NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

A DEPARTMENT OF THE REGIONAL UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF OKLAHOMA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY A Department of the Regional University System of Oklahoma

June 30, 2018

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Regents Regional University System of Oklahoma Northwestern Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Northwestern Oklahoma State University (the "University"), a department of the Regional University System of Oklahoma ("RUSO"), which is a component unit of the State of Oklahoma, and its discretely presented component unit, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the University's discretely presented component unit, the Northwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation, Inc. and Alumni Association (the "Foundation"). Those financial statements were audited by other auditors, whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Foundation, is based solely on the report of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. The financial statements of the Foundation were not audited in accordance with *Governmental Auditing Standards*.

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

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

Opinions

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditor, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the University and its discretely presented component unit as of June 30, 2018, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note A, the financial statements of the University are intended to present the financial position, the changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows of only that portion of RUSO that is attributable to the transactions of the University. They do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of the RUSO as of June 30, 2018, the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis 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 Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 28, 2018, on our consideration of the University'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 University's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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November 28, 2018

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)

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OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Northwestern Oklahoma State University is pleased to present its financial statements for fiscal year 2018, with selected comparative information for fiscal year 2017. Management's discussion and analysis is designed to focus on current activities, resulting changes, and current known facts, so it should be read in conjunction with the University's financial statements and footnotes. There are three financial statements presented: the Statement of Net Position; the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position; and the Statement of Cash Flows. All dollar amounts in the tables in this MD&A are presented in millions of dollars. This discussion and analysis of the University's financial statements provides an overview of its financial activities for the year. Accounting standards require that financial statements for the Northwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation, Inc. be reported with the University's report.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

The Statement of Net Position presents the assets (current and noncurrent), deferred outflows or resources, liabilities (current and noncurrent), deferred inflows of resources, and net position as of the end of the fiscal year. The purpose of this statement is to give readers of the financial statements a fiscal snapshot of Northwestern Oklahoma State University.

These statements include all assets and liabilities using the accrual basis of accounting, which is consistent with the accounting used by private sector institutions. Readers of the Statement of Net Position can determine the assets available to continue the operations of the institution. Amounts owed to vendors and lending institutions can also be determined. Finally, the Statement of Net Position provides a picture of the net position and its availability for expenditure by the institution.

Net position – the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources – is one way to measure the University's health, or position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position are an indicator of whether or not the University's financial health is improving. Non-financial factors are also important to consider, including student enrollment and condition of campus buildings. Net position is divided into three categories. The first category, Net Investment in Capital Assets, provides information on the institution's property, plant, and equipment. The next category, Restricted Net Position-Expendable, is divided into two categories, Scholarship and Capital Project and Debt Service. This portion of net position is available for expenditure by the institution but must be spent for purposes as determined by donors and/or external entities that have placed time or purpose restrictions on the use of the assets. The final category is Unrestricted Net Position. Unrestricted assets are available to the institution for any lawful purpose of the institution.

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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION -- Continued

A Condensed Statement of Net Position is prepared from the University's Statement of Net Position and summarizes the assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows and net position as of June 30, 2018, compared to the year ending June 30, 2017.

ANALYSIS OF NET POSITION 2018

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION (In Millions)

	June 30				
		2018	2017	Increase (Decrease)	
ASSETS	¢				
Current assets NONCURRENT ASSETS	\$	6.9 \$	6.8 \$	0.1	
Capital assets, net of depreciation		26.3	27.0	-0.7	
Other assets TOTAL ASSETS		2.4	2.3 36.1	0.1	
LIABILITIES					
Current liabilities		2.3	2.3	0	
Noncurrent liabilities TOTAL LIABILITIES		5.8	6.5	-0.7	
	—				
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	_	0.1	0.1	0	
NET POSITION					
Net investment in capital assets		19.2	19.3	-0.1	
Restricted		2.7	2.7	0	
Unrestricted	. —	5.5	5.2	0.3	
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	27.4 \$	27.2 \$	0.2	

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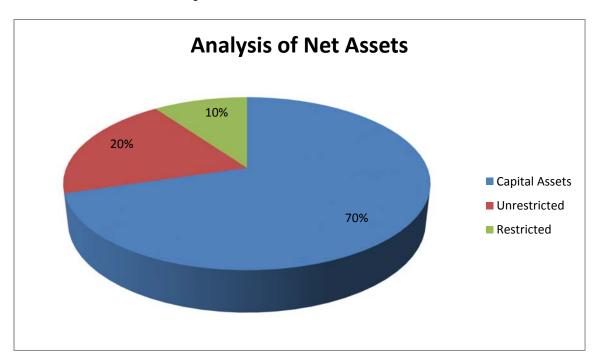
ANALYSIS OF NET POSITION 2018--Continued

Total assets decreased by \$.5 million with the largest change occurring in capital assets, net of depreciation. The only capital projects that were completed during the year were the renovation of the Student Center completed by Chartwells and the beginning of the new ERP conversion. These two additions to capital assets were less than the increase of accumulated depreciation for the year.

Liabilities decreased as well with repayments of \$1.2 million occurring in the ODFA master lease program, the OCIA lease obligation and a bus lease obligation. The increase to Unearned capital assets of \$.5 million resulted from the renovation of the Student Center mentioned above. All of these items yielded a \$.7 million decrease in total liabilities.

Net position increased by \$136,263 consisting of a \$210,069 increase in unrestricted net assets and a \$93,435 decrease in net investment in capital assets.

The following graph represents how the University's net position is split between capital assets, unrestricted, and restricted position.



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STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position presents the University's results of operations for the year and the effect on net position. Operating revenues and expenses are generated from "exchange" transactions that arise in the course of normal activity for the organization. The comparison of operating revenues to operating expenses is an important measure of an institution's fiscal stability. Public institutions will normally not have an excess of operating revenues over operating expenses because state appropriations are considered nonoperating revenues under accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION (In Millions)

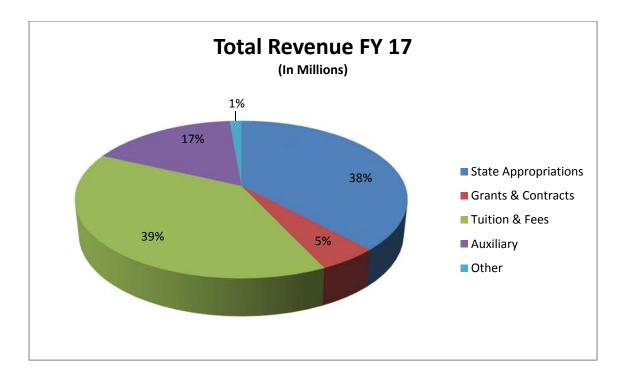
	Years Ended June 30				
		2018		2017	Increase (Decrease)
OPERATING REVENUE					
Student Tuition and Fees (net of scholarship					
allowance of \$8.2 and \$7.6)	\$	8.3	\$	8.6	\$ (0.3)
Federal, State, and Local Grants/Contracts		1.0		1.1	(0.1)
Auxiliary		5.0		3.7	1.3
Other		0.3	-	0.3	
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE		14.6		13.7	0.9
OPERATING EXPENSES					
Compensation and Employee Benefits		17.6		17.9	(0.3)
Contractual Services		2.8		2.6	0.2
Supplies and Materials		3.2		1.6	1.6
Depreciation		2.0		2.0	-
Utilities		1.0		0.9	0.1
Communication Expense		0.3		0.3	-
Scholarships and Fellowships		2.0		2.0	-
Other Operating Expense		1.0	-	1.1	(0.1)
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE		29.9	-	28.4	1.5
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	_	(15.3)	-	(14.7)	(0.6)
NONOPERATING REVENUE (LOSS)					
State Appropriations		7.9		8.4	(0.5)
Federal and State Grants/Contracts		4.9		4.3	0.6
Gifts		0.6		0.6	-
Investment Income		0.3		0.3	-
Interest Expense		(0.3)	_	(0.3)	
NET NONOPERATING REVENUE		13.4	_	13.3	0.1
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE OTHER REVENUE/EXPENSE		(1.9)	-	(1.4)	(0.5)
OTHER REVENUE/EXPENSE		2.1	_	2.8	(0.7)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		0.2		1.4	(1.2)
NET POSITION AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		27.2	_	25.8	1.4
NET POSITION AT END OF YEAR	\$	27.4	\$	27.2	\$ 0.2

