

IOWA STATE
UNIVERSITY



Financial Report

For the year ended June 30, 2015



On the Cover and Above:

Michaela Mahady (American, b. 1951)

The Healing Tree Mural Cycle

Mural cycle includes: *This History of Veterinary Medicine; Equestrian Plain; The Healing Tree*

2010

Sand blasted glass murals

The Healing Tree: 26.5 x 35.6 feet

History of Veterinary Medicine: 5.8 x 157.5 ft

Equestrian Plain: 18 x 52 feet

Commissioned by University Museums. An Iowa Art in State Buildings Project for the Lloyd Veterinary Medical Center.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS For the year ended June 30, 2015

Iowa State University provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis as a narrative overview of the financial activities of the University for the year ended June 30, 2015, along with comparative data for the years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013. Readers are encouraged to consider this information in conjunction with the University's financial statements that follow.

Iowa State University follows Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 39 which requires the primary government to discretely present, within its own statements, the financial statements of certain component units. As explained in Note 1C2, the Iowa State University Foundation, the Iowa State University Achievement Fund, and the Original University Foundation (herein collectively referred to as the "Foundation") comprise a legally separate, tax-exempt component unit of the University and, accordingly, the combined financial statements are discretely presented with those of the University. However, since the assets of the Foundation are the exclusive property of the Foundation and do not belong to the University, a discussion of these assets is not included in this Management's Discussion and Analysis.

GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, was implemented during fiscal year 2015. The beginning net position as of July 1, 2014 was restated by \$17.5 million to retroactively report the pension liability as of June 30, 2013 and deferred outflows of resources related to contributions made after June 30, 2013 but prior to July 1, 2014. Fiscal year 2013 and 2014 financial statement amounts for net pension liabilities, pension expense, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources were not restated because the information was not available. In the past, pension expense was the amount of the employer contribution. Current reporting provides a more comprehensive measure of pension expense which is more reflective of the amounts employees earned during the year.

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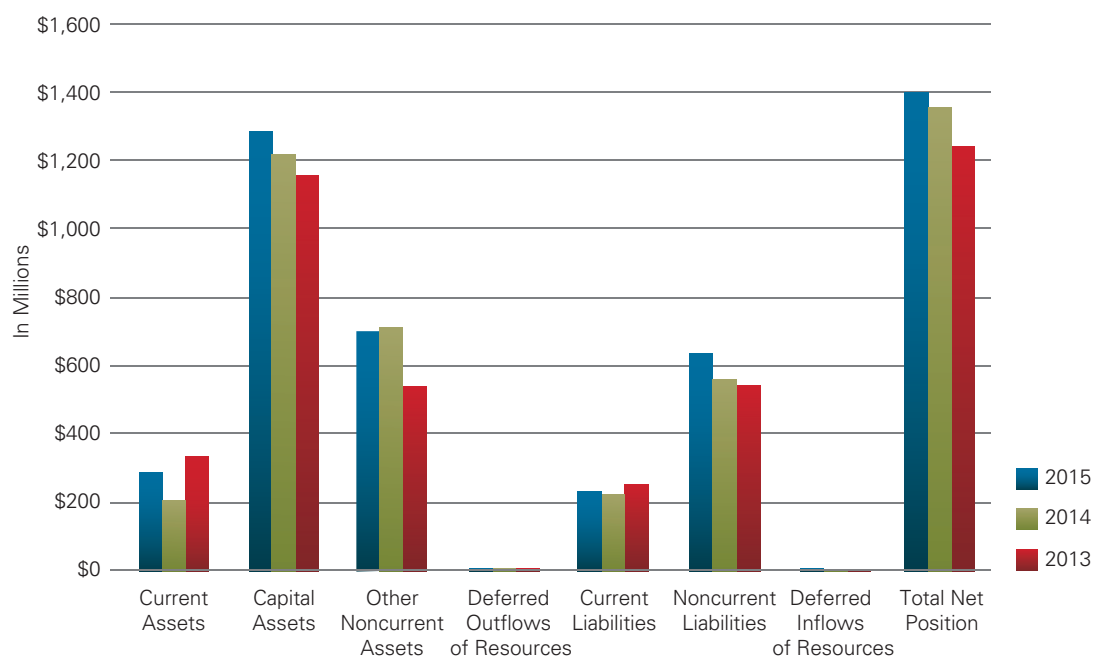
This analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to Iowa State University's basic financial statements. These basic financial statements consist of the Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position, and the Statement of Cash Flows. These provide information on the University as a whole and present both a short term as well as a longer term view of the University's financial position. These basic financial statements also include the Notes to the Financial Statements which explain and provide further detail about the basic statements.

THE UNIVERSITY AS A WHOLE**Statement of Net Position**

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial position of the University at the end of the fiscal year and includes all assets, liabilities and deferred inflows/outflows of resources of the University. Net Position—the difference between total assets and deferred outflows of resources and total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources—is one indicator of the current financial condition of the University, while the change in net position (shown on the next statement) is an indicator of whether the overall financial condition has improved during the year. The Statement of Net Position is also a good source for readers to determine how much the University owes to outside vendors, investors, and lending institutions. Similarly, the Statement presents the available assets that can be used to satisfy those liabilities.

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2013
Current Assets	\$ 292,575,615	\$ 206,935,347	\$ 338,924,281
Capital Assets	1,289,024,282	1,222,946,668	1,167,208,210
Other Noncurrent Assets	707,749,827	715,319,709	544,483,486
Total Assets	2,289,349,724	2,145,201,724	2,050,615,977
Deferred Outflows of Resources	9,224,291	1,710,625	1,829,522
Current Liabilities	237,942,746	222,509,481	254,261,934
Noncurrent Liabilities	641,723,974	561,156,145	553,702,835
Total Liabilities	879,666,720	783,665,626	807,964,769
Deferred Inflows of Resources	8,716,653	2,681,252	2,851,294
Total Net Position	\$1,410,190,642	\$1,360,565,471	\$1,241,629,436

Total assets at June 30, 2015, were \$2.29 billion, which is \$144.1 million higher than the prior year. Net capital assets comprised \$1.29 billion of the \$2.29 billion in assets, which is slightly smaller in proportion to that of June 30, 2014. Total liabilities were \$879.7 million at June 30, 2015, an increase of \$96 million. The comparison of current and noncurrent assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position as of June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013 is shown above.



Net position increased \$49.6 million, or 3.6%, for the year. Generally, an increase in net position indicates that the financial condition has improved over the year, at least on a short-term basis.

Total net position at June 30, 2015, was \$1.41 billion. The largest portion of the University's net position (60.1%) is categorized as Net Investment in Capital Assets. This category contains the land, buildings, infrastructure, land improvements, equipment, and intangible assets owned by the University. The restricted portion of net position (4.7%) is divided into two categories, nonexpendable and expendable, described in further detail in Note 11. The nonexpendable restricted net position is only available for investment purposes. Expendable restricted net position is available for expenditure by the University but must be spent for purposes as determined by the external entities that have placed time or purpose restrictions on the use of the assets. The remaining net position is unrestricted and includes funds used to meet specific purposes, such as funding for the bonded enterprises. The composition of the net position balance is shown below.

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2013
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 847,982,295	\$ 806,469,982	\$ 752,537,104
Restricted Nonexpendable	29,049,474	29,377,097	29,526,529
Restricted Expendable	37,523,260	39,801,951	31,220,404
Unrestricted	495,635,613	484,916,441	428,345,399
Total Net Position	\$ 1,410,190,642	\$ 1,360,565,471	\$ 1,241,629,436

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

Changes in total net position as presented in the Statement of Net Position are based on the activity presented in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. The purpose of the statement is to present the operating and non-operating revenues earned by the University, the operating and non-operating expenses incurred by the University, and any other revenues, expenses, gains and losses earned or incurred by the University.

In general, a public university such as Iowa State University will report an operating loss since the financial reporting model classifies state appropriations as non-operating revenues. Operating revenues are received for providing goods and services to the various students, customers and constituencies of the University. Operating expenses are those expenses paid to carry out the missions of the University. Non-operating revenues are revenues received where goods and services are not provided.

Had state appropriations been included in operating revenues, the operating loss for 2015 would have been \$40.3 million compared to \$16.1 million for 2014 and \$28.7 million for 2013. As shown below, when all non-operating and other revenues and expenses are considered, revenues exceeded expenses by \$67.1 million for 2015.

	For the Years Ended		
	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2013
Operating Revenues	\$ 858,974,892	\$ 806,024,319	\$ 770,409,186
Operating Expenses	1,149,673,032	1,070,723,175	1,030,096,413
Operating Loss	(290,698,140)	(264,698,856)	(259,687,227)
Nonoperating Revenues and Expenses	312,922,946	332,450,330	304,932,357
Income Before Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains and Losses	22,224,806	67,751,474	45,245,130
Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains and Losses	44,860,691	51,184,561	43,120,922
Extraordinary Items Due to Flood			(2,579,610)
Increase in Net Position	67,085,497	118,936,035	85,786,442
Net Position, Beginning of Year as Restated (Note 13)	1,343,105,145	1,241,629,436	1,155,842,994
Net Position, End of Year	\$1,410,190,642	\$1,360,565,471	\$1,241,629,436

Revenues

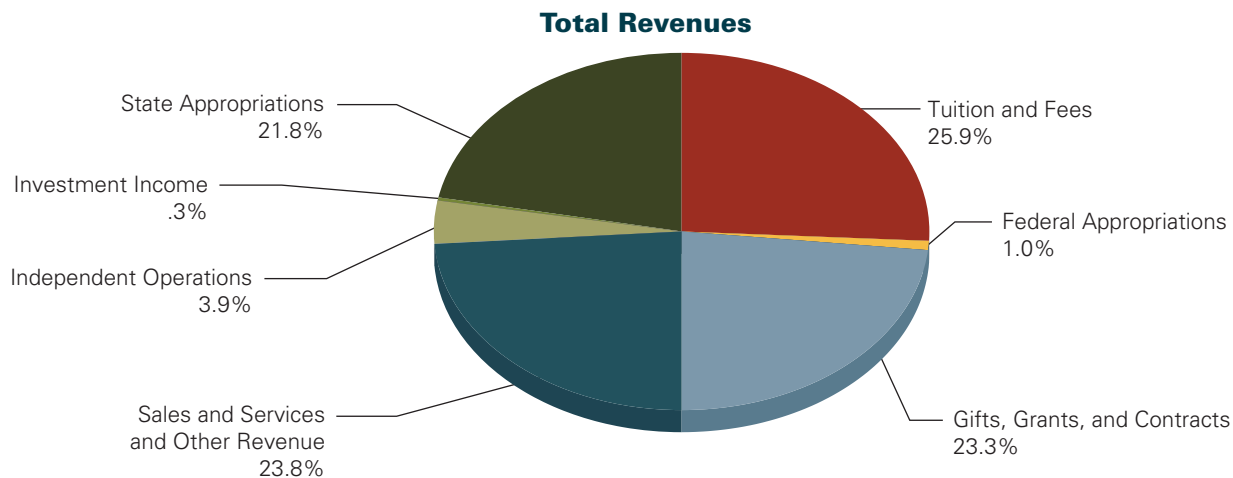
Operating revenues for the year ended June 30, 2015, increased \$53 million. The major components of this change were tuition and fees, net of scholarship allowances, which increased \$19.1 million, or 6.3%, auxiliary enterprise revenue which increased \$16.3 million, or 8.7%, and the Ames Laboratory, a U.S. Department of Energy sponsored independent operation which increased \$7.4 million, or 18.3%. These increases are primarily attributable to another year of record student enrollment during fiscal year 2015 and revenues provided to the Ames Laboratory for construction of a new Sensitive Instrument Facility.

Net non-operating revenues decreased \$19.5 million, due primarily to a decrease in investment income.

Other revenues, expenses, gains and losses decreased \$6.3 million. The largest component of this was a \$16.9 million decrease in capital appropriations, offset by an \$11.5 million increase in private gifts for capital projects. Capital appropriations are discussed in greater detail later in this Management's Discussion and Analysis.

In summary, total revenues of the University increased \$28.7 million in fiscal year 2015 from \$1.21 billion to \$1.24 billion. The components of these revenues are shown on the following chart.

In comparing the years ended June 30, 2014, and 2013, operating revenues increased \$35.6 million. The major components of that increase were tuition and fees, net of scholarship allowances, which increased \$26 million, and auxiliary enterprise revenue, which increased \$11.7 million. In fiscal year 2014, non-operating revenues increased \$27.5 million over fiscal year 2013, due primarily to increased education appropriations and nonfederal gifts, grants and contracts.



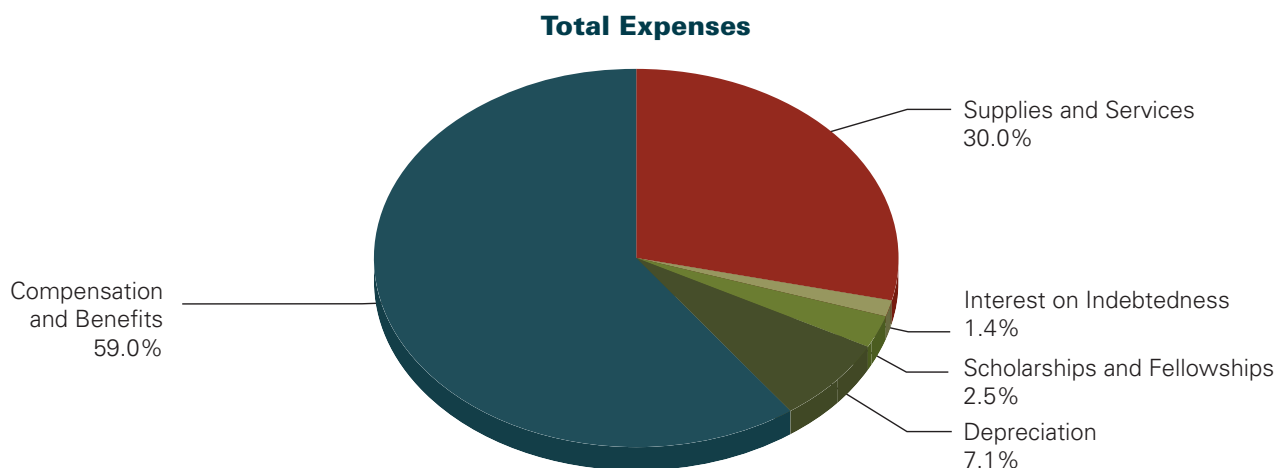
Expenses

Operating expenses were \$1.15 billion for fiscal year 2015. This was an increase of \$78.9 million, or 7.4%, over the previous year. Changes in the major natural expense categories were:

- Services, repairs, and professional services increased \$6.7 million, or 5.2%, primarily in the areas of research, academic support and institutional support.
- Supplies increased \$32.8 million, or 18.6%, primarily in the areas of academic support, institutional support, auxiliary enterprises, and independent operations. Support for record student enrollment and increased spending by the Ames Laboratory were primarily responsible for these operating expense increases.
- Compensation and benefits increased \$34.2 million, or 5.2%, primarily in the areas of instruction and academic support due to the continued growth in student enrollment.
- Other operating expenses increased \$5.1 million, or 4.8%, primarily due to increased depreciation costs on buildings and building improvements.

