>				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$ 16,791	\$ 16,703	\$ 88	1%
Unearned revenue and deposits <i>(Note 8)</i>	9,513	10,861	(1,348)	-12%
Accrued liabilities - current portion <i>(Notes 7, 11, 13 and 14)</i>	25,979	25,042	937	4%
Funds held for others - current portion	2,016	1,806	210	12%
Long-term debt - current portion <i>(Note 7)</i>	13,958	14,931	(973)	-7%
Total Current Liabilities	68,257	69,343	(1,086)	-2%
Noncurrent Liabilities				
Accrued liabilities <i>(Notes 7, 11, 13 and 14)</i>	127,624	129,029	(1,405)	-1%
Funds held for others <i>(Note 3)</i>	22,887	20,475	2,412	12%
Long-term debt <i>(Note 7)</i>	147,664	160,871	(13,207)	-8%
Government advances refundable <i>(Note 9)</i>	29,502	29,464	38	0%
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	327,677	339,839	(12,162)	-4%
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	395,934	409,182	(13,248)	-3%

Variations added for analysis

# SNP - Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM  
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)

	2018	Restated 2017
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 1,528	\$ 1,641
Operating investments (Note 3)	252,236	243,093
Accounts, grants, and pledges receivable, net (Note 4)	47,399	53,606
Inventories and prepaid expenses	5,637	5,391
Notes and lease receivable, net (Note 5)	63	63
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>307,863</b>	<b>304,804</b>
Noncurrent Assets		
Deposits		
Accounts receivable		
Notes and lease receivable, net		
Endowment		
Capital assets, net (Note 6)		700,367
Irrevocable split interest agreements	1,673	1,602
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>911,456</b>	<b>914,254</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,218,319</b>	<b>1,218,048</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>	<b>12,571</b>	<b>14,000</b>
<b>Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources</b>	<b>\$ 1,230,890</b>	<b>\$ 1,232,048</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable		
Unearned income		
Accrued liabilities		
Funds held for others		
Long-term debt		
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>69,343</b>	<b>69,343</b>
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Accrued liabilities (Notes 7, 11, 13 and 14)	127,624	129,029
Funds held for others (Note 3)	22,887	20,475
Long-term debt (Note 7)	147,664	160,871
Government advances refundable (Note 8)	29,502	29,464
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>327,677</b>	<b>339,839</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>395,934</b>	<b>409,182</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>	<b>21,283</b>	<b>25,027</b>
<b>Net Position</b>		
Net investment in capital assets (Note 10)		
Restricted		
Nonexpendable (Note 10)	59,459	58,696
Expendable (Notes 3 and 10)	114,988	113,507
Unrestricted (Notes 3 and 10)	88,568	81,652
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>813,673</b>	<b>797,839</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 1,230,890</b>	<b>\$ 1,232,048</b>

Variances added for analysis

	2018	Restated 2017	\$ Variance	% Variance
<b>Deferred Outflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>	<b>12,571</b>	<b>14,000</b>	<b>(1,429)</b>	<b>-10%</b>

	2018	Restated 2017	\$ Variance	% Variance
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>	<b>21,283</b>	<b>25,027</b>	<b>(3,744)</b>	<b>-15%</b>

# SNP - Net Position

UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM  
STATEMENTS OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2018 AND 2017 (IN THOUSANDS)

	2018	Restated 2017
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 1,528	\$ 1,641
Operating investments (Note 3)	252,236	243,093
Accounts, grants, and pledges receivable, net (Note 4)	47,399	53,606
Inventories and prepaid expenses	5,637	5,391
Notes and lease receivable, net (Note 5)	63	63
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>306,863</b>	<b>303,794</b>
Noncurrent Assets		
Deposits with bond trustees (Notes 3 and 6)	14,828	20,997
Accounts, grants and pledges receivable, net (Note 4)	738	3,193
Notes and leases receivable, net (Note 5)	40,060	41,288
Endowment investments (Note 3)	151,114	146,897
Capital assets		
Irrevocable		
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>206,738</b>	<b>212,375</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>513,601</b>	<b>516,169</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	1,000	1,000
Unearned income	1,000	1,000
Accrued expenses	1,000	1,000
Funds held for others (Note 3)	20,475	20,475
Long-term debt (Note 7)	160,871	160,871
Government advances refundable (Note 9)	29,464	29,464
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>194,610</b>	<b>194,610</b>
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Deferred inflows of resources (Note 15)	21,283	25,027
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>21,283</b>	<b>25,027</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>215,893</b>	<b>219,637</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows of Resources (Note 15)</b>		
	21,283	25,027
<b>Net Position</b>		
Net investment in capital assets (Note 10)	550,658	543,984
Restricted		
Nonexpendable (Note 10)	59,459	58,696
Expendable (Notes 3 and 10)	114,988	113,507
Unrestricted (Notes 3 and 10)	88,568	81,652
<b>Total Restricted</b>	<b>262,995</b>	<b>253,855</b>
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>813,653</b>	<b>797,839</b>
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 1,230,890</b>	<b>\$ 1,232,048</b>

Variations added for analysis

	2018	Restated 2017	\$ Variance	% Variance
<b>Net Position</b>				
Net investment in capital assets (Note 10)	550,658	543,984	6,674	1%
Restricted				
Nonexpendable (Note 10)	59,459	58,696	763	1%
Expendable (Notes 3 and 10)	114,988	113,507	1,481	1%
Unrestricted (Notes 3 and 10)	88,568	81,652	6,916	8%
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>813,673</b>	<b>797,839</b>	<b>15,834</b>	<b>2%</b>

# Composition Net Position

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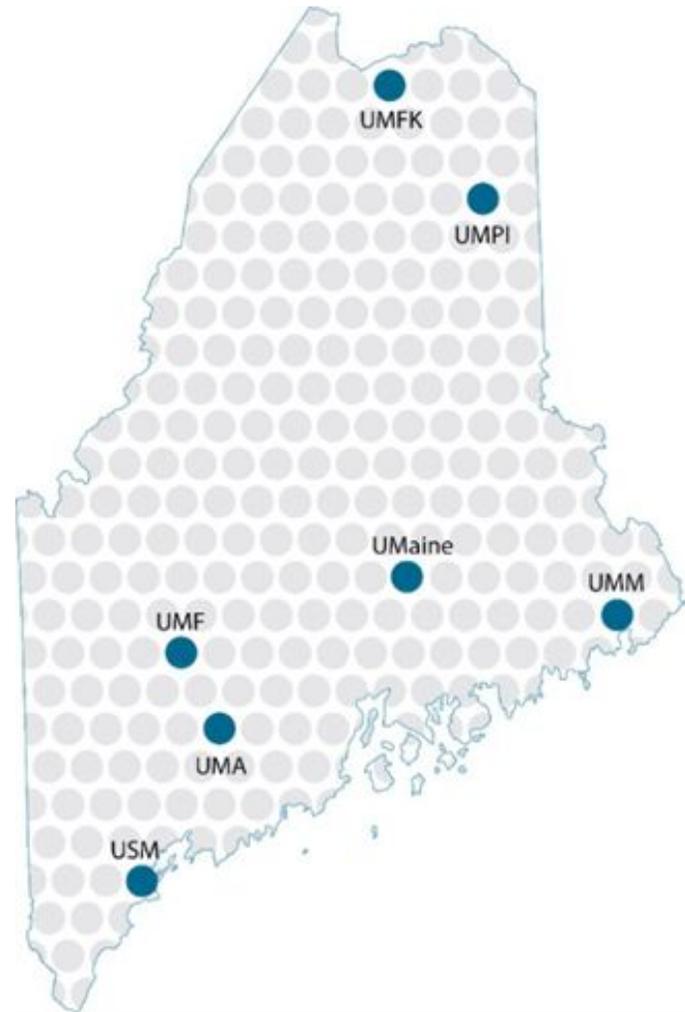
## 10. NET POSITION

The System's net position is composed of the following as of June 30:

	2018	Restated 2017
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 550,658	\$ 543,984
Restricted - Nonexpendable:		
Endowment funds	59,459	58,696
Restricted - Expendable:		
Student financial aid	49,026	46,370
Capital assets and retirement of debt	3,205	2,835
Loans	16,467	16,026
Academic support	12,862	13,888
Research and public service	8,203	10,127
Library	3,360	3,083
Other	21,865	21,178
Total restricted - expendable	114,988	113,507
Unrestricted:		
Educational and general reserves	67,358	65,361
Risk management	2,132	2,503
Budget stabilization	13,178	11,453
Auxiliary enterprises	12,981	11,610
Benefit pool carryover	15,729	9,923
Implementation of GASB 75 for OPEB	(89,607)	(89,607)
Information technology initiatives	430	25
Internally designated projects	18,421	17,700
Facility projects	28,521	34,718
Quasi endowment corpus	7,189	6,416
Endowment appreciation	8,823	8,409
Cost sharing and other	3,413	3,141
Total unrestricted	88,568	81,652
Total Net Position	\$ 813,673	\$ 797,839

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# Questions?





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## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

1. **NAME OF ITEM:** Auditor Communications to the Audit Committee
  
2. **INITIATED BY:** James O. Donnelly, Chair
  
3. **BOARD INFORMATION:** X **BOARD ACTION:**
  
4. **OUTCOME:** **BOARD POLICY:**  
Primary Outcomes: Bylaws – Section 3  
Enhance fiscal positioning
  
5. **BACKGROUND:**

On October 29, 2018, Berry, Dunn, McNeil & Parker, LLC representatives Renee Bishop and Emily Parker will report to the Committee including discussion of the 2018 UMS financial statement audit and emerging accounting issues.

The following documents are included for reference:

- Draft Required Communications Letter
- PowerPoint - Auditor Communications to the Audit Committee

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**REPORT DATE**

To the Board of Trustees  
University of Maine System

Dear Board Members:

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the University of Maine System (the System) for the year ended June 30, 2018, and have issued our report thereon dated **REPORT DATE**. Professional standards require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

**PART I – REQUIRED COMMUNICATIONS**

Our Responsibility under U.S. Generally Accepted Auditing Standards, Government Auditing Standards, and Title 2 of U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance)

As stated in our engagement letter dated June 12, 2018, our responsibility, as described by professional standards promulgated by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, is to express an opinion about whether the financial statements prepared by management with your oversight are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. We did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included in the discretely presented component unit, is based on the report of other auditors. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your responsibilities.

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the System's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. We also considered internal control over compliance with requirements that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the System's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit. Also, in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, we examined, on a test basis, evidence about the System's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the OMB Compliance Supplement applicable to each of its major federal programs for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the System's compliance with those requirements. While our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion, it does not provide a legal determination on the System's compliance with those requirements.

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Our responsibility with respect to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards is described in the last paragraph of our Uniform Guidance Reports.

#### Other Information in Documents Containing Audited Financial Statements

Our responsibility for the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, as described by professional standards, is to evaluate the presentation of the supplementary information in relation to the financial statements as a whole and to report on whether the supplementary information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

With respect to the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

#### Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the System are described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

During the year, the System adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*. This statement establishes standards for recognizing and measuring liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures related to the System's postemployment health plan, or OPEB. The System also adopted GASB Statement No. 81, *Irrevocable Split-Interest Agreements*, which provides a mechanism for measuring and recording split-interest agreements as assets, deferred inflows and revenues. The 2017 financial statements have been restated to reflect application of these changes. The System also adopted GASB Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Costs Incurred Before the End of a Construction Period*, which requires interest costs incurred during the construction period to be recognized as expense in the period incurred rather than be capitalized as part of the historical cost of the constructed asset. GASB Statement No. 89 has been applied on a prospective basis.

Except as described in the preceding paragraph, there were no new accounting policies that were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the year ended June 30, 2018. We noted no transactions entered into by the System during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected.

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The most sensitive estimates affecting the financial statements were:

- The estimates used in the calculation of pension and OPEB obligations, related deferred inflows and outflows, and disclosures, which are based on actuarial studies.
- The estimate of liabilities for self-insured health insurance, which is based on current experience and historical data.
- The allowances for uncollectible receivables, which are based on historical collection data.
- The calculation of depreciation expense, which is based on the expected lives of the related capital assets.

We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop these estimates in determining that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements were:

- Note 3 – Investments
- Note 11 – Commitments and contingencies
- Note 13 – Pension plans
- Note 14 – Postemployment health plan
- Note 18 – Prior period adjustments

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent and clear.

#### Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

#### Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. There were no such misstatements noted during the audit.

#### Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, professional standards define a disagreement with management as a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

#### Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated as of the date of this report.

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#### Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a “second opinion” in certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the System’s financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor’s opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

#### Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the System’s auditor. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

#### Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to the Management’s Discussion and Analysis and the supplementary information related to the System’s retirement plans, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding 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 did not audit RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We audited the Schedules of Activities and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, which may accompany the financial statements but are not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles or the Uniform Guidance, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. Our procedures included comparing and reconciling the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

### **PART II – INTERNAL CONTROL MATTERS**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the System as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, we considered the System’s internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purposes of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the System’s internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the System’s internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a

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combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Restriction on Use

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees and management of the System and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Very truly yours,

Bangor, Maine  
REPORT DATE



# Auditor Communications TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Renee Bishop, CPA | Emily Parker, CPA

October 29, 2018

# Discussion Outline

**1** FINANCIAL  
STATEMENT AUDIT

**2** FEDERAL UNIFORM  
GUIDANCE AUDIT

**3** REQUIRED AUDITOR  
COMMUNICATIONS

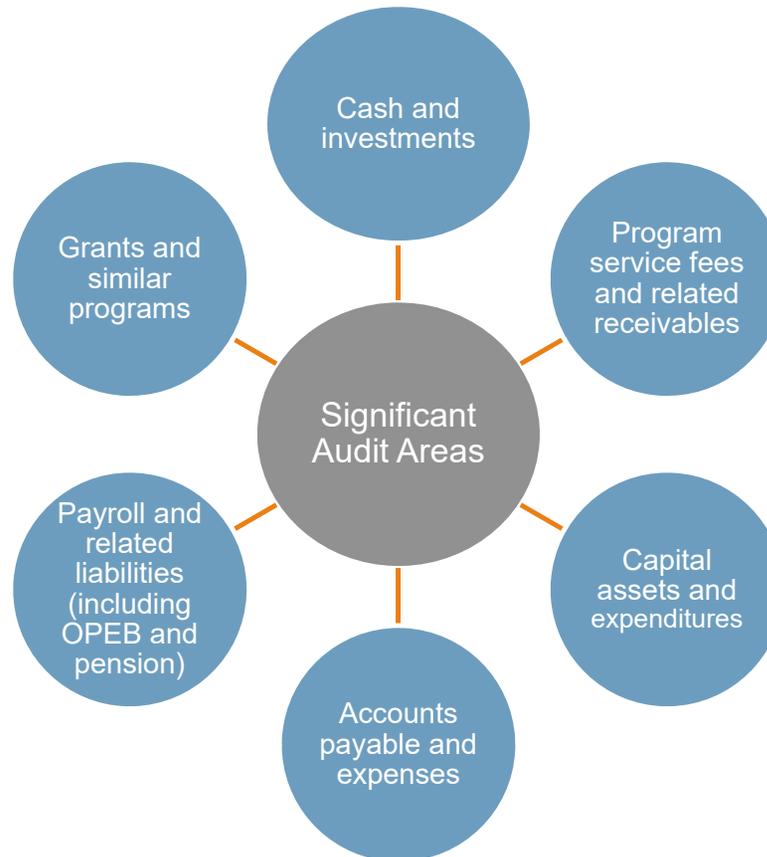
**4** EMERGING ISSUES

**5** EYE ON EDUCATION



# Financial Statement Audit

## Significant Areas



In addition, we will perform additional tests to preserve the element of unpredictability. We will modify our audit approach, as necessary, based on any new information that may come to our attention.

