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# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

**JUNE 30, 2017** 

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# Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis

## June 30, 2017 and 2016

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Trustees of Massachusetts College of Art and Design Boston, Massachusetts

## **Report on Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Massachusetts College of Art and Design (an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts) (the "College"), which comprise the statements of net position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, the related statements of revenues and expenses, changes in net position and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements. We have also audited the financial statements of Massachusetts College of Art and Design Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the related statements of revenues and expenses, changes in net position and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

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

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

#### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits 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. 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 auditors' 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 auditors consider 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 opinion.

## **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the Massachusetts College of Art and Design as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the respective changes in net position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis on pages 4-14, the schedules of the proportionate share of the net pension liability on page 52, the schedules of contributions on page 53 and the notes to the required supplementary information on page 54 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 Matters**

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the College's financial statements as a whole. The Schedules of Net Position – Dormitory Trust Fund Report and the Schedules of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position – Dormitory Trust Fund Report are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 13, 2017 on our consideration of the College's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the College's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Certified Public Accountants

Braintree, Massachusetts

O'Comor and Drew, P.C.

October 13, 2017

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis

June 30, 2017



This document is intended to provide an overview of the financial position and activities of Massachusetts College of Art and Design (the "College") for the year ended June 30, 2017. This discussion and analysis has been prepared by management and should be read in conjunction with the enclosed financial statements and footnotes. Responsibility for the fairness and completeness of this narrative rests with the College.

Massachusetts College of Art and Design is a member of the Commonwealth's Public Higher Education System. The College serves over 2,400 students, offering baccalaureate, graduate degrees and certificate programs as well as continuing education programs and campus housing. The institution is the only publicly funded, freestanding college of art and design in the United States. The College employs approximately 380 full-time faculty and staff. Our urban campus is located on the Avenue of the Arts (Huntington Avenue) in Boston, Massachusetts.

In FY2004, the College embarked on a New Partnership with the Commonwealth, which allows the College to retain tuition and strategically grow enrollment. In FY2008, the College received confirmation from the Legislative Branch and Executive Branch that the partnership is no longer considered a pilot, and that the status articulated in FY2004 is permanent. In accordance with this legislation the College operates under a five year financial and academic plan approved by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education and the Massachusetts College of Art and Design Board of Trustees. The current plan was renewed in FY2015.

The Massachusetts College of Art and Design Foundation, Inc. which is a legally separate 501(c)(3) corporation, provides financial support to the College's programs and activities. The Foundation's relationship with the College is highlighted in Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15a Section 37. In accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board, Statement 39, the College reports Foundation financial activity in a separate column in our report.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

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### **FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- In FY2017, the College was funded by both operating revenue (local tuition and fees), and non-operating revenue (state appropriations).
- In FY2017, the College experienced an increase in operating revenue to \$46,071,369 of approximately \$2.1 million. Tuition & Fee revenue increased by approximately \$2.6 million and the level of scholarships increased by approximately \$1.5 million.
- Non-operating revenue in FY2017 increased by approximately \$1.5 million to \$26,063,266 mainly due to the increased state funding of fringe benefits.
- The College's operating expenses for FY2017 totaled \$73,576,357, an increase from the prior year of approximately \$4.1 million.
- Depreciation, a non-cash expense increased by approximately \$735,000 in FY2017 to a new yearly expense amount of \$2.9 million, mainly due to the full year depreciation applicable to the Design & Media Center that came on-line half way through FY2016.
- In FY2017, the College experienced a net loss of \$1,441,722 before Capital Improvements.
- The College in FY2017 had Capital Improvement to Buildings from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts of approximately \$4.2 million.
- The College's total assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of FY2017, leaving a net position of \$68,562,215, an increase of approximately \$2.8 million from FY2016.
- In the FY2017 financial statements, the College had a net increase in Investment in Plant of approximately \$3.2 million to \$85,202,075.
- In the FY2015 financial statements, the College implemented a new accounting standard to report the net pension liability for its non-state supported employees. The valuation of this liability is an allocation from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This liability and other related items are listed on the Statement of Net Position. For FY2015, this pension liability portion for the College was valued at \$1,181,800. The FY2016 liability valuation amount was \$2,430,633. The FY2017 valuation of this liability is \$2,103,656.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

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### **USING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The Massachusetts College of Art and Design's financial statements are comprised of two parts: (1) the financial statements and (2) the notes to the financial statements. These financial statements are presented on a consolidated basis to focus on the College as a whole. These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Government Accounting Standards Board principles. The financial statements include the Statement of Net Position; the Statement of Revenues and Expenses; the Statement of Changes in Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows.

Assets and liabilities are presented in current (short-term) and non-current (long term) activity. Revenue and expenses are categorized as operating and non-operating; most significant is that the annual state appropriation is presented as non-operating revenue. A brief description of the components of the financial statements is as follows:

The *Statement of Net Position* presents the financial position of the College, showing information on all of the College's assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as *net position*. Assets and liabilities are measured using current values, except capital assets, which are stated at historical cost less a depreciation allowance.

The Statement of Revenues and Expenses and the Statement of Changes in Net Position present the change in net position for the fiscal year, showing both the gross and net costs of the College's activities supported by state and other revenues.

The Statement of Cash Flows presents cash inflows and outflows as operating, capital and non-capital financing and investing activity.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COLLEGE AS A WHOLE

In FY2017 the College recorded an increase of \$2,190,044 in total assets, a reduction in deferred outflows of resources of \$87,321 and a decrease of \$684,027 in total liabilities, along with a net addition in deferred inflows of resources of \$31,935 resulting in an overall increase to the net position of \$2,754,815.

The College's assets total \$104,522,505 of which non-current represents 82%, and 18% represents current assets. It is important to note the primary assets of the College are non-current and represent the value of fixed plant and equipment.

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## FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE COLLEGE AS A WHOLE - Continued

The College's liabilities total \$34,926,762 of which 72% represents long-term (non-current) obligations related to accrued employee compensation, debt service costs and the accounting for the net pension liability. Current liabilities consist of accounts payable, deferred revenue and the current portion of long-term obligations.

The College also has deferred outflows of resources of \$925,192 and deferred inflows of resources of \$1,958,720 at year-end.

The College closed FY2017 in a positive financial position and has sufficient current assets to cover current liabilities, a current ratio of (1.95:1). The current assets are \$19,169,162 and the current liabilities are \$9,808,628.

	<b>FY2017</b>	FY2016	FY2015
Current Assets Non-Current Assets	\$ 19,169,162 85,353,343	\$ 20,086,751 <u>82,245,710</u>	\$ 20,972,429 65,892,050
Total Assets	104,522,505	102,332,461	86,864,479
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	925,192	1,012,513	195,336
Total Assets & Deferred Outflows of Resources	105,447,697	103,344,974	87,059,815
Current Liabilities Non-Current Liabilities  Total Liabilities  Total Deferred Inflows of Resources  Total Liabilities & Deferred Inflows of Resources	9,808,628 25,118,134 34,926,762 1,958,720 36,885,482	9,275,931 26,334,858 35,610,789 1,926,785 37,537,574	8,962,109 26,165,612 35,127,721 2,215,607 37,343,328
Total Net Position = (Total Assets + Deferred Outflows of Resources) - (Total Liabilities + Deferred Inflows of Resources)	\$ <u>68,562,215</u>	\$ <u>65,807,400</u>	<u>\$ 49,716,487</u>

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

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#### **NET POSITION**

The difference between total assets and deferred outflows of resources, less total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources (net position) is \$68,562,215. The net position is detailed as follows:

	<b>FY2017</b>	FY2016	FY2015
Unrestricted Restricted	\$ 4,112,532 1,512,282	\$ 5,574,497 1,461,153	\$ 6,690,693 1,550,518
Investments in Capital Assets, Net	62,937,401	58,771,750	41,475,276
Total Net Position	\$ <u>68,562,215</u>	\$ <u>65,807,400</u>	\$ <u>49,716,487</u>

The College has positive balances in all three net position categories at the end of FY2017. Capital assets, representing land, buildings, construction in progress, equipment and educational resource materials, account for 92% of the College's total net position. Restricted funds are for specialized program activities and financial aid loan programs, which are subject to external restrictions on use.

The College, at year-end, has a local unrestricted fund balance of \$12,636,001. We also have unfunded liabilities with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Unrestricted Fund Balance totaling (\$8,523,469). The Commonwealth Unrestricted Fund Balance includes liabilities for employee's accumulated sick and vacation leave and net pension activity.