Operating expenses may be classified according to natural categories as in the previous paragraph and Note 12, or functionally as shown in the financial statements. For fiscal year 2015, all functional categories, as a percentage of total expenses, remained substantially the same.

Overall, total expenses for fiscal year 2015 were \$1.17 billion, an increase of \$80.6 million, or 7.4%. The components of these expenses are shown in the following chart:



Comparing the years ended June 30, 2014, and 2013, operating expenses in fiscal year 2014 increased \$40.6 million over those of fiscal year 2013, which was a 3.9% increase over the previous year. In the natural classifications, percentages of the total have remained relatively consistent over recent years.

Statement of Cash Flows

The primary purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows is to provide information about the cash receipts and disbursements of the University for the fiscal year. This Statement also aids in the assessment of the University's ability to generate future net cash flows, ability to meet obligations as they come due, and needs for external financing. The Statement of Cash Flows presents information related to cash inflows and outflows, categorized as operating, non-capital financing, capital and related financing, and investing activities.

Cash provided by operating activities includes tuition and fees, sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, and grants and contracts revenues. Cash used for operating activities includes payments to employees and to suppliers. Cash provided or used by non-capital financing activities includes state appropriations, the receipt and disbursement of the federal direct loan program, and non-capital gifts. Cash provided or used for capital and related financing activities represents proceeds from debt, the principal and interest payments towards debt, capital appropriations, capital gifts and grants, and the purchase and construction of capital assets. Cash provided or used by investing activities includes purchases and sales of investments as well as investment income and losses realized.

In fiscal year 2015, cash and cash equivalents increased \$92.5 million, or 160.7%. This increase is primarily due to bond proceeds held for capital construction projects. Sources and uses are shown in the following table.

	For the Years Ended		
	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2013
Cash Provided/(Used) by:			
Operating Activities	(\$206,977,331)	(\$185,152,971)	(\$182,648,095)
Non-capital Financing Activities	324,233,984	345,186,923	297,615,615
Capital and Related Financing Activities	(56,427,808)	(159,281,492)	(60,979,888)
Investing Activities	31,663,883	(8,788,854)	(51,351,788)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	92,492,728	(8,036,394)	2,635,844
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	57,549,347	65,585,741	62,949,897
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$150,042,075	\$ 57,549,347	\$ 65,585,741

As noted previously, the financial reporting model mandates that state appropriations be classified as non-capital financing sources of cash. If state appropriations had been classified as operating sources of cash, the cash provided by operations would have been \$43.4 million for fiscal year 2015 compared to \$63.5 million for fiscal year 2014 and \$48.4 million for fiscal year 2013.



Left: Gwynn Murrill (American, b. 1942)
Running Saluki, 2005
 Bronze
 43 x 65 x 24 inches
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 An Iowa Art in State Buildings Project for the Hixson-Lied Small Animal Hospital. In the Art on Campus Collection, University Museums, Iowa State University. Located outside the Hixson-Lied Small Animal Hospital.

CAPITAL ASSETS

At June 30, 2015, the University had \$2.52 billion invested in capital assets, with accumulated depreciation and amortization of \$1.23 billion, for net capital assets of \$1.29 billion. Depreciation and amortization charges for fiscal year 2015 totaled \$82.5 million. Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, were as follows:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2013
Land and Land Improvements, Nondepreciable/Nonamortizable	\$ 23,184,346	\$ 22,234,346	\$ 22,234,346
Construction in Progress and Intangible Assets in Development	108,595,133	105,970,651	108,756,162
Infrastructure and Land Improvements, Depreciable/Amortizable	93,618,683	90,600,305	88,274,571
Buildings	888,919,031	834,502,106	788,133,230
Equipment and Library Collections	169,277,453	163,582,169	157,793,851
Intangible Assets	5,429,636	6,057,091	2,016,050
Total Capital Assets, Net Of Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization	\$1,289,024,282	\$1,222,946,668	\$1,167,208,210

During fiscal year 2015, Sukup Hall, Sukup Atrium and Elings Hall, Phase 2 of the Biorenewables Complex were placed in service. The Biorenewables Complex was funded with capital appropriations and private gifts.

There were several construction projects in progress at June 30, 2015. These are included in capital assets as construction in progress and will not be depreciated/amortized until the year they are placed in service. The largest of these projects were the Biosciences Facilities, Marston Hall Renovation, and Jack Trice Stadium Improvements.

Capital Appropriations, Grants and Contracts

Capital appropriations from the State of Iowa have traditionally been a significant source of funding for construction of new buildings as well as major renovations. The \$18.6 million in capital appropriations from the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position for fiscal year 2015 represents funding for the Agricultural Biosystems Engineering Biorenewables Laboratory. In fiscal year 2014, \$35.5 million represented funding appropriated for the Agricultural Biosystems Engineering Biorenewables Laboratory, Research Park Building #5, an Economic Development Core Facility at the Research Park, and fire safety and ADA compliance.

Capital gifts and grants revenue, consisting primarily of private gifts funding for major building projects, was \$26.3 million for fiscal year 2015, an increase of \$11.5 million from the prior year. More detailed information about the University's capital assets is presented in Note 5 to the financial statements.

DEBT ADMINISTRATION

At June 30, 2015, the University had \$541.8 million of outstanding debt compared to \$483.5 million at the end of the prior year. Detailed information about the University's outstanding debt is presented in Note 6 to the financial statements. The table below summarizes outstanding debt by type:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014	June 30, 2013
Bonds Payable-Academic Buildings	\$151,411,949	\$157,268,788	\$160,926,057
Bonds Payable-Enterprise Funds	367,586,573	300,877,732	276,098,766
Capital Leases	13,719,975	15,207,197	18,009,952
Notes Payable	9,073,368	10,153,652	10,782,420
Total Debt	\$541,791,865	\$483,507,369	\$465,817,195

In fiscal year 2015, the University issued \$107.9 million of Athletic Facilities Bonds, Dormitory Revenue Bonds, Academic Building Revenue Refunding Bonds, and Utility System Revenue Bonds. This increase in bonds payable was offset by the normal paying down of debt from other issuances. The University carries an institutional bond rating of Aa2 from Moody's and an AA rating from Standard & Poor's.

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

During the past fiscal year and projecting forward, the University's economic resources continue to show improvement. Overall, national economic conditions are stable. Iowa's reserve funds are at their targets; the state's total state tax receipts in 2015 were higher than 2014; and the 2016 estimates from the fall 2015 State Revenue Estimating Conference were projected to be about 3.9% more than 2015 but less than originally anticipated.

The State of Iowa Board of Regents, Iowa State University's governing board, continue to strengthen its legislative and governmental relations programs. The state's economic outlook for the next year is positive. Indications are the universities will continue to receive increased state support.

For fiscal year 2016, the state appropriated \$1.2 million in increased state funding. The Regents held tuition flat for resident undergraduates for the fall semester and provided modest tuition increases of 1.2% for graduate and nonresident students. For the Spring 2016 semester, a 3.0% increase for resident undergraduate students will generate approximately \$2 million in additional revenue. The University's overall tuition rates and cost of attendance continue to be very competitive with peer institutions. The University continues to enroll more Iowa high school graduates and more Iowa community college transfers than any other college or university. The combination of revenue and enrollment increases is expected to produce \$16.9 million in new revenues for fiscal year 2016.

Development is underway for the University's next five year strategic plan for fiscal years 2017 through 2022 with a finalized plan expected by June 1, 2016. Iowa State's President, Steven Leath, stipulated that the current University mission and vision will remain the same with overall goals of ensuring a successful student experience, enhancing the University's research profile, supporting state and regional economic development while serving Iowans, and ensuring a welcoming, safe, and inclusive campus environment.

The fall 2015 enrollment is the seventh consecutive year of record enrollments and ninth consecutive year of growth. There are 36,001 students enrolled, including significant numbers of out-of-state, international, and community college transfers. The University has been able to accommodate the increase in students with classes and student housing. Construction is underway for additional academic and residence hall buildings. Iowa State University has no parietal rules but wants to accommodate all students who want to live in university housing. Enrollment growth is projected to continue over the next several years at a slower pace than recent experience. This enrollment growth has been particularly strong in engineering, agriculture and the sciences, where job opportunities exist. The quality of students continues to be high, as demonstrated by ACT scores.

In fiscal year 2015, overall sponsored funding increased to \$425 million, with particular growth in private support and agricultural funding. Faculty and staff continue to be competitive in submitting and getting proposals supported, indicating the high regard the University has with both government and private sponsors. Two more faculty members were named to national academies within the past year. Strong program areas of Iowa State University, such as biorenewables, engineering, agricultural research and the Ames Laboratory, are national priorities with funding expected to continue.

In September 2015, the Board of Regents raised resident student tuition for spring 2015 by 3% after two and a half years of flat tuition rates. Preliminary Board discussions indicate that the spring resident tuition rates will continue for the fall of 2016 while the nonresident tuition rates will increase by 3%. The Board is making a budget increase request of \$9.5 million or 4.1% in state general fund appropriations for Iowa State University. Annual fundraising continues to climb with actual production significantly exceeding goals. The Iowa State University Foundation, a private fund raising entity, is planning to launch a major campaign in the fall of 2016.

Several new facilities have been completed or are under development, including an advanced teaching and research building for biosciences as well as new teaching laboratories adjacent to Bessey Hall, a new residence hall, "bowling in" the Jack Trice Stadium, and a state funded Hub Facility along with private business development in the Iowa State University Research Park. Renovations continue in major academic buildings with enhancements made to classrooms, study spaces, and building envelopes, as well as residence halls, dining facilities, and several other campus facilities. Major renovation of the

University's utility plant to replace obsolete coal boilers with modern energy efficient gas boilers is underway and will reduce operating costs and increase reliability. Continual improvements to transit, parking, and sidewalks enhance services to the University community. The State of Iowa approved \$40 million in state capital funding beginning in fiscal year 2017 for a new Student Innovation Center facility to be matched with \$40 million in private funding.

The University's bond ratings continue to remain strong with a number of new financings occurring during the past year. President Steven Leath, completing his fourth year, has a strong and experienced leadership team effectively guiding the University. The University will focus on enhancing academic programs and services, expanding its research enterprise, and promoting economic development and job creation to ensure that Iowa State University is a leading research university.

CONTACTING IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide users with a general overview of Iowa State University's finances and to demonstrate the University's accountability for the funds received. Questions regarding this report or requests for additional financial information should be directed to the Controller's Department, Iowa State University, 3607 Administrative Services Building, Ames, IA 50011-3607.

Below: Sticks, with principal artist, Sarah Grant (American, b. 1953)

What Animals Do for Us: Friends...Fur & Feathers, silky manes, scales and whiskers, the sound of song

What Animals Do for Us: Reminding us of a world bigger than just our own

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Burned and painted wood

Commissioned by University Museums. Iowa Art in State Buildings Project for the College of Veterinary Medicine, Hixson-Lied Small Animal Hospital. In the Art on Campus Collection, University Museums, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. Located at the Veterinary Medicine College, Hixson-Lied Small Animal Hospital.





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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Members of the
Board of Regents, State of Iowa:

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Net Position, and the related Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position and Cash Flows, of Iowa State University of Science and Technology, Ames, Iowa, (Iowa State University) and its discretely presented component unit as of and for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise Iowa State University's basic financial statements 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 U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. 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 an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the discretely presented component unit, the Iowa State University Foundation, the Iowa State University Achievement Fund and the Original University Foundation (the "Foundation"), discussed in Note 1, which represent 100% of the assets, net position and revenues of the discretely presented component unit. We also did not audit the financial statements of the blended component units, Iowa State University Research Foundation, Incorporated and Iowa State University Veterinary Services Corporation, discussed in Note 1, which represent 1.6% and .2%, respectively, of the assets and .4% and .3%, respectively, of the revenues of the University. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the discretely presented and blended component units, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards 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 and Iowa State University Research Foundation, Incorporated were not audited in accordance with Government 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 Iowa State University'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 Iowa State University'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 the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of Iowa State University and its discretely presented component unit as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Emphasis of Matters

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of Iowa State University are intended to present the financial position, and the changes in financial position and cash flows, of only that portion of the financial reporting entity of the State of Iowa that is attributable to the transactions of Iowa State University. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the State of Iowa as of June 30, 2015 and 2014 and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

As discussed in Note 13 to the financial statements, Iowa State University adopted new accounting guidance related to Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions - an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

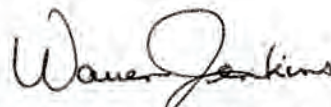
U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedule of the University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, the Schedule of University Contributions and the Schedule of Funding Progress on pages 2 through 9 and 46 through 48 be presented 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 which 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 U.S. generally accepted auditing standards, 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 financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the 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

Our report on Iowa State University's internal control over financial reporting and other tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters required by Government Auditing Standards will be issued under separate cover. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audits.



