THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS With Independent Auditors' Report

For the Year Ended June 30, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors Thomas MacLaren State Charter School

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of Thomas MacLaren State Charter School, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, and each major fund of the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School, as of June 30, 2021, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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Required Supplementary Information

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

Colorado Springs, Colorado September 20, 2021

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Thomas MacLaren State Charter School

Management's Discussion and Analysis Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2021

As management of Thomas MacLaren State Charter School (MacLaren or the School), we offer readers of Thomas MacLaren State Charter School's basic financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with additional information provided in the accompanying financial statements.

Financial Highlights

The year ended June 30, 2021is the 12th year of operations for MacLaren. As of June 30, 2021, net position increased by \$1,480,363 to \$(8,369,549). Thomas MacLaren State Charter School's governmental fund reported an ending fund balance of \$3,988,058, an increase of \$421,647 from the prior year.

The operations of the School are funded primarily by tax revenue received under the Colorado School Finance Act in Per Pupil Revenue (PPR). Tax revenue for the year from PPR was \$6,993,008.

Overview of Financial Statements

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

Government-Wide Financial Statements

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

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

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

The government-wide statement of activities distinguishes functions/programs of the School supported primarily by Per Pupil Revenue or other revenues passed through from the School's

authorizer (Colorado Charter School Institute). The governmental activities of MacLaren include instruction and supporting services.

Fund Financial Statements

A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The School keeps track of these monies to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the School's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balance provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

The School maintains one governmental fund and adopts an annually appropriated budget for the fund. A budgetary comparison schedule is included and demonstrates that spending did exceed the School's budget. See below for more information.

Proprietary Funds

The School also maintains a proprietary fund to record the activity of the Thomas MacLaren School Foundation (the "Foundation"). The Foundation was organized for the exclusive purpose of acquiring, leasing, constructing, improving, equipping, and financing various facilities, land, equipment, and other improvements in connection with property intended to be leased to the School.

Notes to the Financial Statements

The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted previously, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of the School's financial position. For the fiscal year ended, June 30,2021, MacLaren's net position was \$(8,369,549). This position includes a net pension liability in the amount of \$11,552,440, representing the School's proportionate share of the School Division Trust Fund pension liability, administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association of Colorado (PERA). The School reports this net pension liability, and associated deferred inflows and outflows of resources, as required by GASB (Governmental Accounting Standards Board) 68. The School's net position also includes a net OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) liability in the amount of \$419,867, representing the School's proportionate share of the defined benefit Health Care Trust Fund, administered by PERA. The School reports this net OPEB liability, and associated deferred inflows and outflows of resources, as requirement by GASB 75. More information regarding the net pension and OPEB liabilities may be found in the notes to the financial statements.

Of the School's total net position, \$(3,177,898) is invested in capital assets, \$242,000 is restricted to comply with Article X, Section 20 of the Colorado Constitution, known as the TABOR Amendment, and \$945,928 is restricted for debt service.

Thomas MacLaren State Charter School's Net Position

	2020-2021	2019-2020
Assets:		
Current and other assets	\$ 5,548,207	\$ 6,682,880
Capital assets	14,766,346	13,685,146
Total assets	20,314,553	20,368,026
Deferred outflows of resources	6,382,356	4,973,627
Liabilities:		
Long-term liabilities	29,837,964	28,896,271
Other liabilities	608,463	829,837
Total liabilities	30,446,427	29,726,108
Deferred inflows of resources	4,620,031	5,465,457
Net position:		
Net investment in capital assets	(3,177,898)	(4,129,366)
Restricted	1,187,928	2,327,934
Unrestricted	(6,379,579)	(8,048,480)
Total net position	\$ (8,369,549)	\$ (9,849,912)

Thomas MacLaren State Charter School's Change in Net Position

Revenues:	2020-2021		2019-2020	
General revenues:				
State equalization	\$	7,126,950	\$	6,877,138
Other		278,675		255,526
Program revenue:				
Charges for services		205,898		178,605
Operating grants and contributions		2,044,874		959,530
Capital grants and contributions		273,819		237,162
Total revenues		9,930,216		8,507,961
Expenses:				
Instruction		3,991,045		4,907,885
Support services		3,482,752		3,001,922
Foundation		976,056		1,404,542
Total expenses		8,449,853		9,314,349
Change in net position		1,480,363		(806,388)
Net position, beginning		(9,849,912)		(9,043,524)
Net position, ending	\$	(8,369,549)	\$	(9,849,912)

Financial Analysis of the Government's Fund

As noted earlier, the School uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance related legal requirements.

The focus of the School's governmental fund is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School's financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of the School's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the School's General Fund reported an ending fund balance of \$3,988,058, an increase of \$421,647 from the prior year.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The School recognized \$116,524 more revenue than expected and spent \$453,491 less than planned, when compared to the final budget. There were budget amendments during the year, which reflected changes in revenues and expenditures. Overall, revenue and expenses were fine-tuned to account for changes to student enrollment and updated funding assumptions. Spending in excess of budget was the result of the implementation of a GASB 68 accounting standard late in the year.

Capital Assets & Long-Term Debt

The School has invested in capital assets for equipment, leasehold improvements made to the School's facility, the School's land and building, and construction in progress on the educational facility. Depreciation expenses for capital assets are booked under the Instruction program of the School's operations. More information regarding capital assets may be found in Note 5 to the financial statements.

