State of Illinois WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 FINANCIAL AUDIT (In Accordance with the Uniform Guidance) For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Performed as Special Assistant Auditors For the Auditor General, State of Illinois

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OFFICIALS

Regional Superintendent (current and during the audit period)

Assistant Regional Superintendent (current and during the audit period)

Dr. Shawn T. Walsh

Mr. Frank Perucca

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COMPLIANCE REPORT SUMMARY

The compliance audit testing performed in this audit was conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and in accordance with the Illinois State Auditing Act.

AUDITORS' REPORTS

The auditors' reports on compliance and on internal controls do not contain scope limitations, disclaimers, or other significant nonstandard language.

SUMMARY OF AUDIT FINDINGS

Number of	This Audit	Prior Audit
Audit findings	1	2
Repeated audit findings	1	2
Prior recommendations implemented		
or not repeated	1	2

Details of audit findings are presented in a separate report section.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Item No.	Page	Description	Finding Type
	FINDINGS	5 (GOVERNMENT AUDITING STA	ANDARDS)
2017-001	13	Controls over Financial Statement Preparation	Material Weakness

FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS (FEDERAL COMPLIANCE)

None

COMPLIANCE REPORT SUMMARY (Concluded)

PRIOR FINDINGS NOT REPEATED (GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS)

2016-002 17 Controls over Financial Accounting System

PRIOR FINDINGS NOT REPEATED (FEDERAL COMPLIANCE)

None

EXIT CONFERENCE

The Will County Regional Office of Education No. 56 opted not to have a formal exit conference during the financial audit for the year ended June 30, 2017. Throughout the audit, numerous meetings were held between auditors and Regional Office officials to discuss matters contained in this audit report. Responses to the recommendations were provided by Shawn Walsh, Regional Superintendent, on July 31, 2018.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT REPORT SUMMARY

The audit of the accompanying basic financial statements of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 was performed by McGreal & Company, PC.

Based on their audit, the auditors expressed an unmodified opinion on the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's basic financial statements.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Honorable Frank J. Mautino Auditor General State of Illinois

Report on the Financial Statements

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, 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 the Will County Regional Office of Education #56, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinions

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 Will County Regional Office of Education #56, as of June 30, 2017, 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.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Schedule of Changes in the Net Pension Liability, & Related Ratios, Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Schedule of Employer Contributions, Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois Schedule of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability, Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois Schedule of Employer Contributions, and Other Post-Employment Benefits - Health Insurance Plan for Retired Employees Schedule of Funding Progress on pages 19 through 24 and 70 through 73 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's basic financial statements. The combining schedules of accounts, the budgetary comparison schedules, the combining fund financial statements, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administration Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance) are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining schedules of accounts, the budgetary comparison schedules, the combining fund financial statements, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by the Uniform Guidance are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such 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 combining

schedules of accounts, the budgetary comparison schedules, the combining fund financial statements, and the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards, as required by the Uniform Guidance are fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 16, 2018 on our consideration of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Will County Regional Office of Education #56'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 Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal control office of Education #56's internal control office of Education #56's internal control over financial reporting over financial report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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Oak Lawn, Illinois October 16, 2018



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' 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*

Honorable Frank J. Mautino Auditor General State of Illinois

As Special Assistant Auditors for the Auditor General, 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 Will County Regional Office of Education #56, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Will County Regional Office of Education #56's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 16, 2018.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in the 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 and Questioned Costs as item 2017-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Will County Regional Office of Education #56's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Regional Office of Education #56's Responses to Findings

Will County Regional Office of Education #56's response to the finding identified in our audit is described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. Will County Regional Office of Education #56's response was not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the 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 Will County Regional Office of Education #56'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 Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Oak Lawn, Illinois October 16, 2018



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

Honorable Frank J. Mautino Auditor General State of Illinois

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited Will County Regional Office of Education #56's compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of Regional Office of Education #56's major federal programs for the year ended June 30, 2017. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditor's results section of the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. 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). Those standards and the Uniform Guidance require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's compliance.

Opinion on Each Major Federal Program

In our opinion, the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 complied, in all material respects, with the types of 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, 2017.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Management of Will County Regional Office of Education #56 is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program 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 internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's 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 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 in *internal control over compliance* is a deficiency 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 in *internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance 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 first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

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.

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Oak Lawn, Illinois October 16, 2018

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION I – SUMMARY OF AUDITORS' RESULTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Financial Statements in accordance with GAAP

Type of auditors' report issued:		Unmodified
Internal control over financial rep	porting:	
• Material weaknesses identifie	ed?	Yes
• Significant deficiencies identi	fied?	None reported
Noncompliance material to finance	cial statements noted?	No
Federal Awards		
Internal control over major federa	al programs:	
• Material weakness(es) identif	ied?	No
• Significant deficiency(ies) ide	entified?	No
Type of auditors' report issued or federal programs:	n compliance for major	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	are required to be reported in accorda	ance No
Identification of major federal pro	ograms:	
CFDA Number(s)	Name of Federal Program or (Cluster

CFDA Number(s)	Name of Federal Program or Cluster
84.196A	McKinney Education for Homeless Children
84.367A	Title II – Teacher Quality – Leadership Grant

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between Type A and Type B programs: \$750,000

Auditee qualified as a low-risk auditee?

No

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Finding No. 2017-001 – Controls Over Financial Statement Preparation (Repeated from Finding No. 16-001, 15-001, 14-001, 13-001, 12-01, 11-01 and 10-01)

CRITERIA / SPECIFIC REQUIREMENT:

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 is required to maintain a system of controls over the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The Will County Regional Office of Education #56's internal controls over GAAP financial reporting should include adequately trained personnel with the knowledge, skills, and experience to prepare GAAP based financial statements and include all disclosures as required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements - Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments* (Statement), requires governments to present government-wide and fund financial statements as well as a summary reconciliation of the (a) total governmental funds balances to the net position of governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position, and (b) total change in governmental fund balances to the change in the net position of governmental activities. In addition, the Statement requires information about the government's major and nonmajor funds in the aggregate, to be provided in the fund financial statements.

GASB Statements No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27 and No. 71, Pension Transition for Contributions Made Subsequent to the Measurement Date—an amendment of GASB Statement No. 68, require governments to record and present net accrued pension liabilities/assets, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expenses. These standards further prescribe the methods and assumptions that are to be used to project benefit payments, discount projected benefit payments to their actuarial present value, and attribute that present value to periods of service.

CONDITION:

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 does not have sufficient internal controls over the financial reporting process. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 maintains its accounting records on the cash basis of accounting during the fiscal year and posts year-end accrual entries for financial statement purposes. While the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 maintains controls over the processing of most accounting transactions, there are not sufficient controls over the preparation of GAAP based financial statements for management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions to prevent or detect financial statement misstatements and disclosure omissions in a timely manner.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION II – FINANCIAL STATEMENT FINDINGS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

Finding No. 2017-001 – Controls Over Financial Statement Preparation (Repeated from Finding No. 16-001, 15-001, 14-001, 13-001, 12-01, 11-01 and 10-01) (Continued)

CONDITION (Continued):

During review of the financial information prepared by the Will County Regional Office of Education #56, auditors noted the Regional Office's financial information required material adjusting entries in order to present its financial statements in accordance with GAAP. In addition, the Regional Office did not have adequate controls to record and report the Regional Office's net accrued pension liabilities/assets, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expenses in accordance with GAAP. Proposed adjusting entries were approved and accepted by Regional Office management.

EFFECT:

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56's management or its employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, may not prevent or detect financial statement misstatements and disclosure omissions in a timely manner.

CAUSE:

According to Regional Office officials, they did not have adequate funding to hire and/or train their accounting personnel in order to comply with these requirements. Also, the complex requirements of GASB Statements No. 68 and 71 require additional time and training before the ROE can fully implement the requirements on its own.