# Financial Statement Audit

## General Audit Procedures

- Internal Control Testing
- Substantive Audit Procedures
- Analytical Audit Procedures
- Investigation
- Evaluation

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# Financial Statement Audit

## Financial Statement Footnotes

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- Key footnotes
  - Restatement – Note 1b and 18
  - Investments - Note 3
  - Capital Assets - Note 6
  - Debt - Note 7
  - Net Position - Note 10
  - Commitments - Note 11
  - Pensions - Note 13
  - Postemployment Health Plan - Note 14

Federal Uniform  
Guidance  
Audit

**Major Programs**

- Student Financial Assistance Cluster
- TRIO Cluster





# Required Auditor Communications

## OUR RESPONSIBILITY

- To express an opinion on the financial statements.
- The audit is designed to obtain reasonable (not absolute) assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement.
- To express an opinion on the System's compliance under the Uniform Guidance.

## MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY

- The preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements is management's responsibility.
- We are not a component of internal control.

## PLANNING AND PERFORMING THE AUDIT

- We consider internal control, but do not express an opinion on it.
- We perform tests in key audit areas; those tests may change from year to year.



## Required Auditor Communications

### **NEW STANDARDS**

- Implemented GASB 75 & GASB 81, retroactively.
- Early adopted GASB 89, prospectively.

### **MANAGEMENT'S JUDGEMENTS AND ESTIMATES**

- Valuation of pension and other retirement benefit obligations, and related deferred inflows and outflows.
- Estimate of the liability for self-insured health plan.
- Allowance for uncollectible receivables.
- Depreciation expense.

### **ACCOUNTING DISCLOSURES**

- Disclosures were neutral, consistent, and clear.

### **ADJUSTMENTS**

- None.



# Required Auditor Communications

## DISAGREEMENTS AND DIFFICULTIES

- No disagreements with management.
- No difficulties in performing the audit. Management was well prepared and proactive during the audit.

## MANAGEMENT'S REPRESENTATIONS

- As part of the audit, we obtain a signed letter from management attesting to certain representations made during the audit.

## CONSULTATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS

- We are not aware of management consulting with other accountants. Should consultation take place, standards require those auditors check with us to ensure they have all the relevant facts.
- We communicate with management throughout the year on a variety of matters prior to retention as the System's auditor. Those discussions were in the ordinary course of business and not a condition of our retention.

# New GASB Pronouncements

GASB No.	Name	Effective Date	UMS Year	Impact
83	Certain Asset Retirement Obligations	Periods beginning after June 15, 2018	FY 2019	No significant impact expected.
84	Fiduciary Activities	Periods beginning after December 15, 2018	FY 2020	Will require a significant amount of management resources to evaluate all fiduciary funds, and consider for inclusion in the financial statements of the System.
87	Leases	Periods beginning after December 15, 2019	FY 2021	Increase in assets and liabilities for the System. Based on current operating leases, this is currently not expected to exceed \$1 million.
90	Majority Equity Interests	Periods beginning after December 15, 2018	FY 2020	No significant impact expected.

## Other GASB Projects

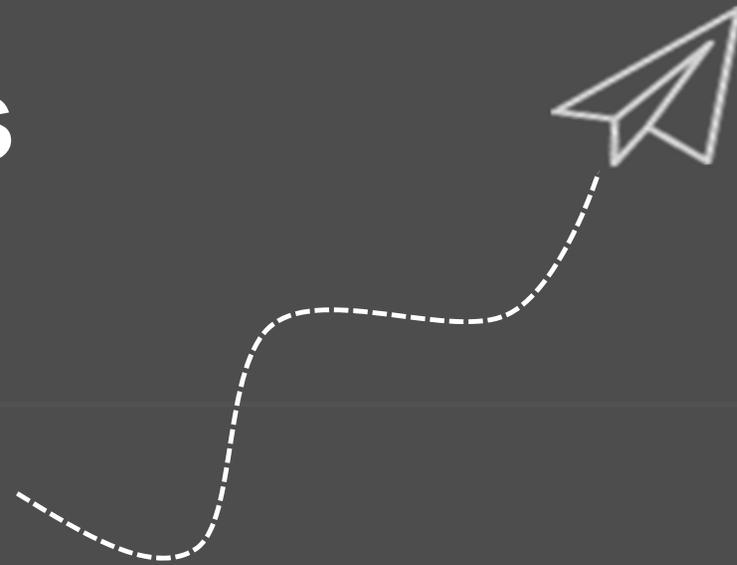
- Financial Reporting Model
- Public-Private Partnerships
- Subscription-Based Information Technology Arrangements

## Eye on Education

- Active Phishing Campaign Targeting Student Email Accounts
- Perkins loan wind-down
- Higher Education Reauthorization Act
- Spending bill update
- Overtime rules
- Applications down at top MBA programs
- Borrower defense rules update
- Gainful employment

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# Questions



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## Unkept Promises: State Cuts to Higher Education Threaten Access and Equity

By Michael Mitchell, Michael Leachman, Kathleen Masterson, and Samantha Waxman

A decade since the Great Recession hit, state spending on public colleges and universities remains well below historical levels. Overall state funding for public two- and four-year colleges in the school year ending in 2018 was more than \$7 billion below its 2008 level, after adjusting for inflation. (See Figure 1.) In the most difficult years after the recession, colleges responded to significant funding cuts by increasing tuition, reducing faculty, limiting course offerings, and in some cases closing campuses. Funding has rebounded slightly since then, but costs remain high and services in some places have not returned.

The promise to past generations of students in America has been that if you work hard and strive, public colleges and universities will serve as an avenue to greater economic opportunity and upward mobility. For today's students — a cohort more racially and economically diverse than any before it — that promise is fading.

Rising tuition threatens affordability and access leaving students and their families — including those whose annual wages have stagnated or fallen over recent decades — either saddled with onerous debt or unable to afford college altogether. This is especially true for students of color (who have historically faced large barriers to attending college), low-income students, and students from non-traditional backgrounds. Higher costs jeopardize not only the prospects of those individual students but also the outlook for whole communities and states, which are increasingly reliant on highly educated workforces to grow and thrive.

To build a prosperous economy — one in which the benefits of higher education are broadly shared and felt by every community regardless of race or class — lawmakers will need to invest in high-quality, affordable, and accessible public higher education by increasing funding for public two- and four-year colleges and by pursuing policies that allow more students to pursue affordable postsecondary education. By doing so, they can help build a stronger middle class and develop the entrepreneurs and skilled workers a strong state economy needs.

Of the 49 states (all except Illinois)<sup>1</sup> analyzed over the full 2008-2018 period, after adjusting for inflation:<sup>2</sup>

- 45 spent less per student in the 2018 school year than in 2008. The only states spending more than in 2008 were California, Hawaii, North Dakota, and Wyoming.
- States cut funding deeply after the recession hit. The average state spent \$1,502, or 16 percent, less per student in 2018 than in 2008.
- Per-student funding in nine states — Alabama, Arizona, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina — fell by more than 30 percent over this period.
- In 31 states, per-student funding fell between the 2017 and 2018 school years. In 15 of these states, funding also fell the previous year.
- In 18 states, per-student funding rose between the 2017 and 2018 school years.
- Overall, per-student funding essentially remained flat between 2017 and 2018.<sup>3</sup>

Deep state funding cuts have had major consequences for public colleges and universities. States (and, to a lesser extent, localities) provide just over half of the costs of teaching and instruction at these schools.<sup>4</sup> Over the last decade, higher education institutions have:

- **Raised tuition.** Annual published tuition at four-year public colleges has risen by \$2,651, or 36 percent, since the 2008 school year.<sup>5</sup> In Louisiana, published tuition at four-year schools has doubled, while in six other states — Alabama, Arizona, California, Colorado, Georgia, and Hawaii — published tuition is up more than 60 percent.

These sharp tuition increases have accelerated longer-term trends of college becoming less affordable and costs shifting from states to students. Over the last 20 years, the price of attending a four-year public college or university has grown significantly faster than the median income. Although federal student aid has risen, on average it has fallen short of covering the increases in tuition and other college expenses.

<sup>1</sup> Complete appropriations data for Illinois is only available through 2017.

<sup>2</sup> This paper uses CPI-U-RS inflation adjustments to measure real changes in costs. Over the past year, the CPI-U-RS increased by 2.4 percent. We use the CPI-U-RS for the calendar year that begins the fiscal/academic year. Unless noted, all figures in this paper are adjusted for inflation.

<sup>3</sup> CBPP calculation using the “Grapevine” higher education appropriations data from Illinois State University, enrollment data from the State Higher Education Executive Officers Association, and the Consumer Price Index, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Since enrollment data are available only through the 2017 school year, enrollment for the 2018 school year is estimated using data from past years.

<sup>4</sup> Education Executive Officers Association, “State Higher Education Finance: FY2017,” March 2018, p. 18, [http://www.shceo.org/sites/default/files/project-files/SHEEO\\_SHEF\\_FY2017\\_FINAL.pdf](http://www.shceo.org/sites/default/files/project-files/SHEEO_SHEF_FY2017_FINAL.pdf).

<sup>5</sup> Calculated from College Board, “Trends in College Pricing 2017: Average Tuition and Fee and Room and Board Charges, 1971-72 to 2017-18 (Enrollment-Weighted),” Table 2, [https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2017-trends-in-college-pricing\\_0.pdf](https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2017-trends-in-college-pricing_0.pdf).

- **Reduced academic opportunities and student services.** Tuition increases have compensated for only part of the revenue loss resulting from state funding cuts. Over the past several years, public colleges and universities have cut faculty positions, eliminated course offerings, closed campuses, and reduced student services, among other cuts.

A large and growing share of future jobs will require college-educated workers.<sup>6</sup> Sufficient public investment in higher education to keep quality high and tuition affordable, and to provide financial aid to students who need it most, would help states develop the skilled and diverse workforce they will need to compete for these jobs.

Sufficient public investment can only occur, however, if policymakers make sound tax and budget decisions. To make college more affordable and increase access to higher education, many states need to consider new revenue to fully make up for years of cuts.

### States Have Only Partially Reversed Funding Cuts

State and local tax revenue is a major source of support for public colleges and universities. Unlike private institutions, which rely more heavily on charitable donations and large endowments to help fund instruction, public two- and four-year colleges typically rely heavily on state and local appropriations. In 2017, state and local dollars constituted 54 percent of the funds these institutions used directly for teaching and instruction.<sup>7</sup>

While states have been reinvesting in higher education for the past few years, resources remain well below 2008 levels — 16 percent lower per student — even as state revenues have returned to pre-recession levels. (See Figures 1 and 2.) Between the 2008 school year (when the recession took hold) and the 2018 school year, adjusted for inflation:

- State spending on higher education at two- and four-year public colleges nationwide fell \$1,409 per student, or 16 percent, after adjusting for inflation.
- Per-student funding rose in only four states: California, Hawaii, North Dakota, and Wyoming.
- Twenty states cut funding per student by more than 20 percent, and in nine of those states the cut exceeded 30 percent.
- Arizona cut per-student funding by more than half.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>6</sup> Anthony P. Carnevale, Nicole Smith, and Jeff Strohl, “Recovery: Job Growth and Education Requirements through 2020,” Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce, June 2013, <https://georgetown.app.box.com/s/tl0zkxt0puz45hu21g6>.

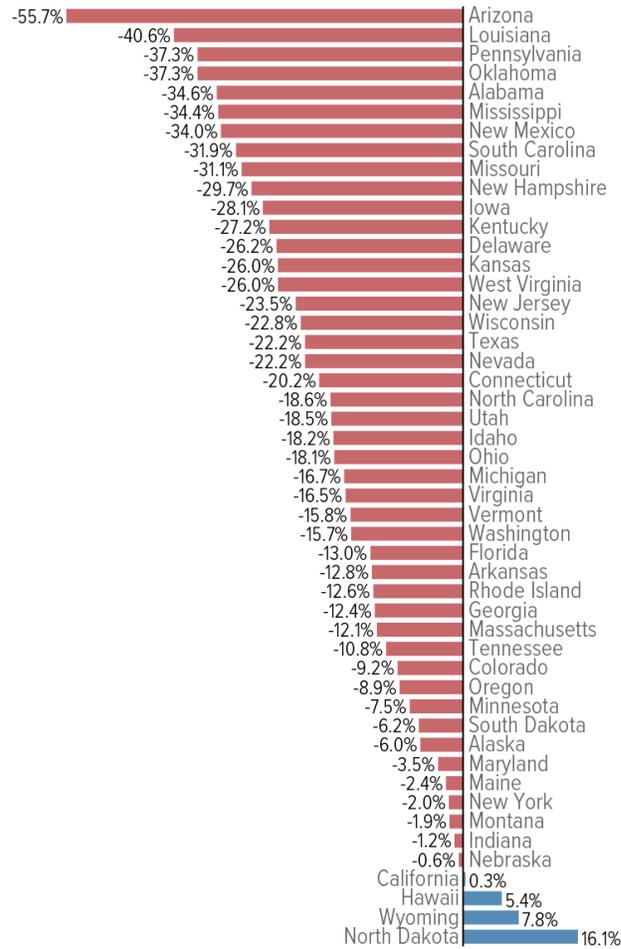
<sup>7</sup> State Higher Education Executive Officers Association, April 2017.

<sup>8</sup> CBPP calculation using the “Grapevine” higher education appropriations data from Illinois State University, enrollment and combined state and local funding data from the State Higher Education Executive Officers Association, and the Consumer Price Index, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Since enrollment data are only available through the 2017 school year, we have estimated enrollment for the 2018 school year using data from past years.

FIGURE 1

### State Funding for Higher Education Remains Far Below Pre-Recession Levels in Most States

Percent change in state spending per student, inflation adjusted, 2008-2018



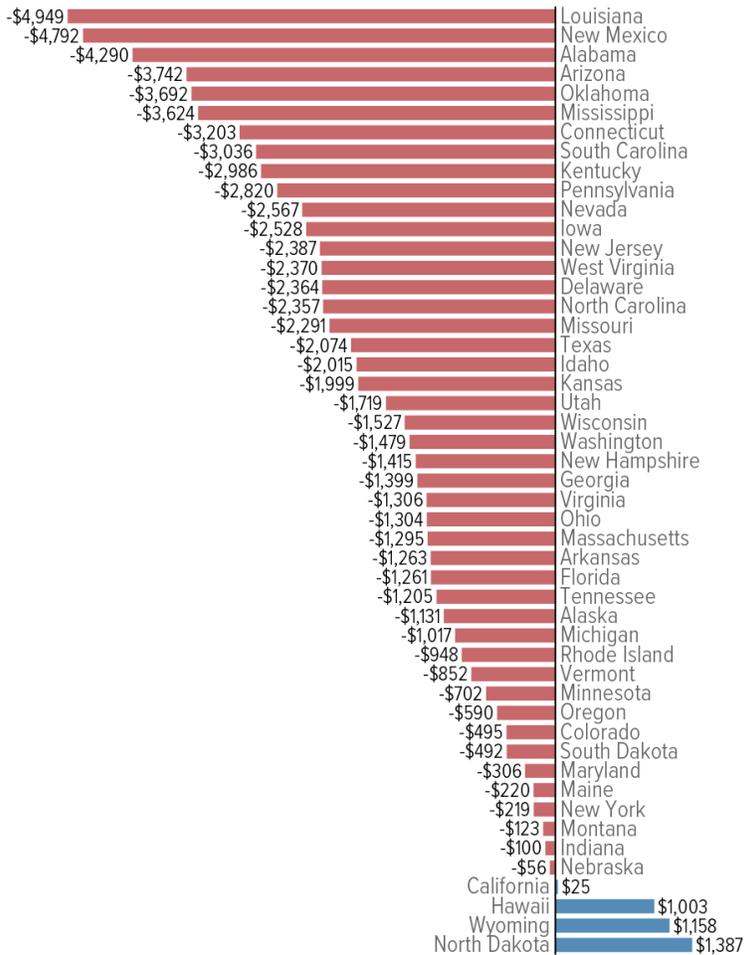
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Source: CBPP calculations using the "Grapevine" higher education appropriations data from Illinois State University, enrollment and combined state and local funding data from the State Higher Education Executive Officers Association and the Consumer Price Index, published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics

FIGURE 2

### State Funding for Higher Education Remains Far Below Pre-Recession Levels in Most States

Change in state spending per student, inflation adjusted, 2008-2018



Note: Illinois was excluded because the data necessary to make a valid comparison are not available. Since enrollment data are only available through the 2016-17 school year, we have estimated enrollment for the 2017-18 school year using data from past years.