The School has Series 2020 Charter School Revenue Bonds issued through (CECFA) to fund the School's facility improvements. More information regarding long-term liabilities may be found in Note 6 to the financial statements.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The primary factor driving the budget for Thomas MacLaren State Charter School is student enrollment. Enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year was 907 funded students. Enrollment projected for 2022 is 920 funded students. This factor was considered when preparing the Schools budget for 2021-2022.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Thomas MacLaren State Charter School's finances for all those with an interest in the School's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the School:

Thomas MacLaren State Charter School 1702 N Murray Blvd. Colorado Springs, CO 80915

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		Total
ASSETS					
Cash and investments Restricted cash and investments	\$	4,014,550	\$	49,621 1,142,049	\$ 4,064,171 1,142,049
Receivables		183,773		34,724	218,497
Internal balances		150,000		(150,000)	, -
Prepaids		123,490		-	123,490
Capital assets not being depreciated		-		1,060,200	1,060,200
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation		384,793		13,321,353	 13,706,146
Total Assets		4,856,606		15,457,947	 20,314,553
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Deferred pension outflows		6,163,122		-	6,163,122
Deferred OPEB outflows		219,234		-	219,234
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources		6,382,356		-	6,382,356
LIABILITIES				_	
Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities		141,025		_	141,025
Accrued salaries and benefits		335,207		_	335,207
Unearned revenue		7,523		62,354	69,877
Accrued interest payable		-		62,354	62,354
Long-term liabilities					
Due in more than one year		-		17,865,657	17,865,657
Net pension liability		11,552,440		-	11,552,440
Net OPEB liability		419,867		-	 419,867
Total Liabilities		12,456,062		17,990,365	 30,446,427
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Deferred pension inflows		4,484,822		-	4,484,822
Deferred OPEB inflows		135,209			 135,209
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources		4,620,031		-	 4,620,031
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets Restricted for:		384,793		(3,562,691)	(3,177,898)
Emergencies		242,000		_	242,000
Debt Service		-		945,928	945,928
Unrestricted		(6,463,924)		84,345	(6,379,579)
Total Net Position (deficit)	\$	(5,837,131)	\$	(2,532,418)	\$ (8,369,549)

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

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

			Program Revenue		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
Governmental activities:							
Instruction	\$ 3,991,045	\$ 205,898	\$ 2,036,468	\$ -	\$ (1,748,679)	\$ -	\$ (1,748,679)
Supporting services	3,482,752		8,406	273,819	(3,200,527)		(3,200,527)
Total governmental activities	7,473,797	205,898	2,044,874	273,819	(4,949,206)		(4,949,206)
Business-type activities:							
Foundation	976,056					(976,056)	(976,056)
Total	\$ 8,449,853	\$ 205,898	\$ 2,044,874	\$ 273,819		(976,056)	(5,925,262)
	General revenues:						
	Per pupil reve	enue			7,126,950	-	7,126,950
	Grants and co	ntributions not restri	icted to specific prog	rams	261,349	-	261,349
	Unrestricted i	nvestment earnings			4,180	2,668	6,848
	Miscellaneous	S			10,478	-	10,478
	Transfers				(746,172)	746,172	
	Total gener	al revenues and trans	sfers		6,656,785	748,840	7,405,625
	Change in r	net position			1,707,579	(227,216)	1,480,363
	Net position - begi	nning (deficit)			(7,544,710)	(2,305,202)	(9,849,912)
	Net position - end	ing (deficit)			\$ (5,837,131)	\$ (2,532,418)	\$ (8,369,549)

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

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL BALANCE SHEET GENERAL FUND JUNE 30, 2021

ASSETS	
Cash and investments	\$ 4,014,550
Receivables	183,773
Due from other funds	150,000
Prepaids	 123,490
Total Assets	\$ 4,471,813
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable and other accrued liabilities	\$ 141,025
Accrued salaries and benefits	335,207
Unearned revenue	 7,523
Total Liabilities	 483,755
FUND BALANCE	
Non-spendable	123,490
Restricted for emergencies	242,000
Assigned for insurance claims	115,000
Unassigned	 3,507,568
Total Fund Balance	 3,988,058
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 4,471,813

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2021

Amounts reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Total Fund Balance of Governmental Funds			\$ 3,988,058
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not curr and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds		esources	384,793
Long-term liabilities and related items are not due and pa	yable in the cu	rrent year	
and, therefore, are not reported in government funds:			
Net pension liability	\$	(11,552,440)	
Pension outflows		6,163,122	
Pension inflows		(4,484,822)	
Net OPEB liability		(419,867)	
OPEB outflows		219,234	
OPEB inflows		(135,209)	 (10,209,982)
Total Net Position of Governmental Activities			\$ (5,837,131)

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

REVENUES	
Local sources	\$ 481,905
State sources	7,868,811
Federal sources	513,532
Total revenues	8,864,248
EXPENDITURES	
Instruction	4,914,654
Supporting services	3,527,947
Total expenditures	8,442,601
Net change in fund balance	421,647
Fund balance, beginning	3,566,411
Fund balance, ending	\$ 3,988,058

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

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

Net Change in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds		\$ 421,647
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. Depreciation Expense Capital Outlays Loss on asset disposal	\$ (47,614) 130,577 (9,355)	73,608
The issuance of long-term debt provides current financial resources to governmental funds, while the repayment of the principal of long-term debt consumes the current financial resources of governmental funds. Neither transaction, however, has any effect on net position. Also, governmental funds report the effect of premiums, discounts, and similar items when debt is first issued, whereas these amounts are deferred and amortized in the statement of activities. Loan forgiveness		1,063,300
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds. Pension expenses OPEB expenses	\$ 169,709 (20,685)	149,024
Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$ 1,707,579

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND JUNE 30, 2021

	Foundation
ASSETS	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 49,621
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	1,142,049
Receivables	34,724
Total current assets	1,226,394
Noncurrent Assets:	
Capital assets not being depreciated	1,060,200
Capital assets being depreciated:	13,321,353
Total noncurrent assets	14,381,553
Total assets	15,607,947
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities:	
Due to other funds	150,000
Unearned revenues	62,354
Accrued interest payable	62,354
Total current liabilities	274,708
Noncurrent Liabilities:	
Loan payable	17,865,657
Total liabilities	18,140,365
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	(3,562,691)
Restricted for debt service	945,928
Unrestricted	84,345
Total net position (deficit)	\$ (2,532,418)