College's Unrestricted Fund Balance	\$ 12,636,001
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Unrestricted	
Fund Balance	(8,523,469)
Total Unrestricted Funds	\$ <u>4,112,532</u>

Note 20 of the Financial Statements, *Title to Various Assets and Liabilities*, explains the unrestricted fund balance in more detail.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

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# $\frac{\textbf{STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN}{\textbf{NET POSITION}}$

The statement of revenues and expenses and statement of changes in net position presents the College's results of operations. A summary of the FY2017 operating and non-operating revenue, expenses and net position is as follows:

I.	NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR		\$ 65,807,400
II.	OPERATING REVENUE TUITION, FEES, & OTHER REVENUE	46,071,369	
III.	OPERATIONAL EXPENSES	73,576,357	
IV.	OPERATING LOSS (II-III)	(27,504,988)	
V.	NON-OPERATING: COMMONWEALTH APPROPRIATIONS CAPITAL APPROPRIATIONS NET INVESTMENT INCOME & INTEREST EXPENSE	26,901,808 158,593 (997,135)	
	TOTAL NON-OPERATING ACTIVITY	26,063,266	
VI.	NET INCOME /LOSS BEFORE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS (IV+V)	(1,441,722)	
VII.	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO BUILDINGS	4,196,537	
VIII.	CHANGE IN NET POSITION (VI+VII)		2,754,815
IX.	NET POSITION, END OF YEAR (I+VIII)		\$ <u>68,562,215</u>

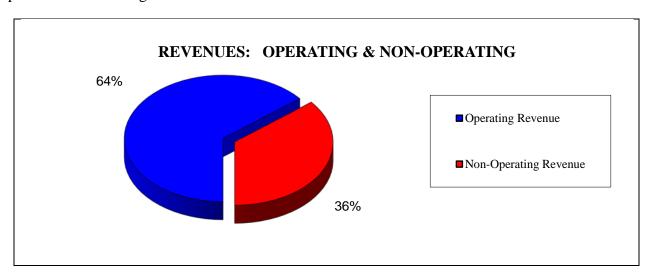
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# STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION - Continued

As of June 30, 2017 the College realized an operating loss of \$27,504,988 (IV) due primarily to the nature of the Massachusetts public higher education funding system. The Commonwealth's FY2017 appropriation and fringe support to the College, considered non-operating income, assists in making up the operating loss not covered by tuition, fees and other operating revenue. The Commonwealth's FY2017 funding for Capital Improvements to Buildings increases the net position of the College.



The College develops its budgets based on local revenue and the Commonwealth's appropriation. The Commonwealth's appropriation is a critical component of the College's funding structure. In FY2017, non-operating revenue sources remained level at 36% of total annual income as in FY2016, compared to, 35% in FY2015, 34% in FY2014 and 32% in FY2013.

The College combines tuition and fees into a consolidated student charge. These revenues are considered operating income.

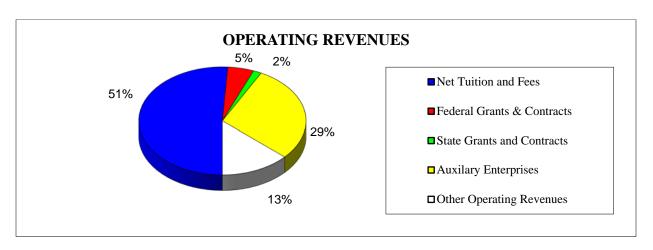
	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	FY2015
Undergraduate Day Program Student Charges Graduate and Program of Continuing Education Tuition and Fees	\$ 28,787,660	\$ 26,629,388	\$ 26,576,207
	5,307,275	4,860,749	4,912,216
Total Tuition and Fee Revenue	\$ <u>34,094,935</u>	\$ <u>31,490,137</u>	\$ <u>31,488,423</u>

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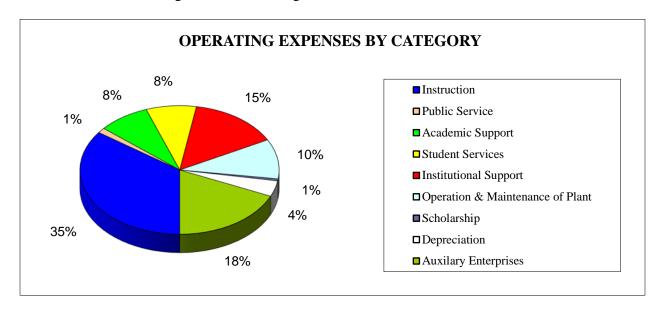
## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

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# STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION - Continued



Tuition and fees are the largest source of operating revenue, accounting for 51% of total operating resources. The College's auxiliary enterprises, consisting of the residence halls and dormitory dining, accounts for 29% of operating revenue. Income from federal and state grants total 7% of operating income and another 13% classified as other operating revenues, derived from a variety of miscellaneous sources. Included in this category is \$3,468,853 in support from the Massachusetts College of Art and Design Foundation, Inc.



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## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

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# STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES AND STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION - Continued

Operating expenditures totaled \$73,576,357. Consistent with the College's efforts to maintain competitive advantage, our instructional and academic support expenses account for 43% (35% & 8%) of total operating expenses. Auxiliary enterprises are 18% of total operating expenses, institutional (i.e. administrative expenditures) account for 15% of operational costs, which is significantly below peer institution spending rates. Plant (10%) and depreciation (4%) expenses account for 14% of the operating costs.

In FY2017, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, through Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM), had Capital Improvements to Buildings of the College in the amount \$4,196,537. \$16,964,430 was the FY2016 improvement level. In FY2015 this Capital amount was \$8,767,962. In FY2014 this amount was \$5,541,111 and in FY2013 it was \$2,997,618.

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	<b>FY2017</b>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2015</u>
Cash, Beginning of Year	\$ 18,806,422	\$ 19,805,975	\$ 19,596,629
Cash, End of Year	\$ 17,816,048	\$ 18,806,422	\$ 19,805,975

The College's cash and cash equivalents decreased by \$990,374 in FY2017.

#### **SUMMARY ANALYSIS AND COMMENT**

The Board of Trustees of the College approves the operating budget and reviews financial reports on a quarterly basis. Management advises the Board of Trustees of any significant adjustments or concerns in the budget as necessary.

During the fiscal year, monthly reports are disseminated to all employees who have responsibility and involvement in any aspect of the financial activity of the College. This information allows managers to review and monitor their budgets. Weekly reports along with online financial information are available to employees who process financial transactions. At year-end, an audit is conducted and these financial statements are produced.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

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## **SUMMARY ANALYSIS AND COMMENT - Continued**

The College has entered into FY2018; the third year of our five-year financial plan (approved by the Board of Trustees, Massachusetts Board of Higher Education and the Secretary of Education) helps guide decisions during the budget process. Management has developed this five-year Financial Plan as part of our Partnership Plan with the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education and the Secretary of Education. In FY2018, the college has undertaken the process to develop a five year strategic plan with a ten year outlook

Management strives to maintain and increase the quality of our academic programs for our students. In addition, the College continues its commitment to efficient and transparent operations through continuous improvement and transparency. Administration and Finance will continue to coordinate the college wide risk assessments and incorporate the results into the budget process. The results of these college-wide assessments will be shared with the Board of Trustees on an annual basis. The FY2019 Budget will continue to use BudgetPak as in FY2018 as the main collection tool for budget requests. This tool allows trust fund custodians access to tools and historical data to better build their budget submissions.

Starting in the summer of FY2017/18, phase 1 of the Paine and Bakalar Galleries Project was completed. Phase 2 of the project will start during FY2018 and finish between 18 to 24 months of the start date. The project will upgrade facilities within the South Building to meet industry standards for gallery space and allow the galleries facility to be used on a 12 month program cycle. The South Building will be ADA access compliant and life safety systems will be upgraded to meet current code standards. This project will allow us to start to plan the renovation and renewal of the South Building as a part of a new Campus Master Plan. The development of a new Campus Master Plan is scheduled to be undertaken in FY2019.

Student scholarships are another critical component to student success and attracting the most qualified students in the region. The activity in the General Scholarship Account over the years has risen from \$800 thousand in FY2008 to \$7 million In FY2017. Additional student support was allocated for FY2018. The College adjusted its awarding to make more money available to the need-based aid and Massachusetts resident categories. The Fall 2017 incoming class is approximately 15% larger than the Fall 2016 incoming class. This increase is mainly attributed to increased applications from the adoption of the Common Application, as well as a more focused targeted recruitment process and enrollment management strategy implemented in FY2016. A moderate increase in scholarship support has allowed students to borrow less in the past several years.

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## Management's Discussion and Analysis - Continued

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## **SUMMARY ANALYSIS AND COMMENT - Continued**

The College will continue to assess its institutional financial aid levels and growth as part of an overall assessment of our recruitment strategies during FY2018. In FY2012, less than 25% of the total financial aid package was in the form of grants. Each year, through increases from the College in institutional aid, we have steadily increased that number to 40%.

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## **Statements of Net Position**

June 30,

## Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources

		nary <u>rnment</u>	Component <u>Unit</u>		
	2017 <u>College</u>	2016 College	2017 <u>Foundation</u>	2016 Foundation	
Current Assets:					
Cash and equivalents	\$ 16,507,801	\$ 17,604,747	\$ 4,802,851	\$ 2,745,038	
Deposits held by State Treasurer	1,156,979	996,616	-	-	
Accounts receivable, net	566,249	607,926	-	-	
Contributions receivable	_	-	680,443	432,478	
Loans receivable	749,145	732,945	-	-	
Other receivables	53,825	-	=	-	
Prepaid expenses	-	-	1,447	1,447	
Investments	-	-	10,405,277	11,833,382	
Inventories	135,163	144,517		<del></del>	
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	19,169,162	20,086,751	15,890,018	15,012,345	
Non-Current Assets:					
Restricted cash and equivalents	118,288	172,194	=	-	
Restricted deposits held by State Treasurer	32,980	32,865	-	-	
Long-term contributions receivable, net	-	-	132,685	344,017	
Investment in plant, net	<u>85,202,075</u>	82,040,651			
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	85,353,343	82,245,710	132,685	344,017	
Total Assets	104,522,505	102,332,461	16,022,703	15,356,362	
Deferred Outflows of Resources:					
Pension related, net	925,192	1,012,513	<u>-</u> _		

Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources <u>\$ 105,447,697</u> <u>\$ 103,344,974</u> <u>\$ 16,022,703</u> <u>\$ 15,356,362</u>

## Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position

		Primary <u>Government</u>		Component <u>Unit</u>		
	2017 <u>College</u>	2016 College	2017 <u>Foundation</u>	2016 Foundation		
Current Liabilities:						
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 1,581,860	\$ 1,133,822	\$ 8,621	\$ 39,377		
Accrued salaries and wages	1,924,329	2,020,253	-	-		
Accrued compensated absences and benefits	3,058,712	3,051,179	-	44.152		
Annuity payable Lease payable	10.000	-	41,896	44,152		
Bonds payable	19,988 1,134,263	1,093,062	-	-		
Unearned revenues and deposits	2,089,476	1,977,615	-	_		
Official fed revenues and deposits	2,007,470	1,977,013		<del></del>		
Total Current Liabilities	9,808,628	9,275,931	50,517	83,529		
Non-Current Liabilities:						
Accrued compensated absences and benefits	1,904,055	1,728,386	-	-		
Lease payable	68,847	-	-	-		
Bonds payable	21,041,576	22,175,839	_	-		
Net pension liability	2,103,656	2,430,633	<del></del>			
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>	25,118,134	26,334,858				
Total Liabilities	34,926,762	35,610,789	50,517	83,529		
Deferred Inflows of Resources:						
Service concession revenue applicable to future years	1,479,926	1,855,073	-	-		
Pension related, net	478,794	71,712	<del></del>			
<b>Total Deferred Inflows of Resources</b>	1,958,720	1,926,785				
Net Position:						
Investment in capital assets, net	62,937,401	58,771,750	-	-		
Restricted:						
Nonexpendable	58,622	58,622	5,060,595	4,882,603		
Expendable	1,453,660	1,402,531	10,573,229	10,145,209		
Unrestricted	4,112,532	5,574,497	338,362	245,021		
<b>Total Net Position</b>	68,562,215	65,807,400	15,972,186	15,272,833		
<b>Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of</b>						
Resources and Net Position	<u>\$ 105,447,697</u>	<u>\$ 103,344,974</u>	<u>\$ 16,022,703</u>	\$ 15,356,362		

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## **Statements of Revenues and Expenses**

## For the Years Ended June 30,

	Prin <u>Gover</u>	nary <u>nment</u>	Component <u>Unit</u>		
	2017	2016	2017	2016	
On anoting Boyonyage	<u>College</u>	<u>College</u>	<b>Foundation</b>	<u>Foundation</u>	
Operating Revenues: Tuition and fees Less: scholarships and fellowships	\$ 34,094,935 (10,580,043)	\$ 31,490,137 (9,072,041)	\$ - -	\$ - -	
Net tuition and fees Gifts and contributions Federal grants and contracts	23,514,892	22,418,096	2,781,790	1,783,175	
State grants and contracts In-kind revenue	2,327,058 733,352	2,357,515 714,978	- 111,826	408,942	
Auxiliary enterprises	13,333,190	13,019,180	· -	-	
Other operating revenues	6,162,877	5,509,190	1,468,135	1,520,074	
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	46,071,369	44,018,959	4,361,751	3,712,191	
Operating Expenses:					
Educational and general: Instruction	25,694,821	24,374,109			
Gifts and contributions	23,094,021	24,374,109	3,501,903	3,032,133	
Public service	928,727	811,245	-		
Academic support	6,141,825	5,690,590	-	-	
Student services	5,994,438	5,990,875	- -	701.021	
Fundraising Institutional support	10,717,869	10,060,799	726,114 284,184	791,021 240,325	
Operation and maintenance of plant	7,325,394	7,201,256	204,104	240,323	
Scholarships and fellowships	375,995	388,877	_	_	
Depreciation	2,917,770	2,183,278	_	-	
Auxiliary enterprises	13,479,518	12,791,129			
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	73,576,357	69,492,158	4,512,201	4,063,479	
Net Operating Loss	(27,504,988)	(25,473,199)	(150,450)	(351,288)	
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses):					
State appropriations, net	26,901,808	25,324,221	-	-	
State capital appropriations	158,593	441,701	-	-	
Investment income (loss)	104,293	55,005	849,803	(21,427)	
Interest expense	(1,101,428)	(1,221,245)		<del>-</del>	
<b>Total Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)</b>	26,063,266	24,599,682	849,803	(21,427)	
Net Income (Loss) Before Capital Improvements	(1,441,722)	(873,517)	699,353	(372,715)	
Capital Improvements, DCAM	4,196,537	16,964,430			
Changes in Net Position	<u>\$ 2,754,815</u>	\$ 16,090,913	<u>\$ 699,353</u>	\$ (372,715)	

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## **Statements of Changes in Net Position**

For the Years Ended June 30,

## College

	Investment in Capital <u>Assets, Net</u>	Restricted <u>Nonexpendable</u>		Restricted Expendable		<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Balance, June 30, 2015	\$ 41,475,276	\$	58,622	\$	1,491,896	\$ 6,690,693	\$ 49,716,487	
Change in net position for 2016	17,296,474				(89,365)	(1,116,196)	16,090,913	
Balance, June 30, 2016	58,771,750		58,622		1,402,531	5,574,497	65,807,400	
Change in net position for 2017	4,165,651		<u>-</u>		51,129	(1,461,965)	2,754,815	
Balance, June 30, 2017	<u>\$ 62.937.401</u>	\$	58.622	<u>\$</u>	1.453.660	\$ 4.112.532	\$ 68.562.215	

#### **Foundation**

	in Capital		n Capital Restricted Restrict				Restricted Expendable	<u>Un</u>	restricted	<u>Total</u>
Balance, June 30, 2015	\$	-	\$	4,504,004	\$ 11,112,918	\$	28,626	\$ 15,645,548		
Change in net position for 2016			_	378,599	(967,709)		216,395	(372,715)		
Balance, June 30, 2016		-		4,882,603	10,145,209		245,021	15,272,833		
Change in net position for 2017				177,992	428,020		93,341	699,353		
Balance, June 30, 2017	<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>	\$	5,060,595	<u>\$ 10,573,229</u>	<u>\$</u>	338,362	<u>\$ 15,972,186</u>		

# MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGE OF ART AND DESIGN (an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts)

#### **Statements of Cash Flows**

## For the Years Ended June 30,

	Prin	
	<u>Gover</u> <b>2017</b>	<u>nment</u> 2016
	<u>College</u>	<u>College</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities: Tuition and fees	\$ 23,614,605	\$ 22,432,958
Grants and contracts	3,060,410	3,072,493
Payments to employees	(26,545,498)	(25,822,508)
Payments to suppliers and vendors	(20,714,861)	(20,523,141)
Loans issued Collections on loans	(58,000) 41,800	(39,500) 39,706
Scholarships and fellowships	(375,995)	(388,877)
Auxiliary enterprises expenses	(13,479,518)	(12,791,129)
Auxiliary enterprises revenues	13,333,190	13,019,180
Other operating revenues	<u>5,787,730</u>	5,241,629
Net Cash Applied to Operating Activities	(15,336,137)	(15,759,189)
Cash Flows from Non-Capital Financing Activities:		
State Appropriations	18,078,179	17,898,905
Net Cash Provided by Non-Capital Financing Activities	18,078,179	17,898,905
Cash Flows from Capital Financing Activities:		
Purchases of capital assets	(1,608,963)	(1,000,000)
Principal paid on capital lease payable Principal paid on bonds payable	(26,266) (1,093,062)	(923,621)
Interest paid on bonds payable	(1,108,418)	(1,270,653)
Net Cash Applied to Capital Financing Activities	(3,836,709)	(3,194,274)
Cash Flows from Investing Activity:		
Dividends and interest income	104,293	55,005
Net Decrease in Cash and Equivalents	(990,374)	(999,553)
Cash and Equivalents, Beginning of Year	18,806,422	19,805,975
Cash and Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 17,816,048</u>	<u>\$ 18,806,422</u>
Reconciliation of Net Operating Loss to Net Cash		
Applied to Operating Activities:	© (27 504 000)	e (25 472 100)
Net operating loss Adjustments to reconcile net operating loss to net cash	\$ (27,504,988)	\$ (25,473,199)
applied to operating activities:		
Depreciation	2,917,770	2,183,278
Fringe benefits provided by State appropriations	8,823,629	7,425,316
Deferred inflows of resources Bad debts	(375,147) (37,841)	(267,561) 58,706
Changes in assets and liabilities:	(57,041)	30,700
Accounts and loans receivable	63,318	(140,005)
Other receivable	(53,825)	(12.202)
Inventories Accounts payable and accrued expenses	9,354 455,028	(13,383) (320,243)
Accrued salaries and wages	(95,924)	275,149
Accrued compensated absences and benefits	183,202	155,991
Unearned revenues and deposits	111,861	96,367
Net pension liability	<u>167,426</u>	260,395
Net Cash Applied to Operating Activities	<u>\$ (15,336,137)</u>	<u>\$ (15,759,189)</u>

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## **Statements of Cash Flows - Continued**

## For the Years Ended June 30,

	Primary		
	Gover	<u>rnment</u>	
	2017	2016	
	<b>College</b>	College	
Summary of Restricted Cash and Equivalents and			
Cash and Equivalents, End of Year:			
Cash and equivalents	\$ 16,507,801	\$ 17,604,747	
Deposits held by State Treasurer	1,156,979	996,616	
Restricted cash and equivalents	118,288	172,194	
Restricted deposits held by State Treasurer	32,980	32,865	
Cash and Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 17,816,048</u>	\$ 18,806,422	
Non-Cash Transactions:			
Fringe benefits provided by State appropriations	<u>\$ 8,823,629</u>	\$ 7,425,316	
Capital improvements provided by state capital appropriations	<b>\$</b> 158,593	\$ 441,701	
Capital improvements, DCAM	<b>\$</b> 4,196,537	\$ 16,964,430	
Capital improvements, financed through capital lease	<b>\$</b> 115,101	<u>\$</u>	
Deferred inflows of resources - service concession revenue	\$ 375,147	\$ 370,861	
Deferred inflows of resources - service concession agreement - building improvements	<u> </u>	<u>\$ 150,000</u>	

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

## Note 1 - **Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

#### **Organization**

Massachusetts College of Art and Design (the "College") is a comprehensive college supported by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "State") that offers a quality education leading to a Bachelor degree in the arts, and Master's degrees in fine arts and design and art education. The College's campus is located in Boston, Massachusetts and provides instruction and training in a variety of visual arts. The College also offers, through the Division of Continuing Education, credit and noncredit courses, as well as a variety of summer workshop programs. The College is accredited by the New England Association of Schools and Colleges and the National Association of Colleges of Art and Design.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

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

The Massachusetts College of Art and Design Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation"), a component unit of the College, was organized to render financial assistance and support to the educational programs and development of the College. The Foundation is legally separate from the College, and the College is not financially accountable for the Foundation. The Foundation has been included within these financial statements because of the nature and significance of its relationship with the College. The complete financial statements can be obtained from the Foundation's administrative offices in Boston, Massachusetts.

Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements have been met. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable within a specific function. Program revenues primarily include charges to students or others who enroll or directly benefit from services that are provided by a particular function. Items not meeting the definition of program revenues are instead reported as general revenue.

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### Basis of Presentation - continued

The College has determined that it functions as a business-type activity, as defined by GASB. The effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from these financial statements. The basic financial statements and required supplementary information for general purpose governments consist of management's discussion and analysis, basic financial statements including the College's discretely presented component unit, the Foundation, and required supplementary information. The College presents statements of net position, revenues and expenses, changes in net position and cash flows on a combined College-wide basis.

The College's policies for defining operating activities in the statements of revenues and expenses are those that generally result from exchange transactions such as the payments received for services and payments made for the purchase of goods and services. Certain other transactions are reported as non-operating activities in accordance with GASB Statement No. 35. These non-operating activities include the College's operating and capital appropriations from the State, investment income, and interest expense.

#### Net Position

Resources are classified for accounting purposes into the following four net position categories:

<u>Investment in capital assets</u>: Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and outstanding principal balances of debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, repair, or improvement of those assets.

**Restricted - non-expendable:** Net position, subject to externally imposed conditions that the College must maintain in perpetuity.

**Restricted - expendable:** Net position, whose use is subject to externally imposed conditions that can be fulfilled by the actions of the College or by the passage of time.

<u>Unrestricted</u>: All other categories of net position. Unrestricted net position may be designated by actions of the College's Board of Trustees.

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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## Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### Net Position - continued

The College has adopted a policy of generally utilizing restricted - expendable funds, when available, prior to unrestricted funds.

#### Trust Funds

In accordance with the requirements of the State, the College's operations are accounted for in several trust funds. All of these trust funds have been consolidated and are included in these financial statements.

## Cash and Equivalents

The College has defined cash and equivalents to include cash on hand, demand deposits, and cash and deposits held by state agencies on behalf of the College.

#### Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Accounts receivable are periodically evaluated for collectability based on past history with students. Provisions for losses on loans receivable are determined on the basis of loss experience, known and inherent risks in the loan portfolio, the estimated value of underlying collateral, and current economic conditions.

#### **Investments**

Investments in marketable securities are stated at fair value. Dividends, interest, and net gains or losses on investments of endowments and similar funds are reported in the statements of revenues and expenses as non-operating revenues (expenses).

#### *Inventories*

Inventories consisting of books, publications and supplies are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined using the first-in, first-out method.

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### Capital Assets

Real estate assets, including improvements, are generally stated at cost. Furnishings and equipment are stated at cost as of date of acquisition or, in the case of gifts, at fair market value at the date of donation. Capital assets, with the exception of land and construction in progress, are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, which range from 3 to 40 years. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. The College's capitalization threshold is \$50,000 with a useful live of greater than one year for capital assets.

The College does not have collections of historical treasures, works of art, or other items that are inexhaustible by their nature and are of immeasurable intrinsic value, thus not requiring capitalization or depreciation in accordance with GASB guidelines.

#### Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Massachusetts State Employees' Retirement System plan ("SERS") and the additions to/deductions from SERS' fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by SERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

#### Fringe Benefits

The College participates in the State's retirement plan and programs for fringe benefits and others, including health insurance, unemployment and workers' compensation. Health insurance and pension costs are billed through a fringe benefit rate charged to the College.

### Compensated Absences

Employees with ten or more years of service are entitled to carry forward 20% of unused sick time. Upon retirement, the employees are entitled to receive payment for their unused balance.

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## **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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## Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

### **Unearned Revenues and Deposits**

Unearned revenues represent unearned income related to certain summer courses and programs that transcend the fiscal year. Deposits are advance payments received from students who will be attending the College in the next academic year and are recognized ratably as revenue upon the students' matriculation.

#### Student Tuition and Fees

Student tuition and fees are presented net of scholarships and fellowships applied to students' accounts. Certain other scholarship amounts paid directly to the students are generally reflected as operating expenses.

#### Tax Status

The College is an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and is therefore, generally exempt from income taxes under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions about future events. These estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, as well as reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Management evaluates the estimates and assumptions on an ongoing basis using historical experience and other factors that management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. Adjustments to estimates and assumptions are made as facts and circumstances require. As future events and their effects cannot be determined with certainty, actual results may differ from the estimates used in preparing the accompanying financial statements. Significant estimates and assumptions are required as part of determining the value of donated assets and accounts receivable, and estimating depreciation, amortization, net pension liability assumptions and the recoverability of long-lived assets.

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

## Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

New Governmental Accounting Pronouncements

GASB Statement 75 - Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2017. This Statement replaces Statement 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pension Plans and Statement 57, OPEB Measurements by Agent Employers and Agent Multiple-Employer Plans. The objective of Statement 75 is to improve accounting and financial reporting by state and local governments for postemployment benefits other than pensions ("OPEB"). It also requires additional information by state and local governmental employers about financial support for OPEB that is provided by other entities. The Statement establishes standards for recognizing and measuring liabilities, deferred outflows and inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures. GASB 75 also identifies the assumptions and methods that are required to be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value and attribute that present value to periods of employee service for defined benefit OPEB. Management has not yet evaluated the effects of the implementation of this standard, but does expect that it will require restating certain balances as of June 30, 2107.

GASB Statement 83 – Certain Asset Retirement Obligations ("ARO's") is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2018. An ARO is a legally enforceable liability associated with the retirement of a tangible capital asset. This Statement establishes criteria for determining the timing and pattern of recognition of a liability and a corresponding deferred outflow of resources for ARO's and requires that recognition occur when the liability is both incurred and reasonably estimable. Management has not completed its review of the requirements of this standard and its applicability.

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

## Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

New Governmental Accounting Pronouncements - continued

GASB Statement 84 – Fiduciary Activities is effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2018. The objective of this statement is to establish criteria for identifying fiduciary activities. Activity meeting the established criteria would then be presented in a statement of fiduciary net position and a statement of changes in fiduciary net position. Pension and other employee benefit trust funds, investment trust funds, private-purpose trust funds and custodial funds would be reported, as applicable, according to this Statement. Information of component units of a primary government would be combined and shown in the aggregate with the fiduciary funds of the primary government. Under this Statement, a liability could to be recognized to the beneficiaries in a fiduciary fund if the government has been compelled to disburse fiduciary resources. Management has not yet evaluated the effects of the implementation of this Statement.

GASB Statement 85 – Omnibus 2017 is effective for periods beginning after June 15, 2017. The objective of this Statement is to address practice issues that have been identified during implementation and application of certain GASB Statements. This Statement addresses a variety of topics including issues related to blending component units, goodwill, fair value measurement and application, and postemployment benefits (pensions and other postemployment benefits). Management has not completed its review of the requirements of this standard and its applicability.

GASB Statement 86 – Certain Debt Extinguishment Issues is effective for reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2017. The primary objective of this Statement is to improve consistency in accounting and financial reporting for in-substance defeasance of debt by providing guidance for transactions in which cash and other monetary assets acquired with only existing resources - resources other than the proceeds of refunding debt - are placed in an irrevocable trust for the sole purpose of extinguishing debt. This Statement also improves accounting and financial reporting for prepaid insurance on debt that is extinguished and disclosures in the financial statements for debt that is defeased in substance. Management has not completed its review of the requirements of this standard.

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

## Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies - Continued

#### New Governmental Accounting Pronouncements - continued

GASB Statement 87 – *Leases* is effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2019. Implementation of this standard will require lessees to recognize on their statement of net position the rights and obligations resulting from leases categorized as operating leases as assets, liabilities, or deferred inflows / outflows of resources. It provides for an election on leases with terms of less than twelve months to be excluded from this Standard. Management is in the process of evaluating this standard and has not yet determined its impact on the financial statements.

## **Reclassification**

Certain amounts in the 2016 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2017 presentation.

## Note 2 - Cash and Equivalents

Custodial credit risk is associated with the failure of a depository financial institution. In the event of a depository financial institution's failure, the College would not be able to recover its balances in excess of amounts insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC"). The College does not have a formal deposit policy for custodial credit risk. Deposits in banks in excess of the insured amount are uninsured and uncollateralized. Amounts exposed to custodial risk at June 30, 2017 and 2016 were approximately \$11,618,000 and \$11,515,000.

The Treasurer of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts oversees the financial management of the Massachusetts Municipal Depository Trust ("MMDT"), an external investment pool for cities, towns and other state and local agencies within the Commonwealth. MMDT operates as a Rule 2a-7-like pool and is valued by MMDT's management on amortized cost where the net asset value is \$1 per share. At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the College has \$11,618,127 and \$11,515,064, respectively, invested with MMDT and is included in cash and equivalents.