AUDITOR'S RECOMMENDATION:

As part of its internal control over the preparation of financial statements, the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 should implement comprehensive preparation procedures to ensure that the financial statements are complete and accurate. These procedures should be performed by a properly trained individual(s) possessing a thorough understanding of applicable GAAP, GASB pronouncements, and knowledge of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's activities and operations.

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSE:

The Will County Regional Office of Education has contracted with an independent auditing firm to prepare and ensure that the GAAP financial statements are complete and accurate. The auditing firm possesses a thorough understanding of applicable GAAP, GASB pronouncements, and knowledge of the Will County Regional Office of Education's activities and operations.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS SECTION III – FEDERAL AWARD FINDINGS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

None

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR CURRENT-YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Finding No. 2017-001 - Controls Over Financial Statement Preparation (Repeated from Finding No. 2016-001, 15-001, 14-001, 13-001, 12-01, 11-01, and 10-01)

CONDITION:

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 does not have sufficient internal controls over the financial reporting process. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 maintains its accounting records on the cash basis of accounting during the fiscal year and posts year-end accrual entries for financial statement purposes. While the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 maintains controls over the processing of most accounting transactions, there are not sufficient controls over the preparation of GAAP based financial statements for management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions to prevent or detect financial statement misstatements and disclosure omissions in a timely manner.

During review of the financial information prepared by the Will County Regional Office of Education #56, auditors noted the Regional Office's financial information required material adjusting entries in order to present its financial statements in accordance with GAAP. In addition, the Regional Office did not have adequate controls to record and report the Regional Office's net accrued pension liabilities/assets, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension expenses in accordance with GAAP. Proposed adjusting entries were approved and accepted by Regional Office management.

PLAN:

The Will County Regional Office of Education has contracted with an independent auditing firm to prepare and ensure that the GAAP financial statements are complete and accurate. The auditing firm possesses a thorough understanding of applicable GAAP, GASB pronouncements, and knowledge of the Will County Regional Office of Education's activities and operations.

ANTICIPATED DATE OF COMPLETION:

October 31, 2018

CONTACT PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR CORRECTIVE ACTION:

Dr. Shawn Walsh, Regional Superintendent

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR AUDIT FINDINGS NOT REPEATED FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Finding <u>No.</u>	Condition	<u>Current Status</u>
2016-002	Controls over Financial Accounting System	Not repeated
	During the current audit, the Regional Office of Education #56 implemented a new fund accounting system which allows the ROE to account for their accounting activity in accordance with the Regional Office of Education Accounting Manual.	

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANAYLSIS

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 (ROE #56) provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the year ended June 30, 2017, with comparative information for the year ended June 30, 2016. Readers are encouraged to consider the information in conjunction with the ROE #56's financial statements that follow.

2017 Financial Highlights

- The General Fund revenues decreased by \$210,784 (11%) from \$1,945,539 in FY 2016 to \$1,734,755 in FY 2017. Revenue decreased mainly due to a decrease in General State Aid State funding. The General Fund expenditures decreased by \$44,412 (2%) from \$1,986,041 in FY 2016 to \$1,941,629 in FY 2017. The decrease in expenditures was primarily related to a decrease in on-behalf payments.
- The Special Revenue Fund revenues decreased by \$243,643 (10%) from \$2,433,823 in FY 2016 to \$2,190,180 in FY 2017. Revenue decreased mainly because of the delayed payments from ISBE for several of the grants. The Special Revenue Fund expenditures decreased by \$9,442 (.4%) from \$2,236,893 in FY 2016 to \$2,227,451 in FY 2017. Significant decreases from FY16 to FY17 were noted in Title I and McKinney Education for Homeless Children; whereas increases were noted in ROE/ ISC Operations and Grundy/ Kendall County ROE/ISC Operations expenditures from FY16 to FY17.
- The Enterprise Fund revenues decreased by \$81,699 (11%) from \$711,142 in FY 2016 to \$629,443 in FY 2017. Revenue decreased due to a decrease in Local PDA fund revenues. The Enterprise Fund expenditures increased by \$56,827 (8%) from \$713,306 in FY 2016 to \$770,133 in FY 2017. The fluctuation relates primarily to an increase in expenses in the Local PDA fund.

Using This Report

This report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

- *Management's Discussion and Analysis* introduces financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the ROE #56's financial activities.
- The *Government-wide financial statements* consist of a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. These provide information about the activities of the ROE #56 as a whole and present an overall view of the Office's finances.
- *Fund financial statements* report the ROE #56's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the most significant funds.
- *Notes to the financial statements* provide additional information that is needed for a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.
- *Required supplementary information* further explains and supports the financial statements and supplementary information provides detailed information about the nonmajor funds.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Reporting the Will County Regional Office as a Whole

It is important to note that many grants are a cooperative effort of the ROE #56 and the Grundy/Kendall Regional Office of Education #24. Therefore, these figures may reflect grants that are intended to serve Will County only and grants that serve Will, Grundy, and Kendall Counties.

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities

Government-wide Financial Statements

The Government-wide financial statements report information about the ROE #56 as a whole. The Statement of Net Position includes all of the assets and liabilities. All of the current year revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities regardless of when cash is received or paid using generally accepted accounting principles and GASB 34.

The Government-wide financial statements report the Office's net position and how they have changed. Net Position—the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources—is one way to measure the Office's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the net position can be an indicator of whether financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the Regional Office's overall health, additional non-financial factors, such as new laws, rules, regulations, and actions by officials at the State level need to be considered.

Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide detailed information about the ROE #56's funds. Funds are accounting devices that allow the tracking of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs. Some funds are required by State law. The ROE #56 established other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes.

The Office has three kinds of funds:

(1) <u>Governmental funds</u> account for those funds through which most governmental functions of the Office are financed. These focus on how cash and other financial assets that can be readily converted to cash flow in and out and the balances left at the year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the Office's programs. The required governmental funds financial statements include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

- (2) <u>Proprietary funds</u> account for resources from fees charged directly to those entities or individuals that use its services. Proprietary fund statements provide both long-term and short-term financial information consistent with the focus provided by government-wide financial statements. The required proprietary funds financial statements include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Fund Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows.
- (3) <u>Fiduciary funds</u> are used to account for assets held by the ROE #56 in a trust capacity or as an agent for individuals and private or governmental organizations. These funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. The required fiduciary funds financial statements include a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

As noted earlier, net position may serve when examined over time as one indicator of the financial position of the ROE #56. The net position at the end of FY 2017 and FY 2016 totaled \$5,242,797 and \$5,448,421, respectively. The analysis that follows provides a summary of the ROE #56's net position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016.