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGE IN NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	Fo	oundation
OPERATING REVENUES		
Rental income	\$	746,172
Total operating revenues		746,172
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Purchased services		285
Interest expense		746,518
Total operating expenses		746,803
Net operating income (loss)		(631)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Interest income		2,668
Depreciation and amortization		(186,253)
Debt issuance costs		(43,000)
Total non-operating revenues (expenses)		(226,585)
Change in net position		(227,216)
Net position - beginning (deficit)		(2,305,202)
Net position - ending (deficit)	\$	(2,532,418)

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	F	Coundation
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Lease payments received	\$	746,172
Purchased services		(285)
Interest payments		(745,825)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities		62
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED		
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		(1.202.094)
Acquisition and construction of capital assets		(1,293,984)
Debt issuance payments		(43,000)
Net cash provided (used) by capital and related financing activities		(1,336,984)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITES		
Interest income		2,668
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities		2,668
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(1,334,254)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning		2,560,648
Cash and cash equivalents, ending	\$	1,226,394
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to		
net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$	(631)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss)		
to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Increase (decrease) in:		
Interest payable		347
Unearned revenue		346
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	62

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

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Thomas MacLaren State Charter School (the School) was organized pursuant to the Colorado Charter Schools Act on July 11, 2007 to form and operate a charter school under the oversight of the Colorado Charter School Institute (CSI). The School began admitting students in the Fall of 2009. The School receives its State funding from CSI. The current charter runs through June 30, 2024.

The financial statements of the School have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental entities. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant accounting policies of the School are described below.

A. REPORTING ENTITY

The accompanying financial statements present the School and its component units, entities for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. Blended component units are, in substance, part of the primary government's operations, even though they are legally separate entities. Thus, blended component units are appropriately presented as funds of the primary government.

Blended component unit. The Thomas MacLaren School Foundation (the Foundation) was organized for the purpose of acquiring, leasing, constructing, improving, equipping and financing various facilities, land, equipment and other improvements in connection with property intended to be leased to the School. The Foundation is reported as a proprietary fund and does not issue separate financial statements.

B. BASIS OF PRESENTATION—GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

While separate government-wide and fund financial statements are presented, they are interrelated. The governmental activities column incorporates data from governmental funds, while business-type activities incorporate data from the government's proprietary funds. Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds.

The government-wide financial statements (i.e. the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the government. *Governmental activities* are normally supported by per pupil revenue and intergovernmental revenues. *Business-type activities* rely to a significant extent on fees and charges to external customers for support. As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

C. BASIS OF PRESENTATION—FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accounts of the School are organized and operated on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds maintained is consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

C. BASIS OF PRESENTATION—FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

The School reports the following major governmental fund:

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

The School reports the following major proprietary fund:

The *Foundation* - This fund is used to account for the financial activities of the Foundation, including facilities acquisition and construction and the related debt service.

During the course of operations, the School has activity between funds for various purposes. Any residual balances outstanding at year end are reported as due from/to other funds and advances to/from other funds. While these balanced are reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Balances between the funds included in governmental activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the governmental activities column. Similarly, balances between the funds included in business-type (i.e., the proprietary funds) are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as internal balances in the business-type activities column.

Further, certain activity occurs during the year involving transfers of resources between funds. In fund financial statements these amounts are reported at gross amounts as transfers in/out. While reported in fund financial statements, certain eliminations are made in the preparation of the government-wide financial statements. Transfers between the funds included in governmental activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the governmental activities column. Similarly, balances between the funds included in business-type activities are eliminated so that only the net amount is included as transfers in the business-type activities column.

D. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounting and financial reporting treatment is determined by the applicable measurement focus and basis of accounting. Measurement focus indicates the type of resources being measured such as *current financial resources* or *economic resources*. The basis of accounting indicates the timing of transactions or events for recognition in the financial statements.

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

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (CONTINUED)

The governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources* measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current fiscal period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences, are recorded only when payment is due. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

Intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Expenditure-driven grants recognize revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been met, and the amount is received during the period or within the availability period of this revenue source (within 60 days of year-end). All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government.

The proprietary fund is reported using the *economic resources measurement focus* and the *accrual basis of accounting*.

E. ASSETS, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and in the bank and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Investments

Investments with a maturity of less than one year when purchased, non-negotiable certificates of deposit, and other nonparticipating investments are stated at cost or amortized cost. Investments with a maturity greater than one year when purchased are stated at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an investment in an orderly transaction at year end.

Local government investment pools in Colorado must be organized under Colorado Revised Statutes, which allows certain types of governments within the state to pool their funds for investment purposes. Investments in such pools are valued at the pool's share price, the price at which the investment could be sold.

Receivables

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

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

E. ASSETS, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE (CONTINUED)

Prepaid expenses

Certain payments to vendors reflect costs applicable to future accounting periods and are recorded as prepaid items in both government-wide and fund financial statements.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the School as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. All purchased capital assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical records exist. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair market value on the date received. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset, or materially extend asset lives, are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and are depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable.

Capital assets of the School are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Building and improvements 50 years Furniture and equipment 7 years

When depreciable property is acquired, depreciation is included in expense for the year of acquisition for the number of months during the year the asset was in service. When depreciable property is retired or otherwise disposed of, depreciation is included in expense for the number of months in service during the year of retirement and the related costs and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts with any gain or loss reflected in the statement of revenue, expenses and changes in fund net position.