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## **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

## June 30, 2017 and 2016

## Note 3 - **Investments**

#### Foundation

Investments of the Foundation are stated at fair market value and consist of the following at June 30.:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Equity mutal funds	\$ 7,020,074	\$ 6,278,552
Fixed income mutual funds	3,356,433	4,998,796
Hedge Funds	28,770	556,034
	<u>\$ 10,405,277</u>	<u>\$ 11,833,382</u>

The following schedule summarizes the Foundation's investment income and its classification in the statements of revenues and expenses for the years ended June 30,:

		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>
Dividend and interest income Net realized gains on investments	\$	245,295 24,868	\$	316,508 511,451
Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments  Total return (loss) on investments	<b>\$</b>	579,640 849,803	<u>\$</u>	(849,386) (21,427)

## Note 4 - Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable comprise the following at June 30,:

		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>
Student accounts receivable Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	<b>\$</b>	690,722 124,473	\$	694,558 86,632
	<u>\$</u>	566,249	<u>\$</u>	607,926

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

## June 30, 2017 and 2016

#### Note 5 - Contributions Receivable

Unconditional promises to give due in more than one year are reflected at the present value of estimated future cash flows using varying discount rates of 5.00% to 7.00%.

Contributions receivable of the Foundation comprise the following at June 30,:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Due within one year  Due within one to five years	\$ 680,443 168,167	\$ 432,478 367,767
Gross contributions receivable	848,610	800,245
Unamortized discount and allowance	(35,482)	(23,750)
Total Contributions Receivable	<b>\$ 813,128</b>	<u>\$ 776,495</u>

#### Note 6 - Loans Receivable

The College participates in the Federal Perkins Loan Program. This program is funded through a combination of federal and College resources. The portion of this program that has been funded with federal funds is ultimately due to the United States Government upon the termination of the College's participation in the program. The Joslin Loan receivable represents monies provided to students as a form of financial aid. Students are required to pay 5% interest on these loans. Management has reviewed loans receivable as of June 30, 2017 and 2016 and considers the balance to be fully collectible and, accordingly, no allowance for doubtful accounts is required. Loans receivable are comprised of the following at June 30,:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Perkins loans receivable Joslin loans receivable	\$ 677,686 71,459	\$ 661,486 71,459
	<u>\$ 749,145</u>	\$ 732,945

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

## Note 6 - **Loans Receivable - Continued**

The Federal Perkins Loan Program Extension Act of 2015 (the "Extension Act"), enacted on December 18, 2015, extended the Perkins Loan Program through September 30, 2017. The Extension Act states that new Perkins Loans cannot be disbursed to students after September 30, 2017. Students that received a fall semester Perkins loan disbursement before October 1, 2017 can receive a spring semester Perkins loan disbursement. The College is currently evaluating alternative methods of financial aid for students affected by the Extension Act for the 2018-19 academic year.

## Note 7 - Capital Assets

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

	Estimated										
	Lives		Beginning								Ending
	(In Years)		<b>Balance</b>		<b>Additions</b>	Re	<u>etirements</u>	Rec	<u>classifications</u>		<b>Balance</b>
Non-depreciable:											
Land		\$	5,677	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,677
Construction in progress			4,785,345		1,689,456				(1,442,988)		5,031,813
Total non-depreciable			4,791,022		1,689,456				(1,442,988)		5,037,490
Depreciable:											
Buildings, including											
improvements	40		147,351,769		4,274,637		-		1,442,988		153,069,394
Furnishings and equipment	3 to 10		2,330,301		115,101		(54,504)		-		2,390,898
<b>Educational resource materials</b>	5		2,057,529		<u> </u>						2,057,529
Total depreciable		_	151,739,599	_	4,389,738		(54,504)		1,442,988	_	157,517,821
Less: accumulated depreciation:											
<b>Buildings, including improvements</b>			70,102,140		2,894,750		-		-		72,996,890
Furnishings and equipment			2,330,301		23,020		(54,504)		-		2,298,817
<b>Educational resource materials</b>			2,057,529								2,057,529
Total accumulated depreciation			74,489,970	_	2,917,770		(54,504)		<u>-</u>		77,353,236
Capital assets, net		\$	82,040,651	\$	3,161,424	\$		\$	_	\$	85,202,075

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## **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

## Note 7 - Capital Assets - Continued

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2016 is as follows:

	Estimated								
	Lives	Beginning							Ending
	(In Years)	<u>Balance</u>		<u>Additions</u>	R	etirements	Re	<u>classifications</u>	Balance Palance
Non-depreciable:									
Land		\$ 5,677	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 5,677
Construction in progress		 35,459,282		3,228,033		<u>-</u>		(33,901,970)	 4,785,345
Total non-depreciable		35,464,959		3,228,033				(33,901,970)	4,791,022
Depreciable:									
Buildings, including									
improvements	40	98,121,701		15,328,098		-		33,901,970	147,351,769
Furnishings and equipment	3 to 10	2,435,779		-		(105,478)		-	2,330,301
Educational resource materials	5	 2,057,529				_			 2,057,529
Total depreciable		 102,615,009		15,328,098		(105,478)		33,901,970	 151,739,599
Less: accumulated depreciation:									
Buildings, including improvements		67,918,862		2,183,278		_		-	70,102,140
Furnishings and equipment		2,435,779		-		(105,478)		-	2,330,301
Educational resource materials		2,057,529		-		_		-	2,057,529
Total accumulated depreciation		72,412,170	_	2,183,278		(105,478)		-	74,489,970
Capital assets, net		\$ 65,667,798	\$	16,372,853	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>=</u>	\$ 82,040,651

#### Note 8 - **Long-Term Liabilities**

Activity in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2017 consists of the following:

		Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance		Current Portion
Bonds payable	\$	23,268,901	\$ -	\$ 1,093,062	\$ 22,175,839	\$	1,134,263
Other non-current liabilities:							
Lease payable		-	115,101	26,266	\$ 88,835		19,988
Compensated absences		4,465,286	4,490,864	4,465,286	4,490,864		2,973,298
Worker's compensation		314,279	471,903	314,279	471,903		85,414
Net pension liability		2,430,633	 <u> </u>	 326,977	 2,103,656	_	<u> </u>
Total	<b>\$</b>	30,479,099	\$ 5,077,868	\$ 6,225,870	\$ 29,331,097	\$	4,212,963

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## Note 8 - Long-Term Liabilities - Continued

Activity in long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2016 consists of the following:

		Beginning Balance		Additions		Reductions		Ending Balance	Current Portion
Bonds payable	\$	24,192,522	\$	-	\$	923,621	\$	23,268,901	\$ 1,093,062
Other non-current liabilities:									
Compensated absences		4,269,572		4,465,286		4,269,572		4,465,286	2,984,866
Worker's compensation		354,002		314,279		354,002		314,279	66,313
Net pension liability		1,181,800	_	1,248,833				2,430,633	 <del>_</del>
Total	<u>\$</u>	29,997,896	\$	6,028,398	<u>\$</u>	5,547,195	<u>\$</u>	30,479,099	\$ 4,144,241

The College has five separate financing agreements with the Massachusetts State College Building Authority ("MSCBA") for improvements to the Student Dining Hall and the Center for Design and Media. The source of financing for the projects is from the revenue bonds issued by MSCBA on behalf of the College. Principal is payable annually, and interest is payable semiannually at a predetermined rate, which varies between 4.00% and 6.00%.

Maturities of bond principal and interest subsequent to June 30, 2017 are as follows:

Fiscal Years Ending June 30,	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>
2018	\$ 1,134,263	\$ 1,054,186
2019	1,181,944	1,003,799
2020	1,236,385	952,223
2021	1,284,066	894,716
2022	1,348,227	832,111
2023-2027	7,825,039	1,530,501
2028 - 2032	6,655,914	1,138,861
2033-2034	1,510,001	538,172
	\$ 22,175,839	\$ 7,944,569

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#### Note 9 - **Pensions**

#### Defined Benefit Plan Description

Certain employees of the College participate in a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan - the Massachusetts State Employees' Retirement System - administered by the Massachusetts State Board of Retirement (the "Board"), which is a public employee retirement system ("PERS"). Under a cost-sharing plan, pension obligations for employees of all employers are pooled and plan assets are available to pay the benefits through the plan, regardless of the status of the employers' payment of its pension obligations to the plan. The plan provides retirement and disability benefits and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries.

The Massachusetts State Employees' Retirement System does not issue stand-alone financial statements.

The College makes contributions for employees paid by state appropriations through a benefit charge assessed by the Commonwealth. Such pension expense amounted to \$2,621,000 and \$2,405,000 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 respectively. Employees, who contribute a percentage of their regular compensation, fund the annuity portion of the retirement system. Annual covered payroll was approximately 96% of total related payroll for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

#### Benefit Provisions

SERS provides retirement, disability, survivor and death benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Massachusetts General Laws ("MGL") establishes uniform benefit and contribution requirements for all contributory PERS. These requirements provide for superannuation retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a member's highest three-year average annual rate of regular compensation. For employees hired after April 1, 2012, retirement allowances are calculated based on the last five years or any five consecutive years, whichever is greater in terms of compensation. Benefit payments are based upon a member's age, length of creditable service, and group creditable service, and group classification. The authority for amending these provisions rests with the Massachusetts State Legislature (the "Legislature").

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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### Note 9 - **Pensions - Continued**

### Benefit Provisions - continued

Members become vested after ten years of creditable service. A superannuation retirement allowance may be received upon the completion of twenty years of service or upon reaching the age of 55 with ten years of service. Normal retirement for most employees occurs at age 65; for certain hazardous duty and public safety positions, normal retirement is at age 55. Most employees who joined the system after April 1, 2012 are not eligible to retire prior to age 60.

