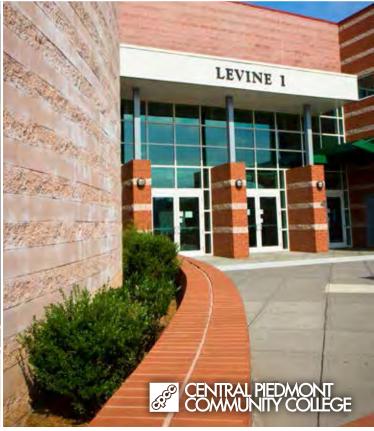


## FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015





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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

Members of the Board of Trustees Central Piedmont Community College Charlotte, North Carolina

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Central Piedmont Community College (the "College"), a component unit of the State of North Carolina, and the discretely presented component unit, Central Piedmont Community College Foundation, Inc., as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, which collectively comprises the College's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

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

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

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

#### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the College and the discretely presented component unit of the College as of June 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 17 to the financial statements, the College adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68. As a result, net position as of July 1, 2014, has been restated. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

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

#### **Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards**

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 8, 2015 on our consideration of the College's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the College's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Charlotte, North Carolina September 8, 2015

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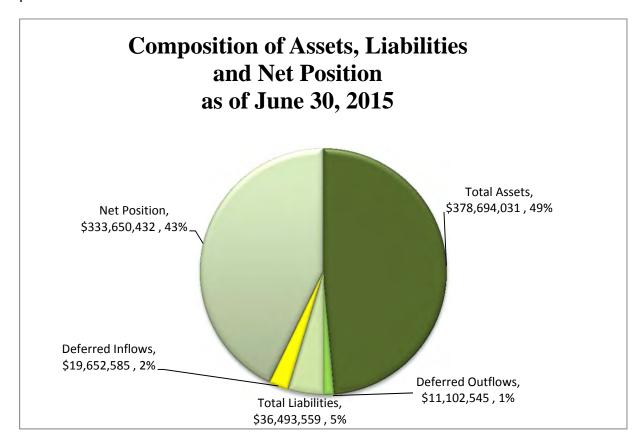
#### Introduction

The following discussion and analysis provides an overview of the financial position and activities of Central Piedmont Community College (the "College") for the year ended June 30, 2015, with selected comparative information for the year ended June 30, 2014. This discussion has been prepared by management and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and accompanying notes to the financial statements which follow this section.

The College is a comprehensive public two-year college serving approximately 70,000 community residents annually and has approximately 2,900 full and part-time employees in nine locations including six campuses in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg region of North Carolina. The College offers a broad range of college transfer, associate and technical degree programs. The College offers over 290 degree, diploma and certification programs, customized corporate training, market-focused continuing education, and special interest classes. The College consistently ranks among the leaders of community colleges nationally in terms of quality of academic offerings and workforce development.

#### **Financial Highlights**

The College's financial position remained strong as of June 30, 2015. The composition of the College's Assets and Deferred Outflows, Liabilities, Deferred Inflows, and Net Position is presented below.



#### **Financial Highlights (continued)**

Changes in net position represent the operating and non-operating activity of the College and are summarized for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 as follows:

	2015		2014		Difference	
Operating revenues	\$	38,344,275	\$	35,739,739	\$	2,604,536
Operating expenses		(210,959,987)	•	(180,496,305)	•	(30,463,682)
Net nonoperating revenues		166,371,639		133,921,590		32,450,049
Capital aid revenues		23,387,210		19,794,796		3,592,414
Increase in net assets	\$	17,143,137	\$	8,959,820	\$	8,183,317

#### **Using the Financial Statements**

The College's financial report includes three financial statements:

- The Statement of Net Position
- The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position
- The Statement of Cash Flows

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) principles.

#### **Statement of Net Position**

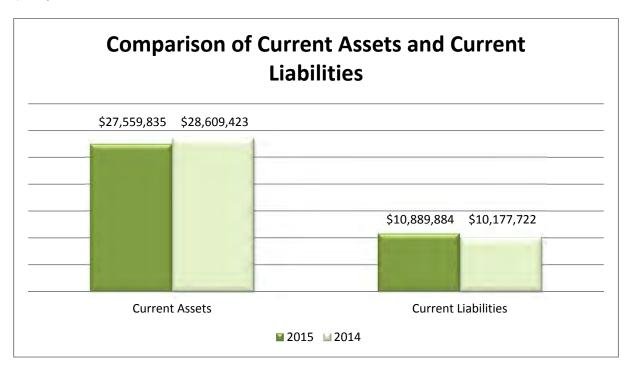
The Statement of Net Position presents the financial position of the College at the end of the fiscal year and includes all assets, deferred inflows and outflows, and liabilities of the College. The difference between total assets plus deferred outflows and total liabilities plus deferred inflows, net position, is one indicator of the current financial position of the College. Assets and liabilities are generally measured using current values. One notable exception is capital assets, which are stated at historical cost less an allowance for depreciation.

A summarized comparison of the College's assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, and net position at June 30, 2015 and 2014, is presented below:

	 2015	 2014
Total Assets	\$ 378,694,031	\$ 365,385,942
Deferred Outflows	11,102,545	3,783,222
Total Liabilities	36,493,559	31,452,681
Deferred Inflows	19,652,585	-
Net Position	333,650,432	337,716,483

#### **Statement of Net Position (continued)**

The College's current assets decreased \$1,049,588 while current liabilities increased \$712,162.



#### **Net Position**

Net position represents the residual interest in the College's assets and deferred outflows after liabilities and deferred inflows are deducted. The College's net position at June 30, 2015 and 2014 are summarized below:

		2015		2014
	'			
Net investment in capital assets	\$	335,173,238	\$	318,968,259
Restricted expendable		3,740,115		4,852,807
Unrestricted		(5,262,921)		13,895,417

Net investment in capital assets represents the College's capital assets of \$345,731,805 less related debt of \$14,070,772, plus deferred outflows of \$3,512,205. Net investment in capital assets increased \$16,204,979, or 5.08% due to an increase in construction activity, purchases of additional machinery and equipment, updates to general infrastructure, less depreciation expense for the fiscal year. The County Bond Funds are being used to fund several large capital projects at the College.

The decrease in unrestricted net position is primarily attributable to the implementation of GASB 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, and the related restatement of net position as of July 1, 2014, as discussed in Note 17.

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position presents the College's results of operations. Below is a summarized comparison of the College's revenues, expenses, and changes in net position for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014:

	2015		2014		Difference	
Operating Revenues:						
Student tuition and fees, net	\$	26,274,806	\$	24,610,363	\$	1,664,443
Sales and services, and other		12,069,469		11,129,376		940,093
Total operating revenues		38,344,275		35,739,739		2,604,536
Operating expenses		210,959,987		180,496,305		30,463,682
Operating loss		(172,615,712)		(144,756,566)		(27,859,146)
Nonoperating and other revenues (expenses)						
State aid		56,125,087		52,832,824		3,292,263
County appropriations		33,084,482		30,883,974		2,200,508
Noncapital grants and gifts		77,364,286		50,054,810		27,309,476
Capital contributions and special items		23,387,210		19,794,796		3,592,414
Interest on capital asset related debt		(770,569)		(709,914)		(60,655)
Net interest income		111,862		105,921		5,941
Other nonoperating revenue (expenses)		456,491		753,975		(297,484)
Net nonoperating revenues		189,758,849		153,716,386		36,042,463
Increase in net position		17,143,137		8,959,820		8,183,317
Net position, beginning of year		337,716,483		328,756,663		8,959,820
Cumulative effect of change in accounting						
principle, Note 17		(21,209,188)		-		(21,209,188)
Net position, beginning of year, as restated		316,507,295		328,756,663		(12,249,368)
Net position, end of year	\$	333,650,432	\$	337,716,483	\$	(4,066,051)

One of the College's strengths is its alternative sources of revenues. Gifts and appropriations from Federal, County and State sources supplement student tuition and fees. The College will continue to aggressively seek alternative funding from those sources. This is consistent with its mission to provide affordable student tuition and to prudently manage financial resources for current and strategic operations.

While tuition and State appropriations fund a large percentage of College costs, private support has been, and will continue to be essential.

