



# STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT REPORT OF**

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS**

**WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001**

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**AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL**

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The Honorable Michael F. Easley, Governor  
The General Assembly of North Carolina  
Board of Trustees, North Carolina School of the Arts

This report presents the results of our financial statement audit of North Carolina School of the Arts, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, for the year ended June 30, 2001. Our audit was made by authority of Article 5A of G.S. §147.

The accounts and operations of the School are an integral part of the State's reporting entity represented in the State's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)* and the State's *Single Audit Report*. In those reports, the State Auditor expresses an opinion on the State's financial statements. In the *Single Audit Report*, the State Auditor also presents the audit results on the State's internal controls and on the State's compliance with laws, regulations, contracts, and grants applicable to the State's financial statements and to its federal financial assistance programs.

As part of the audit work necessary for the CAFR and the *Single Audit Report*, the accounts and operations of the School were subject to audit procedures as we considered necessary. In addition, we performed auditing procedures that we considered necessary for us to report on the accompanying financial statements and supplementary information that relate solely to North Carolina School of the Arts. The audit procedures were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

The purpose of this report is to present the results of our audit on the accompanying financial statements and supplementary information that relate solely to North Carolina School of the Arts. A summary of our reporting objectives and audit results are:

- 1. Objective** - Present instances of noncompliance, if any, with laws, regulations, contracts, or grants.

**Results** - The accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the amounts and disclosures made in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The accompanying supplementary information presents information that is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

## AUDITOR'S TRANSMITTAL (CONCLUDED)

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2. **Objective** - Present instances of noncompliance, if any, with laws, regulations, contracts, or grants.

**Results** - Our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance which require disclosure herein under *Government Auditing Standards*.

3. **Objective** - Present significant deficiencies, if any, in internal control over financial reporting which could adversely affect the School's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data in the financial statements.

**Results** - Our tests disclosed no material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting which require disclosure herein under *Government Auditing Standards*.

North Carolina General Statutes require the State Auditor to make audit reports available to the public. Copies of audit reports issued by the Office of the State Auditor may be obtained through one of the options listed in the back of this report.



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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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Board of Trustees  
North Carolina School of the Arts  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying Balance Sheet of North Carolina School of the Arts, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, as of June 30, 2001, and the related Statement of Changes in Fund Equity and Statement of Current Funds Revenues, Expenditures, and Other Changes for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the School's management. 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of North Carolina School of the Arts as of June 30, 2001, and the changes in fund equity and the current funds revenues, expenditures, and other changes for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 15A to the financial statements, the School changed its method of accounting for securities lending transactions allocated from the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool during the year ended June 30, 2001. As discussed in Note 15B to the financial statements, the School implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board, Statement #33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*, during the year ended June 30, 2001.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT (CONCLUDED)

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 12, 2002 on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be read in conjunction with the independent auditor's report in considering the results of our audit.

Schedule 1 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole



Ralph Campbell, Jr.  
State Auditor

April 12, 2002

**North Carolina School of the Arts  
Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2001**

**Exhibit A**

	Current Funds			Fiduciary Funds			Plant Funds		
	Unrestricted			Loan	Endowment	Agency	Unexpended	Debt Service	Investment in Plant
	General	Proprietary	Restricted						
<b>ASSETS</b>									
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,389,289.40	\$ 2,479,058.71	\$ (104,630.75)	\$ 17,571.90	\$ 439,874.73	\$ 6,946.26	\$ 3,548,408.25	\$ 8,176.74	\$ 0.00
Investments					1,037,202.97		1,128.69	101,023.10	
Receivables:									
Accounts Receivable (Net)	23,100.84	21,059.54	370,358.59	361.14					
Interest Receivable		10,177.55	306.98	2.26			1,068.44		
Due from Other Funds	27,964.10	13,980.26	802.00	26.98		35.00		52,434.20	
Due from Primary Government							4,384,933.56		
Notes Receivable (Net)				371,796.65					
Inventories	44,712.94	117,349.01							
Fixed Assets (Note 4)									78,115,277.90
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 1,485,067.28</b>	<b>\$ 2,641,625.07</b>	<b>\$ 266,836.82</b>	<b>\$ 389,758.93</b>	<b>\$ 1,477,077.70</b>	<b>\$ 6,981.26</b>	<b>\$ 7,935,538.94</b>	<b>\$ 161,634.04</b>	<b>\$ 78,115,277.90</b>



**North Carolina School of the Arts  
Balance Sheet  
June 30, 2001**

**Exhibit A  
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	Current Funds			Fiduciary Funds			Plant Funds		
	Unrestricted			Loan	Endowment	Agency	Unexpended	Debt Service	Investment in Plant
	General	Proprietary	Restricted						
<b>LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY</b>									
<b>Liabilities:</b>									
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities:									
Accounts Payable	\$ 157,722.75	\$ 93,978.35	\$ 1,839.97	\$ 2,919.34	\$ 0.00	\$ 5,630.92	\$ 557,573.31	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Accrued Payroll	124,918.32	25,709.18	9,529.08						
Intergovernmental Payable			0.21						
Due to Other Funds	14,494.42	60,807.12	316.43	4,047.22		314.82	15,262.53		
Due to Primary Government	5,674.64	2,498.22							
Bonds Payable (Note 5B)							93,242.62		5,126,757.38
Interest Payable								60,610.94	
Accrued Vacation Leave	557,618.26	94,575.96	80,918.21						
Deferred Revenue	1,350,503.74								
Funds Held for Others						1,035.52			
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>2,210,932.13</b>	<b>277,568.83</b>	<b>92,603.90</b>	<b>6,966.56</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>6,981.26</b>	<b>666,078.46</b>	<b>60,610.94</b>	<b>5,126,757.38</b>
<b>Fund Equity:</b>									
Net Investment in Plant									72,988,520.52
Fund Balances:									
Restricted:									
U. S. Government Grants Refundable				339,730.85					
Endowment					1,477,077.70				
Restricted for Debt Retirement								99,975.00	
Other Restricted Funds			174,232.92	43,061.52			7,269,460.48		
Unrestricted Funds	(725,864.85)	2,364,056.24						1,048.10	
<b>Total Fund Equity (Deficit)</b>	<b>(725,864.85)</b>	<b>2,364,056.24</b>	<b>174,232.92</b>	<b>382,792.37</b>	<b>1,477,077.70</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>7,269,460.48</b>	<b>101,023.10</b>	<b>72,988,520.52</b>
<b>Total Liabilities and Fund Equity</b>	<b>\$ 1,485,067.28</b>	<b>\$ 2,641,625.07</b>	<b>\$ 266,836.82</b>	<b>\$ 389,758.93</b>	<b>\$ 1,477,077.70</b>	<b>\$ 6,981.26</b>	<b>\$ 7,935,538.94</b>	<b>\$ 161,634.04</b>	<b>\$ 78,115,277.90</b>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**North Carolina School of the Arts  
Statement of Changes in Fund Equity  
Year Ended June 30, 2001**