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

	CON	DENS	SED STATEN	IENT	OF NET PO	SITIC	N					
	Governmen	tal Ac	tivities		Business-Type Activities				Total			
	 2017	2016			2017		2016	2017			2016	
Current assets Noncurrent assets	\$ 4,513,866	\$	4,806,157	\$	825,772	\$	675,275	\$	5,339,638	\$	5,481,432	
Total assets	 4,513,866		4,806,157		825,772		675,275		5,339,638		5,481,432	
Deferred outflows of resources	 93,703		126,107		102,317		125,508		196,020		251,615	
Current liabilities	79,048		130,503		42,890		-		121,938		130,503	
Noncurrent liabilities	106,895		96,890		44,434		36,240		151,329		133,130	
Total liabilities	 185,943		227,393		87,324		36,240	_	273,267		263,633	
Deferred inflows of resources	 13,378		15,996		6,216		4,997		19,594		20,993	
Net position:												
Restricted - other	1,020,737		964,699		-		-		1,020,737		964,699	
Unrestricted	3,387,511		3,724,176		834,549		759,546		4,222,060		4,483,722	
Total net position	\$ 4,408,248	\$	4,688,875	\$	834,549	\$	759,546	\$	5,242,797	\$	5,448,421	

The ROE #56's net position decreased by 205,624 (4%) from FY 2016. The decrease was a result of delayed funding in the Title I – School Improvement and Accountability, Regional Safe Schools and Truants Alternative / Optional Education grants.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

CHANGES IN NET POSITION

The following analysis shows the changes in net position for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

		CH	ANGES IN N	ET P	OSITION							
	 Governmental Activities				Business-Type Activities				Total			
	 2017		2016		2017		2016		2017		2016	
Revenues:												
Program revenues:												
Operating grants												
and contributions	\$ 2,184,064	\$	2,244,071	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,184,064	\$	2,244,071	
General revenues:											-	
Local sources	260,036		277,566		-		-		260,036		277,566	
State sources	738,255		845,044		-		-		738,255		845,044	
On-behalf payments - local	654,164		700,706		-		-		654,164		700,706	
On-behalf payments - state	764,647		596,696		-		-		764,647		596,696	
Fees for services	-		-		629,443		711,142		629,443		711,142	
Interest	3,461		1,045		14		4		3,475		1,049	
Total revenues	 4,604,627		4,665,128		629,457		711,146	_	5,234,084		5,376,274	
Expenses:												
Program expenses:												
Salaries and benefits	1,616,311		1,490,789		337,996		408,389		1,954,307		1,899,178	
Purchased services	1,014,599		1,028,223		359,114		264,243		1,373,713		1,292,466	
Supplies and materials	86,812		87,168		27,395		16,306		114,207		103,474	
Other objects	-		28,372		1,912		3,807		1,912		32,179	
Capital outlay	590		-		-		-		590		-	
Payments to other												
governments	486,072		581,871		-		-		486,072		581,871	
Pension expense	49,705		63,805		39,900		20,561		89,605		84,366	
Administrative expenses:												
On-behalf payments - local	654,164		700,706		-		-		654,164		700,706	
On-behalf payments - state	 764,647		596,696		-		-		764,647	_	596,696	
Total expenses	 4,672,900		4,577,630		766,317		713,306		5,439,217		5,290,936	
Other financing sources (uses):												
Operating transfers	 (204,567)		(333,083)		204,567		333,083		-		-	
Changes in net position	(272,840)		(245,585)		67,707		330,923		(205,133)		85,338	
Net position, beginning												
(Restated, see note 14)	 4,681,088		4,934,460		766,842		428,623		5,447,930		5,363,083	
Net position, ending	\$ 4,408,248	\$	4,688,875	\$	834,549	\$	759,546	\$	5,242,797	\$	5,448,421	

Governmental Activities

Revenues for governmental activities were 4,604,627 and expenditures were 4,672,900. The decrease in revenues was due to delayed funding in the Title I – School Improvement and Accountability, Regional Safe Schools and Truants Alternative / Optional Education grants an increase in State on-behalf payments. The increase in expenditures was due to an increase in State on-behalf payments and the hiring of an additional staff member during the current fiscal year.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Business-Type Activities

Revenues for business-type activities were \$629,457 and expenses were \$770,133. The decrease in revenues is due a decrease in Local PDA fund revenue and the increase expenditures was due to an increase in purchased services expenditures.

Financial Analysis of the ROE #56 Funds

As previously noted, the ROE #56 uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The ROE's Governmental Funds reported combined fund balances amounting to \$4,172,556.

Governmental Fund Highlights

- Federal funding of Regional Offices of Education has continued to decrease compared to the previous year.
- County support for the ROE #56 decreased from the previous year's total funding level.

Proprietary Fund Highlights

Total proprietary fund net position increased by \$63,891.

Budgetary Highlights

The ROE #56 annually adopts budgets for several funds. The Professional Development Alliance (PDA) Budget is prepared by the Executive Director of the PDA and approved by a joint Governing Board representing Will, Grundy, & Kendall Counties. The Regional Safe Schools Budget is approved by a similar board. The Regional Superintendent annually prepares an Office Operations Budget and submits it to the County Board for their approval. The Office Operations Budget covers a fiscal year which runs from December 1 to November 30. All grant budgets are prepared by the Regional Office of Education #56 and submitted to the granting agency for approval. Amendments must be submitted under guidelines established by the granting agency.

MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Capital Assets

ROE #56's capital assets include office equipment, computers, audio-visual equipment, and building improvements. The ROE #56 maintains an inventory of capital assets which have been accumulated over time. For FY 2017, there were no additions of capital assets. Depreciation expense for both FY 2017 and FY 2016 was \$-0-.

See Note 11 on page 64 for more information regarding capital assets.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 was aware of several existing circumstances that could affect its financial condition in the future:

- County board support for ROE #56 is expected to maintain level funding from the FY 2017 funding level.
- Federal funding has decreased significantly from FY 2017.
- State funding increased during FY 2018 due to a \$139,000 supplemental alternative schools grant that was received.

Contacting the Regional Office's Financial Management

This financial report is designed to provide the ROE #56's citizens, taxpayers, clients, and other constituents with a general overview of its finances and to demonstrate the accountability for the money it receives. If the reader has questions concerning this report or needs additional financial information, please contact the Regional Superintendent of Schools, Will County Regional Office of Education #56, 702 West Maple Street, New Lenox, Illinois 60451.

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2017

	Primary Government								
	Governmental			iness-Type					
	Activities			ctivities		Total			
ASSETS									
Current Assets:									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	3,912,616	\$	495,799	\$	4,408,415			
Accounts receivable		6,221		50,346		56,567			
Due (to) from other funds		(279,627)		279,627		-			
Due from other governments		851,175		-		851,175			
Prepaid expenses		23,481		-		23,481			
Total Current Assets		4,513,866		825,772	5,339,638				
TOTAL ASSETS		4,513,866		825,772		5,339,638			
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES Deferred outflows related to pensions		93,703	102,317			196,020			
LIABILITIES									
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Current Liabilities:									
Accounts payable		36,518		42,890		79,408			
Accrued payroll		42,530		-		42,530			
Total Current Liabilities	1	79,048		42,890		121,938			
Noncurrent Liabilities									
Net pension liability		106,895		44,434		151,329			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		185,943		87,324		273,267			
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES									
Deferred inflows related to pensions		13,378		6,216		19,594			
r		- ,		- 7		- ,			
NET POSITION									
Restricted - other		1,020,737		-		1,020,737			
Unrestricted		3,387,511		834,549		4,222,060			
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	4,408,248	\$	834,549	\$	5,242,797			

