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#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### Introduction

This section of the Board's financial report represents Management's analysis of the Board's financial performance during the year ended June 30, 2017. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements which follow this section.

#### **Financial Highlights**

During 2017, the Board's net position decreased by \$31,682, or 4.17%, due primarily to the Board's operating expenses exceeding its operating revenues.

During 2017, the operating revenues of the Board increased by \$4,695, or .76%, due primarily to an increase in renewal fees revenue.

During 2017, the non-operating revenues of the Board (net of gain (loss) on investments) increased by \$64,680, or 2061.19%, due primarily to an increase in gain on investments.

During 2017, the operating expenses of the Board increased by \$62,022, or 9.38%, due primarily to an increase in data processing expenses related to implementing a web based licensing system, and an increase in salaries and wages, and an increase in computer software and programmer fees.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

This financial report consists of two sections: Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Financial Statements. The Board has no other supplementary information required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34. The Financial Statements also include notes to the financial statements that provide detail of the information included in the financial statements.

The financial statements of the Board report information about the Board using accounting methods similar to those used by private sector companies. These statements offer short and long-term financial information about the activities of the Board.

The Statement of Net Position presents the current and long-term portions of assets and liabilities separately. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position presents information on how the Board's assets changed as a result of its operations. The Statement of Cash Flows presents information on how the Board's cash changed as a result of its financial activities.

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

#### **Financial Analysis**

Net position is an indicator of the fiscal health of the Board. Assets exceeded liabilities by \$728,249 for the year ended June 30, 2017. The largest component of net position was investments. Investments represented 99.2% of total net position. The following is a summary of the Statement of Net Position.

			Cu	rrent Year				
	Cu	rrent Year	as of		A	Amount		
		as of	Jun	ie 30, 2016		of	Percentage	
	Jun	e 30, 2017	(as restated)		Change		Change	
Current assets	\$	391,274	\$	375,719	\$	15,555	\$	4.14%
Capital assets		42,431		41,790		641		1.53%
Other assets		722,451		740,585		(18, 134)		-2.45%
Total assets	\$	1,156,156	\$	1,158,094	\$	(1,938)	\$	-0.17%
Current liabilities	\$	375,062	\$	351,392	\$	23,670	\$	6.74%
Long-term liabilities		52,845		46,771		6,074		12.99%
Total liabilities	\$	427,907	\$	398,163	\$	29,744	\$	7.47%
Invested in capital assets	\$	42,431	\$	41,790	\$	641	\$	1.53%
Unrestricted		685,818		718,141		(32,323)		-4.50%
Total net position	\$	728,249	\$	759,931	\$	(31,682)	\$	-4.17%

The following is a summary of the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

	year ended e 30, 2017	Jun	year ended e 30, 2016 s restated)	Amount of Change	ercentage Change
Operating revenues	\$ 623,970	\$	619,275	\$ 4,695	\$ 0.76%
Operating expenses	(723,470)		(661,448)	(62,022)	9.38%
Non-operating revenues	67,818		3,138	64,680	2061.19%
Change in net position	\$ (31,682)	\$	(39,035)	\$ 7,353	\$ 18.84%
Ending net position	\$ 728,249	\$	759,931	\$ (31,682)	\$ -4.17%

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following is a breakdown of operating revenues by source.

			The y	year ended	A	mount		
	The	year ended	June	30, 2016	of		Percentage	
	June	30, 2017	(as	restated)	C	hange		Change
Individual renewals	\$	402,300	\$	399,100	\$	3,200	\$	0.80%
Branch office initial fees		53,000		60,950		(7,950)		-13.04%
Branch office renewals		106,100		97,700		8,400		8.60%
Examination fees		40,700		40,600		100		0.25%
Professional initial fees		1,600		1,600		0		0.00%
Professional renewals		11,125		10,675		450		4.22%
Renewal penalties		2,780		3,325		(545)		-16.39%
Other operating revenues		6,365		5,325		1,040		19.53%
Total	\$	623,970	\$	619,275	\$	4,695	\$	0.76%

The following is a breakdown of non-operating revenues by source.