**Exhibit B**

	Current Funds			Fiduciary Funds		Plant Funds		
	Unrestricted		Restricted	Loan	Endowment	Unexpended	Debt Service	Investment in Plant
	General	Proprietary						
<b>Revenues and Other Additions:</b>								
Tuition and Fees	\$ 6,176,999.13	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 214,390.40	\$ 0.00
State Appropriations	15,919,256.13					5,468,600.00		
Federal Contracts and Grants	11,126.30		381,250.22					
State Contracts and Grants	92,691.78		29,370.00		167,000.00			
Gifts			2,433,045.56		135,150.45			
Investment Income	398.00	141,025.99	4,231.09	12,733.85	(269,362.04)	87,342.98	4,023.51	
Endowment Income			26,066.89					
Sales and Services	398,666.25	4,263,639.13						
Expended for Plant Facilities								1,906,088.17
Retirement of Indebtedness								255,000.00
Other Revenues and Additions	313,481.15	118,671.05		3,036.11				
<b>Total Revenues and Other Additions</b>	<b>22,912,618.74</b>	<b>4,523,336.17</b>	<b>2,873,963.76</b>	<b>15,769.96</b>	<b>32,788.41</b>	<b>5,555,942.98</b>	<b>218,413.91</b>	<b>2,161,088.17</b>
<b>Expenditures and Other Deductions:</b>								
Educational and General	23,106,944.14		2,886,620.63					
Auxiliary Enterprises		3,862,476.57						
Indirect Costs Recovered			7,030.08					
Expended for Plant Facilities						2,327,905.14		
Retirement of Indebtedness							255,000.00	
Interest on Indebtedness							231,784.38	
Disposal of Plant Facilities								90,820.01
Other Expenditures and Deductions				35,082.60			2,250.00	
<b>Total Expenditures and Other Deductions</b>	<b>23,106,944.14</b>	<b>3,862,476.57</b>	<b>2,893,650.71</b>	<b>35,082.60</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2,327,905.14</b>	<b>489,034.38</b>	<b>90,820.01</b>
<b>Transfers:</b>								
Mandatory Transfers		(367,039.32)					367,039.32	
Non-Mandatory Transfers In (Out)		(387,188.33)				382,651.68	4,536.65	
<b>Net Transfers In (Out)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>(754,227.65)</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>382,651.68</b>	<b>371,575.97</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Net Increase (Decrease) for the Year</b>	<b>(194,325.40)</b>	<b>(93,368.05)</b>	<b>(19,686.95)</b>	<b>(19,312.64)</b>	<b>32,788.41</b>	<b>3,610,689.52</b>	<b>100,955.50</b>	<b>2,070,268.16</b>
<b>Fund Equity (Deficit) July 1, 2000</b>	<b>(531,539.45)</b>	<b>2,457,424.29</b>	<b>193,919.87</b>	<b>402,105.01</b>	<b>1,444,289.29</b>	<b>3,658,770.96</b>	<b>67.60</b>	<b>70,918,252.36</b>
<b>Fund Equity (Deficit) June 30, 2001</b>	<b>\$ (725,864.85)</b>	<b>\$ 2,364,056.24</b>	<b>\$ 174,232.92</b>	<b>\$ 382,792.37</b>	<b>\$ 1,477,077.70</b>	<b>\$ 7,269,460.48</b>	<b>\$ 101,023.10</b>	<b>\$ 72,988,520.52</b>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**North Carolina School of the Arts**  
**Statement of Current Funds Revenues, Expenditures, and Other Changes**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2001, with Comparative Totals for 2000**

**Exhibit C**

	Unrestricted			Restricted	Totals Year Ended June 30,	
	General	Proprietary	Total		2001	2000
<b>Revenues:</b>						
Tuition and Fees	\$ 6,176,999.13	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,176,999.13	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,176,999.13	\$ 6,185,392.72
State Appropriations	15,919,256.13		15,919,256.13		15,919,256.13	15,284,521.99
Federal Contracts and Grants	11,126.30		11,126.30	374,220.14	385,346.44	421,458.83
State Contracts and Grants	92,691.78		92,691.78	29,370.00	122,061.78	41,683.38
Gifts				2,433,045.56	2,433,045.56	2,038,025.46
Investment Income	398.00	141,025.99	141,423.99	4,231.09	145,655.08	155,222.74
Endowment Income				26,066.89	26,066.89	62,292.55
Sales and Services	398,666.25	4,263,639.13	4,662,305.38		4,662,305.38	4,435,293.07
Other Sources	313,481.15	118,671.05	432,152.20		432,152.20	500,386.40
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>22,912,618.74</b>	<b>4,523,336.17</b>	<b>27,435,954.91</b>	<b>2,866,933.68</b>	<b>30,302,888.59</b>	<b>29,124,277.14</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>						
Educational and General:						
Instruction	10,515,948.73		10,515,948.73	307,213.02	10,823,161.75	10,227,329.29
Public Service	1,148,955.53		1,148,955.53		1,148,955.53	1,167,449.25
Academic Support	2,858,142.42		2,858,142.42	7,105.90	2,865,248.32	2,868,225.09
Student Services	1,178,926.00		1,178,926.00		1,178,926.00	1,142,126.51
Institutional Support	3,413,241.19		3,413,241.19	1,174,653.21	4,587,894.40	4,806,679.75
Plant Maintenance and Operations	3,541,248.27		3,541,248.27		3,541,248.27	2,931,457.15
Student Financial Aid	450,482.00		450,482.00	1,397,648.50	1,848,130.50	1,725,301.20
Auxiliary Enterprises		3,862,476.57	3,862,476.57		3,862,476.57	4,149,865.16
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>23,106,944.14</b>	<b>3,862,476.57</b>	<b>26,969,420.71</b>	<b>2,886,620.63</b>	<b>29,856,041.34</b>	<b>29,018,433.40</b>
<b>Transfers and Deductions:</b>						
Mandatory Transfers		(367,039.32)	(367,039.32)		(367,039.32)	(248,887.00)
Non-Mandatory Transfers		(387,188.33)	(387,188.33)		(387,188.33)	
<b>Net Decrease in Fund Equity</b>	<b>\$ (194,325.40)</b>	<b>\$ (93,368.05)</b>	<b>\$ (287,693.45)</b>	<b>\$ (19,686.95)</b>	<b>\$ (307,380.40)</b>	<b>\$ (143,043.26)</b>

