### FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

WITH REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

#### **2015 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the President and Members of The Board of Education Southwestern Central School District Jamestown, New York

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of **Southwestern Central School District** as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the **Southwestern Central School District**'s basic financial statements as listed in the accompanying table of contents. We have also audited the fiduciary fund types of the **Southwestern Central School District** as of June 30, 2015, as displayed in the District's basic financial statements.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, and each major fund of **Southwestern Central School District** as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Emphasis-of-a-matter

As discussed in Note 5 to the financial statements, a prior period adjustment was recorded in the private purpose trust fund (fiduciary fund) to transfer monies received in prior years towards the local share of a capital project over to a miscellaneous special revenue fund (governmental fund). Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Also, as discussed in Note 3V-A to the financial statements, the District implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board statement number 68 during the current year which resulted in a prior period adjustment. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Report on Summarized Comparative Information

We have previously audited the **Southwestern Central School District's** June 30, 2014 financial statements, and our report dated September 30, 2014, expressed unmodified opinions on the respective financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund financial statements. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

#### Other Matters

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 3 through 9 and 37 through 38, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the **Southwestern Central School District's** basic financial statements as a whole. The combining and individual fund financial statements and other schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by U.S. Office of Management and Budget Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*, and is also not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual fund financial statements, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and other schedules are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual fund financial statements, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, and other schedules are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 13, 2015 on our consideration of *Southwestern Central School District's* internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering *Southwestern Central School District's* internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Olean, New York October 13, 2015

#### I. <u>Discussion and Analysis</u>

The following is a discussion and analysis of the **Southwestern Central School District's** financial performance for the year ended June 30, 2015. This section is a summary of the District's financial activities based on currently known facts, decisions, or conditions. It is based on both the government-wide and fund-based financial statements. The results of the current year are discussed in comparison with the prior year, with an emphasis placed on the current year. This section is only an introduction and should be read in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follows this section.

#### II. Financial Highlights

The following items are the financial highlights experienced by the **Southwestern Central School District** during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015:

- Overall net position from operations of the District increased during the current year in the amount of \$4,398,000 as compared to an increase of \$1,176,000 during the prior fiscal year.
- The District's enrollment was 1,423 students as compared with 1,431 during the prior year.
- The District's total revenue increased 3% from \$25,553,000 during June 30, 2014 to \$26,338,000 during June 30, 2015. This increase was primarily the result of an increase in property tax revenues and state aid.
- The District's total expenses decreased approximately 10% from \$24,377,000 during the year ended June 30, 2014 to \$21,940,000 during the year ended June 30, 2015. This decrease was primarily the result of a decrease in retirement system costs related to the implementation of GASB 68, which requires school districts to report expenses based on an actuarial study rather than on current year contributions in the government-wide financials.
- The District had capital outlays totaling \$38,000 during the current year.

#### III. Overview of the Financial Statements

This annual report consists of three parts: MD&A (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of **Southwestern Central School District**.

### III. Overview of the Financial Statements (continued)

### A. Reporting the School District as a Whole (District-wide Financial Statements):

The district-wide statements report information about the School District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. Activities that are fiduciary in nature are not included in these statements.

#### 1. Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position (page 10) shows the School District's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and the net position. The Statement categorizes assets to show that some assets are very liquid, such as cash and cash equivalents. Some assets are restricted for certain purposes or reserved for emergencies and cash flow purposes. Some assets are invested in "fixed" or "capital" assets, such as buildings, equipment and other long-lived property; and some assets are available to fund budgets of the following year.

#### 2. Statement of Activities

The Statement of Activities (page 11) shows the amounts of program-specific and general District revenue used to support the District's various functions.

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities divide the activities of the District into two categories: governmental activities (the school functions, including general support, instruction, transportation, administration, etc.; property taxes, state and federal revenue usually support most of these functions) and proprietary activities. The District only had governmental activities during the current fiscal year.

The two district-wide statements report the School District's net position and how they have changed. Net position – the difference between the District's assets and deferred outflows of resources and the District's liabilities and deferred inflows of resources – is one way to measure the District's financial health or position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net position are an indicator of whether its financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively. To assess the District's overall health, you need to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities.

#### III. Overview of the Financial Statements (continued)

### B. Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds (Fund Financial Statements):

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, focusing on its most significant or major funds – not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs. Significance of funds is determined based on the proportional size of the funds, the relative importance of the activities of the funds to the District's operations, and the existence of legal budget requirements. Internal Service funds are never reported as major funds, but are combined and presented in a separate column.

The District has two kinds of funds:

#### 1. Governmental Funds

Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently the governmental funds

#### III. Overview of the Financial Statements (continued)

### B. Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds (Fund Financial Statements)(continued):

#### 1. Governmental Funds (continued)

statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps you determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the district-wide statements, additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements explains the relationship (or differences) between them.

#### 2. Fiduciary Funds

The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others, such as the scholarship fund and the student activities funds. The District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The District excludes these activities from the district-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

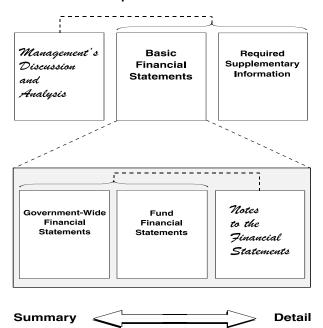
Figure A-1 - Major Features of the District-Wide Statements and Fund Financial Statements

		Fund Financia	al Statements
	District-Wide	Governmental Funds	Fiduciary Funds
Scope	Entire district (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as special education and building maintenance	Instances in which the District administers resources on behalf of someone else, such as scholarship programs and student activities monies
Required financial statements	Statement of Net Position Statement of Activities	Balance Sheet Statement of Revenue, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances	Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset/deferred outflows of resources /liability/deferred inflows of resources information	All assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally, assets and deferred outflows of resources expected to be used up and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets, deferred outflows of resources (if any), liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources (if any) both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due and payable	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

#### III. Overview of the Financial Statements (continued)

B. Reporting the District's Most Significant Funds (Fund Financial Statements)(continued):

Figure A-2 - Required Components of the District's Annual Financial Report



#### IV. Financial Analysis of the School District as a Whole

#### **Net Position**

The District's total reporting entity net position was approximately \$19,036,000. The components of net position include: net investment in capital assets of \$12,942,000; restricted net position of \$3,766,000; and unrestricted net position of \$2,328,000.

#### Changes in Net Position

The District's total government-wide revenue increased by approximately 3% to \$26,338,000. Approximately 49%, 4% and 45% of total revenue is derived from the property taxes, operating grants and state aid, respectively. The remaining 2% comes from federal aid, use of money and property, miscellaneous, charges for services and other operating grants and contributions.

### IV. Financial Analysis of the School District as a Whole (continued)

#### Changes in Net Position (continued)

The total cost of all programs and services of the District decreased 10% to \$21,940,000. The District's expenses cover a range of services, with 77% related to instruction and 13% related to general support. Figure A-4 through figure A-8 and the narrative that follows considers the operations of governmental activities, along with revenue and net costs percentages for governmental activities.

#### **Governmental Activities**

Revenue of the District's governmental activities increased approximately 3%, while total expenses decreased 10%. The District's total net position from operations increased approximately \$4,398,000 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

#### Revenue

Figure A-4 presents the major sources of revenue of the District. Revenue of the District totaled \$26,338,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The most significant changes in the District's governmental revenue are more thoroughly discussed as follows:

- Property tax revenue which represents approximately 49% of the District's total revenue for governmental activities increased approximately 3% during the year ended June 30, 2015 as a result of an increase in the tax levy.
- One of the District's most significant revenue is from state sources which represent \$11,901,000 or 45% of total governmental revenue. State sources increased by approximately 4% and was the result of increases in basic state aid received in the current year.
- During the year ended June 30, 2015, the District saw an increase in program revenue, which mostly resulted from an increase in operating grants of \$89,000 and an increase of charges for services which increased by \$58,000, as compared with the prior year revenue. The increase in operating grants resulted from an increase in federal grants, specifically the Title I monies allocated to the District were significantly higher than in the prior year.

### IV. <u>Financial Analysis of the School District as a Whole</u> (continued)

#### Expenses

Figure A-8 presents the cost of each of the District's six largest expenditure-type, which include; general support, instruction, transportation, debt service, community services and cost of sales; as well as each expenditure-type's net cost (total cost less fees generated by the activities and intergovernmental aid). The net cost shows the financial burden that was placed on the District's taxpayers and NYS by each of these functions. Total costs of the District's governmental activities were \$21,940,000. The most significant changes in the District's governmental expenses are more thoroughly discussed as follows:

- The District's general support decreased by approximately \$245,000 or 8% which was primarily the result of a decrease in retirement system costs related to GASB 68 and other contractual expenses.
- The District's instruction costs decreased by approximately \$1,847,000 or 10% which was primarily the result of a decrease in retirement system costs related to GASB 68.
- Debt service of the District decreased approximately \$83,000 during the year ended June 30, 2015. This decrease was primarily the result of a decrease in interest costs related to serial bonds.
- Transportation costs of the District decreased 17% or \$227,000 during the year ended June 30, 2015, which was primarily the result of a decrease in retirement system costs related to GASB 68 and materials and supplies expenses.
- The Districts cost of sales (food service fund) totaled \$328,000 during the current year as compared to \$362,000 during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.
   This decrease is primarily caused by the decrease in meals served.
- The District received approximately \$1,339,000 of operating grants and charges for services from its state and federal grants and tuition and transportation aid which subsidized certain programs of the District.
- Most of the Districts net costs (\$21 million) were financed by real property taxes and state aid.

#### IV. <u>Financial Analysis of the School District as a</u> Whole (continued)

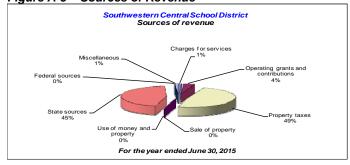
Figure A-3 – Condensed Statement of Net Position

Southwestern Central School District													
Condensed Statement of Net Position (in thousands of dollars)													
				-									
		Total	District-wide										
2015 2014 % Cha													
\$	14,575	\$	6,519	124%									
	38,526		39,799	-3%									
	53,101		46,318	15%									
	1,769		-	n/a									
\$	54,870	\$	46,318	18%									
\$	2,863	\$	2,987	-4%									
	28,477		30,757	-7%									
	31,340		33,744	-7%									
	4,494		-	n/a									
	12,942		11,009	18%									
	3,766		2,317	63%									
	2,328		(752)	-410%									
	19,036		12,574	51%									
\$	54,870	\$	46,318	18%									
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Figure A-4 - Changes in Net Position

Southwestern Co	entral Sc	chool Dist	rict						
Changes in Net Position from Open	rating Re	esults (in	thou	ısands of	Dollars)				
		Gov	arnm	nental Activ	ritios				
		and Total District-wide 2015 2014 %							
Revenue	_	2010		2014	% Change				
Program revenue									
Charges for services	\$	272	\$	214	27%				
Operating grants and contributions	•	1,067	•	978	9%				
General revenue									
Real property taxes		12,837		12,488	3%				
Use of money & property		9		28	-68%				
Sale of property & comp for loss		37		18	106%				
State sources		11,901		11,497	4%				
Federal sources		63		94	-33%				
Miscellaneous		152		236	-36%				
Total revenue	_	26,338		25,553	3%				
Expenses									
General support		2,945		3,190	-8%				
Instruction		16,723		18,570	-10%				
Transportation		1,130		1,357	-17%				
Community services		26		27	-4%				
Debt service - interest		788		871	-10%				
Cost of sales		328		362	-9%				
Total expenses		21,940		24,377	-10%				
Change in net position	\$	4,398	\$	1,176	274%				

Figure A-5 – Sources of Revenue



### IV. <u>Financial Analysis of the School District as a Whole</u> (continued)

Figure A-6 - Expenses

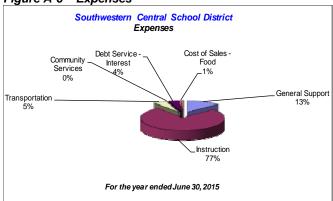


Figure A-7 – Expenditures Supported with Program Revenue

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Southwestern Cer Expenditures supported with progr			nds of dollar	s)							
	Governmental Activites & Total District										
	2015	5	2014	ļ							
Expenditures supported with general revenue (from taxes & other sources)	\$ 20,601	94%	\$ 23,185	95%							
Expenditures supported with program revenue	1,339	6%	1,192	5%							
Total expenditures related to governmental activities	\$ 21,940	100%	\$ 24,377	100%							

Figure A-8 – Net Cost of Governmental Activities

Southwestern Central School District Net Cost of Governmental Activities (in thousands of dollars)													
Net Co	st c	f Govern	nm	ental Act	tivit	ies (in tho	ousa	ands of c	lol	lars)			
		Tota	al c	ost of ser	vice	es	١	Net cost o					
	_	2015		2014	Change		2015			2014	Change		
General support	\$	2,945	\$	3,190	\$	(245)	\$	2,945	\$	3,190	\$	(245)	
Instruction		16,723		18,570		(1,847)		15,762		17,788		(2,026)	
Transportation		1,130		1,357		(227)		1,125		1,343		(218)	
Community Services		26		27		(1)		26		27		(1)	
Debt service - interest		788		871		(83)		788		871		(83)	
Cost of sales - food	_	328		362		(34)		(45)		(34)		(11)	
Total	\$	21,940	\$	24,377	\$	(2,437)	\$	20,601	\$	23,185	\$	(2,584)	

#### V. <u>Financial Analysis of the School District's</u> Funds

It is important to note that variances between years for the governmental fund financial statements (Balance Sheets and Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Equity) are not the same as variances between years for the District-wide financial statements (Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities). The District's governmental funds are presented on the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting, while the statement of net position is presented on the full accrual method of accounting. Therefore, governmental funds do not include long-term debt liabilities for the funds' projects and capital assets purchased by the funds. Governmental funds will include the proceeds received from the issuance of debt, the current payments for capital assets, and the current payments for debt. Below is a description of the most significant changes to the fund financial statements from that reported in the previous year.