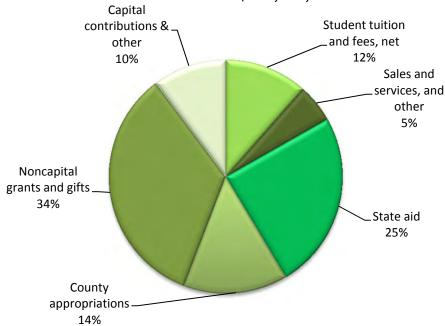
The College continues to make revenue diversification, along with cost containment, an ongoing effort. This is necessary as the College continues to face financial pressures, particularly in the areas of compensation and benefits, energy and technology costs.

Tuition and State appropriations are the primary sources of funding for the College's academic programs. County funding is vital and allows the College to continue with its long term capital plan and significant construction projects.

#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (continued)

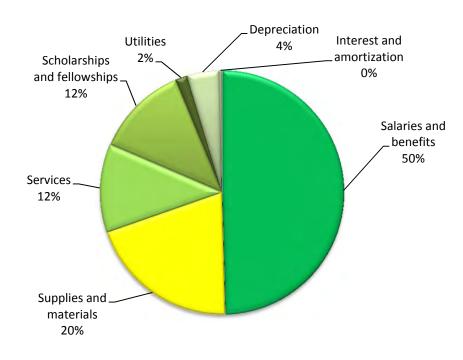
The composition of the College's revenues is as follows:

Fiscal 2015 Revenues Total Revenue \$228,873,693



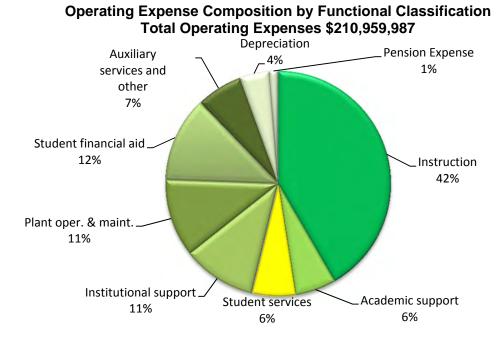
The composition of the College's expenses by natural classification is as follows:

Fiscal 2015 Expenses Total Expenses \$211,730,556



#### Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (continued)

In addition to natural (object) classification, it is also informative to review operating expenses by function. The composition of the College's expenses by functional classification, excluding interest expenses, for the year ended June 30, 2015, is as follows:



#### **Capital Activities**

The College was able to maintain its capital activity during fiscal 2015 due to County Funding and continued building and building improvements in accordance with its Strategic Plan. Using proceeds from County-sponsored bond issuances and other funding sources, the College expended \$23,676,649 on capital asset projects in 2015 as compared to \$26,485,828 in 2014. Capital asset projects primarily are comprised of replacement and renovation of existing buildings and new construction of academic and administrative facilities. Current construction in progress totals \$24,031,584.

#### **Economic Factors that will Affect the Future**

Management believes the College is well-positioned to maintain its strong financial condition and level of excellent service to the community. A critical element to the College's future will continue to be our relationship with the State of North Carolina, as we work together to manage tuition costs while simultaneously providing a quality college education. There is a direct relationship between the growth of State and County support and the College's ability to expand and meet the needs of Mecklenburg County's citizens as declines in State and County appropriations generally result in tuition increases. While the State of North Carolina continues to enthusiastically support the Community College System, economic pressures affecting the State may also affect the State's future support of the college.

#### **Economic Factors that will Affect the Future (continued)**

The College will continue to execute its long-range plan to modernize and expand its campus infrastructure and facilities. Mecklenburg County officials passed a \$210 million bond referendum on November 5, 2013. The County authorized an additional \$70 million in capital funding for potential total capital funding of \$280 million that was available as of July 2014. The capital funding is and will continue to support the College's long-range capital plan that includes land acquisitions, building renovations, and new classroom buildings at all campus locations.

While it is not possible to precisely predict future results, management believes that the College's financial position is strong enough to withstand economic uncertainties as it moves into the future.

#### Central Piedmont Community College Statement of Net Position June 30, 2015

ASSETS	
Current Assets: Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 2) Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 2) Receivables, Net (Note 3) Due from Community College Component Units Inventories Prepaid Items	\$ 22,368,687 2,123,004 2,292,157 198,360 312,516 265,111
Total Current Assets	27,559,835
Noncurrent Assets: Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents (Note 2) Receivables, Net (Note 3) Restricted Due from Primary Government Prepaid & Other Assets Capital Assets - Nondepreciable (Note 4) Capital Assets - Depreciable, Net (Note 4)	4,000,423 1,170,152 2,649 229,167 41,618,906 304,112,899
Total Noncurrent Assets	351,134,196
Total Assets	378,694,031
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES  Deferred Outflows Related to Pensions (Note 11)  Deferred Outflows Related to Others (Note 6)	7,590,340 3,512,205
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	11,102,545
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities:    Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities (Note 5)    Unearned Revenue    Funds Held for Others    Long-Term Liabilities - Current Portion (Note 6)	6,129,552 1,826,942 548,966 2,384,424
Total Current Liabilities	10,889,884
Noncurrent Liabilities: Unearned Revenue Long-Term Liabilities (Note 6) Total Noncurrent Liabilities	1,610,000 23,993,675
Total Noticulier Liabilities  Total Liabilities	25,603,675
	36,493,559
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred Inflows Related to Pensions (Note 11)	19,652,585
NET POSITION  Net Investment in Capital Assets Restricted for:     Expendable:     Loans	335,173,238 8,469
Capital Projects	3,731,646
Unrestricted	(5,262,921)
Total Net Position	\$ 333,650,432

Exhibit A-1

### Central Piedmont Community College Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015 Exhibit A-2

REVENUES Operating Revenues: Student Tuition and Fees, Net (Note 8) Sales and Services, Net (Note 8) Other Operating Revenues	\$ 26,274,806 11,776,818 292,651
Total Operating Revenues	38,344,275
EXPENSES Operating Expenses (Note 10):     Salaries and Benefits     Supplies and Materials     Services     Scholarships and Fellowships     Utilities     Depreciation	104,955,477 42,554,653 24,925,386 26,017,844 3,461,464 9,045,163
Total Operating Expenses	210,959,987
Operating Loss	(172,615,712)
NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES) State Aid County Appropriations Noncapital Grants - Student Financial Aid Noncapital Grants - Other Noncapital Gifts Investment Income Interest and Fees on Debt Other Nonoperating Revenues	56,125,087 33,084,482 39,149,073 5,975,067 32,240,146 111,862 (770,569) 456,491
Net Nonoperating Revenues	166,371,639
Loss Before Other Revenues	(6,244,073)
State Capital Aid County Capital Aid Capital Gifts	3,347,442 18,871,536 1,168,232
Increase in Net Position	17,143,137
NET POSITION Net Position, July 1, 2014 as Restated (Note 17)	316,507,295
Net Position, June 30, 2015	\$ 333,650,432

Central Piedmont Community College	
Statement of Cash Flows	Exhibit A-3
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015	Page 1 of 2
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Received from Customers	\$ 38,272,584
Payments to Employees and Fringe Benefits Payments to Vendors and Suppliers	(107,426,112) (41,617,782)
Payments for Scholarships and Fellowships	(26,017,844)
Other Receipts	 4,435,795
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	 (132,353,359)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
State Aid Received	56,125,087
County Appropriations	33,084,482
Noncapital Grants - Student Financial Aid Noncapital Grants - Other	39,149,073 6,006,675
Noncapital Gifts and Endowments	2,672,385
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities	137,037,702
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED	
FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
State Capital Aid Received	3,347,442
County Capital Aid	18,871,536
Capital Gifts	468
Acquisition and Construction of Capital Assets Principal Paid on Capital Debt and Leases	(23,676,649) (1,003,465)
Interest Paid on Capital Debt and Leases	(770,569)
Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities	(3,231,237)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Investment Income	 111,862
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities	 111,862
Net Increase in Cash and Cash Equivalents	1,564,968
Cash and Cash Equivalents, July 1, 2014	 26,927,146
Cash and Cash Equivalents, June 30, 2015	\$ 28,492,114

#### Central Piedmont Community College Statement of Cash Flows For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015