The accompanying notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

**NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**JUNE 30, 2001**

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**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, 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. North Carolina School of the Arts is a constituent institution of the sixteen campus University of North Carolina System which 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 belonging to the School. While the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina System has ultimate responsibility, the Chancellor, the Board of Trustees, and the Board of Trustees of the Endowment Fund have delegated responsibilities for financial accountability of the School's funds. Related foundations and similar non-profit corporations for which the School is not financially accountable are not part of the accompanying financial statements. These entities are not included because they are separately incorporated and there are neither common directors nor other evidence of common control.

- B. Basis of Presentation** - The accompanying financial statements are presented in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America applicable to governmental colleges and universities as promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). In accordance with GASB Statement #15 *Governmental College and University Accounting and Financial Reporting Models*, the School has elected to follow the fund accounting and reporting guidelines set forth by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in its Industry Audit Guide, *Audits of Colleges and Universities*.
- C. Fund Structure** - The accompanying financial statements are structured into three categories of funds: Current, Fiduciary, and Plant Funds.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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The **Current Funds** are used to account for the revenues and expenditures resulting from operations, with the Unrestricted Funds and Restricted Fund shown separately. The Restricted Fund represents resources that are restricted to use by either an outside donor or grantor. Current funds that are internally designated for specific purposes by the governing board or management having delegated authority are reported as Unrestricted Funds. The Unrestricted Proprietary Fund reflecting the operations of the student supply store, dormitories, other auxiliary enterprises, and student activity funds is shown separately from the Unrestricted General Fund.

The **Fiduciary Funds** are used to account for additions to and deductions from fund equity of the Loan Fund and Endowment Fund. In addition, the Fiduciary Funds are used to account for funds of students and organizations held by the School as custodian in the Agency Fund. The transactions of the Agency Fund increase and decrease assets and liabilities but do not effect fund equity. As a result, the Agency Fund is not reflected in the Statement of Changes in Fund Equity.

The **Plant Funds** are used to account for additions to and deductions from fund equity of the Unexpended Plant Fund, Debt Service Fund, and the Investment in Plant Fund. The Debt Service Fund includes the reserves for Retirement of Indebtedness.

- D. Basis of Accounting** - The financial statements of the School have been prepared on the accrual basis except that, in accordance with accounting practices customarily followed by public educational institutions, no provision is made for depreciation of fixed assets, interest on loans to students is recorded when collected, and revenue from tuition and student fees for summer sessions is reported totally within the fiscal year in which the session is primarily conducted. Otherwise, revenues are recorded when earned and expenditures are recorded at the time liabilities are incurred, regardless of when the related cash flows take place. Non-exchange transactions, in which the School receives value without directly giving equal value in exchange, include grants, state appropriations, and private donations. On an accrual basis, revenues from these transactions are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements (resource provider conditions) have been satisfied, if measurable and probable of collection.

The Statement of Current Funds Revenues, Expenditures, and Other Changes is a statement of financial activities of current funds related to the current reporting period. It does not purport to present the results of operations or the net income or loss for the period as would a statement of income or a statement of revenues and expenses.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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**E. Cash and Cash Equivalents** - In addition to cash on deposit with private bank accounts, petty cash, and undeposited receipts, this classification includes money market accounts, cash on deposit with fiscal agents, and short-term investments with the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool (a governmental external investment pool). All other short-term investments are reported as investments.

**F. Investments** - This classification includes mutual funds and money market funds holdings by the School. Mutual funds are reported at fair value for year-end financial reporting purposes. Fair value is the amount at which an investment could be exchanged between two willing parties. Fair value for financial reporting purposes is based on quoted market prices. The net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments is recognized as a part of investment income.

Money market funds are reported at cost, if purchased, or at fair market value or appraised value at date of gift, if donated.

**G. Receivables and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts** – Accounts receivable in the Unrestricted General Fund and the Unrestricted Proprietary Fund are shown in the accompanying financial statements net of allowances for doubtful accounts of \$28,879.52 and \$20,395.03, respectively. In addition, notes receivable in the Loan Fund is shown net of the allowance for doubtful accounts of \$213,086.54. The accounts receivable for other funds are shown at book value with no provision for doubtful accounts considered necessary.

**H. Inventories** - Inventories held by the School are priced at the lower of cost or market value using the first-in, first-out method. The inventories for the Unrestricted General Fund consist of expendable supplies, postage and merchandise for resale. Inventories for the Unrestricted Proprietary Fund consist of expendable supplies, textbooks and other merchandise for resale.