Accrued Salaries and Benefits

Salaries and retirement benefits of certain contractually employed personnel are paid over twelve-month period from August to July, but are earned during a school year of approximately ten months. The salaries and benefits earned, but unpaid, are reported as a liability of the General Fund.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

E. ASSETS, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE (CONTINUED)

Pensions

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

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

Health Care Trust Fund

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

Deferred outflows/inflows of resources

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

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

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

E. ASSETS, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE (CONTINUED)

Long-term debt

In the government-wide financial statements, and proprietary fund types in the fund financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities, business-type activities, or proprietary fund type statement of net position.

In the fund financial statements, the face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as current expenditures.

Net position flow assumption

The School may fund outlays for a particular purpose from both restricted and unrestricted resources. In order to calculate the amounts to report as restricted—net position and unrestricted—net position in the government-wide financial statements, a flow assumption must be made about the order in which the resources are considered to be applied. It is the School's policy to consider restricted—net position to have been depleted before unrestricted—net position is applied.

Fund Balance Classification

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

Nonspendable – This classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.

Restricted – This classification includes amounts for which constraints have been placed on the use of the resources either (a) externally imposed by creditors (such as through a debt covenant), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or (b) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – This classification includes amounts that can be used only for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Board of Directors. These amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Board of Directors removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action that was used when the funds were initially committed. This classification also includes contractual obligations to the extent that existing resources have been specifically committed for use in satisfying those contractual requirements.

Assigned – This classification includes amounts that are constrained by the School's intent to be used for a specific purpose but are neither restricted nor committed. This intent can be expressed by the Board of Directors or through the Board of Directors delegating this responsibility to management through the budgetary process. This classification also includes the remaining positive fund balance for any governmental funds except for the General Fund.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

E. ASSETS, LIABILITIES, DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION/FUND BALANCE (CONTINUED)

Fund Balance Classification (Continued)

Unassigned – This classification includes the residual fund balance for the General Fund. The unassigned classification also includes negative residual fund balance of any other governmental fund that cannot be eliminated by offsetting of Assigned fund balance amounts.

The School would typically use Restricted fund balances first, followed by Committed resources, and then Assigned resources, as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend Unassigned resources first to defer the use of these other classified funds.

F. REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES

Program revenues

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include 1) fees and charges to pupils and other users who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including per pupil revenue, are reported as *general revenues*.

Compensated Absences

The School's employees accrue paid time off during the year for personal needs and illness. Accrued paid time off is not paid upon termination of employment. Up to five days may be rolled into the following year which may only be used for medical absences. Accumulated paid time off at June 30, 2021 is not considered to be material to the financial statements. As a result, a liability for unused paid time off is not recorded in the financial statements.

Proprietary funds operating and non-operating revenues and expenses

Proprietary funds distinguish *operating* revenues and expenses from *non-operating* items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the School's proprietary funds are rental income. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include interest expense. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

G. ESTIMATES

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

NOTE 2 - STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

BUDGET INFORMATION

Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles for all funds. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal yearend. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them for the upcoming year, along with estimates for the current year and actual data for the preceding year.

Budgets are required by Colorado State Statutes for all funds. Prior to the fiscal year end, management submits to the Board of Directors a proposed budget for all funds for the fiscal year commencing the following July 1. The budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. Prior to June 30, the budget is adopted by formal resolution.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the Governmental funds. The appropriated budget is prepared by fund. The legal level of control is the fund level.

Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations at the fund level. Revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the Board of Directors.

Appropriations are based on total funds expected to be available in each budget year, including beginning fund balances and reserves as established by the Board of Directors. Variances between budget and actual are results from the non-expenditure of reserves, nonoccurrence of anticipated events, and normal operating variances.

The Board of Directors may authorize supplemental appropriations during the year. For budgetary management purposes, funds are appropriated for capital outlays.

A budget was not adopted for the Foundation.

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

A summary of deposits and investments as of June 30, 2021 is as follows:

Deposits	\$ 1,979,693
Investments	3,226,527
Total	\$ 5,206,220

Deposits and investments are reported in the financial statements as follows:

Cash and investments Restricted cash and investments	\$ 4,064,171 1,142,049
Total	\$ 5,206,220

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Cash deposits with financial institutions

Custodial credit risk—deposits. Colorado State Statutes govern the entity's deposit of cash. The Public Deposit Protection Acts for banks and savings and loans require the state regulators to certify eligible depositories for public deposits. The acts require the eligible depositories with public deposits in excess of the federal insurance levels to create a single institution collateral pool of defined eligible assets. Eligible collateral includes obligations of the United States, obligations of the State of Colorado or local Colorado governments and obligations secured by first lien mortgages on real property located in the State. The pool is to be maintained by another institution or held in trust for all the uninsured public deposits as a group. The market value of the assets in the pool must be at least equal to 102% of the uninsured deposits.

At June 30, 2021, the carrying amount of the School's deposits was \$1,979,693 and the bank balances were \$2,155,289. Of the total bank balances, \$250,000 was covered by FDIC insurance and \$1,905,289 was uninsured but collateralized in accordance with the provisions of the Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act (PDPA). The collateral is pooled and held in a trust for all uninsured deposits as a group.

Investments

The School is authorized by Colorado statutes to invest in the following:

- Obligations of the United States and certain U.S. government agencies' securities;
- Certain international agencies' securities;
- General obligation and revenue bonds of U.S. local government entities;
- Bankers' acceptances of certain banks;
- Certain commercial paper;
- Local government investment pools;
- Written repurchase agreements collateralized by certain authorized securities;
- Certain money market fund;
- Guaranteed investment contracts.