	The year ended June 30, 2017		The year ended June 30, 2016 (as restated)		Amount of Change		Percentage Change	
Interest income	\$	4,906	\$	5,206	\$	(300)	\$	-5.76%
Dividend income		4,654		3,245		1,409		43.42%
Gain (loss) on capital assets		0		(14, 347)		14,347		-100.00%
Realized gain (loss) investments		18,804		20,527		(1,723)		-8.39%
Unrealized gain (loss) investments		39,454		(11,493)		50,947		443.29%
Total	\$	67,818	\$	3,138	\$	64,680	\$	2061.19%

#### **Events Affecting Future Operations**

A committee appointed by the North Carolina Legislature, The Joint Legislative Administrative Procedure Oversight Committee, has been performing a study concerning the deregulation, elimination and consolidation of occupational licensing boards in the State of North Carolina. The effect of any resulting legislation on the Board's operations in future years is not certain at this time.

#### **Contacting the Board's Management**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Board's finances and to demonstrate the Board's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact: Dr. William B. Rafferty, Executive Director, North Carolina State Board of Examiners in Optometry, 109 North Graham Street, Wallace, North Carolina 28466.

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Members of the Board North Carolina State Board of Examiners in Optometry Wallace, North Carolina

#### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the North Carolina State Board of Examiners in Optometry (the "Board"), an independent state agency which is a nonmajor enterprise fund of the primary government of the State of North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which comprise the Board's 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 the 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 of 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 judgement, 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 North Carolina State Board of Examiners in Optometry as of June 30, 2017, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONCLUDED)

#### Prior Period Restatement

As a part of our audit of the 2017 financial statements, we also audited the adjustments described in Note 14 that were applied to restate the 2016 financial statements' beginning net position. In our opinion, such adjustments are appropriate and have been properly applied. We were not engaged to audit, review or apply any procedures to the 2016 financial statements of the Board other than respect to these adjustments(s), and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or any other form of assurance on the 2016 financial statements as a whole. Our opinion for the 2017 financial statements is not modified with respect to this prior period restatement.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historic 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 supplementary information because the limited procedures do not provide sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance thereon.

Shelta Loleway, C.P.A., P.A.

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Angier, North Carolina

October 17, 2017

### NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

**JUNE 30, 2017** 

	June 30, 2017
	Proprietary- Enterprise Fund
ASSETS	
Current assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2)	\$ 365,978
Accounts receivable - investigative and legal fee reimbursements (Note 4)	25,000
Prepaid expense (Note 1)	296
Total current assets	391,274
Capital assets (Notes 1 and 5):	
Office furniture and equipment	42,431
Total capital assets - net of depreciation	42,431
Other assets:	
Investments (Notes 2 and 3)	722,391
Refundable utility deposit	60_
Total other assets	722,451
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,156,156
LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	
Current liabilities:	
Accounts payable	\$ 36,069
Accrued payroll (including payroll taxes and related costs)	1,788
Accrued compensated leave (Notes 1 and 9)	18,243
Unearned revenue (Note 6)	318,962
Total current liabilities	375,062
Long term debt:	
Accrued compensated leave (Notes 1 and 9)	52,845
Total long term debt	52,845
TOTAL LIABILITIES	427,907
NET POSITION (NOTES 7 and 14)	
Invested in capital assets	42,431
Unrestricted net position	685,818
TOTAL NET POSITION	728,249
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION	<u>\$ 1,156,156</u>

# NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	 2017
	Proprietary- Enterprise Fund
OPERATING REVENUES:	
Regular individual license renewal fees	\$ 402,300
Branch office initial fees	53,000
Branch office renewal fees	106,100
Examination fees	40,700
Professional corporation initial fees (including PLLCs and others)	1,600
Professional corporation renewal fees (including PLLCs and others)	11,125
Renewal penalties	2,780
Other operating income	 6,365
Total operating revenues	\$ 623,970
OPERATING EXPENSES:	
Salaries and wages (including accumulated leave)	\$ 219,628
Payroll taxes	16,673
Retirement (Note 10)	12,340
Health insurance (Note 12)	34,057
Dental reimbursement plan (Note 12)	1,448
Employee life insurance (Note 12)	3,505
Board members regular meeting expenses	39,766
Board members special meeting expenses	13,471
Examination expenses	82,899
Legal and investigative fees	127,767
Hearing expenses	960
Audit fees	6,750
Accounting/budget fees	4,935
Computer software and programmer fees	86,160
Examination development expenses	12,365
Utilities	4,830
Maintenance and repairs	7,920

# NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

		2017
		Proprietary- Enterprise Fund
OPERATING EXPENSES (CONTINUED)):		
Rent for office space (Note 8)		15,315
Office equipment lease (Note 8)		1,191
Telephone		7,828
Postage		2,700
Printing and copying		1,568
Commercial insurance (Note 12)		9,587
Dues and registration fees		1,175
Office supplies and expenses		3,399
Depreciation		5,139
Bank charges		94
Total operating expenses	\$	723,470
Operating income (loss)	\$	(99,500)
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)		
Interest income	\$	4,906
Dividend income		4,654
Realized and unrealized gain (loss) on investments		58,258
Total non-operating revenues	\$	67,818
Change in net position	<u>\$</u>	(31,682)
Net position - beginning of year (Note 14)		759,931
Net position - end of year	\$	728,249

# NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	2017 Proprietary- Enterprise Fund
Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from fees	\$ 627,320
Cash payments to employee(s) for services	(280,108)
Cash payments for operating expenses	 (417,124)
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ (69,912)
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:	
Acquisition of capital assets	\$ (5,780)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	\$ (5,780)
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest and dividends	\$ 9,560
Proceeds from sale of investments	100,756
Purchases of investments	(24,365)
Net cash provided (used) by investing activities	\$ 85,951
Net increase (decrease) in cash	\$ 10,259
Cash - beginning of year	 355,719
Cash - end of year	\$ 365,978

# NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	2017 Proprietary- Enterprise Fund
Reconciliation of operating income	
to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Operating income (loss)	\$ (99,500)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income	
to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	\$ 5,139
Changes in assets and liabilities:	
Receivables	(5,000)
Prepaid expense	(296)
Accounts payable	18,852
Other liabilities	7,543
Unearned revenue	3,350
Total adjustments	\$ 29,588
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$ (69,912)

#### Note 1 - Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies

#### **Description of Organization and Purpose**

The North Carolina State Board of Examiners in Optometry (the "Board") is an independent state agency. It is an occupational licensing board and is authorized by Chapter 90 of the North Carolina General Statutes. The Board is composed of seven members who are appointed by the Governor of the State of North Carolina. It is a nonmajor enterprise fund of the primary government of the State of North Carolina and is reported as such in the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

The Board is established to maintain minimum standards for services provided by optometrists.

The Board's operations are financed with self-generated revenues from fees charged to licensees.

#### **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. The accompanying financial statements present all funds and activities for which the Board is responsible.

For financial reporting purposes, the Board is a nonmajor enterprise fund of the primary government of the State of North Carolina and is reported as such in the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). These financial statements for the Board are separate and apart from those of the State of North Carolina and do not present the financial position of the State nor changes in the State's financial position and cash flows.

#### **Basis of Presentation**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting principles and reporting standards.

All activities of the Board are accounted for within a single proprietary (enterprise) fund. Proprietary funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the cost of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

#### Note 1 - Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### **Basis of Accounting**

The basic financial statements of the Board are prepared using the economic resource measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The economic resource measurement focus measures all assets that are available to the entity, not only cash or soon to be assets. Both long-term assets and long-term liabilities are measured and depreciation is recorded as a cost of operations. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability has been incurred, regardless of the timing of cash flows. Fees received for the various licenses are deemed earned when the license period begins.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position classifies the Board's revenues as operating or non-operating revenues. Operating revenues and expenses consist of those revenues and expenses that result from the ongoing principal operations of the Board. Operating revenues consist primarily of license fees and includes activities that have characteristics of exchange transactions. 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. Nonoperating revenues and expenses consist of those revenues and expenses that are related to investing, capital, and non-capital financing activities; and are classified as non-operating in the financial statements.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

This classification includes undeposited receipts, petty cash, checking accounts and time deposits (excluding certain certificates of deposit, if any) held by the Board.

#### **Investments**

The Board is authorized to invest idle funds in accordance with North Carolina General Statutes. This classification consists of mutual funds, United States government mortgage-backed securities, and certain certificates of deposits held by the Board for investment. Investments are generally reported at fair value. Certificates of deposit are reported at cost plus accrued interest (which is the same as fair value) if purchased in the primary certificate of deposit market, and at fair value if purchased in the secondary certificate of deposit market (as determined by quoted market prices).

#### **Accounts Receivable**

This classification includes receivables for reimbursements due from licensees for investigative and legal expenses.