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Nationally, between the 2017 and 2018 school years, per-student funding remained virtually unchanged in the 49 states where reliable data were available. However, in 18 states per-student funding increased, by 3.4 percent or almost \$270 per student, on average.

- The funding increases varied from \$5 per student in Michigan to \$970 in Hawaii.
- Four states raised per-student funding by more than 5 percent.

In 31 states, per-student funding *fell* between 2017 and 2018, by 2.6 percent or roughly \$200 per student, on average. And among the 18 states where funding rose, eight states' funding increases between 2017 and 2018 were lower than their average increase over the previous three years.

- The funding cuts varied from \$16 per student in New York to \$1,939 in North Dakota.
- Four states — Alaska, Mississippi, North Dakota, and Wyoming — cut funding by more than \$500 per student.
- Fifteen states cut per-student funding in both 2017 and 2018.

### State Cuts Have Helped Drive Up Tuition

Tuition remains much higher than before the recession in most states. Since the 2008 school year, average annual published tuition has risen by \$2,651 nationally, or 36 percent.<sup>9</sup> (See Figures 3 and 4.) Steep increases have been widespread; average tuition at public four-year institutions has increased by:

- more than 60 percent in seven states;
- more than 40 percent in 20 states; and
- more than 20 percent in 40 states.

In Louisiana, the state with the largest percentage increase since the recession hit, tuition has doubled, rising \$4,773 per student since 2008. Average tuition at a four-year Louisiana public university is now \$9,302 a year.<sup>10</sup>

In Arizona, the state with the largest *dollar* increase since the recession hit, tuition has risen \$5,355 per student, or 91.3 percent. Average tuition at a four-year Arizona public university is now \$11,218 a year.<sup>11</sup>

In recent years, as states have modestly increased investment in two- and four-year colleges from their recession lows, tuition hikes have been much smaller than in the worst years after the

<sup>9</sup> CBPP analysis using College Board, "Trends in College Pricing 2016," [https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2016-trends-college-pricing-web\\_1.pdf](https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2016-trends-college-pricing-web_1.pdf). In non-inflation-adjusted terms, average tuition is up \$3,459 over this period.

<sup>10</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>11</sup> *Ibid.*

recession.<sup>12</sup> Published tuition — the “sticker price” — at public four-year institutions rose by less than 1 percent nationally between the 2017 and 2018 school years:

- Average tuition nationally increased \$94, or almost 1 percent, adjusted for inflation.<sup>13</sup>
- Montana increased average tuition across its four-year institutions more than any other state, by more than 5 percent, or roughly \$339. Mississippi, Oregon, and Rhode Island raised average tuition by more than 4 percent.
- Rhode Island increased average tuition across its four-year institutions on a dollar basis more than any other state, by \$559, or roughly 4.8 percent. Connecticut, Iowa, Mississippi, Montana, and Oregon raised average tuition by more than \$300.
- Hawaii cut tuition more than any other state, by 2 percent, or \$220.<sup>14</sup>

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<sup>12</sup> Costs reported above include both published tuition and fees. Average tuition and fee prices are weighted by full-time enrollment.

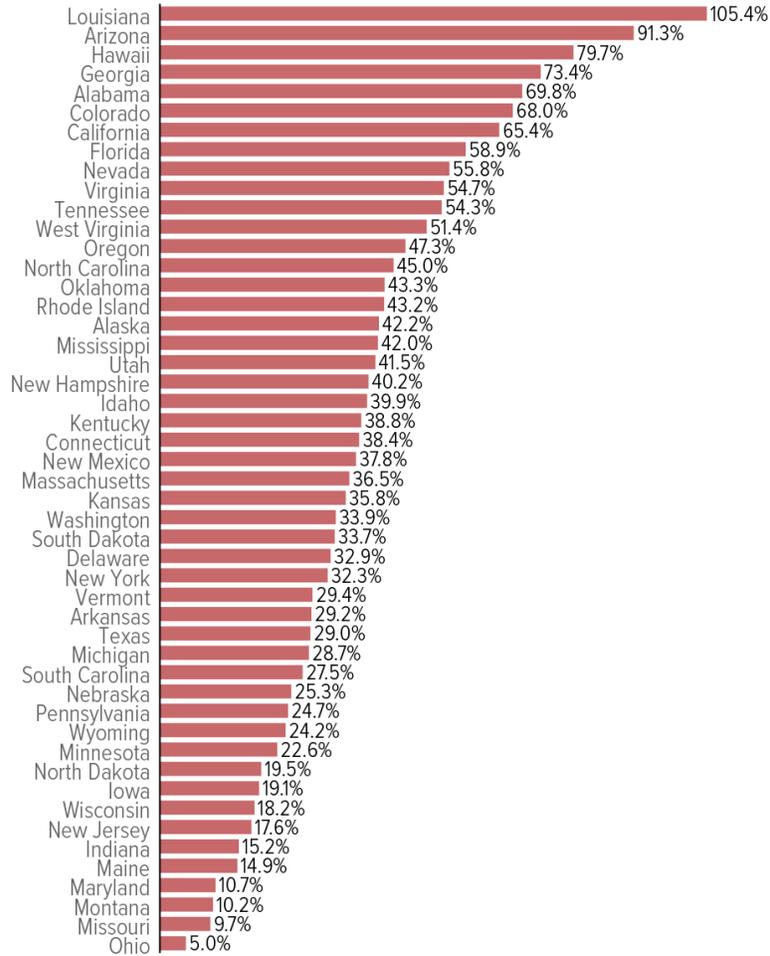
<sup>13</sup> As noted earlier, this and other figures in this report have been adjusted for inflation. Of states with increased tuition, the average tuition increased \$242, or 2.6 percent.

<sup>14</sup> CBPP analysis using College Board, “Trends in College Pricing 2016,” [https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2016-trends-college-pricing-web\\_1.pdf](https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2016-trends-college-pricing-web_1.pdf). See appendix for fiscal years 2016-17 change in average tuition at public four-year colleges.

FIGURE 3

### Tuition Has Increased Sharply at Public Colleges and Universities

Percent change in average tuition at public, four-year colleges, inflation adjusted, 2008-2018



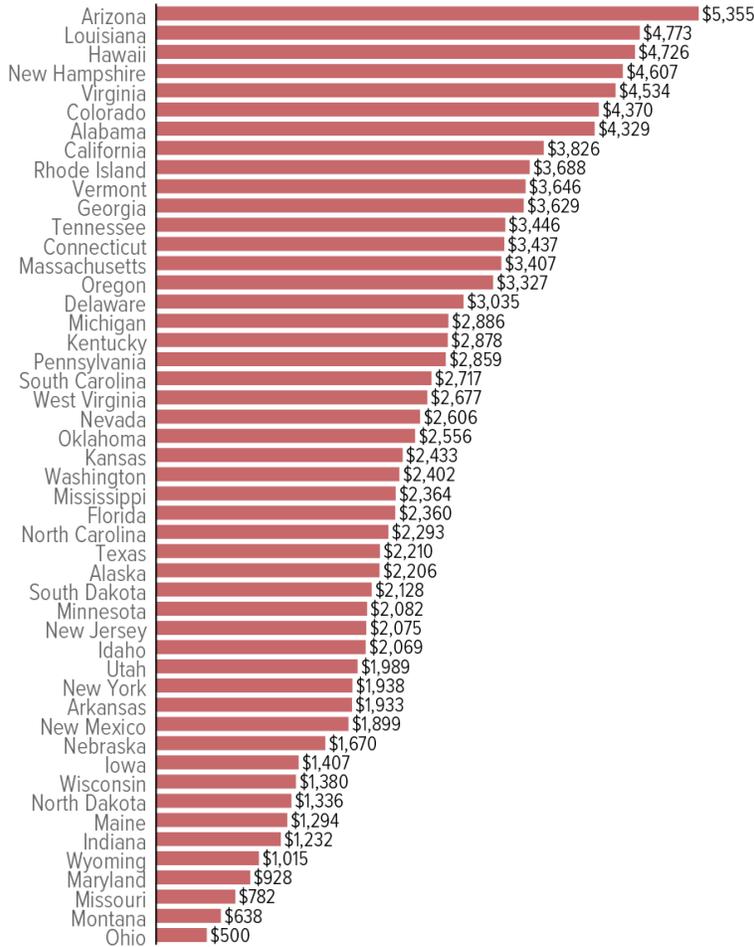
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FIGURE 4

### Tuition Has Increased Sharply at Public Colleges and Universities

Change in average tuition at public, four-year colleges, inflation adjusted, 2008-2018



Note: Illinois was excluded because the data necessary to make a valid comparison are not available. Since enrollment data are only available through the 2016-17 school year, we have estimated enrollment for the 2017-18 school year using data from past years.

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## Reduced Investment Comes as Public Colleges Enrolling More Students of Color

Many states closed revenue shortfalls after the recession and its subsequent sluggish recovery through sizeable budget cuts, as opposed to pursuing a more balanced mix of responsible and targeted cuts and revenue increases. In fact, between fiscal years 2008 and 2012, for every \$1 state lawmakers raised in new revenue they *cut* \$3 from existing spending. This led to exceedingly deep cuts to higher education — which contributed to higher-than-typical tuition increases, described above — that might have been avoided if lawmakers had pursued a more balanced approach.

For high school graduates who chose college over dim employment prospects and older workers who returned to retool and gain new skills, these cuts and tuition increases came at an especially bad time.<sup>15</sup> Enrollment peaked in the 2011 school year with nearly 11.7 million full-time-equivalent students even as states slashed higher education budgets.

The state funding cuts and rising tuition that followed the last recession fit into a longer-term trend in place since the 1980s. Over time, students and their families have assumed much greater responsibility for paying for public higher education. That’s because during and immediately following recessions, state and local funding for higher education tends to fall, while tuition tends to grow more quickly. During periods of economic growth, funding tends to recover somewhat, while tuition stabilizes at a higher share of total higher educational funding.<sup>16</sup> (See Figure 5.)

In 1988, students — through tuition — provided about a quarter of public colleges and universities’ revenue, while state and local governments provided the remaining three-quarters. Today, that split is almost 50-50.

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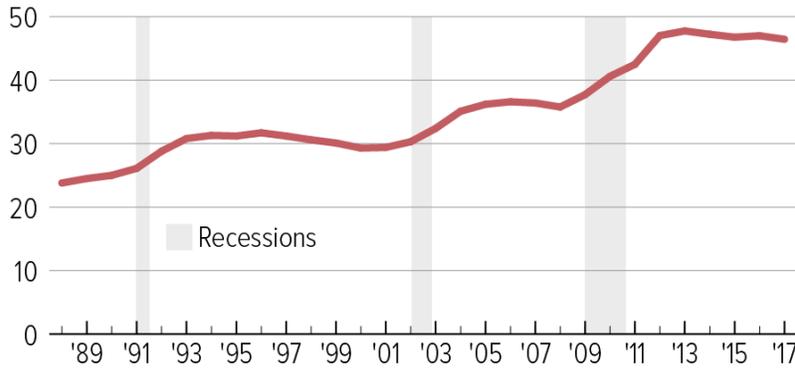
<sup>15</sup> See, for example, “National Postsecondary Enrollment Trends: Before, During and After the Great Recession,” National Student Clearinghouse Research Center, July 2011, p. 6, <http://pas.indiana.edu/pdf/National%20Postsecondary%20Enrollment%20Trends.pdf>. A survey by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) indicated that increases in Fall 2009 enrollment at community colleges were, in part, due to workforce training opportunities; see Christopher M. Mullin, “Community College Enrollment Surge: An Analysis of Estimated Fall 2009 Headcount Enrollments at Community Colleges,” AACC, December 2009, <http://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED511056.pdf>.

<sup>16</sup> State Higher Education Executive Officers Association, “State Higher Education Finance: FY2017,” 2018, p. 25, Figure 5, [http://www.shceo.org/sites/default/files/project-files/SHEEO\\_SHEF\\_FY2017\\_FINAL.pdf](http://www.shceo.org/sites/default/files/project-files/SHEEO_SHEF_FY2017_FINAL.pdf).

FIGURE 5

### Students Funding Larger Share of Education Funds After Recessions

Tuition as a percent of “total educational revenue,” 1988-2017



Source: State Higher Education Financing FY2017, State Higher Education Executive Officers Association. Total educational revenue is the sum of educational appropriations and net tuition revenue excluding any tuition revenue used for capital and debt service. It measures the amount of revenue available to public institutions to support instruction (excluding medical students).

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Nearly every state has shifted costs to students over the last 25 years, with the most drastic shift occurring since the onset of the Great Recession. In 1988, average tuition exceeded per-student state expenditures in only two states: New Hampshire and Vermont. By 2008, that number had grown to ten states. In 2017 (the latest year for which there are data), tuition revenue exceeded state and local funding for higher education in 28 states. And in 15 states, tuition revenue constituted at least 60 percent of higher education revenue used for instructional purposes.<sup>17</sup>

At the same time, this growing burden on students and families coincided with a multi-decade increase in the number of students from communities of color attending college. In 1980, students of color — that is black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian, Pacific Islander, and American Indian students — made up roughly 17 percent of students at public colleges. By 2010, that number had more than doubled to over 36 percent, and today over 40 percent of students attending public two- and four-year colleges are students of color.<sup>18</sup>

<sup>17</sup> State Higher Education Executive Officers Association, April 2018; government funding includes both state and local funding sources.

<sup>18</sup> U.S. Department of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Higher Education General Information Survey (HEGIS), “Fall Enrollment in Colleges and Universities” surveys, 1976 and 1980; Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), “Fall Enrollment Survey” (IPEDS-EF:90-99); IPEDS Spring 2001 through Spring 2016, Fall Enrollment component; and Enrollment in Degree-Granting Institutions by Race/Ethnicity Projection Model, 1980 through 2026. (This table was prepared March 2017.) [https://nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d16/tables/dt16\\_306.30.asp](https://nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d16/tables/dt16_306.30.asp).

This long-term decline in state funding and growing expectation that students and families shoulder a greater load for college education has created a more costly and fraught path to completing college — a path that a more diverse group of students is now navigating.

### Families Have Been Hard-Pressed to Absorb Rising Tuition Costs

The cost shift from states to students has happened over a period when many families have had trouble absorbing additional expenses due to stagnant or declining incomes. In the 1970s and early to mid-1980s, tuition and incomes both grew modestly faster than inflation; by the late 1980s, tuition began to rise much faster than incomes. The sharp tuition increases since the recession have exacerbated the longer-term trend. Tuition jumped 36 percent between the 2008 and 2018 school years, while real median income grew just over 2.1 percent.

In 2008, when the recession took hold, average in-state tuition and fees at a public four-year institution accounted for 14 percent of a family’s median household income. By 2017 they accounted for 16.5 percent, and in eight states, average annual tuition and fees at a public four-year university accounted for over 20 percent of a household’s median pay. The burden of college costs is particularly heavy for households of color, whose members often face additional barriers to employment and difficulty accessing better-paying jobs. The average cost of in-state tuition and fees comprised 20 percent or more of the median household income in 2017 for Hispanic and black households in 22 states and 33 states, respectively.