The investments for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021:

Investment Type	Fair Value	<u>Maturities</u>
Money Markets	\$ 2,084,478	Less than 60 days
Colotrust	<u>1,142,049</u>	Less than 60 days
	\$ 3,226,527	
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NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Local Government Investment Pool

The District has invested in the Colorado Government Liquid Asset Trust (Colotrust). Colotrust is a AAA rated investment vehicle established for local government entities in Colorado pursuant to Part 7 of Article 75 of Title 24 of the Colorado Revised Statutes, to pool surplus funds for investment purposes. This investment vehicle operates similarly to money market funds and each share is equal in value to \$1.00.

The designated custodial bank provides safekeeping and depository services to Colotrust in connection with the direct investment and withdrawal function of Colotrust. Substantially all securities owned by Colotrust are held by the Federal Reserve Bank in the account maintained for the custodial bank. The custodian's internal records identify the investments owned by Colotrust. Investments of Colotrust consist of U.S. Treasury bills, notes and note strips, and repurchase agreements collateralized by U.S. Treasury Notes.

<u>Interest Rate Risk</u>: Interest Rate Risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or a deposit. State law limits investment maturities to five years or less as a means of managing exposure to fair value loss resulting from increasing interest rates. The School does not have a formal investment policy that would further limit investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses from increasing interest rates.

<u>Credit Risk</u>: Credit risk involves the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. State law limits investments to those described above. Colotrust and the money market accounts are rated AAA by Standard and Poors and maintain a constant net asset value of \$1 per share.

NOTE 4 - INTERFUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

The School has activity between funds for various purposes. Balances are routinely cleared as a matter of practice.

The composition of interfund balances at June 30, 2021 is as follows:

Due to/from other funds:

Receivable Fund Payable Fund Amount

General Fund Foundation \$ 150,000

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2021 was as follows:

	Beginning			Ending
Governmental Activities	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>	Balance
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Construction in Progress	<u>\$ 9,355</u>	<u>\$</u>	\$ (9,355)	\$ -
Capital assets, being depreciated				
Leasehold Improvements Furniture and equipment	181,684 212,347	38,241 92,336	<u>-</u>	219,925 304,683
Total capital assets, being depreciated	394,031	130,577		524,608
Less accumulated depreciation Leasehold Improvements Furniture and equipment	(8,519) (83,682)	(8,155) (39,459)	<u> </u>	(16,674) (123,141)
Total accumulated depreciation	(92,201)	(47,614)		(139,815)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	301,830	82,963		384,793
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 311,185</u>	<u>\$ 82,963</u>	\$ (9,355)	\$ 384,793
Business-type Activities				
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	\$ 1,060,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,060,200
Construction in Progress	239,730	1,293,984	(1,533,714)	
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	1,299,930	1,239,984	(1,533,714)	1,060,200
Capital assets, being depreciated: Building and improvements	12,785,838	1,533,713		14,319,551
Less accumulated depreciation				
Building and improvements	(711,807)	(286,391)		(998,198)
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	12,074,031	1,247,322		13,321,353
Total capital assets, net	<u>\$ 13,373,961</u>	\$ 2,541,306	\$ (1,533,714)	<u>\$ 14,381,553</u>

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of governmental activities as follows:

Governmental activities:

Instruction \$ 47,614

NOTE 6 – LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

2020 Paycheck Protection Loan

On June 25, 2020, the School obtained a loan under the SBA Paycheck Protection Program in the amount of \$1,063,300 to fund salaries, benefits, and certain operating expenses. Principal and interest are paid monthly, at an interest rate of 1%, with payments deferred for 6 months after initial loan disbursement. Final maturity is April 25, 2025. The School may apply for loan forgiveness following a covered period for use of the funds.

2020 Foundation Loan

On June 2, 2020, the Colorado Educational and Cultural Facilities Authority (CECFA) issued \$14,970,000 Charter School Revenue Bonds, Series 2020. Bond proceeds were loaned to the Foundation under a loan and security agreement to fund the building improvements and to pay off the 2017 loan. The Foundation is required to make loan payments to the Trustee, for payment of the bonds. Interest payments are due in varying semi-annual installments through June 1, 2050 at a rate of 5.0%. Principal payments are due annually on June 1st through 2050.

Annual debt service requirements to maturity for the loans payable are as follows:

	Busin	Business-Type Activities			
Fiscal Year					
Ending June 30	<u>Principa</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Interest</u>		
2022	\$	- \$	748,250		
2023	260,0	·	748,250		
2024	270,0		735,500		
2025	285,0	000	722,000		
2026	295,0	000	707,750		
2027-2031	1,720,0	000	3,301,750		
2032-2036	2,205,0	000	2,825,000		
2037-2041	2,805,0	000	2,216,250		
2042-2046	3,575,0	000	1,442,500		
2047-2050	3,555,0	<u> </u>	455,250		
Total	\$ 14,970,0	<u>\$</u>	13,902,500		

The changes in long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2021 were as follows:

	Beginning <u>Balance</u>	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Due Within One Year
Governmental Activities PPP Loan	\$ 1,063,300	<u>\$</u>	\$ (1,063,300)	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ -
Business-type Activities Loans payable Premium	\$ 14,970,000 2,995,795	\$ - -	\$ - 100,138	\$ 14,970,000 2,895,657	\$ - -
Total loans payable	\$ 15,965,795	\$ -	\$ 100,138	\$ 17,685,657	\$ -

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

General Information about the Pension Plan

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

	July 1, 2020 Through June 30, 2021
Employer contribution rate	10.90%
Amount of employer contribution apportioned to the Health Care Trust Fund	(1.02)%
as specified in C.R.S. § 24-51-208(1)(f)	
Amount apportioned to the SCHDTF	9.88%
Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) as specified in C.R.S. § 24-	4.50%
51-411	
Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) as specified	5.50%
in C.R.S. § 24-51-411	
Total employer contribution rate to the SCHDTF	19.88%

^{**}Contribution rates for the SCHDTF are expressed as a percentage of salary as defined in C.R.S. § 24-51-101(42).