**I. Fixed Assets and Depreciation** – Fixed Assets are stated at cost at date of acquisition or fair market value at date of donation in the case of gifts. The School capitalizes fixed assets that have a value or cost in excess of \$5,000 at the date of acquisition and an expected useful life of one or more years. Depreciation is not recorded.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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To the extent that current funds are used to finance plant assets, the amounts provided are accounted for as: (1) expenditures, in the case of normal replacement of furniture and movable equipment; (2) mandatory transfers, in the case of required provisions for debt retirement and renewal and replacement; and (3) transfers of a non-mandatory nature for all other cases.

Fixed assets financed with debt proceeds are reported in the Investment in Plant fund subgroup when expenditures are incurred. Construction period interest cost in excess of earnings associated with the debt proceeds is capitalized as a component of the fixed asset.

Fixed assets, such as roads, parking lots, decks, sidewalks, and other non-building structures and improvements are capitalized as infrastructure.

- J. Vacation and Sick Leave** - The School'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 January 1st or for which an employee can be paid upon termination of employment. Also, any accumulated vacation leave in excess of 30 days at year-end is converted to sick leave. Under this policy, the accumulated vacation leave for each employee at June 30th equals the leave carried forward at the previous December 31st plus the leave earned, less the leave taken between January 1st and June 30th.

The School has the policy of recording the cost of sick leave when taken and paid rather than when the leave is earned. The policy provides for unlimited accumulation of sick leave, but the employee cannot be compensated for any unused sick leave upon termination of employment.

- K. Revenue Recognition** - Current Funds revenues, as reflected on Exhibit C, include all exchange and non-exchange transactions earned and in which all eligibility requirements (resource provider conditions) have been satisfied, if measurable and probable of collection.

Tuition remission and waivers are recorded as "Tuition and Fees" revenue and as "Student Financial Aid" expenditures on the accompanying financial statements.

Student fees pledged under bond indentures are reported as unrestricted revenues when received unless such fees are not legally available for other purposes, in which case they are reported as an addition to Debt Service Fund equity.

- L. Endowment Investment Return** - Investments of the School's endowment funds are separately invested. Investment return of the

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School's endowment funds is predicated on the total return concept (yield plus appreciation). To the extent that the total return for the current year exceeds the payout, the excess is added to principal. If current year earnings do not meet the payout requirements, the School uses accumulated income and appreciation from the quasi-endowment balance to make up the difference.

Endowments are classified as either "true" or "quasi". True endowments are funds that the donor has specified, as a condition of the gift, that the principal be maintained indefinitely. Quasi-endowments are funds on which there is no such restriction placed by the donor. For classification purposes, the income and appreciation added to principal is classified as quasi-endowment, unless the donor has stipulated otherwise.

- M. Refunds of State Appropriations** - Refunds related to current year appropriations are reported on the accompanying financial statements as a reduction to State Appropriations. These refunds were deemed necessary by the Governor as a result of decreases in projected State revenues.

### NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

- A. Deposits** - The School is required by General Statute 147-77 to deposit its budget code cash and by the University of North Carolina Board of Governors pursuant to General Statute 116-36.1 to deposit its institutional trust funds in the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool. In addition, the School may voluntarily deposit endowment funds, special funds, revenue bond proceeds, and debt service funds with the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool. Special funds consist of moneys for agency funds held directly by the School.

Deposits include cash and cash equivalents totaling \$7,784,695.24. At year-end, cash on hand was \$1,637,972.69. The School's portion of the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool was \$5,665,502.83. It is the State Treasurer's policy and practice for deposits not covered by federal depository insurance to be covered by collateral held by the State of North Carolina's agent in the name of the State and for his investments to be held by the State's agent in the State's name. The carrying amount of the School's deposits not with the State Treasurer was \$481,219.72 and the bank balance was \$550,566.07. Of the bank balance, \$182,345.24 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$368,220.83 was uninsured and uncollateralized.

North Carolina General Statutes 147-69.1(c) and 147-69.2 authorize the State Treasurer to invest in the following: obligations of or fully guaranteed by the United States; obligations of certain federal agencies;



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repurchase agreements; obligations of the State of North Carolina; certificates of deposit of specified institutions; prime quality commercial paper; specified bills of exchange; asset-backed securities, corporate bonds and notes with specified ratings; general obligations of other states; general obligations of North Carolina local governments; certain venture capital limited partnerships; and the obligations or securities of the North Carolina Enterprise Corporation.

The financial statements and disclosures for the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool 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.state.nc.us/> and clicking on "Financial Reports", or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 981-5454.

- B. Investments** - The School is authorized by The University of North Carolina Board of Governors pursuant to General Statute 116-36.2 to invest its special funds in the same manner as the State Treasurer is required to invest, as previously discussed.

In accordance with the bond resolutions, bond proceeds and debt service funds are invested in obligations which will by their terms mature on or before the date funds are expected to be required for expenditure or withdrawal.

General Statute 116-36(e) provides that the trustees of the Endowment Fund shall be responsible for the prudent investment of the Fund in the exercise of their sound discretion, without regard to any statute or rule of law relating to the investment of funds by fiduciaries but in compliance with any lawful condition placed by the donor upon that part of the Endowment Fund to be invested.

**Credit Risk Categories** - The School's investments are categorized below to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the entity at year-end. The credit risk categories are concerned with custodial credit risk, which is the risk that a government will not be able to recover the value of investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party if the counterparty to the investment transaction fails. There

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are three categories of credit risk. Category 1 includes investments that are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the School or its agent in the School's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by a counterparty's trust department or agent in the School's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the broker or dealer, or by a counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the School's name. None of the School's investments at June 30, 2001 met the reporting requirements of any of these categories.