#### General Fund

- The District's general fund revenues exceeded its expenditures by approximately \$889,000.
- The District's general fund unassigned fund balance equated to approximately \$1,041,000 as of June 30, 2015.
- The District had many fund balance reserves which totaled approximately \$2,980,000 as of June 30, 2015.
- The District's total assets increased approximately \$1,252,000 as of June 30, 2015 primarily due to increases in cash on hand. The District's liabilities increased approximately \$363,000 primarily due to an increase in accrued expenses due to the estimated liability for a retroactive pay due to ongoing contract negotiations as well as an increase in the Teachers' Retirement System accrual.
- Total revenue in the District's general fund increased \$764,000 due to an increase in property tax revenues and state aid.
- Total expenditures in the District's general fund decreased by approximately \$239,000.

#### Food Service Fund

 The District's food service fund experienced a \$45,000 increase in fund equity during the current fiscal year.

Revenue in the District's food service fund was \$374,000 during 2015 as compared with \$396,000 in 2014. Expenditures decreased approximately \$34,000 as compared with the prior year. The decrease in expenditures was related to a decrease in food costs due to a drop in meals served to students.

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### V. <u>Financial Analysis of the School District's Funds</u> (continued)

#### Special Aid Fund

 The District's special aid fund revenue and expenditures increased approximately \$84,000 or 11% which was primarily related to a decrease in the Title I revenues.

#### Capital Projects Fund

 Total expenditures incurred during the current year amounted to \$0.

#### Miscellaneous Special Revenue

 During the year ended June 30, 2015, the District transferred \$42,777 of these funds to the general fund to offset debt service costs.

#### VI. General Fund Budgetary Highlight

Over the course of the year, the District makes many budget transfers. Actual expenditures were approximately \$1,897,000 below the revised budget. The most significant positive variance was in the area of instruction which totaled \$1,002,000 below that budgeted. Resources available for appropriations were approximately \$272,000 above the final budgeted amount. Significant variance of revenue items consisted of state sources which was approximately \$220,000 above that budgeted and was the result of the increase in general aids.

Figure A-9 - Budget vs. Actual Comparison

General Fund - Budget		entral So Compar				s of dolla	rs)
ū		•		•			•
		Revised		A 1	D.,		0/
Ba		Budget		Actual	DIT	ference	%
Revenue	•	40.007	•	40.470	•	400	4.0
Local sources	\$	13,037	\$	13,176	\$	139	19
State sources		11,681		11,901		220	29
Federal sources		25		63		38	1529
Other sources		168		43		(125)	-749
Total revenue	\$	24,911	\$	25,183	\$	272	1'
Expenditures							
General support	\$	2,757	\$	2,445	\$	312	119
Instruction		12,388		11,386		1,002	89
Transportation		814		663		151	199
Community services		30		26		4	139
Employee benefits		6,196		5,771		425	79
Debt service		3,994		3,994		-	09
Operating transfers		12		9		3	259
Total expenditures	\$	26,191	\$	24,294	\$	1,897	79

#### VII. Capital Assets and Debt Administration

#### Capital Assets

As depicted in Figure A-10, as of June 30, 2015, the District had invested approximately \$38,526,000 in a broad range of capital assets, including reconstruction projects, transportation vehicles and other equipment. Capital additions made during the year ended June 30, 2015, totaled approximately \$38,000. More detailed information about the District's capital assets is presented in the notes of the financial statements.

#### **Long-term Liabilities**

As depicted in Figure A-11, as of June 30, 2015, the District had approximately \$28,478,000 in bonds payable, energy performance bonds, net pension liability and other post-employment benefits, a decrease of approximately 7% as compared with the previous year. The decrease in bonds payable and energy performance bonds was the result of the District making regular principal payments during the year. The net pension liability was the result of the District implementing GASB 68 in the current year, while the other post-employment benefits increased approximately \$416,000 as a result of the District choosing to amortize the total liability over a period of years.

Figure A-10 – Capital Assets

Figure A-10 – Capital Assets													
Southwestern Central School District													
Capital A	sse	ts (net of dep	rec	iation)									
	Governmental Activities & Total District-wide												
		2015		2014	Change								
Land	\$	2,265,450	\$	2,265,450	0%								
Cost basis		54,273,215		54,272,837	0%								
Accumulated depreciation		(18,012,827)		(16,739,358)	8%								
Total Capital Assets, net	\$	38,525,838	\$	39,798,929	-3%								

Figure A-11 – Outstanding Long-term Debt

	-	entral School Term Debt and			
	(	Governmental A	ctiv	vities & Total Di	strict-wide
		2015		2014	Change
Bonds payable	\$	24,860,332	\$	27,645,891	-10%
Energy performance bonds		135,995		266,399	-49%
Net pension liability		220,150		-	n/a
Other post-employment benefits		3,261,079		2,844,584	15%
Total Long-Term Debt	\$	28,477,556	\$	30,756,874	-7%

#### VIII. Factors Bearing on the District's Future

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of the following existing circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

 The economic status of the State could put additional strain upon the District.

#### IX. Contacting the District's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide citizens, taxpayers, customers and investors and creditors with a general overview of the finances of the District and to demonstrate our accountability with the money we receive. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, please contact:

Southwestern Central School District
District Administrative Offices
Attention: Mr. Scott Hoot, Business Administrator
600 Hunt Road
Jamestown, New York 14701

Schedule 1

## STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2015

		2015	2014
		2010	2011
Assets			
Cash			
Unrestricted	\$	2,689,115 \$	1,943,082
Restricted		3,765,592	2,317,075
Receivables			
State and federal aid		917,692	905,595
Accounts receivable		918	1,015
Due from other governments		103,176	40,120
Due from fiduciary funds		-	1,253,577
Inventories		13,394	7,885
Cash to be used for capital assets		536,136	50,488
Net pension asset - TRS		6,549,450	-
Capital assets, net		38,525,838	39,798,929
Total assets		53,101,311	46,317,766
Deferred Outflows of Resources		. ====	
Deferred outflows related to pensions	_	1,768,602	-
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$	54,869,913 \$	46,317,766
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable	\$	127,767 \$	242,787
Accrued liabilities	Ψ	377,645	197,455
Accrued interest		133,000	152,000
Due to other governments		-	102,000
Due to other governments  Due to retirement systems		1,670,146	1,553,019
Due to fiduciary funds		18,807	1,555,619
Unearned revenue		48,801	84,455
Bond anticipation notes payable		486,500	757,353
Long-term liabilities		100,000	707,000
Portion due or payable within one year			
Bonds payable		2,540,000	2,450,000
Energy performance contract		135,995	130,404
Portion due or payable after one year		,	,
Bonds payable		22,320,332	25,195,891
Energy performance contract		-	135,995
Net pension liability - ERS		220,150	-
Other post-employment benefits		3,261,079	2,844,584
Total liabilities		31,340,222	33,743,943
Deferred Inflows of Resources			
Deferred inflows related to pensions		4,494,442	-
Net Position			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt		12,941,216	11,008,491
Restricted		3,765,592	2,317,075
Unrestricted (deficit)		2,328,441	(751,743)
Total net position		19,035,249	12,573,823
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position	\$	54,869,913 \$	46,317,766

	Expenses	Indirect Expenses Allocation		Program narges for Services	enues Operating Grants	2015 Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position	2014 Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Functions/Programs							
General support	\$ 2,746,158	\$ 198,85	8 \$	-	\$ -	\$ (2,945,016)	\$ (3,189,665)
Instruction	15,800,523	922,85	3	141,548	819,052	(15,762,776)	(17,787,869)
Pupil transportation	828,164	301,69	7	-	4,596	(1,125,265)	(1,342,534)
Community services	26,467	-		-	-	(26,467)	(26,950)
Debt service	788,269	-		-	-	(788,269)	(871,356)
Food service program	328,443	-		130,567	243,245	45,369	34,356
Depreciation	1,423,408	(1,423,40	8)	-	-	-	-
Total functions and programs	\$ 21,941,432	\$ -	\$	272,115	\$ 1,066,893	(20,602,424)	(23,184,018)
General Revenues							
Real property taxes						12,837,387	12,488,155
Use of money and property						8,861	28,348
Sale of property and						-,	-,-
compensation for loss						37,254	17,524
Miscellaneous and donations						151,810	236,179
State sources						11,901,313	11,497,405
Federal sources						62,554	93,851
Total general revenues						24,999,179	24,361,462
Change in net position						4,396,755	1,177,444
Net position - beginning of year						12,573,823	11,396,379
Prior period adjustment						2,064,671	
Net position - end of year						\$ 19,035,249	\$ 12,573,823

# **SOUTHWESTERN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**COMBINED BALANCE SHEET – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2015

Schedule 3

	Governmental Funds														
										М	iscellaneous		2015		2014
			Special		Food		Debt		Capital		Special	(N	Memo only)	1)	Memo only)
	General		Aid		Service		Service		Projects		Revenue		Total		Total
Assets															
Unrestricted cash	\$ 2,013,557	\$	502,833	\$	42,035	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,558,425	\$	1,943,982
Restricted cash	2,980,073		-		-		377,053		536,136		539,156		4,432,418		2,366,663
Accounts receivable	-		-		918		-		-		-		918		1,015
Due from other funds	1,275,027		-		182,421		1,047		-		-		1,458,495		1,425,956
State and federal aid receivable	763,236		136,646		17,810		-		-		-		917,692		905,595
Due from other governments	103,176		-		-		-		-		-		103,176		40,120
Inventories			-		13,394		-		-		-		13,394		7,885
Total assets	\$ 7,135,069	\$	639,479	\$	256,578	\$	378,100	\$	536,136	\$	539,156	\$	9,484,518	\$	6,691,216
Liabilities and Fund Equity															
Liabilities															
Accounts payable	\$ 100,901	\$	3,014	\$	23,852	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	127,767	\$	242,787
Accrued liabilities	370,482		-		7,163		-		-		-		377,645		197,455
Bond anticipation notes payable	-		-		-		-		486,500		-		486,500		757,353
Due to other funds	204,169		636,465		-		-		504,931		131,737		1,477,302		172,379
Unearned revenue	48,801		-		-		-		-		-		48,801		84,455
Due to Teachers' Retirement System	1,586,923		-		-		-		-		-		1,586,923		1,457,618
Due to Employees' Retirement System	83,223		-		-		-		-		-		83,223		95,401
Total liabilities	2,394,499		639,479		31,015		-		991,431		131,737		4,188,161		3,007,448
Fund Equity															
Nonspendable	-		-		13,394		-		-		-		13,394		-
Restricted	2,980,073		-		-		378,100		-		407,419		3,765,592		2,317,075
Assigned	719,372		-		212,169		-		-		-		931,541		1,050,204
Unassigned (deficit)	1,041,125		-		-		-		(455,295)		-		585,830		316,489
Total fund equity (deficit)	4,740,570		-		225,563		378,100		(455,295)		407,419		5,296,357		3,683,768
Total liabilities and fund equity	\$ 7,135,069	\$	639,479	\$	256,578	\$	378,100	\$	536,136	\$	539,156	\$	9,484,518	\$	6,691,216

Schedule 4

COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY – GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

				Gov	ernmer	ntal Funds			
	0	Special	Food	Debt		Capital	Miscellaneous Special	2015 (Memo only)	2014 (Memo only)
Revenue	General	Aid	Service	Service		Projects	Revenue	Total	Total
Real property taxes	\$ 12,837,387	\$ -	\$ -	\$	- \$		\$ -	\$ 12,837,387	\$ 12,488,155
Charges for services	141,548	φ <del>-</del>	Φ -	Ф	- ф	-	Φ -	141,548	61,205
•	8,110	-	-		- 396	-	355	8,861	28,348
Use of money and property		-	-	,	90	-	300	,	,
Sale of property compensation for loss	37,254	-	400		-	-	-	37,254	17,524
Miscellaneous	151,810	400 554	100		-	-	-	151,910	192,424
State sources	11,901,313	169,551	8,274		-	-	-	12,079,138	11,691,596
Federal sources	62,554	654,097	202,593		-	-	-	919,244	843,202
Surplus food	=	-	32,378		-	=	=	32,378	34,891
Sales (school food service)		-	130,467		-	-	<u> </u>	130,467	152,676
Total revenue	25,139,976	823,648	373,812	;	396	-	355	26,338,187	25,510,021
Expenditures									
General support	2,445,209	-	-		-	-	-	2,445,209	2,464,868
Instruction	11,385,566	600,304	-		_	-	-	11,985,870	12,023,621
Pupil transportation	662,894	4,596	-		_	-	-	667,490	992,217
Community services	26,467	-	-		_	-	-	26,467	26,950
Employee benefits	5,770,761	227,967	-		_	-	-	5,998,728	5,918,693
Debt service	3,994,085	-	=		-	-	-	3,994,085	4,048,155
Capital outlay	, , -	-	=		-	-	-	-	1,481
Cost of sales	-	-	294,030		-	-	-	294,030	306,236
Other expenses	-	-	34,413		-	-	-	34,413	55,344
Total expenditures	24,284,982	832,867	328,443		-	-	-	25,446,292	25,837,565
Excess (deficiency) of		,	*						
revenue over expenditures	854,994	(9,219)	45,369	;	396	-	355	891,895	(327,544)
Other sources and uses									
BANs redeemed from appropriations						270,853		270,853	283,587
	42.777	9,219	-		-	270,000	-	51,996	203,30 <i>1</i> 57,120
Operating transfers in	,	9,219	-		-	-	(40.777)		•
Operating transfers out	(9,219)	9,219	-			270,853	(42,777)	(51,996)	(13,143)
Total other sources (uses)	33,336	9,219	-		_	270,000	(42,777)	270,853	327,564
Excess (deficiency) of revenue and other sources over									
expenditures and other uses	888,552	-	45,369	;	396	270,853	(42,422)	1,162,748	20
Fund equity (deficit), beginning of year	3,852,018	-	180,194	377,	704	(726,148)	-	3,683,768	3,683,748
Prior period adjustment	-	-	-		-	-	449,841	449,841	-
Fund equity (deficit), end of year	\$ 4,740,570	\$ -	\$ 225,563	\$ 378,	100 \$	(455,295)	\$ 407,419	\$ 5,296,357	\$ 3,683,768

Schedule 5

## STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - FIDUCIARY FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2015

	Р	Private urpose Trusts	Agency Funds	6	Total 5/30/2015	Total 6/30/2014
Assets						
Cash	\$	1,841	\$ 312,241	\$	314,082	\$ 1,965,411
Other assets		-	129		129	109
Due from other funds		-	18,807		18,807	
Total assets	\$	1,841	\$ 331,177	\$	333,018	\$ 1,965,520
Liabilities						
Accrued liabilities	\$	-	\$ 255,169	\$	255,169	\$ 188,109
Due to other funds		-	-		-	1,253,577
Student extraclassroom activity funds		-	76,008		76,008	72,514
Total liabilities		-	331,177		331,177	1,514,200
Net position						
Reserved for scholarships		1,841	-		1,841	1,479
Reserved for foundation endowment		-	-		·-	449,841
Total net position		1,841	-		1,841	451,320
Total liabilities and net position	\$	1,841	\$ 331,177	\$	333,018	\$ 1,965,520