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REVENUES 2018

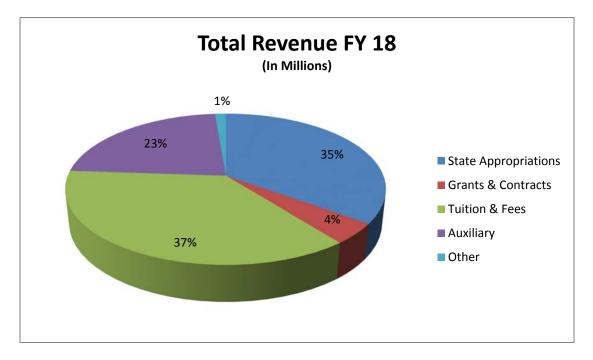
Operating revenues increased by \$0.9 million. While Student tuition and fees increased almost \$300,000, scholarship allowances, namely PELL, also increased in excess of \$550,000 resulting in a net decrease in Student tuition and fees (net of scholarship allowances) of around \$300,000. Auxiliary revenues increased by \$1.3 million which resulted from the treatment of master lease borrowing for capital projects that occurred in FY17. There was no new debt obligation incurred in FY18.



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REVENUES 2018--Continued



EXPENSES 2018

Operating expenses for the year were \$29.9 million. This is an increase of \$1.5 million from fiscal year 2017. The increase of \$1.6 million in the supplies accounts makes up the majority of this difference. This is due in large part to the decrease in additions to plant from FY17. This difference was \$1.8 million.

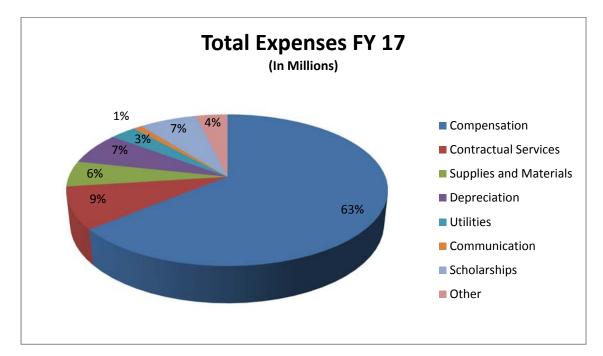
The increase in expenses combined with overall increase as well in revenue compared to FY17 caused the net position of the University to be just slightly higher in FY18. This increase in net position came out to be \$136,263.

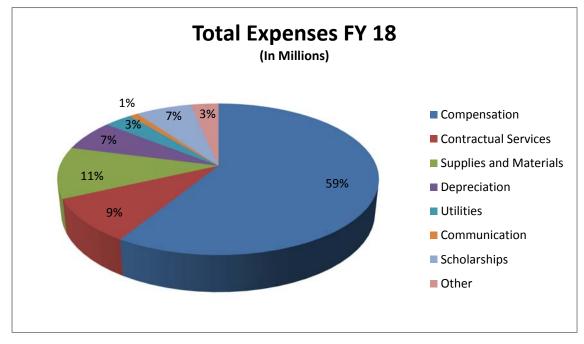
The following graph represents the percentages of expenses for the fiscal year 2018 compared to fiscal year 2017. Again, overall percentages are very similar.

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EXPENSES 2018--Continued





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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

The final statement presented by Northwestern Oklahoma State University is the Statement of Cash Flows. The primary purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows is to provide information about the cash receipts and disbursements of an entity during a period. This statement also aids in the assessment of an entity's ability to generate future net cash flows, ability to meet obligations as they come due, and needs for external financing. The statement is divided into five parts.

Increase

	2018	2017	((Decrease)
CASH PROVIDED BY (USED IN):	 			
Operating activities	\$ (13.5)	\$ (12.6)	\$	(0.9)
Noncapital financing activities	13.4	13.4		-
Investing activities	0.3	0.3		-
Capital and related financing activities	(0.1)	-		(0.1)
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH	 0.1	1.1		(1.0)
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	 8.6	 7.5		1.1
CASH AT END OF YEAR	\$ 8.7	\$ 8.6	\$	0.1

The first section presents operating cash flows and shows the net cash used by the operating activities of the institution. The second section reflects cash flows from noncapital financing activities. This section reflects the cash received and spent for nonoperating, noninvesting, and noncapital financing purposes. The third section shows the cash flows from investing activities and shows the purchase, proceeds, and interest received from investing activities. The fourth section presents cash flows from capital and related financing activities. The section deals with the cash used for the acquisition and construction of capital and related items. The fifth section reconciles the net cash used to the operating income or loss reflected on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Change in Net Position.

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ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

Northwestern Oklahoma State University continues to be a leading economic engine for the northwest sector of Oklahoma. The University continues to focus on strategic planning as a guide for its day-to-day operations as it deals with driving forces and emerging factors. For the past few decades the population of Northwest Oklahoma has seen a consistent decline. This decline results in smaller high school graduating classes limiting the pool of prospective recruits to the University. State appropriations for higher education have also declined over the years, including nearly a 4.8 percent decrease in FY18. Even with these potential barriers, Northwestern has focused its priorities on maintaining and supporting the fiscal and human capital to provide the best educational experience possible for all constituents.

Northwestern has placed a high priority on the development of grants and sponsored programs. Faculty and staff continually explore new grant opportunities. Northwestern continued its support of a Student Support Services grant that began during the fall of FY16. Staff works with at-risk, first-time students in an effort to make their college transition successful. A new USDA grant has already been approved for FY19.

Construction and expansion projects slowed somewhat in FY18; however, a much needed concrete parking lot was finished by South Hall, a female residence hall, providing convenient and safe parking near the building. FY19 will see a transformation of the windows and exterior doors on the Fine Arts Building as well as tuck pointing of bricks. This is the oldest building on the Northwestern campus (constructed in 1907) and is in need of updating. This nearly \$1 million project is made possible and completely funded from a private donor.

The Northwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation, Inc. plays a critical role in supporting the University and its mission. New contributions and endowments continue to be secured, which provides support for the operations of Northwestern. The Endowed Chair Program provides matching funds through the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and the state of Oklahoma. As of June 30, 2018, Northwestern has 49 endowed chairs (29 waiting to be matched by the State), 2 professorships (1 unmatched), and 17 lectureships (15 unmatched). Once these accounts are fully matched, additional dollars of earnings will be available to Northwestern to help with faculty salaries. Northwestern announced the public phase of a comprehensive capital campaign in April of 2017. The University is working diligently to reach its goal of \$28 million. The campaign will come to a close during the spring of 2019.

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ECONOMIC OUTLOOK--Continued

During FY18, Northwestern collaborated with sister institutions Southwestern Oklahoma State University and Southeastern Oklahoma State University to investigate the options to update the Enterprise Resource Planning System (ERP) system for all three universities. Staff spent many hours researching possibilities, attending demonstrations, and analyzing proposals submitted for review. At the end of the process all three institutions selected Ellucian as the new platform. This two-year implementation process began last spring of 2018. By working together and selecting a common vendor, all three institutions will see significant cost savings. Northwestern started saving funds for this capital project several years ago in an effort to avoid borrowing funds to implement this nearly \$1.8 million endeavor for the University.

Also during the summer of 2018, Northwestern submitted its electronic assurance argument to the Higher Learning Commission, the accrediting agency for all Oklahoma schools. Preparation for this review required many hours by a myriad of university personnel as over 800 evidence documents were provided for this review. Northwestern was granted continued accreditation at the highest level, continuation on the Open Pathways, with no monitoring reports or follow-up visits being assigned by the Commission. Northwestern will have their next scheduled accreditation visit in six years.

The future of Northwestern Oklahoma State University is bright. The slumping state budget outlook appears to be stable and higher education will continue to fight for new state dollars. Enrollment management efforts will continue to focus on ways to increase both recruitment of new students as well as retention of continuing students.