#### **Contributions**

The SERS' funding policies have been established by Chapter 32 of the MGL. The Legislature has the authority to amend these policies. The annuity portion of the SERS retirement allowance is funded by employees, who contribute a percentage of their regular compensation. Costs of administering the plan are funded out of plan assets.

Member contributions for SERS vary depending on the most recent date of membership:

<u>Hire Date</u>	Percentage of Compensation
Prior to 1975	5% of regular compensation
1975-1983	7% of regular compensation
1984 to 6/30/1996	8% of regular compensation

7/1/1996 to present 9% of regular compensation except

for State Police which is 12% of

regular compensation

1979 to present An additional 2% of regular

compensation in excess of \$30,000

The College is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate; the rate was 9.95% and 9.45% of annual covered payroll for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. The College contributed \$110,939 and \$109,550 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, equal to 100% of the required contributions for each year.

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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### Note 9 - **Pensions - Continued**

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred</u> Inflows of Resources

At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the College reported a liability of \$2,103,656 and \$2,430,633, respectively, for its proportionate share of the net pension liability related to its participation in SERS.

For fiscal year 2017, the net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, the measurement date, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2016 rolled forward to June 30, 2016 for reporting at June 30, 2017, the reporting date.

For fiscal year 2016, the net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2015, the measurement date, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2015 rolled forward to June 30, 2015 for reporting at June 30, 2016, the reporting date.

The College's proportion of the net pension liability was based on its share of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts', collective pension amounts allocated on the basis of actual fringe benefit charges assessed to the College for the fiscal years 2016 and 2015. The College's proportionate share was based on actual employer contributions to the SERS for fiscal years 2016 and 2015 relative to total contributions of all participating employers for the fiscal years. At June 30, 2016 and 2015, the College's proportion was 0.015% and 0.021%, respectively.

For the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the College recognized pension expense of \$279,935 and \$372,808, respectively.

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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### Note 9 - **Pensions - Continued**

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources - continued</u>

The College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources at June 30,:

<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>
Change in plan actuarial assumptions Change in proportion due to internal allocation	\$	233,281 339,840	\$	420,936 433,982
Difference between expected and actual experience		99,918		48,045
Net difference between expected and actual earnings on plan investments		141,214		-
Contributions made after the measurement date		110,939		109,550
Total	<u>\$</u>	925,192	<u>\$</u>	1,012,513
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>				
Differences between projected and	4		4	
actual earnings on plan investments	\$	- 478,794	\$	69,846
Changes in proportion from Commonwealth		4/0,/34		1,866
Total	<u>\$</u>	<u>478,794</u>	\$	71,712

The College's contributions of \$110,939 and \$109,550 made during fiscal years ending 2017 and 2016, respectively, subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in each of the succeeding years.

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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### Note 9 - **Pensions - Continued**

<u>Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources - continued</u>

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

Years Ending <u>June 30,</u>		
2018	\$	70,095
2019		70,095
2020		126,798
2021		58,141
2022		10,330
	<u>\$</u>	335,459

### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Measurement date	June 30, 2016	June 30, 2015
Inflation	3.00%	3.00%
Salary Increases	4.00% to 9.00%	3.50% to 9.00%
Investment rate of return	7.50%	7.50%
Interest rate credited to annuity savings fund	3.50%	3.50%

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

### June 30, 2017 and 2016

#### Note 9 - **Pensions - Continued**

### Actuarial Assumptions - continued

For measurement dates June 30, 2016 and 2015, mortality rates were based on:

Pre-retirement - reflects RP-2000 Employees table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2009 (gender distinct)

Post-retirement - reflects RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2009 (gender distinct)

Disability - the mortality rate is assumed to be in accordance with the RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2009 (gender distinct)

The actuarial assumptions used in the January 1, 2016 valuation rolled forward to June 30, 2016 and the calculation of the total pension liability at June 30, 2016 were consistent with the results of actuarial experience study performed as of January 1, 2016.

Investment assets of SERS are with the Pension Reserves Investment Trust ("PRIT") Fund. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return 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 rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage. Best estimates of geometric rates of return for each major asset class included in the PRIT Fund's target asset allocation as of June 30, are summarized in the following table:

	20	016	2	2015
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-term expected real rate of return	Target Allocation	Long-term expected real rate of return
Global Equity	40%	6.90%	40%	6.90%
Core Fixed Income	13%	1.60%	13%	2.40%
Private Equity	10%	8.70%	10%	8.50%
Real Estate	10%	4.60%	10%	6.50%
Value Added Fixed Income	10%	4.80%	10%	5.80%
Hedge Funds	9%	4.00%	9%	5.80%
Portfolio Completion Strategies	4%	3.60%	4%	5.50%
Timber/Natural Resources	4%	5.40%	4%	6.60%
	100%		100%	

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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### Note 9 - **Pensions - Continued**

### **Discount Rate**

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.5%, at June 30, 2016 and 2015. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the Commonwealth's contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contributions rates and the member rates. Based on those assumptions, the 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.

#### Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following table illustrates the sensitivity of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower or one-percentage-point higher than the current rate.

	June 30, 2017 Current	
1.00% Decrease (6.50%)	Discount Rate (7.50%)	1.00% Increase (8.50%)
\$ 2,741,390	\$ 2,103,656	\$ 1,563,152
	June 30, 2016	
	Current	
1.00% Decrease	Discount Rate	1.00% Increase
(6.50%)	(7.50%)	(8.50%)
\$ 3.304.022	\$ 2,430,633	\$ 1.677.315

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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#### Note 10 - **Deferred Inflows of Resources**

#### Campus Dining Facilities Agreement

The College has entered into a service concession arrangement for dining and related services with Chartwell Food Services, Inc. ("Chartwell"). In exchange for this agreement, Chartwell has provided the College with funds to augment the cost of improvements to the College's dining and kitchen facilities. These monies are amortized into revenue ratably over the life of the agreement through June 2021. In the event of termination, as provided for by either party in the agreement, repayment of the unamortized portion would be required. The agreement also requires additional payments from Chartwell to defray costs incurred by the College, as well as revenue sharing, which amounted to approximately \$570,000 and \$505,000 during the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. In accordance to the agreement, the College received \$150,000 in building improvements during the year ended June 30, 2016.

#### Campus Bookstore Agreement

Effective July 1, 2015 and expiring June 30, 2020, unless sooner terminated as provided for in the Agreement, and containing automatic one-year renewals requiring 120 days written notice by either party, the College entered into an agreement for the management of its bookstores. The Agreement provides for minimum annual commission payments to the College in years one and two. Minimum annual payments in subsequent years, including renewal years, will be 95% of the preceding years' actual commission payment. In addition, the College received a one-time bonus of approximately \$103,300 subject to amortization over the initial life of the agreement. Under the terms of the agreement, the vendor is required to provide certain leasehold improvements to the bookstore with an estimated value of \$87,000 during the fiscal year ending 2017. Recognition of deferred inflows in annual revenue related to the Campus Dining Facilities and Campus Bookstore agreements is as follows:

Years Ending <u>June 30,</u>	
2018	\$ 375,147
2019	375,147
2020	375,147
2021	 354,485
	\$ 1,479,926

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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#### Note 11 - **Restricted Net Position**

The College is the recipient of funds that are subject to various external constraints upon their use, either as to purpose or time. These funds comprise the following at June 30.:

		<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Restricted - non-expendable, categorized			
by allowable income usage:			
Scholarships	\$	53,714	\$ 53,714
Loans		4,908	 4,908
	<u>\$</u>	58,622	\$ 58,622
Restricted - expendable:			
Program activities	\$	582,176	\$ 492,703
Loans		871,484	 909,828
	<u>\$</u>	1,453,660	\$ 1,402,531

The Foundation's restricted - non-expendable net position consists of endowment funds to be held in perpetuity, whose income is mainly used for various scholarships and program support including the College's library and endowed lectures.

### Note 12 - **Contingencies**

The College receives significant financial assistance from federal and state agencies in the form of grants. Expenditures of funds under these programs require compliance with the grant agreements and are subject to audit. Any disallowed expenditures resulting from such audits become a liability of the College. In the opinion of management, such adjustments, if any, are not expected to materially affect the College's financial position.

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### Note 12 - Contingencies - Continued

The College participates in the Massachusetts College Savings Prepaid Tuition Program (the "Program"). This Program allows individuals to pay in advance for future tuition at the cost of tuition at the time of election to participate, increased by changes in the Consumer Price Index plus 2.00%. The College is obligated to accept, as payment of tuition, the amount determined by this Program without regard to standard tuition rate in effect at the time of the individual's enrollment at the College. The effect of the Program cannot be determined as it is contingent on future tuition increases and the number of Program participants who attend the College.

### Note 13 - **Operating Expenses**

The College's operating expenses, on a natural classification basis, comprise the following at June 30,:

	<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>
Compensation and benefits	\$ 34,620,411	\$	33,241,039
Supplies and services	35,662,181		33,678,964
Depreciation	2,917,770		2,183,278
Scholarships and fellowships	375,995		388,877
	\$ 73,576,357	<u>\$</u>	69,492,158

### Note 14 - Fringe Benefit Programs

The College participates in the Commonwealth's Fringe Benefit programs, including active employee and postemployment health insurance, unemployment, pension and workers' compensation benefits. Health insurance for active employees and retirees is paid through a fringe benefit rate charged to the College by the Commonwealth and currently the liability is borne by the Commonwealth, as are any effects on net position and the results of current year operations, due to the adoption of GASB Statement No. 45, Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions. As discussed previously, GASB 75 - Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, replaces GASB 45 and will require a restatement of balances at July 1, 2017.