#### **Prepaid Expense**

This classification includes expense which was prepaid at year end for an office equipment lease.

#### Note 1 - Nature of Activities and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### **Capital Assets**

Property and equipment are stated at cost and are being depreciated over their useful lives on a straight-line basis. The Board capitalizes assets that have a value or cost of \$100 or greater at the date of acquisition and an estimated useful life of more than one year. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method of depreciation over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally estimated as follows: office furniture and equipment, 5 to 10 years.

#### **Compensated Absences**

After meeting the years of aggregate service qualification period worked requirements (except that prior grand-fathered leave beginning balance is in place), Board employees may accumulate up to a maximum of twenty days vacation per year and up to a maximum of twelve days of sick leave per year. Within 90 days after fiscal year end, the prior year's accumulated vacation and sick leave is paid out as compensation to each respective employee if that vacation time is not used. Employees may also accrue extra compensatory time worked, which is subject to the same payout provisions as vacation and sick leave. Further, the same payout provisions are applicable to retiring and terminating employees. Accumulated earned compensated leave payable at June 30, 2017 consisted of the following:

	June	e 30, 2017
Current portion	\$	18,243
Long-term portion		52,845
Total	\$	71,088

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Note 2 - Deposits and Investments

#### **Deposits**

All of the Board's deposits which are uninsured are uncollateralized [unless collateralized pursuant to NCGS 159-31 and NC Administrative Code (20 NCAC 7)] by the financial institution holding said deposits. For deposits, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the depository (or counterparty), the Board will not be able to recover the value of its deposits that are in the possession of the outside party. The Board does not have formal written policies regarding custodial credit risk for deposits.

At June 30, 2017, the Board's deposits had a carrying amount of \$555,069 and a bank balance of \$588,569, which was covered by federal depository insurance (including the cash account held in the Board's brokerage account). Certificates of deposit in the amount of \$189,091 are considered time deposits for this disclosure and are classified as investments on the Statement of Net Position.

#### **Investments**

The Board is subject to the following risks:

Interest rate risk - Interest rate risk is the risk the Board may face should interest rate variances affect the fair value of investments. As a means of limiting its exposure to fair value losses arising from market fluctuations and interest rate variances, the Board limits its investments to mutual funds, United States government mortgage-backed securities, and to certificates of deposits with maturities of no more than 48 months.

Credit risk - Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Investments of the Board are subject to the statutory requirements of North Carolina General Statutes, however the Board's present policy for managing credit risk is to limit its investments to mutual funds, United States government mortgage-backed securities, and to certificates of deposits with maturities of no more than 48 months.

The following table presents fair value of investments by type and investment subject to interest rate risk and credit risk at June 30, 2017, for the Board's investments.

Investment Type	Cost	Fair Value	Unrealized Gain (loss)
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 189,091	\$ 189,091	\$ -
US Mortgage-Backed Securities	86,050	93,122	7,072
Mutual Funds	 355,628	440,178	 84,550
	\$ 630,769	\$ 722,391	\$ 91,622

#### Note 2 - Deposits and Investments (Continued)

The certificates of deposit are non-negotiable and are not rated, have a weighted average maturity of 30 months, and their cost (plus accrued interest) equals their fair value. The U.S. government mortgage-backed securities generally consist of Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA) and Federal National Mortgage Association (FNMA) security obligations. At year end, the Board only held GNMA bonds. These particular bond issues are not rated. GNMA bonds have extended maturities, but are callable at any time. The majority of the Board's investments (\$573,665) were in open-end mutual funds at June 30, 2017.

#### **Reconciliation of Deposits and Investments**

A reconciliation of deposits and investments for the Board to the basic financial statements at June 30, 2017 is as follows:

	June 30, 2017
Carrying Amount of Bank Deposits - Bank Accounts	\$ 233,991
Carrying Amount of Bank Deposits - FDIC Brokerage Account	131,987
Certificates of Deposit	189,091
US Government Mortgaged-Backed Securities	93,122
Mutual Funds	 440,178
Total Deposits and Investments	\$ 1,088,369
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Current:	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 365,978
Noncurrent:	
Investments	722,391
Total Deposits and Investments	\$ 1,088,369

#### Note 3 - Fair Value Measurements

Fair value, as defined under GASB 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application, is an exit price representing the price that would be received to sell or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. U.S. GAAP establishes a three-tier fair value hierarchy, which prioritizes the inputs used in measuring fair value. These tiers include:

- Level 1: Observable inputs such as quoted prices in active markets.
- Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices in active markets that are either directly or indirectly observable.
- Level 3: Unobservable inputs about which little or no market data exists, therefore requiring an entity to develop its own assumptions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

#### Note 3 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Assets and liabilities are classified in their entirety based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Board's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement requires judgment, and may affect the valuation of fair value assets and liabilities and their placement within the fair value hierarchy levels.