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

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ASSETS	University		(Component Unit
CURRENT ASSETS				
	\$	5 071 592	\$	230,794
Cash and cash equivalents Restricted cash and cash equivalents	Ф	5,971,583 278,857	Ф	230,794
Accounts receivable, net		418,381		-
Receivable from state agencies		222,182		-
Interest and other receivables		6,992		-
Inventories		12,270		-
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		6,910,265		230,794
NONCURRENT ASSETS				
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		2,409,077		-
Investments		-		26,475,796
Prepaid insurance		-		5,097
Other assets		61		685,399
Land and mineral rights		-		2,848,624
Capital assets, net		26,253,553		255,847
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS		28,662,691		30,270,763
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	35,572,956	\$	30,501,557
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Deferred charge on ODFA lease restructure		16,516		-
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	16,516	\$	

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STATEMENT OF NET POSITION--Continued

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LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	<u> </u>	University	(Component Unit
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accounts payable	\$	175,219	\$	64,153
Accrued payroll	Ψ	164,067	Ψ	-
Unearned revenue		125,751		-
Deposits held in custody for others		214,241		-
Current portion of noncurrent liabilities		1,600,413		-
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		2,279,691		64,153
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accrued compensated absences		121,805		-
ODFA master lease program		2,004,917		-
Lease obligation payable to state agency		3,136,137		-
Other noncurrent liabilities		540,833	_	-
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		5,803,692		-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	8,083,383	\$	64,153
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES				
Deferred gain on OCIA lease restructure	\$	137,835	\$	-
NET POSITION				
Net investment in capital assets		19,235,659		-
Restricted:		- , ,		
Nonexpendable:				
Grants, bequests and contributions		-		27,231,032
Expendable:				
Scholarships, instruction and other		285,336		2,832,146
Capital projects and debt service		2,413,143		-
Unrestricted		5,434,116		374,226
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	27,368,254	\$	30,437,404

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

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Year Ended June 30, 2018

	L	Iniversity	(Component Unit
OPERATING REVENUES Student tuition and fees, net of scholarship discounts and allowances of \$8,179,000 Federal and state grants and contracts	\$	8,269,826 1,019,229	\$	-
Housing and food service, net of scholarship discounts and allowances of \$239,000		4,941,400		_
Contributions		-		1,650,459
Other operating revenues		315,231		976,826
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES		14,545,686		2,627,285
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Compensation and employee benefits		17,594,911		-
Contractual services		2,796,168		-
Supplies and materials		3,254,078		-
Depreciation		1,951,613		-
Utilities		960,548		-
Communication expense		285,639		-
Scholarships and fellowships		1,979,720		926,327
Other operating expenses		1,040,769		1,991,525
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		29,863,446		2,917,852
OPERATING LOSS		(15,317,760)		(290,567)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
State appropriations		7,862,883		-
Federal and state grants and contracts		4,937,081		-
Gifts		561,123		-
Investment income		299,753		1,606,631
Interest expense		(310,360)		-
NET NONOPERATING REVENUE		13,350,480		1,606,631
INCOME (LOSS) BEFORE OTHER REVENUES,				
EXPENSES, GAINS, AND LOSSES		(1,967,280)		1,316,064
Private gifts for capital assets		578		-
State appropriations restricted for capital purposes		1,128,991		-
OCIA on-behalf state appropriations		868,983		-
Capital assets earned		104,991		-
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		136,263		1,316,064
NET POSITION, BEGINNING OF YEAR		27,231,991		29,121,340
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$	27,368,254	\$	30,437,404

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

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Year Ended June 30, 2018

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Tuition and fees	\$ 8,189,553
Grants and contracts	1,019,229
Auxiliary enterprise charges and other operating receipts	5,256,631
Payments to employees for salaries and benefits	(17,664,118)
Payments to suppliers	 (10,307,372)
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(13,506,077)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
State appropriations	7,862,883
Nonoperating grants	4,933,374
Direct student loans received	6,034,679
Direct student loan payments	(6,034,679)
Gifts for other than capital purposes	561,703
NET CASH PROVIDED BY NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	 13,357,960
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Interest income received	 298,140
NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	 298,140
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Cash paid for capital assets	(574,671)
Capital appropriations received	1,128,991
Interest paid on capital debt and leases	(101,725)
Repayment of capital debt and leases	(520,747)
NET CASH USED IN CAPITAL AND	
RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	 (68,152)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	81,871
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	 8,577,646
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 8,659,517
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS--Continued

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RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO		
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Operating loss	\$	(15,317,760)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss		
to net cash used in operating activities:		
Loss on disposal of capital assets		2,577
Depreciation expense		1,951,613
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable		(87,069)
Inventories		3,454
Other assets		52
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		(51,264)
Unearned revenue		(6,156)
Student and other deposits		12,952
Compensated absences		(14,476)
NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES		(13,506,077)
NONCASH INVESTING, NONCAPITAL FINANCING AND CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Interest on capital debt paid by state	¢	011 702
agency on behalf of the University	\$	211,783
Principal on capital debt paid by state	¢	(57.200
agency on behalf of the University	\$	657,200
Donoated capital assets reported as	<u>.</u>	
unearned capital assets	\$	595,529
RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS TO STATEMENT OF NET POSITION Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	5,971,583
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	ψ	278,857
Noncurrent assets:		270,007
Restricted cash and cash equivalents		2,409,077
Restricted cush and cush equivalents		2,107,077
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$	8,659,517

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

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	Fiduciary Funds		
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	254,000	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	254,000	
LIABILITIES			
Due to OKHEEI	\$	254,000	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	254,000	

See notes to financial statements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE A--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

<u>Nature of Organization</u>: Northwestern Oklahoma State University (the "University") is a regional University operating under the jurisdiction of the Regional University System of Oklahoma ("RUSO" or the "System") and the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education.

<u>Reporting Entity</u>: Northwestern Oklahoma State University is one of six institutions of higher education in Oklahoma that comprise part of the System, which in turn is part of the Higher Education component unit of the State of Oklahoma.

The Board of Regents has constitutional authority to govern, control and manage the System, which consist of six institutions and an administrative office. This authority includes but is not limited to the power to designate management, the ability to significantly influence operations, acquire and take title to real and personal property in its name, appoint or hire all necessary officers, supervisors, instructors, and employees for member institutions.

The University is considered a department of the System for financial reporting purposes and is included in the System's financial reporting entity.

Component Unit: Northwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation, Inc. (the University Foundation) and Alumni Association (the "Association") are combined and considered a component unit of the University under Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity, as amended by GASB Statement No. 39 Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units-An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14 and GASB Statement No. 61, The Financial Reporting Entity: Omnibus - an Amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 34, and their financial statements are discretely presented with the financial statements of the University. The University Foundation is a perpetual corporation formed under the laws of the State of Oklahoma for charitable, benevolent, educational, and scientific purposes. Its specific purpose is to benefit the University through charitable actions and activities. Its activities are guided by a Board of Trustees, which receives no compensation for their activities. The Association is an unincorporated association formed for the benefit of the Alumni of Northwestern Oklahoma State University as a whole. Its specific purpose is to provide alumni with information about University related organizations and activities. Its activities are guided by a Board of Directors who receives no compensation for their activities. In September 1986, the two organizations adopted an operating agreement for their mutual benefit. Its purpose was to avoid repetition of projects and to pool the resources of the two organizations. The two organizations remained separate entities, each governed by its own board. The president of the Association will be appointed as a trustee of the University Foundation. Accounting for the funds and fund transactions is accomplished by the University Foundation. The University Foundation provides financial support as needed to the Alumni Association. Each year the Alumni Association Board presents a budget to the University Foundation Board to finance its operations.

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NOTE A--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES--Continued

<u>Financial Statement Presentation</u>: The University's financial statements are presented in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statement and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments*, and GASB Statement No. 35, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for Public Colleges and Universities*. Under GASB Statements No. 34 and 35, the University is required to present a statement of net position classified between current and noncurrent assets and liabilities and deferred outflows and inflows; a statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, with separate presentation for operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses; and a statement of cash flows using the direct method.

