

LOCKHART INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
REPORT OF INVESTMENT ACTIVITY  
For the period ending March 31, 2021

Introduction

House Bill 2459, which was passed during the 1995 legislative session, amended a section of the Education Code dealing with investments. Code Section 2256.023 as amended, requires that the Investment Officer of the District prepare a report of investment activity and position. Monthly financial reports and invested fund statements are included in Board agendas and become a part of the permanent record. However, it is prudent to provide more detailed information on a regular basis. This report covers the quarter January 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021.

Cash

The District's funds are required to be deposited and invested under the terms of a depository contract pursuant to the School Depository Act. First Lockhart National Bank (FLNB) deposits for safekeeping and trust with the Federal Reserve System, pledged securities in an amount sufficient to protect District funds on a day-to-day basis during the period of the contract. The pledge of securities is waived only to the extent of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance.

The District's cash balances were properly collateralized and insured at all times during the period. The highest combined balances of bank deposits at FLNB for the quarter ended March 31, 2021, occurred during the month of March 2021, in the amount of \$6,845,974. FDIC insurance for government accounts is \$250,000 for the combined amount of all time deposits, and an additional \$250,000 for the combined amount of all interest-bearing demand deposits. The total par value of U.S. Treasury notes pledged as collateral in March was \$7,515,963. FLNB provides a minimum interest rate of 1.0% on an annual basis, per the bank depository contract. Interest is credited on investments as earned on a monthly basis and is recorded on the District's books as earned. Interest accrues on investments with maturities longer than one month. As of March 31, 2021, the District General Fund has earned interest from all investments in the amount of \$130,552.65.

Investments

Temporary investments balances are held by Texas Local Government Investment Pools (TexPool, Lone Star, and Texas Term/TexasDaily).

TexPool Prime is a public funds investment pool created by the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company (the Trust Company) to provide a safe, efficient, and liquid investment alternative for the placement of local government funds in authorized, short-term, fully-collateralized investment. TexPool Prime invests in U.S. Government securities, repurchase agreements collateralized by U. S. Government securities and AAA-rated no-load money market mutual funds, commercial paper and certificate of deposits. TexPool Prime is rated AAAM by Standard & Poor's, the highest rating a local government pool can

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achieve. The weighted average maturities may be authorized longer than one year provided legal limits are not exceeded.

The State, with the authority of the Texas Legislature, created the Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company (the Trust Company). This is a special purpose trust company with direct access to the service of the Federal Reserve Bank to manage, disburse, transfer, safe-keep and invest public funds and securities more efficiently and economically. The Comptroller of Public Accounts is the sole officer, director and shareholder of the Trust Company. Federated Investors manage the daily operations of the pool under a contract with the State Comptroller. Federated Investors is the administrator for the TexPool program providing Participant Services and Marketing functions to TexPool participants. Federated Investors is also the investment manager and provides for accounting, custodial, and transfer agency services to TexPool. Interest is accrued daily and paid monthly.

Texas Daily/Term is a portfolio established by the Texas Term advisory board pursuant to the provisions of the Texas Term common investment contract. Texas Daily offers governmental entities such as Texas schools a convenient method of pooling funds for temporary investment. It operates as a money market fund and seeks to maintain a constant net asset value of \$1.00 per share, while offering liquidity and as high a level of current income as is consistent with the preservation of principal. The net income of Texas Daily is calculated daily and each month is reinvested in additional shares of the Daily Portfolio.

Investment Strategy by Fund

The strategy of the Maintenance and Operations Fund, Capital Projects, Payroll, and School Nutrition Fund is to closely match projected cash needs during the year through legal, authorized investments. Only investments authorized by Board Policy CDA (Legal) and CDA (Local) will be purchased. Investments should be purchased with the intent of holding until maturity. Liquidity and safety are predominant considerations with continued emphasis on yield, but not to the impairment of the other two objectives.

Debt Service Fund - All legal authorized investments should closely match projected cash needs during the year. Investment maturities may be authorized longer than one year provided legal limits are not exceeded. Only investments authorized by Board Policy CDA (legal) and CDA (local) will be purchased, with the objective of timing maturity with the dates that the districts' debt is due. Investments should be purchased with the intent of holding until maturity. The same comments affecting M&O investment operations are applicable to the Debt Service fund investments.

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2014 Bond Proceeds - Bond funds are invested only as authorized by Board Policy CDA (legal) and CDA (local), with the objective of timing maturity with the District's bond draw schedule. While interest earned monthly is recorded on the District's books as earned interest, interest accrues on investments with maturity dates longer than one month. Investment maturities may be authorized longer than one year provided legal limits are not exceeded. Only investments authorized by Board Policy CDA (legal) and CDA (local) will be purchased.

Student Activity / Agency Funds - All legal authorized investments should closely match projected cash needs during the year. Investment maturities may be authorized longer than one year provided legal limits are not exceeded. Only investments authorized by Board Policy CDA (legal) and CDA (local) will be purchased.

Conclusion

Interest is credited on investments as earned on a monthly basis and is recorded on the District's books as earned. Therefore, the District's investment earnings will always reflect compounded interest earned in relation to capital invested, term of investment, and market conditions. The investment pools are in relatively short-term securities; consequently the risk to the District is minimal.

Compliance

We, the approved Investment Officers of Lockhart ISD, hereby certify that the above Investment Report represents the investment position of the district in compliance with the Board approved Investment Policy, the Public Funds Investment Act (Texas Government Code 2256), and Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP).

Respectfully submitted,

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