Exhibit A-3
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RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING LOSS	
TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Operating Loss	\$ (172,615,712)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:	,
Donated software expense included in supplies and materials	29,426,100
Depreciation Expense	9,045,163
Pension Expense	2,653,915
Nonoperating Other Income	661,126
Changes in Assets, Liabilities, and Deferred Outflows of Resources:	
Receivables, Net	3,977,152
Inventories	38,667
Prepaid Items	297,919
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	359,076
Unearned Revenue	(344,483)
Funds Held for Others	70,309
Deferred Outflows - Contributions After the Measurement Date	(6,359,535)
Compensated Absences	 436,944
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	\$ (132,353,359)
RECONCILIATION OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS Current Assets:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 22,368,687
Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,123,004
Noncurrent Assets: Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents	4,000,423
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Total Cash and Cash Equivalents - June 30, 2015	\$ 28,492,114
NONCASH INVESTING, CAPITAL, AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES Assets Acquired through Assumption of a Liability	\$ 2,350,737
Assets Acquired through a Gift	1,167,764
Loss on Disposal of Capital Assets	(204,635)

# Central Piedmont Community College Foundation, Inc. Statement of Financial Position June 30, 2015 Exhibit B-1

ASSETS	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 750,223
Pledges Receivable, net (Note 3)	2,334,551
Other current assets	 369,952
Total Current Assets	3,454,726
Investments (Note 2)	31,591,195
Pledges receivable, non-current, net (Note 3)	7,358,138
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance	21,812
Property held for sale	42,000
Real Estate Held under operating leases	 3,326,447
Total Assets	 45,794,318
LIABILITIES	
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	340,460
Deferred revenue	250,000
Deferred compensation payable	243,008
Obligations under annuity agreements	29,600
Notes Payable	 103,655
Total Current Liabilities	966,723
Deferred revenue, non-current	229,167
Obligations under annuity agreements, non-current	316,609
Note Payable, non-current	 1,955,907
Total Liabilities	 3,468,406
NET ASSETS	
Unrestricted	2,967,431
Temporarily Restricted	13,199,298
Permanently Restricted	 26,159,183
Total Net Assets	 42,325,912
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 45,794,318

## Central Piedmont Community College Foundation, Inc. Statement of Activities

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015 Exhibit B-2

CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS Revenues and Gains:	
Contributions	\$ 202,473
Contributions other than cash	83,850
Investment return	52,048
Rental income Other income	206,394 163,806
Total Unrestricted Revenues and Gains	708,571
Total Net Assets Released from Restrictions	35,126,136
Total Unrestricted Revenues, Gains, and Other Support	 35,834,707
Expenses and Losses:	
Scholarships	1,192,565
Sponsored programs  Management and General	34,150,189 222,407
Fund Raising	428,292
Total Expenses	35,993,453
Decrease in Unrestricted Net Assets	(158,746)
Decrease in Officstricted Net Assets	(130,740)
CHANGES IN TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS Revenues and Gains:	
Contributions	3,008,061
Contributions other than cash	29,769,590
Investment return Rental income	44,049 51,021
Other income	241,518
Total Temporarily Restricted Revenues and Gains	33,114,239
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets Released from Restrictions	(35,126,236)
Decrease in Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	 (2,011,997)
CHANGES IN PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS Revenues and Gains:	
Contributions	193,017
Total Permanently Restricted Revenues and Gains	 193,017
Permanently Restricted Net Assets Released from Restrictions	 100
Increase in Permanently Restricted Net Assets	193,117
Degreese in Not Assets	(4.077.606)
Decrease in Net Assets Net Assets at Beginning of Year	(1,977,626) 44,303,538
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 42,325,912

#### NOTE 1 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Financial Reporting Entity - The concept underlying the definition of the financial reporting entity is that elected officials are accountable to their constituents for their actions. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP), the financial reporting entity includes both the primary government and all of its component units. An organization other than a primary government serves as a nucleus for a reporting entity when it issues separate financial statements. Central Piedmont Community College (the "College" or "CPCC") is a component unit of the State of North Carolina and an integral part of the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The accompanying financial statements present all funds of the College and its component units for which the College's Board of Trustees is financially accountable. The College's component unit is discretely presented in the College's financial statements. The College's discretely presented component unit's financial data is reported in separate financial statements because of its use of different GAAP reporting models and to emphasize their legal separateness.

**Blended Component Units** – Based on the application of the criteria for determining component units, the following component units are included within the College's reporting entity:

- Central Piedmont Community College Services Corporation, Inc. ("CPCC Service Corp Inc."): This organization manages projects for the College, including the Harris Conference Center, the Center for Applied Research, CPCC Press, Performing Arts Facilities and various other projects.
- WTVI Foundation Inc.: This organization provides funding to support the activities of WTVI, a public telecommunications station operated as a department of the College.

Condensed combining information regarding blended component units is provided in Note 16.

**Discretely Presented Component Unit** – Central Piedmont Community College Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") is a legally separate, tax-exempt nonprofit corporation and is reported as the discretely presented component unit based on the nature and significance of its relationship to the College.

The Foundation acts primarily as a fundraising organization to supplement the resources that are available to the College in support of its programs. The Foundation board consists of graduates and friends of the College. Although the College does not control the timing or amount of receipts from the Foundation, the majority of resources or incomes thereon that the Foundation holds and invests are restricted to the activities of the College by the donors. Because these restricted resources held by the Foundation can only be used by, or for the benefit of the College, the Foundation is considered a component unit of the College and is reported in separate

financial statements because of the difference in its reporting model, as described below.

The Foundation reports its financial results under the Financial Accounting Standards Board's (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) revenue recognition criteria and presentation features used by the College. No modifications have been made to the Foundation's financial information in the College's financial reporting entity for these differences.

Financial statements for the College and its discretely presented component unit are presented as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The audited financial statements for the Foundation can be obtained from Central Piedmont Community College Foundation, Inc., PO Box 35009, Charlotte, NC 28235-5009.

**B.** Basis of Presentation - The accompanying financial statements are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the GASB.

Pursuant to the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments, as amended by GASB Statement No. 35, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for Public Colleges and Universities, the full scope of the College's activities is considered to be a single business-type activity and accordingly, is reported within a single column in the basic financial statements.

C. Basis of Accounting - The financial statements of the College have been prepared using the economic resource measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred, regardless of the timing of the cash flows.

Non-exchange transactions, in which the College receives (or gives) value without directly giving (or receiving) equal value in exchange, include state and county appropriations, certain grants, and donations. Revenues are recognized, net of estimated uncollectible amounts, as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met, if probable of collection.

- D. Cash and Cash Equivalents This classification includes undeposited receipts, petty cash, cash on deposit with private bank accounts, savings accounts, and deposits held by the State Treasurer in the short-term investment fund (STIF). The STIF maintained by the State Treasurer has the general characteristics of a demand deposit account in that participants may deposit and withdraw cash at any time without prior notice or penalty.
- E. Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents This classification includes undeposited receipts, cash on deposit with private bank accounts, savings accounts, and deposits restricted for which the College is legally or

contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external parties.

- **F.** Receivables Receivables consist of tuition and fees charged to students and charges for auxiliary enterprises' sales and services. Receivables also include amounts due from the federal government, state and local governments, and private sources in connection with reimbursement of allowable expenditures made pursuant to contracts and grants. Receivables also include WTVI trade, underwriting and production receivables. Non-current receivables include capital construction reimbursements receivable. Receivables are recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts.
- **G. Inventories** Inventories, consisting of expendable supplies, are valued at cost using the last invoice cost method. Merchandise for resale is valued at the lower of cost or market using the retail inventory method.
- H. Capital Assets Capital assets are stated at cost at date of acquisition or fair value at date of donation in the case of gifts. The value of assets constructed includes all material direct and indirect construction costs. Interest costs incurred are capitalized during the period of construction.

The College capitalizes assets that have a value or cost of \$5,000 or greater at the date of acquisition and an estimated useful life of more than one year except for internally generated software which is capitalized when the value or cost is \$1,000,000 or greater and other intangible assets which are capitalized when the value or cost is \$100,000 or greater. Library books are generally not considered to have a useful life of more than one year unless part of a collection and are expensed in the year of acquisition.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets in the following manner:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Life
Buildings	10-100 years
Machinery & Equipment	•
General Infrastructure	10-75 years
Computer Software	2-20 years
Art. literature and artifac	•

Mecklenburg County leases the building and land used for WTVI operations to the College for \$1. The lease expires in 2062. For financial reporting purposes, the rental expense of the facilities is recorded at its estimated fair value, offset by an equal amount of support from the County. Leasehold improvements to the land and building are reflected in the Statement of Net Position.

I. Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources - Certain Deferred outflows consists of the loss related to the sale-leaseback transaction on a CPCC Parking Deck. The deferred outflow will be recognized into expense over the term of the lease. Deferred outflows and inflows of resources also relate to the pension plan as further described in Note 11.

- J. Restricted Assets Certain resources are reported as restricted assets because restrictions on asset use change the nature or normal understanding of the availability of the asset. Resources that are not available for current operations and are reported as restricted include resources restricted or designated for the acquisition or construction of capital assets and resources whose use is limited by external parties or statute.
- K. Noncurrent Long-Term Liabilities Noncurrent long-term liabilities include notes payable, net pension liability, capital lease obligations, and compensated absences that will not be paid within the next fiscal year.

The net pension liability represents the College's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability reported in the State of North Carolina's 2014 *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.* This liability represents the College's portion of the collective total pension liability less the fiduciary net position of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. See Note 11 for further information regarding the College's policies for recognizing liabilities, expenses, and deferred outflows and inflows related to pensions.

L. Compensated Absences - The College's policy is to record the cost of vacation leave when earned. The policy provides for a maximum accumulation of unused vacation leave of 30 days which can be carried forward each July 1 or for which an employee can be paid upon termination of employment. When classifying compensated absences into current and noncurrent, leave is considered taken using a last-in, first-out (LIFO) method. Also, any accumulated vacation leave in excess of 30 days at yearend is converted to sick leave. Under this policy, the accumulated vacation leave for each employee at June 30 equals the leave carried forward at the previous June 30 plus the leave earned, less the leave taken between July 1 and June 30.

In addition to the vacation leave described above, compensated absences include the accumulated unused portion of the special annual leave bonuses awarded by the North Carolina General Assembly. The bonus leave balance on June 30 is retained by employees and transferred into the next calendar year. It is not subject to the limitation on annual leave carried forward described above and is not subject to conversion to sick leave.

There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave because the College has no obligation to pay sick leave upon termination or retirement. However, additional service credit for retirement pension benefits is given for accumulated sick leave upon retirement.

- **M.** Funds Held for Others Funds Held for Others consist primarily of payroll withholdings that have not yet been disbursed to the respective third party.
- N. **Net Position** The College's net position is classified as follows:

**Net Investment in Capital Assets** - This represents the College's total investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt obligations related to

those capital assets. Additionally, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of capital assets or related debt are also included in this component of net position.

**Restricted Net Position - Nonexpendable -** Nonexpendable restricted net position includes endowments and similar type assets whose use is limited by donors or other outside sources, and, as a condition of the gift, the principal is to be maintained in perpetuity. The College had no Restricted Net Position – Nonexpendable as of June 30, 2015.

**Restricted Net Position - Expendable -** Expendable restricted net position includes resources for which the College is legally or contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external parties.

**Unrestricted Net Position** - Unrestricted net position includes resources derived from student tuition and fees, sales and services, unrestricted gifts, and interest income.

Restricted and unrestricted resources are tracked using a fund accounting system and are spent in accordance with established fund authorities. Fund authorities provide rules for the fund activity and are separately established for restricted and unrestricted activities. When both restricted and unrestricted funds are available for expenditure, the decision for funding is transactional based within the departmental management system in place at the College. Both restricted and unrestricted net position include consideration of deferred outflows and inflows of resources.

- O. Scholarship Discounts Student tuition and fees revenues and certain other revenues from College charges are reported net of scholarship discounts in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. The scholarship discount is the difference between the actual charge for goods and services provided by the College and the amount that is paid by students or by third parties on the students' behalf. Student financial assistance grants, such as Pell grants, and other federal, state, or nongovernmental programs, are recorded as non-operating revenues in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. To the extent that revenues from these programs are used to satisfy tuition, fees, and other charges, the College has recorded a scholarship discount.
- P. Revenue and Expense Recognition The College classifies its revenues and expenses as operating, non-operating or capital contributions and gifts in the accompanying Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with the College's principal ongoing operations. Operating revenues include activities that have characteristics of exchange transactions, such as (1) student tuition and fees and (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises. Operating expenses are all expense transactions incurred other than those related to capital and noncapital financing or investing activities as defined by GASB Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and

Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting.

Non-operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of non-exchange transactions. Revenues from non-exchange transactions that represent subsidies or gifts to the College, as well as investment income, are considered non-operating since these are either investing, capital, or noncapital financing activities. Capital contributions are presented separately after non-operating revenues and expenses.

- Q. Internal Sales Activities Certain institutional auxiliary operations provide goods and services to College departments, as well as to its customers. These institutional auxiliary operations include activities such as WTVI, Campus Printing, the Harris Conference Center, the Center for Applied Research and the Academic and Performing Arts Center. In addition, the College has other miscellaneous sales and service units that operated either on a reimbursement or charge basis. All internal sales activities to College departments from auxiliary operations and sales and service units have been eliminated in the accompanying financial statements. These eliminations are recorded by removing the revenue and expense in the auxiliary operations and sales and service units and, if significant, allocating any residual balances to those departments receiving the goods and services during the year.
- R. County Appropriations County appropriations are provided to the College primarily to fund its plant operation and maintenance function and to fund construction projects, motor vehicle purchases, and maintenance of equipment. Unexpended and encumbered county current appropriations and county capital appropriations do not revert and are available for future use by the College.
- S. New Pronouncements During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the College adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions an Amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 and GASB Statement No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68. The cumulative effect of these pronouncements is further disclosed in Notes 11 and 17.

#### NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

**College** – All funds of the College are deposited in board-designated official depositories and are required to be collateralized in accordance with *North Carolina General Statute* 115D-58.7. Official depositories may be established with any bank or savings and loan association whose principal office is located in North Carolina. Also, the College may establish time deposit accounts, money market accounts, and certificates of deposit. The amount shown on the Statement of Net Position as cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand totaling \$17,675, and deposits in private financial institutions with a carrying value of \$10,488,181 and a bank balance of \$10,925,793.

The North Carolina Administrative Code (20 NCAC 7) requires all depositories to collateralize public deposits in excess of federal depository insurance coverage by using one of two methods, dedicated or pooled. Under the dedicated method, a separate escrow account is established by each depository in the name of each local governmental unit and the responsibility of monitoring collateralization rests with the local unit. Under the pooling method, each depository establishes an escrow account in the name of the State Treasurer to secure all of its public deposits. This method shifts the monitoring responsibility from the local unit to the State Treasurer.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the College's deposits may not be returned to it. As of June 30, 2015, the College's bank balance in excess of federal depository insurance coverage was covered under the pooling method.

The College is authorized to invest idle funds as provided by G.S. 115D-58.6. In accordance with this statute, the College and the Board of Trustees manage investments to ensure they can be converted into cash when needed.

Generally, funds belonging to the College may be invested in any form of investments pursuant to G.S. 159-30(c), as follows: a commingled investment pool established and administered by the State Treasurer pursuant to G.S. 147-69.3, obligations of or fully guaranteed by the United States; obligations of the State of North Carolina; bonds and notes of any North Carolina local government or public authority; obligations of certain nonguaranteed federal agencies; prime quality commercial paper bearing specified ratings and banker's acceptances; The North Carolina Capital Management Trust, an SEC registered mutual fund; repurchase agreements; and evidences of ownership of, or fractional undivided interests in, future interest and principal payments on either direct obligations of or fully guaranteed by the United States government, which are held by a specified bank or trust company or any state in the capacity of custodian.

At June 30, 2015, the amount shown on the Statement of Net Position as cash and cash equivalents includes \$17,986,258 which represents the College's equity position in the State Treasurer's Short-Term Investment Fund (STIF). The STIF (a portfolio within the State Treasurer's Investment Pool, an external investment pool that is not registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or subject to any other regulatory oversight and does not have a credit rating) had a weighted average maturity of 1.5 years as of June 30, 2015. Assets and shares of the STIF are valued at amortized cost, which approximates fair value. Deposit and investment risks associated with the State Treasurer's Investment Pool (which includes the State Treasurer's STIF) are included in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. An electronic version of this report is available by accessing the North Carolina Office of the State Controller's Internet home page http://www.osc.nc.gov/ and clicking on "Reports" or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 707-0500.