<u>Basis of Accounting</u>: For financial reporting purposes, the University is considered a department of a special-purpose government engaged only in business-type activities. Accordingly, the University's financial statements have been presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred. All significant intra-agency transactions have been eliminated.

<u>Cash Equivalents</u>: For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the University considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Funds invested through the State Treasurer's Cash Management Program are considered cash equivalents.

<u>Investments</u>: The University accounts for its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools*. Changes in unrealized gain (loss) on the carrying value of investments are reported as a component of investment income in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. At June 30, 2018, all of the University's investments were considered cash equivalents.

<u>Accounts Receivable</u>: Accounts receivable consists of tuition and fee charges to students and auxiliary enterprise services provided to students, faculty, and staff, the majority of each residing in the State of Oklahoma. Accounts receivable also include amounts due from the federal government, state, and local governments, or private sources, in connection with reimbursement of allowable expenditures made pursuant to the University's grants and contracts. Accounts receivable are recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts.

<u>Inventories</u>: Inventories consist of maintenance supplies and are carried at the lower of cost or market on the first-in, first-out ("FIFO") basis.

<u>Restricted Cash and Investments</u>: Cash and investments that are externally restricted to make long-term student loans, or to purchase capital or other noncurrent assets, are classified as restricted assets in the statement of net position.

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NOTE A--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES--Continued

<u>Capital Assets</u>: Capital assets are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition, or fair market value at the date of donation in the case of gifts. For equipment, the University's capitalization policy includes all items with a unit cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life of greater than one year. Land improvements that significantly increase the value or extend the useful life of the structure and that have a cost of \$5,000 or more are capitalized. Routine repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense in the year in which the expense is incurred.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 40 years for buildings, 20 years for infrastructure and land improvements, and 5 years for library materials and equipment.

<u>Unearned Revenue</u>: Unearned revenues include amounts received for tuition and fees and certain auxiliary activities prior to the end of the fiscal year but related to the subsequent accounting period. Unearned revenues also include amounts received from grant and contract sponsors that have not yet been earned.

<u>Compensated Absences</u>: Employee vacation pay is accrued at year-end for financial statement purposes. The liability and expense incurred are recorded at year-end as accrued compensated absences in the statement of net position and as a component of compensation and employee benefit expense in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position.

<u>Noncurrent Liabilities</u>: Noncurrent liabilities include (1) principal amounts of revenue bonds payable, notes payable, and capital lease obligations with contractual maturities greater than one year; (2) estimated amounts for accrued compensated absences and other liabilities that will not be paid within the next fiscal year; and (3) other liabilities that, although payable within one year, are to be paid from funds that are classified as noncurrent assets.

Net Position: The University's net position is classified as follows:

<u>Net investment in capital assets</u>: The net investment in capital assets component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of bonds, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. Deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of net position. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of net investment in capital assets.

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NOTE A--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES--Continued

<u>Restricted net position - expendable</u>: Restricted expendable net position includes resources in which the University is legally or contractually obligated to spend resources in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties.

<u>Unrestricted net position</u>: Unrestricted net position represents resources derived from student tuition and fees, state appropriations, and sales and services of educational departments and auxiliary enterprises. These resources are used for transactions relating to the educational and general operations of the University and may be used at the discretion of the governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose. These resources also include auxiliary enterprises, which are substantially self-supporting activities that provide services for students, faculty, and staff.

When an expense is incurred that can be paid using either restricted or unrestricted resources, the University's policy is to first apply the expense towards restricted resources and then toward unrestricted resources.

<u>Income Taxes</u>: The University, a department of RUSO, a political subdivision of the State of Oklahoma, is exempt from all federal income taxes under Section 115(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. However, the University may be subject to income taxes on unrelated business income under the Internal Revenue Code Section 511(a)(2)(B).

<u>Use of Estimates</u>: The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from these estimates.

<u>Classification of Revenues</u>: The University has classified its revenues as either operating or nonoperating revenues according to the following criteria:

<u>Operating revenues</u>: Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions; such as (1) student tuition and fees, net of scholarship discounts and allowances; (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, net of scholarship discounts and allowances; (3) interest on institutional student loans; and (4) certain federal, state, and local grants and contracts.

<u>Nonoperating revenues</u>: Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions, such as gifts and contributions, and other revenue sources that are defined as nonoperating revenues by GASB No. 9 *Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting*, and GASB No. 34, such as state appropriations, governmental and other pass-through grants, and investment income.

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NOTE A--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES--Continued

<u>Scholarship Discounts and Allowances</u>: Student tuition and fee revenues and certain other revenues from students are reported net of scholarship discounts and allowances in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. Scholarship discounts and allowances are the difference between the stated charge for goods and services provided by the University and the amount that is paid by students and/or third parties making payments on the students' behalf. Certain governmental grants, such as Pell grants, and other federal, state, or nongovernmental programs, are recorded as nonoperating revenues in the University's financial statements. To the extent that revenues from such programs are used to satisfy tuition and fees and other student charges, the University has recorded a scholarship discount and allowance.

<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>: Deferred outflows are the consumption of net position by the University that is applicable to a future reporting period. At June 30, 2018, the University's deferred outflows of resources were comprised of deferred charges on ODFA lease restructurings. These deferred outflows of resources are recognized as a component of interest expense over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter.

<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>: Deferred inflows are the acquisition of net position by the University that is applicable to a future reporting period. At June 30, 2018, the University's deferred inflows of resources is comprised of a deferred gain on the restructuring of an OCIA lease.

<u>Fiduciary Funds</u>: Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for third parties and therefore are not available to support University programs. The reporting focus is net position and changes in net position and uses accounting principles similar to proprietary funds.

Agency Funds are used to report resources held by the University in a purely custodial capacity (assets equal liabilities). Agency fund assets and liabilities are recognized using the accrual basis of accounting. The University has one agency fund for the Oklahoma Higher Education Employee Interlocal Group.

NOTE B--DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

<u>Deposits</u>: *Custodial credit risk* for deposits is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the University's deposits may not be returned or the University will not be able to recover collateral securities in the possession of an outside party. Generally, the University deposits its funds with the Office of the State Treasurer (OST), and those funds are pooled with funds of other state agencies and then, in accordance with statutory limitations, are placed in financial institutions or invested as the OST may determine, in the state's name. State statutes require the OST to ensure that all state funds are either insured by Federal Deposit Insurance, collateralized by securities held by the cognizant Federal Reserve Bank, or invested in U.S. government obligations. The OST's responsibilities include receiving and collateralizing the deposit of State funds, investing State funds in compliance with statutory requirements, and maintaining adequate liquidity to meet the cash flow needs of the State and all its funds and agencies. If the University deposits

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NOTE B—DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS—Continued

funds directly with financial institutions, those funds must be insured by Federal Deposit Insurance or collateralized by securities held by the cognizant Federal Reserve Bank in the University's name.

There is \$8,913,517 in cash and cash equivalents on deposit with the State Treasurer as of June 30, 2018, of which \$254,000 represents amounts held in agency funds. Of the \$8,913,517 on deposit with the State Treasurer, \$3,507,379 represents amounts held within OK INVEST, an internal investment pool. State Agencies and funds that are considered to be part of the State's reporting entity in the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report are allowed to participate in OK INVEST. Oklahoma statutes and the State Treasurer establish the primary objectives and guidelines governing the investment of funds in OK INVEST. Safety, liquidity, and return on investment are the objectives that establish the framework for the day-to-day OK INVEST management of funds with an emphasis on safety of the capital and the probable income to be derived while also meeting the State's daily cash flow requirements. Guidelines in the State Treasurer's Investment Policy address credit quality requirements, diversification percentages and the types and maturities of allowable investments. The specifics regarding these policies can be found on the State Treasurer's website at <u>http://www.ok.gov/treasurer/</u>. An evaluation of the use and purpose of the various State Agencies and funds participation in the internal investment pool has determined that the amount on deposit with OK INVEST are treated as demand accounts and reported as cash equivalents. For financial reporting purposes, deposits with the OST that are invested in OK INVEST are classified as cash equivalents.