Schedule 6

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION - FIDUCIARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	6/	30/2015	6/30/2014	
Additions Gifts and contributions Interest earnings	\$	1,000	\$	730 661
Total additions		1,000		1,391
<b>Deductions</b> Scholarships awarded Transfer to general fund		638 -		671 44,983
Total deductions		638		45,654
Change in net position		362		(44,263)
Net position - beginning of year		451,320		495,583
Prior period adjustment		(449,841)		-
Net position - end of year	\$	1,841	\$	451,320

#### RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2015

Total fund balances - governmental funds	\$	5,296,357
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds. Capital assets consist of the following at year-end:  Cost of the assets  Accumulated depreciation	\$ 56,538,665 (18,012,827)	38,525,838
District's proportionate share of the net pension asset is reported on the statement of net position, whereas in the governmental funds, pension costs are based on required contributions		6,549,450
Net deferred outflows (inflows) of resources related to actuarial pension differences are reported on the statement of net position and amortized over the average members' years of service. In the governmental funds, pension expense is based on required contributions		(2,725,840)
Interest on long-term liabilities is not accrued in governmental funds, but rather is recognized as an expenditure when due.		(133,000)
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-term liabilities at year-end consist of the following:  Bonds payable, net	(24,860,332)	
Energy performance contract, net Net pension liability Other post-employment benefits	(135,995) (220,150) (3,261,079)	(28,477,556)
Total net position - governmental activities	9	19,035,249

#### Schedule 7

	Go	Total overnmental Funds		Long-term sset & Outflow Transactions		Long-term ability & Inflow Transactions		eclassification and Eliminations	S	statement of Net Position
Assets										
Cash	\$	6,990,843	¢	_	\$	_	\$	_	\$	6,990,843
Due from other funds	Ψ	1,458,495	Ψ	_	Ψ	_	Ψ	(1,458,495)	Ψ	0,000,040
State and federal aid receivable		917,692		_		_		(1,430,433)		917,692
Accounts receivable		918		_		_		_		91
Due from other governments		103,176		_		_		_		103,17
Inventories		13,394		_		_		_		13,39
Net pension asset - TRS		10,007		6,549,450		_		_		6,549,45
Capital assets, net		-		38,525,838		<u>-</u>		-		38,525,83
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Total assets		9,484,518		45,075,288		-		(1,458,495)		53,101,31
Deferred Outflows of Resources										
Deferred outflows related to pensions		-		1,768,602		-		-		1,768,60
otal assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$	9,484,518	\$	46,843,890	\$	-	\$	(1,458,495)	\$	54,869,91
Liabilities	•	107.707	•		•		•		•	407.70
Accounts payable	\$	127,767	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	127,76
Accrued liabilities		377,645		-		-		-		377,64
Accrued interest		-		-		133,000		- (4.450.405)		133,00
Due to other funds		1,477,302		-		-		(1,458,495)		18,80
Unearned revenue		48,801		-		-		-		48,80
Due to retirement systems		1,670,146		-		-		-		1,670,14
Bond anticipation notes payable Bonds payable, net		486,500		-		24,860,332		-		486,50 24,860,33
Energy performance bonds, net		-		-		135,995		-		135,99
Net pension liability - ERS		-		-		220,150		-		220,15
Other post-employment benefits		_				3,261,079				3,261,07
Total liabilities		4,188,161		<u> </u>		28,610,556		(1,458,495)		31,340,22
		1,100,101						(1,100,100)		0 1,0 10,
Deferred Inflows of Resources										
Deferred inflows related to pensions		-		-		4,494,442		-		4,494,44
Fund equity and net position		5,296,357		46,843,890		(33,104,998)		-		19,035,24
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund equity/net position	\$	9,484,518	•	46,843,890	¢	_	Φ.	(1,458,495)	Φ.	54,869,9 <sup>2</sup>

# RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds		\$ 1,162,748
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:		
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. Activity for the current fiscal year ended was as follows:  Capital outlays Adjustments/disposals Depreciation expense	\$ 37,975 112,342 (1,423,408)	(1,273,091)
Repayment of bonds, BANs and energy performance contract principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net position.		2,851,257
Bond anticipation notes redeemed from appropriations is recorded as revenue and other sources in the governmental funds, whereas the repayment reduces short-term liabilities in the statement of net position.		(270,853)
Premiums earned from the issuance of long-term debt are recorded as revenue in in governmental funds. However, in the statement of activities, premiums earned the issuance of long-term debt is not recorded as revenue but rather the amount is recorded as a liability in the statement of net position. This liability is amortized over the life of the debt instrument.		335,559
District's proportionate share of actuarial calculated pension expense and net amortization of deferred amounts from changes in proportion are recorded in the statement of activities, whereas in the governmental funds, pension expense is based on the District's contribution to pension plans.		1,988,630
In the statement of activities, other post-employment benefits are measured by the amounts earned during the year. In the governmental funds, however, expenditures for these items are measured by the amount of financial resources used (essentially, the amounts actually paid). This year, other post-employment benefits earned changed by this amount.		(416,495)
Interest on long-term debt in the statement of activities differs from the amount reported in the governmental funds because interest is recognized as an expenditure in the funds when it is due, and thus requires the use of current financial resources. In the statement of activities, however, interest expense is recognized as the interest accrues, regardless of when it is due.		19,000
Change in net position of governmental activities		\$ 4,396,755

### Schedule 8

_	Total Governmental Funds	Long-term Asset & Outflow Transactions	Long-term Liability & Inflow Transactions	Reclassification and Eliminations	Statement of Activities Totals
Revenue	Φ 40.007.007	Φ.	•	•	Φ 40.007.007
Real property taxes	\$ 12,837,387	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,837,387
Charges for services	141,548	-	-	(141,548)	-
Use of money and property	8,861	-	-	-	8,861
Sale of property compensation for loss	37,254	-	-	- (400)	37,254
Miscellaneous	151,910	-	-	(100)	151,810
State sources	12,079,138	-	-	(177,825)	11,901,313
Federal sources	919,244	-	-	(856,690)	62,554
Surplus food	32,378	-	-	(32,378)	-
Sales (school food service)	130,467	-	-	(130,467)	
Total revenue	26,338,187	-	-	(1,339,008)	24,999,179
Expenditures					
General support	2,445,209	167,305	_	332,502	2,945,016
Instruction	11,985,870	809,238	416,495	2,551,173	15,762,776
Pupil transportation	667,490	296,548	-	161,227	1,125,265
Community services	26,467	-	_	-	26,467
Employee benefits	5,998,728	_	(1,988,630)	(4,010,098)	-
Debt service	3,994,085	_	(3,205,816)	-	788,269
Capital outlay	-	_	-	_	-
Cost of sales	294,030	_	_	(339,399)	(45,369)
Other expenses	34,413	-	-	(34,413)	-
Total expenditures	25,446,292	1,273,091	(4,777,951)	(1,339,008)	20,602,424
Excess (deficiency) of					
revenue over expenditures	891,895	(1,273,091)	4,777,951	-	4,396,755
Other sources and uses					
BANs redeemed from appropriations	270,853	_	(270,853)	_	_
Operating transfers in	51,996	- -	(270,000)	(51,996)	_
Operating transfers out	(51,996)	_	_	51,996	_
Total other sources (uses)	270,853	-	(270,853)	-	
Total other sources (uses)	210,000	<u>-</u>	(270,000)		
Net change for year	\$ 1,162,748	\$ (1,273,091)	\$ 4,507,098	\$ -	\$ 4,396,755

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### I. Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying financial statements of the **Southwestern Central School District** have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) for governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) which is the standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

#### A. Reporting Entity

The financial statements include all funds and account groups of the School District as well as the component units and other organizational entities determined to be includable in the School District's financial reporting entity.

The decision to include a potential component unit in the School District's reporting entity is based on several criteria including legal standing, fiscal dependency, and financial accountability. Based on the application of these criteria, the following is a brief review of certain entities included in the School District's reporting entity:

#### 1. The Extraclassroom Activity Funds

The extraclassroom activity funds of the Southwestern Central School District represents funds of the students of the School District. The Board of Education exercises general oversight of these funds. The extraclassroom activity funds are independent of the School District with respect to its financial transactions, and the designation of student management. The cash and investment balances are reported in the Agency Fund of the District. The audited financial statements (cash basis) of the extraclassroom activity funds are included as supplementary information to these audited financial statements, located on pages 58-61 of this report.

#### **B.** Joint Venture

The Southwestern Central School District is one of 27 component school districts in the Erie 2 – Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES). A BOCES is a voluntary, cooperative association of school districts in a geographic area that share planning, services, and programs which provide educational and support activities.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### B. Joint Venture (continued)

BOCES are organized under Section 1950 of the Education Law. A BOCES Board is considered a corporate body. All BOCES property is held by the BOCES Board as a corporation (Section 1950(6)). In addition, BOCES Boards also are considered municipal corporations to permit them to contract with other municipalities on a cooperative basis under Section 119-n(a) of the General Municipal Law.

A BOCES budget is comprised of separate budgets for administrative, program, and capital costs. Each component school district's share of the administrative and capital cost is determined by resident public school district enrollment as defined in Education Law, Section 1950(4)(b)(7).

There is no authority or process by which a school district can terminate its status as a BOCES component. In addition, component school districts pay tuition or a service fee for programs in which its students participate. Members of a BOCES Board are nominated and elected by their component member boards in accordance with provisions of Section 1950 of the Education Law.

During the year, the District was billed approximately \$2,479,000 for BOCES administration and program costs. The District's share of BOCES aid and refunds amounted to \$1,088,000 for the year ended June 30, 2015. Financial statements for the Erie 2 – Chautauqua-Cattaraugus BOCES are available at the BOCES administrative offices in Angola, New York

#### C. Basis of Presentation

#### 1. District-wide Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities present financial information about the District's governmental These statements include the activities. financial activities of the overall government in its entirety, except those that are fiduciary. Eliminations have been made to minimize double counting of internal transactions. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, state aid, intergovernmental revenues, and other exchange and nonexchange transactions. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (either operating or capital) grants.

#### C. Basis of Presentation (continued)

#### 1. District-wide Statements (continued)

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with and are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include charges paid by the recipients of goods or services offered by the programs, and grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues, including all taxes, are presented as general revenues.

#### 2. Fund Financial Statements

The fund statements provide information about the District's funds, including fiduciary funds. Separate statements for each fund category (governmental and fiduciary) are presented. The emphasis of fund financial statements is on major governmental funds, each displayed in a separate column.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

**General** - is the general operating fund and is used to account for all financial transactions except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

**Special Aid** - is used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources such as Federal and State grants that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes, whose funds are restricted as to use. These legal restrictions may be imposed by either governments that provide the funds or outside parties.

**Food Service** – is used to account for all revenue and expenditures pertaining to the cafeteria operations.

**Capital Projects** - is used to account for the financial resources used for acquisition, construction, or major repair of capital facilities.

**Debt Service** - is used to account for the accumulation of resources and the payment of general long-term debt principal and interest.

**Fiduciary Fund Types** - This fund is used to account for fiduciary activities. Fiduciary activities are those in which the District acts as trustee or agent for resources that belong to others.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### C. Basis of Presentation (continued)

#### 2. Fund Financial Statements (continued)

Fiduciary Fund Types (continued) - These activities are not included in the District-wide financial statements, because their resources do not belong to the District, and are not available to be used. Included in the Fiduciary Fund are Private Purpose Trust Funds and Agency Funds. Agency Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and generally are accounted for on the cash basis which approximates the modified accrual basis of accounting. Private Purpose Trust Funds are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting.

#### D. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The District-wide and fiduciary fund 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 at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash transaction takes place. exchange transactions, in which the District gives or receives value without directly receiving or giving equal value in exchange, include property taxes, On an accrual basis, grants and donations. revenue from property taxes is recognized in the fiscal year for which the taxes are levied. Revenue from grants and donations is recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

The governmental fund statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under this method, revenues are recognized when measurable and available. The District considers all revenues reported in the governmental funds to be available if the revenues are collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period, except for real property taxes, which are considered to be available if they are collected within 60 days after the end of the fiscal year.

Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for principal and interest on general long-term debt, claims and judgments, and compensated absences, which are recognized as expenditures to the extent they have matured. General capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financing sources.

#### E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For financial statement purposes, all highly liquid investments of three months or less are considered as cash equivalents. New York State law governs the District's investment policies. Resources must be deposited in FDIC-insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the State. Permissible investments include obligations of the United States Treasury, United States Agencies, repurchase agreements and obligations of New York State or its localities. Collateral is required for demand and time deposits and certificates of deposit not covered by FDIC insurance.

#### F. Investments

Investments are stated at the lower of cost or current market value.

#### G. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are shown gross, with uncollectible amounts recognized under the direct write-off method. No allowance for uncollectible accounts have been provided since it is believed that such allowances would not be material.

#### H. Inventory

Inventories of food in the School Food Service Fund are recorded at cost on a first-in, first-out basis or in the case of surplus food, at stated value which approximates market. Purchases of inventoriable items in other funds are recorded as expenditures at the time of purchase.

#### I. Due To/From Other Funds

The amounts reported on the Statement of Net Position for due to and from other funds represents amounts due between different fund types (governmental activities, and fiduciary funds). Eliminations have been made for amounts due to and due from within the same fund type. A detailed description of the individual fund balances at year-end is provided subsequently in these notes.

#### J. Interfund Transfers

The operations of the School District give rise to certain transactions between funds, including transfers to provide services and construct assets.