**Component Unit** - Investments of the College's discretely presented component unit, the Central Piedmont Community College Foundation, Inc., is subject to and restricted by G.S. 36E "Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act" (UPMIFA) and any requirements placed on them by contract or donor agreements. Because the Foundation reports under the FASB reporting model, disclosures of the various investment risks are not required. The following is an analysis of investments, as of June 30, 2015, by type:

	_	Cost	Market
Money market funds	\$	3,219,277	\$ 3,219,277
Mutual funds: Equity		2,189,729	1,993,828
Fixed income		2,271,520	2,227,893
Private investment funds		21,669,106	 24,150,197
Total investments	\$	29,349,632	\$ 31,591,195

#### NOTE 3 - RECEIVABLES

#### **A.** College – The College's receivables at June 30, 2015, were as follows:

	Gross Receivables	Less Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	Net Receivables	
Current Receivables: Students Accounts	\$ 2,778,187 1,624,400	\$	2,110,430 -	\$ 667,757 1,624,400
Total Current Receivables	4,402,587		2,110,430	2,292,157
Noncurrent Receivables: Capital Reimbursement Receivables	1,170,152	1	-	 1,170,152
Total Noncurrent Receivables	1,170,152		-	1,170,152
Total Receivables	\$ 5,572,739	\$	2,110,430	\$ 3,462,309

**B.** Component unit – The College's discretely presented component unit, the Central Piedmont Community College Foundation, Inc., had unconditional pledges receivable that are expected to be realized in the following periods as of June 30, 2015:

\$ 2,334,551
6,023,462
688,000
1,391,000
10,437,013
(113,470)
(630,854)
9,692,689
(2,334,551)
\$ 7,358,138
\$

#### NOTE 4 - CAPITAL ASSETS

A summary of changes in the capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2015 is presented as follows:

	 Balance July 1, 2014		Increases		Decreases	 Balance June 30, 2015	
Capital Assets, Nondepreciable: Land and Permanent Easements Construction in Progress Total Capital Assets, Nondepreciable	\$ 17,285,629 17,363,012 34,648,641	\$	301,693 18,246,644 18,548,337	\$	- 11,578,072 11,578,072	\$ 17,587,322 24,031,584 41,618,906	
Capital Assets, Depreciable:							
Buildings Machinery and Equipment Art, Literature, and Artifacts General Infrastructure Total Capital Assets, Depreciable	 323,086,276 25,281,979 473,728 22,687,094 371,529,077		14,743,654 2,541,982 172,021 534,406 17,992,063		849,150 - - 849,150	337,829,930 26,974,811 645,749 23,221,500 388,671,990	
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:							
Buildings Machinery and Equipment Art, Literature, and Artifacts General Infrastructure Total Accumulated Depreciation	 63,474,871 8,486,056 72,497 4,125,019 76,158,443		6,847,006 1,549,892 12,411 635,854 9,045,163		644,515 - - 644,515	70,321,877 9,391,433 84,908 4,760,873 84,559,091	
Total Capital Assets, Depreciable, Net	295,370,634		8,946,900		204,635	304,112,899	
Total Supital Associs, Depresidants, Net	 270,370,034	_	0,740,900	_	204,033	 304,112,099	
Capital Assets, Net	\$ 330,019,275	\$	27,495,237	\$	11,782,707	\$ 345,731,805	

#### NOTE 5 - ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities at June 30, 2015, were as follows:

	 Amount
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities: Accounts Payable Accrued Payroll Contract Retainage	\$ 3,780,555 1,759,632 589,365
Total Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 6,129,552

#### NOTE 6 - LONG-TERM LIABILITIES

**A.** Changes in Long-Term Liabilities - A summary of changes in the long-term liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2015, is presented as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2014 (As Restated)	Additions	Reductions	Balance June 30, 2015	Current Portion		
Notes Payable Capital Leases Payable Net Pension Liability (Note 11) Compensated Absences	\$ 9,645,506 5,188,732 26,985,679 6,429,059	\$ 240,000 - - 5,551,518	\$ 505,103 498,362 21,544,356 5,114,574	\$ 9,380,403 4,690,370 5,441,323 6,866,003	\$	846,962 492,456 - 1,045,006	
Total Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 48,248,976	\$ 5,791,518	\$ 27,662,395	\$ 26,378,099	\$	2,384,424	

**B.** Notes Payable - The College was indebted for notes payable for the purposes shown in the following table:

Purpose	Financial Institution	Interest Rate/ Ranges	Rate/ Maturity		Original Amount of Issue	 Principal Paid Through June 30, 2015	Principal Outstanding June 30, 2015
Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract #1	SunTrust Equipment Financing & Leasing Corp.	4.09%	09/01/2023	\$	3,626,784	\$ 686,662	\$ 2,940,122
Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract #2	Bank of America Public Capital Corp.	2.64%	10/15/2028		6,457,918	217,637	6,240,281
1409 E. 5th Street Property	N/A	0.00%	10/01/2017		240,000	40,000	200,000
Total Notes Payable				\$	10,324,702	\$ 944,299	\$ 9,380,403

The Energy Management Contract Notes Payable represent a financial arrangement with a Financial Institution to finance the construction of services, systems and facilities designed to reduce energy consumption and costs in specific buildings owned and operated by the College.

The 1409 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street Property note payable is owed to the seller of the property. The agreement does not specify an interest rate.

The annual requirements to pay principal and interest on notes payable and capital lease obligation at June 30, 2015, are as follows:

Annual Requirements													
		Notes	s Paya	able		Capital Le	ase C	bligation					
Fiscal Year		Principal		Interest		Principal		Interest					
2016	\$	846,962	\$	273,633	\$	492,456	\$	177,188					
2017		830,030		249,962		486,061		158,143					
2018		812,226		225,490		480,079		139,824					
2019		784,727		200,240		473,301		121,721					
2020		800,507		174,304		466,652		104,176					
2021-2025		3,647,237		470,739		1,924,909		279,449					
2026-2030		1,658,714		75,663		366,912		20,654					
<b>Total Requirements</b>	\$	9,380,403	\$	1,670,031	\$	4,690,370	\$	1,001,155					

C. Capital Lease Obligation - During fiscal 2013, at the request of Mecklenburg County (the "County"), CPCC transferred the deed to its parking deck at the corner of Charlottetown Avenue and East 4th Street to the County. CPCC continues to be obligated to repay the County for the County's bond proceeds used to fund the construction of the parking deck, however, in connection with the transfer of the deed, CPCC entered into a lease agreement with the County which calls for annual lease payments of \$1 and a bargain purchase option of \$1 at the end of the lease term in March, 2027. CPCC retains the rights to use and operate the deck and repays the County from parking fees earned. The College payments are due quarterly in arrears. The parking deck was constructed via County-issued Variable Rate Certificates of Participation (2005 and 2007A Mecklenburg County) of which a portion was used to fund the parking deck construction.

The substance of the transaction created a capital lease obligation whereby the principal and interest payments on the existing obligation to the County are, in substance, considered to be the lease payments. At the transaction date, the College removed the net book value of the parking deck from capital assets and recorded a new capital asset based on the present value of future minimum lease payments. The difference between the net book value of the prior capital asset, the book value of the new capital asset, the carrying value of the note payable to the County, and the present value of the future capital lease payments has been recorded as a deferred outflow and will be amortized on the straight-line basis over the term of the lease agreement. As of June 30, 2015 the deferred outflow amount was \$3,512,205.

#### NOTE 7 - OPERATING LEASE OBLIGATIONS

A. Operating Lease Obligations - Future minimum lease payments under noncancelable operating leases consist of the following at June 30, 2015:

Fiscal Year	Amount
2016 2017 2018	\$ 803,239 1,040,099 1,043,590
2019 2020	990,339 804,101
2021-2025	3,118,045
2026-2030 Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$ 1,200,000 8,999,413

WTVI is leasing its operating facility, broadcast towers and land from the Mecklenburg County for \$1 annually over a period of 50 years unless sooner terminated. The estimated insured value of the operating facility (excluding contents), broadcast towers and land is approximately \$3,000,000.