Interest rate risk is the risk that during periods of rising interest rates, the yield and market value of the securities will tend to be lower than prevailing market rates; in periods of falling interest rates, the yield will tend to be higher. *Credit/default risk* is the risk that an issuer or guarantor of a security, or a bank or other financial institution that has entered into a repurchase agreement, may default on its payment obligations. *Liquidity risk* is the risk that *OK INVEST* will be unable to pay redemption proceeds within the stated time period because of unusual market conditions, an unusually high volume of redemption requests, or other reasons. *U.S. Government securities risk* is the risk that the U.S. government will not provide financial support to U.S. government agencies, instrumentalities, or sponsored enterprises if it is not obligated to do so by law. Various investment restrictions and limitations are enumerated in the State Treasurer's Investment Policy to mitigate those risks; however, any interest in *OK INVEST* is not insured or guaranteed by the State of Oklahoma, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, or any other government agency.

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NOTE C--ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Accounts receivable consisted of the following at June 30, 2018:

Student tuition and fees	\$ 473,677
Auxiliary enterprises and other operating activities	104,968
Federal, state, and private grants and contracts	 212,854
	791,499
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	 (373,118)
NET ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$ 418,381

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NOTE D--CAPITAL ASSETS

Following are the changes in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2018:

	Balance June 30, 2017		Additions		Transfers		Retirements/ Adjustments		Balance June 30, 2018	
Capital assets not being depreciated										
Land	\$	1,149,042	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,149,042
Construction in progress		2,578		381,097		-		(2,577)		381,098
Total assets not being depreciated	\$	1,151,620	\$	381,097	\$	-	\$	(2,577)	\$	1,530,140
Other capital assets										
Land improvements	\$	4,592,026	\$	703,310	\$	-	\$	-	\$	5,295,336
Leasehold improvements		125,631		-		-		-		125,631
Buildings		48,505,184		-		-		-		48,505,184
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		4,108,348		83,674		-		-		4,192,022
Library materials		956,119		2,119		-		(52,862)		905,376
Art		133,333				-		-		133,333
Total other capital assets		58,420,641		789,103		-		(52,862)		59,156,882
Less accumulated depreciation for										
Land improvements		2,691,760		355,982		-		-		3,047,742
Leasehold improvements		55,719		8,226		-		-		63,945
Buildings		25,403,664		1,303,535		-		-		26,707,199
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		3,499,022		250,746		-		-		3,749,768
Library materials		884,553		33,124		-		(52,862)		864,815
Total accumulated depreciation		32,534,718		1,951,613		_		(52,862)		34,433,469
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Other capital assets, net	\$	25,885,923	\$	(1,162,510)	\$	-	\$		\$	24,723,413
Capital asset summary:										
Capital assets not being depreciated	\$	1,151,620	\$	381,097	\$	-	\$	(2,577)	\$	1,530,140
Other capital assets, at cost	Ψ	58,420,641	φ	789,103	Ŷ	-	Ψ	(52,862)	φ	59,156,882
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Total cost of capital assets		59,572,261		1,170,200		-		(55,439)		60,687,022
Less: accumulated depreciation		32,534,718		1,951,613				(52,862)		34,433,469
Capital assets, net	\$	27,037,543	\$	(781,413)	\$	_	\$	(2,577)	\$	26,253,553

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NOTE E--LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

	Balance June 30, 2017			Additions		Reductions		Balance June 30, 2018		Amounts due within one year	
Capital lease obligations:											
ODFA master lease	\$	2,852,250	\$	-	\$	417,917	\$	2,434,333	\$	429,416	
OCIA lease obligation		4,473,619		-		657,200		3,816,419		680,282	
Lease purchase obligation		102,830		-		102,830		-		-	
Total capital lease obligations		7,428,699		-		1,177,947		6,250,752		1,109,698	
Other liabilities:											
Accrued compensated absences		522,005		396,722		411,198		507,529		385,724	
Unearned capital assets		155,286		595,529		104,991		645,824		104,991	
Total other liabilities		677,291		992,251	_	516,189		1,153,353		490,715	
Total long-term liablities	\$	8,105,990	\$	992,251	\$	1,694,136	\$	7,404,105	\$	1,600,413	

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2018 was as follows:

Capital Lease Obligations:

Oklahoma Capital Improvement Authority Lease Obligation

In September 1999, the Oklahoma Capital Improvement Authority (OCIA) issued its OCIA Bond Issues, 1999 Series A, B, and C. Of the total bond indebtedness, the State Regents for Higher Education allocated \$850,000 to the University. Concurrently with the allocation, the University entered into a lease agreement with OCIA, for the project being funded by the OCIA bonds. The lease agreement provides for the University to make specified monthly payments to OCIA over the respective terms of the agreement, which is for 20 years. The proceeds of the bonds and subsequent lease are to provide for capital improvements at the University.

Through June 30, 2018, the University has drawn down its total allotment of \$850,000 for expenditures incurred in connection with specified projects. These expenditures have been capitalized as capital assets or recorded as non-capitalized operating expenses, in accordance with University policy. The University has recorded a lease obligation payable to OCIA for the total amount of the allotment, less repayments made during the fiscal year.

In 2004, the OCIA issued bond series 2004A that refunded a significant portion of the 1999A bonds. The amortization of the 1999A bond issue ended in 2010. The lease agreement will no longer secure the 1999A bond issue but will now act as security for the 2004A bond issue over the term of the lease through the year 2020. As a result, there are two amortization schedules, which have been combined, related to this one lease agreement.

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NOTE E--LONG-TERM LIABILITIES--Continued

Capital Lease Obligations--Continued:

Oklahoma Capital Improvement Authority Lease Obligation--Continued

In November 2005, the OCIA issued its OCIA Bond Issues, 2005 Series F and G. Of the total bond indebtedness, the State Regents for Higher Education allocated \$6,813,432 to the University. Concurrently with the allocation, the University entered into a lease agreement with OCIA, which includes three projects being funded by the OCIA bonds. The lease agreement provides for the University to make specified monthly payments to OCIA over the term of the agreement. The projects have terms of 5 to 30 years. The proceeds of the bonds and the subsequent leases are to provide for capital improvements at the University.

Through June 30, 2018, the University has drawn down the total of \$6,813,432 for expenditures incurred in connection with specified projects. These expenses have been capitalized as investment in capital assets in accordance with University policy. The University has recorded a lease obligation payable to OCIA for the total amount of the allotment, less repayments made on the University's behalf.

In 2014, the OCIA restructured the 2005F series bond debt by issuing new 2014A series bonds. This restructuring was a partial refunding and resulted in a gain of \$186,313 between the remaining liability of the 2005F series and the new liability of the 2014A series. This gain on restructuring was recorded as a deferred inflow of resources and is being amortized over a period of 18 years. As of June 30, 2018, the deferred gain, net of amortization, was \$137,835. The restructured lease agreement with OCIA secures the OCIA bond indebtedness and any future indebtedness that might be issued to refund earlier bond issues. The University's aforementioned lease agreement with OCIA was automatically restructured to secure the new bond issue. This refinancing resulted in an aggregate difference in principal and interest between the original lease agreement and the refinanced lease agreement of \$448,900, which approximates the economic savings of the transaction. The University has recorded a lease obligation payable to OCIA for the total amount of the allotment, less payments made on the University's behalf.

During the year ended June 30, 2011, the 2005 lease agreement with OCIA was restructured through a partial refunding of OCIA's 2005F bond debt. OCIA issued two new bonds, Series 2010A and 2010B. The lease agreements with OCIA secure the OCIA bond debt and any future debt that might be issued to refund earlier bond issues. OCIA issued this new debt to provide budgetary relief for fiscal years 2011 and 2012 by extending and restructuring debt service. Consequently, the lease agreement with OCIA automatically restructured to secure the new bond issues. This lease restructuring has extended certain principal payments into the future, resulting in a charge or cost on restructuring. A charge of \$602,010 was recorded as a deferred outflow that is being amortized over a period of 6 years. As of June 30, 2018, the University completed its required payments for the Series 2010B lease and the agreement ended as scheduled in July 2015. This restructuring resulted in an aggregate debt service difference for principal

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NOTE E--LONG-TERM LIABILITIES--Continued

Capital Lease Obligations--Continued:

Oklahoma Capital Improvement Authority Lease Obligation--Continued

and interest between the original lease agreement and the restructured lease agreement of \$172,878, which also approximates the economic cost of the lease restructuring.