#### K. Capital Assets

Capital assets are reported at actual cost. Donated assets are reported at estimated fair market value at the time received. During the current year, the District had a full independent appraisal of its fixed assets and as a result restated its fixed assets to reflect estimated historical cost and accumulated depreciation as determined by the appraisal group.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### K. Capital Assets (continued)

Capitalization thresholds (the dollar value above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts), depreciation methods, and estimated useful lives of capital assets reported in the District-wide statements as follows:

	 Capitalization Threshold	Method	Estimated Useful Life
Buildings Site	\$ 5,000	Straight-line	40 years
improvements	5,000	Straight-line	20 years
Furniture and equipment Transportation	5,000	Straight-line	10-15 years
Vehicles	5,000	Straight-line	5-8 years

#### L. Deferred Outflows and Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net 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 and so will not be an outflow of resources recognized as (expense/expenditure) until then. The government typically has two items that qualify for reporting in this category and is related to pensions reported in the district-wide Statement of Net Position. This represents the effect of the net change in the District's proportion of the collective net pension asset or liability and difference during the measurement period between the District's contributions and its proportion share of total contributions to the pension systems not included in pension expense. Also, the District contributions to the pension systems (TRS and ERS Systems) subsequent to the measurement date qualifies as a deferred outflows or resources.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net 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. The District has one item that qualifies for reporting in this category and is related to pensions in the district-wide Statement of Net Position. This represents the effect of the net change in the District's proportion of the collective net pension liability (ERS System) and difference during the measurement periods between the District's contributions and its proportion share of total contributions to the pension systems not included in pension expense.

#### M. Compensated Absences

Sick leave – the District's employee groups received a negotiated number of sick days which are earned on an annual basis. These sick days may be accumulated to a maximum of 200 days under the professionals and support staff contracts and 250 days for the administrators. Upon retirement or if the employee terminates service with the District, accumulated sick days are forfeited.

#### N. Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities and the reported revenues and expenses.

#### O. <u>Unearned Revenue</u>

Unearned revenue is reported on the District's combined balance sheet. Unearned revenue arises when potential revenue does not meet both the measurable and available criteria for recognition in the current period. Unearned revenue also arises when resources are received by the District before it has a legal claim to them, as when grant monies are received prior to the incurrence of qualifying expenditures. In subsequent periods, when both recognition criteria are met, or when the District has legal claim to the resources, the liability for unearned revenue is removed and revenue is recognized.

#### P. Post-Employment Benefits

In addition to the retirement benefits described elsewhere in the notes to the financial statements, the District provides post-employment health insurance coverage to certain retired employees and their survivors in accordance with the provisions of the employment contracts negotiated between the School District and its employee groups.

Professional staff may become eligible for these benefits if they are eligible to retire pursuant to the New York State Teacher's Retirement System. Support staff, hired before July 1, 2006, may become eligible for these benefits if they are employed with the District for 8 years prior to retirement. The agreements give such employee groups the following options:

 For professional staff, the District will pay 50% of the premium for single plans and 40% for family plans for life. For support staff, the District will pay 55% of the premium for both single and family plans for life.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### P. Post-Employment Benefits (continued)

 Provided the District receives notice of the intent to retire and if the professional retires during the initial year he or she is eligible to retire, the District will pay 100% of the premium for single and family plans, until the retiree reaches the age of 65 years old.

Certain administrators have also negotiated provisions of post-employment benefits into their contract.

#### Q. Fund Equity

#### 1. Governmental Funds

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued Statement No. 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions (GASB 54). This Statement defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes

GASB 54 requires the fund balance amounts to be reported within one of the fund balance categories listed below:

#### A. Nonspendable

Fund balance associated with assets that are inherently nonspendable in the current period because of their form or because they must be maintained intact, including inventories, long-term loans and prepaids. notes receivable, and property held for relate (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed, or assigned). Nonspendable Fund Balance includes the following category:

#### 1. Inventory Reserve

This reserve is used to limit the investment in inventory and to restrict that portion of fund balance which is unavailable for appropriation. This reserve is accounted for in the School Food Service Fund.

#### B. Restricted

Fund balance amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes stipulated by constitutional, external resource providers including creditors, grantors, contributors, etc., or through enabling legislation. Restricted Fund Balance includes the following categories:

#### Q. Fund Equity (continued)

#### 1. Governmental Funds (continued)

#### B. Restricted (continued)

#### 1. Capital Reserve

This reserve is used to accumulate funds to finance all or a portion of future capital projects for which bonds may be issued. Voter authorization is required for both the establishment of the reserves and payments from the reserves. This reserve is accounted for in the General Fund.

#### 2. Reserve for Retirement Contributions

This reserve is used to accumulate funds for employee retirement system contributions. The reserve may be established by a majority vote of the Board of Education and is accounted for in the General Fund.

#### 3. <u>Unemployment Reserve</u>

Unemployment Insurance Reserve is used to pay the cost of reimbursement to the State Unemployment Fund for payments made to claimants where the employer has elected to use the benefit reimbursement method. The reserve may be established by Board action and is funded by budgetary appropriations and such other funds as may be legally appropriated. Within sixty days after the end of any fiscal year, excess amounts may be either transferred to another reserve or the excess applied to the appropriations of the next succeeding fiscal year's budget. If the District elects to convert to tax basis, excess resources in the fund over the sum sufficient to pay pending claims may be transferred to any other reserve fund. This reserve is accounted for in the General Fund.

#### 4. <u>Tax Certiorari Rese</u>rve

Tax Certiorari Reserve is used to establish a reserve fund for tax certiorari and to expend from the fund without voter approval. The monies held in the reserve shall not exceed the amounts which might reasonably be deemed necessary to meet anticipated judgments and claims arising out of tax certiorari proceedings. Any resources deposited to the reserve which are not expended for tax certiorari proceeding in the year such monies are deposited must be returned to the General Fund on or before the first day of the fourth fiscal year after deposit of these monies. This reserve is accounted for in the General Fund.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Q. Fund Equity (continued)

#### 1. Governmental Funds (continued)

#### B. Restricted (continued)

#### 5. Reserve for Debt Service

This reserve is used to account for proceeds from the sale of property that was financed by obligations still outstanding, interest and earnings on outstanding obligations, and remaining bond proceeds not to be utilized for the intended purpose. These monies must be used to pay the debt service of the obligations from which they originated. These reserves are accounted for in the Debt Service Fund.

### 6. Endowment Scholarships and Foundation Endowment Reserve

This reserve is used to account for endowments, scholarships and other funds held in trust by the School District. These monies and earnings must be used for the specific purpose of the original contribution.

#### C. Committed

Fund balance amounts that can be used only for specific purposes determined by a formal action of the District's Board of Education, which is the District's highest level of decision-making authority. The District did not have any committed fund balance as of June 30, 2015.

#### D. Assigned

Fund balance intended to be used by the District for specific purposes but does not meet the criteria to be restricted or committed. Along with the District's Board of Education, the Business Manager and Treasurer has been authorized to assign fund balance amounts for specific purposes through the establishment of an encumbrance.

#### 1. Encumbrance Accounting

Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments of the expenditure of monies are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is used in the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, and Capital Projects Fund. If resources have already been restricted or committed for encumbrances, the encumbered amounts will be included with restricted or committed resources. If resources have not already been restricted or committed, amounts encumbered are considered assigned for the purpose of the expected expenditure.

#### Q. Fund Equity (continued)

#### 1. Governmental Funds (continued)

#### D. Assigned (continued)

#### 2. Appropriated Fund Equity

General Fund - The amount of \$550,000 has been designated as the amount estimated to be appropriated to reduce taxes for the year ending June 30, 2016 as allowed by Section 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law.

#### E. Unassigned

The residual classification of the general fund and includes all spendable amounts not contained in the other classifications.

#### 2. Government-wide financial statements

#### A. Net Investment in Capital Assets

This designation of net position is used to accumulate the capital asset balance in the statement of net position less accumulated depreciation and outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

#### B. Restricted

This category represents amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes stipulated by constitutional, external resource providers including creditors, grantors, contributors, etc., or through enabling legislation.

#### C. Unrestricted

This category represents net position of the District not restricted for any other purpose.

#### 3. Order of Fund Balance Spending Policy

When more than one classification of fund balance of the District are eligible to be utilized for an expenditure of the District, the order in which the fund balance classifications will be utilized will be as follows:

- Restricted fund balance for which action has been taken by the Board of Education, a designated school official, or by the voters of the District, specifically designating funds to the expenditure;
- Committed fund balance for which action has been taken by the Board of Education, a designated school official, or by the voters of the District, specifically designating funds to the expenditure;
- c. Assigned fund balance created specifically for the expenditure (encumbered fund balance);
- d. Assigned fund balance within funds other than the General Fund of the District to which the expenditure relates;
- e. Unassigned fund balance.

### NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### R. <u>Budgetary Procedures and Budgetary</u> Accounting

#### 1. Budget Policies

The budget policies are as follows:

- The School District administration prepares a proposed budget for approval by the Board of Education for the General Fund and the School Food Service Fund.
- b) The proposed appropriations budget is approved by the voters within the District.
- Appropriations are adopted at the program level.
- d) Appropriations established by adoption of the budget constitute a limitation on expenditures and encumbrances which may be incurred. Appropriations lapse at the fiscal year end. Supplemental appropriations may occur subject to legal restrictions, if the Board approves them because of a need which exists which was not determined at the time the budget was adopted. The District had no supplemental appropriations in the General Fund during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

#### 2. Budget Basis for Accounting

Budgets are adopted annually on a basis consistent with the fund financial statements and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Appropriations authorized for the current year are increased by the amount of encumbrances carried forward from the prior year.

The budget and actual comparison for Special Revenue Funds, reflects budgeted and actual amounts for funds with legally authorized (appropriated) budgets.

Budgetary controls for the special revenue (other than School Food Service Fund) and capital funds are established in accordance with the applicable grant agreement or authorized project limit which may cover a period other than the District's fiscal year. Consequently, the budgets for such funds have been excluded from the combined schedule of revenue, expenditures and changes in fund equity-budget and actual.

#### S. Property Taxes

#### 1. Calendar

Real property taxes are levied annually by the Board of Education no later than September 1 and become a lien on October 31.

#### S. Property Taxes (continued)

#### 2. Enforcement

Uncollected real property taxes are subsequently enforced by the Counties, in which the School District is located. An amount representing uncollected real property taxes transmitted to the County for enforcement is paid by the County to the School District no later than the forthcoming April 1.

## NOTE 2 - EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENTS AND DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS

Due to the differences in the measurement focus and basis of accounting used in the governmental fund statements and the District-wide statements, certain financial transactions are treated differently. The basic financial statements contain a full reconciliation of these items. The differences result primarily from the economic focus of the Statement of Activities, compared with the current financial resources focus of the governmental funds.

### A. <u>Total Fund Balances of Governmental Funds vs. Net Position of Governmental Activities</u>

Total fund equity of the District's governmental funds differs from "net position" of governmental activities reported in the Statement of Net Position. This difference primarily results from the additional long-term economic focus of the Statement of Net Position versus the solely current financial resources focus of the governmental fund Balance Sheets.

### B. Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance vs. Statement of Activities

Differences between the governmental funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance and the Statement of Activities fall into one of three broad categories. The amounts shown below represent:

#### 1. Long-term Revenue Differences

Long-term revenue differences arise because governmental funds report revenues only when they are considered "available", whereas the Statement of Activities reports revenues when earned. Differences in long-term expenses arise because governmental funds report on a modified accrual basis, whereas the accrual basis of accounting is used on the Statement of Activities.

#### 2. Capital Related Differences

Capital related differences include the difference between proceeds for the sale of capital assets reported on governmental fund statements and the gain or loss on the sale of assets as reported on the Statement of Activities, and the difference between recording an expenditure for the purchase of capital items in the governmental fund statements and depreciation expense on those items as recorded in the Statement of Activities.

## NOTE 2 - EXPLANATION OF CERTAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GOVERNMENTAL FUND STATEMENTS AND DISTRICT-WIDE STATEMENTS

## B. Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance vs. Statement of Activities (continued)

#### 3. Long-term Debt Transaction Differences

Long-term debt transaction differences occur because both interest and principal payments are recorded as expenditures in the governmental fund statements, whereas interest payments are recorded in the Statement of Activities as incurred, and principal payments are recorded as a reduction of liabilities in the Statement of Net Position.

#### **NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS**

#### I. Cash

The **Southwestern Central School District's** investment policies are governed by State statutes. School District monies must be deposited in FDIC-insured commercial banks or trust companies located within the State. The District treasurer is authorized to use demand accounts and certificates of deposits. Permissible investments include obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements, and obligations of New York State or its localities.

Collateral is required for demand and time deposits and certificates of deposit not covered by Federal Deposit Insurance. Obligations that may be pledged as collateral are obligations of the United States and its agencies and obligations of the state and its municipalities and School Districts.

Deposits are valued at cost or cost plus interest and are categorized as either:

- (1) Insured through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, collateralized with securities held by the entity or by its agent in the entity's name:
- (2) Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agency in the entity's name; or
- (3) Uncollateralized

Total financial institution (bank) balances at June 30, 2015 per the bank were approximately \$7,614,000 Deposits are categorized as follows:

#### Category 1 Category 2 Category 3 Value

#### \$ 579,000 \$ 7,035,000 \$ - \$ 7,614,000

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure the District's deposits may not be returned to it. While the District does not have a specific policy with regards to custodial credit risk, New York State statutes govern the District's investment policies. At June 30, 2015, the District's bank deposits were fully collateralized.

#### II. Interfund Transactions

Interfund balances as of June 30, 2015 are as follows:

		Interfund Receivable		Interfund Payable
General Fund	\$	1,275,027	\$	204,169
Food Service Fund	*	182,421	*	
Special Aid Fund		- ,		636,465
Private Purpose Trust		-		=
Agency Fund		18,807		-
Miscellaneous Special				
Revenue Fund		-		131,737
Debt Service Fund		1,047		-
Capital Fund		-		504,931
Total	\$	1,477,302	\$	1,477,302

Interfund transactions for the year ended June 30, 2015 are as follows:

	Interfund Revenue	Interfund Expenditures
General Fund Special Aid Fund Debt Service Fund Miscellaneous Special	\$ 42,777 9,219 -	\$ 9,219 - -
Revenue Fund	-	42,777
Total	\$ 51,996	\$ 51,996

During the current year, the general fund transferred \$9,219 to the special aid fund to cover the local share of certain Federal and State grant programs. The District also transferred \$42,777 from the miscellaneous special revenue fund to the general fund which represents the local share of a previous District capital project, utilized to offset related debt service costs.

#### III. Receivables

Receivables at June 30, 2015 consisted of the following, which are stated at gross value. District management has deemed the amounts to be fully collectible.