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#### Note 14 - Fringe Benefit Programs - Continued

Under Chapter 32A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Commonwealth is required to provide certain health care and life insurance benefits for retired employees of the Commonwealth, housing authorities, redevelopment authorities and certain other governmental agencies. Substantially all of the Commonwealth's fringe benefited employees may become eligible for these benefits if they reach retirement age while working for the Commonwealth. Eligible retirees are required to contribute a specified percentage of the health care benefit costs, which is comparable to contributions required from employees. The Commonwealth is reimbursed for the cost of the benefits to retirees from employees. The Commonwealth is reimbursed for the cost of benefits to retirees of the eligible authorities and non-state agencies.

#### **Group Insurance Commission**

The Commonwealth's Group Insurance Commission ("GIC") was established by the Legislature in 1955 to provide and administer health insurance and other benefits to the Commonwealth's employees and retirees, and their dependents and survivors. The GIC also covers housing and redevelopment authorities' personnel, certain authorities and other offline agencies, retired municipal teachers from certain cities and towns and a small amount of municipalities as an agent multiple employer program, accounted for as an agency fund activity of the Commonwealth, not the College.

The GIC administers a plan included within the State Retirement Benefits Trust Fund, an irrevocable trust. Any assets accumulated in excess of liabilities to pay premiums or benefits or administrative expenses are retained in that fund. The GIC's administrative costs are financed through Commonwealth appropriations and employee investment returns. The Legislature determines employees' and retirees' contribution rates.

The GIC is a quasi-independent state agency governed by an eleven member body (the "Commission") appointed by the Governor. The GIC is located administratively within the Executive Office of Administration and Finance and is responsible for providing health insurance and other benefits to the Commonwealth's employees and retirees and their survivors and dependents. During the fiscal years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the GIC provided health insurance for its members through indemnity, PPO, and HMO plans. The GIC also administered carve-outs for pharmacy, mental health, and substance abuse benefits for certain of its health plans. In addition to health insurance, the GIC sponsors life insurance, long-term disability insurance (for active employees only), dental and vision coverage (for employees not covered by collective bargaining), retiree discount vision and dental plans, and a pretax health care spending account and dependent care assistance program (for active employees only).

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

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### Note 14 - Fringe Benefit Programs - Continued

### New Accounting Guidance Effective for Fiscal 2018

As discussed in Note 1, GASB 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions is effective for fiscal 2018 and is applicable for employees participating in a cost-sharing multiple employer plan such as the State Retirement Benefits Trust Fund. The College will be required to restate beginning net position as of July 1, 2017 to recognize the employer's proportionate share of the plan's net other postemployment benefit ("OPEB") obligation. OPEB expense reported in the College's financial statements will reflect the change in the net OPEB liability for the fiscal year.

#### Insurance

The College participates in the various programs administered by the Commonwealth for property, general liability, automobile liability, workers' compensation and health insurance. The Commonwealth is self-insured for employees' workers' compensation, casualty, theft, tort claims and other losses. Such losses, including estimates of amounts incurred but not reported, are obligations of the Commonwealth. For workers' compensation, the Commonwealth assumes the full risk of claims filed under a program managed by the Human Resources Division. For personal injury or property damages, Massachusetts General Laws limit the risk assumed by the Commonwealth to \$100,000 per occurrence, in most circumstances.

#### Other Employee Benefits

The employees of the College can elect to participate in two defined-contribution plans offered and administered by the Massachusetts Department of Higher Education - an IRC 403(b) Tax-Deferred Annuity Plan and an IRC 457 Deferred Compensation SMART Plan. Employees can contribute by payroll deduction a portion of before-tax salary into these plans up to certain limits. The College has no obligation to contribute to these Plans and no obligation for any future pay-outs.

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### Note 15 - Related Party Transactions

Massachusetts College of Art and Design Foundation, Inc. is a separate tax-exempt corporation organized for the purpose of fund-raising through private donations for the ultimate benefit of the College. The College received contributions from the Foundation totaling approximately \$3,469,000 and \$2,784,000, included within other operating revenues, for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

### Note 16 - Pass-Through Student Federal Loans

The College distributed \$11,450,377 and \$10,989,890 for student loans through the United States Department of Education federal direct lending program for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. These distributions and related funding sources are not included as revenues and expenses or as cash receipts and cash disbursements in the accompanying financial statements.

#### Note 17 - **Lease Commitments**

During July 2015, the College entered into an operating lease agreement for certain equipment expiring June 2020. Total costs for the year ended June 30, 2017 were \$171,000.

Future annual lease payments subsequent to June 30, 2017 are as follows:

\$	171,000
	171,000
	171,000
<u>\$</u>	513,000
	\$ 

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### Note 17 - Lease Commitments - Continued

### Capital Lease

The College entered into a lease agreement with Dell Financial Services for the computer server equipment in August 2016. The lease is payable in annual installments of \$26,266. There was no interest related to this lease for the year ended June 30, 2017. The balance of the lease at June 30, 2017 was \$88,835.

The schedule of future lease payments are as follows:

Years Ending		
<u>June 30,</u>		
2018	\$	26,266
2019		26,266
2020		26,266
2021		26,266
		105,064
Interest expense		(16,229)
	<u>\$</u>	88,835

#### Note 18 - Litigation

The College is periodically involved in legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. Costs for all known claims not covered by insurance, if any, are recognized in the financial statements. Although the ultimate outcome of certain of these actions cannot be determined, management's opinion is that the College has adequate legal defense with respect to each of these actions, and that the amount of any additional liability would not have a material impact on the financial statements.

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### Note 19 - Massachusetts Management Accounting and Reporting System

Section 15C of Chapter 15A of the Massachusetts General Laws requires State colleges and universities to report activity of campus based funds to the Comptroller of the Commonwealth on the State's Statewide Accounting System, Massachusetts Management Accounting and Reporting System ("MMARS"), on the statutory basis of accounting. The statutory basis of accounting is a modified accrual basis of accounting and differs from the information included in these financial statements.

Management believes the amounts reported on MMARS meet the guidelines of the Comptroller's *Guide for Higher Education Audited Financial Statements*.

The College's state appropriations are comprised of the following at June 30,:

		<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Direct unrestricted appropriations	\$	18,078,179	\$ 17,898,905
Fringe benefits for benefited employees on			
the State payroll		8,823,629	 7,425,316
Total unrestricted appropriations		26,901,808	25,324,221
Capital appropriations		158,593	 441,701
Total appropriations	<u>\$</u>	27,060,401	\$ 25,765,922

In 2004, the College entered into an agreement with the State that allows the College to retain all tuition and fees received by the College. As such, the College is not required to remit day school tuition back to the State.

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### Note 19 - Massachusetts Management Accounting and Reporting System - Continued

A reconciliation of revenue between the College and MMARS as of June 30, is as follows:

		<u>2017</u>		<u>2016</u>
Revenue per MMARS Revenue per College	\$	56,045,790 56,045,790	\$ 	53,256,572 53,256,572
Difference	<u>\$</u>		<u>\$</u>	<u>-</u>

A reconciliation of expenditures between the College and MMARS as of June 30, is as follows:

	<u>20</u>	<u>017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Expenditures per MMARS Expenditures per College		,536,356 ,536,356	\$ 53,960,038 53,960,116
Difference	<u>\$</u>		\$ (78)

#### Note 20 - Title to Various Assets and Liabilities

The College is an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Therefore, in accordance with GASB Statement No. 39, the College will ultimately be included in the State's financial statements.

For financial reporting purposes, all capital assets used in the operation of the College will be recorded as investment in plant. In addition to the treatment of capital assets, the College's proportionate share of various other asset and liability accounts has been recorded on the College's financial statements in order for them to be in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The cumulative effect of these asset and liability accounts is reflected in the unrestricted net position balance. Included in the unrestricted net position balance are the State's portions of inventories, accrued salaries and wages, compensated absences, and workers' compensation.

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### Note 20 - Title to Various Assets and Liabilities - Continued

The College's policy is not to record these assets and liabilities on its internal financial statements.

Massachusetts College of Art and Design's Preliminary Unrestricted Net Position at June 30, 2017							\$ 14,177,290
		Local		<u>State</u>		<u>Total</u>	
Reconciling items:							
Inventories	\$	135,163	\$	-	\$	135,163	
Deferred outflows of resources		-		925,192		925,192	
Deferred inflows of resources		(1,479,926)		(478,794)		(1,958,720)	
Accrued interest				(175,641)		(175,641)	
Accrued salaries and wages		-		(1,924,329)		(1,924,329)	
Accrued compensated absences							
and benefits		(196,526)		(4,766,241)		(4,962,767)	
Net pension liability		-		(2,103,656)	_	(2,103,656)	
Total							(10,064,758)
Massachusetts College of Art and Design's	A	ıdited					
Unrestricted Net Position at June 30, 20							<b>\$ 4,112,532</b>
Distribution of Unrestricted Net Position:							
Local funds							\$ 12,636,001
State funds							(8,523,469)
							<b>\$ 4,112,532</b>

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### Note 20 - Title to Various Assets and Liabilities - Continued