MARY MOSIMAN, CPA
Auditor of State



WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA
Chief Deputy Auditor of State

December 11, 2015

STATEMENT OF NET POSITION.....As of June 30, 2015 and 2014

ASSETS	2015	Not Restated 2014
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2A)	\$ 48,049,062	\$ 9,919,672
Investments (Note 2B)	146,569,313	97,622,195
Accounts receivable, net (Note 3A)	29,148,493	24,499,272
Due from government agencies (Note 3B)	35,610,564	42,622,920
Interest receivable	434,583	407,886
Notes receivable, net (Note 3C)	3,375,605	3,192,480
Inventories (Note 4)	17,370,875	16,987,301
Prepaid expenses	12,017,120	11,683,621
Total Current Assets	292,575,615	206,935,347
Noncurrent Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2A)	101,993,013	47,629,675
Investments (Note 2B)	551,509,597	628,260,300
Accounts receivable, net (Note 3A)	16,911,121	4,366,148
Due from government agencies (Note 3B)	1,872,694	1,872,694
Interest receivable	436,286	424,692
Notes receivable, net (Note 3C)	35,027,116	32,766,200
Capital assets, net (Note 5)	1,289,024,282	1,222,946,668
Total Noncurrent Assets	1,996,774,109	1,938,266,377
TOTAL ASSETS	2,289,349,724	2,145,201,724
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pension-related deferred outflows (Note 8B)	6,137,563	
Unamortized loss from refunding of debt	3,086,728	1,710,625
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	9,224,291	1,710,625
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	43,423,078	44,529,692
Salaries and wages payable	2,826,108	2,859,936
Unpaid claims and contingent liabilities (Note 10B)	5,209,000	4,858,000
Unearned revenue	34,009,689	31,630,484
Interest payable	8,661,586	8,151,063
Long-term debt, current portion (Note 6)	24,469,182	22,099,265
Other long-term liabilities, current portion (Note 6)	25,465,529	26,114,461
Deposits held in custody for others	93,878,574	82,266,580
Total Current Liabilities	237,942,746	222,509,481
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Accounts payable	12,929,908	8,482,842
Long-term debt, noncurrent portion (Note 6)	517,322,683	461,408,104
Other long-term liabilities, noncurrent portion (Note 6)	111,471,383	91,265,199
Total Noncurrent Liabilities	641,723,974	561,156,145
TOTAL LIABILITIES	879,666,720	783,665,626
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Pension-related deferred inflows (Note 8B)	6,148,520	
Unamortized gain from refunding of debt	2,568,133	2,681,252
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	8,716,653	2,681,252
NET POSITION		
Net investment in capital assets	847,982,295	806,469,982
Restricted (Note 11):		
Nonexpendable	29,049,474	29,377,097
Expendable	37,523,260	39,801,951
Unrestricted	495,635,613	484,916,441
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$1,410,190,642	\$1,360,565,471

See the accompanying notes which are an integral part of these financial statements.

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES**AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION**..... *For the Years Ended June 30, 2015 and 2014*

	2015	Not Restated 2014
OPERATING REVENUES		
Tuition and fees, net of scholarship allowances of \$109,069,145 and \$100,648,133 for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively (Note 10)	\$ 319,863,216	\$ 300,770,229
Federal appropriations	12,730,398	12,540,866
Federal grants and contracts	132,664,145	133,325,758
State and local government grants and contracts	18,457,169	16,116,896
Nongovernmental grants and contracts	32,274,062	31,116,359
Sales and services of educational activities	68,739,915	64,094,623
Auxiliary enterprises, net of scholarship allowances of \$5,932,561 and \$5,558,333 for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively (Note 10)	202,173,103	185,920,744
Independent operations	48,099,472	40,658,816
Interest on student loans	520,971	779,475
Other operating revenues	23,452,441	20,700,553
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	858,974,892	806,024,319
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Instruction	260,324,252	240,905,105
Research	168,243,185	166,724,881
Public service	73,092,258	73,536,148
Academic support	173,085,395	150,775,541
Student services	34,600,094	30,658,713
Institutional support	50,636,293	38,150,873
Operation and maintenance of plant	72,202,748	73,099,166
Scholarships and fellowships	29,763,401	29,778,416
Auxiliary enterprises	157,112,069	148,325,330
Independent operations	47,724,886	41,039,378
Depreciation/amortization	82,471,133	77,230,237
Other operating expenses	417,318	499,387
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	1,149,673,032	1,070,723,175
OPERATING LOSS	(290,698,140)	(264,698,856)
NONOPERATING REVENUES/(EXPENSES)		
State appropriations	250,353,637	248,633,453
Federal grants and contracts	25,009,415	24,323,618
Nonfederal gifts, grants and contracts	53,001,662	46,761,747
Investment income	4,065,242	30,612,319
Interest on indebtedness	(16,458,974)	(16,985,099)
Loss on disposal of capital assets	(1,325,645)	(591,604)
Other nonoperating loss	(1,722,391)	(304,104)
NET NONOPERATING REVENUES/(EXPENSES)	312,922,946	332,450,330
INCOME BEFORE OTHER REVENUES, EXPENSES, GAINS AND LOSSES	22,224,806	67,751,474
Capital appropriations	18,600,000	35,510,000
Capital gifts, grants and contracts	26,260,691	14,782,995
Other revenues		891,566
TOTAL OTHER REVENUES, EXPENSES, GAINS AND LOSSES	44,860,691	51,184,561
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	67,085,497	118,936,035
Net Position, Beginning of Year as Restated (Note 13)	1,343,105,145	1,241,629,436
NET POSITION, END OF YEAR	\$1,410,190,642	\$1,360,565,471

See the accompanying notes which are an integral part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS *For the Years Ended June 30, 2015 and 2014*

	2015	Not Restated 2014
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Tuition and fees	\$ 317,784,560	\$ 299,227,831
Federal appropriations	14,160,548	13,617,625
Grants and contracts	183,388,002	186,469,669
Sales of educational activities	67,587,961	63,043,827
Sales and services of auxiliary enterprises	204,027,994	185,862,022
Payments for auxiliary enterprises	(161,471,756)	(156,334,521)
Receipts of independent operations	49,845,113	39,156,025
Collections of loans from students	4,576,910	4,565,595
Payments for salaries and benefits	(613,287,476)	(582,079,201)
Payments for goods and services	(264,156,752)	(229,745,109)
Scholarship payments	(28,928,060)	(28,975,160)
Loans issued to students	(4,545,411)	(4,232,872)
Other operating receipts	24,041,036	24,271,298
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	(206,977,331)	(185,152,971)
CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
State appropriations	250,353,637	248,633,453
Non-capital gifts, grants and contracts	74,952,402	70,871,439
Direct lending receipts	157,593,471	154,587,757
Direct lending payments	(157,654,961)	(154,604,102)
Funds held for others receipts	340,881,958	321,396,588
Funds held for others payments	(341,892,523)	(295,698,212)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY NON-CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	324,233,984	345,186,923
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Capital appropriations received	19,392,439	22,860,000
Capital gifts and grants received	16,665,873	15,263,153
Proceeds from capital and refunding debt	107,792,748	43,798,756
Proceeds from sale of capital assets	1,888,087	878,635
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(143,466,167)	(136,203,895)
Principal paid on capital debt	(24,400,392)	(24,789,222)
Interest paid on capital debt	(16,989,088)	(17,872,179)
Defeased debt payments	(17,268,719)	(63,400,443)
Other capital and related financing sources/(uses)	(42,589)	183,703
NET CASH USED BY CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(56,427,808)	(159,281,492)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Interest and dividends received on investments	6,945,657	2,879,596
Proceeds from sales of investments	754,232,936	702,011,259
Purchases of investments	(729,514,710)	(713,679,709)
NET CASH PROVIDED/(USED) BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	31,663,883	(8,788,854)
NET CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	92,492,728	(8,036,394)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	57,549,347	65,585,741
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 150,042,075	\$ 57,549,347

RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES

OPERATING LOSS	\$ (290,698,140)	\$(264,698,856)
Adjustments to reconcile operating loss to net cash used by operating activities:		
Depreciation/amortization	82,471,133	77,230,237
Changes in assets, liabilities, deferred outflows, and deferred inflows:		
Accounts receivable and due from government agencies	5,025,409	6,463,568
Inventories	(394,395)	(1,047,271)
Prepaid expenses	(265,083)	(1,281,044)
Notes receivable	(344,965)	(281,489)
Deferred outflows of resources	(3,762,110)	
Accounts payable	(5,040,610)	(847,663)
Unearned revenue	2,379,532	185,902
Compensated absences	591,759	(1,353,251)
Early retirement benefits payable	(2,808,976)	(3,149,047)
Other postemployment benefits obligation	3,636,711	3,684,415
Pension liability	(3,713,640)	
Deferred compensation liability	(202,476)	(58,472)
Deferred inflows of resources	6,148,520	
NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ (206,977,331)	\$ (185,152,971)

NONCASH INVESTING, CAPITAL, AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES

Capital gifts-in-kind	\$ 3,143,351	
Assets acquired under capital leases	\$ 162,746	\$ 32,700
Net unrealized gain/(loss) on investments	\$ (2,961,762)	\$ 26,707,075

RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

Cash and cash equivalents classified as current assets	\$ 48,049,062	\$ 9,919,672
Cash and cash equivalents classified as noncurrent assets	101,993,013	47,629,675
TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	\$ 150,042,075	\$ 57,549,347

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IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION
 IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY ACHIEVEMENT FUND
 ORIGINAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

COMBINED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITIONAs of June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 3,245,523	\$ 2,678,195
Receivables:		
Pledges, net (Note 3D)	74,934,811	74,626,036
Estates	6,844,772	3,849,258
Funds held in trust by others	27,716,108	26,753,128
Total receivables	<u>109,495,691</u>	<u>105,228,422</u>
Investments (Note 2C):		
Pooled investments	753,253,463	713,798,578
Other marketable securities	35,110,944	37,703,493
Real estate and other investments	12,809,961	13,383,133
Total investments	<u>801,174,368</u>	<u>764,885,204</u>
Property and equipment	4,027,426	3,390,319
Other assets	<u>6,134,782</u>	<u>5,037,502</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$924,077,790</u>	<u>\$881,219,642</u>
 LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,127,079	\$ 718,985
Due to related organizations	18,262,767	14,040,058
Bonds payable	2,333,322	2,463,636
Long-term liabilities	1,889,777	2,066,601
Annuities payable	19,017,873	20,559,660
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>42,630,818</u>	<u>39,848,940</u>
 NET ASSETS (Note 11)	<u>881,446,972</u>	<u>841,370,702</u>
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$924,077,790</u>	<u>\$881,219,642</u>

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IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION
 IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY ACHIEVEMENT FUND
 ORIGINAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

**COMBINED STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
 AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	2015 Total	2014 Total
REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT					
Contributions	\$ 3,511,041	\$ 86,159,276	\$ 26,564,680	\$ 116,234,997	\$ 83,969,639
Investment return:					
Pooled investments	8,063,230	21,608,975	(16,637,345)	13,034,860	87,919,646
Nonpooled investments	107,991	566,802	435,505	1,110,298	7,337,230
Total investment return	8,171,221	22,175,777	(16,201,840)	14,145,158	95,256,876
Fundraising service revenue	2,918,349			2,918,349	2,699,364
Return on funds held in trust by others		1,215,194	1,515,828	2,731,022	3,633,909
Other earnings	53,459	2,037,773	262,436	2,353,668	1,860,633
Net assets released from restrictions	81,465,243	(81,465,243)		—	—
TOTAL REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT	96,119,313	30,122,777	12,141,104	138,383,194	187,420,421
EXPENSES					
Program	81,822,783			81,822,783	80,689,389
Operating:					
Fundraising	11,578,513			11,578,513	10,292,397
Administrative	3,993,692			3,993,692	3,740,414
Annuity liability adjustment		28,803	883,133	911,936	2,399,700
TOTAL EXPENSES	97,394,988	28,803	883,133	98,306,924	97,121,900
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(1,275,675)	30,093,974	11,257,971	40,076,270	90,298,521
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	26,660,459	214,629,490	600,080,753	841,370,702	751,072,181
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$25,384,784	\$244,723,464	\$611,338,724	\$881,446,972	\$841,370,702

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NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**A. Organization**

Iowa State University of Science and Technology (Iowa State University), located in Ames, Iowa, is a land grant institution owned and operated by the State of Iowa, under the governance of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa (Board of Regents). The Board of Regents is appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the State Senate. Because the Board of Regents holds the corporate powers of Iowa State University, the University is not deemed to be legally separate. Accordingly, for financial reporting purposes, the University is included in the financial report of the State of Iowa, the primary government, as required by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. The University is classified as a state instrumentality under Internal Revenue Code Section 115 and is exempt from federal income taxes. Certain activities of the University may be subject to taxation as unrelated business income under Internal Revenue Code Sections 511 to 514.

The University offers courses of study leading to degrees at the undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate levels. Degrees are available from seven colleges: Agriculture and Life Sciences, Business, Design, Engineering, Human Sciences, Liberal Arts and Sciences, and Veterinary Medicine. Other major operating units of the University are: Agriculture & Home Economics Experiment Station; Extension and Outreach; and the Ames Laboratory, a U.S. Department of Energy sponsored independent operation. The campus consists of approximately 1,813 acres. In addition, farms and other properties, which are stocked and equipped for teaching and research purposes, total approximately 9,630 acres.

B. Basis of Presentation

The University's financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The presentation required by GASB provides a comprehensive, entity-wide perspective of the University's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, net position, revenues, expenses, changes in net position, and cash flows.

The University reports as a special-purpose government engaged primarily in business-type activities, as defined by GASB. Accordingly, these financial statements have been presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. As a result, revenues are recognized when earned, expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred, and all significant intra-agency transactions have been eliminated.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

C. Reporting Entity

As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), these financial statements present the financial position and financial activities of the University (the primary government) and certain other entities for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the University are such that exclusion would cause the University's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The GASB classification of these entities for the University's financial reporting purposes does not affect their respective legal or organizational relationships to the University.

1. **Blended Component Units** – The following entities are legally separate from the University, but are so intertwined with the University that they are, in substance, part of the University. Accordingly, they are blended into the University's financial statements.