Fund	Description	 Amount
Food Service	Accounts receivable	\$ 918
Food Service	State and Federal Aid	17,810
Special Aid	State and Federal Aid	136,646
General	State and Federal Aid	763,236
General	Due from Other	
	Governments	 103,176
		\$ 1,021,786

### NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

#### IV. Capital Assets

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended June 30, 2015 were as follows:

		Beginning Balance 06/30/14	Change	Ending Balance 06/30/15
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets that are not depreciated: Land Construction-in- Progress	\$	2,265,450 \$	-	\$ 2,265,450
Subtotal		2,265,450	-	2,265,450
Capital assets that are depreciated: Buildings and improvements Furniture and		50,875,772	176,980	51,052,752
equipment Total		3,397,065	(176,602)	3,220,463
historical cost		56,538,287 \$	378	56,538,665
Less accumulated depreciation: Buildings and				
improvements Furniture and		14,753,353 \$	1,219,965	15,973,318
equipment		1,986,005	53,504	2,039,509
Total accumulated depreciation		16,739,358 \$	1,273,469	18,012,827
Total net book value	\$	39,798,929	:	\$ 38,525,838
Depreciation expens	se	was		

charged to governmental functions as follows:

General support	\$ 198,858
Instruction	922,853
Pupil transportation	301,697
	\$ 1.423.408

#### V. Liabilities

#### A. Pension Plans

- 1. Plan Descriptions and Benefits Provided
- a. Teachers' Retirement System (TRS)

The District participates in the New York State Teachers' Retirement System (TRS). This is a cost-sharing multipleemployer retirement system. The System provides retirement benefits as well as, death and disability benefits to plan members and beneficiaries as authorized by the Education Law and the Retirement and Social Security Law of the State of New York. The System is governed by a 10 member Board of Trustees. System benefits are established under New York State Law. Membership is mandatory and automatic for all full-time teachers, teaching assistants, guidance counselors administrators employed in New York Public Schools and BOCES who elected to participate in TRS. Once a public employer elects to participate in the System, the election is irrevocable. The New York State Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. Additional information regarding the System, may be obtained by writing to the New York State Teachers' Retirement System, 10 Corporate Woods Drive, Albany, NY 12211-2395 or by referring to the NYSSTR Comprehensive Annual Financial report which can be found on the System's website at www.nystrs.org.

#### b. Employees' Retirement System (ERS)

The District participates in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System (ERS). This is a cost-sharing multiple-employer retirement system. The System provides retirement benefits as well as death and disability benefits. The net position of the System is held in the New York State Common Retirement Fund (the Fund), which was established to hold all net assets and record changes in plan net position allocated to the System. The Comptroller of the State of New York serves as the trustee of the Fund and is the administrative head of the System. System benefits are established under the provisions of the New York State Retirement and Social Security Law (RSSL). Once a public employer elects to participate in the System, the election is irrevocable. The New York State

#### **NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)**

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

- Plan Descriptions and Benefits Provided (continued)
- b. Employees' Retirement System (ERS) (continued)

Constitution provides that pension membership is a contractual relationship and plan benefits cannot be diminished or impaired. Benefits can be changed for future members only by enactment of a State statute. The District also participates in the Public Employees' Group Life Insurance Plan (GLIP), which provides death benefits in the form of life insurance. The System is included in the State's financial report as a pension trust fund. That report, including information with regard to benefits provided, may be found at www.osc.state.ny.us/retire/publications/index.php or obtained by writing to the New York State and Local Retirement System, 110 State Street, Albany, NY 12244.

#### 2. Contributions

The Systems are noncontributory except for employees who joined after July 27, 1976, who contribute 3 percent of their salary for the first ten years of membership, and employees who joined on or after January 1, 2010 who generally contribute 3.0 to 3.5 percent of their salary for their entire length of service. In addition, employee contribution rates under ERS tier VI vary based on a sliding salary scale. For ERS, the Comptroller annually certifies the actuarially determined rates expressly used in computing the employers' contributions based on salaries paid during the Systems' fiscal year ending March 31. For TRS, contribution rates are established annually by the New York State Teachers' Retirement Board pursuant to Article 11 of the Education law.

Contributions (payments) for the current year and two preceding years were equal to 100 percent of the contributions required, and were as follows:

	 ERS	TRS
2015	\$ 368,000	\$ 1,441,000
2014	\$ 363,000	\$ 1,102,000
2013	\$ 367,000	\$ 1,065,000

ERS has provided additional disclosures through entities that elected to participate in Chapter 260, 57, and 105.

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

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

At June 30, 2015, the District reported the following asset/(liability) for its proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) for each of the Systems. The net pension asset/(liability) was measured as of March 31, 2015 for ERS and June 30, 2014 for TRS. The total pension asset/(liability) used to calculate the net pension asset/(liability) was determined by an actuarial valuation. The District's proportion of the net pension asset/(liability) was based on a projection of the District's long-term share of contributions to the Systems relative to the projected contributions of all participating members, actuarially determined. This information was provided by the ERS and TRS Systems in reports provided to the District.

#### **NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)**

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

3. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

Actuarial valuation date	ERS 3/31/15	TRS 6/30/14
Net pension asset/(liability) District's portion of the Plan's	\$ (220,150)	\$ 6,549,450
total net pension asset/(liability)	.00652%	.05880%

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the District's recognized pension expense of \$209,044 for ERS and the actuarial value (\$255,045) for TRS. At June 30, 2015 the District's reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources ERS TR		rces TRS	Deferred Inflows of R ERS			Resources TRS	
_				-				
Differences between expected and actual experience Changes of assumptions	\$	7,047 -	\$	- -	\$	- -	\$	95,774 -
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		38,237		-		-		4,398,668
Changes in proportion and differences between the Districts contributions and proportionate								
share of contributions		39,225		13,947		-		-
District's contributions subsequent to the measurement date		83,223		1,586,923		-		
Total	\$	167,732	\$	1,600,870	\$	-	\$	4,494,442

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

#### 3. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (continued)

District contributions subsequent to the measurement date which will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

	ERS	TRS
Year ended:		_
2016	\$ 104,350	\$ 477,741
2017	21,127	(1,109,182)
2018	21,127	(1,109,182)
2019	21,128	(1,109,182)
2020	-	(9,515)
Thereafter	=	(34,252)

#### 4. Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension liability as of the measurement date was determined by using an actuarial valuation as noted in the table below, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to the measurement date. The actuarial valuations used the following actuarial assumptions:

Significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuations were as follows:

	ERS	TRS
Measurement date	3/31/15	6/30/14
Actuarial valuation date	4/1/14	6/30/13
Interest rate	7.5%	8%
Salary scale	4.9% average	4.01% - 10.91%
	4/1/05 - 3/31/10	7/1/05 - 6/30/10
	System's	System's
Decrement tables	Experience	Experience
Inflation rate	2.7%	3%

#### **NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)**

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

#### 4. Actuarial Assumptions (continued)

For ERS, annuitant mortality rates are based on April 1, 2005 – March 31, 2011 System's experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on MP-2014. For TRS, annuitant mortality rates are based on July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010 System's experience with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Society of Actuaries Scale AA.

For ERS, the actuarial assumptions used in the April 1, 2014 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period April 1, 2005 – March 31, 2010. For TRS, the actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2013 valuation are based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010.

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

Measurement date	ERS 3/31/15	TRS 6/30/14
Asset Type:		
Domestic Equity	38%	37%
International Equity	13%	18%
Private Equity	10%	-%
Real Estate	8%	10%
Other investments	9%	7%
Domestic fixed income securities	-%	18%
Global fixed income securities	-%	2%
Bonds and Mortgages	18%	8%
Cash	2%	-%
Inflation-indexed bonds	2%	-%
Total:	100%	100%

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#### **NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)**

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

#### 5. Discount Rate

The discount rate used to calculate the total pension liability was 7.5% for ERS and 8% for TRS. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumes that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily required rates, actuarially. Based upon the assumptions, the Systems' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

## 6. Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to the Discount Rate Assumption

The following presents the District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.5% for ERS and 8% for TRS, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension asset/(liability) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1- percentage point lower (6.5% for ERS and 7% for TRS) or 1-percentage point higher (8.5% for ERS and 9% for TRS) than the current rate:

ERS	1% Decrease (6.5%)	Current Assumption (7.5%)	1% Increase (8.5%)
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension asset (liability)	\$ (1,467,398)	\$ (220,150)	\$ 832,836

#### NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

## 6. <u>Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to the Discount Rate</u> Assumption (continued)

TRS	1% Decrease (7.0%)	Current Assumption (8.0%)	1% Increase (9.0%)
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension asset (liability)	\$ 141,281	\$ 6,549,450	\$ 12,010,101

#### 7. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

The components of the current-year net pension asset/(liability) of the employers as of the respective valuation dates, were as follows:

	(Dollars in Thousands)				
		ERS		TRS	
Valuation date		3/31/15		6/30/14	
Employers' total					
pension liability	\$	164,591,504	\$	97,015,707	
Plan net position	\$	161,213,259	\$	108,155,083	
Employers' net pension (liability)/asset	\$	(3,378,245)	\$	11,139,376	
Ratio of plan net position to the Employers' total pension					
asset/(liability)		97.9%		111.48%	

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#### **NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)**

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

#### 8. Payables to the Pension Plan

For ERS, employer contributions are paid annually based on the System's fiscal year which ends on March 31st. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2015 represent the projected employer contribution for the period of April 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 based on paid ERS wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2015 amounted to \$83,223.

For TRS, employer and employee contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 are paid to the System in September, October and November 2015 through a state aid intercept. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2015 represent employee and employer contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 based on paid TRS wages multiplied by the employer's contribution rate, by tier and employee contributions for the fiscal year as reported to the TRS System. Accrued retirement contributions as of June 30, 2015 amounted to \$1,586,923.

#### 9. Restatement of the Net Position

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the District implemented GASB Statement No. 68 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – Amendment to GASB Statement No. 27. The implementation of Statement No. 68 resulted in the reporting of an asset, deferred outflow of resources, liability and deferred inflow of resources related to the District's participation in the New York State Teachers' and Employees' retirement systems. The District's net position has been restated as follows:

### NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### A. Pension Plans (continued)

#### 9. Restatement of the Net Position (continued)

Net position beginning of year, as previously		
stated	\$	12,573,823
GASB Statement No. 68 implementation		
Beginning System asset - Teachers'		
Retirement System		402,591
Beginning System liability - Employees'		
Retirement System		(294,481)
Beginning deferred outflow of resources for		
contributions subsequent to the		
measurement date:		
Teachers' Retirement System		1,411,319
Employees' Retirement System		95,401
Other changes – see note 5	_	449,841
		2,064,671
	•	4.4.000.404
Net position beginning of year, as restated	\$	14,638,494

#### B. Other Post-Employment Benefits

#### Plan Description

The District maintains a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan (the Plan). The Plan provides medical and dental insurance benefits to eligible retires and their spouses. Benefit provisions are based on bargaining agreements as negotiated from time to time. The Plan does not issue a publicly available financial report. Eligibility for the Plan is established by the District and specified in the District's employment contracts.

#### **Funding Policy**

The required contribution is based on projected pay-as-you-go financing requirements, with no current funding of actuarially determined liabilities.

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### B. Other Post-Employment Benefits (continued)

#### Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation

The District's annual other post-employment benefit (OPEB) expense is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the District (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with GASB 45. The ARC represents a level funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover the normal cost each year and to amortize unfunded actuarial liabilities over 30 years.

The following table summarizes the District's annual OPEB cost for 2015, the amount actually contributed to the Plan, and changes in the District's net OPEB obligation:

Normal Cost	\$ 520,676
Amortization of unfunded	
actuarial accrued liability	959,958
Interest adjustment	113,783
Annual required	
contribution adjustment	 (117,833)
	1,476,584
Contributions made	(1,060,089)
Increase in net OPEB obligation	 416,495
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	2,844,584
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	\$ 3,261,079

The District's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for 2015, 2014, and 2013 are as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost	Annual OPEB Cost Contributed		Net OPEB Obligation
			_	
6/30/15	\$ 1,476,584	71.79%	\$	3,261,079
6/30/14	\$ 1,375,634	63.57%	\$	2,844,584
6/30/13	\$ 1,416,259	57,98%	\$	2,343,485

#### Funding Status and Funding Progress

As of June 30, 2015, the actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$23,142,316, all of which was unfunded. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered under the plan) was \$9,908,089 and the ratio of unfunded actuarial liability to the covered payroll was 233.57%.

### NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### B. Other Post-Employment Benefits (continued)

#### Funding Status and Funding Progress (continued)

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the Plan and the annual ARC of the District are subject to continual revision as actual results compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress presents multi-year trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of plan assets are increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities of benefits.

#### **Actuarial Methods and Assumptions**

Projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the Plan as understood by the District and Plan members and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing benefit costs between the District and Plan members. The actuarial methods and assumptions used included techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations. Valuation assumptions are as follows:

Retirement age for active employees – based on the historical average retirement age for the covered group.

Marital status – Based on actual health coverage election for active employees and retirees, with male spouses assumed to be three years older than female spouses. 70% of both male and female employees are assumed to be married at retirement.

Mortality – Life expectancies were based on the 2014 New York State Teachers' Retirement System rates

Turnover – Utilized 2003 Society of Actuaries small plan withdrawal rates, scaled 50% for teachers and unscaled for non-teachers.

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### B. Other Post-Employment Benefits (continued)

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions (continued)

Healthcare cost trend rate – The trend rate implicitly considers estimates of health care inflation, changes in health care utilization or delivery patterns, technological advances and changes in the health status of the plan participants. A rate of 7.8% initially, reduced to an ultimate rate of 5.3% after ten years was used.

Health insurance premiums – 2014-15 health insurance premiums are used as the basis for calculation of the present value of total benefits to be paid.

Discount rate and valuation method - Based on the historical and expected returns of the District's general assets, a discount rate of 4.0% was used. In addition, the valuation method utilized for this plan is called the Entry Age Normal Method.

Amortization - The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level dollar amount on an open basis over thirty years.

#### C. Indebtedness

#### 1. Short-Term Debt

#### a. Bond Anticipation Notes

Notes issued in anticipation of proceeds from the subsequent sale of bonds are recorded as a current liability of the fund that will actually receive the proceeds from the issuance of the State law requires that bond anticipation notes issued for capital purposes be converted to long-term financing within five years after the original issue date. The liability for all bond anticipation notes issued by the District is included in the capital project fund. During the current year, the District redeemed from appropriations \$270,853 in bond anticipation notes related to notes issued for the purchases of transportation vehicles and capital projects. Below is a schedule of outstanding bond anticipation notes as of June 30, 2015.

### NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### C. Indebtedness (continued)

#### 1. Short-Term Debt (continued)

#### a. Bond Anticipation Notes (continued)

Description of Issue	Outstanding June 30, 2015	
Bond anticipation notes, issued on		
July 30, 2014 with maturity date of		
July 29, 2015, bonds carry interest		
rate of .78%	\$	486,500

#### b. Revenue Anticipation Note

Notes issued in the anticipation of revenue is recorded as a current liability of the fund that will actually receive proceeds from the issuance of the notes. The revenue anticipation note represents a liability that will be extinguished through the use of expendable available resources of the fund. There were no revenue anticipation notes issued or redeemed during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015.

#### c. Short-term interest

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the District had interest on short-term debt in the amount of \$11,329, which is included in the General Fund.

#### 2. Long-Term Debt

#### a. Debt Limit

At June 30, 2015, the total indebtedness represents approximately 34% of its debt limit.

#### NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### C. Indebtedness (continued)

#### 2. Long-Term Debt (continued)

#### b. Changes

The changes in the School District's indebtedness, excluding pensions during the year ended June 30, 2015 are summarized as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2015	Balance June 30, 2014	Amounts Due Within One Year
General obligation bonds, net	\$ 24,860,332 \$	27,645,891 \$	2,540,000
Energy performance notes, net	135,995	266,399	135,995
Other post- employment benefit liability	3,261,079	2.844.584	
liability	 3,261,079	2,044,364	
	\$ 28,257,406 \$	30,756,874 \$	2,675,995

#### c. Summary

The following is a summary of maturity of indebtedness:

Description of Issue	Outstanding June 30, 2015
General Obligation Bonds, issued in 2001 (refunded in 2010) with a maturity date of June 2021, bonds carry interest from	
2.25%-5%.	\$ 1,370,000
General Obligation Bonds, issued in 2008 with a maturity date of January 2024, bonds carry interest from 3.75%-4.0%.	4.045.000
General Obligation Bonds, issued in 2008 with a maturity date of June 2023,	1,945,000
bonds carry interest from 3.38%-4.0%.	3,765,000
General Obligation Bonds, issued in 2010 with a maturity date of May 2024, bonds carry interest from 2.375%-4%.	1,775,000
General Obligation Bonds, issued in 2010- 2011 with a maturity date of April 2025,	1,775,000
bonds carry interest from 3.125%-4%. General Obligation Bonds, issued in 2012	3,475,000
(which refunded 2003 bond) with a maturity date of June 2028, bonds carry	
interest of 5%.	11,055,000
Physical and the second	23,385,000
Plus: premiums earned on refunding, net of amortization	1,475,332
	\$ 24,860,332

## NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### C. Indebtedness (continued)

#### 2. Long-Term Debt (continued)

#### d. Maturity

 The following is a summary of maturity of serial bonds indebtedness on June 30, 2015.

		General Obligation Bond– 2001 Refunded in 2010						
Year	_	Principal Interest						
2016	\$	255,000	\$	64,137				
2017		260,000		51,388				
2018		260,000		38,387				
2019		255,000		27,037				
2020		250,000		14,925				
2021		90,000		3,050				
Total	\$	1,370,000	\$	198,924				

#### General Obligation Bond-2008B

		-		
Year		Principal		Interest
2016	\$	185,000	\$	77,331
2017	•	190,000	*	70,163
2018		200,000		62,800
2019		205,000		54,800
2020		215,000		46,600
2021-2024		950,000		97,000
Total	\$	1,945,000	\$	408,694

#### General Obligation Bond-2008A

Year		-	Principal	Interest			
	2016	\$	440,000	¢	145 700		
		Φ	410,000	\$	145,738		
	2017		425,000		130,875		
	2018		445,000		114,938		
	2019		460,000		98,250		
	2020		480,000		81,000		
	2021-2023		1,545,000		125,200		
	<b>-</b>	•	0.705.000	•	000 004		
	Total	\$	3,765,000	\$	696,001		

#### **NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)**

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### C. <u>Indebtedness (continued)</u>

#### 2. Long-Term Debt (continued)

#### d. Maturity (continued)

	General Obligation Bond-2010							
Year	Principal	Interest						
2016	\$ 170,000	\$	60,981					
2017	175,000		55,456					
2018	185,000		49,769					
2019	190,000		43,756					
2020	195,000		37,581					
2021-2024	860,000		81,544					
Total	\$ 1,775,000	\$	329,087					

	General Obligation Bond-2011							
Year	Principal		Interest					
2016	\$ 300,000	\$	118,700					
2017	310,000		109,325					
2018	320,000		99,638					
2019	330,000		89,638					
2020	340,000		79,325					
2021-2025	 1,875,000		218,550					
Total	\$ 3,475,000	\$	715,176					

		General Obligation Bond-2012							
Year	•	Principal		Interest					
2016	\$	1,220,000	\$	552,750					
2017		1,280,000		491,750					
2018		1,340,000		427,750					
2019		1,410,000		360,750					
2020		1,480,000		290,250					
2021-2025		3,715,000		500,000					
2026-2028		610,000		62,000					
Total	\$	11,055,000	\$	2,685,250					

## e. Capital Lease (Energy Performance Contract)

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003, the *Southwestern Central School District* entered into a capital lease with Real Lease. The lease is related to an energy performance contract whereby the District has entered into agreements with contractors who will install equipment necessary for the District to achieve energy efficiencies.

#### **NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)**

#### V. Liabilities (continued)

#### C. Indebtedness (continued)

#### 2. Long-Term Debt (continued)

## e. Capital Lease (Energy Performance Contract) (continued)

The following is a schedule of future lease payments under the capital lease.

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest
2016	\$ 135,995	\$ 3,422

#### f. Long-Term Debt Interest

Interest on long-term debt for the year ended June 30, 2015 amounted to approximately \$1,131,500 and is included in the General Fund.

#### 3. Bond Premiums and amortization

Premiums resulting from bond and other debt refinancing are being amortized over the life of the relating debt using the effective interest rate method.

#### 4. Refunding of Long-Term Debt

In prior years, the District defeased certain general obligations and other bonds by placing the proceeds of new bonds in an irrevocable trust to provide for future debt service payments on the old bonds. Accordingly, the trust account assets and liability for the defeased bonds are not included in the District's financial statements.

#### NOTE 3 - DETAIL NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

#### VI. Fund Equity

#### A. Classification

The District's fund equity is comprised of various components.

Category / Fund	capital reserve Reserve for inventory Reserve for retirement contributions Tax Certiorari reserve Unemployment reserve Reserve for debt service Reserve for foundation endowment Reserve for endowment		
Nonspendable:	Reserve for inventory	\$	13,394
Restricted:			
General			
<b>G</b> 0.161 a.		\$	1,318,067
	contributions		1,244,674
			166,216
	Unemployment reserve		251,116
		\$	2,980,073
Debt Service	Reserve for debt service	\$	378,100
Miscellaneous			
Special Revenue	endowment	\$	407,419
Trust and	Reserve for endowment		
Agency	scholarships	\$	1,841
Assigned:			
General	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$	550,000
	Encumbrances		169,372
		\$	719,372
Food Service	Fund equity	\$	212,169

#### B. <u>District-wide Net Position</u>

Net position of the District include restricted net position of \$3,765,592 which represent restricted amounts in the general and debt service funds as presented above.

#### C. <u>Deficit Fund Balances</u>

The District's capital project fund had an accumulated deficit in the amount of \$455,295 as of June 30, 2015. It is not uncommon for school districts to have deficit fund balances in the capital project funds as a result of short-term debt being recorded as liabilities until they are converted to long-term debt (serial bonds) or redeemed at which time such proceeds are recorded as other financing sources revenue.

#### **NOTE 4 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

#### A. Risk Financing and Related Insurance

#### 1. General Information

The **Southwestern Central School District** is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; natural disasters, etc. These risks are covered by commercial insurance purchased from independent third parties. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage for the past two years.

#### 2. Risk Sharing Pools

For its employee health and accident coverage, the *Southwestern Central School District* is a participant in the Chautauqua County School Districts' Medical Health Plan, a public entity risk pool operated for the benefit of various governmental units located within Chautauqua County. The School District pays monthly premiums to the Plan for this health coverage. The Plan is authorized to assess supplemental premiums to the participating districts. The Chautauqua County School Districts' Medical Health Plan obtains independent coverage for insured events in excess of this amount.

The **Southwestern Central School District** also participates in a risk sharing pool, Erie 2 – Chautauqua-Cattaraugus BOCES, to insure Workers' Compensation claims. This is a public entity risk pool created under Article 5, Workers' Compensation Law, to finance liability and risks related to Workers' Compensation claims. Administrators of the Plan have indicated that the Plan's reserves are believed to be in excess of estimated unbilled and open claims.

#### B. Federal and State Grants

The District has received grants reported in the special aid fund which are subject to audit by agencies of the state and federal government. Such audits may result in disallowances and a request for a return of funds. Based on past audits and no known significant areas of non-compliance, the District believes disallowances, if any, will not be material.

#### C. Compensated Absences

The District does not accrue a liability for accumulating, non-vesting sick leave, since payment is based on an uncontrollable future event (sickness). In accordance with the provisions of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 16, the value for accumulating, non-vesting sick leave is considered a contingent liability.

## NOTE 4 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES (continued)

#### D. Litigation

The District, in the normal course of its operations, is involved in litigation. Management is of the opinion that any unfavorable outcome resulting from these actions would not have a material effect on the District's financial position.

#### **NOTE 5 – MISCELLANOUS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND**

Funds raised during the year ended June 30, 2007 from local foundations and donors amounted to \$595,149 of which \$490,000 represents the District's best current estimate of the local share of the cost of the project. Funds in excess of the determined local share represent the amount to be set aside for turf replacement.

A prior period adjustment was recorded in the amount of \$449,841 which represents the total amount held at June 30, 2014. This amount was originally recorded in the fiduciary fund/private purpose trust and the prior period adjustment was recorded to move to a governmental - miscellaneous special revenue fund.

The total funds held, which also includes accumulated interest earned, amounted to \$407,419 as of June 30, 2015.

During the year ended June 30, 2015, the District transferred \$42,777 of these funds to the general fund to offset debt service costs. In future years, the District intends to transfer additional funds from the miscellaneous special revenue fund to the general fund to offset debt service costs not covered by state building aid (local share).

#### **NOTE 6 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent events were evaluated by Management through October 13, 2015, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.



# COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Revenues		Original Budget		Final Budget		Current Year's Revenue		Over (Under) Revised Budget	
Nevenues									
Local Sources:									
Real property taxes and tax items	\$	12,840,650	\$	12,840,650	\$	12,837,387	\$	(3,263)	
Charges for services		58,200		58,200		141,548		83,348	
Use of money and property		8,500		8,500		8,110		(390)	
Sale of property and compensation for loss		-		-		37,254		37,254	
Miscellaneous		130,000		130,000		151,810		21,810	
State Sources:									
Basic formula		10,598,296		10,598,296		10,566,682		(31,614)	
BOCES		892,019		892,019		994,954		102,935	
Textbooks		83,514		83,514		82,890		(624)	
All other aid		107,313		107,313		256,787		149,474	
Federal Sources:									
Medicaid reimbursement		25,000		25,000		62,554		37,554	
Total revenue		24,743,492		24,743,492		25,139,976		396,484	
Other Sources:									
Operating transfer in		167,777		167,777		42,777		(125,000)	
Total revenue and other sources		24,911,269		24,911,269	\$	25,182,753	\$	271,484	
Appropriated fund equity - reserves		435,000		435,000					
Appropriated fund equity - subsequent years budget		825,000		845,010					
Total revenue, other sources and appropriated fund equity	\$	26,171,269	\$	26,191,279	=				

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	Original Budget	Final Budget	ı	Current Year's Expenditures	End	cumbrances	encumbered Balances
Expenditures		-					
General Support:							
Board of education	\$ 25,895	\$ 21,245	\$	18,043	\$	-	\$ 3,202
Central administration	187,108	198,056		197,907	•	-	149
Finance	267,084	261,139		245,839		-	15,300
Staff	90,347	82,147		44,214		-	37,933
Central services	1,769,058	1,871,778		1,633,712		33,227	204,839
Special items	308,211	322,706		305,494		-	17,212
Instructional:							
Instruction, administration and							
improvement	811,335	815,161		769,177		2,668	43,316
Teaching - regular school	6,942,373	6,941,928		6,466,297		757	474,874
Programs for children with							
handicapping conditions	1,906,924	1,901,674		1,608,986		110,081	182,607
Occupational education	710,450	710,450		699,966		300	10,184
Instructional media	772,668	1,034,351		919,390		2,575	112,386
Pupil services	946,111	984,524		921,750		6,596	56,178
Pupil Transportation	809,886	813,981		662,894		13,168	137,919
Community Services	30,295	30,295		26,467		-	3,828
Employee Benefits	6,587,439	6,195,759		5,770,761		-	424,998
Debt Service:							
Debt service principal	2,851,257	2,851,257		2,851,257		-	-
Debt service interest	1,142,828	1,142,828		1,142,828		-	-
Total expenditures	26,159,269	26,179,279		24,284,982		169,372	1,724,925
Other Uses:							
Transfer to other funds	12,000	12,000		9,219		-	2,781
Total other uses	12,000	12,000		9,219		-	2,781
Total expenditures and other uses	\$ 26,171,269	\$ 26,191,279		24,294,201	\$	169,372	\$ 1,727,706

Excess (deficiency) revenue and other sources over expenditures and other uses

\$ 888,552

Schedule SS1A

# COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY - BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

		Scho	ol F	ood Service	Func	<u></u>				
	Budget Va									
	(A	mended)		Actual	Fav. (Unf.)					
Revenue										
State sources	\$	10,000	\$	8,274	\$	(1,726)				
Federal sources		200,000		202,593		2,593				
Sales		153,000		130,467		(22,533)				
Miscellaneous		-		100		100				
Surplus food		35,000		32,378		(2,622)				
Total revenue		398,000		373,812		(24,188)				
Expenditures										
Cost of sales		330,000		294,030		35,970				
Other expenses		68,000		34,413		33,587				
Total expenditures		398,000		328,443		69,557				
Net Change	\$	-	=	45,369	\$	45,369				
Fund equity, beginning of year				180,194						
Fund equity, end of year			\$	225,563						

Schedule SS2

### SCHEDULE OF CHANGE FROM ADOPTED BUDGET TO FINAL BUDGET AND THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LIMIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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3.92%

CHANGE FROM ADOPTED BUDGET TO FINAL BUDGET						
Adopted budget	\$ 26,171,269					
Additions:						
Prior year's encumbrances	20,010					
Original budget	26,191,279					
Budget revisions:						
Final budget	\$ 26,191,279					
SECTION 1318 OF REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW LIMIT CALCULATION						
2015-16 voter-approved expenditure budget Maximum allowed (4% of 2015-16 budget)						
General Fund Fund Balance Subject to Section 1318 of Real Property Tax Law*:						
Unrestricted fund balance:						
Committed fund balance Assigned fund balance Unassigned fund balance Total unrestricted fund balance	\$ - 719,372 1,041,125 1,760,497					
Less:						
Appropriated fund balance Insurance recovery reserve Tax reduction reserve Encumbrances included in committed and assigned fund balance	550,000 - - - 169,372					
Total adjustments	719,372					
General Fund Fund Balance Subject to Section 1318 of Real Property Tax Law:	\$ 1,041,125					

<sup>\*</sup> Per Office of State Comptroller's "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Type Definitions", Updated April 2011 (Orginally Issued November 2010), the portion of the General Fund fund balance subject to Section 1318 of the Real Property Tax Law is: unrestricted fund balance (i.e., the total of the committed, assigned, and unassigned classifications), minus appropriated fund balance, amounts reserved for insurance recovery, amounts reserved for tax reduction, and encumbrances included in committed and assigned fund balance.