TABLE 1

### Average Tuition and Fees at a Public Four-Year University as a Share of Median Household Income, by Race, 2017

State	Overall	White, Non-Hispanic	Black*	Hispanic	Asian
Alabama	21.0%	18.0%	32.2%*	26.8%*	14.1%*
Alaska	9.7%	8.7%		11.1%*	10.4%*
Arizona	19.3%	17.5%	24.4%*	23.3%*	14.4%*
Arkansas	18.0%	16.5%	27.0%*	20.1%*	
California	13.0%	11.1%	19.2%*	16.6%*	10.2%*
Colorado	14.9%	13.7%	20.0%*	20.0%*	12.9%
Connecticut	15.9%	13.8%	25.3%*	25.4%*	13.6%
Delaware	19.0%	17.2%	26.5%*		12.1%*
Florida	12.1%	10.9%	15.8%*	13.4%*	9.1%*
Georgia	15.0%	12.9%	19.7%*	18.2%*	10.9%*
Hawaii	13.7%	13.7%		14.6%	12.8%*
Idaho	13.4%	13.1%		15.5%*	
Illinois	21.3%	19.0%	36.6%*	25.3%*	15.9%*
Indiana	17.1%	16.1%	27.7%*	19.8%*	13.7%*
Iowa	14.1%	13.7%	26.8%*	17.8%*	12.4%*

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State	Overall	White, Non-Hispanic	Black*	Hispanic	Asian
Kansas	15.8%	14.8%	24.7%*	19.6%*	12.7%*
Kentucky	20.6%	19.9%	27.7%*	23.7%*	16.9%*
Louisiana	19.4%	15.6%	31.7%*	22.6%*	14.1%
Maine	17.2%	17.0%			
Maryland	11.6%	10.3%	14.6%*	13.1%*	9.4%*
Massachusetts	15.9%	14.5%	26.2%*	29.3%*	13.5%*
Michigan	22.7%	21.0%	35.9%*	27.0%*	15.4%*
Minnesota	16.1%	15.3%	28.9%*	21.7%*	14.7%
Mississippi	17.2%	13.6%	25.6%*	17.5%*	
Missouri	16.1%	15.1%	24.8%*	17.8%*	13.5%
Montana	12.0%	11.8%		13.0%	
Nebraska	13.2%	12.5%	22.1%*	16.9%*	
Nevada	11.9%	11.0%	17.3%*	13.3%*	10.8%
New Hampshire	21.4%	21.1%		25.7%*	
New Jersey	16.9%	14.8%	26.9%*	24.9%*	11.4%*
New Mexico	14.2%	12.0%	19.6%*	16.5%*	
New York	11.9%	10.2%	17.2%*	16.5%*	10.9%*
North Carolina	13.6%	11.9%	18.8%*	17.8%*	9.0%*
North Dakota	12.8%	12.2%		14.1%*	
Ohio	19.1%	17.5%	32.0%*	25.2%*	14.4%*
Oklahoma	16.0%	15.1%	24.0%*	18.4%*	13.6%
Oregon	16.2%	15.8%	26.3%*	19.4%*	12.6%*
Pennsylvania	23.6%	22.2%	37.1%*	34.9%*	18.8%*
Rhode Island	17.9%	16.0%		27.8%*	16.3%
South Carolina	24.1%	20.6%	37.9%*	30.0%*	19.9%
South Dakota	14.4%	13.6%		19.7%*	
Tennessee	18.6%	17.4%	25.0%*	23.0%*	13.7%*
Texas	16.1%	13.2%	21.1%*	20.4%*	11.3%*
Utah	9.6%	9.1%		13.8%*	9.4%
Vermont	27.1%	26.8%			
Virginia	17.3%	15.9%	24.9%*	18.9%*	12.2%*
Washington	13.1%	12.6%	18.8%*	17.8%*	10.4%*

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**Average Tuition and Fees at a Public Four-Year University as a Share of Median Household Income, by Race, 2017**

State	Overall	White, Non-Hispanic	Black*	Hispanic	Asian
West Virginia	17.2%	16.8%	24.9%*		
Wisconsin	15.1%	14.3%	30.4%*	20.8%*	12.9%*
Wyoming	8.4%	8.2%		9.8%*	

Sources: 1-year American Community Survey data, Table B19013\*, <https://factfinder.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/searchresults.xhtml?refresh=t>, "College Board, "Trends in Higher Education Finance," Table 5, Public Four-Year In-State Tuition & Fees, current dollars, <https://trends.collegeboard.org/college-pricing/figures-tables/list>.

Notes: Results are not included where the standard error associated with the median income is more than 10% of the estimated median income and are presented with an asterisk where the median income for that group is statistically different from that of non-Hispanic whites. Note that suppression and statistical significance tests are tied to median income, not tuition (which is a published sticker figure) as a share of (estimated) median income. Some people in the "Black" category may also identify as "Hispanic," so these categories are not necessarily exclusive. College Board estimates public four-year in-state tuition and fees by determining the price charged by each institution in a state and weighting the price by the number of full-time undergraduate students enrolled.



### Cost Shift Harms Students and Families, Especially Those With Low Incomes

Higher tuition combined with weakly rising or stagnant incomes has damaging consequences for families, students, and communities.

- **Tuition costs deter some students from enrolling in college.** While the recession encouraged many students to enroll in higher education, the large tuition increases of the past few years may have prevented further enrollment gains. College price increases result in declining enrollment, research consistently finds.<sup>19</sup> While many universities and the federal government provide financial aid to students, research suggests that a high sticker price can dissuade students from enrolling even if the net price, including aid, doesn't rise.
- **Rising tuition may harm students of color and reduce campus diversity.** While more students of color are enrolling in college, rising tuition and fees is a headwind to this trend as students of color are less likely to enroll as the cost of tuition goes up. In a recently published study, researchers found that tuition increases reduced campus diversity, particularly at non-selective institutions. For full-time freshmen enrolled at non-selective schools, a \$1,000 increase in tuition costs was associated with a 4.5 percent drop in class diversity.<sup>20</sup> Another study that examined tuition policy changes in Texas in the early 2000s concluded that rising tuition limited enrollment gains for Hispanic students in the state.<sup>21</sup>
- **Tuition increases likely deter low-income students, in particular, from enrolling.** College cost increases have the biggest impact on students from low-income families, research shows. For example, a 1995 study by Harvard University researcher Thomas Kane concluded that states with the largest tuition increases during the 1980s and early 1990s “saw the greatest widening of the gaps in enrollment between high- and low-income youth.”<sup>22</sup> Low-income families' relative lack of knowledge about the admissions and financial aid processes may exacerbate the problem. Students from families that struggle to get by — including those who live in communities with lower shares of college-educated adults and attend high schools that have higher student-to-counselor ratios — tend to overestimate the true cost of higher education more than students from wealthier households, in part because they are less aware of the financial aid for which they are eligible.<sup>23</sup>

<sup>19</sup> See, for example, Steven W. Hemelt and Dave E. Marcotte, “The Impact of Tuition Increases on Enrollment at Public Colleges and Universities,” *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, September 2011; Donald E. Heller, “Student Price Response in Higher Education: An Update to Leslie and Brinkman,” *Journal of Higher Education*, Vol. 68, No. 6 (November-December 1997), pp. 624-659.

<sup>20</sup> Drew Allen and Gregory Wolniak, “Exploring the Effects of Tuition Increases on Racial/Ethnic Diversity at Public Colleges and Universities,” *Research in Higher Education*, 2018, <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11162-018-9502-6>.

<sup>21</sup> Stella Flores and Justin Shepard, “Pricing Out the Disadvantaged? The Effect of Tuition Deregulation in Texas Public Four-Year Institutions,” *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, Vol. 655, 2014, pp. 99-122.

<sup>22</sup> Thomas J. Kane, “Rising Public College Tuition and College Entry: How Well Do Public Subsidies Promote Access to College?” National Bureau of Economic Research, 1995, [http://www.nber.org/papers/w5164.pdf?new\\_window=1](http://www.nber.org/papers/w5164.pdf?new_window=1).

<sup>23</sup> Eric P. Bettinger *et al.*, “The Role of Simplification and Information in College Decisions: Results from the H&R Block FAFSA Experiment,” National Bureau of Economic Research, 2009, <http://www.nber.org/papers/w15361.pdf>. For details on the disparity in access to counseling for low-income students, see “Course, Counselor, and Teacher Gaps: Addressing the College Readiness Challenge in High-Poverty High Schools,” Center for Law and Social Policy, June 2015, <http://www.clasp.org/resources-and-publications/publication-1/CollegeReadinessPaperFINALJune.pdf>.

These effects are particularly concerning because gaps in college enrollment between higher- and lower-income youth are *already* pronounced. In 2015, 63 percent of recent high school graduates from families with income in the lowest 20 percent enrolled in some form of postsecondary education, compared to over 83 percent of students from the top 20 percent.<sup>24</sup> Significant enrollment gaps based on income exist even among prospective students with similar academic records and test scores.<sup>25</sup> Rising costs at public colleges and universities may widen these gaps further.

- **Tuition increases may push lower-income students toward less-selective public institutions, reducing their future earnings.** Perhaps just as important as a student's decision to enroll in higher education is the choice of which college to attend. A large share of high-achieving students from struggling families fail to apply to any selective colleges or universities, a 2013 Brookings Institution study found.<sup>26</sup> Even here, research indicates that financial constraints and concerns about costs push lower-income students to narrow their list of potential schools and ultimately enroll in less-selective institutions.<sup>27</sup> Another 2013 study found evidence that some high-achieving, low-income students are more likely to “undermatch” in their college choice, in part due to financial constraints.<sup>28</sup>

Where a student decides to go to college has broad economic implications, especially for economically disadvantaged students and students of color. Students with less-educated parents, as well as black and Hispanic students, benefit especially from attending more elite colleges by experiencing higher postgraduate earnings, a 2011 study by Princeton University and Mathematica Policy Research found.<sup>29</sup>

<sup>24</sup> U.S. Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, Current Population Survey (CPS), 1975 through 2015. [https://nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d16/tables/dt16\\_302.30.asp](https://nces.ed.gov/programs/digest/d16/tables/dt16_302.30.asp).

<sup>25</sup> In a 2008 piece, Georgetown University scholar Anthony Carnevale pointed out that “among the most highly qualified students (the top testing 25 percent), the kids from the top socioeconomic group go to four-year colleges at almost twice the rate of equally qualified kids from the bottom socioeconomic quartile.” Anthony P. Carnevale, “A Real Analysis of Real Education,” *Liberal Education*, Fall 2008, p. 57.

<sup>26</sup> Christopher Avery and Caroline M. Hoxby, “The Missing ‘One Offs’: The Hidden Supply of High-Achieving, Low-Income Students,” National Bureau for Economic Research, Working Paper 18586, 2012, [http://www.brookings.edu/~media/projects/bpea/spring-2013/2013a\\_hoxby.pdf](http://www.brookings.edu/~media/projects/bpea/spring-2013/2013a_hoxby.pdf).

<sup>27</sup> Patrick T. Terenzini, Alberto F. Cabrera, and Elena M. Bernal, “Swimming Against the Tide,” College Board, 2001, <https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED562879.pdf>

<sup>28</sup> Eleanor W. Dillon and Jeffrey A. Smith, “The Determinants of Mismatch Between Students and Colleges,” National Bureau of Economic Research, August 2013, <http://www.nber.org/papers/w19286>. Additionally, other studies have found that undermatching is more likely to occur for students of color. In 2009 William G. Bowen, Matthew M. Chingos, and Michael S. McPherson found that undermatching was more prevalent for black students — especially black women — than for comparable white students.

<sup>29</sup> Stacey Dale and Alan Krueger, “Estimating the Return to College Selectivity Over the Career Using Administrative Earning Data.” Mathematica Policy Research and Princeton University, February 2011, <https://www.mathematica-mpr.com/our-publications-and-findings/publications/estimating-the-return-to-college-selectivity-over-the-career-using-administrative-earning-data>.

## Low-Income Students Still Struggle With Debt

As tuition continues to increase, incomes remain stagnant or rise slowly, and federal and state financial aid fails to make up the difference — even for low-income students eligible for federal and state aid — debt burdens for students and their families continue to grow. Among students graduating with a bachelor’s degree in 2012, 79 percent of those from families with incomes in the bottom quarter had student loans, compared with 55 percent of those from families in the top income quarter.<sup>30</sup> In the same year, more than 80 percent of graduating black students borrowed at public institutions, compared with 64 percent of graduating students overall.<sup>31</sup>

The share of students graduating with debt has risen since the start of the recession. Between the 2008 and 2015 school years, the share of students graduating with debt from a public four-year institution rose from 55 percent to 59 percent. The average amount of debt incurred by a bachelor’s degree recipient with loans at a public four-year institution grew as well, to \$27,000 from \$21,226 (in 2016 dollars), an increase of 26 percent. By contrast, the average level of debt incurred rose only about 1 percent in the six years prior to the recession.<sup>32</sup>

In short, at public four-year institutions, more students are taking on larger amounts of debt. By the second quarter of 2018, student debt totaled \$1.4 trillion — more than the United States population’s credit card or auto loan debt.<sup>33</sup>

Yet, while college loan burdens have increased significantly for students at public four-year institutions, the sizeable run-up in debt levels was driven in large part by a growing share of students attending private for-profit institutions — such as Corinthian and the University of Phoenix — and two-year community colleges. In 2000, borrowers entering repayment on student loans from for-profit and two-year institutions made up roughly 30 percent of all borrowers overall, a study from the U.S. Treasury Department and Stanford University researchers found. By 2011, that share had risen to nearly half. For-profit institutions were such a driving force that in 2014, eight of the top ten and 13 of the top 25 institutions whose students owed (collectively) the most in federal student loan debt were for-profit institutions. In 2000, only one for-profit made the top 25.<sup>34</sup>

<sup>30</sup> College Board, “Figure 2014\_14B. Cumulative Debt of 2011-12 Bachelor’s Degree Recipients by Dependency Status and Family Income,” Prepared October 2014, [https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2017-trends-student-aid-source-data\\_1.xlsx](https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2017-trends-student-aid-source-data_1.xlsx). Low-income dependent students are defined as students from families earning less than \$30,000 annually, while high-income students come from families earning more than \$106,000.

<sup>31</sup> Mark Huelsman, “The Debt Divide: The Racial and Class Bias Behind the ‘New Normal’ of Student Borrowing,” May 2015, [http://www.demos.org/sites/default/files/publications/Mark-Debt%20divide%20Final%20\(SF\).pdf](http://www.demos.org/sites/default/files/publications/Mark-Debt%20divide%20Final%20(SF).pdf). Hispanic or Latino students generally borrow at levels equal to the national average. African American students are also more likely to take on student debt to finance education at two-year colleges.

<sup>32</sup> College Board, “Trends in Student Aid 2016,” Figure 12, October 2017, [https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2017-trends-student-aid\\_0.pdf](https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/2017-trends-student-aid_0.pdf).

<sup>33</sup> Federal Reserve Bank of New York, “Quarterly Report on Household Debt and Credit,” August 2018, [https://www.newyorkfed.org/medialibrary/interactives/householdcredit/data/pdf/HHDC\\_2018Q2.pdf](https://www.newyorkfed.org/medialibrary/interactives/householdcredit/data/pdf/HHDC_2018Q2.pdf).

<sup>34</sup> Adam Looney and Constantine Yannelis, “A Crisis in Student Loans? How Changes in the Characteristics of Borrowers and in the Institutions They Attended Contributed to Rising Loan Defaults,” Brookings Institution, BPEA Conference Draft, September 10, 2015, [http://www.brookings.edu/~media/projects/bpea/fall-2015\\_embargoed/conferencedraft\\_looneyannelis\\_studentloandefaults.pdf](http://www.brookings.edu/~media/projects/bpea/fall-2015_embargoed/conferencedraft_looneyannelis_studentloandefaults.pdf).

Onerous debt burdens make it more difficult for students to reach economic stability, costing resources that could instead go towards paying rent, saving for emergencies, or investing in the future. High debt burdens have been especially damaging for black and Latino communities. One study, which followed first-time college entrants starting in 2004, found that over 37 percent of all black first-time college students across public, private non-profit, and for-profit institutions had defaulted on their student loans within 12 years. For Hispanic students, the default rate over the same period was 20 percent. For their white counterparts, the rate was just 12 percent. The same study projected default rates into the future and predicted that as many as 70 percent of black borrowers in the 2004 cohort would default on their loans by 2024.<sup>35</sup>

There can be significant consequences for defaulting on student loans. Defaults impact an individual's credit rating — lowering credit scores and making it more difficult to get future loans, housing, and even jobs. Wages can be garnished to repay the defaulted loan and older borrowers may lose a portion of their Social Security payments.<sup>36</sup>

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<sup>35</sup> Scott-Clayton, Judith, “The Looming Student Loan Default Crisis is Worse than We Thought,” Brookings Institution, January 10, 2018, <https://www.brookings.edu/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/scott-clayton-report.pdf>.