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

Employer contributions are recognized by the SCHDTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions to the SCHDTF. Employer contributions recognized by the SCHDTF from Thomas MacLaren State Charter School were \$834,309 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

At June 30, 2021, the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School reported a liability of \$11,552,440 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The amount recognized by the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related support from the State as a nonemployer contributing entity, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with Thomas MacLaren State Charter School were as follows:

\$ 11,552,440
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\$ 11,552,440
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At December 31, 2020, the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School proportion was 0.0764152197 percent, which was an increase of 0.0134634558 from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School recognized pension expense of (\$169,709). At June 30, 2021, the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$	634,749	\$	-
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		1,111,309		1,941,867
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		-		2,542,955
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions		3,985,355		-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date		431,709		N/A
Total	\$	6,163,122	\$	4,184,822

\$431,709 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2022	\$ 223,447
2023	1,488,037
2024	(63,728)
2025	(401,165)
2026	-
Thereafter	-

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Price inflation	2.30%
Real wage growth	0.70%
Wage inflation	3.00%
Salary increases, including wage inflation:	3.40%-11.00%
Long-term investment rate of return, net of pension plan investment expenses, including price inflation	7.25%
Discount rate	7.25%
Post-retirement benefit increases:	
PERA benefit structure hired prior to 1/1/07 and DPS benefit structure (compounded annually)	1.25%
PERA benefit structure hired after 12/31/06 ¹	Financed by the AIR

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

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

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

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

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

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

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

¹ The Opportunity Fund's name changed to Alternatives, effective January 1, 2020

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

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

- Total covered payroll for the initial projection year consists of the covered payroll of the active membership present on the valuation date and the covered payroll of future plan members assumed to be hired during the year. In subsequent projection years, total covered payroll was assumed to increase annually at a rate of 3.00 percent.
- Employee contributions were assumed to be made at the member contribution rates in effect for each year, including the scheduled increases in SB 18-200. Employee contributions for future plan members were used to reduce the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members.
- Employer contributions were assumed to be made at rates equal to the fixed statutory rates specified in law for each year, including the scheduled increase in SB 18-200. Employer contributions also include current and estimated future AED and SAED, until the actuarial value funding ratio reaches 103 percent, at which point the AED and SAED will each drop 0.50 percent every year until they are zero. Additionally, estimated employer contributions reflect reductions for the funding of the AIR and retiree health care benefits. For future plan members, employer contributions were further reduced by the estimated amount of total service costs for future plan members not financed by their member contributions.

NOTE 7 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

- As specified in law, the State, as a nonemployer contributing entity, will provide an annual direct distribution of \$225 million (actual dollars), commencing July 1, 2018, that is proportioned between the State, School, Judicial, and DPS Division Trust Funds based upon the covered payroll of each Division. The annual direct distribution ceases when all Division Trust Funds are fully funded. HB 20-1379 suspended the \$225 million (actual dollars) direct distribution payable on July 1, 2020, for the State's 2020-21 fiscal year.
- Employer contributions and the amount of total service costs for future plan members were based upon a process to estimate future actuarially determined contributions assuming an analogous future plan member growth rate.
- The AIR balance was excluded from the initial FNP, as, per statute, AIR amounts cannot be used to pay benefits until transferred to either the retirement benefits reserve or the survivor benefits reserve, as appropriate. AIR transfers to the FNP position and the subsequent AIR benefit payments were estimated and included in the projections.
- Benefit payments and contributions were assumed to be made at the middle of the year.

Based on the above assumptions and methods, the SCHDTF's FNP was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return of 7.25 percent on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The discount rate determination does not use the municipal bond index rate, and therefore, the discount rate is 7.25 percent. There was no change in the discount rate from the prior measurement date.

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

	1% Decrease	Current Discount	1% Increase
	(6.25%)	Rate (7.25%)	(8.25%)
Proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$ 15,758,474	\$ 11,552,440	\$ 8,047,427

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the SCHDTF's FNP is available in PERA's Annual Report which can be obtained at www.copera.org/investments/pera-financial-reports.

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN

Health Care Trust Fund

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

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

C.R.S. § 24-51-1202 et seq. specifies the eligibility for enrollment in the health care plans offered by PERA and the amount of the premium subsidy. The law governing a benefit recipient's eligibility for the subsidy and the amount of the subsidy differs slightly depending under which benefit structure the benefits are calculated. All benefit recipients under the PERA benefit structure and all retirees under the DPS benefit structure are eligible for a premium subsidy, if enrolled in a health care plan under PERACare. Upon the death of a DPS benefit structure retiree, no further subsidy is paid.

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

PERA Benefit Structure

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

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

Contributions. Pursuant to Title 24, Article 51, Section 208(1) (f) of the C.R.S., as amended, certain contributions are apportioned to the HCTF. PERA-affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions are required to contribute at a rate of 1.02 percent of PERA-includable salary into the HCTF.

Employer contributions are recognized by the HCTF in the period in which the compensation becomes payable to the member and the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School is statutorily committed to pay the contributions. Employer contributions recognized by the HCTF from Thomas MacLaren State Charter School were \$43,269 for the year ended June 30, 2021.

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

At June 30, 2021, the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School reported a liability of \$419,867 for its proportionate share of the net OPEB liability. The net OPEB liability for the HCTF was measured as of December 31, 2020, and the total OPEB liability used to calculate the net OPEB liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2019. Standard update procedures were used to roll-forward the total OPEB liability to December 31, 2020. The Thomas MacLaren State Charter School proportion of the net OPEB liability was based on Thomas MacLaren State Charter School contributions to the HCTF for the calendar year 2020 relative to the total contributions of participating employers to the HCTF.

