

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

School Board
Spearfish School District No. 40-2
Spearfish, South Dakota

Report on the Financial Statements

Opinions

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Spearfish School District No. 40-2 (the District), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinions

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. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for 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.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and there is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as a fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements, including omissions, are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 District's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the District's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain other internal control matters that we identified during the audit.

Required Supplementary Information

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

Supplementary Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements. The schedule of expenditures of federal awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards*, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated January 16, 2024 on our consideration of the District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Ketel Thorstenson, LLP". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the letters "K", "T", and "L" being particularly prominent.

KETEL THORSTENSON, LLP
Certified Public Accountants

January 16, 2024

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

This section of the District's annual financial report presents our discussion and analysis of the District's financial performance during the fiscal year ended on June 30, 2023. Please read it in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow this section.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- The District's net position from governmental and business-type activities increased \$5,867,228.
- The total cost of the District's programs increased by approximately 6 percent, primarily due to salary and corresponding benefits increases.
- The general fund reported a \$6,671,164 current year fund balance.

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual report consists of three parts – management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the District:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the District's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the District government, reporting the District's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements.
 - The governmental funds statements tell how general government services were financed in the short-term, as well as what remains for future spending.
 - Proprietary fund statements offer short and long-term financial information about the activities that the school operates like businesses. The proprietary funds operated by the District are Food Service and Driver's Education.
 - Fiduciary fund statements provide information about the financial relationships - like scholarship plans for graduating students - in which the District acts solely as a trustee or agent for the benefit of others, to whom the resources in question belong.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements. Figure A-1 shows how the required parts of this annual report are arranged and relate to one another.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Government-wide Statements

The government-wide statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The Statement of Net Position includes all of the District's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the District's net position and how they have changed. Net position – the difference between the District's assets and liabilities – is one way to measure the District's financial health or position.

- Increases or decreases in the District's net position is an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the District, one needs to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the District's property tax base and changes in the state school aid funding formula from the State of South Dakota.

The government-wide financial statements of the District are reported in two categories:

- **Governmental Activities** - This category includes the District's basic instructional services (elementary, high school educational programs, etc.), support services (guidance counselor, executive administration, board of education, fiscal services, etc.), debt service payments, extracurricular activities (sports, debate, music, etc.) and capital equipment purchases. Property taxes, state grants, federal grants and interest earnings finance most of these activities.
- **Business-Type Activities** - The District charges a fee to students to help cover the costs of providing lunch services to all students. The District also charges for services provided to teach Driver's Education for the community. The Food Service and Driver's Education Funds are the business-type activities of the District.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's most significant funds – not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

- State law requires some of the funds.
- The School Board establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes.

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Fund Financial Statements

The District has three kinds of funds:

- **Governmental Funds** – Most of the District's basic services are included in the governmental funds, which focus on (1) how cash and other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances remaining at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental funds statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are greater or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs. Because this information does not encompass the additional long-term focus of the government-wide statements, we provide additional information at the bottom of the governmental funds statements, or on the subsequent page, that explains the relationship (or differences) between them.
- **Proprietary Funds** – Services for which the District charges customers a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds, like the government-wide statements, provide both short- and long-term financial information. The Food Service and Driver's Education Funds are the proprietary funds maintained by the District.
- **Fiduciary Funds** – The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for various external and internal parties. The District is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes. All of the District's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and a Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position. We exclude these activities from the District's government-wide financial statements because the District cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Figure A-1 summarizes the major features of the District's financial statements, including the portion of the District government they cover and the types of information they contain. The remainder of the overview section of the management's discussion and analysis explains the structure and contents of each of the statements.

Figure A-1				
Scope	Government-wide Statements	Fund Statements		
	Entire District government (except fiduciary funds)	Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds	Fiduciary Funds
		The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as elementary and high school education programs	Activities the District operates similar to private business- food service and driver's education	Instances in which the District is the trustee or agent for someone else's resources
Required Financial Statements	Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities	Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances	Balance Sheet; Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position; and Statement of Cash Flows	Statement of Fiduciary Net Position and Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position
Accounting Basis and Measurement Focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of Asset/ Liability Information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	Only assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, and short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term; the District's funds do not currently contain capital assets although they can
Type of Inflow/ Outflow Information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during the year or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and payment is due during the year or soon thereafter	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Net Position

The District's combined net position increased as follows:

	Table A-1					
	Governmental Activities		Business-Type Activities		Total	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
Current and Other Assets	\$ 37,728,082	\$ 30,179,908	\$ 656,324	\$ 665,040	\$ 38,384,406	\$ 30,844,948
Capital Assets	35,663,547	45,336,632	25,382	64,574	35,688,929	45,401,206
Total Assets	73,391,629	75,516,540	681,706	729,614	74,073,335	76,246,154
Pension Related Deferred Outflows of Resources	\$ -	\$ 5,067,155	\$ -	\$ 4,714	\$ -	\$ 5,071,869
Long-Term Liabilities	\$ 17,416,394	\$ 16,182,039	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17,416,394	\$ 16,182,039
Other Liabilities	1,993,903	2,566,898	15,624	6,345	2,009,527	2,573,243
Total Liabilities	19,410,297	18,748,937	15,624	6,345	19,425,921	18,755,282
Taxes Levied for Future Period	6,307,513	7,608,641	-	-	6,307,513	7,608,641
Pension Related Deferred Inflows of Resources	2,238,034	2,985,969	3,742	2,778	2,241,776	2,988,747
Total Deferred Inflows	8,545,547	10,594,610	3,742	2,778	8,549,289	10,597,388
Net Position:						
Net Investment in Capital Assets	18,336,787	29,239,220	25,382	64,574	18,362,169	29,303,794
Restricted	21,097,338	15,413,593	3,107	1,984	21,100,445	15,415,577
Unrestricted	6,001,660	6,587,335	633,851	658,647	6,635,511	7,245,982
Total Net Position	\$ 45,435,785	\$ 51,240,148	\$ 662,340	\$ 725,205	\$ 46,098,125	\$ 51,965,353
Beginning Net Position	\$ 41,662,624	\$ 45,435,785	\$ 324,242	\$ 662,340	\$ 41,986,866	\$ 46,098,125
Change in Net Position	3,773,161	5,804,363	338,098	62,865	4,111,259	5,867,228
Percentage of Change in Net Position	9.06%	12.77%	104.27%	9.49%	9.79%	12.73%

This section explains the differences between the current and prior year's assets, liabilities, and changes in net position.

The Statement of Net Position reports all financial and capital resources. The statement presents the assets and liabilities in order of relative liquidity. The liabilities with average maturities greater than one year are reported in two components – the amount due within one year and the amount due in more than one year. The long-term liabilities of the District, consisting of compensated absences, plus general obligation certificates, payable and early retirement benefits payable, have been reported in this manner on the Statement of Net Position. The difference between the District's assets and liabilities is its net position.

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Changes in Net Position

This section illustrates condensed financial comparison of revenues and expenses and provides explanations for significant differences. The District's revenues totaled \$31,557,415 for the year ended June 30, 2023. (See Table A-2). Approximately 52 percent of the District's revenue comes from property and other taxes, with another 26 percent coming from state aid (See Figure A-2). The total cost of all programs and services was \$25,690,187 for the year ended June 30, 2023 (See Table A-2). The District's expenses cover a range of services, encompassing instruction, support services, and food services. (See Figure A-3).

Figure A-2: Revenues for Fiscal Year 2023

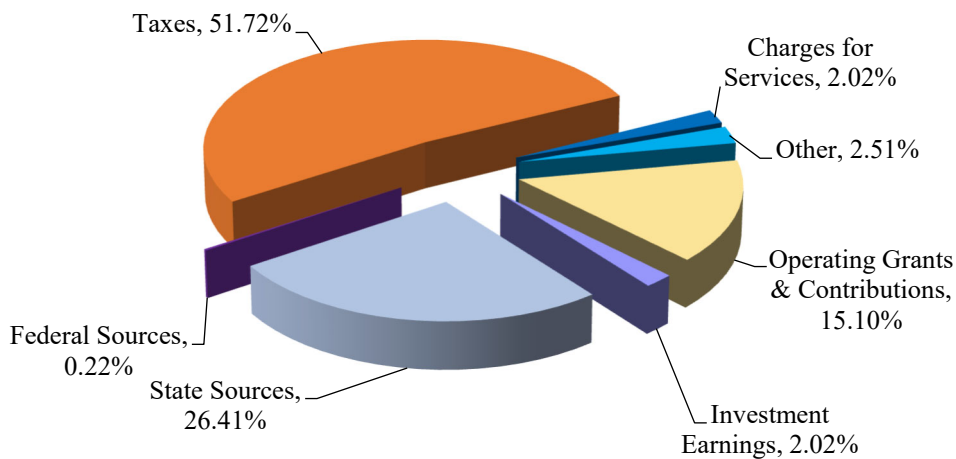
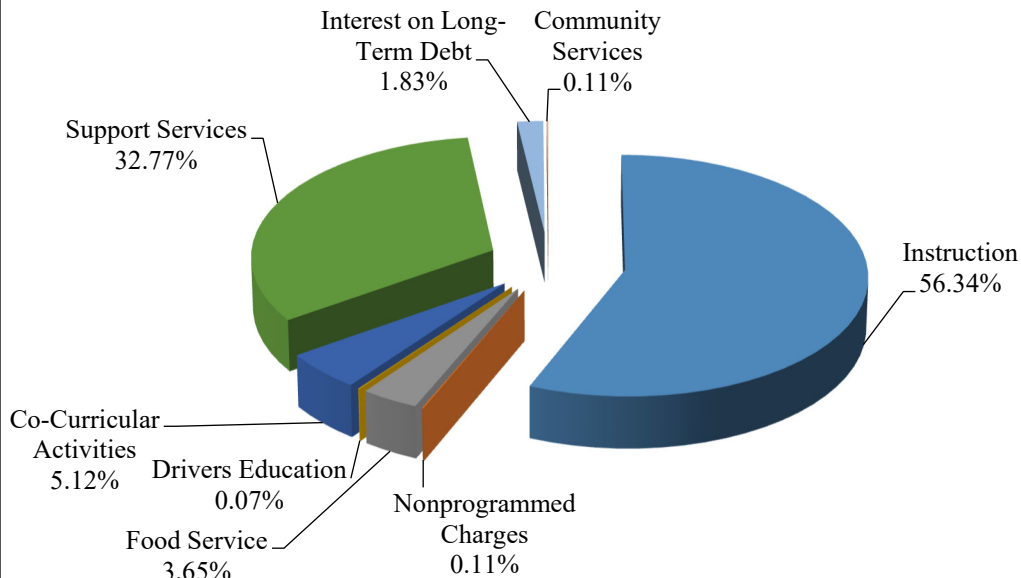


Figure A-3: Expenses for Fiscal Year 2023



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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Changes in Net Position

Table A-2 and the narrative that follows consider the operations of the governmental and business-type activities.