<sup>36</sup> Ben Miller, “Who Are Student Loan Defaulters?” Center for American Progress, December 14, 2017, <https://www.americanprogress.org/issues/education-postsecondary/reports/2017/12/14/444011/student-loan-defaulters/>.

## States Must Address Workforce Discrimination Against Graduates of Color

The economic benefits of receiving a postsecondary credential have been well-documented.<sup>a</sup> However, these benefits are not shared equally across people from different racial and ethnic backgrounds. Black and Hispanic college graduates still earn substantially less than their white peers, studies show.<sup>b</sup>

When studies have attempted to determine what contributes to these gaps beyond measured variables, racial discrimination is one significant factor that emerges — that is, consciously or otherwise, employers are devaluing the potential of qualified workers of color due to their race or ethnicity. A body of research has emerged to understand the impact discrimination plays in hiring and wages.

In one 2014 study, researchers created resumes of hypothetical applicants from elite, highly selective colleges and less-prestigious state schools. After submitting the resumes to over 1,000 job listings, researchers found that black job applicants who had graduated from highly prestigious private institutions received responses from employers at a rate nearly a third lower than their comparable white counterparts. In fact, white students who had attended significantly less prestigious *state* schools had about the same response rates from potential employers as did black students applying from elite institutions. Even more striking, the same study found that not only did black applicants receive lower response rates, but they also received job offers with lower starting salaries than those they offered to the applicants' white peers.<sup>c</sup>

A 2010 study of salary negotiations found that employers expected applicants of color to negotiate less than their white peers and effectively penalized them when they attempted to negotiate, viewing applicants of color as being more “pushy” and, in turn, offering them lower initial salaries.<sup>d</sup>

Research also indicates that discrimination may not be declining over time. In a meta-analysis conducted in 2017, researchers analyzed 30 years of studies on hiring discrimination and concluded that — even after controlling for variables such as education, occupational type, and gender — “African Americans remain substantially disadvantaged relative to equally qualified whites, and we see little indication of progress over time.” While the studies analyzed did seem to indicate some decline in discrimination in hiring facing Latinx individuals, the improvement was modest at best, the report noted.<sup>e</sup>

For people of color who do attain college credentials to access the full benefit of these degrees, states will need to take steps to address workforce discrimination in hiring, wage-setting, and retention, including: (1) increasing the amount of information available to businesses, job seekers, and the public on the under- or overrepresentation of people of color in companies relative to the given sector at large and the state's general working population;<sup>f</sup> (2) providing resources and tools for employers to help them analyze personnel policies, train hiring managers, and adjust organizational practices with an eye toward reducing discrimination; and (3) tightening state employment discrimination laws to protect workers from illegal practices and ensure that laws make it possible for workers to reasonably seek recourse.<sup>g</sup>

a Jennifer Ma, Matea Pender, and Meredith Welch, “Education Pays 2016,” College Board, 2016, <https://trends.collegeboard.org/sites/default/files/education-pays-2016-full-report.pdf>.

b Valerie Wilson and William M. Rodgers, “Black-white wage gaps expand with rising wage inequality,” Economic Policy Institute, September 20, 2016, <https://www.epi.org/publication/black-white-wage-gaps-expand-with-rising-wage-inequality/#epi-toc-7>; Tomaz Cajner et al., “Racial Gaps in Labor Market Outcomes in the Last Four Decades and Over the Business Cycle,” Federal Reserve Board, June 12, 2017, <https://www.federalreserve.gov/econres/feds/files/2017071pap.pdf>.

c S. Michael Gaddis, “Discrimination in the Credential Society: An Audit Study of Race and College Selectivity in the Labor Market,” *Social Forces*, Vol. 93, Issue 4, June 1, 2015, pp. 1451–1479, <https://doi.org/10.1093/sf/sou111>.

d Morela Hernandez and Derek R. Avery, “Getting the Short End of the Stick: Racial Bias in Salary Negotiations,” MIT Sloan Management Review, June 15, 2016, <https://sloanreview.mit.edu/article/getting-the-short-end-of-the-stick-racial-bias-in-salary-negotiations/>.

e Lincoln Quillian et al., “Meta-analysis of field experiments shows no change in racism discrimination in hiring over time,” Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, August 8, 2017, <http://www.pnas.org/content/pnas/early/2017/09/11/1706255114.full.pdf>.

f Philip Cohen, “A Simple, Legal Way to Help Stop Employment Discrimination,” *The Atlantic*, April 1, 2013, <https://www.theatlantic.com/sexes/archive/2013/04/a-simple-legal-way-to-help-stop-employment-discrimination/274519/>.

g Lisa Nagele-Piazza, “Not All State Employment Discrimination Laws Are Created Equal,” Society for Human Resource Management, September 15, 2017, <https://www.shrm.org/resourcesandtools/legal-and-compliance/state-and-local-updates/pages/state-employment-discrimination-laws.aspx>.

## States Can Do More to Ensure College Affordability and Accessibility

Long-term cuts to per-student higher education funding threaten affordability, access, and quality at public two- and four-year colleges across the states. Not only should states direct additional resources into supporting public colleges and universities and reverse the long-term trend of disinvestment, but they can also implement smarter state financial aid policies and ensure that dollars go to the schools that need it most.

### Craft State Financial Aid to Target Students in Need

In the 2015-2016 academic school year, state colleges and universities awarded students almost \$10.7 billion in financial aid.<sup>37</sup> They awarded about 76 percent of those dollars at least partly based on need to students with low incomes who might otherwise struggle to afford the costs of attending college. They awarded the remaining 24 percent based on merit to high-achieving students (typically measured by high school GPA or college entry exam scores), regardless of household income.<sup>38</sup>

The primary purpose of need-based aid is to expand access to higher education. For low-income students, financial aid can make a significant difference in not only affording the cost of college but in being able to graduate. A \$1,000 increase in a student's financial aid corresponds to a 9.2-percentage-point decrease in the likelihood that a student will drop out of college, research indicates.<sup>39</sup> Other studies have found similar effects, noting that aid targeted at low-income students can boost college retention rates and increase the share of low-income college graduates.<sup>40</sup>

In contrast, merit-based aid is often framed as a reward for students who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement or leadership ability. Lawmakers hope that by rewarding academic achievement, they can lure talented students to remain in state for college and in their working years afterwards. While studies do show that offering merit-based aid can encourage certain students who would have attended college elsewhere to remain in state, some of the aid goes to students who would have stayed in state anyway.<sup>41</sup>

Merit aid also raises concerns that, when poorly designed, these programs can direct resources to college students from advantaged backgrounds — typically white students and students from high-

<sup>37</sup> National Association of State Student Grant and Aid Programs, “47<sup>th</sup> Annual Survey Report on State-Sponsored Student Financial Aid,” 2018, [https://www.nassgapsurvey.com/survey\\_reports/2015-2016-47th.pdf](https://www.nassgapsurvey.com/survey_reports/2015-2016-47th.pdf).

<sup>38</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>39</sup> Eric Bettinger, “How Financial Aid Affects Persistence.” National Bureau of Economic Research, January 2004, <http://www.nber.org/papers/w10242>.

<sup>40</sup> Sara Goldrick-Rab *et al.*, “Need-Based Financial Aid and College Persistence: Experimental Evidence from Wisconsin,” Wisconsin Scholars Longitudinal Study, October 10, 2012, <http://finaidstudy.org/documents/Goldrick-Rab%20Harris%20Kelchen%20Benson%202012%20FULL.pdf>. See also Sigal Alon, “Who Benefits Most From Financial Aid? The Heterogeneous Effect of Need-Based Grants on Students’ College Persistence,” *Social Science Quarterly*, Vol. 92, No. 3, September 2011, [http://people.socsci.tau.ac.il/mu/salon/files/2011/11/ssq\\_sep2011\\_final.pdf](http://people.socsci.tau.ac.il/mu/salon/files/2011/11/ssq_sep2011_final.pdf).

<sup>41</sup> Liang Zhang and Erik C. Ness, “Does State Merit-Based Aid Stem Brain Drain?” *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, June 1, 2010, <http://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.3102/0162373709359683>. See also David L. Sjoquist and John V. Winters, “Merit aid and post-college retention in the state,” *Journal of Urban Economics*, March 2014, <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0094119013000818>.

income and wealthy communities who have had the benefit of well-resourced K-12 school systems and access to costly college test prep courses. One study from the early 2000s analyzed the Georgia HOPE scholarship program, one of the largest and oldest state merit-based programs in the country. Researchers found that while the HOPE program — which had no income limit on eligibility and required high schoolers to have graduated with at least a 3.0 GPA (at the time of study) — did encourage more students across racial/ethnic backgrounds to attend a four-year institution, its benefits disproportionately went to white students in the state, actually *increasing* the state’s racial gap in college attendance.<sup>42</sup>

States would be better off bolstering need-based aid programs, simplifying and consolidating programs to reduce confusion and encourage greater enrollment, and building design aspects into these programs that not only encourage enrollment but also encourage timely completion to reduce costs to both the state and students.<sup>43</sup>

### Ensure Resources Go to Schools in Greatest Need

While most state funds for higher education are distributed on a per-pupil basis, over the past few decades states have experimented with funding models that aim to encourage better outcomes by rewarding schools that excel across specific benchmarks — and withholding funds from those that don’t. Lawmakers in states across the country have implemented funding formulas, commonly referred to as performance funding, that evaluate two- and four-year colleges on their ability to meet goals in areas such as degree completion, student retention, and job placement rates. In recent years, states have implemented performance funding schemes while continuing to cut overall state funding, hoping to encourage colleges to produce better outcomes with fewer resources.

Currently, 32 states operate with performance-based funding policies for their public two- and four-year colleges.<sup>44</sup> The proportion of state funds appropriated to two- and four-year colleges through performance funding formulas varies widely, a State Higher Education Executive Officers survey found. Of the 23 states that reported using performance funding formulas to allocate resources to four-year colleges, 13 reported allocating more than 10 percent of their funding via performance metrics. Six states reported using performance funding formulas to allocate *more than half* of their state’s resources.<sup>45</sup>

Research to date has found little to no positive impact of these schemes. “Across this body of research, the weight of evidence suggests states using performance-based funding do not out-

<sup>42</sup> Sue Dynarski, “The Consequences of Merit Aid,” National Bureau of Economic Research, December 2002, <http://www.nber.org/papers/w9400.pdf>. The same study did find, however, that merit-based programs in other states that employed less stringent requirements did not have this same effect on widening enrollment gaps — further indicating that *how* merit-aid program are structured matters significantly.

<sup>43</sup> Sandy Baum *et al.*, “Beyond Need and Merit: Strengthening State Grant Programs,” Brookings Institution, May 8, 2012, <https://www.brookings.edu/research/beyond-need-and-merit-strengthening-state-grant-programs/>.

<sup>44</sup> Nicholas Hillman, “Why Performance-Based College Funding Doesn’t Work,” The Century Foundation, May 25, 2016, <https://tcf.org/content/report/why-performance-based-college-funding-doesnt-work/>.

<sup>45</sup> State Higher Education Executive Officers Association, April 2018, [http://www.shceo.org/sites/default/files/project-files/SHEEO\\_SHEF\\_FY2017\\_FINAL.pdf](http://www.shceo.org/sites/default/files/project-files/SHEEO_SHEF_FY2017_FINAL.pdf).

perform other states — results are more often than not not statistically significant,” a 2016 study examining research on performance funding concluded.<sup>46</sup>

Performance funding is less effective than policymakers might hope for several reasons. One is that after years of cuts to baseline funding, public colleges — especially two-year colleges and regional institutions with smaller endowments and more modest enrollment numbers — lack the basic resources needed meet the goals laid out by performance-based metrics.

Given the inputs required to improve performance metrics, even small penalties or withholding of funds can harm less-resourced institutions without giving them the tools they would need to improve. One study noted that “the policy [in Tennessee] did not build the capacity necessary to accomplish...higher order goals.”<sup>47</sup> Another noted that a lack of capacity building support is an “important impediment” to being able to meet the demands of lawmakers to meet performance goals.<sup>48</sup> This capacity gap is particularly acute for public historically black colleges and universities, other minority serving institutions, and smaller regional schools that — due to financial constraints — have limited ability to collect, manage, and make institutional changes based on data.

States implementing performance funding also often use measures that are poorly tailored to identify institutions that produce better outcomes for their students — especially institutions with larger shares of low-income students, students from non-traditional backgrounds, and students of color. One study noted that performance funding arrangements typically fail to account for the unique challenges that smaller regional institutions face, putting them at a significant disadvantage when measured against larger flagship institutions with more selective admission policies. “If an institution has an open-admissions policy that encourages the acceptance of academically under-prepared students, then applicable output indicators should focus on how effective the institution is in educating that particular population of students.”<sup>49</sup>

Rather than creating funding models that benefit the most well-resourced schools at the expense of smaller regional institutions — which often teach the students most in need of additional resources and supports — lawmakers should focus additional state funds on building the capacity of colleges with fewer resources.

<sup>46</sup> Nicholas Hillman, “Why Performance-Based College Funding Doesn’t Work,” The Century Foundation, May 25, 2016, <https://tcf.org/content/report/why-performance-based-college-funding-doesnt-work/>.

<sup>47</sup> Nicholas Hillman *et al.*, “Evaluating the Impacts of ‘New’ Performance Funding in Higher Education,” *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, 2014, <https://pdfs.semanticscholar.org/3fc4/5ae172a258afe40532278fd0a621fb9b6e2.pdf>.

<sup>48</sup> K. J. Dougherty *et al.*, “Performance funding for higher education: forms, origins, impacts, and futures,” *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 655(1), (2014). 163-184. p. 169.

<sup>49</sup> Tiffany Jones, “Performance Funding at MSIs: Considerations and Possible Measures for Public Minority-Serving Institutions,” Southern Education Foundation, June 2014, <http://www.southerneducation.org/getattachment/38ac1248-3b91-4871-bb8e-f5f28b659b54/Performance-Funding-at-MSIs.aspx>.



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## AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

1. **NAME OF ITEM:** External Audit Services RFP update
  
2. **INITIATED BY:** James O. Donnelly, Chair
  
3. **BOARD INFORMATION:** X                      **BOARD ACTION:**
  
4. **OUTCOME:**    **BOARD POLICY:**  
Primary Outcome:    Bylaws – Section 3  
Enhance fiscal positioning
  
5. **BACKGROUND:**

Having completed the last year of its contract with Berry Dunn McNeil and Parker, LLC (BDMP), the UMS will issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) in early November to select an auditor to perform its Financial Statement and Uniform Guidance audits for fiscal years 2019 through and including 2025. Finalists will be invited to interview with the Audit Committee in January 2019 with the Committee making a recommendation for Board of Trustees consideration and approval at its January 29<sup>th</sup> meeting. Darla Reynolds, UMS Director of Accounting, will provide a brief summary of the RFP process and timeline.



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**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

- 1. **NAME OF ITEM:** Update Regarding Risk Management and Proposed Reporting Schedule
- 2. **INITIATED BY:** James O. Donnelly, Chair
- 3. **BOARD INFORMATION:** X **BOARD ACTION:**
- 4. **OUTCOME:** **BOARD POLICY:**
- 5. **BACKGROUND:**

The University of Maine System General Counsel, Chief General Services Officer and Risk Manager will provide an update regarding the a proposed enterprise risk management tracking tool and reporting schedule, as requested by Trustees.

# RISK MANAGEMENT

## ANNUAL SUMMARY & REPORT

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# Fiscal Year End 2018

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# Facilities Management and General Services: Risk Management and Insurance

## *Serving the seven primary campuses and University operations statewide for risk management and property and casualty insurance service needs.*

The Risk Management Office at the University of Maine System is the insurance and risk management service provider for all campuses statewide and for the enterprise overall. This report of its Fiscal Year 18 activity is organized by five key areas:

1. Property and Casualty Risk Financing Procurement
2. Claims Administration, including claim resolution services and reserve management
3. Administrative services
4. Real property administration
5. Enterprise Risk Management and Governance

Risk Management is a critical function for the University System both at the daily operational level and at the enterprise level. Risk Management, for example, is the administrative home for registering and insuring the more than 800 vehicles, 50+ marine-craft, airplanes, unmanned aerial and nautical vehicles used by students, faculty and staff in carrying out the University's mission. At the enterprise level, Risk Management procures and projects the insurance needed by the University to protect itself as well as the cost with a current \$1.98M Property and Casualty Insurance budget.