Iowa State University Research Foundation, Inc. was organized as a corporation to assist in securing protection for intellectual property such as patents and copyrights resulting from research, writing, and other projects of members of the Iowa State University community. The financial statements of this entity have been audited by other independent auditors, and their report may be obtained from the Office of the Senior Vice President for Business and Finance at Iowa State University. The revenues of this organization are included in the "Other operating revenues" classification, and expenses are included in the "Institutional support" classification in the Statement

of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. For the year ended June 30, 2015, the revenues and expenses were \$4,374,346 and \$3,944,650 respectively.

Iowa State University Veterinary Services Corporation was organized as a corporation to support and promote the welfare and mission of the University and of its faculty, staff, residents, graduates, students and former students, particularly as related to the University's College of Veterinary Medicine. The financial statements of this corporation have been audited by other independent auditors, and their report may be obtained from the Office of the Senior Vice President for Business and Finance at Iowa State University. The revenues of this corporation are included in the "Other operating revenues" classification, and expenses are included primarily in the "Academic support" classification in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. For the year ended June 30, 2015, these were \$4,049,507 and \$4,148,554 respectively.

Miller Endowment, Incorporated was established December 18, 1995 pursuant to the will and codicil of F. Wendell Miller. The will and codicil appointed the presidents of Iowa State University and the State University of Iowa as co-executors of the Miller Estate and co-trustees of the Miller Endowment Trust, a charitable trust, and further directed that the two universities be equal beneficiaries of the income from said trust. The will and codicil also directed the trustees to have the right and discretion to create a charitable corporation, to be "Miller Endowment, Incorporated", to own, administer and control the affairs and property of the trust. This corporation has been organized under Chapter 504A of the Code of Iowa and Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. During fiscal year 1998, the assets of the trust were officially transferred to Miller Endowment, Incorporated. Since the net revenues and assets of the corporation are solely for the equal benefit of the two universities, one half of the value of the corporation's transactions has been blended into the University's operations. For investment management purposes, all assets of the trust are pooled with the University's endowment funds. Accordingly, the University of Iowa's half of the trust is included in the University's Cash and Cash Equivalents, Investments, Interest Receivable, and Deposits Held in Custody for Others.

2. **Discretely Presented Component Unit** – The Iowa State University Foundation, the Iowa State University Achievement Fund, and the Original University Foundation (herein collectively referred to as the "Foundation") comprise a legally separate, tax-exempt component unit of the University. The combined financial statements of the Foundation's organizations are presented in these financial statements because the organizations have a common Board of Directors, common management, and the common objective to promote the welfare of the University and its faculty, graduates, students, and former students. The mission of the Foundation is to secure and manage private gifts that support the University's aspiration to become the nation's best land-grant university. The Foundation strives to maximize the interest, involvement and, ultimately, enduring commitment of donors, and to manage donated assets for the benefit of the University in accordance with donors' wishes.

Although the University does not control the Foundation or the timing or amount of receipts from the Foundation, the majority of resources, or income thereon, the Foundation holds and invests are restricted to the activities of the University by the donors. Because these restricted resources held by the Foundation can only be used by, or for the benefit of, the University and its faculty, graduates, students and former students, the Foundation is considered a component unit of the University and is discretely presented in the University's financial statements. During the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Foundation distributed and expended \$81,822,783 and \$80,689,389, respectively, on behalf of the University for both restricted and unrestricted purposes as follows:

	2015	2014
Scholarships, loan funds, and awards	\$ 25,585,060	\$ 23,453,412
Faculty and staff support	7,762,098	7,846,458
College and administrative support	20,905,465	19,247,765
Buildings, equipment, and repairs	27,068,378	29,189,566
Gifts in kind	501,782	952,188
Total Program Support	<u>\$ 81,822,783</u>	<u>\$ 80,689,389</u>

The Foundation is a nonprofit organization that reports under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) standards, including FASB Statement No. 117, *Financial Reporting for Not-for-Profit Organizations*. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. No modifications have been made to the Foundation's financial information in the University's financial reporting entity for these differences.

Although the University is the exclusive beneficiary of the Foundation, the Foundation is independent of the University in all respects. The Foundation is not a subsidiary or affiliate of the University and is not directly or indirectly controlled by the University. Moreover, the assets of the Foundation are the exclusive property of the Foundation and do not belong to the University. The University is not accountable for, and does not have ownership of, any of the financial and capital resources of the Foundation. The University does not have the power or authority to mortgage, pledge, or encumber the assets of the Foundation. The Board of Directors of the Foundation is entitled to make all decisions regarding the business and affairs of the Foundation, including, without limitation, distributions made to the University. Third parties dealing with the University should not rely upon the financial statements of the Foundation for any purpose without consideration of all of the foregoing conditions and limitations.

Complete financial statements for the Foundation can be obtained from the Foundation at 2505 University Boulevard, Ames, IA 50010-2230 or from the Foundation's website at www.foundation.iastate.edu.

D. Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents are reported in accordance with Board of Regents policy, section 7.04.H.2. The policy states investments purchased by the Regent institutions through Board authorized brokerage firms that meet the definition of cash equivalents, investments with original purchase dates to maturity of three months or less, shall be reported in the audited financial statements of the Regent institutions as cash equivalents.

E. Investments

Investments are reported in accordance with Board of Regents policy, section 7.04.H.2. The policy states that, to appropriately reflect the Board's overall investment strategy and as outlined in GASB Statement No. 9, paragraph 11, the Board sets forth that all funds held by external investment managers, as defined in section 7.04.C.4 of the Board's investment policy, shall be reported in the audited financial statements of the Regent institutions as investments.

In accordance with the Board of Regents investment policy, the University considers all funds held by external investment managers, regardless of maturity, to be investments. Investments of the University are reported 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 the investments are reported as a component of investment income in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position.

In accordance with FASB Statement No. 157, investments of the Foundation are carried at fair value as determined by values provided by an external investment manager and quoted market values. The carrying values of other investments approximate fair value because these financial instruments bear interest at rates that approximate current rates the Foundation could obtain on contracts or notes with similar maturities and credit qualities.

F. Inventories

Inventories consist of supplies, merchandise, grain, and livestock for resale, teaching, and research purposes. Inventories of supplies and merchandise are valued at the lower of cost (primarily weighted average) or market. Inventories of livestock and grain are reported at year-end market value.

G. Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition or at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. Capitalization of interest on assets under construction has been included in the cost of those assets. 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. Intangible assets with a cost of \$500,000 or more are capitalized. Renovations to buildings, infrastructure and land improvements that significantly increase the value or extend the useful life of the asset are capitalized. Routine repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense in the year in which the expense was incurred.

Depreciation and amortization are calculated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 20 to 50 years for buildings, 10 to 30 years for infrastructure and land improvements, 2 to 20 years for equipment, 10 years for library collections, and 4 to 15 years for intangible assets.

H. Unearned Revenue

Unearned revenue includes items such as advance ticket sales, summer school tuition not earned during the current year, and amounts received from grants and contracts that have not yet been earned.

I. Compensated Absences

Employees' compensated absences are accrued when earned under the provisions of Chapters 70A and 262 of the Code of Iowa. Accrued vacation is paid at 100% of the employee's hourly rate upon retirement, death, or termination and, with certain exceptions, accrued sick leave is paid at 100% of the employee's hourly rate to a maximum of \$2,000 upon retirement. The liability for accrued compensated absences reported in the Statement of Net Position is based on current rates of pay.

J. Noncurrent Liabilities

Noncurrent liabilities include principal amounts of revenue bonds payable, notes payable, and capital leases payable with contractual maturities greater than one year, as well as estimated amounts for accrued compensated absences, early retirement benefits payable, refundable advances on student loans, net other postemployment benefits obligation, and other liabilities that will not be paid within the next fiscal year.

K. Net Pension Liability

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

L. Deferred Outflows and Deferred Inflows of Resources

The University's deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources consist of the following:

- 1. Pension-related** – Deferred outflows consist of unrecognized items not yet charged to pension expense and contributions by the University after the measurement date but before the end of the University's reporting period. Deferred inflows consist of the unamortized portion of the net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments.
- 2. Unamortized bond refunding losses and gains** – Bond refunding losses and gains, which will be recognized over the life of the bonds, are the difference between the reacquisition price of the new debt and the net carrying amount of the debt being refunded. Deferred outflows consist of unamortized losses resulting from the refunding of bonds. Deferred inflows consist of unamortized gains resulting from the refunding of bonds.

M. Net Position

The University's net position is classified as follows:

1. **Net investment in capital assets** – Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation/amortization and outstanding debt attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
2. **Restricted, nonexpendable** – Net position subject to externally imposed restrictions in which the donors or other outside sources have stipulated the principal is to be maintained inviolate and retained in perpetuity and invested for the purpose of producing income which will either be expended or added to principal.
3. **Restricted, expendable** – Net position subject to externally imposed restrictions on use of resources, either legally or contractually.
4. **Unrestricted** – Net position not subject to externally imposed restrictions and which may be used to meet current obligations for any purpose or designated for specific purposes by action of management or the Board of Regents.

N. Operating Revenues and Expenses

Operating revenues and expenses reported in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position are those that generally result from exchange transactions such as payments received for providing services and payments made for services or goods received. Nearly all of the University's expenses are from exchange transactions. Certain significant revenue streams relied upon for operations are recorded as nonoperating revenues, as defined by GASB Statement No. 35, including state appropriations, gifts, and investment income.

O. Revenue Pledged for Debt Service

Tuition and fees are pledged as security for Academic Building Revenue Bonds, Memorial Union Revenue Bonds, and Recreational System Facilities Revenue Bonds. Auxiliary enterprise revenues are pledged as security for Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds, Dormitory Revenue Bonds, Memorial Union Revenue Bonds, Parking System Revenue Bonds, Recreational System Facilities Revenue Bonds, Regulated Materials Facility Revenue Bonds, and Utility System Revenue Bonds.

P. Auxiliary Enterprise Revenues

Auxiliary enterprise revenues primarily represent revenues generated by the Athletic Department, University Book Store, Iowa State Center, Memorial Union, Parking System, Recreation Services, Regulated Materials Handling Facility, Reiman Gardens, Residence Department, ISU Dining, Student Health Center, Telecommunications System, and Utility System.

Q. Bond Discounts and Premiums

Bond discounts and premiums are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds.

R. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE 2 - CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS, AND INVESTMENTS

A. Cash and Cash Equivalents

A summary of the book and bank balances for cash and cash equivalents at June 30, 2015 and 2014 is as follows:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Book Balance	\$150,042,075	\$ 57,549,347
Bank Balance:		
Covered by FDIC Insurance or State Sinking Fund	\$ 81,652,309	\$ 65,717,720
Uninsured and Uncollateralized	75,299,603	
Total Bank Balance	\$156,951,912	\$ 65,717,720

B. Investments (University)

In accordance with the Code of Iowa and the Board of Regents' policy, the University's operating portfolio may be invested in obligations of the U.S. government or its agencies, certain high rated commercial paper, highly rated corporate bonds, certain limited maturity zero coupon securities, fully insured or collateralized certificates of deposits and savings, eligible bankers acceptances of 180 days or less, certain repurchase agreements, high quality money market funds and highly rated guaranteed investment contracts. The University's endowment portfolio may invest in all of the above as well as certain listed investment grade securities, certain shares of investment companies, and new issues of investment grade common stock.

For donor-restricted endowments, Chapter 540A of the Code of Iowa permits the University to appropriate an amount of realized and unrealized endowment appreciation as the University determines to be prudent pursuant to a consideration of the University's long-term and short-term needs, its present and anticipated financial requirements, expected total return on its investments, price level trends and general economic conditions. The University's policy is to retain the realized and unrealized appreciation with the endowment pursuant to the spending rules of the University. The University's spending policy is 5.5%, which includes a 1.25% administrative fee of a three-year moving average market value. Net appreciation of endowment funds available to meet the spending rate distribution was \$6,572,594 as of June 30, 2015, and is recorded in restricted expendable net position.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The University manages this risk within the portfolio using the effective duration method which is widely used in the management of fixed income portfolios in that it quantifies to a much greater degree the risk of interest rate changes.

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations to the University. The University reduces exposure to this risk by following the operating and endowment portfolio benchmarks as established by the Board of Regents.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a counterparty to a transaction, the University will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Of the University's \$698.1 million investments, \$1,687,458 and \$193,421 of pooled funds are held by the Iowa State University Foundation and Iowa State University Research Foundation, respectively, not in the University's name.

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss that may be attributed to the magnitude of the University's investment in a single issuer. The University reduces exposure to this risk by complying with the Board of Regents' investment policy which requires that, except for U. S. Government securities, no more than 5% of the investment portfolio shall be invested in securities of a single issuer.