Rental expense for all operating leases during the year was \$816,810.

#### NOTE 8 - REVENUES

A summary of eliminations and allowances by revenue classification, for the year ended June 30, 2015, is presented as follows:

	Gross Revenues		Internal Sales Eliminations		Less Scholarship Discounts	Less Allowance for Uncollectibles	Net Revenues
Operating Revenues: Student Tuition and Fees	\$	44,901,639	\$ -	\$	18,606,635	\$ 20,198	\$ 26,274,806
Sales and Services:							
Sales and Services of Auxiliary Enterprises:							
Student Union Services	\$	1,561,344	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 1,561,344
Parking		3,373,958	-		-	-	3,373,958
<b>Bookstore and Vending Commissions</b>		1,534,197	-		-	-	1,534,197
WTVI		2,505,942	409,588		-	-	2,096,354
Harris Conference Center		1,193,850	44,549		-	-	1,149,301
Theatre and The Arts		574,677	-		-	-	574,677
Center for Applied Research		759,627	1,500		-	-	758,127
Other Campus Service Centers		1,268,157	608,645		-	-	659,512
Other		69,348	 		-	 	 69,348
Total Sales and Services	\$	12,841,100	\$ 1,064,282	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 11,776,818

#### NOTE 9 - LEASE REVENUES

CPCC receives rental revenue as lessor of broadband capacity, tower space and excess Instruction Television Fixed Service airtime. Revenue related to the lease of broadband capacity is included in Other Non-operating Revenues, Net of Expenses and revenue related to tower space and Instructional Television Fixed Service airtime is located in Sales and Services, Net.

Future minimum lease revenues under the non-cancelable leases described above are as follows:

Fiscal Year		Amount
2017	ф	440 515
2016	\$	449,515
2017		447,382
2018		445,303
2019		443,274
2020		370,505
2021-2025		1,497,301
2026-2030		923,333
2031-2035		923,333
2036-2040		369,334
Total Minimum Lease Payments	\$	5,869,280

#### NOTE 10 - OPERATING EXPENSES BY FUNCTION

The College's operating expenses by functional classification, for the year ended June 30, 2015, are presented as follows:

	Salaries and Benefits	 Supplies and Materials	 Services	_	Scholarships and Fellowships	Utilities		Depreciation	 Total
Instruction	\$ 54,706,443	\$ 30,958,068	\$ 2,165,218	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ 87,829,729
Academic Support	10,795,386	896,409	737,718		-	-		-	12,429,513
Student Services	12,063,749	333,638	591,784		182,640	-		-	13,171,811
Institutional Support	18,022,437	290,401	3,986,261		42,793	-		-	22,341,892
Operations and Maintenance of Plant	1,684,128	7,266,761	11,224,744		-	3,459,742		-	23,635,375
Student Financial Aid	-	-	-		25,791,369	-		-	25,791,369
Auxiliary Enterprises	5,029,419	2,809,376	6,219,661		1,042	1,722		-	14,061,220
Depreciation/ Amortization	-	-	-		-	-		9,045,163	9,045,163
Pension Expense	 2,653,915	 -	 -			 -	_		 2,653,915
Total Operating Expenses	\$ 104,955,477	\$ 42,554,653	\$ 24,925,386	\$	26,017,844	\$ 3,461,464	\$	9,045,163	\$ 210,959,987

#### NOTE 11 - PENSION PLAN

#### A. Defined Benefit Plan

Plan Administration: The State of North Carolina administers the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System (TSERS) plan. This plan is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit plan established by the State to provide pension benefits for general employees and law enforcement officers (LEOs) of the State, general employees and LEOs of its component units, and employees of Local Education Agencies (LEAs) and charter schools not in the reporting entity. Membership is comprised of employees of the State (state agencies and institutions), universities, community colleges, and certain proprietary component units along with the LEAs and charter schools. Benefit provisions are established by General Statute 135-5 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly.

Benefits Provided: TSERS provides retirement and survivor benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as 1.82% of the member's average final compensation times the member's years of creditable service. A member's average final compensation is calculated as the average of a member's four highest consecutive years of compensation. General employee plan members are eligible to retire with full retirement benefits at age 65 with five years of creditable service, at age 60 with 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with 30 years of creditable service. General employee plan members are eligible to retire with partial retirement benefits at age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or at age 60 with five years of creditable service. Survivor benefits are available to eligible beneficiaries of general members who die while in active service or within 180 days of their last day of service and who also have either completed 20 years of creditable service regardless of age, or have completed five years of service and have reached age 60. Eligible beneficiaries may elect to receive a monthly Survivor's Alternate Benefit for life or a return of the member's contributions. The plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases. Increases are contingent upon actuarial gains of the plan.

Contributions: Contribution provisions are established by General Statute 135-8 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Employees are required to contribute 6% of their compensation. The contribution rate for employers is set each year by the NC General Assembly in the Appropriations Act based on the actuarially-determined rate recommended by the actuary. The College's contractually-required contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2015 was 9.15% of covered payroll. The College's contributions to the pension plan were \$6,359,535, and employee contributions were \$4,170,194 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

The TSERS Plan's financial information, including all information about the plan's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and fiduciary net position, is included in the State of North Carolina's fiscal year 2014 *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. An electronic version of this report is available by accessing the North Carolina Office of the State Controller's Internet home page <a href="http://www.osc.nc.gov/">http://www.osc.nc.gov/</a> and clicking on "Reports" or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 707-0500.

TSERS Basis of Accounting: The financial statements of the TSERS plan were prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Plan member contributions are recognized in the period in which the contributions are due. Employer contributions are recognized when due and the employer has a legal requirement to provide the contributions. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the terms of each plan. The plan's fiduciary net position was determined on the same basis used by the pension plan.

Methods Used to Value TSERS Investment: Pursuant to North Carolina General Statutes, the State Treasurer is the custodian and administrator of the retirement

systems. The State Treasurer maintains various investment portfolios in its Investment Pool. The pension trust funds are the primary participants in the Long-term Investment portfolio and the sole participants in the External Fixed Income Investment, Equity Investment, Real Estate Investment, Alternative Investment, Credit Investment, and Inflation Protection Investment portfolios. The investment balance of each pension trust fund represents its share of the fair value of the net position of the various portfolios within the pool. Detailed descriptions of the methods and significant assumptions regarding investments of the State Treasurer are provided in the 2014 *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

Net Pension Liability: At June 30, 2015, the College reported a liability of \$5,441,323 for its proportionate share of the collective net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2014. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2013, and update procedures were used to roll forward the total pension liability to June 30, 2014. The College's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the present value of future salaries for the College relative to the present value of future salaries for all participating employers, actuarially-determined. As of June 30, 2014, the College's proportion was .46411%, which was an increase of .01961% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2013.

Actuarial Assumptions: The following table presents the actuarial assumptions used to determine the total pension liability for the TSERS plan at the actuarial valuation date:

Valuation Date 12/31/2013
Inflation 3%
Salary Increases\* 4.25% - 9.10%
Investment Rate of Return\*\* 7.25%

- \* Salary increases include 3.5% inflation and productivity factor.
- \*\* Investment rate of return is net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation.

TSERS currently uses mortality tables that vary by age, gender, employee group (i.e. teacher, general, law enforcement officer) and health status (i.e. disabled and healthy). The current mortality rates are based on published tables and based on studies that cover significant portions of the U.S. population. The healthy mortality rates also contain a provision to reflect future mortality improvements.

The actuarial assumptions used in the December 31, 2013 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2009.

Future ad hoc Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) amounts are not considered to be substantively automatic and are therefore not included in the measurement.

The projected long-term investment returns and inflation assumptions are developed through review of current and historical capital markets data, sell-side investment research, consultant whitepapers, and historical performance of investment strategies. Fixed income return projections reflect current yields across the U.S. Treasury yield curve and market expectations of forward yields projected and interpolated for multiple tenors and over multiple year horizons. Global public equity return projections are established through analysis of the equity risk premium and the fixed income return projections. Other asset categories and strategies' return projections reflect the foregoing and historical data analysis. These projections 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. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2014 (the valuation date) are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Fixed Income	2.5%
Global Equity	6.1%
Real Estate	5.7%
Alternatives	10.5%
Credit	6.8%
Inflation Protection	3.7%

The information above is based on 30-year expectations developed with the consulting actuary for the 2013 asset, liability and investment policy study for the North Carolina Retirement Systems. The long-term nominal rates of return underlying the real rates of return are arithmetic annualized figures. The real rates of return are calculated from nominal rates by multiplicatively subtracting a long-term inflation assumption of 3.19%. All rates of return and inflation are annualized.