A summary of the School's investments at June 30, 2001 is presented below:

	Fair Value
<b>Investments Not Categorized:</b>	
Money Market Funds	\$ 112,671.27
Mutual Funds	555,479.49
Equity-Based Common Trusts	471,204.00
<b>Total Investments</b>	<b>\$ 1,139,354.76</b>

**C. Non-Current Funds Gains and Losses on Investments** – The net change in fair value of investments is recorded as part of "Investment Income" on the accompanying financial statements. The "Investment Income" on the accompanying financial statements also includes interest and dividend income in the amount of \$3,696.65. The additions and deductions to the non-current fund's fund equity resulting from the net change in fair value of investments follow:

	Net Unrealized Losses	Realized Gains	Realized Losses	Net Change in Fair Value
Endowment Fund	\$ (288,914.08)	\$ 16,325.19	\$ (469.80)	\$ (273,058.69)

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**D. Endowment Fund Investments** - The Board of Trustees of the Endowment Fund of North Carolina School of the Arts has established a policy that emphasizes growth orientation in the investment of endowment funds. The fair value of the Endowment Fund Investments as of June 30, 2001 as compared to the prior year was as follows:

	Balance June 30, 2001	Balance June 30, 2000
<b>Investments by Fund:</b>		
Endowment	\$ 1,037,202.97	\$ 1,199,792.64
Quasi-Endowment Restricted		95,572.91
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,037,202.97</b>	<b>\$ 1,295,365.55</b>
<b>Investment by Type:</b>		
Equity Securities	\$ 471,204.00	\$ 523,746.02
Money Market Funds	10,519.48	5,400.37
Mutual Funds	555,479.49	766,219.16
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,037,202.97</b>	<b>\$ 1,295,365.55</b>

### NOTE 3 - INTER-FUND RECEIVABLES AND PAYABLES

Due From/To Other Funds as of June 30, 2001 are summarized below:

<b>Due From</b>	<b>Due To</b>						<b>Total Due From</b>
	Unrestricted General	Unrestricted Proprietary	Restrictive Fund	Loan Fund	Agency Fund	Debt Fund	
Unrestricted General Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 13,665.44	\$ 802.00	\$ 26.98	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 14,494.42
Unrestricted Proprietary	8,337.92				35.00	52,434.20	60,807.12
Restricted Fund	316.43						316.43
Loan Fund	4,047.22						4,047.22
Agency Fund		314.82					314.82
Unexpended Plant Fund	15,262.53						15,262.53
<b>Total Due To</b>	<b>\$ 27,964.10</b>	<b>\$ 13,980.26</b>	<b>\$ 802.00</b>	<b>\$ 26.98</b>	<b>\$ 35.00</b>	<b>\$ 52,434.20</b>	<b>\$ 95,242.54</b>

These inter-fund receivables and payables are expected to be paid back during the next fiscal year at no interest.

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In addition, other inter-fund borrowings of a temporary nature have occurred where one bank account is maintained for more than one fund. Because the fund making the temporary loan has not been determined by the School, these inter-fund borrowings are not reported as an asset of the fund making the advance or as a liability of the fund receiving the advance.

### NOTE 4 - CHANGES IN FIXED ASSETS

A summary of changes in the fixed assets is presented as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2000	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2001
Land	\$ 1,233,686.11	\$ 34,407.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 1,268,093.11
Buildings	57,379,864.51	307,138.86		57,687,003.37
Infrastructure	863,685.22	198,887.00		1,062,572.22
Furniture, Machinery and Equipment	6,886,274.51	818,017.22	82,482.01	7,621,809.72
Artwork, Artifacts and Literature	4,391,164.04	179,536.87	8,338.00	4,562,362.91
Construction in Progress	2,298,577.97	4,680,369.69	1,065,511.09	5,913,436.57
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>\$ 73,053,252.36</b>	<b>\$ 6,218,356.64</b>	<b>\$ 1,156,331.10</b>	<b>\$ 78,115,277.90</b>

### NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

**A. Changes in Long-Term Obligations** - A summary of changes in the long-term obligations is presented as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2000	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2001
Bonds Payable (principal only)	<u>\$ 4,470,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,005,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 255,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,220,000.00</u>

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**B. Bonds Payable** - The School was indebted for bonds payable in the amount of \$5,220,000.00 at June 30, 2001 for the purposes shown in the following table:

Purpose	Series	Interest Rate/ Ranges	Final Maturity Date	Original Amount of Issue	Principal Paid Through 6/30/01	Principal Outstanding 6/30/01
<u>Housing and Dining System</u>						
Refinancing of Dormitory and Dining Hall						
Series 1989	(A)	4.00% - 5.00%	10/01/09	\$ 1,080,000.00	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 990,000.00
Dormitory HVAC Renovations Project	(A)	3.25% - 4.50%	10/01/08	890,000.00	145,000.00	745,000.00
Technology Infrastructure Upgrades Project	(B)	5.00% - 5.75%	10/01/15	<u>1,005,000.00</u>	<u>                    </u>	<u>1,005,000.00</u>
Total Housing and Dining System				2,975,000.00	235,000.00	2,740,000.00
Fitness and Student Center Project	(A)	3.25% - 5.25%	10/01/18	<u>2,650,000.00</u>	<u>170,000.00</u>	<u>2,480,000.00</u>
Total Bonds Payable (principal only)				<u>\$ 5,625,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 405,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,220,000.00</u>

(A) The University of North Carolina System Pool Revenue Bonds, Series 1998B.

(B) The University of North Carolina System Pool Revenue Bonds, Series 2000.

Designated student fees and revenue streams related to the systems financed have been pledged for the payment of these bonds. Bond insurance was purchased by the School to guarantee the payment of principal and interest for the above Revenue Bonds.

In addition, fund reservations required by the Bond Indentures have been established and recorded in the Debt Service Fund for the Series 2000 Bonds (B). On October 31, 2000, in accordance with the Bond Resolution, the School deposited \$99,975.00 in a Bond Reserve Fund. The balance in the Bond Reserve Fund was \$101,023.10 at June 30, 2001.

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- C. Annual Requirements** - The annual requirements to pay principal and interest on the long-term obligations at June 30, 2001 are presented as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>(Principal and Interest)</u> <u>Bonds</u> <u>Payable</u>
2002	\$ 545,356.26
2003	550,718.76
2004	540,506.26
2005	544,718.76
2006	543,131.26
2007-2011	2,361,540.67
2012-2016	1,498,068.75
2017-2019	603,812.50
<b>Total Requirements</b>	<b>\$ 7,187,853.22</b>

### NOTE 6 - OPERATING LEASES

Future minimum lease payments under non-cancelable operating leases consist of the following at June 30, 2001:

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2002	\$ 17,953.62
2003	16,761.12
2004	6,896.76
2005	6,000.00
2006-2012	39,000.00
<b>Total Minimum Lease Payments</b>	<b>\$ 86,611.50</b>

Rental expense for all operating leases during the year was \$26,083.72.