Table A-2						
	Total Governmental Activities		Total Business-Type Activities		Grand Total	
	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023
Revenues						
<i>Program Revenues</i>						
Charges for Services	\$ 53,967	\$ 55,415	\$ 105,451	\$ 583,001	\$ 159,418	\$ 638,416
Operating Grants and Contributions	2,758,195	4,352,279	1,307,492	426,528	4,065,687	4,778,807
<i>General Revenues</i>						
Taxes	14,865,931	16,325,902	-	-	14,865,931	16,325,902
Revenue State Sources	8,190,399	8,336,368	-	-	8,190,399	8,336,368
Revenue Federal Sources	102,711	68,025	-	-	102,711	68,025
Other General Revenues	939,399	773,312	-	173	939,399	773,485
Unrestricted Investment Earnings	8,718	633,707	-	2,705	8,718	636,412
Total Revenues	26,919,320	30,545,008	1,412,943	1,012,407	28,332,263	31,557,415
Expenses						
Instruction	13,741,503	14,540,907	-	-	13,741,503	14,540,907
Support Services	7,968,275	8,369,652	-	-	7,968,275	8,369,652
Community Services	16,384	27,034	-	-	16,384	27,034
Non-programmed Charges	23,176	27,542	-	-	23,176	27,542
Co-Curricular Activities	1,116,224	1,307,044	-	-	1,116,224	1,307,044
Interest on Long-Term Debt	280,597	468,466	-	-	280,597	468,466
Food Service	-	-	1,050,151	931,664	1,050,151	931,664
Driver's Education	-	-	24,694	17,878	24,694	17,878
Total Expenses	23,146,159	24,740,645	1,074,845	949,542	24,221,004	25,690,187
Change in Net Position	3,773,161	5,804,363	338,098	62,865	4,111,259	5,867,228
Ending Net Position	\$ 45,435,785	\$ 51,240,148	\$ 662,340	\$ 725,205	\$ 46,098,125	\$ 51,965,353

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MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT AS A WHOLE

Governmental Activities

While the District experienced normal individual revenue fluctuations during the 2023 year compared to 2022, the total revenues of the District's governmental activities increased approximately 13 percent across all funding sources but predominately in the federal funding area. The increase in expenditures of approximately 7 percent was due to an increase in capital projects and salaries from the prior year.

Business-Type Activities

Revenues of the District's business-type activities decreased approximately 28 percent, and expenses decreased approximately 12 percent. The decrease in revenues and expenses were due to decreased federal funding primarily related to the District no longer offering all students free meals.

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE DISTRICT'S FUNDS

The General Fund increased mainly due to tax revenue increases. The Capital Outlay Fund decreased due to increased expenditures for the Career and Technical Education Building. The Special Education Fund increased due to the assessed value increases and state impairment level funding increases.

BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The General Fund revenue budget increased mainly due to an unrestricted grant revenue. The Special Education revenue budget increased due to state funding changes. The corresponding expenditure budgets increased due to staffing increases and increases in compensation. The Capital Outlay Fund revenue budget increased due to an increase in assessed valuation due to new construction. The Capital Outlay expenditure budget increased due to the increase in the cost of summer projects.

CAPITAL ASSET ADMINISTRATION

By the end of 2023, the District had invested \$45,401,206 (net of accumulated depreciation) in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, and various machinery and equipment. (See Table A-3.) This represents an increase of approximately \$9,700,000 from last year.

Table A-3 Capital Assets (Net of Depreciation)					
	Governmental Activities		Business-type Activities		
	2022	2023	2022	2023	
Land	\$ 1,645,272	\$ 1,645,272	\$ -	\$ -	
Buildings	29,348,358	29,572,667	-	-	
Construction in Process	1,795,971	10,694,644	-	-	
Machinery and Equipment	2,873,946	3,424,049	25,382	64,574	
Total Capital Assets (Net)	\$ 35,663,547	\$ 45,336,632	\$ 25,382	\$ 64,574	

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

LONG-TERM DEBT

Table A-4 Outstanding Debt and Obligations				
	2022	2023	Total Dollar Change	Total Percentage Change
General Obligation Bonds (QSCB) - 2010	\$ 1,500,000	\$ 1,500,000	\$ -	0%
General Obligation Refunding Certificates - 2017	3,660,000	3,035,000	(625,000)	-17%
General Obligation Refunding Certificates - 2022	11,685,000	11,110,000	(575,000)	100%
Premium on Refunding Certificates	481,760	452,412	(29,348)	-6%
Compensated Absences	89,634	84,627	(5,007)	-6%
Total Outstanding Debt and Obligations	\$ 17,416,394	\$ 16,182,039	\$ (1,234,355)	-7%

At year end, the District had \$16,182,039 in General Obligation Bonds and other long-term debt. This is a decrease of \$1,234,355 as shown on Table A-4 above. The decrease is due primarily to payments on the general obligation certificate for the Career and Technical Education Building project.

ECONOMIC FACTORS AND NEXT YEAR'S BUDGETS AND RATES

The District's total assessed value increased \$508,145,068 or 31.50 percent. The growth factor increased \$85,842,274.

State aid, which is a combination of local property taxes and state contribution, increased by 7 percent. The increase in student enrollment of 22 students and the 7 percent state aid increase, provided an additional \$1,217,742 of state aid to the general fund of the District.

CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information, contact the Spearfish School District's Business Office, 525 East Illinois, Spearfish, SD 57783.

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**STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2023**

	Primary Government		
	Governmental	Business-Type	
	Activities	Activities	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>			
Cash and Investments	\$ 20,679,953	\$ 664,992	\$ 21,344,945
Taxes Receivable	7,759,328	-	7,759,328
Due from Other Governments	436,072	-	436,072
Net Pension Asset	51,340	48	51,388
Restricted Cash	1,253,215	-	1,253,215
Capital Assets:			
Land	1,645,272	-	1,645,272
Buildings, Net of Depreciation	29,572,667	-	29,572,667
Equipment, Net of Depreciation	3,424,049	64,574	3,488,623
Construction in Process	10,694,644	-	10,694,644
TOTAL ASSETS	75,516,540	729,614	76,246,154
<u>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Pension Related Deferred Outflows	5,067,155	4,714	5,071,869
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 80,583,695	\$ 734,328	\$ 81,318,023
<u>LIABILITIES</u>			
Accounts Payable	\$ 636,450	\$ -	\$ 636,450
Other Current Liabilities	1,930,448	-	1,930,448
Unearned Revenue	-	6,345	6,345
Long-Term Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	1,651,419	-	1,651,419
Due in More than One Year	14,530,620	-	14,530,620
TOTAL LIABILITIES	18,748,937	6,345	18,755,282
<u>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</u>			
Taxes Levied for Future Period	7,608,641	-	7,608,641
Pension Related Deferred Inflow of Resources	2,985,969	2,778	2,988,747
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	10,594,610	2,778	10,597,388
<u>NET POSITION</u>			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	29,239,220	64,574	29,303,794
Restricted for:			
Capital Outlay	10,725,330	-	10,725,330
Special Education	1,302,522	-	1,302,522
Debt Service	1,253,215	-	1,253,215
Pension - SDRS	2,132,526	1,984	2,134,510
Unrestricted	6,587,335	658,647	7,245,982
TOTAL NET POSITION	51,240,148	725,205	51,965,353
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND NET POSITION	\$ 80,583,695	\$ 734,328	\$ 81,318,023

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

		Program Revenues		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position		
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Primary Government		Total
				Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	
Governmental Activities:						
Instruction	\$ 14,540,907	\$ 2,625	\$ 4,352,279	\$ (10,186,003)	\$ -	\$ (10,186,003)
Support Services	8,369,652	-	-	(8,369,652)	-	(8,369,652)
Community Services	27,034	-	-	(27,034)	-	(27,034)
Non-programmed Charges	27,542	-	-	(27,542)	-	(27,542)
Co-Curricular Activities	1,307,044	52,790	-	(1,254,254)	-	(1,254,254)
Interest on Long- Term Debt *	468,466	-	-	(468,466)	-	(468,466)
	24,740,645	55,415	4,352,279	(20,332,951)	-	(20,332,951)
Business-Type Activities:						
Food Service	931,664	566,206	426,528	-	61,070	61,070
Driver's Education	17,878	16,795	-	-	(1,083)	(1,083)
	949,542	583,001	426,528	-	59,987	59,987
Total Primary Government						
	\$ 25,690,187	\$ 638,416	\$ 4,778,807	(20,332,951)	59,987	(20,272,964)
General Revenues						
Taxes:						
Property Taxes				16,175,565	-	16,175,565
Gross Receipts Taxes				150,337	-	150,337
Revenue from State Sources:						
State Aid				8,336,368	-	8,336,368
Revenue from Federal Sources						
				68,025	-	68,025
Unrestricted Investment Earnings				633,707	2,705	636,412
Other General Revenues				773,312	173	773,485
Total General Revenues				26,137,314	2,878	26,140,192
Change in Net Position				5,804,363	62,865	5,867,228
Net Position -- June 30, 2022				45,435,785	662,340	46,098,125
Net Position -- June 30, 2023				\$ 51,240,148	\$ 725,205	\$ 51,965,353

* The District does not have interest expense related to the functions presented above. This amount includes indirect interest expense on general long-term debt.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2023**

	General Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	Special Education Fund
ASSETS			
Cash and Investments	\$ 7,709,786	\$ 11,191,258	\$ 1,778,909
Taxes Receivable -- Current	3,975,985	2,337,241	1,444,533
Taxes Receivable -- Delinquent	798	496	275
Due from Other Governments	415,423	-	20,649
Restricted Cash	-	-	-
Total Assets	\$ 12,101,992	\$ 13,528,995	\$ 3,244,366
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	\$ 104,780	\$ 509,674	\$ 21,996
Contracts Payable	1,335,226	-	259,249
Accrued Expenses	93,183	-	242,790
Total Liabilities	1,533,189	509,674	524,035
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Taxes Levied for Future Period	3,896,841	2,293,991	1,417,809
Unavailable Revenue - Property Taxes	798	496	275
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	3,897,639	2,294,487	1,418,084
FUND BALANCES			
Restricted - Capital Outlay	-	10,724,834	-
Restricted - Special Education	-	-	1,302,247
Restricted - Debt Service	-	-	-
Assigned - Subsequent Year's Budget	264,108	-	-
Unassigned	6,407,056	-	-
Total Fund Balances	6,671,164	10,724,834	1,302,247
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Balances	\$ 12,101,992	\$ 13,528,995	\$ 3,244,366

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

QSCB Redemption Fund	Total Governmental Funds
\$ -	\$ 20,679,953
-	7,757,759
-	1,569
-	436,072
1,253,215	1,253,215
\$ 1,253,215	\$ 30,128,568
\$ -	\$ 636,450
-	1,594,475
-	335,973
-	2,566,898
-	7,608,641
-	1,569
-	7,610,210
-	10,724,834
-	1,302,247
1,253,215	1,253,215
-	264,108
-	6,407,056
1,253,215	19,951,460
\$ 1,253,215	\$ 30,128,568

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO GOVERNMENT-WIDE
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2023**

Total Fund Balances - Governmental Funds	\$ 19,951,460
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the funds.	45,336,632
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Long-term liabilities, including general obligation bonds, unamortized premium on bond, compensated absences, and early retirement payable, are not due in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(16,182,039)
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Assets such as delinquent taxes receivable are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore are deferred in the funds.	1,569
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Net pension asset reported in governmental activities is not an available financial resource and therefore is not reported in the funds.	51,340
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Pension related deferred outflows are components of pension asset and therefore are not reported in the funds.	5,067,155
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Pension related deferred inflows are components of pension asset and therefore are not reported in the funds.	(2,985,969)
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Net Position - Governmental Funds	\$ 51,240,148
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	General Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	Special Education Fund
<u>REVENUES</u>			
<i>Revenue from Local Sources:</i>			
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 8,049,213	\$ 5,073,076	\$ 3,010,293
Prior Years' Ad Valorem Taxes	12,917	7,276	3,939
Gross Receipts Taxes	150,337	-	-
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	9,664	5,603	3,252
Tax Deed	-	231	-
Interest Earned	242,388	390,212	1,107
Tuition and Fees	2,625	-	-
<i>Co-Curricular Activities:</i>			
Admissions	41,725	-	-
Pupil Organization Memberships	11,065	-	-
<i>Other Local Revenue:</i>			
Rentals	2,650	-	-
Charges for Services - Medicaid	7,169	-	18,430
Other	389,355	-	40
<i>Revenue from Intermediate Sources:</i>			
County Apportionment	372,821	-	-
<i>Revenue from State Sources -- Grants-in-Aid:</i>			
Unrestricted Grants-in-Aid	8,336,368	-	-
Restricted Grants-in-Aid	-	-	625,368
Other State Revenue	-	2,046	-
<i>Revenue from Federal Sources -- Grants-in-Aid:</i>			
Unrestricted Grants-in-Aid Received from Federal Government Through State	29,126	-	-
Restricted Grants-in-Aid Received from Federal Government Through State	1,267,224	2,008,821	448,820
Other Federal Revenue	-	38,899	-
Total Revenues	18,924,647	7,526,164	4,111,249
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>			
<i>Instruction Regular Programs:</i>			
Elementary	4,502,455	105,515	-
Middle/Junior High School	2,493,966	71,083	-
High School	3,043,456	76,788	-
Class Size Reduction	482,394	-	-
<i>Instruction Special Programs:</i>			
Programs for Special Education	-	18,919	2,904,357
Culturally Different	51,754	-	-
Educationally Deprived	457,900	-	-
<i>Support Services Pupils:</i>			
Attendance and Social Work	62,069	-	-
Guidance	593,495	-	-
Health Services	174,362	-	-
Psychological	-	-	137,333
Speech Pathology	-	-	420,898
Student Therapy Services	-	-	199,692