During the year ended June 30, 2018, the State of Oklahoma made lease principal and interest payments totaling \$868,983 to OCIA on behalf of the University. These on-behalf payments have been recorded as restricted state appropriations in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position.

Oklahoma Development Finance Authority Master Lease Program

In December 2002, the ODFA issued its ODFA Master Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2002C. Of the total bond indebtedness, the State Regents for Higher Education allocated \$3,815,000 to the University. Concurrently with the allocation, the University entered into a lease agreement with ODFA for the project being funded by the ODFA bonds. The lease agreement provides for the University to make specified monthly payments to ODFA over the respective terms of the agreement, which is through December 1, 2020. The proceeds of the bonds and subsequent leases are to provide for capital improvements to the University.

In November 2011, the ODFA refinanced the Series 2002C ODFA Master Lease Revenue Bonds with the Series 2011B ODFA Master Lease Revenue Refunding Bonds. As a result, the University's lease was restructured according to the terms of the new bonds. The University will continue to make specified monthly payments to ODFA over the respective term of the agreement through May 2020.

In September 2015, the ODFA issued its ODFA Master Real Property Lease Revenue Bonds, Tax-Exempt Series 2015D. Of the total bond indebtedness, the State Regents for Higher Education allocated \$843,000 to the University. Concurrently with the allocation, the University entered into a lease agreement with ODFA for the project being funded by the ODFA bonds. The lease agreement provides for the University to make specified monthly payments to ODFA over the respective terms of the agreement, which is through May 15, 2030. The proceeds of the bonds and subsequent leases are to provide for capital improvements to the University.

In August 2016, the ODFA issued its ODFA Master Real Property Lease Revenue Bonds, Tax-Exempt Series 2016D. Of the total bond indebtedness, the State Regents for Higher Education allocated \$1,033,000 and \$383,000 to the University. Concurrently with the allocation, the University entered into a lease agreement with ODFA for the project being funded by the ODFA bonds. The lease agreement provides for the University to make specified monthly payments to ODFA over the respective terms of the agreement, which is through May 15, 2031 and June 23, 2023 respectively. The proceeds of the bonds and subsequent leases are to provide for capital improvements to the University.

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NOTE E--LONG-TERM LIABILITIES--Continued

Capital Lease Obligations--Continued:

Future minimum lease payments under the University's capital lease obligations are as follows:

	 Principal		Interest	Total			
Year Ending June 30:							
2019	\$ 1,109,698	\$	265,147	\$	1,374,845		
2020	436,757		218,757		655,514		
2021	172,417		202,802		375,219		
2022	177,417		198,244		375,661		
2023	468,240		192,922		661,162		
2024-2028	2,321,902		673,583		2,995,485		
2029-2033	 1,564,321		143,805		1,708,126		
	\$ 6,250,752	\$	1,895,260	\$	8,146,012		

NOTE F--RETIREMENT PLANS

The University's academic and nonacademic personnel are covered by various retirement plans. The plans available to University personnel include the Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System (OTRS), which is a State of Oklahoma public employees retirement system, the Supplemental Retirement Annuity (SRA), a single employer defined benefit pension plan available to employees hired prior to July 1, 1995, and a defined contribution 403(b) plan. Personnel may also be eligible to participate in the Other Post-Employment Insurance (OPEB) plan, as described further in Note G. The University does not maintain the accounting records, hold the investments for, or administer these plans.

The accounting and financial reporting for OTRS, the SRA, and the OPEB plans are recorded at the reporting entity level in the Regional University System of Oklahoma financial statements. That report may be obtained by writing to the Regional University System of Oklahoma, 3555 N.W. 58th Street, Suite 320, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73112, or by calling (405) 924-8817. All payments made to these plans by the University are accounted for as compensation expense in the accompanying financial statements.

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NOTE F--RETIREMENT PLANS--Continued

The application of GAAP at the departmental level does not include certain liabilities incurred by the system as a whole. Those liabilities relate to the participation of System employees in the Oklahoma Teachers Retirement System, the Supplemental Retirement Plan, and the Postemployment Healthcare Plan. The accounting and reporting of these can be located in the financial statements of RUSO.

Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System (OTRS)

<u>Plan Description</u>: The University contributes to the Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System (OTRS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan sponsored by the State of Oklahoma. OTRS provides defined retirement benefits based on members' final compensation, age and term of service. In addition, the retirement program provides for benefits upon disability and to survivors upon the death of eligible members. The benefit provisions are established and may be amended by the legislature of the State of Oklahoma. Title 70 of the Oklahoma Statutes, Sections 17-101 through 116.9, as amended, assigns the authority for management and operations of the Plan to the Board of Trustees of OTRS. OTRS is not required to provide for a cost of living adjustment. OTRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at <u>www.ok.gov/TRS</u>.

<u>Funding Policy</u>: The University is required by state statute to contribute a fixed percentage of annual compensation on behalf of active members. The employer contribution rate, as determined by state statute, was 8.55% for 2018, 2017, and 2016, and was applied to annual compensation.

Employees' contributions are also determined by state statute. For all employees, the contribution rate was 7% of covered salaries and fringe benefits in 2018, 2017, and 2016. For compensation in excess of \$25,000, the employee's contributions are paid directly by the University to the OTRS.

The University's contributions to the OTRS for the year ended June 30, 2018, 2017, and 2016 was approximately \$1,151,440, \$1,056,147, and \$965,000. These contributions included the University's statutory contribution and the share of the employee's contribution paid directly by the University.

The State of Oklahoma is also required to contribute to the OTRS on behalf of the participating employers. For 2018, the State of Oklahoma contribution was 5% of state revenues from sales and use taxes and individual income taxes, to the OTRS on behalf of participating employers. These amounts and other system-wide related amounts are reported in the System's financial statements and not at the individual department level.

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NOTE F--RETIREMENT PLANS--Continued

Supplemental Retirement Annuity (SRA)

<u>Plan Description</u>: The University's SRA plan is a single employer, defined benefit pension plan administered by the University's Board of Regents. The SRA was established by the University's Board of Regents to provide supplemental retirement and death benefits to University employees who were hired prior to July 1, 1987, or to those eligible employees' beneficiaries. Effective December 1, 2002, the SRA was amended to provide supplemental retirement and death benefits to University employees who were hired between July 1, 1987 and June 30, 1995. Effective October 1, 2003, the SRA plan was changed to eliminate the TIAA offset in the benefit calculation. The authority to amend the SRA's benefit provisions rests with the University's Board of Regents. The SRA is included in the financial report of the System, and does not issue separate, stand-alone financial statements.

<u>Funding Policy</u>: The authority to establish and amend eligible employees' and employer contribution obligations to the SRA rests with the University's Board of Regents. Eligible employees are not required to make contributions to the SRA. The University is required to contribute to the SRA an actuarially determined amount on an annual basis. Under a policy adopted in December 2002, the Plan must achieve 80% funding of the pension benefit obligation by December 1, 2022.

The University's contributions to the SRA for the years ended June 30, 2018, 2017, and 2016, were approximately \$260,000, \$271,655, and \$295,000, respectively.

Defined Contribution Plan

The University also has a defined contribution 403(b) plan (DCP) available to full-time employees. The DCP is administered by the RUSO System, and the plan provisions are established and may be amended by the Board of Regents. Plan members may make voluntary contributions in accordance with IRS regulations. The University has no contribution requirements, and no contributions were made during the years ended June 30, 2018, 2017, and 2016.