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

		Program Revenues					Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position					
			Operating			Primary Government						
			Charges for		Grants and	Governmental	Bı	usiness-Type				
FUNCTIONS/PROGRAMS	Expenses		Services	C	ontributions	Activities		Activities		Total		
Primary Government: Governmental Activities: Instructional Services												
Salaries and benefits	\$ 1,616,3	1 \$	-	\$	1,187,016	\$ (429,295)	\$	-	\$	(429,295)		
Purchased services	1,014,59	19	-		447,259	(567,340)		-		(567,340)		
Supplies and materials	86,8	2	-		13,422	(73,390)		-		(73,390)		
Capital outlay	5	0	-		590	-		-		-		
Payments to other governments	486,0	2	-		486,072	-		-		-		
Pension expense Administrative:	49,70)5	-		49,705	-		-		-		
On-behalf payments - Local	654,10	4	-		-	(654,164)		-		(654,164)		
On-behalf payments - State	764,64	.7	-		-	(764,647)		-		(764,647)		
Total Governmental Activities	4,672,9	0	-		2,184,064	(2,488,836)		-		(2,488,836)		
Business-Type Activities:												
Fees for services	726,4		629,443		-	-		(96,974)		(96,974)		
Pension expense	39,9		-		-	-		(39,900)		(39,900)		
Total Business-Type Activities	766,3	7	629,443		-	-	·	(136,874)		(136,874)		
TOTAL PRIMARY GOVERNMENT	\$ 5,439,2	7 \$	629,443	\$	2,184,064	(2,488,836)		(136,874)		(2,625,710)		
	GENERAL REV	'ENUES	:									
	Local source	8				260,036		-		260,036		
	State sources					738,255		-		738,255		
	On-behalf pa					654,164		-		654,164		
	On-behalf pa	-	State			764,647		-		764,647		
	Transfer in (out)				(204,567)		204,567		-		
	Interest					3,461		14		3,475		
			Total General R	levenu	ies	2,215,996		204,581		2,420,577		
	CHANGE IN N	ET POSI	TION			(272,840)		67,707		(205,133)		
	NET POSITION (Restated, Se					4,681,088		766,842		5,447,930		
	NET POSITION						¢		\$			
	NET POSITION	- ENDI	NU			\$ 4,408,248	\$	034,349	Ф	5,242,797		

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

		General Fund		Institute Fund	E	ducation Fund	De	ofessional evelopment Alliance	N	on-Major Funds	El	iminations	Go	Total overnmental Funds
ASSETS Cash and cash equivalents	\$	2,877,535	\$	802,078	\$		\$		\$	233,003	\$		¢	3,912,616
Accounts receivable	Э	2,877,555 90	Ф	802,078	Э	-	Ф	-	Э	255,005 6,131	Ф	-	\$	5,912,616 6,221
Due from other funds		601,842		-		-		-		0,151		(601,842)		-
Due from other governments		-		_		520,522		330,653		-		(001,012)		851,175
Prepaid expenses		23,481		-		-		-		-		-		23,481
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	3,502,948	\$	802,078	\$	520,522	\$	330,653	\$	239,134	\$	(601,842)	\$	4,793,493
LIABILITIES														
Accounts payable	\$	7,547	\$	18,365	\$	-	\$	8,496	\$	2,110	\$	-	\$	36,518
Accrued payroll		-		-		-		42,530		-		-		42,530
Due to other funds		81,320		-		520,522		279,627		-		(601,842)		279,627
Total Liabilities		88,867		18,365		520,522		330,653		2,110		(601,842)		358,675
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES														
Unavailable revenue		-		-		262,262		-		-		-		262,262
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)														
Nonspendable		23,481		-		-		-		-		-		23,481
Restricted		_		783,713		-		-		237,024		-		1,020,737
Unassigned		3,390,600		-		(262,262)		-		-		-		3,128,338
Total Fund Balances (Deficit)	_	3,414,081		783,713		(262,262)		-		237,024		-		4,172,556
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS														
OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	3,502,948	\$	802,078	\$	520,522	\$	330,653	\$	239,134	\$	(601,842)	\$	4,793,493

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

TOTAL FUND BALANCE — GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS			\$ 4,172,556
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:			
Some revenues will not be collected for several months after the Regional Office fiscal year ends; they are not considered "available" revenues and are deferred in the governmental funds.			262,262
Pension related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources are not due and payable in the current year and, therefore are not reported in the governmental funds as follows: Deferred outflows of resources	\$	93,703	
Deferred inflows of resources	φ	(13,378)	80,325
Long-term liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds			
IMRF net pension liability			(35,340)
TRS net pension liability			 (71,555)
NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES			\$ 4,408,248

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	General Fund	Institute Fund	Education Fund	Professional Development Alliance	Non-Major Funds	Eliminations	Total Governmental Funds
REVENUES							
Local sources	\$ 20,404	\$ 203,888	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,744	\$ -	\$ 260,036
On-behalf payments - Local	654,164	-	-	-	-	-	654,164
State sources	767,356	-	262,266	499,346	2,903	-	1,531,871
On-behalf payments - State	292,831	-	-	-	-	-	292,831
Federal sources		-	520,453	665,580			1,186,033
Total Revenues	1,734,755	203,888	782,719	1,164,926	38,647		3,924,935
EXPENDITURES							
Instructional Services:							
Salaries and benefits	429,295	-	607,363	579,653	-	-	1,616,311
Pension expense	-	-	3,324	14,377	-	-	17,701
Purchased services	500,067	50,567	66,331	380,928	16,706	-	1,014,599
Supplies and materials	65,272	7,820	5,736	7,686	298	-	86,812
Payments to other governments	-	-	346,100	139,972	-	-	486,072
On-behalf payments	946,995	-	-	-	-	-	946,995
Capital Outlay		_	590				590
Total Expenditures	1,941,629	58,387	1,029,444	1,122,616	17,004		4,169,080
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES							
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	(206,874)	145,501	(246,725)	42,310	21,643		(244,145)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):							
Transfers in	2,002,161	204,205	-	-	-	(2,092,161)	114,205
Transfers out	(2,092,161)	(318,772)	-	-	-	2,092,161	(318,772)
Interest	-	3,461	-	-	-	-	3,461
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(90,000)	(111,106)			-		(201,106)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)	(296,874)	34,395	(246,725)	42,310	21,643	-	(445,251)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING (DEFICIT)	3,710,955	749,318	(15,537)	(42,310)	215,381		4,617,807
FUND BALANCE - ENDING (DEFICIT)	\$ 3,414,081	\$ 783,713	\$ (262,262)	\$-	\$ 237,024	\$-	\$ 4,172,556

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE — GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS		\$ (445,251)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Some revenues will not be collected for several months after the Regional Office fiscal year ends; they are therefore not considered "available" revenues and are deferred in the governmental funds.		
Current year unavailable revenue	262,262	
Prior year unavailable revenue	 (57,847)	 204,415
Governmental funds report pension contributions as expenditures.		
However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of pension benefits		
earned net of employee contributions is reported as pension expense.		
Pension contributions	\$ 17,701	
Cost of benefits earned, net	 (49,705)	 (32,004)
CHANGE IN NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES		\$ (272,840)

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 STATEMENT OF NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

		Business Typ Enterpris			
				lonmajor) Criminal	
		Local		ackground	
	I	PDA Funds	Inv	vestigation	 Total
ASSETS					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	356,247	\$	139,552	\$ 495,799
Accounts receivable		44,078		6,268	50,346
Due from other funds		279,627		-	 279,627
Total current assets		679,952		145,820	 825,772
TOTAL ASSETS		679,952		145,820	 825,772
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Deferred outflows related to pensions		102,317		-	 102,317
LIABILITIES					
Accounts payable		36,450		6,440	42,890
Unearned revenue		-		-	 -
Total current liabilities		36,450		6,440	 42,890
Noncurrent liabilities:					
Net pension liabilities		44,434		-	 44,434
TOTAL LIABILITIES		80,884		6,440	 87,324
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES					
Deferred inflows related to pensions		6,216		-	 6,216
NET POSITION					
Restricted - other		-		-	-
Unrestricted		695,169		139,380	 834,549
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$	695,169	\$	139,380	\$ 834,549
WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Enterprise Local PDA Funds			onmajor) Criminal ckground estigation		Total
OPERATING REVENUES						
Fees for services	\$	534,041	\$	95,402	\$	629,443
Total Operating Revenues	ψ	534,041	Ψ	95,402	Ψ	629,443
OPERATING EXPENSES						
Salaries and benefits		337,996		-		337,996
Pension expense		39,900		-		39,900
Purchased services		271,916		87,198		359,114
Supplies and materials		27,072		323		27,395
Other objects		1,912		-		1,912
Total Operating Expenses		678,796		87,521		766,317
Operating Income (Loss)		(144,755)		7,881		(136,874)
NONOPERATING REVENUE						
Transfer In		204,567		-		204,567
Interest		14		-		14
Total Nonoperating Revenue		204,581		-		204,581
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		59,826		7,881		67,707
TOTAL NET POSITION - BEGINNING						
(Restated, See Note 14)		635,343		131,499		766,842
TOTAL NET POSITION - ENDING	\$	695,169	\$	139,380	\$	834,549