The office carries out its work with a team of 3 employees, including the Risk Manager, and leverages resources from the private insurers and claims administrators available to the University.

The total cost of risk at UMS from liability and property premiums and claims standpoint in FY18 was:

PROPERTY: \$176 per 1000 square foot of UMS space  
LIABILITY: \$66.50 per Student FTE

## Selected Quick FY18 Facts:

### Property & Casualty Risk Financing Procurement

- Total insurance policies under management: 35
- Current estimated annual savings from various changes in approach to risk and insurance initiatives: \$1 million

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### Claims Resolution Services

- Number of claims received across all policies: 166
- Value of claims paid: \$350,000
- Number and total value of reserve funds: Three Reserves funds for claims payments with valuation as of end of FY18 at \$2M.

### Administrative Services

- Total vehicles registered and insured: 825
- Contracts reviewed: ~500
- International travel requests approved: ~250 (47 countries visited by University travelers, including: Brazil, Costa Rica, Jordan, Tanzania, Senegal, China, Antarctica, Iceland, Canada, Germany, Spain, Turkey)

### Real property administration

- Boiler and pressure vessel inspected: 389
- Leases administered: 100+
- Real property annual report to BOT

### Enterprise Risk Management and Governance

- Consulted with Governance and General Counsel on BOT Risk Oversight
- Additional actions to be determined in FY19 regarding program

### Relevant Trustee policies and Administrative practice letters

- See appendix A.

# 1. Property and Casualty Insurance and Risk Financing Procurement

## Overview:

The University of Maine System has complex insurance needs not met by the standard insurance marketplace. The University purchases millions of dollars of insurance to protect its assets in the event of a catastrophe or adverse event. A list of the policies purchased and maintained yearly as of this report is provided on Page 6. A graphical representation of how the coverages work together is provided on Page 7.

Some of the key differences in why UMS does not participate in the standard insurance marketplace is that it needs complex, manuscript policies to protect it from unique exposures, and to preserve its rights as a public entity. For example:

1. Maine Tort Claims Act:

For many years, the University of Maine System did not avail itself of its rights under the law. This has changed. Starting in FY16, the University has purchased insurance in conjunction with requirements for the Maine Tort Claims Act and consequently is protected by the Act. This has saved the University an estimated \$1 million from FY16 to present in reduced premiums and losses.

2. Consortium property insurance:

The University currently purchase all-risk property Insurance via the New England Board of Higher Education and Midwestern Higher Education Consortium Master Property Insurance program. This is different than in the past when the University relied on the State of Maine for this coverage. The consortium provides more robust property and business interruption coverage at a lower cost. This saves an estimated \$300,000 annually in premiums compared with the prior practice.

3. Worker's Compensation:

Partially in Fiscal Year 17 and then fully in Fiscal Year 18 the University ended its self-insurance workers' compensation practice and instead shifted the paradigm by transferring risk to an insurer: MEMIC (Maine Employers Mutual Insurance Co.) Based on an actuarial analysis, UMS reduced costs while decreasing its risk spread. This is saving an estimated \$250,000 annually compared with not having made this change.

#### 4. Consolidation of liability policies:

The University in Fiscal Year 18 has, through a public, competitive process, consolidated its liability exposures under a master policy. This is a change. The new approach consolidates traditional commercial liability, Employment Practice Liability Insurance, and Directors and Officers with a single insurer. The coverage is broader, less costly, and contains coverage tailored to Higher Education. This is saving an estimated \$75,000 compared with the prior practice.

FY18 had minor change in overall premiums but claims in the self-insured layer did create some difficulty in the self-insured property reserves, which will be discussed under the claims section of this document. The FY18 premiums are detailed on Page 8.

Policy Name	Start Date	End Date	Carrier Company	Policy Number	Agent or Agency
<b>BONDS:</b>					
Customs Bond	6/7/2018	6/7/2019		9912EC045	Deringer
WC Bond	6/16/2018	6/16/2019	Doesn't expire, renews yearly	101044018	Cross Surety
Fairpoint Bond	7/15/2018	7/15/2019		04BSBD01343	Cross Surety
Public Official Bond	8/1/2018	8/1/2019		41307755	Cross Surety
Aquaculture Bond	10/1/2017	10/1/2018		DAM LW2	Cross Surety
Postal Unit Bond	1/27/2016	4/25/2019		04BSBDL2834	Cross Surety
<b>POLICIES:</b>					
Commercial Lines (Legal Malpractice)	1/12/2018	1/12/2019	Philadelphia Ins Company	PHSD1298950	Cross
Fine Arts	1/17/2018	1/17/2019	AXA Art Ins Corp	01-333-18-07-00010	Huntington T. Block/Arthur Gallagher
Aviation Ins	2/22/2018	2/22/2019	ACE/Chubb	AAC N07387507-004	USI
Condo Assoc – Business Policy	2/22/2018	2/22/2019	Hanover	ODP9012547	Clark formerly Turner Barker
Commercial Auto – Physical Damage	3/12/2018	3/12/2019	Liberty Mutual (was Peerless)	BA8905320	Cross
International GL	6/1/2018	5/31/2019	Ace	PHF D37919731003	Cross
Auto-Physical Damage	7/1/2018	7/1/2019	Self-Insured	N/A	N/A
Cannon Leased Copiers	7/1/2018	7/1/2019	Self-Insured	N/A	N/A
Cyber – Beazley	7/21/2018	7/21/2019	Beazley	V191E7170301	Cross
Property Policy	7/1/2018	7/1/2019	MHEC	66095361	Marsh
Special Contents	7/1/2018	7/1/2019	Self-Insured	N/A	N/A
Crime Policy	7/10/2018	7/10/2019	Berkley	BGOV-45001522-22	Cross
Cyber/Excess – Hiscox	Combined with regular cyber				
Educators Legal Liability	8/1/2018	8/1/2019	United Educators	N54-92K	USI
Excess General Liability	8/1/2018	8/1/2019	United Educators	N54-92K	USI
Buffer Excess Liability	8/1/2018	8/1/2019	United Educators	N54-92K	USI
Licensed Professional Lia	8/1/2018	8/1/2019	United Educators	LPS201700242100	USI
Marine Open Cargo	8/1/2018	8/1/2019	Hanover	IHP A998992 01	Cross
TPA Svcs – GL	8/1/2018	8/1/2019	Cross	CLAIMS2017	Cross formerly Willis NNE
Commercial Marine Policy (formerly Inland Marine policies and Acadia boat policy combined)	8/1/2018	8/1/2019	C N A	IHP A998985-00 790-00-43-08-0008 YPA0055253-24	Cross
Drone	9/29/2017	9/29/2018	USAGI	SIHL1A32S	Cross
Travel Accident – Trustees	10/2/2017	10/2/2020	Hartford	04 ETB-019358	Cross
Environmental Liability	6/15/2018	6/15/2021	Chartis	PLC7589838	Cross formerly Willis NNE
Travel Accident – Employees and Consultants	7/1/2015	6/30/2019	Cigna	ABL651184	Cross formerly Sargent Tyler & West
<b>WORKERS COMP:</b>					
WC – Ohio	Annually	7/1/2019	State of Ohio	1615413	N/A
WC	9/30/2017	9/30/2019	Memic	5101800883	N/A
WC – Washington	Quarterly		State of Washington	602 254 470	N/A



**FY18 Premium Budgets w/ FY19 Forecast**

**FY18 UNIVERSITY SERVICES ADMINISTERED E&G INSURANCE**

	FY18										FY18 Budget	FY19 Change
	UM	UMA	UMF	UMFK	UMM	UMPI	USM	G&US	Total			
60703 Crime Policy	\$16,320	\$2,838	\$2,484	\$1,064	\$710	\$1,064	\$9,579	\$1,419	\$35,478	\$35,480	(\$2)	
60705 General Liability*	405,200	62,537	55,914	66,472	54,910	19,667	155,846	19,103	839,649	690,858	148,791	
60706 Other Liability	120,245	13,821	12,956	5,658	3,594	5,948	50,187	5,715	218,124	202,862	15,262	
60707 Fine Arts & Special Contents	25,198	504	504	504	504	504	22,678	0	50,396	35,997	14,399	
60708 Property (bldgs & contents)	382,620	28,342	49,599	14,171	21,257	21,257	191,310	0	708,556	644,141	64,415	
60711 Travel	1,575	21	21	21	21	21	399	21	2,100	2,100	0	
60714 Cyber Liability	40,467	4,047	4,047	4,047	4,046	4,047	40,467	0	101,168	101,168	0	
60715 Copiers (Leased-Canon)	11,520	2,440	2,320	240	1,080	1,600	7,400	1,640	28,240	28,240	0	
<b>Total FY18</b>	<b>\$1,003,145</b>	<b>\$114,550</b>	<b>\$127,845</b>	<b>\$92,177</b>	<b>\$86,122</b>	<b>\$54,108</b>	<b>\$477,866</b>	<b>\$27,898</b>	<b>\$1,983,711</b>	<b>\$1,740,846</b>	<b>\$242,865</b>	
	50.6%	5.8%	6.4%	4.6%	4.3%	2.7%	24.1%	1.4%	99.9%			

# 1. Property and Casualty Insurance and Risk Financing Procurement, con't

## Vendor, Broker, and Insurer Management

In general, UMS Risk Management requires at least a yearly stewardship meeting with all contracted vendors in the risk management area. Most of the vendors have scheduled quarterly, formal meetings, and are available ad-hoc as needed. Vendor relationships are favorable as of FY18 end.

Risk Management conducted an FY18 bid for brokerage services and selected USI, a national broker for a three-year contract to provide insurance through United Educators at a significant cost discount from UMS previous relationship with Cross Insurance. As is noted above, the United Educators move saved approximately \$75,000 per year and we are now receiving value added services from USI to enhance risk management programs.

FY19 will lead to three competitive bids for insurance services regarding other liability lines of insurance, as well as searching for a broker for Property Insurance. Currently, UMS does not use an insurance broker for All-Risk Property Insurance and without one, we are not able to leave the current property insurer. If serious conditions arise where the program's viability is at risk, UMS must be able to competitively find a replacement for the very robust program. Insurance is regulated by the State and UMS cannot purchase insurance via direct markets, and the market is extremely limited in the State of Maine without licensed representation of a broker partner.

UMS must monitor the insurance markets and the financial conditions of insurers to prevent insolvency. Additionally, fluctuations in the insurance marketplace can put undue strain on budgets. Managing vendors and selecting quality brokers and insurer assists greatly in managing that risk.

Lastly, Risk Management has a seat on the Board of Leadership for the MHEC Master Property Insurance Program as the NEBHE representative. UMS has a distinct advantage in this relationship as the operations of the program are managed by leadership and UMS has a direct say in said operations, helping reduce premiums and weigh in on underwriting considerations.

## 2. Claims Administration

### Overview:

UMS Risk Management receives incident reports and accidents almost daily given the footprint of the institution within the State of Maine. Some incidents become claims, but others are looked at closely for liability as well as potential immunity. In FY18, UMS experienced significant amounts of incidents. Incidents are generally classified as:

1. Injury of Third Party or Student
2. Property Damage of Third Party
3. Motor Vehicle Accidents
4. Property Insurance Claims
5. Injuries to UMS Employees

The report addresses employee injuries in another section. All claims are coordinated through a Third-Party Administrator (TPA). Risk Management handles all claims fully until a legal claim is made via a Notice of Claim or a Lawsuit. At that time, General Counsel’s office begins to manage and select outside counsel for UMS representation. Risk Management and Office of General Counsel work closely together on claim’s resolution regardless of where the claim is in the process.

Risk Management funds all legal defense and settlement costs from a campus outside of a \$10K internal campus retention. This is done not only for budgetary purposes, but also to discourage moral hazard. Total number of incidents are broken down below in the following table.

CLAIMS MANAGEMENT		
	Vehicle Accidents	Injury Reports
<b>FY18</b>	33	133

Of these total incidents, the following table shows claims opened in FY18:

Open Liability Claims	Closed Liability Claims	Open Auto Claims	Closed Auto Claims
17	6	10	23

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Vehicle accidents are generally handled in Risk Management but funded at the campus level due to the internal deductible of \$10K. There have been no significant bodily injury claims from motor vehicle accidents in the last three fiscal years. The major trend is backing incidents and striking of fixed objects, such as parked vehicles during snow events or in times of heavy traffic. Risk Management continues to push for defensive driving as accidents happen, and driver screening is done at least yearly, at each accident, and at hire.

Additionally, Risk Management pursues receivables from third parties at fault for accidents. In FY18, Risk Management collected over \$50K from third parties damaging our property.

In terms of liability claims, Risk Management reviews all incident reports and develops a strategy to handle said incidents and look for corrective actions with our Facilities Management partners at the campus level, as well as Safety Management.

The University of Maine System experienced several severe claims in FY18 regarding property insurance.

A system-wide windstorm in October of 2017 created business interruption at several campuses and widespread damage, including significant electrical component damage across the University of Maine. Additionally, these electrical outages created some difficulties with equipment destroying some perishables. The claim is expected to exceed \$500,000.00.

There was also catastrophic loss of a wind turbine at UMPI creating a business interruption as well as a physical damage claim. As of the end of FY18, there is coverage for the loss, but valuation is still in the negotiation process.

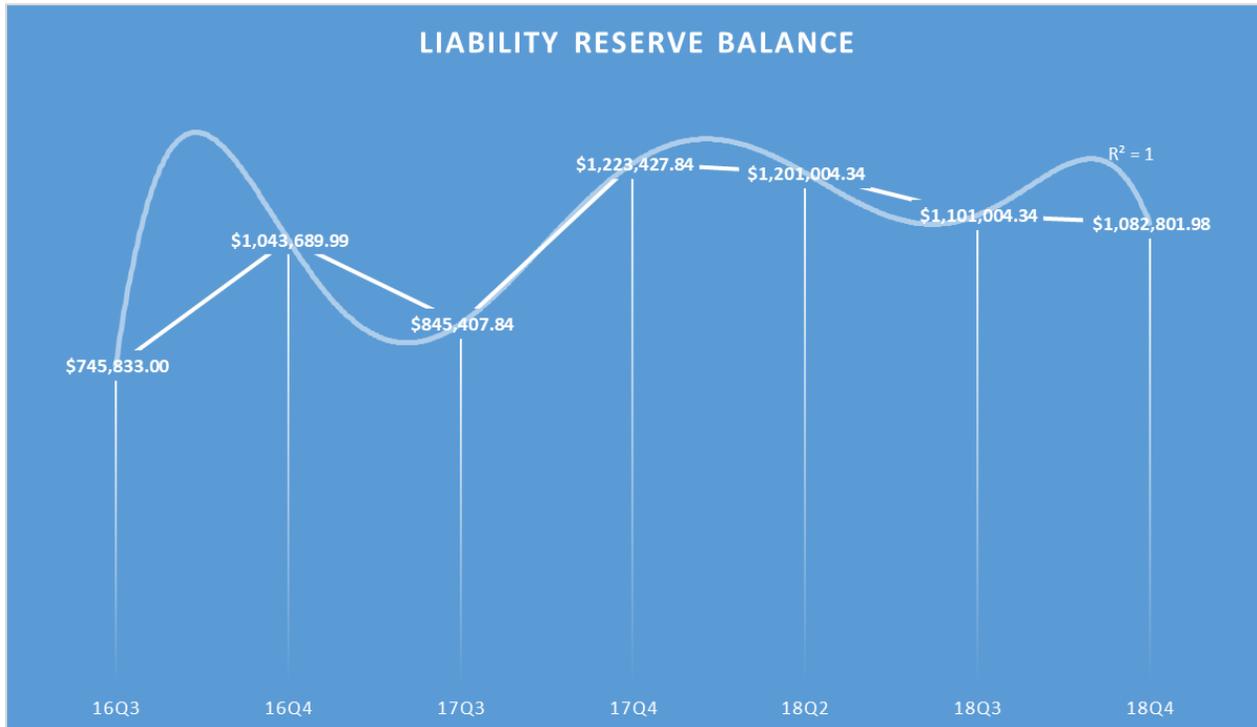
Total spend on claims in FY18 from UMS system pool reserves will be discussed on the next page.