**Actual percentage** 

## SOUTHWESTERN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF PROJECT EXPENDITURES - CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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Project Title	Original Appropriation	Revised Appropriation	Prior Years	Expenditures Current Year	Total	Unexpended (Overexpended) Balance	Proceeds of Obligations	Methods of State Sources	of financing Local Sources	Total	Fund Balance June 30, 2015
School Reconstruction Project (Phase I)	\$ 6,311,218	\$ 6,311,218	\$ 6,311,773	\$ -	\$ 6,311,773	\$ (555)	\$ 6,160,909	\$ -	\$ 150,000 \$	6,310,909	\$ (864)
Athletic Facilities (Phase II)	2,872,000	2,872,000	2,702,096	-	2,702,096	169,904	2,872,000	10,000	-	2,882,000	179,904
School Reconstruction Project (Phase III)	3,161,718	3,161,718	3,161,637	-	3,161,637	81	2,667,871	493,847	-	3,161,718	81
School Reconstruction Project (Phase IV)	4,810,557	4,810,557	5,022,127	-	5,022,127	(211,570)	4,788,784	21,773	51,786	4,862,343	(159,784)
Transportation vehicles - 2007-08	254,137	254,137	254,137	-	254,137	-	254,305	-	-	254,305	168
Transportation vehicles - 2008-09	290,667	290,667	290,667	-	290,667	-	290,859	-	-	290,859	192
Transportation vehicles - 2009-10	312,757	312,757	312,757	-	312,757	-	314,650	-	-	314,650	1,893
Transportation vehicles - 2010-11	305,316	305,316	305,316	-	305,316	-	306,882	-	-	306,882	1,566
Transportation vehicles - 2011-12	287,992	287,992	284,043	-	284,043	3,949	286,492	-	-	286,492	2,449
Transportation vehicles - 2012-13	247,808	247,808	237,095	-	237,095	10,713	237,095	-	-	237,095	-
Transportation vehicles - 2013-14	207,051	207,051	207,051	-	207,051	-	212,651	-	-	212,651	5,600
	\$ 19,061,221	\$ 19,061,221	\$ 19,088,699	\$ -	\$ 19,088,699	\$ (27,478)	\$ 18,392,498	\$ 525,620	\$ 201,786 \$	19,119,904	31,205

Less: Proceeds recorded as liability - BAN

Fund equity (deficit) as of June 30, 2015

\$ (455,295)

(486,500)

Schedule SS4A

## BUDGET COMPARISON STATEMENT FOR STATE AND OTHER GRANT PROGRAMS - SPECIAL AID AND FOOD SERVICE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

Grant Title	Grantors Project No.	Grant Period	Award/ Program Budget	Total Revenue	Total Expenditures		
School lunch programs	N/A	2014-15	\$ 6,483	\$ 6,483	\$	6,483	
School breakfast programs	N/A	2014-15	1,791	1,791		1,791	
Universal Pre-kindergarten	0409-15-7573	2014-15	132,675	132,675		132,675	
Summer school *	N/A	2014-15	46,095	46,095		46,095	
Total expenditures and revenue			\$ 187,044	\$ 187,044	\$	187,044	

<sup>\*</sup> Revenue includes transfer of \$9,219 from general fund for local share toward applicable expenditures.

#### Schedule SS4B

## SOUTHWESTERN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

#### Note 1 - Basis of Presentation

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes the federal grant activity of the **Southwestern Central School District** and is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The information in the schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Government and Non-Profit Organizations*. Therefore, some amounts presented in the schedule may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of the basic financial statements.

#### Note 2 - Non-monetary Federal Program

The accompanying **Southwestern Central School District** is the recipient of a non-monetary federal award program. During the year ended June 30, 2015, the District reported in the Schedule of Federal Awards \$32,378 of donated commodities at fair market value received and disbursed.

Federal Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Agency or Pass-through Number	Program or Award Amount	Revenue	Expenditures
US Department of Education:					
Passed through NYS					
Department of Education:					
Title I	84.010A	0021-15-0315	\$ 303,793	\$ 303,280	\$ 303,280
Title I	84.010A	0021-14-0315	500	500	500
Title I - School Improvement	84.010A	0011-15-3070	50,000	10,539	10,539
Title II, Part A	84.367A	0147-15-0315	57,186	22,052	22,052
Title II, Part A	84.367A	0147-14-0315	12,020	12,020	12,020
IDEA, Part B Public Law 94-142 **	84.027A	0032-15-0096	300,664	300,664	300,664
IDEA, Pre-school Public Law 99-457 **	84.173A	0033-15-0096	5,042	5,042	5,042
US Department of Agriculture:					
Passed through NYS					
Department of Education:					
National School Lunch Program ***					
Cash assistance	10.555	N/A	169,780	169,780	169,780
National School Breakfast Program ***	10.553	N/A	32,813	32,813	32,813
Passed through NYS					
Office of General Services:					
National School Lunch Program ***					
Non-cash assistance (donated commodities)	10.555	N/A	32,378	32,378	32,378
Total expenditures and revenue				\$ 889,068	\$ 889,068

<sup>\*\*</sup> Constitutes a cluster of Federal programs

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Constitutes a cluster of Federal programs

## SOUTHWESTERN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF MAJOR PROGRAMS TESTED FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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Federal Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	I	Amount
Total expenditures of Federal Awards		\$	889,068
Major Programs Tested:			
U.S. Department of Education - IDEA, Part B Public Law 94-142 ** U.S. Department of Education - IDEA, Pre-school Public Law 99-457 ** U.S. Department of Agriculture - National School Lunch Program *** U.S. Department of Agriculture - National School Breakfast Program ***	84.027A 84.173A 10.555 10.553	\$	300,664 5,042 202,158 32,813
Total major programs tested		\$	540,677
% of Federal programs tested		_	60.8%

<sup>\*\*</sup> Constitutes a cluster of Federal programs

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Constitutes a cluster of Federal programs

Schedule SS5

## SCHEDULE OF CERTAIN REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES COMPARED TO ST-3 DATA – GENERAL FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

	Account Code	ST-3 Amount	Audited Amount
Revenues			
Property taxes	A-1001	\$ 12,837,387	\$ 12,837,387
Non-property taxes	AT-1199	-	-
State aid	AT-3999	11,901,313	11,901,313
Federal aid	AT-4999	62,554	62,554
Total revenue	AT-5999	25,182,753	25,182,753
Expenditures			
General support	AT-1999	2,445,209	2,445,209
Pupil transportation	AT-5599	662,894	662,894
Debt service - principal	AT-9798.6	2,851,257	2,851,257
Debt service - interest	AT-9798.7	1,142,828	1,142,828
Total expenditures	AT-9999	\$ 24,294,201	\$ 24,294,201

## SOUTHWESTERN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF NET INVESTMENT IN CAPITAL ASSETS AS OF JUNE 30, 2015

Schedule SS6

Capital assets	\$ 38,525,838
Less:	
Serial bonds, net	(24,860,332)
Energy performance contract, net	(135,995)
Bond anticipation notes	(486,500)
Accrued Interest	(133,000)
Plus:	
BAN proceeds less capital expenditures	31,205
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 12,941,216

## SOUTHWESTERN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS AS OF JUNE 30, 2015, 2014, 2013 AND 2012

Schedule SS7

Fiscal Year Ended	Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets		Actuarial Accrued Liability ("AAL")	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability ("UAAL")	Funding Ratio	Budgeted Covered Payroll	Ratio of UAAL to Budgeted Covered Payroll
June 30, 2015	February 2, 2015	\$	-	\$ 23,142,316	\$ 23,142,316	0.00%	9,908,089	233.57%
June 30, 2014	May 1, 2014	\$	-	\$ 21,561,581	\$ 21,561,581	0.00% \$	\$ 10,617,810	203.07%
June 30, 2013	May 1, 2013	\$	-	\$ 20,978,971	\$ 20,978,971	0.00%	10,308,553	203.51%
June 30, 2012	September 1, 2010	\$	-	\$ 19,243,948	\$ 19,243,948	0.00%	10,683,696	180.12%



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

To the President and Members of the Board of Education Southwestern Central School District Jamestown, New York

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities and each major fund of *Southwestern Central School District* as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise *Southwestern Central School District's* basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2015.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exit that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we identified one deficiency in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the District's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiency in the District's internal control described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as item II.A.2015-001 to be a material weakness.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

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

#### Other

We noted other matters that we have reported to management of **Southwestern Central School District** in a separate letter dated October 13, 2015.

#### Southwestern Central School District's Response to Finding

**Southwestern Central School District's** response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. **Southwestern Central School District's** response was not subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

#### Purpose of this Report

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

Buffamente Whipple Buttafaro PC

**BUFFAMANTE WHIPPLE BUTTAFARO, P.C.** 

Olean, New York October 13, 2015



## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY OMB CIRCULAR A-133

To the President and Members of the Board of Education Southwestern Central School District Jamestown, New York

#### Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited **Southwestern Central School District's** compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of **Southwestern Central School District's** major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015. **Southwestern Central School District's** major federal programs are identified in the Summary of Audit Results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

#### Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to its federal programs.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of **Southwestern Central School District's** major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and OMB Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations*. Those standards and OMB Circular A-133 require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about **Southwestern Central School District's** compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide legal determination on **Southwestern Central School District's** compliance.

#### Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, **Southwestern Central School District** complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of **Southwestern Central School District** is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered **Southwestern Central School District**'s internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with OMB Circular A-133, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance.

#### Report on Internal Control Over Compliance (continued)

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

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in the internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### Other

We noted other matters that we have reported to management of **Southwestern Central School District** in a separate letter dated October 13, 2015.

#### **Purpose of Report**

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

BUFFAMANTE WHIPPLE BUTTAFARO. P.C.

Buffamente Whipple Buttafaro PC

Olean, New York October 13, 2015

#### I. SUMMARY OF AUDIT RESULTS

- The independent auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of Southwestern Central School District.
- One material weakness relating to the audit of the financial statements is reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with "Governmental Auditing Standards". This weakness is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and guestioned costs as item II.A.2015-001.
- No instances of noncompliance material to the financial statements of Southwestern Central School District were reported upon in the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with "Governmental Auditing Standards".
- 4. No significant deficiencies relating to the audit of the major federal assistance programs of the Southwestern Central School District are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to Each Major Program and Internal Control over Compliance in Accordance with OMB Circular A-133.
- 5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal assistance programs for the **Southwestern Central School District** expresses an unmodified opinion.
- 6. Audit findings that are required to be reported in accordance with Section 510(a) of OMB Circular A-133 are reported in this schedule.
- 7. The programs tested as major programs include:

Name	CFDA#	Program Type	Expenditures Amounts
IDEA, Part B Public Law 94-142 ** IDEA, Pre-school Public Law 99-457 ** National School Lunch Program *** National School Breakfast Program ***	84.027A 84.173A 10.555 10.553	Type A Type A Type B Type B	\$ 300,664 5,042 202,158 32,813
Total tested			\$ 540,677
Percentage of total programs tested			61%

<sup>\*\*</sup> Constitutes a cluster of federal programs.

- 8. The threshold for distinguishing between Types A and B programs was \$300,000.
- 9. Southwestern Central School District does not qualify as a low-risk auditee.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Constitutes a cluster of federal programs.

## SOUTHWESTERN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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#### II. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT - FINDINGS

#### A. INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

#### 2015-001 Adjusting Journal Entries, Required Disclosures and Draft Financial Statements

#### Year ended June 30, 2015

Condition and Criteria: During the current year, adjusting journal entries, along with footnote disclosures were proposed by the auditor's and accepted by the District to properly reflect the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. Some of the adjustments and footnotes were related to recording certain capital project fund activity and converting to the full accrual method for GASB 34 purposes. In addition, a draft of the financial statements was prepared by the auditor's and accepted by the District.

*Effect:* AU-C Section 265 entitled Communicating Internal Control Related Matters Identified in an Audit, issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) considers the need for significant adjusting journal entries and assistance when preparing the financial statements to be indicative of an internal control deficiency. Without this assistance, the potential risk exists of the District's financial statements not conforming to GAAP.

Auditor's Recommendation: Although auditor's may continue to provide such assistance both now and in the future, under the new pronouncement, the District should continue to review and accept both proposed adjusting journal entries and footnote disclosures, along with the draft financial statements.

School District's Response: The District has received, reviewed and accepted all journal entries, footnote disclosures and draft financial statements proposed for the current year audit and will continue to review similar information in future years. Further, the District believes it has a thorough understanding of these financial statements and has the ability to make informed judgments based on these financial statements.

#### Year ended June 30, 2014

Similar finding was reported upon during the prior fiscal year.

#### B. <u>COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS</u>

#### Year ended June 30, 2015

There were no findings related to compliance and other matters during the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### Year ended June 30, 2014

There were no findings related to compliance and other matters during the year ended June 30, 2014.