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

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS PROPRIETARY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Business Type Activities - Enterprise Funds					
	Local PDA Funds		(Nonmajor) Criminal Background ds Investigation			Total
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:	¢	(21 720	¢	00.124	¢	710.064
Receipts from customers Payments to suppliers and providers of goods	\$	621,730	\$	89,134	\$	710,864
and services		(264,450)		(81,081)		(345,531)
Payments to employees		(337,996)		-		(337,996)
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities		19,284		8,053		27,337
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Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:						
Cash transfers from other funds		204,567		-		204,567
Payments for interfund borrowing, net		(151,072)		-		(151,072)
Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities		53,495		-	·	53,495
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:						
Interest earned		14		_		14
Net Cash Provided by Investing Activities		14		_		14
					·	
Net Increase in Cash		72,793		8,053		80,846
Cash and cash equivalents - Beginning		283,454		131,499		414,953
Cash and cash equivalents - Ending	\$	356,247	\$	139,552	\$	495,799
Reconciliation of Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities:						
Operating Income (Loss)	\$	(144,755)	\$	7,881	\$	(136,874)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income (Loss) to Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities:						
Pension reconciliation		39,900		-		39,900
(Increase) decrease in accounts receivable		87,689		(6,268)		81,421
Increase in accounts payable		36,450		6,440		42,890
Net Cash Provided by (Used for) Operating Activities	\$	19,284	\$	8,053	\$	27,337

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 was created by Illinois Public Act 76-735, as amended effective August 8, 1995, to develop and maintain education service for the school districts in Will County. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 services 176 public schools and 46 private schools in the 30 districts within the county.

In 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 implemented Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 74, Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans; GASB Statement No. 77, Tax Abatements Disclosures; GASB Statement No. 78, Pensions Provided Through Certain Multiple-Employer Defined Pension Plans; GASB Statement No. 80, Blending Requirements for Certain Components Units – An Amendment of GASB Statement No. 14 and GASB Statement No. 82, Pension Issues – An Amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68, and No. 73. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 74 establishes standards for the financial reports of defined benefit OPEB plans administered through trusts that meet specified criteria. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 77 requires governments to disclose information about their own tax abatements separately from information about tax abatements that are entered into by other governments and reduce the reporting government's tax revenues. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 78 amends the scope and applicability of Statement 68 to exclude pensions provided to employees of state or local government employers through cost-sharing multiple-employer defined pension plans and establishes requirements for recognition and measurement of pension expense, expenditures, liabilities, note disclosures, and required supplementary information for pensions. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 80 provides clarity on how certain component units incorporated as not-for-profit corporations should be presented in the financial statements of the primary state or local government. The implementation of GASB Statement No. 82 clarifies the presentation of payroll-related measures in required supplementary information, the selection of assumptions and the treatment of deviations from the guidance in the Actuarial Standard of Practice for financial reporting purposes, and the classification of payments made by employers to satisfy employee or plan member contribution requirements.

A. DATE OF MANAGEMENT'S REVIEW

Regional Office of Education #56 has evaluated subsequent events through October 16, 2018, the date when the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

B. FINANCIAL REPORTING ENTITY

The Regional Superintendent is charged with responsibility for township fund lands; registration of the names of applicants for scholarships to State controlled universities; examinations and related duties; visitation of public schools; direction of teachers and school officers; to serve as the official advisor and assistant of school officers and teachers; to conduct teacher institutes as well as to aid and encourage the formation of other teacher meetings and assist in their management; evaluate the schools in the region; examine evidence of indebtedness; file and keep the returns of elections required to be returned to the Regional Superintendent's office; and file and keep the reports and statements returned by school treasurers and trustees.

The Regional Superintendent is also charged with the responsibilities of conducting a special census, when required; providing notice of money distributed to treasurers, board presidents, clerks, and secretaries of the school districts on or before each September 30; maintenance of a map and numbering of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's districts; providing township treasurers with a list of district treasurers; to inspect and approve building plans which comply with State law; to perform and report on annual building inspections; investigate bus drivers for valid bus driver permits and take related action as may be required; to maintain a list of unfilled teaching positions and to carry out other related duties required or permitted by law.

The Regional Superintendent is responsible for inspection and approval or rejection of school treasurers' bonds. The Regional Superintendent is also required to provide the State Board of Education with an affidavit showing that the treasurers of school districts under his control are properly bonded.

The Regional Superintendent is also responsible for apportionment and payment of funds received from the State for the districts in the Will County Regional Office of Education #56, or see that no payments are made unless the treasurer has filed or renewed appropriate bond and that the district has certified publication of the annual financial report. The Regional Superintendent is required to provide opinions and advice related to controversies under school law.

For the period ended June 30, 2017, the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 applied for, received, and administered numerous State and federal programs and grants in assistance and support of the educational activities of the school districts in Will County Regional Office of Education #56. Such activities are reported as a single special revenue fund (Education Fund).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

C. SCOPE OF THE REPORTING ENTITY

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 reporting entity includes all related organizations for which they exercise oversight responsibility.

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 has developed criteria to determine whether outside agencies with activities which benefit the citizens of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56, including districts or joint agreements which serve pupils from numerous regions, should be included in its financial reporting entity. The criteria include, but are not limited to, whether the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 exercises oversight responsibility (which includes financial interdependency, selection of governing authority, designation of management, ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters), scope of public service, and special financing relationships.

Effective August 7, 1995, the Regional Office of Education #56 entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Grundy/Kendall Regional Office of Education #24 to establish the ROE Professional Development Alliance (PDA), the purpose of which is to provide professional development services to the local school districts of Will, Grundy, and Kendall Counties. The governing board consists of the Regional Superintendents of the Regional Offices of Education #s 56 and 24. The Regional Office of Education #56 was designated as the administrative agent and has reported the activity of this agreement in their financial statements.

Other districts and joint agreements have been determined not to be a part of the reporting entity after applying the manifesting of oversight, scope of public service, and special financing relationships criteria and are therefore excluded from the accompanying financial statements because the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 does not control their assets, operations, or management. In addition, the Regional Office of Education #56 is not aware of any entity which would exercise such oversight as to result in the Regional Office of Education #56 being considered a component unit of the entity.

D. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities are government-wide financial statements. They report information on all of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's activities with most of the interfund activities removed. Governmental activities include programs supported primarily by State and federal grants and other intergovernmental revenues. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 has two business-type activities; Local PDA Funds and the Criminal Background Investigation. The Local PDA Fund accounts for the revenues and expenditures associated with workshops put on by the Regional Office. The Criminal Background Investigation accounts for the assessments received from the school districts to pay for the processing of fingerprinting the substitute teachers and expenditures incurred providing this service to the school districts.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

D. GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONCLUDED)

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56's government-wide financial statements include a Statement of Net Position and a Statement of Activities. These statements present summaries of governmental and business-type activities for the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 accompanied by a total column. These statements are presented on an "economic resources" measurement as prescribed by GASB Statement No. 34. All of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's assets and liabilities, including capital assets, are included in the accompanying Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges for services, and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting operational or capital requirements of a particular function.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds and proprietary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Certain eliminations have been made as prescribed by GASB Statement No. 34 in regards to interfund activities, such as, payables, receivables and transfers. Interfund activities between governmental funds and proprietary funds appear as due to/due from on the governmental fund Balance Sheet and proprietary fund Statement of Net Position and as other resources and other uses on the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances and on the proprietary fund Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position. All interfund transactions between governmental funds are eliminated on the government-wide financial statements. Interfund activities between governmental funds and business-type funds remain as due to/due from on the government-wide financial statements.