### NOTE 7 - COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

- A. Commitments** – The School has established an encumbrance system to track its outstanding commitments on construction projects and other purchases. Outstanding commitments on construction contracts were \$1,995,763.88 and on other purchases were \$381,184.40 at June 30, 2001.
- B. University Improvement General Obligation Bonds** – The 1999-2000 Session of the General Assembly of North Carolina authorized the issuance of two billion five hundred million dollars of general obligation bonds of the State, as subsequently approved by a vote of qualified voters

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of the State, to provide funds for capital improvements for the University of North Carolina. The funds authorized are to be used solely for capital facilities cost on the University of North Carolina campuses as specified in the legislation. The bond legislation specifies the amount of bond funding for each University campus and the level of bond funding intended for each project. The bonds are authorized to be issued over a six-year period beginning in 2001 at a level not to exceed amounts provided in the legislation. Using a cash flow financing approach, The University of North Carolina – General Administration (UNC-GA), establishes annual amounts not to exceed for each approved project. The amounts not to exceed are subject to change due to actual cash availability and needs during the year. Subsequent to the bond sales and the availability of bond proceeds, UNC-GA notifies the Office of State Budget and Management (OSBM) of the amounts not to exceed for each approved project. Within these amounts, based on an official request of cash needs from the School, OSBM authorizes allotments. The School records the allotments as revenue on the accompanying financial statements. In addition, amounts not allotted but accrued as expended at year-end are recorded as revenue. The School's remaining authorization of \$38,047,500.00 is contingent on future bond sales and OSBM allotment approval. Because of uncertainty and time restrictions the remaining authorization is not recorded as an asset or revenue on the accompanying financial statements.

### **NOTE 8 - BUDGETING AND BUDGETARY CONTROL**

The State of North Carolina operates on a biennial budget cycle with separate annual departmental and institutional certified budgets adopted by the General Assembly.

Chapter 116, Article 1, Part 2A of the North Carolina General Statutes authorizes the universities within the sixteen campus University of North Carolina System to apply for special responsibility status, which sets the legal level of budgetary control at the institution's budget code level. A budget code is a convention used in the State's accounting system to distinguish the type of fund and the responsible department or institution. Budget Codes are also used to segregate certain purposes within departments or institutions. Institutions with special responsibility status must still have certain budget revisions, primarily those associated with unanticipated revenues, approved by the Office of State Budget and Management. Additionally, universities must maintain programs and services in accordance with the guidelines established by the Board of Governors of the consolidated University of North Carolina System. North Carolina School of the Arts has applied for and received special responsibility status.

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After the budget is approved by the General Assembly and adopted by the Board of Governors, the School follows an established system of budgetary controls. Periodic interim budget statements to department heads guide them in managing budget allocations. Monthly financial reports, which include budget and actual data, are provided for each fund to individual managers responsible for the fund. When actual conditions require changes to the budget, revisions are prepared and communicated to those affected. Changes to the budget are reviewed and approved at the School or State level as required. The School maintains an encumbrance accounting system as another method to ensure that imposed expenditure constraints are observed. The state budgetary control is maintained on a cash basis of accounting.

### **NOTE 9 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

The School 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 via a combination of methods, including participation in state-administered insurance programs, purchase of commercial insurance, and self-retention of certain risks.

Tort claims of up to \$500,000 are self-insured under the authority of the State Tort Claims Act. In addition, the State provides excess liability coverage up to \$11,000,000 for public officers and employees via contract with a private insurance company. The premium, based on a composite rate, is paid by the School to the State's Agent of Record.

The State Property Fire Insurance Fund (Fund), an internal service fund of the State, insures all State owned buildings and contents for fire and various other property losses up to \$2,500,000 per occurrence. The Fund purchases excess insurance from private insurers to cover losses over the amounts insured by the Fund. Coverage for fire losses for operations supported by the State's General Fund is provided at no cost to the School. Other operations not supported by the State's General Fund are charged for fire coverage. The School also purchased through the Fund extended coverage, sprinkler leakage, business interruption, vandalism, theft, and "all risks" for buildings and contents. Losses covered by the Fund are subject to a \$500 per occurrence deductible except theft losses carry a \$1,000 per occurrence deductible. 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.

All State-owned vehicles are covered by liability insurance handled by the North Carolina Department of Insurance. The State is self-insured for the first \$500,000 of any loss through a retrospective rating plan. Excess insurance coverage is purchased through a private insurer to cover losses greater than



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\$500,000. The liability limits for losses occurring in state are \$500,000 per claimant and \$5,000,000 per occurrence. The School is charged premiums to cover the cost of excess insurance and to pay for those losses falling under the self-insured retention.

The School is protected for losses from employee dishonesty and computer fraud for employees paid in whole or in part from State funds. The blanket honesty bond is with a private insurance company and is handled by the North Carolina Department of Insurance with coverage of \$5,000,000 per occurrence and a \$50,000 deductible.

Employees and retirees are provided health care coverage by the Comprehensive Major Medical Plan, a component unit of the State. The Plan is funded by employer and employee contributions and is administered by a third party contractor. Health care coverage is optionally available through contractual agreements with several HMO plans.

The North Carolina Workers' Compensation Program provides benefits to workers injured on the job. All employees of the State and its component units are included in the program. When an employee is injured, the School's primary responsibility is to arrange for and provide the necessary treatment for work related injury. The School is responsible for paying medical benefits and compensation in accordance with the North Carolina Workers' Compensation Act. The School is self-insured for workers' compensation.

Term life insurance of \$25,000 to \$50,000 is provided to eligible workers. This self-insured death benefit program is administered by the State Treasurer's Office and funded via employer contributions.