QSCB Redemption		Total Governmental	
Fund		Funds	
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\$	-	\$	16,132,582
	-		24,132
	-		150,337
	-		18,519
	-		231
	-		633,707
	-		2,625
	-		
	-		41,725
	-		11,065
	-		
	-		2,650
	-		25,599
	-		389,395
	-		
	-		372,821
	-		
	-		8,336,368
	-		625,368
	-		2,046
	-		
	-		29,126
	-		3,724,865
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	-		
	-		4,607,970
	-		2,565,049
	-		3,120,244
	-		482,394
	-		
	-		2,923,276
	-		51,754
	-		457,900
	-		
	-		62,069
	-		593,495
	-		174,362
	-		137,333
	-		420,898
	-		199,692

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	General Fund	Capital Outlay Fund	Special Education Fund
EXPENDITURES (Continued)			
<i>Support Services Instructional Staff:</i>			
Improvement of Instruction	8,271	355,956	-
Educational Media	550,446	274,488	-
<i>Support Services General Administration:</i>			
Board of Education	107,157	-	-
Executive Administration	303,559	-	-
Office of the Principal	1,327,449	-	-
<i>Support Services Business:</i>			
Fiscal Services	346,259	36,670	-
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	-	362,694	-
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,284,632	83,430	-
Pupil Transportation	348,945	-	-
Direction of Central Support Services	21,001	-	-
<i>Support Services Special Education:</i>			
Administrative Costs	-	-	150,392
Transportation Costs	-	-	50,355
Other Special Education			15,465
Community Service Other	27,529	-	-
Early Retirement	27,542	-	-
Debt Service	-	1,614,614	-
<i>Co-Curricular Activities:</i>			
Male Activities	358,599	-	-
Female Activities	408,825	-	-
Combined Activities	305,836	198,477	-
Capital Outlay	56,035	10,434,837	-
Total Expenditures	18,343,936	13,633,471	3,878,492
Excess of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	580,711	(6,107,307)	232,757
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Transfers In	-	-	-
Transfers Out	-	(213,836)	-
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	(213,836)	-
Net Change in Fund Balances	580,711	(6,321,143)	232,757
Fund Balance -- June 30, 2022	6,090,453	17,045,977	1,069,490
Fund Balance -- June 30, 2023	\$ 6,671,164	\$ 10,724,834	\$ 1,302,247

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

QSCB Redemption Fund	Total Governmental Funds
-	364,227
-	824,934
-	107,157
-	303,559
-	1,327,449
-	382,929
-	362,694
-	2,368,062
-	348,945
-	21,001
-	150,392
-	50,355
-	15,465
-	27,529
-	27,542
83,200	1,697,814
-	358,599
-	408,825
-	504,313
-	10,490,872
83,200	35,939,099
(83,200)	(5,377,039)
213,836	213,836
-	(213,836)
213,836	-
130,636	(5,377,039)
1,122,579	25,328,499
\$ 1,253,215	\$ 19,951,460

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**RECONCILIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO GOVERNMENT-WIDE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

Net Change in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds \$ (5,377,039)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures; however, in the Statement of Activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. 9,690,238

In the statement of activities, gains and losses on disposal of capital assets are reported, whereas, in the governmental funds, the proceeds from the disposal of capital assets is reflected, regardless of whether a gain or loss is realized. (17,153)

In both the government-wide and fund financial statements, revenues from property tax levies are applied to finance the budget of a particular period. Accounting for revenues from property tax accruals in the funds' statements differs from the accounting in the government-wide statements in that the fund financial statements require the amounts to be available. This amount reflects the application of both the application period and availability criteria. 101

Governmental funds recognize expenditures for amounts of compensated absences actually paid to employees with current financial resources during the fiscal year. Amounts of compensated absences earned by employees are not recognized in the funds. In the Statement of Activities, expenses for these benefits are recognized when the employees earn leave credits. 5,007

Repayment of debt principal and payment made to escrow agent, is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the Statement of Net Position. 1,200,000

Premium on bond issue is a revenue in the fund statements but is capitalized and recognized as interest expense in the Statement of Activities. 29,348

Changes in the pension related deferred outflows/inflows, pension asset and related pension expenses are not reported in the governmental fund statements. 273,861

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities \$ 5,804,363

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS BALANCE SHEET
JUNE 30, 2023**

	Food Service Fund	Driver's Education Fund	Total Proprietary Funds
ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Cash	\$ 655,239	\$ 9,753	\$ 664,992
Total Current Assets	655,239	9,753	664,992
Noncurrent Assets:			
Net Pension Asset	-	48	48
Capital Assets:			
Machinery and Equipment	279,055	-	279,055
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(214,481)	-	(214,481)
Total Noncurrent Assets	64,574	48	64,622
TOTAL ASSETS	719,813	9,801	729,614
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Pension Related Deferred Outflows	-	4,714	4,714
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$ 719,813	\$ 14,515	\$ 734,328
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities:			
Unearned Revenue	\$ -	\$ 6,345	\$ 6,345
Total Current Liabilities	-	6,345	6,345
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Pension Related Deferred Inflows	-	2,778	2,778
NET POSITION			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	64,574	-	64,574
Restricted Pension	-	1,984	1,984
Unrestricted Net Position	655,239	3,408	658,647
Total Net Position	719,813	5,392	725,205
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, AND NET POSITION	\$ 719,813	\$ 14,515	\$ 734,328

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND
NET POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Food Service Fund	Driver's Education Fund	Total Proprietary Funds
Operating Revenue			
<i>Sales:</i>			
To Pupils	\$ 561,021	\$ -	\$ 561,021
To Adults	5,185	-	5,185
Non-credit Tuition from Students, Parents, or Other	-	16,795	16,795
Total Operating Revenue	566,206	16,795	583,001
Operating Expenses			
Salaries	-	12,696	12,696
Employee Benefits	-	2,857	2,857
Purchased Services	831,219	2,325	833,544
Supplies	14,025	-	14,025
Cost of Sales - Purchased Food	3,760	-	3,760
Cost of Sales - Donated Food	79,503	-	79,503
Depreciation	3,157	-	3,157
Total Operating Expenses	931,664	17,878	949,542
Operating Loss	(365,458)	(1,083)	(366,541)
Nonoperating Revenue			
<i>Local Sources:</i>			
Interest Earnings	2,705	-	2,705
Cash Reimbursements	2,613	-	2,613
<i>Federal Sources:</i>			
Cash Reimbursements	344,412	-	344,412
Donated Food	79,503	-	79,503
Other Revenue	173	-	173
Total Nonoperating Revenue	429,406	-	429,406
Change in Net Position	63,948	(1,083)	62,865
Net Position -- June 30, 2022	655,865	6,475	662,340
Net Position -- June 30, 2023	\$ 719,813	\$ 5,392	\$ 725,205

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**PROPRIETARY FUNDS STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Food Service Fund	Driver's Education Fund	Total Proprietary Funds
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:			
Receipts from Customers	\$ 570,946	\$ 18,205	\$ 589,151
Payments to Suppliers	(849,004)	(2,325)	(851,329)
Payments to Employees	-	(25,119)	(25,119)
Net Cash Flows Used in Operating Activities	(278,058)	(9,239)	(287,297)
Cash Flows Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities:			
Operating Subsidies	347,198	-	347,198
Cash Flows Provided by Investing Activities:			
Cash Received for Interest	2,705	-	2,705
Cash Flows Used in Capital and Related Financing Activities:			
Purchase of Equipment	(42,349)	-	(42,349)
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash During the Fiscal Year	29,496	(9,239)	20,257
Cash -- June 30, 2022	625,743	18,992	644,735
Cash -- June 30, 2023	\$ 655,239	\$ 9,753	\$ 664,992
Reconciliation of Operating Loss to Net Cash Flows Used in Operating Activities			
Operating Loss	\$ (365,458)	\$ (1,083)	\$ (366,541)
<i>Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Loss to Net</i>			
<i>Cash Used in Operating Activities:</i>			
Cost of Sales - Donated Food	79,503	-	79,503
Depreciation Expense	3,157	-	3,157
<i>Changes in Assets and Liabilities:</i>			
Accounts Receivable	4,740	-	4,740
Net Pension Asset	-	6,801	6,801
Pension Related Deferred Inflows and Outflows	-	(5,678)	(5,678)
Contracts Payable	-	(9,405)	(9,405)
Benefits Payable	-	(1,284)	(1,284)
Unearned Revenue	-	1,410	1,410
Net Cash Flows Used in Operating Activities	\$ (278,058)	\$ (9,239)	\$ (287,297)
Noncash Investing, Capital and Financing Activities:			
Value of Commodities Received	\$ 79,503	\$ -	\$ 79,503

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
JUNE 30, 2023**

	Private-Purpose Trust Fund	Custodial Funds
<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash	\$ 54,918	\$ 355,303
<u>NET POSITION</u>		
Restricted:		
Scholarships	\$ 54,918	\$ -
Individuals, Organizations, and Other Governments	-	355,303

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Private-Purpose Trust Funds	Custodial Funds
ADDITIONS		
Member Contributions	\$ -	\$ 315,116
Employee Contributions	-	63,033
Interest Earnings	1,667	20
Total Additions	1,667	378,169
DEDUCTIONS		
Payments to Individuals and Organizations	-	292,239
Payments to Cafeteria Plan Provider	-	66,090
Scholarships Awarded	10,000	-
Total Deductions	10,000	358,329
Change in Net Position	(8,333)	19,840
Net Position - June 30, 2022	63,251	335,463
Net Position - June 30, 2023	\$ 54,918	\$ 355,303

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

JUNE 30, 2023

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

The reporting entity of Spearfish School District No. 40-2 (the District) consists of the primary government (which includes all of the funds, organizations, institutions, agencies, departments, and offices that make up the legal entity, plus those funds for which the primary government has a fiduciary responsibility, even though those fiduciary funds may represent organizations that do not meet the criteria for inclusion in the financial reporting entity), those organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable, and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that their exclusion would cause the financial reporting entity's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

The funds included in this report are controlled by or dependent upon the District's Board of Education. The District participates in a cooperative service unit with 11 other school districts. Joint ventures do not meet the criteria for inclusion in the financial reporting entity as a component unit, but are disclosed in these notes because of the nature of their relationship with the District. See Note 7 entitled "Joint Venture" for specific disclosures. The accounting policies of the District conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as applicable to governments.

Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Statements:

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the primary government of the District. These statements include the financial activities of the overall government, except for fiduciary activities. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. These statements distinguish between the governmental and business-type activities of the District. Governmental activities generally are financed through taxes, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange transactions. Business-type activities are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties.