## SOUTHWESTERN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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#### III. MAJOR FEDERAL AWARD PROGRAMS AUDIT - FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

#### A. <u>COMPLIANCE</u>

#### Year ended June 30, 2015

There were no findings related to compliance during the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### Year ended June 30, 2014

#### 2014-002 Eligibility & Special Tests and Provisions

#### US Department of Agriculture – National School Lunch/Breakfast Cluster (CFDA # 10.555 and 10.553)

Condition and Criteria: As part of our audit, we reviewed a sample of twenty-five free/reduced meal applications for proper eligibility in the program. In two out of the twenty-five applications (8%) the District qualified the students for reduced meals, however in the Food Service Software the students were incorrectly classified as free. Also, as part of our audit, we reviewed the District's completion of the "Verification of Free and Reduced Price Applications" as required by Federal Guidelines. In two out the six (33%) families verified, the District incorrectly reported a change in status on the "School Food Authority Verification Collection Report," when in fact the family/student should have had no change in status. Also, in one out of the six (16%) families verified, after the verification was completed the family/student's status should have changed to denied, however the family incorrectly stayed as free status.

Effect: Because the District incorrectly categorized three families as mentioned above, the District received more federal reimbursement dollars than it was eligible for. Neither matter identified is considered material to the program.

Cause: Monitoring over the eligibility and special provisions of the National School Lunch and Breakfast Program was not performed in some instances.

Auditor's Recommendation: The District should implement a review function over the processing of free/reduced meal applications as well as the verification process.

School District's Response: The District will implement a process to review the processing of free/reduced meal applications as well as the 3% verification test.

Current Status: No issues were noted during testing of this major program during the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### B. <u>INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE</u>

#### Year ended June 30, 2015

There were no findings related to internal control over compliance during the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### Year ended June 30, 2014

There were no findings related to internal control over compliance during the year ended June 30, 2014.



To the President and Members of the Board of Education and School Administration Southwestern Central School District Jamestown, New York

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have completed our audit for the year ended June 30, 2015 of the District's financial statements and have issued our reports thereon dated September 30, 2015. Our audit report expressed an unmodified opinion which states that the District's financial statements are in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for governments and school districts located in New York State. In addition, we have issued a separate report on internal controls over financial reporting and compliance with laws and regulations as required by *Government Auditing Standards*.

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of the **Southwestern Central School District** for the year ended June 30, 2015, we considered its internal control structure in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control structure and its operation. Except as noted within the body of such reports, the District generally was in compliance with laws and regulations and maintains a reasonable system of accounting internal controls.

Attached to this letter is a schedule of revenue and expense comparisons (modified accrual basis) and analysis of fund equity for the school years ended June 30, 2011 through June 30, 2015. In addition, we have also presented a summary of additional comments which we desire to bring to the board and administration's attention involving various matters. Although such matters were not of sufficient nature to be disclosed in the previously mentioned reports, we do feel the comments should be reviewed and acted upon primarily by the business staff.

Buffamente Whipple Buttafaro PC

**BUFFAMANTE WHIPPLE BUTTAFARO, P.C.** 

Olean, New York October 13, 2015

# REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES COMPARISON AND ANALYSIS OF FUND EQUITY (AMOUNTS IN \$1,000)

	6/30/2015		6/30/2014		6/30/2013		6/30/2012		6/30/2011	
Revenue and other sources Property taxes State aid All other	\$	12,837 11,901 444	\$	12,488 11,497 433	\$	12,227 10,937 793	\$	11,879 10,793 499	\$	11,871 10,860 1,346
		25,182		24,418		23,957		23,171		24,077
Expenditures and other uses										
General support		2,445		2,465		2,394		2,374		2,510
Instruction		11,386		11,492		11,785		11,680		11,705
Transportation		663		771		766		765		760
Benefits		5,771		5,717		5,320		5,110		4,930
Debt		3,994		4,048		4,056		4,372		4,368
Community services		26		27		28		28		27
Transfers		9		13		17		12		7
		24,294		24,533		24,366		24,341		24,307
Excess (deficiency) of										
revenue over expenditures		888		(115)		(409)		(1,170)		(230)
Fund equity										
Beginning of year		3,852		3,967		4,376		5,546		5,776
End of year	\$	4,740	\$	3,852	\$	3,967	\$	4,376	\$	5,546
Analysis of fund equity										
Reserve for encumbrances	\$	169	\$	20	\$	238	\$	214	\$	72
Reserve for capital	*	1,318	•	368	*	367	*	367	*	366
Reserve for retirement system		1,245		1,244		1,077		1,270		1,445
Reserve for unemployment insurance		251		251		251		285		303
Reserve for tax certiorari		166		77		-		-		-
Next year's budget		550		850		1,050		1,221		1,253
Unassigned		1,041		1,042		984		1,019		2,107
-	\$	4,740	\$	3,852	\$	3,967	\$	4,376	\$	5,546

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#### **Trust and Agency Flex Account**

The District allows employees to have pre-tax withholdings for certain medical expenses under Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code. Employees that do not submit claims for reimbursement during the allowable time period, lose the right to recover these funds. As of June 30, 2015 the District has approximately \$26,000 included in its Trust and Agency account related to the 2012-2013 school year and earlier years.

District response: The District will review this issue and any unspent monies will be returned to the general fund.

#### **Equipment and Inventory**

The District reports approximately \$40 million of capital assets. The most significant dollar amount of these assets consist of the District buildings and capital improvements that are not as susceptible to the risk of loss or misuse. Assets that are more susceptible to such risk include equipment and inventory items. It is extremely important for the District to be aware of the risks associated with these assets and have processes in place to safeguard against their loss or misuse. Internal controls that the District may consider the following:

- Continued updating of the District's fixed asset and inventory additions and disposals within its asset database;
- Obtaining a full independent appraisal every few years, that would compare the assets listed within the database compared with those physically counted;
- Maintaining a perpetual inventory system for higher risk equipment and inventory items;
- Periodically perform random spot checks of equipment and inventory and compare to asset database;
- Performing annual physical inventory counts and investigating any differences between the appraisal/inventory reports and physical count;
- Obtaining mileage logs and purchases records to determine reasonableness of gasoline usage.

District response: The District updates the inventory annually, focusing on technology and other high risk equipment. In the current year the District performed a district-wide inventory to include a full physical count of the inventory, which included bar coding and scanning by an independent appraisal firm. The District will continue to update its inventory on an annual basis and will consider conducting random physical counts and instituting perpetual systems.

#### Technology

In an ever changing technological society the District should continue to monitor the risks associated with technology so that key operational and financial data are safeguarded. Some of the general and application IT controls that should continue to be considered include the following:

- Procedures for developing, testing, documenting, reviewing, and approving systems or program changes and subsequent modification.
- Controls over access to computer equipment, software and data contained therein.
- · Disaster/recovery plans, including backup procedures, off-site storage, and contingency planning.
- Developing formal procedures and guidelines for tasks performed by IT staff.
- Formal documentation of IT policies and processes.
- Identifying those individuals who have access within accounting systems and routinely monitoring such access.

We recommend that the District continue to consider its technology risks and how such risks are mitigated.

District's response: The District will review the recommendations and address those areas of deficiency.

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#### **Budgeting**

The New York State Office of the Comptroller has recently focused their audits in the area of fiscal condition, which often leads to reviewing the school districts' budgeting strategies. When doing so, the Comptroller's office compares amounts that were included in the District's original budget to actual revenue and expenditures experienced during the years under review. Once the analysis is performed, determinations are made as to whether the original budgets were developed based on reasonable assumptions.

We recommend that the District continue to document its budget philosophy and financial plan and update as circumstances change. This information should continue to be presented at budget hearings and Board meetings so that both the Board and taxpayers remain informed.

District response: The District recognizes the increased scrutiny by the Comptroller's office over District's budgeting practices. The Board works extremely hard to ensure that its annual budgets are reasonable and realistic and will continue to do so.

#### Affordable Care Act (ACA)

With the passage of the Affordable Care Act by the Federal government, increased gathering of data, analysis and reporting will be required by all employers in the future. Information such as tracking employees hours for eligibility purposes and analyzing the affordability of health care will now be required. It is our understanding that the District, has developed systems to document and report such information in compliance with the new regulations.

Because of the regulations related to the Affordable Care Act are new and somewhat complex, we recommend that the District continue to review the latest guidance and continue to participate in educational opportunities when they become available in order to stay current in this area.

District response: The District will continue to participate in educational seminars relative to the Affordable Care Act.

#### Uniform guidance

The Federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has issued new regulations titled the Uniform Guidance which takes effect for recipients of Federal grants for awards received after December 26, 2014. The new regulations attempt to combine and codify the requirements of eight circulars previously maintained by OMB and to streamline the Federal grant administrative, cost accounting, and audit policies in the Federal register. The new regulations do not affect grants awarded prior to that date, but rather, will affect future reporting of Federal grants for the District. The Uniform Guidance has a focus on improving overall performance and outcome of grants and to reduce administrative burdens for grant applicants and recipients, while reducing the risk of waste, fraud and abuse. Included in the new guidance is subpart D, Post-Federal Award Requirements, which outlines guidelines that pertain once a Federal grant is obtained. Some of the items outlined in this area are: internal controls, procurement standards, sub-recipient monitoring, grant closeout, etc.

We recommend individuals involved with the oversight of Federal grants at the District familiarize themselves with the new Uniform Guidance, which may include continuing education, webinars and further training.

District response: The District will review the new Uniform Guidance to ensure the District is properly following federal regulations.

#### Cafeteria-Paid Lunch Equity Pricing

The District is required to ensure sufficient funds are received for meals served to students not eligible for free or reduced priced meals. The District can meet this requirement by increasing the paid lunch prices until it reaches the free reimbursement rates (less the paid reimbursement rate), through other non-Federal sources being provided to the school lunch fund or a combination of both. This requirement is referred to as the Paid Lunch Equity or PLE. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has provided a PLE tool which calculates the required level of school lunch prices based on prior year experience, which Districts should complete on an annual basis. We recommend that the District participate in any webinars or tutorials that are available with regards to completing the PLE tool, as the Federal and State government continue to provide additional clarification on some of the terminology and complexities in completing the document. In addition, this tool should be utilized as the basis for setting lunch/breakfast prices at the start of each school year.

District response: The District will continue to utilize the PLE tool on an annual basis and if available, will participate in a webinar or tutorial on the topic. The calculations, along with expected participation rates, will be reviewed when establishing prices.

#### EXTRACLASSROOM ACTIVITY FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

WITH REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the President and Members of the Board of Education Southwestern Central School District Jamestown, New York

We have audited the accompanying statement of cash receipts and disbursements of the Extraclassroom Activity Fund of the **Southwestern Central School District** for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statement.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of this financial statement in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1; this includes determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

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

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statement. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statement, 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 statement 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 statement.

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

#### Basis for Qualified Opinion

The records of the Extraclassroom funds of the **Southwestern Central School District** were not adequate to permit the application of adequate auditing procedures to indicate whether all receipts were recorded.

#### **Qualified Opinion**

In our opinion, except for the effects of any adjustments that might have been determined to be necessary had we been able to perform adequate auditing procedures in regard to the receipts referred to in the basis for qualified opinion paragraph, the financial statement referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the cash transactions of the Extraclassroom Activity Fund of the **Southwestern Central School District** for the year ended June 30, 2015 on the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

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Olean, New York October 13, 2015

# ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT ON EXTRACLASSROOM ACTIVITY FUND JULY 1, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2015

	Balances	Total	Total Receipts &	Total	Balances
Extraclassroom activities:	June 30, 2014	Receipts	Balances	Payments	June 30, 2015
Art Club	\$ 3,917	\$ 1,500	\$ 5,417	\$ 539	\$ 4,878
Band	841	2,668	3,509	2,716	793
Camera Club	86	250	336	-	336
Centralian	8,093	11,247	19,340	10,732	8,608
Choir	1,505	6,243	7,748	4,033	3,715
Class of 2014	1,560	-	1,560	1,559	1
Class of 2015	6,029	6,901	12,930	9,910	3,020
Class of 2016	1,240	14,545	15,785	8,532	7,253
Class of 2017	2,144	3,213	5,357	2,392	2,965
Class of 2018	-	949	949	537	412
DECA Club	1,785	2,227	4,012	2,827	1,185
French Club	705	125	830	-	830
High School Bowl	-	425	425	300	125
MS Student Council	9,563	1,330	10,893	1,776	9,117
Musical	18,267	16,437	34,704	19,423	15,281
National Honor Society	1,139	544	1,683	750	933
New York State taxes	-	1,638	1,638	1,638	-
Orchestra	2,255	1,372	3,627	1,324	2,303
SADD Club	444	-	444	30	414
Ski Club	2,989	8,730	11,719	6,590	5,129
Southwestern Key	175	910	1,085	962	123
Spanish Club	4,730	10,751	15,481	10,685	4,796
Student Council	5,007	5,384	10,391	6,640	3,751
Interest	40	-	40	-	40
Total activity fund	\$ 72,514	\$ 97,389	\$ 169,903	\$ 93,895	\$ 76,008

EXTRACLASSROOM ACTIVITY FUND NOTE TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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#### **NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The transactions of the Extraclassroom Activity Fund are not considered part of the reporting entity of **Southwestern Central School District**. Consequently, such transactions are not included in the financial statements of the School District. However, cash balances of \$76,008 are included in the Trust and Agency Fund as restricted cash, with a corresponding amount recorded as a liability in the Fund.

The accounts of the Extraclassroom Activity Fund of **Southwestern Central School District** are maintained on a cash basis, and the statement of cash receipts and disbursements reflects only cash received and disbursed. Therefore, receivables and payables, inventories, long-lived assets, and accrued income and expenses, which would be recognized under generally accepted accounting principles, and which may be material in amount, are not recognized in the accompanying financial statement.

EXTRACLASSROOM ACTIVITY FUND SUMMARY OF ADDITIONAL COMMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015

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During the course of our audit of the extraclassroom activities, we noted the following:

#### Point of Sale Records

We noted several instances where the receipt of cash lacked point of sale records. Each cash receipt received by the central treasurer should be accompanied by supporting documentation which reconciles cash received to participation times rates/fees. Due to the lack of point of sale records, cash receipts are not adequate to permit the application of the necessary auditing procedures to indicate whether receipts were recorded. We recommend that point of sale records be filled out in detail or an appropriate summary be attached by the student treasurer and teacher advisor, and be verified or reviewed by the central treasurer.

District's response: The District will be developing a form for concession sales to help substantiate the cash turned into the central treasurer.