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.

### **NOTE 10 - DEFICIT FUND BALANCE**

The deficit fund balance in the Current Unrestricted General Fund is attributable to the School adjusting its cash basis records to the accrual basis of accounting as required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP). In accordance with GAAP, receivables were not recognized for liabilities associated with future period appropriations or grant awards.

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The School receives financial support from the State of North Carolina for its continuing operations. This support is authorized on a cash basis through an annual appropriation process. While GAAP prohibits the School from recording receivables from future period authorizations, the School continues to receive, as provided by annual State Appropriations, annual support for its financial needs.

### NOTE 11 - PENSION PLANS

**A. Retirement Plans** - Each permanent full-time employee, as a condition of employment, is a member of either the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System or the Optional Retirement Program. The Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System (System) is a multiple-employer cost sharing defined benefit pension plan administered by the North Carolina State Treasurer.

After five years of creditable service, members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System qualify for a vested deferred benefit. Employees who retire on or after age 65 and complete 5 years of membership service (age 55 and 5 years of creditable service for law enforcement officers), reach age 60 with 25 years of membership service, or complete 30 years of creditable service receive a retirement allowance of 1.81% of an average final compensation (based on the 4 consecutive years that produce the highest average) multiplied by the number of years of creditable service. Employees may retire with reduced benefits if they reach age 50 with 20 years of creditable service or reach age 60 with 5 years of creditable service (age 50 with 15 years creditable service for law enforcement officers).

Benefit and contribution provisions for the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are established by North Carolina General Statute 135-5 and 135-8 and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Employer and member contributions rates are set each year by the North Carolina General Assembly based on annual actuarial valuations. For the year ended June 30, 2001, these rates were set at 5.33% of covered payroll for employers and 6% of covered payroll for members.

For the year ended June 30, 2001, the School had a total payroll of \$16,933,236.03 of which \$9,166,723.00 was covered under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. Total employee and employer contributions for pension benefits for the year were \$550,003.38 and

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\$488,586.34, respectively. The School made one hundred percent of its annual required contributions for the years ended June 30, 2001, 2000, and 1999, which were \$488,586.34, \$736,827.55, and \$636,887.99, respectively.

In accordance with constitutional provisions requiring a balanced budget for the State of North Carolina, the Governor issued an executive order requiring the employers' share of retirement contributions for the months February 2001 through June 2001 to be transferred to a reserve account rather than paid to the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. A portion of those funds was ultimately used by the State of North Carolina for general fund purposes and not released to the retirement system. The total amount of employer contributions paid by the School has been recognized as pension costs in the financial statements. The contributions which were not released to the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System are considered immaterial to the School's financial statements taken as whole. The School has no liability for pension costs beyond the contributions already made.

The Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System's financial information is included in the State of North Carolina *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.state.nc.us/> and clicking on "Financial Reports", or by calling the State Controller's Financial Reporting Section at (919) 981-5454.

The Optional Retirement Program (Program) is a defined contribution retirement plan, which provides retirement benefits with options for payments to beneficiaries in the event of the participant's death. Administrators and eligible faculty of the School may join the Program instead of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System. The Program offers plans administered by the Teachers' Insurance Annuity Association and College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA-CREF), as well as Lincoln National Life Insurance Company, the Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company (VALIC) and Fidelity Investments. Participant eligibility and contributory requirements are established by General Statute 135-5.1. Participants contribute 6% of their salary and the School matches with a 6.84% contribution for pension benefits. The School assumes no liability other than its contribution.

Participants in the Program are vested after five years of service but plan administrators must return the value of the participant's and School's contribution to both the participant and the School if termination occurs prior to five years of service. Participants may direct their contributions

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to TIAA-CREF, Lincoln National, VALIC, Fidelity Investment or combinations of the aforementioned. Participants in all four plans may choose to invest among several alternatives, including fixed and variable accounts. Employees may elect to have their contributions deposited by one provider and the matching benefit deposited by another, or they may elect to have both deposited by the same provider.

For the year ended June 30, 2001, the School had a total payroll of \$16,933,236.03 of which \$6,002,015.51 was covered under the Optional Retirement Program. Total employee and employer contributions for pension benefits for the year were \$360,120.93 and \$410,537.86, respectively.

### **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 Deferred Compensation Plan (the Plan). The Plan permits each 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 participants. No costs are incurred by the School. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$51,078.50 for the year ended June 30, 2001.

**IRC Section 401(k) Plan** - All members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System and the Optional Retirement Program 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 School except for a 5% employer contribution for the School's law enforcement officers, which is mandated under General Statute 143-163.30(e). Total employer contributions on behalf of School law enforcement officers for the year ended June 30, 2001 were \$18,965.21. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$109,967.00 for the year ended June 30, 2001.

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IRC Section 403(b) and 403(b)(7) Plans - All School employees who work can participate in tax sheltered annuity plans created under Internal Revenue Code Sections 403(b) and 403(b)(7). 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 universities and certain charitable and other non-profit institutions. All costs of administering and funding these plans are the responsibility of the Plan participants. No costs are incurred by the School. The voluntary contributions by employees amounted to \$142,798.90 for the year ended June 30, 2001.

### NOTE 12 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

- A. Health Care for Long-Term Disability Beneficiaries and Retirees -** The School participates in state administered programs which provide 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 Employee's Retirement System or the Optional Retirement Program. These benefits were established by Chapter 135, Article 3, Part 3, of the General Statutes and may be amended only by the North Carolina General Assembly. Funding for the health care benefit for long-term disability beneficiaries and retirees is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. The School contributed 1.28% of the covered payroll under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System and the Optional Retirement Program for these health care benefits. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001, the School's total contribution to the Plan was \$194,159.85. The School 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*.
- B. Long-Term Disability -** The School participates in the Disability Income Plan of North Carolina (DIPNC). Established by Chapter 135, Article 6, of the General Statutes, DIPNC provides short-term and long-term disability benefits to eligible members of the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System or the Optional Retirement Program. The Plan provides disability income to eligible participants. Long-term disability income benefits are advance funded on an actuarially determined basis using the one-year term cost method. The School contributes .52% of covered payroll under the Teachers' and State Employees' Retirement System and the Optional Retirement Program to the DIPNC. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2001, the School's total

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contribution to the DIPNC was \$78,877.44. The School 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 - CONSTRUCTION COSTS PAID FROM DEBT PROCEEDS**

Construction costs paid from School issued debt proceeds are not reflected as additions to fund equity of the Investment in Plant Fund but rather as an increase to the Investment in Plant Fund's assets and liabilities. During the year, \$3,246,757.38 was added to the Investment in Plant Fund's assets and liabilities for assets purchased from debt proceeds.