## 2. Claims Administration, con't

### Claims Costs and Reserves

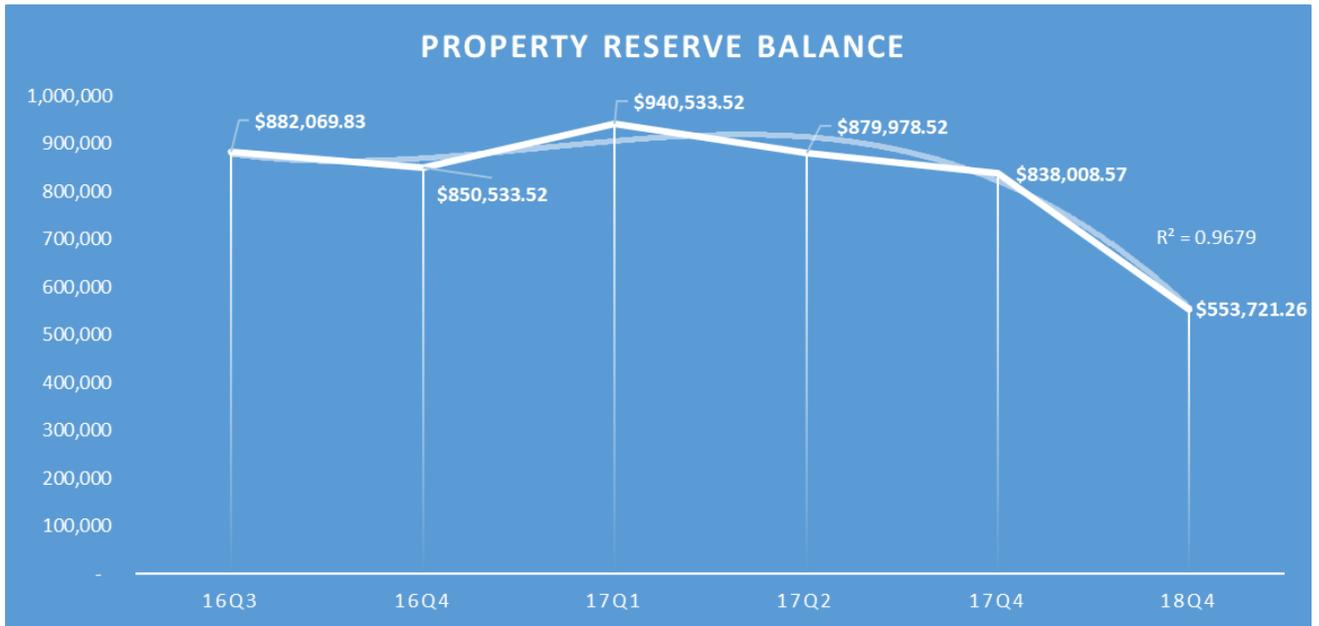
UMS treat the funding level of the reserve funds seriously. Actuarial reviews are conducted routinely, with the last projection done in FY18 for the Worker's Compensation pool. Risk Management will conduct another actuarial review for the Property reserve levels in FY19. UMS Risk Management handled several litigated claims in FY18 where either Risk Management or Insurance paid claims. The below graph demonstrates the reserves held for liability claims. As can be seen, Risk Management continues to maintain its reserves despite claims payments. There is a built-in reserve recoup into the yearly budgeting process. Nearly \$750K has been spent in the last three fiscal years for liability claims, and UMS continues to remain well capitalized for potential catastrophic liability claims.

The major trend in FY18 has been claims involving alleged discrimination, wrongful termination and wrongful employment practice.



Human Resources and General Counsel continue to provide training and look at programs to reduce the chance of alleged claims. In FY18, Human Resources launched an online learning management system, which will dramatically affect the resources of supervisors across UMS.

Property Reserves have been the difficult account to keep capitalized. Several catastrophic claims occurred in FY18 that dramatically affected the reserves held in the property bucket. A fire in a wind turbine, and a system-wide windstorm reduced reserves held at the end of FY17 by 65%. The following graphical display speaks for itself.



In the next few years, Risk Management has proposed a new method to recoup all reserve accounts on five-year intervals. The budget is not yet approved, but if there is not going to be additional funds, UMS Risk Management will have to increase the campus portion of Property Claims significantly.

With the current reserves, UMS reserves are adequate to operate for the next fiscal year, even with two major claims in FY19. The deductible per occurrence of loss is \$250K with a \$500K annual cap. Several catastrophic disasters would exhaust reserves, but it would be an unprecedented event to exhaust.

Overall, reserve maintenance has become a major accomplishment given the significant adjustments to the budget in the last five fiscal years. Continued emphasis on maintaining reserves above \$1M are necessary to keep operations in Risk Management helpful to the campuses in a period of difficulty.

## 2. Claims Administration, con't

### Worker's Compensation Administration

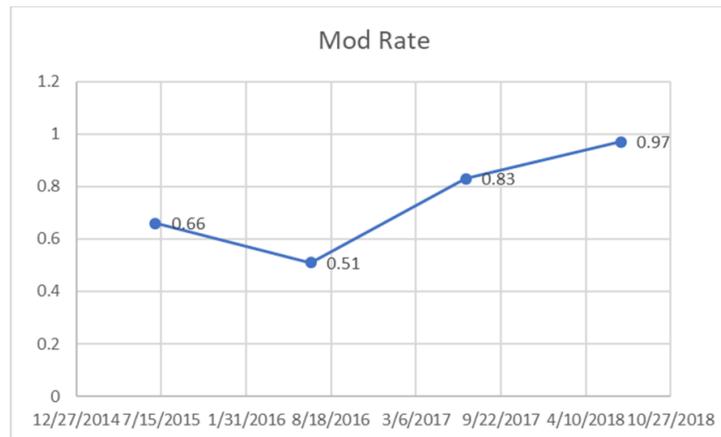
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Early in FY17, Human Resources turned over Worker's Compensation operations to Risk Management after a significant administrative review. UMS also moved from a self-insured model to utilizing a guaranteed cost risk financing option for Worker's Compensation. UMS exposure to any one claim went from \$1M to just \$1K at significant savings to the institution.

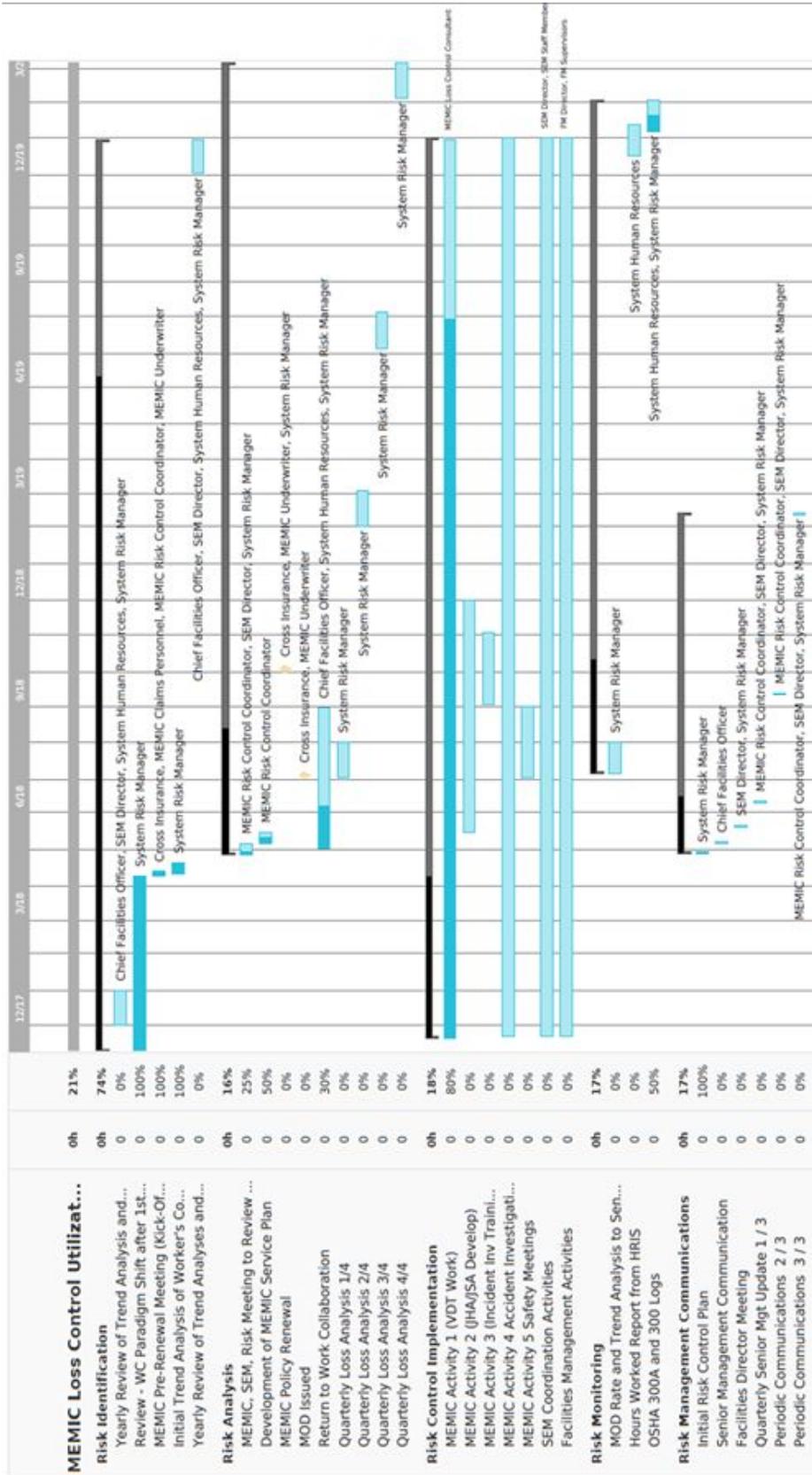
Over the past two fiscal years, worker's compensation loss experience increased dramatically. Several severe claims occurred, which are considered outliers, as well as general loss frequency (# of claims) went up over 47% in a single year.

A leading indicator of workers compensation performance is the Experience Modification Factor (EMOD), which is an actuarially calculated factor used to price worker's compensation premiums across the United States.

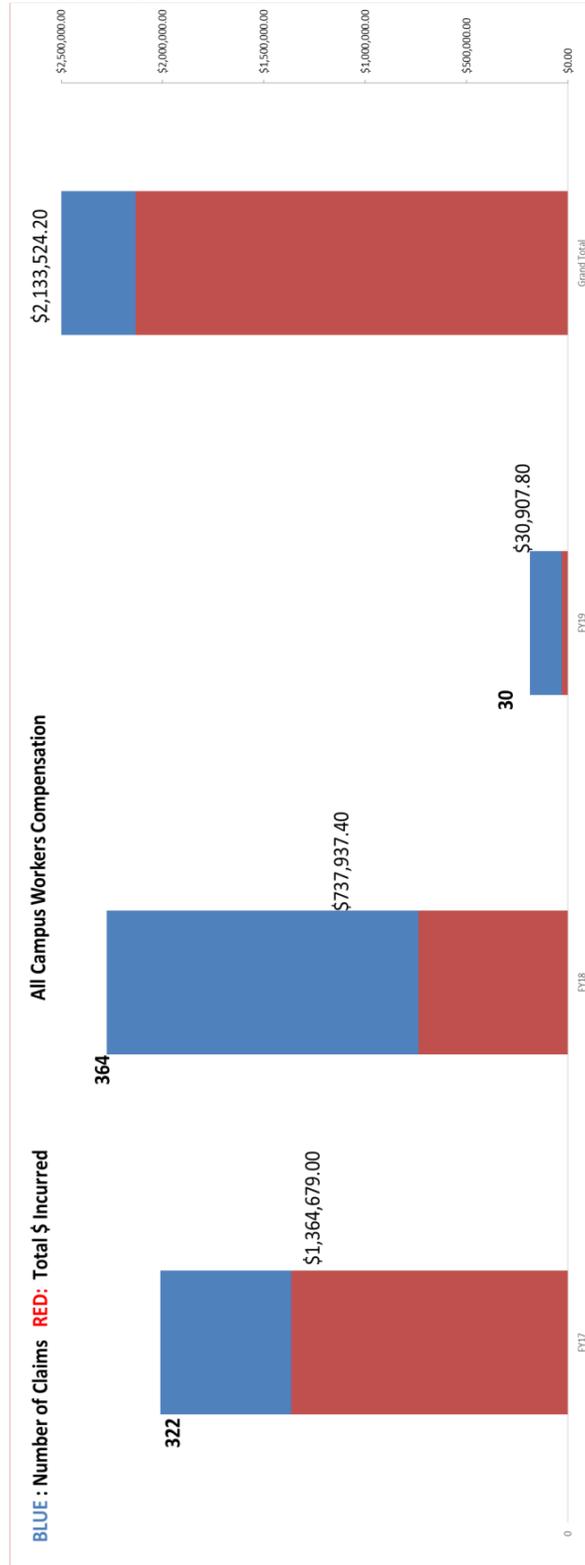
NCCI is a quasi-governmental agency partially funded by the state insurance bureaus and the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAICS). UMS receive an EMOD every year prior to our renewal. At the beginning of FY17 UMS had a factor of .52. In FY18 year our mod increased to a .83, a 60 percent increase year over year. At the beginning of FY19, UMS continued to have EMOD rate increases to a .97. This indicates that many years of prior experience have grown significantly. EMOD does not look at the current FY but looks at the prior three FY for development of the factor. A 1.0 is the median measure of EMOD performance, while anything less than 1.0 is positive for pricing, anything above 1.0 is adverse to pricing.



Given these observations, a cross-functional team from all campuses formed to tackle issues with safety in the workplace to reduce injuries. Additionally, Human Resources and Risk Management are partnering together, as some of the frequency of workplace injuries are also mimicking costs in the health insurance pool. UMS looks to reduce MOD to 0.7 by end of calendar year 2019. The next page shows GANTT chart and project plan.



### Worker's Compensation Losses by Fiscal Year



### 3. Administrative Services

Risk Management’s administrative services can be measured in several key areas. Risk Management is a document intensive environment, deadlines are immediate, and without attention to detail the University of Maine System is subject to regulatory compliance issues, as well as fines. The University of Maine System’s Risk Management Department is responsible for all documentation regarding:

- Motor Vehicle, Marine-Craft, and Aerial Registration
- Mobile Equipment Titling
- Driver License Record Checks
- Boiler and Pressure Vessel Occupancy Certificates
- Elevator Operating Permits
- Database Management of above assets
- Certificate of Insurance Preparation for Grants and Contracts
- Medical Professional Credential Verifications
- Document Storage, Imaging, and/or Destruction

<b>Highlights of Administrative FY18 Activity</b>	
<b><u>Registrations and Titling</u></b>	<b><u>Occurrences</u></b>
Vehicle registrations maintained	approx 750
New Vehicles Registered	73
Vehicles Transferred	19
Mobile Equipment	30
Marine-Craft Registered	42
<b><u>Boilers and Elevators</u></b>	<b><u>Occurrences</u></b>
Certificate Applications (B)	389
Certificate Applications (EI)	194
<b><u>Certificates of Insurance</u></b>	
Databased for Vendors	575
Prepared for Grants/Contracts	170
<b><u>Credentialing</u></b>	<b><u>Occurrences</u></b>
Credentialing Requests	79
Motor Vehicle Checks	112

## 4. Real Property Administration

### Overview:

This includes:

- ✓ Lease Management
- ✓ Management of Select Easements and Licenses
- ✓ Cell Phone Tower Lease Management
- ✓ Property Engineering Services

### Lease Management:

The University has 100+ leases in force that range from a minimum of three months up to 50-year ground leases. There is significant work completed at least monthly to ensure that data is accurate, that campuses understand the process, and that the appropriate leases are placed in front of the Chief Facilities Officer in time for FFT and BOT resolution preparation.