The Statement of Net Position reports all financial and capital resources, in a balance sheet form (assets equal liabilities plus net position). Net position is displayed in three components, as applicable, net investment in capital assets, restricted (distinguishing between major categories of restrictions), and unrestricted.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each segment of the business-type activities of the District and for each function of the District's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function and, therefore, are clearly identifiable to a particular function. Program revenues include (a) charges paid by recipients of goods and services offered by the programs and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues.

Fund Financial Statements:

Fund financial statements of the reporting entity are organized into funds, each of which is considered to be a separate accounting entity. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that constitute its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenditures. Funds are organized into three major categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. An emphasis is placed on major funds within the governmental and proprietary categories.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2023

(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

Fund Financial Statements:

A fund is considered major if it is the primary operating fund of the District or if it meets the following criteria:

1. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures of the individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 10 percent of the corresponding total for all funds of that category or type, and
2. Total assets, liabilities, revenues, or expenditures of the individual governmental or enterprise fund are at least 5 percent of the corresponding total of all governmental and enterprise funds combined, or
3. Management has elected to classify one or more governmental or enterprise funds as major for consistency in reporting from year to year, or because of public interest in the fund's operations.

The funds of the financial reporting entity are described below:

Governmental Funds:

General Fund - The General Fund is established by South Dakota Codified Laws (SDCL) 13-16-3 to meet all the general operational costs of the school district, excluding capital outlay fund and special education fund expenditures. The General Fund is always a major fund.

Special Revenue Funds - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources (other than expendable trusts or major capital projects) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specific purposes. The Capital Outlay and Special Education Funds are the special revenue funds maintained by the District.

Capital Outlay Fund - A fund established by SDCL 13-16-6 to meet expenditures which result in the acquisition of or additions to real property, plant or equipment, textbooks, and instructional software. This fund is financed by property taxes, federal grants, and long-term debt. This is a major fund.

Special Education Fund - A fund established by SDCL 13-37-16 to account for the costs associated with the special education of children in need of special and prolonged assistance who reside within the District. This fund is financed by grants and property taxes. This is a major fund.

Debt Service Funds - Debt Service Funds are used to account for resources for, and the payment of, general long-term debt principal, interest, and related costs. There is one debt service fund.

Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) Redemption Fund - A fund established to account for the payment of interest on qualified school construction bonded debt, as well as the establishment and maintenance of a bond sinking fund. This is a major fund.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation

Fund Financial Statements:

Proprietary Funds:

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that (a) are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises, where the intent of the governing body is that the costs (expenses, including depreciation) of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges, or (b) where the governing body has decided that periodic determination of revenues earned, expenses incurred, and/or net income is appropriate for capital maintenance, public policy, management control, accountability, or other purposes.

Food Service Fund - A fund established to record the financial transactions related to the K-12 food services operation. This fund is financed by user charges and grants. This is a major fund.

Driver's Education Fund - A fund established to record the financial transactions related to the driver's education operation. This fund is financed by user charges. This is a major fund.

Fiduciary Funds:

Fiduciary Funds are never considered to be major funds.

Private-Purpose Trust Funds - Private-Purpose Trust Funds are used to account for trust arrangements under which principal and income benefit individuals, private organizations, or other governments. The District maintains one private-purpose trust fund, which is a scholarship fund established by a donation made to the District for payment of scholarships to District students.

Custodial Funds - Custodial Funds are used to report fiduciary activities that are not required to be reported in pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, investment trust funds, or private-purpose trust funds. The District maintains custodial funds to hold assets as an agent in a trustee capacity for various classes and clubs. Another custodial fund accounts for the monies contributed by employees for health and dependent care expenses.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus is a term to describe "how" transactions are recorded within the various financial statements. Basis of accounting refers to "when" revenues and expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements, regardless of the measurement focus.

Measurement Focus:

Government-wide Financial Statements:

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, both governmental and business-type activities are presented using the economic resources measurement focus, applied on the accrual basis of accounting.

Fund Financial Statements:

In the fund financial statements, the "current financial resources" measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting are applied to governmental funds, while the "economic resources" measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting are applied to the proprietary and fiduciary funds.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Basis of Accounting:

Government-wide Financial Statements:

In the government-wide Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities, governmental and business-type activities are presented using the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues and related assets generally are recorded when earned, and expenses and related liabilities are recorded when an obligation is incurred.

Fund Financial Statements:

All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues, including property taxes, generally are recognized when they become measurable and available. "Available" means resources are collected or to be collected soon enough after the end of the fiscal year that they can be used to pay the bills of the current period. The accrual period does not exceed one bill-paying cycle, and for the District, the length of that cycle is 60 days.

Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, receivables may be measurable but not available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Reported deferred inflows are those where asset recognition criteria have been met, but for which revenue recognition criteria have not been met.

Expenditures generally are recognized when the related fund liability is incurred. Exceptions to this general rule include principal and interest on general long-term debt, which are recognized when due.

All propriety funds and fiduciary funds are accounted for using the accrual basis of accounting. Their revenues are recognized when they are earned, and their expenses are recognized when they are incurred.

Interfund Eliminations and Reclassifications

Government-wide Financial Statements:

In the process of aggregating data for the government-wide financial statements, some amounts reported as interfund activity and balances in the fund financial statements have been eliminated or reclassified, as follows:

1. In order to minimize the grossing-up effect on assets and liabilities within the governmental and business-type activities columns of the primary government, amounts reported as interfund receivables and payables have been eliminated in the governmental and business-type activities columns, except for the net, residual amounts due between governmental and business-type activities, which are presented as Internal Balances, if any.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Capital Assets

Capital assets include land, buildings, machinery and equipment, and all other tangible or intangible assets that are used in operations and have initial useful lives extending beyond a single reporting period.

The accounting treatment over capital assets depends on whether the assets are used in governmental fund operations or proprietary fund operations and whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

Government-wide Financial Statements:

All capital assets are valued at historical cost or estimated historical cost if actual historical cost is not available. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated acquisition value on the date donated.

Depreciation of all exhaustible fixed assets is recorded as an allocated expense in the government-wide Statement of Activities, with net capital assets reflected in the Statement of Net Position. Capitalization thresholds (the dollar values above which asset acquisitions are added to the capital asset accounts) for land, buildings, improvements, and equipment are all set at \$5,000. The depreciation method used for buildings and machinery and equipment is straight-line. Land and construction in process are not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives of capital assets reported in the government-wide statements and proprietary funds are as follows:

Buildings	50-100 years
Equipment	7-30 years

Fund Financial Statements:

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition. Capital assets used in the proprietary fund operations are accounted for on the accrual basis, the same as in the government-wide statements.

Long-Term Liabilities

The accounting treatment of long-term liabilities depends on whether the assets are used in governmental fund operations or proprietary fund operations and whether they are reported in the government-wide or fund financial statements.

All long-term liabilities to be repaid from governmental and business-type resources are reported as liabilities in the government-wide statements. The long-term liabilities consist of compensated absences, general obligation bonds, and related premium (see Note 6).

Funding for compensated absences are expended in the general fund and special education fund.

Long-term liabilities for governmental funds are not reported as liabilities in the fund financial statements. In the fund financial statements, debt proceeds are reported as revenues (other financing sources), while payments of principal and interest are reported as expenditures when they become due. The accounting for the proprietary fund long-term debt is on the accrual basis, the same in the fund statement as it is in the government-wide statements.

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Deferred Inflows and Outflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the Statement of Net Position may report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent consumption of net position that applies to a future period or periods. These items will not be recognized as an outflow of resources until the applicable future period. Deferred outflows of resources consist of pension activity.

In addition to liabilities, the Statement of Net Position reports a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. Deferred inflows of resources represent acquisitions of net position that applies to a future period or periods. These items will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until the applicable future period. Deferred inflows of resources consist of property taxes and pension activity.

Pension

For purposes of measuring the net pension asset, deferred outflows (inflows) of resources related to pensions, and pension revenue, information about the fiduciary net position of the South Dakota Retirement System (SDRS) and additions to/deletions from SDRS's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by SDRS. District contributions and net pension asset are recognized on an accrual basis of accounting.

Program Revenues

In the government-wide Statement of Activities, reported program revenues derive directly from the program itself or from parties other than the District's taxpayers or citizenry, as a whole. Program revenues are classified into three categories, as follows:

1. Charges for services – These arise from charges to customers, applicants, or others who purchase, use, or directly benefit from the goods, services, or privileges provided, or are otherwise directly affected by the services.
2. Program-specific operating grants and contributions – These arise from mandatory and voluntary non-exchange transactions with other governments, organizations, or individuals that are restricted for use in a particular program.
3. Program-specific capital grants and contributions – These arise from mandatory and voluntary non-exchange transactions with other governments, organizations, or individuals that are restricted for the acquisition of capital assets used in a particular program.

Proprietary Funds Revenue and Expense Classifications

In the Proprietary Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position, revenues and expenses are classified in a manner consistent with how they are classified in the Statement of Cash Flows. That is, transactions for which related cash flows are reported as capital and related financing activities, non-capital financing activities, or investing activities are not reported as components of operating revenues or expenses.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Deposits and Investments

The District follows the practice of aggregating the cash assets of various funds to maximize cash management efficiency and returns. Various restrictions on deposits and investments are imposed by statutes.

Deposits – The District's deposits are made in qualified public depositories as defined by SDCL 4-6A-1, 13-16-15, 13-16-15.1, and 13-16-18.1. Qualified depositories are required by SDCL 4-6A-3 to maintain at all times, segregated from their other assets, eligible collateral having a value equal to at least 100 percent of the public deposit accounts that exceed deposit insurance such as the FDIC and NCUA. In lieu of pledging eligible securities, a qualified public depository may furnish irrevocable standby letters of credit issued by federal home loan banks accompanied by written evidence of that bank's public debt rating, which may not be less than "AA" or better, or a qualified public depository may furnish a corporate surety bond of a corporation authorized to do business in South Dakota.

Investments – In general, SDCL 4-5-6 permits school district funds to be invested only in (a) securities of the United States and securities guaranteed by the United States Government either directly or indirectly including, without limitation, United States treasury bills, notes, bonds, and other obligations issued or directly or indirectly guaranteed by the United States government, or otherwise directly or indirectly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government; provided that, for other than permanent, trust, retirement, building, and depreciation reserve funds, such securities shall either mature within eighteen months from the date of purchase or be redeemable at the option of the holder within eighteen months from the date of purchase; or (b) repurchase agreements fully collateralized by securities described in (a) above; or in shares of an open-end, no-load fund administered by an investment company whose investments are in securities described in (a) above and repurchase agreements described in (b) above. Also, SDCL 4-5-9 requires investments to be in the physical custody of the political subdivision or deposited in a safekeeping account with any bank or trust company designated by the political subdivision as its fiscal agent. State law limits eligible investments for the District. The District has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices or limit maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

The District categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets; Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs; Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

As of June 30, 2023, the District's cash and investments consisted only of checking, savings and SDFIT money market. The bank balances at June 30, 2023 are as follows, excluding SDFIT, described below:

	Bank Balance
Insured - FDIC	\$ 1,000,000
Uninsured, collateralized in accordance with SDCL 4-6A-3	21,600,485
Total Deposits	\$ 22,600,485

The South Dakota Public Fund Investment Trust (SDFIT) is an external investment pool created for South Dakota local government investing purposes. It is regulated by a nine member board with representation from municipalities, school districts and counties. The net asset value of the SDFIT money market account (GCR) is kept at one dollar per share by adjusting the rate of return on a daily basis. Earnings are credited to each account on a monthly basis. The balance of SDFIT at June 30, 2023 was **\$1,253,215**. SDFIT is measured as a Level 2 recurring fair value measurement according to the fair value hierarchy.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Deposits and Investments

Assignment of Investment Income:

State law allows income from deposits to be credited to either the General Fund or the fund making the investment. The District's policy is to credit all income from deposits to the fund making the investment.