### **NOTE 14 - NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF THE ARTS FOUNDATION, INC.**

There is one separately incorporated non-profit foundation associated with the School. This foundation is the North Carolina School of the Arts Foundation, Inc.

This organization serves as the primary fundraising arm of the School through which individuals, corporations and other organizations support School programs by providing scholarships, fellowships, faculty salary supplements, and unrestricted funds to specific areas and the School's overall academic environment. The School's financial statements do not include the assets, liabilities, net assets or operational transactions of the foundations, except for support from each organization to the School. This support approximated \$2,410,554.28 for the year ended June 30, 2001.

### **NOTE 15 - ACCOUNTING CHANGES**

**A. Securities Lending Transactions** - The School deposits certain funds with the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool, which participates in securities lending activities. In prior years it was the State's policy to allocate the risk associated with these transactions to each component unit. For the year ending June 30, 2001, the State changed its policy, as a result of discussion with the GASB technical staff, to report the associated risk as part of the State of North Carolina's fiduciary funds rather than to allocate the risk to component units. The effect of this change removes from the School issued financial statements the assets and liabilities associated with the State Treasurer's security lending program. This change does not affect the School's beginning fund equities.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONCLUDED)

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**B. Governmental Accounting Standard Board, Statement #33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions* -** Effective July 1, 2000, the School implemented the new accounting and reporting standards required in GASB #33. This standard provides accounting rules over non-exchange transactions and changes the School's standards for the recognition of revenues and the reporting of funds received but not earned in the School's restricted fund. In prior years, the School reported funds received but not expended in its restricted fund as an addition to fund equity. Based on this new standard, revenues are recognized when earned and when the resource provider's conditions have been satisfied. Amounts received not meeting the recognition requirements are now reported as deferred revenue.

**North Carolina School of the Arts  
Schedule of General Obligation Bond Project Authorizations, Budgets and Expenditures  
For Project-to-Date as of June 30, 2001**

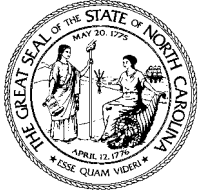
**Schedule 1**

<b>Capital Improvement Projects</b>	<b>Projected Start Date</b>	<b>General Obligation Bonds Authorized</b>	<b>Other Sources</b>	<b>Total Project Budget</b>	<b>Amount Expended</b>	<b>Percent Completed</b>	<b>Expected Completion Date</b>
<i>Projects Started</i>							
Basic Performance and Education Complex	Dec 2000	\$ 19,130,700.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 19,130,700.00	\$ 7,515.73	1.00%	Sep 2004
Stevens Center Renovations	Nov 2000	4,434,500.00		4,434,500.00	14,850.00	1.00%	May 2003
Film Archives Building	Mar 2001	2,250,000.00		2,250,000.00	63,702.50	2.83%	Mar 2003
Student Services Support Complex	Apr 2001	2,500,000.00		2,500,000.00	39,188.86	1.57%	Feb 2004
Technology Infrastructure Expansion	Feb 2001	1,862,300.00		1,862,300.00		0.00%	Mar 2004
Land Acquisitions	Feb 2001	4,150,000.00		4,150,000.00		0.00%	Dec 2004
<i>Projects Not Started - To Be Funded in Future Years</i>							
Dance Costume Shop - Comprehensive Renovation	Sep 2001	420,000.00		420,000.00			
Workplace Building #2 - Comprehensive Renovation	Nov 2001	1,350,000.00		1,350,000.00			
Crawford Hall and the Recital Hall - Comprehensive Renovation	Nov 2002	499,900.00		499,900.00			
Residence Hall	Nov 2001	1,832,100.00		1,832,100.00			
Gray Classroom Building - Partial Renovation	Nov 2001	1,787,700.00		1,787,700.00			
Renovation of DeMille Theatre	Nov 2001	2,330,300.00		2,330,300.00			
<b>Total All Projects</b>		<b>\$ 42,547,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>	<b>\$ 42,547,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 125,257.09</b>		

Note: 1999-2000 Session of the General Assembly of North Carolina authorized the issuance of two billion five hundred million dollars of general obligation bonds of the State, as subsequently approved by a vote of qualified voters of the State, to provide funds for capital improvements for the University of North Carolina. The projects listed on this schedule are those funded or to be funded by bond proceeds from the general obligation bonds authorized by Senate Bill 912.



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ON COMPLIANCE AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL  
OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING BASED ON AN AUDIT OF  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

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Board of Trustees  
North Carolina School of the Arts  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

We have audited the financial statements of North Carolina School of the Arts, a component unit of the State of North Carolina, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2001, and have issued our report thereon dated April 12, 2002.

As discussed in Note 15A to the financial statements, the School changed its method of accounting for securities lending transactions allocated from the State Treasurer's Cash and Investment Pool during the year ended June 30, 2001. As discussed in Note 15B to the financial statements, the School implemented Governmental Accounting Standard Board, Statement #33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions*, during the year ended June 30, 2001.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Compliance

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the School's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants, 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*.

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Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the School's internal control over financial reporting in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the internal control over financial reporting. Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. We noted no matters involving the internal control over financial reporting and its operation that we consider to be material weaknesses.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Audit Committee, the Board of Trustees and Board of Governors, management and staff of the School, the Governor, the State Controller, the General Assembly, and federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.



Ralph Campbell, Jr.  
State Auditor

April 12, 2002

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May 17, 2002

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