Risk Management is responsible for resolving day-to-day needs for lease management and is the organization responsible for ensuring that all leases meet BOT policy, and quarterbacks lease negotiations when necessary.

Additionally, Risk Management prepares the yearly BOT report for real estate and acquisition and disposition. With the inclusion of IWMS and the utilization of the tool after several years of data refinement, the report that used to take weeks now takes a matter of hours to produce.

### Property Engineering Services

Risk Management works with all campuses on fire protection. In order to purchase the all-risk property insurance, it is necessary to utilize certified fire protection and property engineering experts for qualification in the insurance programs.

Fire protection is a critical risk mitigation technique to decrease the total cost of risk for the University of Maine System. Risk Management utilizes Global Risk Consultants (GRC) to conduct yearly assessments of all University of Maine System locations looking for common and special hazards, including fire sprinkler assessments, probable maximum losses by campus, risk of flood or water intrusion on each campus, as well as making necessary recommendations to preserve property.

GRC makes many recommendations that require response within 30 days of issuance of the report. Risk Management tracks those recommendations and works with key facilities management personnel to ensure that the recommendations are accurately addressed.

GRC also conducts key infrared thermography at key locations each year to look for potential electrical hot spots that could produce heat that could cause a fire. These reports also produce recommendations that must be tracked and responded to within 30 days.

In FY18, there were 15 general surveys of locations over the period of 30+ days. As comprehensive fire protection reviews each building is looked at least every five years across the system. Risk Management generally attends these surveys and travels around the State of Maine to conduct these assessments and help manage the consultant's expectations, as well as assist already tasked facilities managers with the assessments.

Lastly, from a property engineering standpoint, all pressure vessels and boilers across the system must be inspected at least yearly to receive the certificate of occupancy for the equipment. Risk Management ensures that all are scheduled, that the facilities persons give prompt notice to recommendations and ensure that boilers comply.

**GRC Inspections in FY18: 15**

**Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspections in FY18: 389**

When mentioning probable maximum losses, Risk Management also monitors the amount of the most probable expected loss at any given time to ensure that adequate insurance levels are kept for the University System. Currently, the largest probable maximum loss is approximately \$420M at the UMaine campus. UMS currently buy \$500M of all risk insurance.

## **Annual report to the Board of Trustees:**

Risk Management prepares the Annual Lease and Real Estate report on lease and real estate dispositions and acquisitions in the Fall each Fiscal Year

The FY18 report appears in excerpted form on page 21.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**  
**REAL ESTATE AND LEASE ACTIVITY REPORT**

**REAL ESTATE ACQUIRED FROM JULY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2018**

	Acquired	Acreage	Sq. Ft	Value
<b>TOTALS</b>				

**REAL ESTATE DISPOSITION FROM JULY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2018**

	Disposition	Acreage	Sq. Ft	Value
UMaine	1	3.19		\$0
<b>TOTALS</b>	1	3.19		\$0

Leased from Others (UMS is Lessee)

	Leases		Acreage		Square Feet		Annual Cost	
	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current
<b>UMA</b>	7	9	0	0	46,347	52,107	\$395,293.00	\$553,477.00
<b>UMF</b>	3	2	17.99	0.46	0	0	\$2,138.00	\$1.00
<b>UMFK</b>	1	1	2.3	2.3	0	0	-	-
<b>UMaine</b>	27	23	2708	2691	90,113	105,042	\$527,055.00	\$443,331.00
<b>UMM</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-
<b>UMPI</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	-
<b>USM</b>	6	5	0	0	18,169	18,577	\$217,597.00	\$170,223.00
<b>UMS</b>	1	1	0	0	657	657	\$10,800.00	\$10,800.00
<b>Totals</b>	45	40	2,728.29	2,690.76	155,286	176,383	\$1,152,883.00	\$1,177,653.00

Leased to Others (UMS is Lessor)

	Leases		Acreage		Square Feet		Annual Cost	
	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current	Previous	Current
<b>UMA</b>	2	3	0	0	5,500	6,544	\$1,800.00	\$17,325.00
<b>UMF</b>	2	2	0.1	0.1	6,009	6,009	\$18,000.00	\$19,800.00
<b>UMFK</b>	1	1	0	0	1,568	794	\$12,544.00	\$12,544.00
<b>UMaine</b>	29	32	28.9	31.38	24,078	21,355	\$172,626.00	\$182,263.00
<b>UMM</b>	2	2	0	0	2,610	2,610	\$23,501.00	\$28,301.00
<b>UMPI</b>	6	5	84.5	84.43	3,207	3,380	\$34,600.00	\$29,199.00
<b>USM</b>	20	19	0	1.91	27,421	29,481	\$324,126.00	\$343,011.00
<b>UMS</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	62	62	113.50	117.82	70,393	70,173	\$587,197.00	\$632,443.00

## 5. Enterprise Risk Management

At the direction of General Counsel, the Audit Committee and the Board of Trustees, Risk Management received a charge in late FY17 to begin developing a comprehensive Enterprise Risk Assessment from the System level to help the Board of Trustees with ultimate governance.

Much work has taken place in preparation for this initiative, including strategy, the development of a risk register, and the development of a proposed framework for conducting the assessments each year. The initiative is still in its infancy, but there has been significant work completed and there is anticipation in FY19 that the initial risk assessments will begin.

Routine reporting to the Board of Trustees is expected to begin anew with Trustee approval in FY19.

Risk Management also provides additional services that are of an enterprise nature rather than exclusively associated with any of the areas discussed above.

### Internal Risk Management Consulting

Risk Management assists in multiple projects across the system, especially with other Facilities Management and General Services functions, as well as through consultation with the Office of General Counsel. The main topics of consultation in FY18 consisted of:

- Essentials of Contracts and Risk Management Webinars, in conjunction with Strategic Procurement (1X/Quarter)
- International Travel and Concur Webinars (1X/Quarter)
- Human Resource led Compliance Committee based on Strategic Risk Assessment
- Capital Construction Insurance Needs and Training on Certificates of Insurance and contractual language.
- Consultation on Off-Shore Wind Project, in conjunction with Inside Counsel at UMaine
- ADA/Post-Offer Physical Steering Committee
- Title IX Presentation to Senior Leadership and Board of Trustees on Claims trends.
- Standing Committee of Strategic Procurement at UMS
- SME participation on over 20 Strategic Sourcing Initiatives
- Development and maintenance of a UAV/Drone policy system-wide
- Consultation with UMA on strategic risk management needs for aviation program
- Academic International Travel Risk Management and Insurance Needs
- Assistance with Training needs for Safety Management personnel through vendor

- Presentation to Senior Interns at UMaine on general regulatory requirements and risk management on a jobsite.

These projects led to informed, good decision-making logic at the campus and system level to make appropriate decisions regarding risk in operating activities that help the ERM effort.

## Contract Management

Risk Management reviews all contracts which vary in any way from the University's standard terms and conditions. The contracts are reviewed for potential risk and indemnity issues, as well as insurance requirements. General Counsel and Risk Management review at least one contract each day - often in time-sensitive circumstances - for continued operations. Risk Management also manages all vendor insurance requirements and consults generally with Procurement Coordinators or the Director of Procurement Operations on insurance modifications, deletions or subtractions. The review of insurance requirements in a contract is something done at least daily if not once every couple of hours, especially at Summer begin and at the start of the Fall and Spring semesters. Fiscal Year end also produces very high contractual review expectations.

At this time, it is nearly impossible to track the number of total contracts reviewed, as the University's systems regarding contracts while modern remain oriented to administer the transaction rather than the portfolio. Significant review is done via email and through transfer electronically.

Risk Management has built strong relationships with Key Sponsored Programs personnel and they work daily to address unique risks in sub-awards of grant work provided by UMS. There have been many initiatives and it is anticipated that additional, strategic work will be done by Risk Management in the coming fiscal year to assist with key initiatives in research, especially involving ITAR and Export Control. Managing contractual risk also assists in the ERM effort.

## International Travel Risk Assessment and Response

Given the increase in precariousness in the world both politically and involving natural disasters, Risk Management continues to support risk assessment through a formalized program, involving each campus and their leaders.

In FY16 a policy developed in conjunction with the UM Office of International Programs and representatives from the academic community systemwide, UMS built its first international travel policy to address what needs to happen before a traveler travels. The system is functional and multiple assessments are completed yearly.

Late in FY18 a serious incident occurred, and a gap was discovered by Risk Management in a faculty led course, which forced Risk Management to take immediate action and enter into a contract with OnCall International, an insurer with security services and specific risk consultants in New England for Higher Education. Consensus between international travel thought leaders brought this program under the wing of Risk Management and provides more comprehensive security for our travelers, additional workflow to build into our travel database systems, and ensures that no traveler can “forget” to purchase insurance, as UMS now has a blanket program.

The previous version of our insurance led to a potential of our employees being evacuated separately from our students, which is unacceptable. Risk filled the gap prior to this occurring and it is viewed that our international programs are now nearly best in class from a Risk Management standpoint.

Workflow is a big piece of tracking our community members around the world. Duty of Care with our Concur travel system is a terrific way to support the International Risk Management function. UMS developed a formal process to review trips that were likely or could be dangerous. Significant work is done by the Chief Academic Officers in this arena, and for their decision to be made prudently, Risk Management conducts significant risk assessment to support the Provost and CAO at each campus.

Using this workflow, Risk Management is trying to protect its reputational goodwill, as well as protect it from financial losses associated with travel abroad.

## Appendix A: Selected policies and related materials

<http://staticweb.maine.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/08/APL-IIB-Combined-PDF-with-all-documents.pdf?0d0f03>

<http://staticweb.maine.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/II-E-Safety-and-Environmental-Management-System.pdf?0d0f03>



**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

- 1. **NAME OF ITEM:** Property Removal, Northern Road Duplexes, UMPI
- 2. **INITIATED BY:** Karl W. Turner, Chair
- 3. **BOARD INFORMATION:** **BOARD ACTION:** X
- 4. **OUTCOME:** **BOARD POLICY:**  
 Enhance Fiscal Positioning 802 – Disposition of Real Property
- 5. **BACKGROUND:**

The University of Maine System Acting through the University of Maine at Presque Isle requests a renewal of previously-granted authorization to dispose of the property consisting of approximately 1 acres of land and three duplex housing units located at 17, 19, 21, 23, 25 and 27 Northern Road in Presque Isle.

The duplexes are no longer needed by UMPI. Altogether they total approximately 6,700 gross square feet and were previously appraised for \$240,000.

This request to dispose of them is duplicative of the exact same request approved by Trustees in September 2017. This duplicate or renewal request is necessary because the federal government requires a governing body in such a circumstances, in this case the University’s Board of Trustees, to have acted within 1 year of the transaction at hand. While both the University and federal government have been working on this matter throughout, the approval previously granted by Trustees is now more than a year old.

Moreover, the federal government in its most recent communication has requested feedback from the University and confirmation of the University’s intention by November 1, 2018. This matter has been expedited to Trustees in an effort to meet that timeline.

Substantively, in brief, this land and these facilities were once associated with the former Loring Air Force Base. They came to the University when the base was closed, and the University now intends to surrender its interests. The Aroostook Band of Micmacs will pay a fee of approximately \$96,000 that will be triggered and would be otherwise owed by the University when UMS abrogates its ownership agreement for the real property. The tribe, which currently owns and occupies the adjacent similar parcels and facilities, will then become the owner of these properties. Absent abrogation, the University would not be able to lease or to dispose of the property until 2029. This transaction is being done in coordination with the federal government. The University’s expects to incur only nominal, if any, costs.

**6. TEXT OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION:**

That the Finance, Facilities, and Technology Committee forward this item to the Consent Agenda at the October 29, 2018 Special Board of Trustees meeting for approval of the following resolution:

That the Board of Trustees authorizes the University of Maine System acting through the University of Maine at Presque Isle to dispose of three housing units located at 17, 19, 21, 23, 25 and 27 Norther Road, Presque Isle, Maine, subject to review and approval of all final terms and conditions by the General Counsel and the University Treasurer of the final terms and conditions.

Furthermore, per the USDOE's request, that the Board of Trustees authorizes Chip Gavin, Chief Facilities and General Services Officer, to be the sole individual empowered to carry out the intent of this resolution, including the authority to make payments as necessary to secure the abrogation.



### AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

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- 1. **NAME OF ITEM:** Property Removal, Northern Road Duplexes, UMPI
- 2. **INITIATED BY:** James H. Page, Chancellor
- 3. **BOARD INFORMATION:**                    **BOARD ACTION:**                    X
- 4. **OUTCOME:**                                    **BOARD POLICY:**  
Enhance Fiscal Positioning                    802 – Disposition of Real Property
- 5. **BACKGROUND:**

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The University of Maine System acting through the University of Maine at Presque Isle requests authorization to dispose of the property consisting of approximately 1 acre of land and three duplex housing units located at 17, 19, 21, 23, 25 and 27 Northern Road in Presque Isle.

This request is pursuant to Board policy 802 – Disposition of Real Property, which requires Board of Trustees consideration of real property sales or transfers when the value is greater than \$50,000. The appraised value and abrogation fee in this instance are both greater than \$240,000.

The property was acquired by the University in 1999 from the U.S. Department of Education through a Public Benefit Allowance and was part of the former Loring Air Force Base housing. The University is requesting to dispose of the property by executing the abrogation clause of the deed followed by transfer of the property to the Aroostook Band of Micmacs who currently own and occupy many of the remaining and nearby housing units in this location.

The units are each approximately 2,237 gross square feet (GSF), totaling 6,712 GSF, and sit on approximately 1 acre of land. Two of the units have been used by faculty, staff, and students in the past; the third was utilized by the Maine School Administrative District (MSAD) 1 for educational programming until recently. MSAD 1 is no longer interested in using this building and recently returned the property to the University.

Since the units were not being used in the recent past, they were not part of the Sightlines review and there is no Sightlines data available.

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The campus currently has sufficient space on the campus to meet its current housing needs. Moreover, UMPI would need to dedicate significant financial resources in order to upgrade these three buildings to meet current standards.

The deed restrictions limit the use of this property to educational purposes and also restrict the selling or leasing for the property for 30 years, which in this case is until 2029. In order for the University to dispose of the property, it must either return the property to the government or abrogate the remaining Public Benefit Allowance.

The preference is to abrogate in coordination with the U.S. Department of Education and have the Aroostook Band of Micmacs pay the abrogation fee and closing cost, including the appraisal, which will relieve the University of this obligation and will help meet other needs in the community. The Micmacs have indicated to UMPI that they have secured the required financing to pay the abrogation fee.

The Duplexes were appraised for \$240,000. The official abrogation fee from the DOE is \$96,000. The University will bear nominal if any costs in connection with this transfer.

The removal of these buildings from the university's inventory will reduce the campus gross square footage, and reduce the need for the campus to invest maintenance and operational dollars in the underutilized space.

The resolve language in this case is slightly different than in many other real estate matters before the Board because certain language was required by the federal government. In practical effect, while a single person is being empowered to carry forward the Board's approval, if it is granted, that person will nonetheless still consult with General Counsel and the University Treasurer before executing any agreements.

The Finance, Facilities and Technology Committee approved this recommendation to be forwarded to the Consent Agenda for Board of Trustee approval at the September 17-18, 2017 Board meeting.

**5. TEXT OF PROPOSED RESOLUTION:**

That the Board of Trustees approves the recommendation of the Finance, Facilities and Technology Committee authorizing the University of Maine System acting through the University of Maine at Presque Isle to dispose of three housing units located at 17, 19, 21, 23, 25 and 27 Northern Road, Presque Isle, Maine, subject to review and approval by General Counsel and the University Treasurer of the final terms and conditions.

Furthermore, per the USDOE's request, that the Board of Trustees authorizes Chip Gavin, Chief Facilities and General Services Officer, to be the sole individual empowered to carry out the intent of this resolution, including the authority to make payments as necessary to secure the abrogation.

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