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NOTE G--OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS

Post-employment Healthcare Plan

<u>Plan Description</u>: The University's post-employment healthcare plan is a single-employer defined benefit plan administered by the Regional University System of Oklahoma Board of Regents (the University's Board). The plan provides medical and life insurance benefits to eligible retired employees until age 65. A retiring employee must have been employed full-time in the Regional University System of Oklahoma for not less than ten years immediately preceding the date of retirement, been a member of the Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System during that time, and elected to receive a vested benefit under the provision of the Oklahoma Teachers' Retirement System. As of June 30, 2018, there were 96 participants in the plan. The retirement insurance program was adopted by the Board of Regents in 1985. In March of 2008, the Retiree Medical Trust for Regional University System of Oklahoma was established to hold assets and pay benefits on behalf of the University's postemployment healthcare plan and was administered by The Bank of Oklahoma, N.A.

Prior to the establishment of the trust, the insurance benefits were accounted for on a pay-as-you-go basis so that premiums were paid from current operating funds.

The plan is included in the financial report of the Regional University System of Oklahoma reporting entity and does not issue separate, stand-alone financial statements.

<u>Funding Policy</u>: The contribution requirements of the University are established and may be amended by the Regional University System of Oklahoma Board of Regents. The University is required to contribute the *annual required contribution ("ARC") of the employer*, in an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The University made no contributions to the plan in fiscal 2018, 2017, or 2016.

NOTE H--FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY OTHERS

<u>Beneficial Interest in State School Land Funds</u>: The University has a beneficial interest in the "Section Thirteen Fund State Educational Institutions" and the "New College Fund" administered by the Commissioners of the Land Office as trustees for the various educational institutions entitled thereto. The University has the right to receive annually 3.7% of the distributions of income produced by "Section Thirteen Fund State Educational Institutions" assets and 100% of the distributions of income produced by the University's "New College Fund." The University received approximately \$1,116,707 during the year ended June 30, 2018, which is restricted to the construction or acquisition of buildings, equipment, or other capital items.

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NOTE H--FUNDS HELD IN TRUST BY OTHERS--Continued

<u>Beneficial Interest in State School Land Funds--Continued</u>: This amount is recorded as state appropriations for capital purposes in the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. State law prohibits the distribution of any corpus of these funds to the beneficiaries. The cost basis of the total trust reserve for the University, held in trust by the Commissioners of Land Office, was approximately \$19,815,655 at June 30, 2018.

Oklahoma State Regents Endowment Trust Fund: In connection with the Oklahoma State Regents' Endowment Program (the "Endowment Program"), the State of Oklahoma has matched contributions received under the Endowment Program. The state match amounts, plus any retained accumulated earnings, totaled approximately \$5,143,057 at June 30, 2018, and are invested by the Oklahoma State Regents on behalf of the University. The University is entitled to receive an annual distribution of 5% of the market value at year end on these funds. As legal title of the State Regents matching endowment funds is retained by the Oklahoma State Regents, only the funds available for distribution, \$222,182 at June 30, 2018, have been reflected as assets in the statements of net position.

NOTE I--COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The University conducts certain programs pursuant to various grants and contracts that are subject to audit by federal and state agencies. Costs questioned as a result of these audits, if any, may result in refunds to these governmental agencies from various sources of the University.

During the ordinary course of business, the University may be subjected to various lawsuits and civil action claims. Management believes that resolution of any such matters pending at June 30, 2018, will not have material adverse impact to the University.

NOTE J--RISK MANAGEMENT

The University is exposed to various risks of loss from torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; business interruption; errors and omission; employee injuries and illness; natural disasters; and employee health, life, and accident benefits. Commercial insurance coverage is purchased for claims arising from such matters other than torts, property, and workers' compensation. Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial coverage in any of the three preceding years.

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NOTE J--RISK MANAGEMENT--Continued

The University, along with other state agencies and political subdivisions, participates in the State of Oklahoma Risk Management Program a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for its members. The University pays annual premiums to the pools for tort, property, and liability insurance coverage. The Oklahoma Risk Management Pool's governing agreement specifies that the pool will be self-sustaining though member premiums and will reinsure through commercial carriers for claims in excess of specified stop-loss amounts.

The University also participates in the College Association of Liability Management (CALM) Workers' Compensation Plan for its workers' compensation coverage. CALM is an Interposal Cooperative Act Agency that was organized to provide workers' compensation insurance coverage for participating colleges and universities through CompSource Mutual. CALM is a political subdivision of the State of Oklahoma and is governed by a board of trustees elected from members of the participating colleges and universities.

The College also began participating, during fiscal year 2017, in the Oklahoma Higher Education Employee Interlocal Group Health Insurance Pool "OKHEEI". College employees are provided health insurance coverage through OKHEEI. OKHEEI is an Interlocal Cooperative Act Agency organized as a public entity risk pool health insurance program for participating Colleges and Universities in the State. The College pays monthly health insurance premiums to OKHEEI for employee health insurance coverage based on the health coverage elected by the employee and the maximum benefit provide by the College for health coverage. Amount of premiums exceeding benefits are payable by the employee. The governing agreement for OKHEEI specifies that the pool will be self-sustaining through premiums received and with additional stop-loss coverages obtained. If health care claims exceed reserves and reinsurance coverages, additional assessments may be made to participating Colleges and Universities. As of June 30, 2018, additional assessments did not occur.

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NOTE K--NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

Statement No. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions

GASB Statement No. 75 was issued in June 2015, and addresses accounting and financial reporting for OPEB that is provided to the employees of state and local governmental employers. This Statement establishes standards for recognizing and measuring liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures.

For defined benefit OPEB, this Statement identifies the methods and assumptions 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. Note disclosure and required supplementary information requirements about defined benefit OPEB also are addressed. The application of this new accounting standard is effective for the University's year ended June 30, 2018. However, the University, as a department of the System, has determined this standard is applicable to the System but not to the individual Universities or departments of the System. Therefore, the accounting and reporting requirements of this standard has been adopted by the System, but not the University.

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NOTE L--NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION, INC. AND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The following are significant disclosures of Northwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation, Inc. and Alumni Association (collectively the "Foundation"):

FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Foundation follows ASC Topic 820, *Fair Value Measurements*, which provides the framework for measuring fair value. The framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value.

The hierarchy gives highest priority to unadjusted quotes prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

The inputs to the three levels of the fair value hierarchy under Topic 820 are described as follows:

Level 1: Unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Foundation has the ability to access.
Level 2: Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and inputs that are derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data by correlation to other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.
Level 3: Unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

Land and Mineral Rights

Land and mineral rights consist primarily of oil & gas property and farm property donated to the Foundation. Management has made attempts to revalue portions of the real property assets at subsequent dates. The Foundation's management is of the opinion that revaluation of all real property would not have a significant impact on the Foundation's statements of financial position or changes in net position.

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Assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis are classified within the fair value hierarchy as follows as of June 30, 2018:

	As of June 30, 2018							
	Level 1		Level 2	I	Level 3		Total	
Uninvested cash	\$	721,959	\$ -	\$	-	\$	721,959	
Certificates of deposit		-	1,377,267		-		1,377,267	
Equity securities		18,906,729	-		-		18,906,729	
Corporate and other bonds		-	175,564		-		175,564	
Mutual funds		5,294,277					5,294,277	
	\$	24,922,965	\$ 1,552,831	\$	-	\$	26,475,796	

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NOTE L--NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION, INC. AND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION--Continued

ENDOWMENT DISCLOSURES

The Foundation's endowment consists of approximately 202 endowment funds established for a variety of purposes. Its endowment includes both donor-restricted endowment funds and funds designated by the Trustees to function as endowments. As required by U.S. GAAP, net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the Trustees to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

Interpretation of Relevant Law

The Trustees of the Foundation have chosen to preserve the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Foundation classifies as permanently restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund.

The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified in permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Foundation in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by OK UPMIFA. In accordance with OK UPMIFA, the Foundation considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- The duration and preservation of the fund;
- The purposes of the Foundation and the donor-restricted endowment fund;
- General economic conditions;
- The possible effect of inflation and deflation;
- The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments;
- The investment policies of the Foundation.

Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Foundation has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by the endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Directors, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results which generate a dependable, increasing source of income and appreciation while assuming a moderate level of investment risk. The Foundation expects its endowment funds, over time, to provide an average rate of return of approximately 10% annually. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount.