Interest Rate Risk:

The District does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates.

Credit Risk:

State law limits eligible investments for the District as discussed above. The District has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices.

Custodial Credit Risk:

The risk that, in the event of a depository failure, the District's deposits may not be returned to it. The District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2023, none of the District's deposits were exposed to custodial credit risk.

Concentration Risk:

The District places no limit on the amount that may be invested in any one issuer.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The District pools its cash resources for depositing and investing purposes. The District has access to its cash resources on demand. Accordingly, all reported enterprise fund deposit and investment balances are considered to be cash equivalents for the purpose of the Statement of Cash Flows.

Equity Classifications

Government-wide Statements:

Equity is classified as net position and is displayed in three components:

1. Net investment in capital assets – Consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation (if applicable) and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
2. Restricted net position – Consists of net position with constraints placed on their use either by (a) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws and regulations of other governments; or (b) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
3. Unrestricted net position – All other net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets."

It is the District's policy to first use restricted net position, prior to the use of unrestricted net position, when an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available.

Fund Financial Statements:

Proprietary fund equity is classified the same as in the government-wide financial statements. Fiduciary fund equity is reported as net position held in trust for other purposes, and restricted for individuals, organizations, and other governments.

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(1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Equity Classifications

Governmental fund equity is classified as follows:

Nonspendable – includes fund balance amounts that cannot be spent either because it is not in spendable form or because of legal or contractual constraints.

Restricted – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes which are externally imposed by providers, such as creditors, or amounts constrained due to constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Committed – includes fund balance amounts that are constrained for specific purposes that are internally imposed by the government through formal action of the highest level of decision making authority and does not lapse at year-end. There were no commitments at June 30, 2023.

Assigned – includes fund balance amounts that are intended to be used for specific purposes that are neither considered restricted or committed. Fund balance may be assigned by the School Board, Superintendent, or Business Manager.

Unassigned – includes positive fund balance within the General Fund which has not been classified within the above-mentioned categories and negative fund balances in other governmental funds.

The District uses restricted/committed amounts first when both restricted and unrestricted fund balance is available unless there are legal documents/contracts that prohibit doing this, such as a grant agreement requiring dollar-for-dollar spending. Additionally, the District would first use committed, then assigned, and lastly unassigned amounts of unrestricted fund balance when expenditures are made. The District does not have a formal minimum fund balance policy.

Emerging Accounting Standard

In June 2022, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 101, *Compensated Absences*, which updates the recognition and measurement guidance for compensated absences. Leave that has not been used, is attributable to services already rendered, accumulates, and is more likely than not to be used for time off or otherwise paid in cash or settled through noncash means should generally be recognized at the employee's pay rate as of the financial statement date. The standard also includes guidance for types of leave other than vacation, requires accrual of salary related payments, and changes the disclosure requirements. The statement is effective for the District's year ending June 30, 2025. The District is currently evaluating the impact this statement will have on the financial statements.

Subsequent Events

Subsequent events were evaluated through January 16, 2024, which is the date which the financial statements were available to be issued.

(2) Property Taxes

Property taxes are levied on or before each October 1, attached as an enforceable lien on property, become due and payable as of the following January 1, and are payable in two installments on or before the following April 30 and October 31. The county bills and collects the District's taxes and remits them to the District.

District property tax revenues are recognized to the extent that they are used to finance each year's appropriations. Current year property taxes receivable, which are not available as a resource that can be used to finance the current year's appropriations and therefore are not susceptible to accrual, have been deferred and are not reported as revenue in the fund or government-wide financial statements.

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(3) Due from Other Governments

Amounts due from other governments include grant reimbursements and gross receipts due from the State of South Dakota in the amount of **\$327,147** and gross receipts due from Lawrence County totaling **\$94,519**.

(4) Pension Plan

All employees working more than 20 hours per week during the school year participate in the South Dakota Retirement System (SDRS), a cost sharing, multiple employer hybrid, defined benefit pension plan administered by SDRS, established to provide retirement benefits for employees of the State of South Dakota and its political subdivisions. The SDRS provides retirement, disability and survivors' benefits. The right to receive retirement benefits vests after three years of credited service. Authority for establishing, administering and amending plan provisions are found in South Dakota Codified Law 3-12. The SDRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. That report may be obtained by writing to SDRS, P.O. Box 1098, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-1098 or by calling (605) 773-3731.

Benefits Provided

SDRS has four classes of employees, Class A general members, Class B public safety and judicial members, Class C Cement Plant Retirement Fund members, and Class D Department of Labor and Regulation members.

Members that were hired before July 1, 2017, are Foundation members. Class A Foundation members and Class B Foundation members who retire after age 65 with three years of contributory service are entitled to an unreduced annual retirement benefit. An unreduced annual retirement benefit is also available after age 55 for Class A Foundation members where the sum of age and credited service is equal to or greater than 85 or after age 55 for Class B Foundation judicial members where the sum of age and credited service is equal to or greater than 80. Class B Foundation public safety members can retire with an unreduced annual retirement benefit after age 55 with three years of contributory service. An unreduced annual retirement benefit is also available after age 45 for Class B Foundation public safety members where the sum of age and credited service is equal to or greater than 75. All Foundation retirements that do not meet the above criteria may be payable at a reduced level.

Members that were hired on/after July 1, 2017, are Generational members. Class A Generational members and Class B Generational judicial members who retire after age 67 with three years of contributory service are entitled to an unreduced annual retirement benefit. Class B Generational public safety members can retire with an unreduced annual retirement benefit after age 57 with three years of contributory service. At retirement, married Generational members may elect a single-life benefit, a 60 percent joint and survivor benefit, or a 100 percent joint and survivor benefit. All Generational retirement benefits that do not meet the above criteria may be payable at a reduced level. Generational members will also have a variable retirement account (VRA) established, in which they will receive up to 1.5 percent of compensation funded by part of the employer contribution. VRAs will receive investment earnings based on investment returns.

Legislation enacted in 2017 established the current Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) process. At each valuation date:

- Baseline actuarial accrued liabilities will be calculated assuming the COLA is equal to long-term inflation assumption of 2.25 percent.
- If the fair value of assets is greater or equal to the baseline actuarial accrued liabilities, the COLA will be:
 - The increase in the 3rd quarter CPI-W, no less than 0.5 percent and no greater than 3.5 percent.
- If the fair value of assets is less than the baseline actuarial accrued liabilities, the COLA will be:
 - The increase in the 3rd quarter CPI-W, no less than 0.5 percent and no greater than a restricted maximum such that, if the restricted maximum is assumed for future COLAs, the fair value of assets will be greater or equal to the accrued liabilities.

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(4) Pension Plan

Benefits Provided

Legislation enacted in 2021 reduced the minimum COLA from 0.5 percent to 0.0 percent.

All benefits except those depending on the Member's Accumulated Contributions are annually increased by the COLA.

Contributions

Per SDCL 3-12, contribution requirements of the active employees and the participating employers are established and may be amended by the SDRS Board. Covered employees are required by state statute to contribute the following percentages of their salary to the plan; Class A Members, 6.0 percent of salary; Class B Judicial Members, 9.0 percent of salary; and Class B Public Safety Members, 8.0 percent of salary. State statute also requires the employer to contribute an amount equal to the employee's contribution. The District's share of contributions to the System for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2023, 2022, and 2021 were **\$827,605**, \$819,615, and \$736,664, respectively, equal to the required contributions each year.

Pension Assets/(Liabilities), Pension Revenue, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources to Pensions

At June 30, 2022, SDRS is 100.10 percent funded and accordingly has a net pension asset. The proportionate shares of the components of the net pension liability of South Dakota Retirement System, for the District as of June 30, 2023 are as follows:

	Governmental Activities	Business-Type Activities	Total
Proportionate Share of Net Position Restricted for Pension Benefits	\$ 76,739,257	\$ 71,389	\$ 76,810,646
Less: Proportionate Share of Total Pension Liability	(76,687,917)	(71,341)	(76,759,258)
Proportionate Share of Net Pension Asset	\$ 51,340	\$ 48	\$ 51,388

At June 30, 2023, the District reported an asset of **\$51,388** for its proportionate share of the net pension asset. The net pension asset was measured as of June 30, 2022 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension asset was based on a projection of the District's share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the contributions of all participating entities. At June 30, 2022, the District's proportion was approximately 0.5437510 percent, which is an increase of 0.00792 from its proportion measured at June 30, 2021.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the District recognized pension expense of **\$514,290**. At June 30, 2023, the District reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Difference between Expected and Actual Experience	\$ 978,207	\$ 3,336
Changes in Assumption	3,266,057	2,862,262
Net Difference between Projected and Actual Earnings on Pension Plan Investments	-	123,149
District Contributions Subsequent to the Measurement Date	827,605	-
Total	\$ 5,071,869	\$ 2,988,747

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(4) Pension Plan

Pension Assets/(Liabilities), Pension Revenue, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources to Pensions

Deferred inflow of resources includes **\$827,605** resulting from District contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net position liability in the year ending June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense (revenue), as follows:

2024	\$	337,660
2025		713,651
2026		(813,891)
2027		1,018,097
	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,255,517</u>

Actuarial Assumptions

The total pension asset in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	2.25 percent
Salary Increases	Graded by years of service, from 7.66 percent at entry to 3.15 percent after 25 years of service
Discount Rate	6.50 percent, net of plan investment expense. This is composed of an average inflation rate of 2.50 percent and real returns of 4.00 percent
Future COLAs	2.10 percent

Mortality Rates:

All mortality rates based on Pub-2010 amount-weighted mortality tables, projected generationally with improvement scale MP-2020

Active and Terminated Vested Members:

Teachers, Certified Regents, and Judicial: PubT-2010

Other Class A Members: PubG-2010

Public Safety Members: PubS-2010

Retired Members:

Teachers, Certified Regents, and Judicial Retirees: PubT-2010, 108% of rates above age 65

Other Class A Retirees: PubG-2010, 93% of rates through age 74, increasing by 2% per year until 111% of rates at age 83 and above

Public Safety Retirees: PubS-2010, 102% of rates at all ages

Beneficiaries:

PubG-2010 contingent survivor mortality table

Disabled Members:

Public Safety: PubS-2010 disabled member mortality table

Others: PubG-2010 disabled member mortality table

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2022 valuation were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period of July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2021.

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(4) Pension Plan

Actuarial Assumptions

Investment portfolio management is the statutory responsibility of the South Dakota Investment Council (SDIC), which may utilize the services of external money managers for management of a portion of the portfolio. SDIC is governed by the Prudent Man Rule (i.e., the council should use the same degree of care as a prudent man). Current SDIC investment policies dictate limits on the percentage of assets invested in various types of vehicles (equities, fixed income securities, real estate, cash, private equity, etc.). The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of real rates of return for each major asset class included in the pension plan's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022 (see the discussion of the pension plan's investment policy) are summarized in the following table using geometric means:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Global Equity	58.0%	3.7%
Fixed Income	30.0%	1.1%
Real Estate	10.0%	2.6%
Cash	2.0%	0.4%
	<u>100.0%</u>	

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension asset was 6.50 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that matching employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the member rate. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability (asset).

Sensitivity of Asset to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the District's proportionate share of net pension (asset)/liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.50 percent, as well as what the District's proportionate share of the net pension (asset)/liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage point lower (5.50 percent) or 1-percentage point higher (7.50 percent) than the current rate:

	1% Decrease	Current Discount Rate	1% Increase
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	\$ 10,670,221	\$ (51,388)	\$ (8,813,775)

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued SDRS financial report.