At December 31, 2020, the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School proportion was 0.0441860891 percent, which was an increase of 0.0030544388 from its proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

For the year ended June 30, 2021, the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School recognized OPEB expense of \$20,685. At June 30, 2021, the Thomas MacLaren State Charter School reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Difference between expected and actual experience	\$	1,114	\$	92,307
Changes of assumptions or other inputs		3,137		25,746
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments		-		17,156
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions recognized and proportionate share of contributions		192,833		-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date		22,150		N/A
Total	\$	219,234	\$	135,209

\$22,150 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to OPEB, resulting from contributions subsequent to the measurement date, will be recognized as a reduction of the net OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2022. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2022	\$ 23,371
2023	25,771
2024	17,080
2025	(905)
2026	(3,195)
Thereafter	(247)

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

In determining the additional liability for PERACare enrollees who are age 65 or older and who are not eligible for premium-free Medicare Part A in the December 31, 2019, valuation, the following monthly costs/premiums (actual dollars) are assumed for 2020 for the PERA Benefit Structure:

Initial Costs for Members without Medicare Part A

Medicare Plan	Monthly Cost	Monthly Premium	Monthly Cost Adjusted to Age 65
Medicare Advantage/Self- Insured Rx	\$588	\$227	\$550
Kaiser Permanente Medicare Advantage HMO	621	232	586

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

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

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

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

Mortality assumptions used in the December 31, 2019 valuation for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below were applied, as applicable, in the determination of the total OPEB liability for the HCTF. Affiliated employers of the State, School, Local Government, and Judicial Divisions participate in the HCTF.

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

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

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

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

	Trust Fund				
	State Division	School Division	Local Government Division	Judicial Division	
Actuarial cost method	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	Entry age	
Price inflation	2.30%	2.30%	2.30%	2.30%	
Real wage growth	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%	0.70%	
Wage inflation	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	
Salary increases, including wage inflation:					
Members other than State Troopers	3.30%-10.90%	3.40%-11.00%	3.20%-11.30%	2.80%-5.30%	
State Troopers	3.20%-12.40%	N/A	3.20%-12.40%1	N/A	

¹ C.R.S. § 24-51-101 (46), as amended, expanded the definition of "State Troopers" to include certain employees within the Local Government Division, effective January 1, 2020. See Note 4 of the Notes to the Financial Statements in PERA's 2020 Annual Report for more information.

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

Mortality assumptions used in the roll forward calculations for the determination of the total pension liability for each of the Division Trust Funds as shown below were applied, as applicable, in the roll forward calculation for the HCTF, using a headcount-weighted basis.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the State and Local Government Divisions (Members other than State Troopers) were based upon the PubG-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for State Troopers were based upon the PubS-2010 Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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

Pre-retirement mortality assumptions for the Judicial Division were based upon the PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Employee Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the State and Local Government Divisions (Members other than State Troopers) were based upon the PubG-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, adjusted as follows:

- Males: 94 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 90 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.
- Females: 87 percent of the rates prior to age 80 and 107 percent of the rates for ages 80 and older, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for State Troopers were based upon the unadjusted PubS-2010 Healthy Retiree Table, with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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

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

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

Post-retirement non-disabled mortality assumptions for the Judicial Division were based upon the unadjusted PubG-2010(A) Above-Median Healthy Retiree Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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

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

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

Disabled mortality assumptions for State Troopers were based upon the unadjusted PubS-2010 Disabled Retiree Table with generational projection using scale MP-2019.

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

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

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

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

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

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

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

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

¹ The Opportunity Fund's name changed to Alternatives, effective January 1, 2020.

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

	1% Decrease in		1% Increase in
	Trend Rates	Current Trend Rates	Trend Rates
Initial PERACare Medicare trend rate	7.10%	8.10%	9.10%
Ultimate PERACare Medicare trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Initial Medicare Part A trend rate	2.50%	3.50%	4.50%
Ultimate Medicare Part A trend rate	3.50%	4.50%	5.50%
Net OPEB Liability	\$409,015	\$419,867	\$432,501

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

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

NOTE 8 – DEFINED BENEFIT OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) PLAN (CONTINUED)

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

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

	1% Decrease (6.25%)	Current Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% Increase (8.25%)
	(0.2370)	Kate (7.2570)	(0.2370)
Proportionate share of the net OPEB liability	\$ 480,966	\$ 419,867	\$ 367,664

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

NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

The School carries commercial insurance for these risks of loss, including worker's compensation and employee health and accident insurance. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage during the last three fiscal years.

NOTE 10 - CONCENTRATION OF RISK

Charter School Institute

The School is funded directly by the Charter School Institute (CSI) based on the CSI's per pupil funding. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, this funding accounted for approximately 80% of the School's revenues.

NOTE 11 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Grants

The School has received federal and state grants for specific purposes that are subject to review and audit by the grantor agencies. Such audits could lead to a request for reimbursement to grantor agencies for expenditures disallowed under terms of the grant. However, in the opinion of the School, any such adjustments will not have a material adverse effect on the financial position of the School.

Self-Insurance

The School has established a self-insured health benefit plan. The plan is administered by a third-party plan administrator and is funded through a combination of employee contributions and contributions made by the School. Claims are paid from funds accumulated through these contributions. Under the terms of contract with the administrator the plan has a stop-loss coverage for individual occurrences in excess of \$30,000 and becomes fully insured at any time claims exceed 100% of the retained premiums of the plan.

Changes in the claims liability amounts as of June 30, 2021:

Balance July 1, 2020	\$ 6,926	
Claims and changes in estimates	436,941	
Claims paid	(438,234)	<u>)</u>
Balance June 30, 2021	\$ 5,633	

In addition to the claims paid during fiscal year 2020-2021, there may also be additional claims that have been incurred but not reported at June 30, 2021. At the time of the audit, the additional liability could not be determined, therefore, no additional liability has been recorded on the School's financial statements.