Massachusetts College of Art and Design's Preliminary							
Unrestricted Net Position at June 30, 201	6	•				\$	15,554,703
		Local		<u>State</u>	<u>Total</u>		
Reconciling items:							
Inventories	\$	144,517	\$	_	\$ 144,517		
Deferred outflows of resources		-		1,012,513	1,012,513		
Deferred inflows of resources		(1,855,073)		(71,712)	(1,926,785)		
Accrued salaries and wages		-		(2,020,253)	(2,020,253)		
Accrued compensated absences							
and benefits		(202,297)		(4,557,268)	(4,759,565)		
Net pension liability		-		(2,430,633)	(2,430,633)		
Total							(9,980,206)
Massachusetts College of Art and Design's	A	udited					
Unrestricted Net Position at June 30, 20						\$	5,574,497
Distribution of Unrestricted Net Position:							
Local funds						\$	13,641,850
State funds						_	(8,067,353)
						\$	5,574,497

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#### **Notes to the Financial Statements - Continued**

June 30, 2017 and 2016

### Note 21 - Massachusetts State College Building Authority (Unaudited)

The Massachusetts State College Building Authority was created pursuant to Chapter 703 of the Act of 1963 of the Commonwealth as a public instrumentality for the general purpose of providing dormitories for use by students of the State colleges. The College has three dormitories in which payments are made to the Building Authority. Smith Hall is assessed on a student and building formula by the Building Authority based on a pool of the State colleges. For fiscal years 2017 and 2016, the College expended \$422,432 and \$361,579, respectively, for Smith Hall. The College also makes payments to the Building Authority for the Artist Residence and Treehouse Residence based on the principal, interest and other costs associated with the debt service on instruments issued for the dormitories. For fiscal years 2017 and 2016, the College expended \$2,165,377 and \$2,158,274 respectively, for the Artist Residence. For the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, the College expended \$4,050,955 and \$3,930,075, respectively, for the Treehouse Residence. Dormitory trust fund reports included as supplemental information include revenues and expenses, which are included in auxiliary enterprises revenues and expenses. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires all state colleges and universities to include the dormitory trust fund reports as supplemental information.



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### **Schedules of Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Unaudited)**

Valuation Date Measurement Date	uary 1, 2016 une 30, 2016	nuary 1, 2015 June 30, 2015	nuary 1, 2014 June 30, 2014
Proportion of the collective net pension liability	0.015%	0.021%	0.017%
Proportionate share of the collective net pension liability	\$ 2,103,656	\$ 2,430,633	\$ 1,181,800
College's covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,159,256	\$ 1,286,662	\$ 1,180,782
College's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll	181.47%	188.91%	100.09%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the plan's total pension liability	63.48%	67.87%	76.32%

#### Notes:

The GASB pronouncement requiring the presentation of the information on this schedule became effective for years beginning after June 15, 2014 and is intended to provide data for the most recent ten years.

See accompanying notes to the required supplementary information.

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### **Schedules of Contributions (Unaudited)**

### For the Years Ended June 30,

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Contractually required contribution	\$ 110,939	\$ 109,550	\$ 133,684
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	110,939	109,550	133,684
Contribution excess	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>\$</u>
Covered-employee payroll	\$ 1,114,967	\$ 1,159,256	\$ 1,286,662
Contribution as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	9.95%	9.45%	10.39%

#### Notes:

Employers participating in the Massachusetts State Employees' Retirement System are required by MA General Laws, Section 32, to contribute an actually determined contribution rate each year.

The GASB pronouncement requiring the presentation of the information on this schedule became effective for years beginning after June 15, 2014 and is intended to provide data for the most recent ten years.

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**Notes to the Required Supplementary Information (Unaudited)** 

For the Years Ended June 30, 2017 and 2016

### Note 1 - **Changes in Assumptions**

Changes in assumptions about the discount rate from 8.00% to 7.50%, using different scales within mortality tables, and other inputs resulted in additional plan wide pension expense of \$2.33 billion dollars to be charged to income over an amortization period of 5.5 years beginning with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. Previously, changes in assumptions about future economic or demographic factors and inputs resulted in additional plan wide pension expense of \$102 million dollars to be charged to income over an amortization period of 5.5 years beginning with the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The unamortized portion of the change is reported as a deferred outflow of resources in the statements of net position. The College's proportionate share of the net pension liability and the results of changes in assumptions is 0.015%, 0.021% and 0.017%, respectively, as shown on the Schedules of Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability, and represents the relationship of contributions made by the College to total contributions by all participating State Agencies.

The College's portion of these amounts is as follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	2015
Changes in assumptions	\$ 510,822	\$ 510,822	\$ 16,237
Recognized in current year pension expense	 (277,541)	 (89,886)	 (2,952)
Changes in assumptions, net	\$ 233,281	\$ 420,936	\$ 13,285

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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



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To the Board of Trustees of Massachusetts College of Art and Design Boston, Massachusetts

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Massachusetts College of Art and Design (an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts) (the "College") as of and for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements, and we have issued our report thereon dated October 13, 2017.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

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

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

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

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

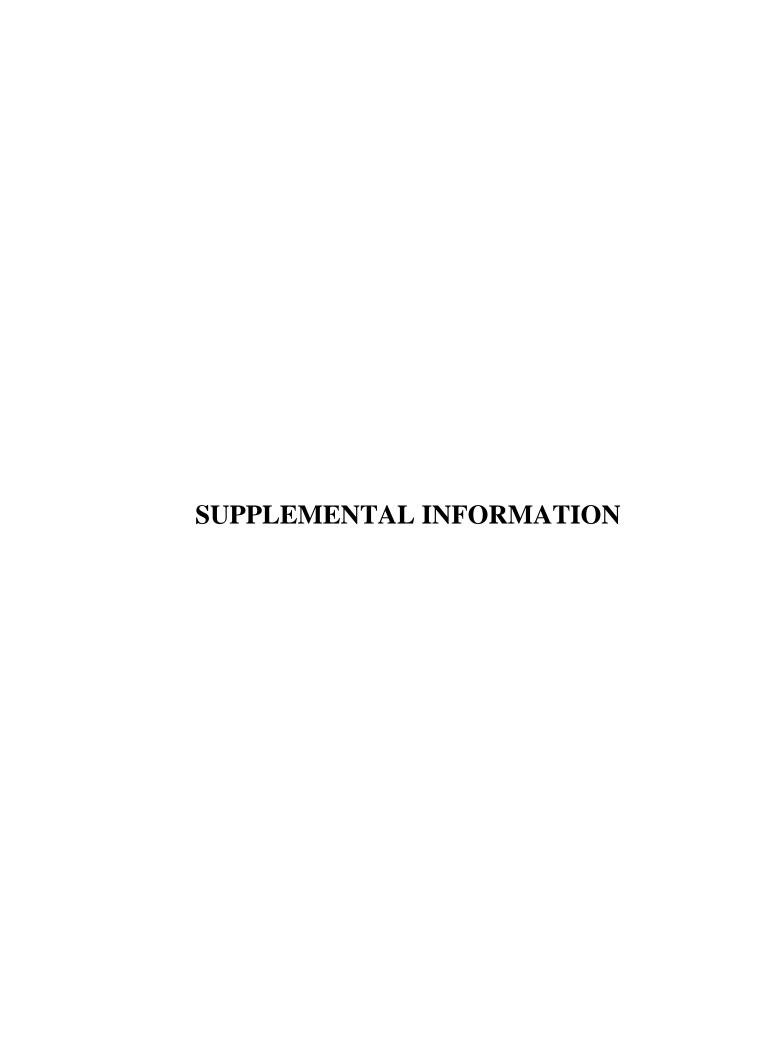
### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the 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.

O'Connor and Drew P.C.

**Certified Public Accountants Braintree, Massachusetts** 

October 13, 2017



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# **Schedules of Net Position - Dormitory Trust Fund Report (Unaudited)**

June 30,

Assets		
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Asset:		
Cash and equivalents	<u>\$ 3,944,040</u>	\$ 4,121,630
<b>Total Dormitory Trust Fund Assets</b>	<u>\$ 3,944,040</u>	\$ 4,121,630
Liabilities and Net Position		
Liabilities:		
Compensated absences	\$ 42,642	\$ 45,375
Workers' compensation	4,481	3,194
Total Dormitory Trust Fund Liabilities	47,123	48,569
Net Position:		
Dormitory Trust Net Position - Smith Hall	296,590	363,758
Dormitory Trust Net Position - Artist Residence	2,389,923	2,503,476
Dormitory Trust Net Position - Treehouse	1,210,404	1,205,827
Total Net Position	3,896,917	4,073,061
<b>Total Dormitory Trust Fund Liabilities and Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 3,944,040</b>	\$ 4,121,630

<sup>\* -</sup> At June 30, 2017 and 2016, a portion of the College's \$2,103,656 and \$2,430,633, respectively, net pension liability was not allocated to the Dormitory Trust Fund's net position balance.

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## Schedules of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position - Dormitory Trust Fund Report (Unaudited)

# For the Years Ended June 30,

	<u> 2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Revenues:		
Student rents	\$ 6,969,000	\$ 6,310,050
Contract rents	3,409,301	3,847,406
Other	<u>791,070</u>	823,082
Total Revenues	11,169,371	10,980,538
Expenses:		
Loans and special payments	6,638,764	6,449,928
Operational services	4,173,413	3,948,871
Regular employee compensation	266,587	260,453
Information technology	106,484	11,456
Pension and insurance related	97,958	81,865
Administrative	13,723	7,931
Regular employee related	4,491	8,679
Special employee compensation	3,629	4,547
Equipment purchases	4,296	-
Equipment leases	2,675	3,783
Facility operational	1,373	3,572
Total Expenses	11,313,393	10,781,085
(Decrease) Increase of Revenues Over Expenses	(144,022)	199,453
Transfers	(32,122)	(1,960)
<b>Total (Decrease) Increase in Net Position</b>	(176,144)	197,493
Net Position, Beginning of Year	4,073,061	3,875,568
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 3,896,917</u>	\$ 4,073,061