The following issuers represent 5% or more of total operating portfolio assets:

Issuer	Fair Value	% of Total Operating Portfolio Assets
Federal Farm Credit Bank	\$ 39,745,159	6%
Federal Home Loan Bank	\$ 115,177,614	16%

As of June 30, 2015, the effective duration, credit quality ratings, and fair value of the University's investments were as follows:

	Effective Duration (Years)	Credit Quality Rating								Total Fair Value	
		TSY/AGY	AAA	AA	A	BBB	BB	B	CCC & Below		Not Rated
Fixed Income:											
U.S. Government Treasuries	1.90	\$116,420,388									\$116,420,388
U.S. Government Agencies	1.60		157,928,004	823,563							158,751,567
Corporate Notes and Bonds	1.31		1,988,936	468,253	2,446,324	2,362,718	60,093				7,326,324
Mutual Funds, Short Term	5.37	56,360,231	9,996,601	2,967,261	9,091,061	12,594,987	9,525,719	12,066,269	2,303,013	1,306,649	116,211,791
Mutual Funds, Long Term	4.04		1,804,805	1,814,109	2,967,696	2,169,247	7,467,807	8,762,196	2,094,434	494,674	27,574,968
Subtotal		\$172,780,619	\$171,718,346	\$ 6,073,186	\$ 14,505,081	\$ 17,126,952	\$ 17,053,619	\$ 20,828,465	\$ 4,397,447	\$ 1,801,323	426,285,038
Equity and Other:											
Common Stock											14,204,725
Preferred Stock											193,421
Mutual Funds											155,147,674
Private Equity											12,876,108
Foundation Pooled Funds											1,687,458
Real Estate											21,651,697
Money Market											66,032,789
Total Investments											\$698,078,910

C. Investments (Foundation)

Investments were comprised of the following balances as of June 30, 2015 and 2014:

Investment	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Pooled Investments:		
Equity	\$ 252,837,904	\$ 264,596,620
Fixed Income	166,472,367	155,657,504
Hedge Funds	161,054,456	145,571,875
Private Equity	83,328,292	72,056,338
Real Estate	18,086,931	17,737,545
Natural Resources/Commodities	20,894,925	19,786,142
Cash and Cash Equivalents	50,456,423	38,332,340
Accrued Interest	372,165	310,214
Accrued Manager Fees	(250,000)	(250,000)
Total Pooled Investments	753,253,463	713,798,578
Other Marketable Securities:		
Fixed Income	12,923,187	13,769,840
Equity	21,166,364	22,942,815
Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,021,393	990,838
Total Other Marketable Securities	35,110,944	37,703,493
Real Estate and Other Investments:		
Real Estate	11,422,194	11,773,667
Notes Receivable from Affiliated Entities	1,387,767	1,609,466
Total Real Estate and Other Investments	12,809,961	13,383,133
Total Investments	\$ 801,174,368	\$ 764,885,204

NOTE 3 - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, DUE FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, NOTES RECEIVABLE, AND PLEDGES RECEIVABLE

A. Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable is shown net of allowances for doubtful accounts in the accompanying Statement of Net Position. At June 30, 2015 and 2014, accounts receivable consisted of the following:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Accounts Receivable	\$ 47,988,261	\$ 30,346,143
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	(1,928,647)	(1,480,723)
Accounts Receivable, Net	\$ 46,059,614	\$ 28,865,420

B. Due from Government Agencies

Due from government agencies is comprised of \$15,810,372 due from state and local government agencies and \$21,672,886 due from United States government agencies at June 30, 2015 and \$15,855,933 due from state and local government agencies and \$28,639,681 due from United States government agencies at June 30, 2014.

C. Notes Receivable

Notes receivable is shown net of allowances for doubtful accounts in the accompanying Statement of Net Position. Notes receivable consisted of the following:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Student Loans Receivable	\$ 23,634,753	\$ 23,287,061
Other Notes Receivable	15,163,446	13,005,221
Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	(395,478)	(333,602)
Notes Receivable, Net	<u>\$ 38,402,721</u>	<u>\$ 35,958,680</u>

D. Pledges Receivable (Foundation)

The components of net pledges receivable as of June 30, 2015 and 2014 are as follows:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Gross Pledges Receivable	\$ 81,354,989	\$ 81,873,895
Allowance for Uncollectible Pledges	(1,926,552)	(2,770,349)
Discount to Present Value	(4,493,626)	(4,477,510)
Net Pledges Receivable	<u>\$ 74,934,811</u>	<u>\$ 74,626,036</u>

The Foundation estimates payments on pledges receivable as of June 30, 2015, will be received as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal
2016	\$ 24,434,996
2017	19,122,671
2018	10,449,638
2019	7,237,829
2020	4,390,300
Thereafter	15,719,555
Total	<u>\$ 81,354,989</u>

In addition, the Foundation has received notification of deferred gifts totaling approximately \$538,000,000 and \$492,000,000 as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively, primarily in the form of revocable wills.

NOTE 4 - INVENTORIES

The inventory balances in the Statement of Net Position are comprised of two categories as described in Note 1F above and scheduled below:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Supplies, Merchandise, and Grain	\$ 13,768,288	\$ 13,262,230
Livestock	3,602,587	3,725,071
Total Inventories	<u>\$ 17,370,875</u>	<u>\$ 16,987,301</u>

NOTE 5 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2015, is summarized as follows:

	July 1, 2014	Additions	Transfers	Deductions	June 30, 2015
Capital Assets, Nondepreciable/Nonamortizable:					
Land	\$ 16,501,213	\$ 950,000	\$	\$	\$ 17,451,213
Land Improvements	5,733,133				5,733,133
Construction in Progress	105,970,651	115,470,610	(112,751,584)	(94,544)	108,595,133
Intangible Assets in Development	—				—
Capital Assets, Nondepreciable/Nonamortizable	128,204,997	116,420,610	(112,751,584)	(94,544)	131,779,479
Capital Assets, Depreciable/Amortizable:					
Buildings	1,486,350,216		100,743,379	(533,722)	1,586,559,873
Land Improvements	28,088,052		563,831		28,651,883
Infrastructure	228,380,572		11,444,374		239,824,946
Equipment	281,186,260	24,474,258		(16,894,702)	288,765,816
Library	231,559,824	10,867,610		(9,174,941)	233,252,493
Intangible Assets	7,077,566				7,077,566
Capital Assets, Depreciable/Amortizable	2,262,642,490	35,341,868	112,751,584	(26,603,365)	2,384,132,577
Accumulated Depreciation/Amortization:					
Buildings	651,848,110	46,157,141		(364,409)	697,640,842
Land Improvements	14,893,190	1,333,155			16,226,345
Infrastructure	150,975,129	7,656,671			158,631,800
Equipment	164,226,294	16,590,931		(13,944,827)	166,872,398
Library	184,937,621	10,105,779		(9,174,942)	185,868,458
Intangible Assets	1,020,475	627,456			1,647,931
Accum. Depreciation/Amortization	1,167,900,819	82,471,133		(23,484,178)	1,226,887,774
Depreciable/Amortizable Capital Assets, Net	1,094,741,671	(47,129,265)	112,751,584	(3,119,187)	1,157,244,803
Total Capital Assets, Net	\$1,222,946,668	\$ 69,291,345	\$ —	\$ (3,213,731)	\$1,289,024,282

Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and amortization, purchased with resources provided by outstanding capital lease agreements at June 30, 2015, consisted of \$16,285,738 of buildings and \$296,720 of equipment.

NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

Implementation of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB No. 27*, required recognition of a net pension liability. As a result, the beginning net pension liability has been restated. Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2015, is summarized as follows:

	Restated July 1, 2014	Additions	Deductions	June 30, 2015	Current Portion
Long-Term Debt:					
Bonds Payable	\$458,146,520	\$107,918,838	\$ 47,066,836	\$518,998,522	\$ 22,445,000
Notes Payable	10,153,652		1,080,284	9,073,368	688,400
Capital Leases Payable	15,207,197	207,886	1,695,108	13,719,975	1,335,782
Total Long-Term Debt	483,507,369	108,126,724	49,842,228	541,791,865	24,469,182
Other Long-Term Liabilities:					
Compensated Absences	44,037,693	21,690,643	21,023,326	44,705,010	21,135,944
Early Retirement Benefits	4,144,111		2,808,976	1,335,135	955,425
Refundable Advances on Student Loans	18,178,893			18,178,893	
Deferred Compensation	264,976	119,465	321,941	62,500	
Due to State	12,895,069	6,597,307	4,454,770	15,037,606	3,374,160
Net Pension Liability	19,835,779		3,713,640	16,122,139	
Net Other Postemployment Benefits Obligation	37,858,918	9,890,115	6,253,404	41,495,629	
Total Other Long-Term Liabilities	137,215,439	38,297,530	38,576,057	136,936,912	25,465,529
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$620,722,808	\$146,424,254	\$ 88,418,285	\$678,728,777	\$ 49,934,711

A. Bonds Payable

Outstanding long-term revenue bond indebtedness at June 30, 2015, consisted of the following:

	Interest Rates	Maturity Dates	Amount
Academic Building	2.00 – 5.25%	2016-2036	\$150,420,000
Less: Unamortized Discount			(779,529)
Add: Unamortized Premium			1,771,478
Athletic Facilities	2.00 – 5.50%	2016-2041	75,650,000
Less: Unamortized Discount			(433,532)
Add: Unamortized Premium			195,526
Dormitory	1.00 – 5.00%	2016-2036	162,220,000
Less: Unamortized Discount			(955,314)
Add: Unamortized Premium			588,305
Memorial Union	1.50 – 3.00%	2016-2031	19,230,000
Less: Unamortized Discount			(206,288)
Parking System	2.25 – 3.00%	2016-2023	2,845,000
Add: Unamortized Premium			86,743
Recreational System Facilities	2.25 – 4.75%	2016-2038	49,185,000
Less: Unamortized Discount			(445,293)
Regulated Materials Facility	2.00%	2016-2020	2,315,000
Add: Unamortized Premium			53,788
Utility System	2.00 – 5.00%	2016-2035	55,020,000
Less: Unamortized Discount			(42,197)
Add: Unamortized Premium			2,279,835
Total Bonds Payable			\$518,998,522

Debt service requirements to maturity, as of June 30, 2015, are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	\$ 22,445,000	\$ 17,963,651	\$ 40,408,651
2017	25,405,000	17,207,458	42,612,458
2018	26,305,000	16,469,553	42,774,553
2019	27,040,000	15,672,400	42,712,400
2020	27,835,000	14,820,974	42,655,974
2021-2025	132,260,000	61,047,571	193,307,571
2026-2030	130,240,000	35,998,077	166,238,077
2031-2035	92,765,000	14,962,176	107,727,176
2036-2040	30,750,000	2,075,025	32,825,025
2041	1,840,000	29,900	1,869,900
Less: Unamortized Discount	(2,862,153)		(2,862,153)
Add: Unamortized Premium	4,975,675		4,975,675
Total	\$518,998,522	\$196,246,785	\$715,245,307

In September 2014, the University issued \$16,315,000 of Academic Building Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series I.S.U. 2014. The bond proceeds were placed in an irrevocable trust to refund \$16,550,000 of Academic Building Revenue Bonds, Series I.S.U. 2005. The advance refunding of these bonds permitted the University to realize an economic gain (the difference between the present value of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$1,681,002 and will reduce future aggregate debt service payments over the next 12 years by \$1,918,211.

In April 2015, the University issued \$11,760,000 of Athletic Facilities Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series I.S.U. 2015A. The bond proceeds, in addition to other University funds, were placed in an irrevocable trust to refund \$10,265,000 of Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds, Series I.S.U. 2007. The advance refunding of these bonds permitted the University to realize an economic gain (the difference between the present values of the debt service payments on the old and new debt) of \$821,581 and will reduce future aggregate debt service payments over the next 17 years by \$1,146,596.

B. Notes Payable

The University had the following notes payable outstanding at June 30, 2015:

	Interest Rates	Maturity Dates	Amount
Athletic System	0.80 - 5.82%	2016-2030	\$ 9,073,368

Debt service requirements to maturity, as of June 30, 2015, are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	\$ 688,400	\$ 327,274	\$ 1,015,674
2017	685,615	289,575	975,190
2018	723,610	251,580	975,190
2019	763,714	211,476	975,190
2020	806,044	169,146	975,190
2021-2025	1,905,985	379,272	2,285,257
2026-2030	3,500,000	121,334	3,621,334
Total	\$ 9,073,368	\$ 1,749,657	\$ 10,823,025

C. Capital Leases Payable

The University had the following capital leases outstanding at June 30, 2015:

	Interest Rates	Maturity Dates	Amount
Cyclone Sports Complex	3.86%	2016-2027	\$ 10,216,864
Farm Equipment	2.69 – 3.90%	2016-2021	225,686
ISU Veterinary Services Corporation	5.10 – 7.33%	2016-2020	55,335
Sukup Basketball Complex	0.80 – 5.07%	2016-2020	3,222,090
Total			<u>\$ 13,719,975</u>

The following is a schedule by year of future minimum lease payments required as of June 30, 2015:

Year Ending June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2016	\$ 1,335,782	\$ 553,870	\$ 1,889,652
2017	1,378,625	494,862	1,873,487
2018	1,435,779	433,435	1,869,214
2019	1,489,944	369,760	1,859,704
2020	1,537,702	303,422	1,841,124
2021-2025	4,498,099	883,884	5,381,983
2026-2027	2,044,044	99,568	2,143,612
Total	<u>\$ 13,719,975</u>	<u>\$ 3,138,801</u>	<u>\$ 16,858,776</u>

D. Refundable Advances on Student Loans

The Perkins Federal Loan program requires a return of Federal Capital Contribution if the United States Government terminates the program. The accumulated Federal Capital Contribution received by the University over the lifetime of the Perkins Loan program is \$18,178,893 and \$18,178,893 at June 30, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

NOTE 7 - OPERATING LEASES

The University has leased various buildings and equipment. These leases have been classified as operating leases and, accordingly, all rents are charged to expense as incurred. These leases expire before June 30, 2031, and require various minimum annual rentals. Certain leases are renewable for additional periods. Some of the leases also require the payment of normal maintenance and insurance on the leased properties. In most cases, management expects the leases will be renewed or replaced by other leases.

The following is a schedule, by year, of future minimum rental payments required under operating leases which have initial or remaining noncancellable lease terms in excess of one year as of June 30, 2015.

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2016	\$ 5,942,236
2017	6,123,290
2018	1,760,426
2019	986,345
2020	680,999
2021-2025	2,752,972
2026-2030	2,100,953
2031	35,016
Total	<u>\$20,382,237</u>

All leases contain nonappropriation clauses indicating continuation of the lease is subject to funding by the legislature.

Rental expense for these operating leases was \$4,575,244 and \$2,606,419, respectively, for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014.

NOTE 8 - RETIREMENT PROGRAMS

A. Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association (TIAA-CREF)

The University contributes to the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association – College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA-CREF) retirement program that is a defined contribution plan. TIAA-CREF administers the retirement plan for the University. The defined contribution retirement plan provides individual annuities for each plan participant. The Board of Regents establishes and amends the plan's provisions and contribution requirements. As required by the Board of Regents' policy, all eligible University employees must participate in a retirement plan from the date they are employed. Contributions made by the employer fully vest after the completion of three years of employment; employee contributions vest immediately. As specified by the contract with TIAA-CREF, each employee through the fifth year of employment contributes 3 1/3% of the first \$4,800 of earnings and 5% on the balance of earnings. The University, through the fifth year of employment, is required to contribute 6 2/3% of the first \$4,800 of earnings and 10% on earnings above \$4,800. Upon completion of five years of service, the participant contributes 5% and the University 10% on all earnings. The University's required and actual contributions amounted to \$39,309,376 and \$38,124,419, respectively, for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014. The employees' required and actual contributions amounted to \$19,654,127 and \$19,055,957 respectively, for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014. At June 30, 2015, the University reported payables to the defined contribution pension plan of \$3,148,317 for legally required employer contributions and \$1,574,123 for legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to TIAA-CREF.

B. Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS)

Plan Description – IPERS membership is mandatory for employees of the University, except for those covered by another retirement system. Employees of the University are provided with pensions through a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System (IPERS). IPERS issues a stand-alone financial report which is available to the public by mail at 7401 Register Drive P.O. Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa 50306-9117 or at www.ipers.org.

IPERS benefits are established under Iowa Code chapter 97B and the administrative rules thereunder. Chapter 97B and the administrative rules are the official plan documents. The following brief description is provided for general informational purposes only. Refer to the plan documents for more information.

Pension Benefits – A Regular member may retire at normal retirement age and receive monthly benefits without an early-retirement reduction. Normal retirement age is age 65, any time after reaching age 62 with 20 or more years of covered employment, or when the member's years of service plus the member's age at the last birthday equals or exceeds 88, whichever comes first. (These qualifications must be met on the member's first month of entitlement to benefits.) Members cannot begin receiving retirement benefits before age 55. The formula used to calculate a Regular member's monthly IPERS benefit includes:

- A multiplier (based on years of service).
- The member's highest five-year average salary. (For members with service before June 30, 2012, the highest three-year average salary as of that date will be used if it is greater than the highest five-year average salary.)

If a member retires before normal retirement age, the member's monthly retirement benefit will be permanently reduced by an early-retirement reduction. The early-retirement reduction is calculated differently for service earned before and after July 1, 2012. For service earned before July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.25% for each month the member receives benefits before the member's earliest normal retirement age. For service earned on or after July 1, 2012, the reduction is 0.50% for each month the member receives benefits before age 65.

Generally, once a member selects a benefit option, a monthly benefit is calculated and remains the same for the rest of the member's lifetime. However, to combat the effects of inflation, retirees who began receiving benefits prior to July 1990 receive a guaranteed dividend with their regular November benefit payments.

Disability and Death Benefits – A vested member who is awarded federal Social Security disability or Railroad Retirement disability benefits is eligible to claim IPERS benefits regardless of age. Disability benefits are not reduced for early retirement. If a member dies before retirement, the member’s beneficiary will receive a lifetime annuity or a lump-sum payment equal to the present actuarial value of the member’s accrued benefit or calculated with a set formula, whichever is greater. When a member dies after retirement, death benefits depend on the benefit option the member selected at retirement.

Contributions – Effective July 1, 2012, as a result of a 2010 law change, the contribution rates are established by IPERS following the annual actuarial valuation, which applies IPERS’ Contribution Rate Funding Policy and Actuarial Amortization Method. State statute limits contribution rate increases or decreases each year to 1%. IPERS Contribution Rate Funding Policy requires the actuarial contribution rate be determined using the “entry age normal” actuarial cost method and the actuarial assumptions and methods approved by the IPERS Investment Board. The actuarial contribution rate covers normal cost plus the unfunded actuarial liability payment based on a 30-year amortization period. The payment to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability is determined as a level percentage of payroll, based on the Actuarial Amortization Method adopted by the Investment Board.

In fiscal years 2015 and 2014, pursuant to the required rate, Regular members contributed 5.95% of pay and the University contributed 8.93% for a total rate of 14.88%.

The University’s contributions to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 were \$3,048,492 and \$2,373,348, respectively.

Net Pension Liability, Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions – At June 30, 2015, the University reported a liability of \$16,122,139 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The University’s proportion of the net pension liability was based on the University’s share of contributions to IPERS relative to the contributions of all IPERS participating employers. At June 30, 2014, the University’s collective proportion was 0.4065184%, which was an increase of 0.061048% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2013.

For the year ended June 30, 2015, the University recognized pension expense of \$1,721,262. At June 30, 2015, the University reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 175,216	\$
Changes in assumptions	711,506	
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		6,148,520
Changes in proportion and differences between University contributions and proportionate share of contributions	2,202,349	
University contributions subsequent to the measurement date	3,048,492	
Total	<u>\$ 6,137,563</u>	<u>\$ 6,148,520</u>

\$3,048,492 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the University’s contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	Amount
2016	\$ (815,384)
2017	(815,384)
2018	(815,384)
2019	(815,384)
2020	202,087
Total	<u>\$ (3,059,449)</u>

There were no non-employer contributing entities to IPERS.

Actuarial Assumptions – The total pension liability in the June 30, 2014 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Rate of inflation (effective June 30, 2014)	3.00% per annum
Rates of salary increase (effective June 30, 2010)	4.00% to 17.00%, average, including inflation. Rates vary by membership group.
Long-term investment rate of return (effective June 30, 1996)	7.50%, compounded annually, net of investment expense, including inflation

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2014 valuation were based on the results of actuarial experience studies with dates corresponding to those listed above.

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2000 Mortality Table for Males or Females, as appropriate, with adjustments for mortality improvements based on Scale AA.

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

Asset Class	Asset Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
US Equity	23%	6.31%
Non US Equity	15%	6.76%
Private Equity	13%	11.34%
Real Estate	8%	3.52%
Core Plus Fixed Income	28%	2.06%
Credit Opportunities	5%	3.67%
TIPS	5%	1.92%
Other Real Assets	2%	6.27%
Cash	1%	(0.69)%
	100%	

Discount Rate – The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.50%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed employee contributions will be made at the contractually required rate and contributions from the University will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, IPERS' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive employees. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on IPERS' investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate – The following presents the University's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.50%, as well as what the University's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (6.50%) or 1-percentage-point higher (8.50%) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease (6.50%)	Discount Rate (7.50%)	1% Increase (8.50%)
University's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$30,462,328	\$16,122,139	\$4,017,533

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position – Detailed information about the IPERS’ fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued IPERS financial report which is available on IPERS’ website at www.ipers.org.

Payables to the Pension Plan – At June 30, 2015, the University reported payables to IPERS of \$261,885 for legally required employer contributions and \$174,492 for legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to IPERS.

C. Retirement Incentive Option

At its March 2009 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the first of three Retirement Incentive Option (RIO) programs, RIO1. The second and third programs, RIO2 and RIO3, were subsequently approved at its October 2009 and April 2010 meetings, respectively. Faculty, professional and scientific employees, merit system employees, and institutional officials who accumulated ten years of service with the University and who attained the age of 60 (RIO1), 57 (RIO2), or 55 (RIO3) by the date of retirement were eligible for participation. These programs are one-time programs with retirement required to occur no later than January 31, 2010, July 30, 2010, and December 31, 2010, respectively. Upon retirement, the participant was provided health and dental coverage for a period of up to five years with the University providing both the employee and employer share of contributions not to exceed the employee and spouse/domestic partner rate for the University’s professional plans and not to exceed the employee and family rate for the State of Iowa plans. Eligible employees who elected the incentive and reached Medicare eligibility during the incentive period were allowed to continue in the incentive with the contributions reduced to integrate with Medicare eligibility. For RIO3, the participant could choose to receive continued annuity (Defined Contribution plan only) contributions for a period of up to five years in lieu of the continued medical/dental coverage. The annuity benefit was equal to the University’s contribution level during active employment of 10% and based on the participant’s full budgeted salary at the time of retirement. Term life insurance benefits are fully insured for eligible retirees and are paid for directly by the life insurance carrier. The University pays a stated premium based on the value of the policy (which is \$4,000) directly to the carrier. The stated premium rate is the same as the premium rate for the active employer life coverage in effect during the fiscal year.

Phased Plus Retirement Program

At its April 2010 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the Phased Plus Retirement Program. Faculty, professional and scientific, merit system employees, and institutional officials who had accumulated ten years of service with the University and who attained the age of 55 at the time of initial reduction of employment were eligible for participation in the Phased Plus Retirement Program. This is a one-time program with the maximum phasing period of two years with full retirement required at the end of the specified phasing period. At no time during the phasing period may an employee hold less than a 50% or greater than a 65% appointment. Phased retirement period was required to occur no later than January 1, 2012. At the end of the appointment, the employee had the option of medical coverage or employer-paid retirement contributions for the balance of five years once phased retirement began, with the same stipulations as the RIO3 program.

At June 30, 2015, 189 employees had elected the Retirement Incentive Option or the Phased Plus Retirement Program for which the University is committed to providing future benefit payments totaling \$1,335,135. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the University paid \$2,679,562 for continuing benefits which are financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. In the event of the retiree’s death, the University’s obligation to pay the cost of the health and dental coverage will cease on the first day of the month following the date of death.

NOTE 9 – NET OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS (OPEB) OBLIGATION

Plan Description. The University operates a single-employer retiree benefit plan which provides medical, dental and life insurance benefits for faculty and staff and their spouses. The actuarial valuation was based on 4,686 active and 1,649 retired members in the plan. Employees must be age 55 or older at retirement.

The medical and prescription drug benefit, which is a self-funded plan, is administered by Wellmark Blue Cross Blue Shield of Iowa. The dental benefit, which is also self-funded, is administered by Delta Dental of Iowa. The life insurance benefit is administered by Principal Mutual Life Insurance Co. Retirees pay full group-blended rates for medical and prescription drug coverage, which results in an implicit rate subsidy and an OPEB liability. There is no subsidy or OPEB liability associated with the dental benefit. Retirees continuously enrolled in the University-sponsored plan for a minimum of 10 years preceding retirement are eligible for a University-sponsored term life policy which results in an OPEB liability.

Funding Policy. The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the University. The University currently finances the retiree benefit plan on a pay-as-you-go basis.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation. The University's annual OPEB cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC) of the University, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with GASB Statement No. 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 over a period not to exceed 30 years.

The following table shows the components of the University's annual OPEB cost for the year ended June 30, 2015, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the University's net OPEB obligation:

Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	\$ 9,735,334
Interest on Net OPEB Obligation	1,265,522
Adjustment to Annual Required Contribution	(1,829,631)
Annual OPEB Cost	<u>9,171,225</u>
Contributions Made	<u>(6,253,404)</u>
Increase in Net OPEB Obligation	2,917,821
Net OPEB Obligation, Beginning of Year	<u>31,638,052</u>
Net OPEB Obligation, End of Year	<u><u>\$ 34,555,873</u></u>

For fiscal year 2015, the University contributed \$6.25 million to the medical plan. Plan members receiving benefits contributed \$3.3 million, or 34.5% of the premium costs.

The University's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation are summarized as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentage of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation
6/30/2015	\$ 9,171,225	68.2%	\$34,555,873
6/30/2014	\$ 8,898,460	66.9%	\$31,638,052
6/30/2013	\$10,111,340	58.5%	\$28,694,172

Funded Status and Funding Progress. As of the valuation date for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, the actuarial accrued liability was \$77.1 million, with no actuarial value of assets, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$77.1 million. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$341.6 million, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 22.6%. As of June 30, 2015, there were no trust fund assets.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Actuarially determined amounts are

subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The Schedule of Funding Progress, presented as Required Supplementary Information in the section following the Notes to the Financial Statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

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

As of the July 1, 2013 actuarial valuation date, the projected unit credit actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 4% discount rate based on the pay-as-you-go funding policy. The health care trend rate for 2015 was 8.5% and will be reduced 0.5% each year until reaching the ultimate health care trend rate of 5.0% in 2022. The underlying inflation rate used in the valuation was 2.5%.

Mortality rates are from the RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table fully generational using Scale AA. Annual retirement and termination probabilities were developed by adjusting industry tables to reflect University experience. The UAAL is being amortized over a rolling 30-year open period using the level dollar method.

State of Iowa Postretirement Medical Plan. The University's merit employees are participants in the State of Iowa postretirement medical plan (OPEB Plan). The State of Iowa recognizes the implicit rate subsidy for the OPEB Plan as required by GASB Statement No. 45.

The annual valuation of liabilities under the OPEB Plan is calculated using the entry age normal cost method. This method requires the calculation of an unfunded actuarial accrued liability, which was \$217.9 million for the State of Iowa as of June 30, 2015. The University's portion of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability is not separately determinable.

Details of the OPEB Plan are provided on a state-wide basis and are available in the State of Iowa's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2015. The report may be obtained by writing to the Iowa Department of Administrative Services, Hoover State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

The University recognized a net OPEB liability of \$6,939,756 for other postemployment benefits, which represents the University's portion of the State's net OPEB liability. The University's portion of the net OPEB liability was calculated using the ratio of full time equivalent University merit employees compared to all full time equivalent employees of the State of Iowa.

NOTE 10 - COMMITMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

A. Commitments

At June 30, 2015 and 2014, the University had outstanding construction contract commitments of \$82,673,025 and \$23,386,633, respectively.

B. Risk Management

Iowa State University has elected to self-insure, or internally assume, certain potential losses where management believes it is more economical to manage these risks internally. The University's exposure and management of various risks are delineated below.

- 1. Employee Health and Dental Benefits** - The State of Iowa purchases commercial health and dental insurance for general service staff of the University. The University and employees share the cost of the premium and reimburse the State for the coverage. The University self-funds its medical and dental insurance for non-general service staff employees. The University insures its medical claims with stop-loss insurance at 125% in aggregate for all plans and a \$300,000 individual maximum.

The following schedule presents the changes in claims liabilities for self-funded medical and dental insurance. The claims liabilities were calculated according to generally accepted actuarial principles in accordance with Actuarial Standard of Practice No. 5 and based on data provided by the University and the health plan vendors.