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Board's financial assets (and liabilities, if applicable) accounted for at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2017.

				2017			
	Total						
	 Fair Value		Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
Certificates of Deposit	\$ 189,091	\$	-	\$	189,091	\$	-
US Mortgage-Backed Securities	93,122		93,122		-		-
Mutual Funds	 440,178		440,178				-
	\$ 722,391	\$	533,300	\$	189,091	\$	0
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#### Note 4- Accounts Receivable - Investigative and Legal Fee Reimbursements

At June 30, 2017, licensees' accounts receivable for investigative and legal fee reimbursements were as follows:

	Am	ount of	Rece	eived by	Receivable		
	Reimbursement June			30, 2017	at June 30, 2017		
Non-Public Letter of Concern	\$	22,500	\$	7,500	\$	15,000	
Dr. James E. Harris, Jr.		10,000				10,000	
	\$	32,500	\$	7,500	\$	25,000	

#### Note 5- Capital Assets

Changes in capital assets as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017 is as follows:

		Cost						Cost	Ac	cumulated		Net
	0	6-30-16	Acc	quisitions	Disp	osals	(	06-30-17	De	preciation		Amount
Office/computer equipment	\$	96,384	\$	5,780	\$		\$	102,164	\$	59,733	\$	42,431
	\$	96,384	\$	5,780	\$	0	\$	102,164	\$	59,733	\$	42,431
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When an asset is disposed of, the cost of the asset and the related accumulated depreciation are removed from the books. Any gain or loss on disposition is reflected in earnings for the period. Depreciation expense was \$5,139 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

#### Note 6 - Unearned Revenue

The Board's fees are assessed and collected on a calendar year basis. Licenses are renewed for a period of one year. License fees received in the latter part of the fiscal year are deferred and recognized as revenue over the period to which they relate. Examination fees collected during the current year, which examinations are given subsequent to year end, are deferred and recognized in the succeeding year.

### NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

#### Note 7 - Net Position

Investment in capital assets - This component of net position consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any loan proceeds that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those capital assets.

Restricted net position - This component of net position consists of net position which the Board is legally or contractually obligated to spend in accordance with restrictions imposed by external parties. The Board had no *restricted net position*.

Unrestricted net position - This component of net position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of *restricted or invested in capital assets*.

#### Note 8 - Operating Leases (Including Related Party Information)

The Board leased office space and office equipment under operating leases. Total rent expense charged to operations under the lease agreements was \$16,506 (\$15,315 for the office space lease and \$1,191 for the office equipment lease) during 2017.

The Board leases, from the Executive Administrator, an office building located at 109 North Graham Street, Wallace, North Carolina 28466. Specifically, the building contains an estimated 1500 square feet of heated and cooled space, with a paved drive, and is located on a lot that is 150 feet wide and 150 feet deep. The annual lease agreement for the year ended June 30, 2017 was approved by the Board on April 30, 2014 and includes a provision for a 5% annual increase. The monthly rental for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 was \$1,276 per month (\$15,315 annually). This was the third and final year of that three year lease agreement. A new lease agreement was approved for the next three years and is included in the rental commitments schedule below.

Rental commitments under the noncancellable operating lease at June 30, 2017 are as follows:

Year Ended June 30,	
2018	\$ 16,803
2019	17,116
2020	17,434
2021	 1,181
	\$ 52,534

#### Note 9 - Non-Current Liabilities

A summary of changes in non-current liabilities for the year ended June 30, 2017 follows:

	E	Balance					I	Balance		Non-
	0	6-30-16	A	dditions Deletions 06-30-17			 Current	Current		
Compensated absences	\$	62,778	\$	26,665	\$	18,355	\$	71,088	\$ 18,243	\$ 52,845
	\$	62,778	\$	26,665	\$	18,355	\$	71,088	\$ 18,243	\$ 52,845