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(5) Changes in Capital Assets

Changes in capital assets used in governmental activities were as follows during the year ended June 30, 2023:

	Balance June 30, 2022	Additions	Transfers/ Retirements	Balance June 30, 2023
Governmental Activities				
<i>Capital Assets, not Depreciated</i>				
Land	\$ 1,645,272	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,645,272
Construction in Process	1,795,971	9,744,952	(846,279)	10,694,644
<i>Capital Assets, Depreciated</i>				
Buildings	38,646,540	738,371	-	39,384,911
Outdoor Equipment	208,243	-	-	208,243
Equipment -- Local Funds	5,291,845	853,828	(578,807)	5,566,866
	47,587,871	11,337,151	(1,425,086)	57,499,936
<i>Less Accumulated Depreciation</i>				
Buildings	9,298,182	514,062	-	9,812,244
Outdoor Equipment	105,266	7,143	-	112,409
Equipment -- Local Funds	2,520,876	279,429	(561,654)	2,238,651
	11,924,324	800,634	(561,654)	12,163,304
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 35,663,547	\$ 10,536,517	\$ (863,432)	\$ 45,336,632

Depreciation expense was charged to functions within governmental activities as follows during the year then ended:

Instruction	\$ 531,963
Support Services	226,158
Co-Curricular Activities	42,513
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 800,634

Changes in capital assets used in business-type activities were as follows during the year ended June 30, 2023:

	Balance June 30, 2022	Additions	Transfers/ Retirements	Balance June 30, 2023
Business -Type Activities				
Machinery and Equipment	\$ 236,706	\$ 42,349	\$ -	\$ 279,055
Less Accumulated Depreciation	211,324	3,157	-	214,481
Business -Type Activities Capital Assets, Net	\$ 25,382	\$ 39,192	\$ -	\$ 64,574

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(6) Long-Term Debt

The compensated absences will be paid from the General and Special Education Funds.

	General Obligation	Premium on Refunding Certificates	Compensated Absences Payable	Total
Governmental Activities				
June 30, 2022 Balance	\$ 16,845,000	\$ 481,760	\$ 89,634	\$ 17,416,394
Borrowings	-	-	-	-
Repayments	(1,200,000)	(29,348)	-	(1,229,348)
Compensated Absences Earned	-	-	67,455	67,455
Compensated Absences Used	-	-	(72,462)	(72,462)
June 30, 2023 Balance	\$ 15,645,000	\$ 452,412	\$ 84,627	\$ 16,182,039
 Due Within One Year	 \$ 1,080,000	 \$ 486,792	 \$ 84,627	 \$ 1,651,419

Long-term liabilities, other than compensated absences, are comprised of the following:

2010 Limited Tax General Obligation Taxable Certificates (Qualified School Construction Bonds - Direct Pay); mature December 2026; semi-annual, interest-only payments with a balloon payment in December 2026; bearing interest at 5.50 percent; paid from the QSCB Redemption Fund. The certificates require sinking fund deposits to generate a total balance of the principal due on maturity (a). The District receives a credit from the Federal Government for 100 percent of the interest paid on the certificates. (b) \$ 1,500,000

2017 Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Certificates; mature December 2027; semi-annual payments; bearing interest at a fixed rate of 2.90 percent; paid from the Capital Outlay Fund. 3,035,000

Unamortized deferred premium on 2017 Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Certificates	26,873
Total 2017 Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Certificates	3,061,873

2022 Limited Tax General Obligation Certificates; matures August 2041; semi-annual payments; bearing interest rate at fixed rate of 2.00 to 4.00 percent; paid from the Capital Outlay Fund, and secured by State Aid revenue. 11,110,000

Unamortized deferred premium on 2022 Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Certificates	425,539
Total 2022 Limited Tax General Obligation Certificates	11,535,539

\$ 16,097,412

(a) The Qualified School Construction Bonds sinking fund balance required at June 30, 2023 was \$1,000,000. The sinking fund balance of **\$1,253,215** is included in restricted cash in the QSCB Redemption Fund.

(b) The credit received from the Federal Government can be reduced at certain times during sequestration.

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(6) Long-Term Debt

The annual requirements to amortize all debt outstanding as of June 30, 2023, excluding compensated absences, are as follows:

<u>Year Ending June 30,</u>	<u>General Obligation</u>		<u>Totals</u>
	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	
2024	\$ 1,080,000	\$ 486,792	\$ 1,566,792
2025	1,120,000	450,187	1,570,187
2026	1,155,000	412,157	1,567,157
2027	2,685,000	331,814	3,016,814
2028	865,000	244,891	1,109,891
2029-2033	2,815,000	956,689	3,771,689
2034-2038	3,135,000	571,451	3,706,451
2039-2043	2,790,000	268,859	3,058,859
	<u>\$ 15,645,000</u>	<u>\$ 3,722,840</u>	<u>\$ 19,367,840</u>

(7) Joint Venture

The District participates in the Black Hills Special Services Cooperative, a cooperative service unit (co-op) formed for the purpose of providing special educational services to the member school districts. During the year ended June 30, 2023, the District paid **\$1,448,948** for services provided by the co-op.

The members of the co-op and their relative percentage participation in the co-op are as follows:

Spearfish School District No. 40-2	8.33%
Lead-Deadwood School District No. 40-1	8.33%
Oelrichs School District No. 23-3	8.33%
Meade School District No. 46-1	8.33%
Rapid City Area School District No. 51-4	8.33%
Belle Fourche School District No. 9-1	8.33%
Custer School District No. 16-1	8.33%
Douglas School District No. 51-1	8.33%
Edgemont School District No. 23-1	8.33%
Haakon School District No. 27-1	8.33%
Hill City School District No. 51-2	8.33%
Hot Springs School District No. 23-2	8.33%

The co-op's governing board is composed of one representative from each member school district, who is a school board member. The board is responsible for adopting the co-op's budget and setting service fees at a level adequate to fund the adopted budget.

The District retains no equity in the net position of the co-op but does have a responsibility to fund deficits of the co-op in proportion to the relative participation described above.

Separate financial statements for this joint venture are available from Black Hills Special Services Cooperative. At June 30, 2023, this joint venture had total fund equity of \$8,603,670 (unaudited) and long-term debt of \$204,840 (unaudited).

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(8) Risk Management

The District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. During the period ended June 30, 2023, the District managed its risks as follows:

Property/Liability Insurance:

The District purchased property/liability insurance through Employers Mutual Casualty Company (EMC) for risks related to theft, litigation, damage to property, and errors and omissions of public officials. Settled claims for the year ended June 30, 2023 resulting from these risks did not exceed the coverage during the previous two fiscal years.

Workmen's Compensation:

The District participates, with several other educational units and related organizations in South Dakota, in the Associated School Boards of South Dakota (ASBSD) Worker's Compensation Fund Pool (the Fund), which provides workers' compensation insurance coverage for participating members of the pool. The objective of the Fund is to formulate, develop, and administer, on behalf of the member organizations, a program of worker's compensation coverage, to obtain lower costs for the coverage, and to develop a comprehensive loss control program. The District's responsibility is to initiate and maintain a safety program to give its employees safe and sanitary working conditions and to promptly report to and cooperate with the Fund to resolve any worker's compensation claims. The District pays an annual premium, to provide worker's compensation coverage for its employees, under a retrospectively rated policy. The District's premiums are accrued based on the ultimate cost of the experience to date of the Fund members.

The District is responsible for payment of a premium to the insurance pool along with other pool participants. The District may also be responsible for additional assessments in the event the pool is determined by its board of trustees to have inadequate reserves to satisfy current obligations or judgments. Additional assessments, if any, are to be determined on a prorated basis based upon each participant's percentage of contribution in relation to the total contributions to the pool of all participants for the year in which the shortfall occurs. The pool provides loss coverage to all participants through pool retained risk retention and through insurance coverage purchased by the pool in excess of the retained risk. The pool pays the first \$500,000 of any claim per individual. The pool has reinsurance which covers up to \$1,000,000 per individual per incident. The District does not carry additional insurance to cover claims in excess of the upper limit.

Health Insurance:

The District joined the South Dakota School District Health Benefits Fund. This is a public entity risk pool currently operating as a common risk management and insurance program for South Dakota local government entities. The District pays a monthly premium to the pool to provide health insurance coverage for its employees. The pool purchases reinsurance coverage with the premiums it receives from the members. The coverage also includes a \$1,000,000 lifetime maximum payment per person.

The District does not carry additional health insurance coverage to pay claims in excess of this upper limit. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded the liability coverage during the past three years.

Unemployment Benefits:

The District provides coverage for unemployment benefits by paying into the Unemployment Compensation Fund established by state law and managed by the State of South Dakota.

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(9) Individual Fund Interfund Transactions

During the fiscal year, the following amounts were transferred between funds:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Transfer Out</u>	<u>Transfer In</u>
Capital Outlay Fund	\$ 213,836	\$ -
QSCB Redemption Fund	-	213,836
Total Transfers	\$ 213,836	\$ 213,836

Transfers during the current year pertained to a transfer of capital outlay funds to QSCB to make the QSCB debt payments.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS (UNAUDITED)

GENERAL FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual - Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES				
<i>Revenue from Local Sources:</i>				
Taxes:				
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 6,903,165	\$ 6,903,165	\$ 8,049,213	\$ 1,146,048
Prior Years' Ad Valorem Taxes	1,100	1,100	12,917	11,817
Gross Receipts Taxes	145,000	145,000	150,337	5,337
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	10,500	10,500	9,664	(836)
Earnings on Interest-Bearing Accounts:				
Interest Earned	750	750	242,388	241,638
Tuition and Fees	-	-	2,625	2,625
Co-Curricular Activities:				
Admissions	42,000	42,000	41,725	(275)
Pupil Organization Memberships	11,500	11,500	11,065	(435)
Other Local Revenue:				
Rentals	500	500	2,650	2,150
Charges for Services - Medicaid	7,100	7,100	7,169	69
Other	270,741	270,741	389,355	118,614
<i>Revenue from Intermediate Sources:</i>				
County Sources:				
County Apportionment	330,000	330,000	372,821	42,821
<i>Revenue from State Sources:</i>				
Grants-in-Aid:				
Unrestricted Grants-in-Aid	9,060,838	9,060,838	8,336,368	(724,470)
<i>Revenue from Federal Sources:</i>				
Grants-in-Aid:				
Unrestricted Grants-in-Aid Received from Federal Government Through State	-	-	29,126	29,126
Restricted Grants-in-Aid Received from Federal Government Through State	2,213,911	2,213,911	1,267,224	(946,687)
Total Revenues	18,997,105	18,997,105	18,924,647	(72,458)

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BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS (UNAUDITED)

GENERAL FUND

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual - Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
EXPENDITURES				
<i>Instruction:</i>				
Regular Programs:				
Elementary	4,114,994	4,114,994	4,502,455	(387,461)
Middle/Junior High School	2,396,334	2,396,334	2,493,966	(97,632)
Title IV	80,624	80,624	-	80,624
Title II Part A	136,796	136,796	-	136,796
CRF	60,000	60,000	-	60,000
ESSER II	801,403	801,403	-	801,403
ESSER III	636,438	636,438	-	636,438
Online Learning	45,000	45,000	-	45,000
Class Size Reduction	396,234	396,234	482,394	(86,160)
Residential Placement	2,000	2,000	-	2,000
High School	2,934,644	2,934,644	3,043,456	(108,812)
Special Programs:				
Culturally Different	60,515	60,515	51,754	8,761
Educationally Deprived	387,918	387,918	457,900	(69,982)
Title I	55,000	55,000	-	55,000
Perkins	28,000	28,000	-	28,000
<i>Support Services:</i>				
Pupils:				
Attendance and Social Work	-	-	62,069	(62,069)
Guidance	583,859	583,859	593,495	(9,636)
Health Services	151,035	151,035	174,362	(23,327)
Instructional Staff:				
Improvement of Instruction	-	-	8,271	(8,271)
Educational Media	601,255	601,255	550,446	50,809
General Administration:				
Board of Education	75,997	75,997	163,192	(87,195)
Executive Administration	281,052	281,052	303,559	(22,507)
School Administration:				
Office of the Principal	1,403,426	1,403,426	1,327,449	75,977
Other	770	770	-	770
Business:				
Legal Fees	4,000	4,000	-	4,000
Audit Fees	35,000	35,000	-	35,000
Fiscal Services	352,761	352,761	346,259	6,502
Vehicle Expenses	48,000	48,000	-	48,000
Security Services	96,500	96,500	-	96,500
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	2,066,007	2,066,007	2,284,632	(218,625)
Pupil Transportation	332,207	332,207	348,945	(16,738)
Unemployment	5,000	5,000	-	5,000
Central:				
Direction of Central Support Services	23,970	23,970	21,001	2,969
<i>Community Services:</i>				
Other	-	-	27,529	(27,529)