	2015	2014
Unpaid Claims and Contingent Liabilities Accrued at July 1, 2014 and 2013	\$ 4,858,000	\$ 4,038,000
Claims Incurred and Contingent Liabilities Accrued During the Fiscal Year	60,454,093	53,310,081
Payments on Claims During the Fiscal Year	(60,103,093)	(52,490,081)
Unpaid Claims and Contingent Liabilities Accrued at June 30, 2015 and 2014	<u>\$ 5,209,000</u>	<u>\$ 4,858,000</u>

2. **Employee Workers' Compensation/Unemployment Insurance** - The State of Iowa self-insures, on behalf of the University, for losses related to workers' compensation and unemployment claims on state supported employees. The Iowa Department of Administrative Services (DAS) administers both programs. At the beginning of the fiscal year, DAS calculates an annual workers' compensation premium to be paid in quarterly increments for non-state supported employees of the University. The University's share of unemployment claims for non-state supported employees is also billed quarterly. The University establishes an internal rate for each program and separately charges each department for the benefits. Receipts from these charges are deposited into two separate reserve funds, considered self-insured pools, from which the quarterly payments are made. Since these reserves are maintained at a level adequate to pay the required premiums by adjusting the internal rates, no additional risk is assumed.
3. **Employee Medical and Dependent Care Flexible Spending Programs** - Eligible University employees have an option to participate in two flexible spending programs. The Medical Flexible Spending Program allows employees to have a maximum of \$2,500 for medical spending deducted from their payroll on a pre-tax basis. Federal regulations mandate that remaining funds, beyond a \$500 carry over amount, are non-refundable. The Dependent Care Flexible Spending Program allows employees to have a maximum of \$5,000 for dependent care deducted from their payroll on a pre-tax, non-refundable basis. These pre-tax deductions are used by employees to cover qualified uninsured medical, dental and vision claims under the Medical Flexible Spending Program and/or qualified dependent care expenses under the Dependent Care Flexible Spending Program. The Medical Flexible Spending Program carries an element of self-insurance risk, as required by federal law. Since the University deducts only 1/12 of an annually elected amount from the employee's pay each month, but is liable for the total annual elected amount upon presentation of appropriate claims, it is at risk for the difference between an employee's total reimbursed claims and the amount collected from payroll deductions should the employee terminate before contributing the total amount. The University, by law, cannot seek restitution for this difference. This same risk does not apply to the payroll deduction for the Dependent Care Flexible Spending Program as an employee can only claim what has been deducted from their payroll. These employee contributions are maintained in a separate account, which has carried a surplus balance since inception of the program due to contributions exceeding claims each year. This surplus balance is used to fund the administrative costs of the program.
4. **General Liability** - The State of Iowa maintains an employee fidelity bond whereby the first \$100,000 of losses is the responsibility of the University. Losses between \$100,000 and \$2,000,000 are insured. The University also maintains an employee blanket bond to cover losses up to \$4,000,000.

The State of Iowa self-insures, on behalf of the University, losses related to tort claims. The Board of Regents entered into a 28E agreement with the Department of Management, the State Appeal Board, and the Attorney General for resolution of tort claims of \$5,000 or less. The University is authorized to approve individual claims up to \$5,000, but not to exceed \$100,000 in aggregate per year. Tort claims settled in excess of \$5,000 must be unanimously approved by all members of the State Appeal Board, the Attorney General, and the District Court of the State of Iowa for Polk County. Tort claims may be paid from the State's General Fund without limit.

5. **Motor Vehicle Insurance** - The Board of Regents' institutions cooperatively self-insure for liability losses related to motor vehicles up to \$250,000. Each Regents' institution is required to pay a pre-determined monthly premium for

each vehicle into the cooperative insurance program. Losses in excess of \$250,000 are self-insured by the State as provided in Chapter 669 of the Code of Iowa. The University self-insures its vehicles for physical damage. In addition to liability coverage, the insurance program also self-insures for comprehensive and collision damage.

6. **Property Insurance** - The State of Iowa self-insures, on behalf of the University, property deemed general university property which is exclusive of property belonging to self-supporting enterprises. A contingency fund exists under Section 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa to request compensation for loss or damage to state property (includes general university property). The Code of Iowa states that claims in excess of \$5,000 may be submitted to the Executive Council for consideration. When a loss exceeds \$500,000, it is necessary to seek an appropriation from the General Assembly. The University purchases catastrophic commercial property insurance, including earthquake and flood coverage, for its General Fund buildings with a \$2,000,000 per incident deductible. The University commercial insurance program also includes coverage for enterprise facilities such as the residence system, Iowa State Center, power plant, etc., with deductibles ranging from \$5,000 to \$1,000,000 per occurrence.
7. **Business Interruption and Extra Expense Insurance** - The University self-insures for business interruption losses of its general mission revenues, such as tuition and fees, etc. Commercial insurance is purchased to cover business interruption losses for self-supporting enterprises such as the Athletic Department, Iowa State Center, Residence Department, University Book Store, etc.
8. **Insurance Settlements** - As a result of a catastrophic flood event in August 2010, the University had claims that exceeded its insurance coverage for Hilton Coliseum and the Scheman Building. The University's commercial property insurance for those buildings was limited to \$12 million because they are located in a flood zone, and the losses exceeded the \$12 million limit. With the exception of those buildings, the University had no settlements exceeding insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

NOTE 11 - RESTRICTED NET POSITION

The University's restricted net position is classified according to externally imposed restrictions. The following table provides detail of the Restricted Net Position balances.

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Restricted-Nonexpendable:		
Permanently Endowed Funds	\$ 29,049,474	\$ 29,377,097
Restricted-Expendable:		
Student Loans	12,087,544	11,457,195
Scholarships, Research, and Educational Purposes	6,572,594	6,847,691
Reserve for Debt Service	7,051,933	7,848,779
Capital Projects	11,811,189	13,648,286
Total Restricted-Expendable	<u>37,523,260</u>	<u>39,801,951</u>
Total Restricted Net Position	<u>\$ 66,572,734</u>	<u>\$ 69,179,048</u>

The Foundation's temporarily and permanently restricted net assets are available for the following purposes:

	June 30, 2015	June 30, 2014
Temporarily Restricted:		
College Program Support	\$ 76,614,226	\$ 73,783,001
Student Financial Aid	43,038,221	41,166,917
Faculty and Staff Support	16,536,073	16,241,267
Research	12,383,446	10,122,164
Building, Equipment, and Maintenance	77,362,223	62,661,928
Other	18,789,275	10,654,213
Total Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	<u>\$ 244,723,464</u>	<u>\$ 214,629,490</u>
Permanently Restricted:		
College Program Support	\$ 190,953,242	\$ 198,214,397
Student Financial Aid	222,177,773	216,279,718
Faculty and Staff Support	151,990,341	144,099,541
Research	15,532,058	15,300,761
Building, Equipment, and Maintenance	2,814,873	2,754,908
Other	27,870,437	23,431,428
Total Permanently Restricted Net Assets	<u>\$ 611,338,724</u>	<u>\$ 600,080,753</u>

NOTE 12 – OPERATING EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

The following is a summary of operating expenses by functional classification for the year ended June 30, 2015.

	Compensation And Benefits	Supplies	Services, Repairs & Professional Services	Other	Total
Instruction	\$ 231,084,360	\$ 18,381,604	\$ 10,858,288	\$	\$ 260,324,252
Research	103,271,540	20,464,790	44,506,855		168,243,185
Public Service	49,861,355	10,706,630	12,524,273		73,092,258
Academic Support	109,949,861	39,915,762	23,219,772		173,085,395
Student Services	23,050,403	7,887,833	3,661,858		34,600,094
Institutional Support	37,078,680	8,213,885	5,343,728		50,636,293
Operation & Maintenance	33,084,648	24,946,577	14,171,523		72,202,748
Scholarships & Fellowships				29,763,401	29,763,401
Auxiliary Enterprises	76,890,001	58,920,679	21,301,389		157,112,069
Independent Operations	25,947,189	19,825,269	1,952,428		47,724,886
Depreciation/Amortization				82,471,133	82,471,133
Other Operating Expenses				417,318	417,318
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 690,218,037</u>	<u>\$ 209,263,029</u>	<u>\$ 137,540,114</u>	<u>\$ 112,651,852</u>	<u>\$ 1,149,673,032</u>

NOTE 13 – ACCOUNTING CHANGE/RESTATEMENT

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB No. 27*, was implemented during fiscal year 2015. The revised requirements establish new financial reporting requirements for state and local governments which provide their employees with pension benefits, including additional note disclosures and required supplementary information. In addition, GASB No. 68 requires a state or local government employer to recognize a net pension liability and changes in the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources which arise from other types of events related to pensions. During the transition year, as permitted, beginning balances for deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources will not be reported, except for deferred outflows of resources related to contributions made after the measurement date of the beginning net pension liability which is required to be reported by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 71, *Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date*. Beginning net position was restated to retroactively report the beginning net pension liability and deferred outflows of resources related to contributions made after the measurement date, as follows:

Net position June 30, 2014, as previously reported	\$ 1,360,565,471
Net pension liability at June 30, 2014	(19,835,779)
Deferred outflows of resources related to contributions made after the June 30, 2013 measurement date	2,375,453
Net position July 1, 2014, as restated	<u>\$ 1,343,105,145</u>

NOTE 14 – SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent to June 30, 2015, the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, authorized the sale of Dormitory System Revenue Bonds, Series I.S.U. 2015A for \$30,000,000 to be issued on October 1, 2015. These bonds will bear interest at varying rates between 2.0% and 3.5% and will mature in varying amounts from July 1, 2016 through July 1, 2035. The proceeds of these bonds will be used to construct and equip a new residence hall for student housing and other improvements to the system, including the Friley Hall Dining Renovation, to provide a debt service reserve fund, and to pay the costs of issuing the bonds. The bonds will be payable solely from the net revenues of the Dormitory System of the University.

Subsequent to June 30, 2015, the Board of Regents, State of Iowa, authorized the sale of Academic Building Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series I.S.U. 2015 for \$12,095,000 to be issued on December 1, 2015. These bonds will bear interest at varying rates between 2.0% and 3.0% and will mature in varying amounts from July 1, 2016 through July 1, 2027. The proceeds of these bonds will be used to provide for the advance refunding of the outstanding principal of the July 1, 2016 through July 1, 2027 maturities of the Academic Building Revenue Bonds, Series I.S.U. 2007, and to pay the costs of issuing the bonds. The bonds will be payable solely out of gross student fees and charges collected by the University and institutional income received by the University.

NOTE 15 - SEGMENT INFORMATION

A segment represents identifiable activities for which one or more revenue bonds or other revenue-backed debt is outstanding. Investors in Academic Building Revenue Bonds rely on pledged tuition and fee revenue generated by the University for repayment. Investors in bonds of all other bond enterprises rely solely on the revenue generated from the individual activities for repayment. The University's segments are described as follows:

A. Academic Building Revenue Bonds

The Academic Building Revenue Bonds were issued to construct and renovate academic buildings of the University. Revenues pledged for these issues are gross student fees and institutional income received by the University.

B. Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds

The Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds were issued to construct and equip intercollegiate athletic facilities. Revenues pledged for these issues are net revenues of the athletic facilities system.

C. Dormitory Revenue Bonds

The Dormitory Revenue Bonds were issued to build various residence halls, suites, and apartments. Revenues pledged for these issues are the net rents, profits, and income from the Department of Residence facilities of the University.

D. Memorial Union Revenue Bonds

The Memorial Union Revenue Bonds were issued to improve, remodel, repair, and construct additions to the Memorial Union Building and Parking Facility and to refund the outstanding Memorial Union Series 2000 Notes. Revenues pledged for this issue are the net revenues of the Memorial Union and student building fees.

E. Parking System Revenue Bonds

The Parking System Revenue Bonds were issued to construct a single level parking deck on the University campus. In addition, the bonds were used to recondition and expand vehicle parking spaces with the construction of a connecting roadway at Jack Trice Stadium. Revenues pledged for this issue are the net revenues of the University's parking system.

F. Recreational System Facilities Revenue Bonds

The Recreational System Facilities Revenue Bonds were issued to construct, furnish and equip new recreational building space and to complete other improvements to recreational facilities. Revenues pledged for this issue are the net revenues of the recreational facilities system.

G. Regulated Materials Facility Revenue Bonds

The Regulated Materials Facility Revenue Bonds were issued to construct, furnish, and equip a regulated materials facility now known as the Environmental Health & Safety Services Building. Revenues pledged for this issue are the net revenues of the Regulated Materials Facility system.

H. Utility System Revenue Bonds

The Utility System Revenue Bonds were issued to construct, improve and equip various components of the University's utility system. Revenues pledged for this issue are the net revenues of the utility system, utility system student fees and interest on investments.

Fund Accounting – In order to ensure the observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of available resources, the accounts are maintained in accordance with the principles of fund accounting. Each fund provides a separate set of self-balancing accounts which comprises its assets, liabilities, net position, revenues and expenses. Fund accounting is the procedure by which resources for various purposes are classified, for accounting and reporting purposes, into funds according to the activities or objectives specified. The University has set up accounts which are consistent with the flow of funds per requirements of the bond covenants.

Transfers – After meeting certain requirements specified in the bond agreements, the balance of net receipts may be transferred to the University for its general operations. However, all such monies that have been transferred shall be returned by the University, if necessary, to satisfy the requirements of the bond indentures.

Insurance – The University maintains property and business interruption insurance coverage on various bonded enterprise facilities per requirements of the bond covenants.