#### Note 10- Retirement Plan(s) and Postemployment Benefits Other Than Retirement Plan(s)

#### Simplified Employee Pension Plan

On January 25,1991, the Board entered into a Simplified Employee Pension plan agreement on behalf of eligible employee(s) of the Board. Two employees are covered under the plan, one management employee and one clerical staff employee. Only the Board contributes to the plan, and only the Board has the authority to authorize and amend the plan. There are no forfeitures inuring to other employees under this type plan. The Board's payroll for employee(s) covered by the plan for the year ended June 30, 2017 was \$123,400; the Board's total payroll was \$219,628. The Board's pension contribution amounted to \$12,340 for 2017. The Board's payroll for employee(s) covered by the plan for the year ended June 30, 2016 was \$169,451; the Board's total payroll was \$187,164. The Board's pension contribution amounted to \$16,945 for 2016. The Board had contingent liabilities to the plan at June 30, 2017 and 2016, but because the plan is a discretionary contribution plan, such liabilities are not accrued or disclosed. The Board assumes no liability for retiree benefits provided by this program other than its required contributions. The Board has no postemployment benefits other than this defined contribution retirement plan.

#### Note 11 - Contingencies

The Board is involved in occasional disciplinary hearings throughout the year which arise in the ordinary course of its operations. In the opinion of management of the Board, the results of such actions during the year under audit does not materially affect the Board's operations, changes in financial position, or cash flows for the year herein ended.

#### Note 12 - Risk Management

The Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and the destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These exposures to loss are handled by participation in certain state-administered risk programs and self retention of certain risks. Additionally, the Board protects itself from exposure to loss through the purchase of commercial insurance coverage. There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from coverage in the prior year, and no insurance claims (other than claims by employees for health and dental coverages) were filed during the year ended June 30, 2017.

**Public Officers and Employees Liability Insurance** - Tort claims against Board members of up to \$1,000,000 (NCGS 143-299.2) are retained by the State under the authority of the State Tort Claims Act. Additional coverage is provided by the Board through the purchase of excess Director's and Officer's Liability insurance with a private insurance carrier.

**Fire and Other Loss Insurance** - Fire and coverage of property and other losses are covered with a private insurance carrier.

**Employee and Computer Fraud** - The Board is protected for losses from employee dishonesty and computer fraud with a private insurance carrier.

**Comprehensive Major Medical Insurance** - Employees are provided health care coverage under a private health insurance carrier.

#### Note 12 - Risk Management (Continued)

**Dental and Vision Reimbursement Plan** - On July 25, 1991, the Board approved a self-insured dental plan for full-time employees to which the Board contributes \$25 per month per employee. Effective July 1, 2016, the plan was amended to include vision coverage, to which the Board contributes an additional \$25 per month per employee. Benefits are only payable for actual dental and vision work performed during the time the employees are employed by the Board, and benefits are subject to an unlimited carryover period. The plan sets a maximum dental and vision benefit payable.

**Employee Life Insurance** - Employees are provided life insurance coverage under a private insurance carrier.

#### Note 13 - Subsequent Events

Subsequent events have been evaluated through October 17, 2017, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Events occurring after that date have not been evaluated to determine whether a change in the financial statements would be required.

#### Note 14- Restatement of Net Position

The Board restated its beginning net position as of July 1, 2016 related to the implementation of GASB 72 (discussed in Note 3 above), the Board's decision to recognize license fees revenue concurrent with the Board's licensing term, and the Board's decision to include accrued payroll taxes as a component of accrued compensated absences. These changes had a current year effect and a retroactive years' effect on the Board's financial statements. These changes resulted in an increase in expenses in excess of revenues in the amount of \$11,841 for the year ended June 30, 2016. Operating revenues increased by \$100; operating expenses increased by \$448; and loss on investments increased by \$11,493 as a result of these changes for the year ended June 30, 2016.

In connection with these changes, the beginning net position (for 2017) has been restated as follows:

Net Position at July 1, 2016, as previously reported	\$ 997,186
Adjust investments to fair value per GASB 72	52,168
Recognize license fees concurrent with license term	(284,962)
Accrue payroll taxes on compensated absences	(4,461)
Net Position at July 1, 2016, as restated	\$ 759,931

#### Note 15 - North Carolina Legislative Statutory Disclosure Requirement Concerning Audit Fees

This audit required 110 audit hours at a cost of \$9,295.