NOTE 12 - COMPLIANCE

The School has complied with the requirements of the Financial Policies and Procedures Handbook for the 2021 audit period as required by Colorado Statute CRS 22-44-204(3).

NOTE 13 - AMENDMENT TO COLORADO CONSTITUTION

Colorado voters passed an amendment to the State Constitution, Article X, Section 20, which has several limitations, including revenue raising, spending abilities and other specific requirements of state and local governments.

The amendment requires emergency reserves be established. These reserves must be at least 3% of fiscal year spending. The School is not allowed to use the emergency reserves to compensate for economic conditions, revenue shortfalls or salary and benefit increases. At June 30, 2021 there was a \$242,000 reservation of fund balance in the General Fund for the amendment.

The Amendment is complex and subject to judicial interpretation. The School believes it is in compliance with the requirements of the amendment. However, the School has made certain interpretations of the amendment's language in order to determine its compliance.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF THE EMPLOYER'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY JUNE 30, 2021

	 2020	 2019	 2018	 2017	 2016	 2015	 2014	 2013
School's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	0.0764152197%	0.0629517639%	0.0488062021%	0.0392901507%	0.0342349563%	0.0286188226%	0.0231616298%	0.0186231385%
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$ 11,552,440	\$ 9,404,857	\$ 8,642,141	\$ 12,705,038	\$ 10,193,070	\$ 4,377,047	\$ 3,139,179	\$ 2,375,376
State's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) associated with the School	-	1,192,886	1,181,693	-	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 11,552,440	\$ 10,597,743	\$ 9,823,834	\$ 12,705,038	\$ 10,193,070	\$ 4,377,047	\$ 3,139,179	\$ 2,375,376
School's covered payroll	\$ 4,086,793	\$ 3,699,443	\$ 2,683,139	\$ 1,812,408	\$ 1,536,526	\$ 1,247,202	\$ 970,306	\$ 750,758
School's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll	282.68%	254.22%	322.09%	701.00%	663.38%	350.95%	323.52%	316.40%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability	67.0%	64.5%	57.0%	44.0%	43.1%	59.2%	62.8%	64.1%

^{*} The amounts presented for each year were determined as of 12/31.

^{*} Complete 10-year information to be presented in future years as it becomes available.

THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF THE EMPLOYER'S PAYROLL CONTRIBUTIONS - PENSION JUNE 30, 2021

	 2021	 2020	 2019	2018		2017		2016		2015		2014	
Contractually required contribution	\$ 843,309	\$ 764,754	\$ 654,174	\$ 379,940	\$	306,520	\$	244,561	\$	188,188	\$	134,514	
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	 (843,309)	 (764,754)	 (654,174)	 (379,940)		(306,520)		(244,561)		(188,188)		(134,514)	
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ _	\$ _	\$ _	\$ 	\$		\$		\$	_	\$		
School's covered payroll	\$ 4,241,997	\$ 3,946,101	\$ 3,419,623	\$ 2,012,394	\$	1,667,684	\$	1,379,363	\$	1,114,857	\$	841,767	
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll	19.88%	19.38%	19.13%	18.88%		18.38%		17.73%		16.88%		15.98%	

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THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF THE EMPLOYER'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET OPEB LIABILITY JUNE 30, 2021

		2020	 2019	 2018	2017	 2016
School's proportion of the net OPEB liability (asset)	C	0.0441860891%	0.0411316503%	0.0317243230%	0.0223245213%	0.0194595630%
School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset)	\$	419,867	\$ 462,319	\$ 431,623	\$ 290,129	\$ 252,300
School's covered payroll	\$	4,086,793	\$ 3,699,443	\$ 2,683,139	\$ 1,812,408	\$ 1,536,526
School's proportionate share of the net OPEB liability (asset) as a percentage of its covered payroll		10.27%	12.50%	16.09%	16.01%	16.42%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total OPEB liability		24.5%	24.5%	17.0%	17.5%	16.7%

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THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL SCHEDULE OF THE EMPLOYER'S PAYROLL CONTRIBUTIONS - OPEB JUNE 30, 2021

	2021		2020	2019	2018	2017	
Contractually required contribution	\$	43,269	\$ 40,251	\$ 34,880	\$ 20,519	\$	17,010
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		(43,269)	(40,251)	(34,880)	(20,519)		(17,010)
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$		\$ 	\$ 	\$ 	\$	
School's covered payroll	\$	4,241,997	\$ 3,946,101	\$ 3,419,623	\$ 2,012,394	\$	1,667,684
Contributions as a percentage of covered payroll		1.02%	1.02%	1.02%	1.02%		1.02%

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THOMAS MACLAREN STATE CHARTER SCHOOL STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2021

	 Budgeted	l Amo	ounts		ariance with nal Budget -
	Original		Final	Actual Amounts	 Positive (Negative)
REVENUES					
Local sources	\$ 7,345,702	\$	7,283,147	\$ 481,905	\$ (6,801,242)
State sources	668,784		734,528	7,868,811	7,134,283
Federal sources	722,549		730,049	 513,532	(216,517)
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Total revenues	 8,737,035		8,747,724	 8,864,248	 116,524
EXPENDITURES					
Instruction	4,591,498		4,806,768	4,914,654	(107,886)
Purchased services	 4,048,350		4,089,324	 3,527,947	 561,377
Total expenditures	 8,639,848		8,896,092	 8,442,601	 453,491
Net change in fund balances	97,187		(148,368)	421,647	570,015
Fund balances - beginning	 2,090,670		3,566,411	 3,566,411	
Fund balance - ending	\$ 2,187,857	\$	3,418,043	\$ 3,988,058	\$ 570,015