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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS (UNAUDITED)
GENERAL FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual - Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<i>Non-programmed Charges:</i>				
Accumulated Leave Payout	28,000	28,000	27,542	458
Teacher Mentor Program	34,995	34,995	-	34,995
<i>Co-Curricular Activities:</i>				
Male Activities	243,932	243,932	358,599	(114,667)
Female Activities	217,558	217,558	408,825	(191,267)
Combined Activities	310,119	310,119	305,836	4,283
State Events	20,000	20,000	-	20,000
Formerly T&A accounts	110,741	110,741	-	110,741
Total Expenditures	19,162,084	19,162,084	18,343,936	818,148
Net Change in Fund Balance	(164,979)	(164,979)	580,711	745,690
Fund Balance -- June 30, 2022	6,090,453	6,090,453	6,090,453	-
Fund Balance -- June 30, 2023	\$ 5,925,474	\$ 5,925,474	\$ 6,671,164	\$ 745,690

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this statement.

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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS (UNAUDITED)
CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual - Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES				
<i>Revenue from Local Sources:</i>				
Taxes:				
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 5,013,971	\$ 5,013,971	\$ 5,073,076	\$ 59,105
Prior Years' Ad Valorem Taxes	1,800	1,800	7,276	5,476
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	5,850	5,850	5,603	(247)
Tax Deed	-	-	231	231
Earnings on Interest-Bearing Accounts:				
Interest Earned	7,300	7,300	390,212	382,912
Other Local Revenue:				
Other	500	500	-	(500)
Other State Revenue	-	-	2,046	2,046
Other Federal Revenue	75,000	75,000	2,047,720	1,972,720
Total Revenues	5,104,421	5,104,421	7,526,164	2,421,743
EXPENDITURES				
<i>Instruction:</i>				
Regular Programs:				
Elementary	138,000	138,000	105,515	32,485
Middle/Junior High School	71,000	71,000	71,083	(83)
High School	94,000	94,000	76,788	17,212
Special Programs:				
Programs for Special Education	16,000	16,000	18,919	(2,919)
<i>Support Services:</i>				
Instructional Staff:				
Improvement of Instruction	310,000	310,000	355,956	(45,956)
Educational Media	308,000	308,000	469,806	(161,806)
Business:				
Fiscal Services	-	-	177,741	(177,741)
Facilities Acquisition and Construction	14,664,000	14,664,000	10,430,236	4,233,764
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	132,000	132,000	114,336	17,664
Contract Bussing	57,900	57,900	-	57,900
Capital Project:				
Professional Services	500,000	500,000	-	500,000
Equipment	75,000	75,000	-	75,000
<i>Debt Service:</i>				
Principal	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	-
Interest	263,329	263,329	413,514	(150,185)
Fees	1,500	1,500	1,100	400

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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS (UNAUDITED)
CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual - Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
<i>Co-Curricular Activities:</i>				
Combined Activities	109,250	109,250	198,477	(89,227)
Total Expenditures	17,939,979	17,939,979	13,633,471	4,306,508
Excess of Revenue Over Expenditures	(12,835,558)	(12,835,558)	(6,107,307)	6,728,251
Other Financing Uses				
Transfers Out	(2,092,159)	(2,092,159)	(213,836)	1,878,323
Debt Proceeds - General Obligation Certificates	-	-	-	-
Premium on Bonds Issued	-	-	-	-
Total Other Financing Uses	(2,092,159)	(2,092,159)	(213,836)	1,878,323
Net Change in Fund Balance	(14,927,717)	(14,927,717)	(6,321,143)	8,606,574
Fund Balance -- June 30, 2022	17,045,977	17,045,977	17,045,977	-
Fund Balance -- June 30, 2023	\$ 2,118,260	\$ 2,118,260	\$ 10,724,834	\$ 8,606,574

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this statement.

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**BUDGETARY COMPARISON SCHEDULE - BUDGETARY BASIS (UNAUDITED)
SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Original Budget	Final Budget	Actual - Budgetary Basis	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)
REVENUES				
<i>Revenue from Local Sources:</i>				
Taxes:				
Ad Valorem Taxes	\$ 2,775,516	\$ 2,775,516	\$ 3,010,293	\$ 234,777
Prior Years' Ad Valorem Taxes	1,950	1,950	3,939	1,989
Penalties and Interest on Taxes	2,900	2,900	3,252	352
Earnings on Interest-Bearing Accounts:				
Interest Earned	5	5	1,107	1,102
Other Local Revenue:				
Medicaid Direct	13,000	13,000	-	(13,000)
Charges for Services - Medicaid	1,300	1,300	18,430	17,130
Other	-	-	40	40
<i>Revenue from State Sources:</i>				
Grants-in-Aid:				
Restricted Grants-in-Aid	628,164	628,164	625,368	(2,796)
<i>Revenue from Federal Sources:</i>				
Grants-in-Aid:				
Restricted Grants-in-Aid Received from Federal Government Through State	657,835	657,835	448,820	(209,015)
Total Revenues	4,080,670	4,080,670	4,111,249	30,579
EXPENDITURES				
<i>Instruction:</i>				
Special Programs:				
Programs for Special Education	3,128,460	3,128,460	2,904,357	224,103
<i>Support Services:</i>				
Pupils:				
Psychological	136,101	136,101	137,333	(1,232)
Speech Pathology	409,966	409,966	420,898	(10,932)
Student Therapy Services	190,730	190,730	199,692	(8,962)
Special Education:				
Administrative Costs	177,092	177,092	150,392	26,700
Transportation Costs	31,000	31,000	50,355	(19,355)
Other Special Education Costs	14,000	14,000	15,465	(1,465)
Total Expenditures	4,087,349	4,087,349	3,878,492	208,857
Net Change in Fund Balance	(6,679)	(6,679)	232,757	239,436
Fund Balance -- June 30, 2022	1,069,490	1,069,490	1,069,490	-
Fund Balance -- June 30, 2023	\$ 1,062,811	\$ 1,062,811	\$ 1,302,247	\$ 239,436

The accompanying notes to required supplementary information are an integral part of this statement.

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**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS (UNAUDITED)
JUNE 30, 2023**

	2023	2022	2021	2020
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 827,605	\$ 819,615	\$ 736,664	\$ 711,026
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	827,605	819,615	736,664	711,026
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 13,576,412	\$ 12,984,708	\$ 12,159,728	\$ 11,697,175
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	6.1%	6.3%	6.1%	6.1%
	2019	2018	2017	2016
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 696,151	\$ 673,630	\$ 650,161	\$ 576,318
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	696,151	673,630	650,161	576,318
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 11,415,395	\$ 11,038,663	\$ 10,527,816	\$ 9,503,551
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	6.1%	6.1%	6.2%	6.1%
	2015			
Contractually Required Contribution	\$ 569,027			
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	569,027			
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	<u>\$ -</u>			
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 9,497,361			
Contributions as a Percentage of Covered-Employee Payroll	6.0%			

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**SCHEDULE OF THE DISTRICT'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET
PENSION (ASSET)/LIABILITY (UNAUDITED)
JUNE 30, 2023**

	2023	2022	2021	2020
District's Proportion of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	0.5437510%	0.5358310%	0.5329746%	0.5367341%
District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	\$ (51,388)	\$ (4,103,548)	\$ (23,147)	\$ (56,879)
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 12,984,708	\$ 12,159,728	\$ 11,697,175	\$ 11,415,395
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability as a Percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll	-0.40%	-33.75%	-0.20%	-0.50%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension (Asset)/Liability	100%	106%	100%	100%
	2019	2018	2017	2016
District's Proportion of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	0.5310185%	0.5180577%	0.4998431%	0.5194554%
District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	\$ (12,385)	\$ (47,014)	\$ 1,688,422	\$ (2,203,159)
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 11,038,663	\$ 10,527,816	\$ 9,503,551	\$ 9,497,361
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability as a Percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll	-0.11%	-0.45%	17.77%	-23.20%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension (Asset)/Liability	100%	100%	97%	104%
	2015			
District's Proportion of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	0.5177378%			
District's Proportionate Share of Net Pension (Asset)/Liability	\$ (3,730,089)			
District's Covered-Employee Payroll	\$ 9,053,816			
District's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension (Asset)/Liability as a Percentage of its Covered-Employee Payroll	-41.20%			
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension (Asset)/Liability	107%			

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NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION JUNE 30, 2023

(1) Basis of Presentation

The Budgetary Comparison Schedules have been prepared on the budgetary basis of accounting. They present expenditures for capital outlay purposes within each function while the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances presents capital outlay expenditures as a separate function.

(2) Budgetary Legal Requirements

South Dakota Codified Law prescribes the budgetary procedures followed by the District as follows:

1. Prior to the first regular board meeting in May of each year, the School Board prepares a proposed budget for the next fiscal year according to the budgetary standards prescribed by the Auditor General.
2. The proposed budget is considered by the School Board at the first regular meeting held in the month of May of each year.
3. The proposed budget is published for public review no later than July 15 each year.
4. Public hearings are held to solicit taxpayer input prior to the approval of the budget.
5. Before October 1 of each year, the School Board must approve the budget for the ensuing fiscal year for each fund, except trust and custodial funds.
6. After adoption by the School Board, the operating budget is legally binding at the fund level and actual expenditures of each fund cannot exceed the amounts budgeted for that fund, except as indicated in number 8.
7. A line item for contingencies may be included in the annual budget. Such a line item may not exceed five percent of the total District budget and may be transferred by resolution of the School Board to any other budget category, except for capital outlay, which is deemed insufficient during the year.
8. If it is determined during the year that sufficient amounts have not been budgeted, state statute allows the adoption of supplemental budgets when monies are available to increase legal spending authority.
9. Unexpended appropriations lapse at year-end unless encumbered by resolution of the School Board. The District does not employ encumbrance accounting as an extension of formal budgetary integration.
10. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the general fund, special revenue funds, debt service funds, capital projects funds, food service fund, and driver's education fund. Generally accepted accounting principles prescribe that budgetary information be presented for the general fund and major special revenue funds of the District only.

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NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION JUNE 30, 2023

(3) Schedule of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability (Asset) and Schedule of Pension Contributions

Changes from Prior Valuation

The June 30, 2022, Actuarial Valuation reflects numerous changes to the actuarial assumptions as a result of an experience analysis completed since the June 30, 2021, Actuarial Valuation. In addition, two changes in actuarial methods have been implemented since the prior valuation.

The details of the changes since the last valuation are as follows:

Benefit Provision Change

During the 2022 Legislative Session no significant SDRS benefit changes were made and gaming enforcement agents became Class B Public Safety Members.

Actuarial Assumption Changes

As a result of an experience analysis covering the period from July 1, 2016, to June 30, 2021, and presented to the SDRS Board of Trustees in April and June 2022, significant changes to the actuarial assumptions were recommended by the SDRS Senior Actuary and adopted by the Board of Trustees first effective for this June 30, 2022, actuarial valuation.