Discount Rate: The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate and that contributions from employers will be made at statutorily

required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of the current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate: The following presents the net pension liability of the plan calculated using the discount rate of 7.25%, as well as what the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (6.25%) or 1-percentage point higher (8.25%) than the current rate:

Net Pension Liability (Asset)						
1% D	ecrease (6.25%)	Current	Discount Rate (7.25%)	1% lı	ncrease (8.25%)	
\$	39,061,591	\$	5,441,323	\$	(22,946,095)	

Deferred Inflows of Resources and Deferred Outflows of Resources Related to Pensions: For the year ended June 30, 2015, the College recognized pension expense of \$2,653,915. At June 30, 2015, the College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

## Employer Balances of Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions by Classification:

		Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between actual and expected experience	\$	-	\$	1,268,343
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		-		18,384,242
Change in proportion and differences between agency's contributions and proportionate share of contributions		1,230,805		-
Contributions subsequent to the measurement date	ф.	6,359,535		- 10 / 52 505
Total	\$	7,590,340	\$	19,652,585

\$6,359,535 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions will be included as a reduction of the net pension liability in the fiscal 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:

Schedule of the Net Amount of the Employer's Balances of Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources That will be Recognized in Pension Expense:

Year ended June 30:	Amount
2016	\$ (4,605,968)
2017	(4,605,968)
2018	(4,605,968)
2019	(4,603,876)
2020	-
Total	\$ (18,421,780)

#### B. DEFERRED COMPENSATION AND SUPPLEMENTAL RETIREMENT INCOME PLANS

IRC Section 457 Plan - The State of North Carolina offers its permanent employees a deferred compensation plan created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457 through the North Carolina Public Employee The Plan permits each Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"). participating employee to defer a portion of his or her salary until future years. The deferred compensation is available to employees upon separation from service, death, disability, retirement, or financial hardships if approved by the Board of Trustees of the Plan. The Board, a part of the North Carolina Department of Administration, maintains a separate fund for the exclusive benefit of the participating employees and their beneficiaries, the North Carolina Public Employee Deferred Compensation Trust Fund. The Board also contracts with an external third party to perform certain administrative requirements and to manage the trust fund's assets. All costs of administering and funding the Plan are the responsibility of the Plan No costs are incurred by the College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$253,831 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k) Plan - All members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are eligible to enroll in the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan, a defined contribution plan, created under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k). All costs of administering the Plan are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$853,601 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

IRC Section 401(k) Plan with Roth options. All members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are eligible to enroll in the Supplemental Retirement Income Plan, a defined contribution plan, created under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(k). All costs of administering the Plan are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$142,270 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

IRC Section 403(b) - Eligible College employees can participate in tax sheltered annuity plans created under Internal Revenue Code Sections 403(b). The employee's eligible contributions, made through salary reduction agreements, are exempt from Federal and State income taxes until the annuity is received or the contributions are withdrawn. These plans are exclusively for employees of colleges and certain charitable and other nonprofit institutions. All costs of administering and funding these plans are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the College. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$396,575 for the year ended June 30, 2015.

#### NOTE 12 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

A. Health Benefits - The College participates in the Comprehensive Major Medical Plan (the Plan), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit health care plan that provides postemployment health insurance to eligible former employees. Eligible former employees include long-term disability beneficiaries of the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina and retirees of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System (TSERS). Coverage eligibility varies depending on years of contributory membership service in their retirement system prior to disability or retirement.

The Plan's benefit and contribution provisions are established by Chapter 135, Article 3B, of the General Statutes, and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. The Plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases.

By General Statute, a Retiree Health Benefit Fund (the Fund) has been established as a fund in which accumulated contributions from employers and any earnings on those contributions shall be used to provide health benefits to retired and disabled employees and applicable beneficiaries. By statute, the Fund is administered by the Board of Trustees of TSERS and contributions to the Fund are irrevocable. Also by law, Fund assets are dedicated to providing benefits to retired and disabled employees and applicable beneficiaries and are not subject to the claims of creditors of the employers making contributions to the Fund. Contribution rates to the Fund, which are intended to finance benefits and administrative expenses on a pay-as-you-go basis, are established by the General Assembly.

For the current fiscal year the College contributed 5.49% of the covered payroll under TSERS to the Fund. Required contribution rates for the years ended June 30, 2014, and 2013, were 5.40% and 5.30%, respectively. The College made 100% of its annual required contributions to the Plan for the years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013, which were \$3,815,721,

\$3,589,531, and \$3,396,024, respectively. The College assumes no liability for retiree health care benefits provided by the programs other than its required contribution.

Additional detailed information about these programs can be located in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*. An electronic version of this report is available by accessing the North Carolina Office of the State Controller's Internet home page http://www.osc.nc.gov/and clicking on "Reports" or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 707-0500.

B. Disability Income - The College participates in the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina (DIPNC), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan, to provide short-term and long-term disability benefits to eligible members of TSERS. Benefit and contribution provisions are established by Chapter 135, Article 6, of the General Statutes, and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. The Plan does not provide for automatic post-retirement benefit increases.

Disability income benefits are funded by actuarially determined employer contributions that are established by the General Assembly. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the College made a statutory contribution of .41% of covered payroll under TSERS to the DIPNC. Required contribution rates for the years ended June 30, 2014, and 2013, were .44% in both years. The College made 100% of its annual required contributions to the DIPNC for the years ended June 30, 2015, 2014, and 2013, which were \$284,963, \$292,480, and \$281,834, respectively. The College assumes no liability for long-term disability benefits under the Plan other than its contribution.

Additional detailed information about the DIPNC is disclosed in the State of North Carolina's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

#### NOTE 13 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The College is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These exposures to loss are handled via a combination of methods, including participation in state-administered insurance programs, purchase of commercial insurance, and self-retention of certain risks. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### A. Public Entity Risk Pool

#### **Public School Insurance Fund**

Fire and other property losses are covered by the Public School Insurance Fund (Fund), a state-administered public entity risk pool. The Fund is financed by premiums and interest collected through membership participation and retains a \$10,000,000 deductible per occurrence. Reinsurance is purchased by the Fund to cover catastrophic events in excess of the \$10,000,000 deductible.

Membership insured property is covered under an all risk coverage contract. Building and contents are valued under a replacement cost basis of \$462,994,795 and carries a deductible of \$25,000. No coinsurance penalties apply. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year and settled claims have not exceeded coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

#### **B.** Employee Benefit Plans

#### 1. State Health Plan

College employees and retirees are provided comprehensive major medical care benefits. Coverage is funded by contributions to the State Health Plan (Plan), a discretely presented component unit of the State of North Carolina. The Plan is funded by employer and employee contributions. The Plan has contracted with third parties to process claims.

#### 2. Death Benefit Plan of North Carolina

Term life insurance (death benefits) of \$25,000 to \$50,000 is provided to eligible workers. This Death Benefit Plan is administered by the State Treasurer and funded via employer contributions. The employer contribution rate was .16% for the current fiscal year.

#### C. Other Risk Management and Insurance Activities

#### 1. Automobile

State-owned vehicles are covered by liability insurance through a private insurance company and handled by the North Carolina Department of Insurance. The liability limits for losses are \$1,000,000 per claim and \$10,000,000 per occurrence. The College pays premiums to the North Carolina Department of Insurance for the coverage. Liability insurance for other College-owned vehicles is covered by contracts with private insurance companies.

#### 2. Public Officers' and Employees' Liability Insurance

The risk of tort claims of up to \$1,000,000 per claimant is retained under the authority of the State Tort Claims Act. In addition, the State provides excess public officers' and employees' liability insurance up to \$10,000,000 via contract with a private insurance company. The North Carolina Community College System Office pays the premium, based on a composite rate, directly to the private insurer.