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NOTE L--NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION, INC. AND ALUMNI ASSOCIATION--Continued

Strategies for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate of return objectives, the Foundation relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Foundation targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives while reducing risk to acceptable levels.

Spending Policy

The Foundation has a policy of appropriating for distribution each year the equivalent of up to 5% of its endowment fund's fair value as of the immediately preceding July 1. In establishing this policy, the Foundation considered the long-term expected return on its endowment. Accordingly, over the long term, the Foundation expects the current spending policy to allow its endowment to grow at an average of 1.16% annually. This is consistent with the Foundation's objective to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets held in perpetuity or for a specified term as well as to provide additional real growth through new gifts and investment return

Endowment net position composition as of June 30, 2018:

			Non-					
	Unrestricted		Expendable		Expendable	Total		
Donor-restricted endowment funds Board-designated endowment funds	\$	-	\$	2,832,146	\$ 27,231,032	\$ 30,063,178		
Total endowment funds	\$	-	\$	2,832,146	\$ 27,231,032	\$ 30,063,178		

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Changes in endowment net position for the year ended June 30, 2018 are as follows:

			Non-					
	Unrestricted Expendable		xpendable	Expaendable		Total		
Endowment net assets, beginning								
of year	\$	-	\$	2,448,321	\$	26,147,300	\$	28,595,621
Transfers		-		(40,000)		40,000		-
Investment Return		-		1,208,502		-		1,208,502
Contributions		-		1,437,259		1,043,732		2,480,991
Appropriation of endowment assets								
for expenditure		-		(2,221,936)		-		(2,221,936)
Endowment net assets, end of year	\$	-	\$	2,832,146	\$	27,231,032	\$	30,063,178

REPORTS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS AND THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE



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

Board of Regents Regional University System of Oklahoma Northwestern Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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 Northwestern Oklahoma State University (the "University"), a department of the Regional University System of Oklahoma ("RUSO"), which is a component unit of the State of Oklahoma, and its discretely presented component unit, that comprise the statement of net position as of June 30, 2018, and the related statements of revenue, expenses, and changes in net position and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 28, 2018. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of Northwestern Oklahoma State University Foundation, Inc. and Alumni Association (the "Foundation"), the University's discretely presented component unit, as described in our report on the University's financial statements. The financial statements of the Foundation were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and accordingly this report does not include reporting on internal control over financial reporting or instances of reportable noncompliance associated with the Foundation.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the University'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 opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the University'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 audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the University'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 University'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 University's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Aluge + Associates, P.C.

November 28, 2018



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE; AND REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

Board of Regents Regional University System of Oklahoma Northwestern Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Northwestern Oklahoma State University's (the "University"), a department of the Regional University System of Oklahoma ("RUSO"), which is a component unit of the State of Oklahoma, compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the University's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2018. The University's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the University's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the University's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the University's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the University complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2018.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

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

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

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

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

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of the University as of and for the year ended June 30, 2018, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements. We issued our report thereon dated November 28, 2018, which contained an unmodified opinion on those financial statements. Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements. The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Uniform Guidance and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements is themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

alidge + Associates, P.C.

November 28, 2018

SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY A Department of the Regional University System of Oklahoma

Year Ended June 30, 2018

Federal Grantor/Pass-Through Grantor/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Federal Expenditures
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			
Student Financial Assistance Cluster			
Federal Pell Grants	84.063	N/A	\$ 3,591,162
Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grants	84.007	N/A	66,963
Federal Work Study Program	84.033	N/A	115,156
Federal Direct Loan Program	84.268	N/A	6,034,679
Total Student Financial Assistance Cluster			9,807,960
TRIO Program Cluster			
TRIOUpward Bound	84.047A	N/A	259,232
TRIOUpward Bound - Math & Science	84.047M	N/A	257,088
TRIOStudent Support Services	84.042A	N/A	202,038
Total TRIO Program Cluster			718,358
Other Programs			
Higher Education Institutional Aid	84.031	N/A	19,485
Total Other Programs			19,485
TOTAL U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION			10,545,803
Research and Development (R&D) Cluster			
NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION			
Pass-through Oklahoma State University			
Education and Human Resources	47.076	AA-5-64291	10,395
Total National Science Foundation			10,395
TOTAL FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CLUSTER			10,395
TOTAL EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS			\$ 10,556,198

See notes to schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS

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Year Ended June 30, 2018

NOTE A--BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of Northwestern Oklahoma State University (the "University") under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2018. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the University, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net position, or cash flows of the University.

NOTE B--SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. The University has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

NOTE C--FEDERAL DIRECT STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM

The University participates in the Federal Direct Loan Program (the Program), CFDA number 84.268, which includes the Federal Subsidized Direct Loan, the Federal Unsubsidized Direct Loan, the Federal Graduate Student PLUS Direct Loan and Federal Direct Loans Parents of Undergraduate Students. The Federal Direct Loan Program requires the University to draw down cash; and the University is required to perform certain administrative functions under the Program. Failure to perform such functions may require the University to reimburse the loan guarantee agencies. The University is not responsible for the collection of these loans. The value of loans made during the audit period are considered Federal awards expended for the audit period.

NOTE D--SUBRECIPIENTS

During the year ended June 30, 2018, the University did not provide any federal awards to subrecipients.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

NORTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY A Department of the Regional University System of Oklahoma

Year Ended June 30, 2018

Section I--Summary of Auditor's Results

Financial statements

Type of auditor's report issued on whether the financial statements were in accordance with GAAP:	Unmod	lified
Internal control over financial reporting:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	yes	<u>X</u> no
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yes	X none reported
Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?	yes	<u>X</u> no
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major federal programs:		
• Material weakness(es) identified?	yes	<u>X</u> no
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	yes	X none reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major federal programs:	Unmodif	ĩed
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	yes	<u>X</u> no
Identification of major federal programs:		
Program Student Financial Assistance Cluster		<u>CFDA Number</u> *
*Refer to the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards for CFDA numbers	bers related to	these programs.
Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:	S	\$750,000
Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?	<u>X</u> yes	no

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

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Year Ended June 30, 2018

Section II--Findings Required to be Reported in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards:*

None to report for the June 30, 2018 period.

Section III--Finding Required to be Reported in Accordance with the Uniform Guidance:

None to report for the June 30, 2018 period.

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

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Year Ended June 30, 2018

Finding 2017-001: Special Tests and Provisions – Enrollment Reporting

Federal Program: CFDA # 84.063, 84.007, 84.033, 84.268 - Student Financial Assistance Cluster

Criteria: The University must complete the Enrollment Reporting roster file that is placed in their Student Aid Internet Gateway (SAIG) and return the file to the U.S. Department of Education (DOE) within 15 days. At a minimum, the College must receive the file every 60 days, update the file for changes in student status, report the date the enrollment status was effective, enter the new anticipated completion date and submit the changes back to DOE either electronically through the batch method or through the NSLDS website. (FPL, 34 CFR § 674.19; Pell, 34 CFR §690.83(b)(2); FFEL, 34 CFR § 682.610; and Direct Loan 34 CFR § 685.309).

Condition: In our withdrawal testing, in a sampling population of seven students, we noted one withdrawn student that did not have their enrollment status change reported to the NSLDS via the National Student Clearinghouse (NCS) within sixty days.

Questioned Costs: None

Cause and Effect: The Registrar and Financial Aid Office are responsible for reporting all students' enrollment status. The reporting errors were caused by lack of adherence to the University's policy for reporting unofficial student withdrawals through the proper channels at the University, and ultimately to the NCS. Untimely reporting of student enrollment status does not allow the Department of Education to properly track and monitor students, including initiation of the loan repayment process.

Recommendation: We recommend the institution monitor adherence to the procedures that need to be followed when a student unofficially withdraws from classes at the University. This will allow the University to report enrollment changes to the NSLDS within the appropriate period of sixty days from the date the institution determined the status change. It is recommended the University consider evaluating the procedure regarding reporting unofficial student withdrawals to the NSLDS and update the procedure as necessary to ensure compliance with enrollment reporting requirements.

Current year status: This finding has been resolved in the current period.