The changes to economic assumptions included increasing the price inflation to 2.50% and increasing the wage inflation to 3.15%. The current assumed investment return assumption of 6.50% was retained, lowering the assumed real investment return to 4.00%. The baseline COLA assumption of 2.25% was also retained. Salary increase assumptions were modified to reflect the increase in assumed wage inflation and recent experience. The assumed interest on accumulated contributions was decreased to 2.25%.

The demographic assumptions were also reviewed and revised. The mortality assumption was changed to the Pub-2010 amount-weighted tables using separate tables for teachers, general, and public safety retirees, with assumptions for retirees adjusted based on credible experience. The mortality assumption for active and terminated vested members was changed to the unadjusted amount-weighted Pub-2010 tables, again by member classification and the assumption for beneficiaries was changed to the amount-weighted Pub-2010 general contingent survivor table. Adjustments based on experience were also made to the assumptions regarding retirement, termination, disability, age of spouses for married Foundation members, percentage of terminated vested members electing a refund, and benefit commencement age for terminated vested Public Safety members with 15 or more years of service.

The SDRS COLA equals the percentage increase in the most recent third calendar quarter CPI-W over the prior year, no less than 0% (0.5% prior to 2021) and no greater than 3.5%. However, if the FVFR assuming the long-term COLA is equal to the baseline COLA assumption (currently 2.25%) is less than 100%, the maximum COLA payable will be limited to the increase that if assumed on a long-term basis, results in a FVFR equal to or exceeding 100%.

As of June 30, 2021, the FVFR assuming the long-term COLA is equal to the baseline COLA assumption (2.25%) was greater than 100% and the full 0% to 3.5% COLA range was payable. For the June 30, 2021, Actuarial Valuation, future COLAs were assumed to equal the baseline COLA assumption of 2.25%.

As of June 30, 2022, the FVFR assuming future COLAs equal to the baseline COLA assumption of 2.25% is less than 100% and the July 2023 SDRS COLA is limited to a restricted maximum of 2.10%. The July 2023 SDRS COLA will equal inflation, between 0% and 2.10%. For this June 30, 2022, Actuarial Valuation, future COLAs were assumed to equal the restricted maximum COLA of 2.10%.

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**NOTES TO REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
JUNE 30, 2023**

Actuarial Assumption Changes

Actuarial assumptions are reviewed for reasonability annually and reviewed in depth periodically, with the next experience analysis anticipated before the June 30, 2027, Actuarial Valuation and any recommended 7 changes approved by the Board of Trustees are anticipated to be first implemented in the June 30, 2027, Actuarial Valuation.

Actuarial Method Changes

Actuarial method changes with minor impact were implemented for this valuation after recommendation by Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting as part of their reviews of prior valuations. As a result, liabilities and normal costs for refund benefits and the Generational Variable Retirement Account are now calculated using the entry age normal cost method with normal costs based on the expected value of these accounts rather than the actual balance.

SINGLE AUDIT SECTION

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2023**

	Assistance Listing Numbers	Grant Identifying Number	Amount
<i>U.S. Department of Agriculture:</i>			
Pass-Through the S.D. Department of Education:			
Child Nutrition Cluster:			
Non-Cash Assistance (Commodities):			
National School Lunch Program (Note 4)	10.555	FNS-GD-2021-0038	\$ 79,503
Cash Assistance (Note 3):			
National School Lunch Program	10.555	FNS-GD-2021-0038	301,936
National School Breakfast Program	10.553	FNS-GD-2021-0038	42,476
Total Child Nutrition Cluster			423,915
Pass-Through Lawrence County:			
(National Forest -- SDCL 41-16-14)	10.665	N/A	29,109
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture			453,024
<i>U.S. Department of the Interior:</i>			
Pass-Through the S.D. Department of Education:			
National Mineral Leasing (Note 3)	15.227	N/A	17
<i>U.S. Department of Education:</i>			
Pass-Through the S.D. Department of Education:			
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010	N/A	453,053
Vocational Education Perkins Grant	84.048	N/A	7,336
Special Education Cluster:			
Special Education -- IDEA 611 Part B	84.027	N/A	433,564
Special Education -- IDEA Preschool 619	84.173	N/A	15,256
Total Special Education Cluster			448,820
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants (Title II Part A)	84.367	N/A	142,791
Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program (Title IV)	84.424	N/A	34,535
Title I 1003 School Improvement	84.324	N/A	3,314
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund I - COVID-19	84.425D	S425D200050	23,384
Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II - COVID-19	84.425D	S425D210050	583,084
American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund III - COVID-19	84.425U	S425U210050	2,014,826
Total U.S. Department of Education			3,711,143
Total			\$ 4,164,184

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**SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS
JUNE 30, 2023**

Note 1 – Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) includes the federal award activity of the District under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2023. The information in this Schedule is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Because the Schedule presents only a selected portion of the operations of the District, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of the District.

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement.

Note 2 – Indirect Cost Rate

The District has not elected to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance.

Note 3 – Cash Reimbursement

These amounts reflect cash received. Federal reimbursements are based on approved rates for services provided rather than reimbursement for specific expenditures.

Note 4 – Non-Monetary Assistance

These amounts include non-monetary assistance which is reported at fair market value of the commodities received and disbursed.



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

School Board
Spearfish School District No. 40-2
Spearfish, South Dakota

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Spearfish School District No. 40-2 (the District) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated January 16, 2024.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings as #2023-001 and #2023-002 that we consider to be material weaknesses.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

School Board
Spearfish School District No. 40-2

District's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the District's response to the findings identified in our audit and described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. The District's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. As required by South Dakota Codified Law 4-11-11, this report is a matter of public record, and its distribution is not limited.



KETEL THORSTENSON, LLP
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January 16, 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR
EACH MAJOR PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER
COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

School Board
Spearfish School District No. 40-2
Spearfish, South Dakota

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Spearfish School District No. 40-2's (the District) compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the OMB *Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the District's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023. The District's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

In our opinion, the District complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Basis for Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the District and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the District's federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the District's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists. The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material, if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually, or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the District's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the District's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- Obtain an understanding of the District's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

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

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance may exist that were not identified.

Our audit was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

School Board
Spearfish School District No. 40-2

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. As required by South Dakota Codified Law 4-11-11, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Ketel Thorstenson, LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

KETEL THORSTENSON, LLP
Certified Public Accountants

January 16, 2024

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2023

A. Summary of Audit Results

1. The Independent Auditor's Report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of Spearfish School District No. 40-2 (the District).
2. Material weaknesses were disclosed during the audit of the financial statements as reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance With *Government Auditing Standards*.
3. No instances of noncompliance material to the District's financial statements were disclosed during the audit.
4. No material weaknesses were disclosed during the audit of the major federal award program and none are reported in the Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program and on Internal Control over Compliance Required by the Uniform Guidance.
5. The auditor's report on compliance for the major federal award programs for the District expresses unmodified opinions on the major program, as listed in #7.
6. There are no audit findings relative to the major federal award programs for the District.
7. The programs tested as a major program include the following:

Major Programs

ALN's

U.S. Department of Education:

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund

84.425D/84.425U

8. The threshold for distinguishing type A and B programs was \$750,000.
9. The District was not determined to be a low-risk auditee.

B. FINDINGS – FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

Material Weaknesses

#2023-001 FINDING: Financial Statement Preparation

Federal Program Affected: None

Compliance Requirement: Not Applicable

Questioned Costs: None

Condition and Cause: As in prior years, we were requested to draft the audited financial statements and related footnote disclosures as part of our regular audit services. Ultimately, it is management's responsibility to provide for the preparation of the District's statements and the footnotes, and the responsibility of the auditor to determine the fairness of presentation of those statements. From a practical standpoint, we do both for the District at the same time in connection with our audit. This is not unusual for us to do with districts of your size.

Criteria and Effect: This deficiency could result in a material misstatement to the financial statements that could have been prevented or detected by the District's management.

Repeat Finding from Prior Year: Yes, prior year finding #2022-001.

SPEARFISH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40-2

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2023

B. FINDINGS – FINANCIAL STATEMENT AUDIT

Material Weaknesses

#2023-001 FINDING: Financial Statement Preparation

Recommendation: We have instructed management to review a draft of the auditor prepared financials in detail for their accuracy, we have answered any questions they might have, and have encouraged research of any accounting guidance in connection with the adequacy and appropriateness of classification and disclosure in the District's statements. We are satisfied that the appropriate steps have been taken to provide the District with complete financial statements. It is the responsibility of management and those charged with governance to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations.

Response/Corrective Action Plan: Management is in agreement with the finding. See Corrective Action Plan.

#2023-002 FINDING: Audit Adjustments

Federal Program Affected: None

Compliance Requirement: Not Applicable

Questioned Costs: None

Condition and Cause: As in prior years, during the course of our engagement we proposed material audit adjustments. We also assisted in recording the current year effects of GASB 68 *Accounting and Reporting for Pensions*. Furthermore, other entries were proposed as part of the audit, but were not recorded due to the overall insignificance on the financial statements.

Criteria and Effect: District management is responsible for year-end account balances. These adjustments were not identified as a result of the District's existing internal controls and could have resulted in a material misstatement of the District's financial statements.

Repeat Finding from Prior Year: Yes, prior year finding #2022-002.

Recommendation: We recommend the following:

- Driver's Education fund balance should be rolled forward from the prior year financial statements.
- Management should continue to review and approve the pension entries.
- Record amortization of bond premium.
- Adjust grant revenue for proper cut off at year end based on timing of expenditures.
- Record construction in progress.
- Record retainage payable.

Response/Corrective Action Plan: Management is in agreement with the finding. See Corrective Action Plan.

C. FINDINGS – COMPLIANCE AUDIT

No findings related to the major program.

MANAGEMENT RESPONSE

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SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS JUNE 30, 2023

Spearfish School District No. 40-2 (the District) respectfully submits the following summary schedule of prior audit findings from the June 30, 2022 Schedule of Findings. The findings are numbered consistently with the numbers assigned in the 2022 Schedule of Findings.

#2022-001: Financial Statement Preparation

Status: It is more cost effective for the District to hire Ketel Thorstenson, LLP, a public accounting firm, to prepare the full disclosure financial statements as a part of the annual audit process. The District has designated a member of management to review the draft financial statements and accompanying notes to the financial statements.

Initial Year Report: Originally issued years ago.

Reasons for Recurrence and Corrective Action Plan: As the District has accepted, the risk associated with the auditor's preparing of the financial statements, it will be repeated in 2023. See Corrective Action Plan.

#2022-002: Audit Adjustments

Status: The District made efforts to record all year-end entries, but several audit adjustments were made.

Initial Year Report: Originally issued years ago.

Reasons for Recurrence and Corrective Action Plan: The finding is altered based on specific audit adjustments each year and is repeated in the Schedule of Findings. See Corrective Action Plan.

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CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN JUNE 30, 2023

Spearfish School District No. 40-2 (the District) respectfully submits the following corrective action plan from the June 30, 2023 Schedule of Findings. The findings are numbered consistently with the numbers assigned in the Schedule of Findings.

#2023-001: Financial Statement Preparation

Responsible Individuals: Craig Crosswait, Business Manager

Corrective Action Plan: The District has accepted the risk associated with requesting the auditors to prepare the financial statements and continues to plan for the auditors to prepare the reports.

Anticipated Completion Date: Ongoing

#2023-002: Audit Adjustments

Responsible Individuals: Craig Crosswait, Business Manager

Corrective Action Plan: The District has accepted the risk of the auditors preparing a small number of adjusting entries. The District will continue the ongoing process of attempting to record all year end entries.

Anticipated Completion Date: Ongoing