All internal balances in the Statement of Net Position have been eliminated except those representing balances between the governmental activities and the business-type activities.

The purpose of interfund borrowing and permanent transfers is to cover temporary or permanent short falls in cash flow within grant programs and funds.

E. PROPRIETARY FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Proprietary fund financial statements include a Statement of Net Position, a Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position, and a Statement of Cash Flows for each major proprietary fund and nonmajor funds aggregated.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

E. PROPRIETARY FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONCLUDED)

Proprietary funds are accounted for using the "economic resources" measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Accordingly, all assets and liabilities (whether current or noncurrent) are included on the Statement of Net Position. The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Fund Net Position present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in total net position. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized in the period in which they are earned while expenses are recognized in the period in which the liability is incurred.

Operating revenues in the proprietary funds are those revenues that are generated from the primary operations of the fund. All other revenues are reported as non-operating revenues. Operating expenses are those expenses that are essential to the primary operations of the fund. All other expenses are reported as non-operating expenses.

F. GOVERNMENTAL FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Governmental fund financial statements include a Balance Sheet and a Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances for all major governmental funds and nonmajor funds aggregated. An accompanying schedule is presented to reconcile and explain the differences in fund balances and changes in fund balances as presented in these statements and the net position and changes in net position presented in the government-wide financial statements.

The governmental fund financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles on the modified accrual basis. Under modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual, i.e., both measurable and available. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Revenues received more than 60 days after the end of the current period are deferred inflows of resources in the governmental fund financial statements but are recognized as current revenues in the government-wide financial statements. Expenditures are recognized in the accounting period in which the fund liability is incurred, if measurable, except expenditures for prepaid expenses and other long-term obligations, which are recognized when paid.

Revenue received after the Regional Office's availability period are reported as deferred inflows of resources in the fund statements and are reported as current revenue in the Statement of Activities.

G. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the grantor have been met.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

G. MEASUREMENT FOCUS AND BASIS OF ACCOUNTING (CONCLUDED)

The governmental funds financial statements focus on the measurement of spending or "financial flow" and the determination of changes in financial position, rather than upon net income determination. This means that only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on their balance sheets. Their reported fund balance (net current assets) is considered a measure of "available spendable resources." Governmental fund operating statements present increases (revenues and other financing sources) and decreases (expenditures and other financing uses) in net current assets. Accordingly, they are said to present a summary of sources and uses of "available spendable resources" during a period.

In applying the susceptible to accrual concept to intergovernmental revenues, the legal and contractual requirements of the numerous individual programs are used as guidance. There are however, essentially two types of these revenues. In one, monies must be expended on the specific purpose or project before any amounts will be paid to the Will County Regional Office of Education #56; therefore, revenues are recognized based upon the expenditures recorded. In the other, monies are virtually unrestricted as to purpose of expenditure and are usually recoverable only for failure to comply with prescribed compliance requirements. These resources are reflected as revenues at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met.

Under the terms of grant agreements, Will County Regional Office of Education #56 funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted funding resources available to finance the program. It is Regional Office of Education #56's policy to first apply restricted funds to such programs, and then unrestricted funds. For unrestricted funds, committed funds are used first, then assigned funds, then unassigned funds if any.

H. FUND ACCOUNTING

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 uses funds to maintain its financial records during the year. A fund is defined as a fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 uses governmental and proprietary funds.

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Governmental funds are those through which most governmental functions typically are reported. Governmental funds reporting focuses on the sources, uses and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purpose for which they may or must be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between governmental fund assets and liabilities is reported as a fund balance.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

H. FUND ACCOUNTING (CONTINUED)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

As prescribed by GASB Statement No. 34, governmental fund reporting focuses on the major funds, rather than on the fund type. There is a two-step process for determining if a fund should be reported as a major fund: 1) total assets, (including deferred outflows), liabilities, (including deferred inflows), revenues, or expenditures/expenses (excluding extraordinary items) of an individual fund are at least 10% of the corresponding total for the fund type, and 2) total assets, (including deferred outflows), liabilities, (including deferred inflows), revenues, or expenditures/expenses (excluding extraordinary items) of an individual fund are at least 10% of an individual fund are at least 5% of the corresponding total for the total of all governmental and proprietary funds combined. Funds that do not meet the major fund determination requirements are reported in aggregate as nonmajor funds. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 has presented all major funds that met the above qualifications. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 has presented all major funds that met the above qualifications.

<u>General Fund</u> - The General Fund is used to account for resources traditionally associated with government which are not required, legally or by sound financial management, to be accounted and reported for in another fund. The General Fund is always considered a major fund. The following accounts are included in the General Fund:

Interest Fund - Accounts for interest earned on deposits held in the Distributive Fund.

- <u>General Operations</u> Accounts for monies received for, and payment of, expenditures in connection with general administrative activities.
- <u>General State Aid</u> Accounts for grant monies received for, and payment of, expenditures for regional learning academy supplements.
- <u>Lincoln School</u> Accounts for all local funding expenditures and the general operations of the Lincoln School.

<u>Major Special Revenue Funds</u> - Special Revenue Funds are used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditures for specified purposes other than debt service and capital projects. Major special revenue funds include the following:

<u>Institute</u> - Accounts for registration and renewal fees related to the teachers' licenses. Funds collected from registration and renewal fees are expended to defray costs incidental to the teachers' institutes, conferences, and workshops. All funds generated remain restricted until expended only on the aforementioned activities.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

H. FUND ACCOUNTING (CONTINUED)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONTINUED)

Major Special Revenue Fund (Concluded)

<u>Education</u> - This fund is used to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted by grant agreements or contracts to expenditures for specified purposes supporting education enhancement programs as follows:

- <u>Title II Teacher Quality</u> This program accounts for the proceeds of a grant from the Illinois State Board of Education to improve teacher effectiveness in the classroom.
- <u>McKinney Education for Homeless Children</u> Accounts for grant monies received for and payment of, expenditures associated with a Federal program designed to provide counseling and educational support to homeless children and their families. The programs are funded by a Federal Stewart B. McKinney Education for Homeless Children and Youth Grant administered through the Illinois State Board of Education.
- <u>Regional Safe Schools</u> Accounts for the administration of monies to be used for the Regional Safe Schools Program Fund received from the Illinois State Board of Education.

<u>Truants Alternative/Optional Education</u> - Accounts for grant monies received for, and payment of, expenses of the Truants Alternative and Optional Education Program.

<u>Professional Development Alliance (PDA)</u> - Accounts for State, and federal funded programs designed to meet the indentified needs of the school districts within Will, Grundy, and Kendall Counties. These services are designed to improve the educational opportunities provided to students within these counties. Professional Development Alliance Funds include:

- <u>ROE/ISC Operations</u> Accounts for grant monies received for, and payment of, expenditures of the ROE/ISC Operations Fund.
- <u>Technology For Success</u> Accounts for monies from State of Illinois for expenditures incurred to create and support ongoing learning teams focused on alignment of classroom level assessment and instruction.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

H. FUND ACCOUNTING (CONCLUDED)

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS (CONCLUDED)

Professional Development Alliance (Concluded)

- <u>Title I School Improvement and Accountability</u> Accounts for monies received for, and payment of, expenditures of the Title I – School Improvement and Accountability Fund. This grant provides school districts with funds to carry out their school improvement and corrective action responsibilities under Section 1116 (c) of Title I while offering students in schools identified for improvement and corrective action the opportunity to transfer to another higher performing school, including a public charter within the district.
- <u>Grundy/Kendall County ROE/ISC Operations</u> These funds are provided by the Illinois State Board of Education through a budget application process, to the Regional Office to provide professional development to district schools and teachers in Grundy and Kendall county school districts.