	Academic Building Revenue Bonds	Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds	Dormitory Revenue Bonds
CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION			
Assets:			
Current Assets	\$ 10,267,620	\$ 11,710,314	\$ 14,077,580
Noncurrent Assets	12,999,317	16,314,025	82,143,687
Capital Assets	118,653,828	65,246,578	171,198,232
Total Assets	141,920,765	93,270,917	267,419,499
Deferred Outflows of Resources		1,495,000	744,669
Liabilities:			
Current Liabilities	10,261,483	12,092,632	14,944,065
Noncurrent Liabilities	144,326,950	76,690,541	155,756,712
Total Liabilities	154,588,433	88,783,173	170,700,777
Deferred Inflows of Resources	515,590		656,043
Net Position:			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	(20,734,283)	5,887,158	57,730,498
Restricted	7,536,822	474,788	
Unrestricted	14,203	(379,202)	39,076,850
Total Net Position	\$(13,183,258)	\$ 5,982,744	\$ 96,807,348

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF REVENUES,

EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION

Operating Revenues	\$271,266,076	\$ 10,733,441	\$101,913,272
Operating Expenses		(2,211,940)	(80,602,055)
Depreciation Expense	(8,000,877)	(1,708,711)	(6,958,959)
Net Operating Income/(Loss)	263,265,199	6,812,790	14,352,258
Nonoperating Revenues/(Expenses)	(5,831,762)	(2,061,980)	(3,883,474)
Other Revenues/(Expenses) and Transfers	(259,376,381)	(5,482,383)	(66,087)
Change in Net Position	(1,942,944)	(731,573)	10,402,697
Beginning Net Position	(11,240,314)	6,714,317	86,404,651
Ending Net Position	\$ (13,183,258)	\$ 5,982,744	\$ 96,807,348

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Net Cash and Cash Equivalents Provided/(Used) By:

Operating Activities	\$271,266,076	\$ 10,616,132	\$ 21,462,691
Non-Capital Financing Activities	(182,957)		
Capital and Related Financing Activities	(271,491,726)	4,565,401	10,087,993
Investing Activities	439,144	(1,606,037)	(13,210,253)
Net Increase/(Decrease)	30,537	13,575,496	18,340,431
Beginning Cash and Cash Equivalents	0	7,400,120	1,012,373
Ending Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 30,537	\$ 20,975,616	\$ 19,352,804

Memorial Union Revenue Bonds	Parking System Revenue Bonds	Recreational System Facilities Revenue Bonds	Regulated Materials Facility Revenue Bonds	Utility System Revenue Bonds
\$ 1,311,993	\$ 817,973	\$ 2,373,433	\$ 483,150	\$ 3,099,372
9,869,533	5,935,960	19,101,252	3,833,979	33,033,710
25,348,702	4,842,494	41,711,056	6,630,767	95,675,284
36,530,228	11,596,427	63,185,741	10,947,896	131,808,366
847,059				
1,746,988	732,124	2,517,993	483,150	4,996,705
18,256,834	2,624,283	47,450,282	1,908,788	55,588,360
20,003,822	3,356,407	49,968,275	2,391,938	60,585,065
	154,000		263,333	979,167
9,338,600	2,445,252	(1,267,629)	4,734,146	52,551,856
2,026	430	11,291	340	26,382
8,032,839	5,640,338	14,473,804	3,558,139	17,665,896
\$17,373,465	\$ 8,086,020	\$13,217,466	\$ 8,292,625	\$ 70,244,134
\$ 5,718,945	\$ 4,463,152	\$845,775	\$ 551,480	\$ 43,228,102
(5,403,895)	(3,391,972)	(5,656,835)	(6,591)	(33,467,108)
(1,613,395)	(495,931)	(1,943,837)	(227,666)	(3,856,027)
(1,298,345)	575,249	(6,754,897)	317,223	5,904,967
(392,535)	62,923	(1,795,645)	88,884	(329,827)
1,787,568	52,261	10,563,150	250,000	(51,000)
96,688	690,433	2,012,608	656,107	5,524,140
17,276,777	7,395,587	11,204,858	7,636,518	64,719,994
\$17,373,465	\$ 8,086,020	\$13,217,466	\$ 8,292,625	\$ 70,244,134
\$ 331,652	\$ 1,018,351	\$ (4,794,645)	\$ 544,890	\$ 9,411,892
(211,909)	(477,323)	5,526,086	(258,941)	(14,559,847)
139,341	102,870	2,704,531	59,183	17,608,683
259,084	643,898	3,435,972	345,132	12,460,728
6,036,301	2,017,156	2,146,428	1,213,508	15,099,844
\$ 6,295,385	\$ 2,661,054	\$ 5,582,400	\$ 1,558,640	\$ 27,560,572

SEGMENT INFORMATION *As of and for the year ended June 30, 2015*

	Academic Building Revenue Bonds	Athletic Facilities Revenue Bonds	Dormitory Revenue Bonds
DEBT SERVICE COVERAGE			
Debt Service Coverage % Required	N/A	125%	135%
Debt Service Coverage % Actual	N/A	293%	242%

PROPORTION OF REVENUE PLEDGED			
Annual Debt Service	\$ 13,036,786	\$ 2,964,558	\$ 12,525,921
Net Pledged Revenue	\$271,363,172	\$ 8,693,086	\$ 30,359,491
Annual Debt Service / Net Pledged Revenue	5%	34%	41%

REVENUE BONDS PAYABLE			
A summary of revenue bonds payable activity, by segment, for the year ended June 30, 2015, is as follows:			
Beginning Balance	\$157,268,788	\$ 42,709,041	\$139,761,867
Additions	17,355,929	44,161,156	29,796,656
Deductions	(23,212,768)	(11,458,203)	(7,705,532)
Ending Balance	\$151,411,949	\$ 75,411,994	\$161,852,991

DEBT SERVICE REQUIREMENTS			
A summary of bond debt service for payment of principal and interest follows. As of June 30th, the amounts shown for debt service payments due on July 1st were on hand.			
Semi-annual maturity	Jan & Jul 1st	Jan & Jul 1st	Jan & Jul 1st
2016	\$ 13,163,615	\$ 3,752,197	\$ 13,032,732
2017	13,414,903	4,702,242	14,249,214
2018	13,390,800	4,772,988	14,394,635
2019	13,372,500	4,746,597	14,382,029
2020	13,394,959	4,733,873	14,359,875
2021-2025	55,263,836	23,654,409	66,841,226
2026-2030	51,800,125	23,656,030	50,174,860
2031-2035	34,344,994	22,377,856	18,953,204
2036-2040	6,415,500	13,861,813	2,022,337
2041		1,869,900	
Unamortized Discount, Premium	991,949	(238,006)	(367,009)
Total	\$215,553,181	\$107,889,899	\$208,043,103

COMMITMENTS			
As of June 30, 2015, the University had outstanding construction contract commitments as follows:			
Contract Commitments	\$ —	\$ 3,264,438	\$ 41,443,239

Memorial Union Revenue Bonds	Parking System Revenue Bonds	Recreational System Facilities Revenue Bonds	Regulated Materials Facility Revenue Bonds	Utility System Revenue Bonds
120%	120%	125%	120%	120%
404%	357%	539%	803%	297%
\$ 1,460,393	\$ 412,338	\$ 3,330,644	\$ 506,300	\$ 3,404,941
\$ 5,902,742	\$ 1,470,233	\$ 17,961,365	\$ 4,067,233	\$ 10,126,456
25%	28%	19%	12%	34%
\$ 19,934,960	\$ 3,274,134	\$ 49,734,466	\$ 2,822,235	\$ 42,641,029
(911,248)	(342,391)	(994,759)	(453,447)	(1,988,488)
\$ 19,023,712	\$ 2,931,743	\$ 48,739,707	\$ 2,368,788	\$ 57,257,638

Jan & Jul 1st	Jan & Jul 1st	Jan & Jul 1st	Jan & Jul 1st	May & Nov 1st
\$ 1,452,743	\$ 408,512	\$ 3,311,800	\$ 501,700	\$ 4,785,352
1,457,293	395,919	3,312,306	487,550	4,593,031
1,456,580	393,325	3,314,069	488,350	4,563,806
1,460,605	405,450	3,317,653	479,050	4,548,516
1,459,367	397,350	3,318,725	474,700	4,517,125
7,322,781	1,160,550	16,741,694		22,323,075
7,391,227		16,965,938		16,249,897
1,497,125		17,214,825		13,339,172
		10,525,375		
(206,288)	86,743	(445,293)	53,788	2,237,638
\$ 23,291,433	\$ 3,247,849	\$ 77,577,092	\$ 2,485,138	\$ 77,157,612

\$ 1,000	\$ 254,895	\$ 2,256	\$ -	\$ 6,175,380
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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**Schedule of the University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability****Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System Last Fiscal Year* (In Thousands)**

For the Year Ended	Proportion of the Net Pension Liability	Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability	University's Covered Employee Payroll	Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll	Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of Total Pension Liability
6/30/2015	0.4065184%	\$ 16,122	\$ 34,132	47.23%	87.61%

* This schedule is intended to show information for ten years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

See Note 8B in the accompanying Notes to Financial Statements for the IPERS plan description, pension benefits, disability and death benefits, contributions, net pension liability, pension expenses, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, actuarial assumptions, discount rate, and sensitivity of the University's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate.

Schedule of University Contributions**Iowa Public Employees' Retirement System Last 10 Fiscal Years (In Thousands)**

For the Year Ended	Statutorily Required Contribution	Actual Employer Contributions	Contribution Deficiency/ (Excess)	University's Covered Employee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
6/30/2006	\$ 730	\$ 730	\$0	\$12,696	5.75%
6/30/2007	\$ 688	\$ 688	\$0	\$11,965	5.75%
6/30/2008	\$ 717	\$ 717	\$0	\$11,851	6.05%
6/30/2009	\$ 830	\$ 830	\$0	\$13,071	6.35%
6/30/2010	\$ 899	\$ 899	\$0	\$13,519	6.65%
6/30/2011	\$ 1,067	\$ 1,067	\$0	\$15,353	6.95%
6/30/2012	\$ 1,478	\$ 1,478	\$0	\$18,315	8.07%
6/30/2013	\$ 1,962	\$ 1,962	\$0	\$22,630	8.67%
6/30/2014	\$ 2,373	\$ 2,373	\$0	\$26,573	8.93%
6/30/2015	\$ 3,048	\$ 3,048	\$0	\$34,132	8.93%

See the accompanying independent auditor's report.

Changes of benefit terms:

Legislation passed in 2010 modified benefit terms for current Regular members. The definition of final average salary changed from the highest three to the highest five years of covered wages. The vesting requirement changed from four years of service to seven years. The early retirement reduction increased from 3% per year measured from the member's first unreduced retirement age to a 6% reduction for each year of retirement before age 65.

Changes of assumptions:

The 2014 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Decreased the inflation assumption from 3.25% to 3.00%.
- Decreased the assumed rate of interest on member accounts from 4.00% to 3.75% per year.
- Adjusted male mortality rates for retirees in the Regular membership group.
- Moved from an open 30 year amortization period to a closed 30 year amortization period for the UAL beginning June 30, 2014. Each year thereafter, changes in the UAL from plan experience will be amortized on a separate closed 20 year period.

The 2010 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Adjusted retiree mortality assumptions.
- Modified retirement rates to reflect fewer retirements.
- Lowered disability rates at most ages.
- Lowered employment termination rates.
- Generally increased the probability of terminating members receiving a deferred retirement benefit.
- Modified salary increase assumptions based on various service duration.

The 2007 valuation adjusted the application of the entry age normal cost method to better match projected contributions to the projected salary stream in future years. It also included in the calculation of the UAL amortization payments the one-year lag between the valuation date and the effective date of the annual actuarial contribution rate.

The 2006 valuation implemented the following refinements as a result of a quadrennial experience study:

- Adjusted salary increase assumptions to service based assumptions.
- Decreased the assumed interest rate credited on employee contributions from 4.25% to 4.00%.
- Lowered the inflation assumption from 3.50% to 3.25%.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Schedule of Funding Progress For the Retiree Health Plan (In Thousands)

For the Year Ended	Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL)	Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
6/30/2013	7/1/2011	\$0	\$83,880	\$83,880	0.0%	\$313,984	26.7%
6/30/2014	7/1/2013	\$0	\$75,043	\$75,043	0.0%	\$333,280	22.5%
6/30/2015	7/1/2013	\$0	\$77,064	\$77,064	0.0%	\$341,612	22.6%

See Note 9 in the accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements for the plan description, funding policy, annual OPEB cost, net OPEB obligation, funded status, and funding progress.

See the accompanying independent auditor's report.

Right: Sticks, with principal artist, Sarah Grant (American, b. 1953)
We love them simply because they love us back
No devotion more true, no affection more heartfelt
 2011
 Burned and painted wood, copper
 Commissioned by University Museums. Iowa Art in State Buildings Project for the College of Veterinary Medicine, Hixson-Lied Small Animal Hospital. In the Art on Campus Collection, University Museums, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa. Located at the Veterinary Medicine College, Hixson-Lied Small Animal Hospital.





Left: Christian Petersen
(Danish-American, 1885-1961)
The Gentle Doctor, 1937-38
Terra cotta
80 x 24.5 x 23 inches
Commissioned by Iowa State
College for the Veterinary
Quadrangle. In the Christian
Petersen Art Collection, Art on
Campus Collection, University
Museums, Iowa State
University.
Located in the Hixson-Lied
Small Animal Hospital.

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Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control
over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters
Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with
Government Auditing Standards

To the Members of the Board of Regents, State of Iowa

We have audited in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards 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 Iowa State University of Science and Technology (University) and its discretely presented component unit as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related Notes to Financial Statements, which collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated December 11, 2015. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Iowa State University Foundation, Iowa State University Achievement Fund and the Original University Foundation (the "Foundation"), the Iowa State University Research Foundation, Incorporated and the Iowa State University Veterinary Services Corporation as described in our report on the University's financial statements. This report does not include the results of the other auditor's testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters which are reported on separately by those auditors. The financial statements of the Foundation and the Iowa State University Research Foundation, Incorporated were not audited in accordance with Government Auditing Standards.

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 to determine the audit procedures 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 a material misstatement of the University'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 which is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit the 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 and, therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified a deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as Item (A), we consider to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

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


Iowa State University of Science and Technology's Response to the Finding


The University's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. The University's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the University's response.

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.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Iowa State University of Science and Technology during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.


MARY MOSIMAN, CPA
Auditor of State


WARREN G. JENKINS, CPA
Chief Deputy Auditor of State

December 11, 2015

Iowa State University of Science and Technology

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2015

Finding Related to the Financial Statements:

INTERNAL CONTROL DEFICIENCY:

- (A) Financial Reporting – During the audit, we identified a material amount of direct lending receipts and payments misclassified as funds held for others receipts and payments in the University's Statement of Cash Flows. Adjustments were subsequently made by the University to properly classify these amounts in the financial statements.
- (B) Recommendation – The University should implement procedures to ensure direct lending receipts and payments are properly recorded in the University's Statement of Cash Flows.
- (C) Response – Written procedures have been updated to specifically address the adjustment required to properly classify direct lending receipts and payments on the University's Statement of Cash Flows. In addition, the review checklist used by financial reporting work paper preparers and reviewers has been revised to include additional detective controls.
- (D) Conclusion – Response accepted.

INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE

No matters were noted.