#### 3. Employee Dishonesty and Computer Fraud

The College is protected for losses from employee dishonesty and computer fraud for employees paid in whole or in part from state funds. This coverage is with a private insurance company and is handled by the North Carolina Department of Insurance. North Carolina Community College System Office is charged a premium by the private insurance company. Coverage limit is \$5,000,000 per occurrence. The private insurance company pays 90% of each

loss less a \$75,000 deductible. Losses from County and Institutional fund paid employees are covered by private insurance. Employee dishonesty coverage carries a deductible of \$2,500 with a limit of \$100,000. Forgery or alteration has a \$1,000 deductible with a \$100,000 limit.

#### 4. Statewide Workers' Compensation Program

The State Board of Community Colleges makes the necessary arrangements to carry out the provisions of the Workers' Compensation Act which are applicable to employees whose wages are paid in whole or in part from state funds. The College purchases workers' compensation insurance for employees whose salaries or wages are paid by the Board entirely from county or institutional funds.

Additional details on the state-administered risk management programs are disclosed in the State's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*, issued by the Office of the State Controller.

#### 5. Other Insurance Held by the College

The College purchased professional liability insurance from a private insurance company to cover instructors and students in the Health Sciences and Dietary Manager programs with a liability limit of \$1,000,000 per claim and a \$3,000,000 aggregate. There is a deductible of \$1,000.

The College purchased Broadcaster's Liability coverage from a private insurance company to cover (PBS station WTVI that became a part of CPCC 07/03/2012) News Media and Multimedia, with a \$2,000,000 limit of liability and \$5,000 retention amount, Internet Liability Coverage, with a \$2,000,000 limit of liability and \$5,000 retention amount.

The College purchased Cyber Liability coverage from a private insurance company to cover Media Content Insurance with a \$3,000,000 sub limit liability and a \$100,000 retention, Security and Privacy Liability Insurance with a \$3,000,000 sub limit liability and a \$100,000 retention, Regulatory Action with a \$1,000,000 sub limit liability, Event Management Insurance with a \$2,000,000 sub limit liability and a \$100,000 retention and Cyber Extortion Insurance with a \$3,000,000 sub limit liability and a \$100,000 retention.

#### NOTE 14 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The College has established an encumbrance system to track its outstanding commitments on construction projects and other purchases. Outstanding commitments on construction contracts were \$2,335,320 as of June 30, 2015.

#### NOTE 15 - RELATED PARTIES

The Foundation is a separately incorporated nonprofit foundation associated with the College. This organization serves as the primary fundraising arm of the College through which individuals, corporations, and other organizations support College programs by providing scholarships, fellowships, faculty salary supplements, and unrestricted funds to specific departments and the College's

overall academic environment. The College's financial statements do not include the assets, liabilities, net position, or operational transactions of the Foundation, except for support from the Foundation. Support received of \$3,633,212 was included in Noncapital Gifts, Net and Capital Gifts, Net. For the year ended June 30, 2015, the College received a one-time donation of software valued at \$29,426,100. The related revenue was recorded as Noncapital gifts, Net. The related expense was recorded as Operating Supplies & Materials Expense because the useable life of the software is estimated to be less than one year. The College also leases the use of certain real estate owned by the Foundation. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the College made a payment of \$265,500 to the Foundation. A pro rata share of this payment is in Services Expense on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position and in Prepaid Items on the Statement of Net Position.

#### NOTE 16 - BLENDED COMPONENT UNIT

Condensed combining information for CPCC Service Corp., Inc., the College's blended component unit, is presented as follows:

#### Condensed Statement of Net Position June 30, 2015 **Total Assets** 4,812,118 **Total Liabilities** 498,054 Total Net Position \$ 4.314.064 CPCC Services Corp., Inc. Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position For the Year Ended June 30, 2015 Operating Revenues Sales and Services \$ 2.870.011 Operating Expenses Salaries and Benefits 1,417,103 482,373 **Contracted Services** 614,427 Other expenses **Total Operating Expenses** 2,513,903 Non-Operating Revenues Interest Income 16,530 Transfers from the College (283,326)Change in Net Position 89,312 Net Position, July 1, 2014 4,224,752 Net Position, June 30, 2015 \$ 4,314,064

## CPCC Services Corp., Inc. Condensed Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	\$ (2,177,154)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, July 1, 2014	4,181,390
Cash and Cash Equivalents, June 30, 2015	\$ 2,004,236

#### NOTE 17 - NET POSITION RESTATEMENT

The implementation of GASB Statement No. 68 and GASB Statement No. 71 requires a restatement of beginning net position. As of July 1, 2014, net position as previously reported was restated as follows:

	 Amount
July 1, 2014 Net Position as Previously Reported Restatements:	\$ 337,716,483
Record the College's net pension liability and pension related deferred outflows of resources per GASB 68 requirements	(21,209,188)
July 1, 2014 Net Position as Restated	\$ 316,507,295

#### Note 18 - Subsequent Events

The College has evaluated subsequent events through September 8, 2015, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

On July 13, 2015, the College opened its new Ballantyne Center by leasing classroom and office space from a third party. The Ballantyne Center will serve the College's Corporate and Continuing Education students. The lease term for the Ballantyne Center is seven years with annual lease payments beginning at \$219,814 and escalating to \$270,207 over the term of the lease.

#### NOTE 19 - AUDIT HOURS AND COST

The audit required 250 audit hours at an approximate cost of \$42,850. The cost represents 0.01% of the College's total assets and 0.02% of total expenses subject to audit.

# Central Piedmont Community College Required Supplementary Information Schedule of the Proportionate Net Pension Liability Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System

	Measurement Date I 2014			Ending June 30, 2013	
(1) Proportionate share percentage of collective net pension liability		0.46411%		0.44450%	
(2) Proportionate Share of TSERS collective net pension liability	\$	5,441,323	\$	26,985,679	
(3) Covered-employee payroll	\$	69,503,113	\$	66,472,799	
(4) Net pension liability as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		7.83%		40.60%	
(5) Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		98.24%		90.60%	

Note: Data is presented for years for which information is available.

# Central Piedmont Community College Required Supplementary Information Schedule of College Contributions Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System Last Ten Fiscal Years

(4)		2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
(1)	Contributions in relation to the	\$ 6,359,535	\$ 5,776,486	\$ 5,337,524	\$ 4,555,018	\$ 2,987,589
(2)	Contributions in relation to the contractually determined contribution	6,359,535	5,776,486	5,337,524	4,555,018	2,987,589
(3)	Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
(4)	Covered-employee payroll	\$ 69,503,113	\$ 66,472,799	\$ 64,075,918	\$ 61,223,362	\$ 60,600,173
(5)	Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	9.15%	8.69%	8.33%	7.44%	4.93%
		2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
(1) (2)	Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the	<b>2010</b> \$ 2,108,402	<b>2009</b> \$ 1,987,397	<b>2008</b> \$ 1,661,675	<b>2007</b> \$ 1,403,872	<b>2006</b> \$ 1,100,313
` '	Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	\$ 2,108,402 2,108,402	\$ 1,987,397 1,987,397	\$ 1,661,675 1,661,675	\$ 1,403,872 1,403,872	\$ 1,100,313 1,100,313
` '	Contributions in relation to the	\$ 2,108,402	\$ 1,987,397	\$ 1,661,675	\$ 1,403,872	\$ 1,100,313
(2)	Contributions in relation to the actuarially determined contribution	\$ 2,108,402 2,108,402	\$ 1,987,397 1,987,397	\$ 1,661,675 1,661,675	\$ 1,403,872 1,403,872	\$ 1,100,313 1,100,313

# Central Piedmont Community College Notes to Required Supplementary Information Schedule of College Contributions Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System Last Nine Fiscal Years

Changes of Benefit Terms:

#### **Cost of Living Increase**

2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006
N/A	1.00%	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.20%	2.20%	3.00%	2.00%

Changes of assumptions. In 2008, and again in 2012, the rates of withdrawal, mortality, service retirement and salary increase for active members and the rates of mortality for beneficiaries were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. Assumptions for leave conversions and loads were also revised in 2012.



### 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

Members of the Board of Trustees Central Piedmont Community College Charlotte, North Carolina

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of Central Piedmont Community College and the discretely presented component unit as of and for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated September 8, 2015. The financial statements of Central Piedmont Community College Foundation, Inc. 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 College's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control.

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

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

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the College'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 that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the College'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 College's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Charlotte, North Carolina September 8, 2015

Cherry Bekaert LLP