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 reports the following nonmajor governmental funds:

<u>Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds</u> - All other special revenue funds not classified under Education Fund or Professional Development Alliance are grouped under this fund for financial statement presentation.

<u>General Education Development (GED)</u> - Accounts for the administration of the GED Testing Program. Revenues consist of fees collected for testing, diplomas, and materials.

<u>Bus Driver Training</u> - Accounts for bus drivers' permit fees which may be expended for bus drivers' refresher courses.

PROPRIETARY FUNDS

<u>Proprietary Fund</u> - The Proprietary Fund accounts for revenue and expenses related to services provided to organizations inside the Regional Office of Education #56 on a cost-reimbursement basis. The Regional Office of Education #56 reports the following major proprietary fund:

Local Professional Development Alliance (PDA) Funds - Accounts for the revenues and expenditures associated with workshops put on by the Will County Regional Office of Education #56.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

PROPRIETARY FUNDS (CONCLUDED)

Proprietary Fund (Concluded)

The Regional Office of Education #56 reports the following nonmajor proprietary fund:

<u>Criminal Background Investigation</u> - Accounts for the assessments received from the school districts to pay for the processing of fingerprinting the substitute teachers and expenditures incurred providing this service to the school districts.

I. GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is the difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources in a Governmental Fund. The following types of fund balances may be presented in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet and Governmental Funds Combining Schedule of Accounts.

- <u>Nonspendable Fund Balance</u> The portion of a governmental fund's net position that are not available to be spent, either short term or long term, due to either their form or legal restrictions. The Regional Office of Education #56 has a nonspendable fund balance in the General Fund's General State Aid fund.
- <u>Restricted Fund Balance</u> The portion of a governmental fund's net position that are subject to external enforceable legal restrictions. The following funds are restricted by Illinois Statute: Institute Fund, General Education Development and Bus Driver Training.
- <u>Committed Fund Balance</u> The portion of a governmental fund's net position with self-imposed constraints or limitations that have been placed at the highest level of decision making. The Regional Office of Education #56 has no committed fund balances.
- <u>Assigned Fund Balance</u> The portion of a governmental fund's net position for which an intended use of resources has been denoted. The accounts presented with assigned fund balances are specified for a particular purpose by the Regional Superintendent. The Regional Office of Education #56 has no assigned fund balances.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Continued)

I. GOVERNMENTAL FUND BALANCES (CONCLUDED)

<u>Unassigned Fund Balance</u> - Available expendable financial resources in a governmental fund that are not designated for a specific purpose. The Regional Office of Education #56 has unassigned fund balances in the General Fund's Interest Fund, General State Aid, and Lincoln School funds. Additionally, the Regional Office of Education #56 has an unassigned fund deficit in the following funds: General Fund's General Operation, Regional Safe Schools Education fund, Truants Alternative / Optional Education fund and the Professional Development Alliance fund's Title I - School Improvement and Accountability fund.

J. NET POSITION

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

- Net investment in capital assets Consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of bonds, mortgages, notes or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted net position Consists of restricted assets reduced by liabilities and deferred inflows of resources related to those assets.
- Unrestricted net position The net amount of the assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources that are not included in the determination of net investment in capital assets or the restricted component of net position.

K. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents consists of cash on deposit. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 considers all liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

L. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$5,000 or more are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received.

Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives (three to five years) of the respective assets.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

M. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The employees of the Regional Office earn vacation days based on the number of full-time years worked as follows: 10 days for full-time staff employed 5 years or less; 15 days for full-time staff employed between 5 and 10 years; 20 days for full-time staff employed more than 15 years. Vacation days cannot be accumulated and carried forward to the next fiscal year; therefore, no liability is accrued.

The Executive Director of PDA receives 25 sick days annually. All other eligible employees receive up to 15 sick days annually. There is no limit on the amount of sick days carried forward. Employee sick leave is recorded when paid. Upon termination, employees do not receive any accumulated sick leave pay, and therefore, no liability is accrued.

N. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u> - Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. Deferred outflows of resources consist of unrecognized items not yet charged to pension expense and contributions from the employer after the measurement date but before the end of the employer's reporting period.

<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u> - Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year. Deferred inflows of resources are reported in the governmental fund financial statements as unavailable revenue and represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current year. Deferred inflows of resources to be used to pay liabilities of expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used means collected within the current year or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current year.

Deferred inflows of resources in the Statement of Net Position consist of the unamortized portion of components of the net pension liability that will reduce pension expense in future years.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u> (Concluded)

O. ESTIMATES

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

P. BUDGET INFORMATION

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 acts as the administrative agent for certain grant programs that are accounted for in the General and Education Fund. Certain programs have separate budgets and are required to report to the Illinois State Board of Education, however, none of the annual budgets have been legally adopted nor are they required to do so. Comparisons of budgeted and actual results are presented as supplemental information.

Budgetary comparison schedules have been provided in supplementary schedules for the following funds: Title II - Teacher Quality, McKinney Education for Homeless Children (17-4920-RF), McKinney Education for Homeless Children (16-4920-00), Regional Safe Schools, Truants Alternative/Optional Education, ROE/ISC Operations, Technology for Success, Title I - School Improvement and Accountability, and Grundy/Kendall County ROE/ISC Operations.

NOTE 2 – DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The *Illinois Compiled Statutes* authorize the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 to make deposits and invest in U.S. Government, State of Illinois and municipal securities, certificates of deposit or time savings deposits insured by the FDIC, mortgage notes, bonds, or debentures issued by the Federal Housing Administration, bonds and other obligations of the Federal National Mortgage Association, commercial paper rated within the three highest classifications by at least two standard rating services, credit union shares, and the Illinois Public Treasurer's Investment Pool.

A. DEPOSITS

At June 30, 2017, the carrying amount of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56's government-wide fund deposits were \$4,408,415 and the bank balance was \$4,501,245. Of the total bank balances as of June 30, 2017, \$500,000 was secured by Federal Depository Insurance Corporation (FDIC), \$734,008 was invested in the Illinois Funds Money Market Fund, and \$3,267,237 was collateralized by securities pledged by the Regional Office of Education #56's financial institution in the name of the Regional Office.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Concluded)

B. INVESTMENTS

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 requires that funds be invested solely in investments authorized by the Public Funds Investment Act, 30 ILCS 235/2. As noted above, as of June 30, 2017, the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 had investments with a carrying and fair value of \$734,008 invested in the Illinois Funds Money Market, which is reported as cash and cash equivalents in the financial statements.

CREDIT RISK

At June 30, 2017, the Illinois Funds Money Market Fund had a Standard and Poor's AAAm rating. The pool is audited annually by an outside independent auditor and copies of the report are distributed to participants. Although not subject to direct regulatory oversight, the fund is administered by the Illinois State Treasurer in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Public Funds Investments Act, 30 ILCS 235. All investments are fully collateralized.

The PNC Municipal Investment Fund had a Standard and Poor's AAAm rating. This fund is authorized for public entities and political subdivisions of the State of Illinois. It invests in U.S. Treasury securities, commercial paper rated A2 or above, certificates of deposit and interest-bearing savings accounts, and any other investments permissible under 30 ILCS 235/2.

INTEREST RATE RISK

The Illinois Funds Money Market Fund, created by the Illinois General Assembly, enables custodians of public funds an investment option with a competitive rate of return on fully collateralized investments and immediate access to the funds. The investment policy of the Illinois Funds Money Market Fund states that unless authorized specifically by the Treasurer, a minimum of 75% of its investments shall have less than one-year maturity and no investment shall exceed two years maturity.

CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

Unless specifically authorized by the Treasurer, the Illinois Funds Money Market Fund's investment policy limits investment categories to not exceed 25% of the portfolio, with the exception of cash equivalents and U.S. Treasury securities. Further, certificates of deposits cannot exceed 10% of any single financial institution's total deposits.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 3 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

IMRF Plan Description

The Regional Office of Education #56's defined benefit pension plan for regular employees provides retirement and disability benefits, post-retirement increases, and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The Regional Office of Education #56's plan is managed by the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF), the administrator of an agency multi-employer public pension fund. A summary of IMRF's pension benefits is provided in the "Benefits Provided" section of this note. Details of all benefits are available from IMRF. Benefit provisions are established by statute and may only be changed by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois. IMRF issues a publicly available Comprehensive Annual Financial Report that includes financial statements, detailed information about the pension plan's fiduciary net position, and required supplementary information. The report is available for download at www.imrf.org.

Benefits Provided

IMRF has three benefit plans. The vast majority of IMRF members participate in the Regular Plan (RP). The Sheriff's Law Enforcement Personnel (SLEP) plan is for sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and selected police chiefs. Counties could adopt the Elected County Official (ECO) plan for officials elected prior to August 8, 2011 (the ECO plan was closed to new participants after that date).

All three IMRF benefit plans have two tiers. Employees hired before January 1, 2011, are eligible for Tier 1 benefits. Tier 1 employees are vested for pension benefits when they have at least eight years of qualifying service credit. Tier 1 employees who retire at age 55 (at reduced benefits) or after age 60 (at full benefits) with eight years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 1-2/3% of the final rate of earnings for the first 15 years of service credit, plus 2% for each year of service credit after 15 years to a maximum of 75% of their final rate of earnings. Final rate of earnings is the highest total earnings during any consecutive 48 months within the last 10 years of service, divided by 48. Under Tier 1, the pension is increased by 3% of the original amount on January 1 every year after retirement.

Employees hired on or after January 1, 2011, are eligible for Tier 2 benefits. For Tier 2 employees, pension benefits vest after ten years of service. Participating employees who retire at age 62 (at reduced benefits) or after age 67 (at full benefits) with ten years of service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 1-2/3% of the final rate of earnings for the first 15 years of service credit, plus 2% for each year of service credit after 15 years to a maximum of 75% of their final rate of earnings. Final rate of earnings is the highest total earnings during any 96 consecutive months within the last 10 years of service, divided by 96. Under Tier 2, the pension is increased on January 1 every year after retirement, upon reaching age 67, by the lesser of:

- 3% of the original pension amount, or
- 1/2 of the increase in the Consumer Price Index of the original pension amount.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms

As of December 31, 2016, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 3 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

	IMRF
Retirees and Beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	10
Inactive Plan Members entitled to but not yet receiving benefits	7
Active Plan Members	9
Total	26

Contributions

As set by statute, the Regional Office of Education #56's Regular Plan Members are required to contribute 4.5% of their annual covered salary. The statute requires employers to contribute the amount necessary, in addition to member contributions, to finance the retirement coverage of its own employees. The Regional Office of Education #56's annual contribution rate for calendar year 2016 was 5.93%. For the fiscal year ended 2016, the Regional Office of Education #56 contributes \$32,454 to the plan. The Regional Office of Education #56 also contributes for disability benefits, death benefits, and supplemental retirement benefits, all of which are pooled at the IMRF level. Contribution rates for disability and death benefits are set by IMRF's Board of Trustees, while the supplemental retirement benefits rate is set by statute.

Net Pension Liability

The Regional Office of Education #56's net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2016. The total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date.

Actuarial Assumptions

The following are the methods and assumptions used to determine total pension liability at December 31, 2016:

- The Actuarial Cost Method used was Entry Age Normal.
- The Asset Valuation Method used was Market Value of Assets.
- The Inflation Rate was assumed to be 2.75%.
- Salary Increases were expected to be 3.75% to 14.50%, including inflation.
- The **Investment Rate of Return** was assumed to be 7.50%.
- **Projected Retirement Age** was from the Experience-based Table of Rates, specific to the type of eligibility condition, last updated for the 2014 valuation according to an experience study from years 2011 to 2013.
- IMRF-specific rates for **Mortality** (for non-disabled retirees) were developed from the RP-2014 Blue Collar Health Annuitant Mortality Table with adjustments to match current IMRF experience.
- For **Disabled Retirees**, an IMRF-specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2014). The IMRF-specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Disabled Retirees Mortality Table, applying the same adjustments that were applied for non-disabled lives.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 3 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

- For Active Members, an IMRF-specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2014). The IMRF-specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table with adjustments to match current IMRF experience.
- The **long-term expected rate of return** on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates 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 weighting the expected future real rates of return to the target asset allocation percentage and adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class are summarized in the following table as of December 31, 2016:

Asset Class	Portfolio Target Percentage	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Domestic Equity	38%	6.85%
International Equity	17%	6.75%
Fixed Income	27%	3.00%
Real Estate	8%	5.75%
Alternative Investments	9%	2.65 - 7.35%
Cash Equivalents	1%	2.25%
Total	100%	-

Single Discount Rate

A Single Discount Rate of 7.50% was used to measure the total pension liability. The projection of cash flow used to determine this Single Discount Rate assumed that the plan members' contributions will be made at the current contribution rate, and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. The Single Discount Rate reflects:

- 1. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments (during the period in which the fiduciary net position is projected to be sufficient to pay benefits), and
- 2. The tax-exempt municipal bond rate based on an index of 20-year general obligation bonds with an average AA credit rating (which is published by the Federal Reserve) as of the measurement date (to the extent that the contributions for use with the long-term expected rate of return are not met).

For the purpose of the most recent valuation, the expected rate of return on plan investments is 7.50%, the municipal bond rate is 3.78%, and the resulting single discount rate is 7.50%.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 3 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Continued)

Changes in the Net Pension Liability

	TotalPensionPlan FiduciaryLiabilityNet Position(A)(B)		y Net Pension Liability (Ass (A) - (B)		
Balances at December 31, 2015	\$ 1,669,158	\$	1,598,244	\$	70,914
Changes for the year:					
Service Cost	39,771		-		39,771
Interest on the Total Pension Liability	124,987		-		124,987
Changes of Benefit Terms	-		-		-
Differences Between Expected and Actual					
Experience of the Total Pension Liability	(8,408)		-		(8,408)
Changes of Assumptions	-		-		-
Contributions - Employer	-		22,335		(22,335)
Contributions - Employees	-		16,949		(16,949)
Net Investment Income	-		109,931		(109,931)
Benefit Payments, including Refunds					
of Employee Contributions	(75,188)		(75,188)		-
Other (Net Transfer)	-		(1,725)		1,725
Net Changes	 81,162		72,302		8,860
Balances at December 31, 2016	\$ 1,750,320	\$	1,670,546	\$	79,774

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the plan's net pension liability, calculated using a Single Discount Rate of 7.50%, as well as what the plan's net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a Single Discount Rate that is 1% lower or 1% higher:

	1% Lower 6.50%		ent Discount 7.50%	19	% Higher 8.50%
Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$ 369,869	\$	79,774	\$	(121,437)

<u>Pension Expense, Deferred Outflows of Resources, and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to</u> <u>Pensions</u>

For the year ending June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 recognized pension expense of \$104,088. At June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 3 - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (Concluded)

Deferred Amounts Related to Pensions	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Deferred Amounts to be Recognized in Pension					
Expense in Future Periods					
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$	69,622	\$	11,159	
Changes of assumptions		14,483		-	
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		79,637			
Total Deferred Amounts to be recognized in pension expense in future periods		163,742		11,159	
Pension Contributions made subsequent to the Measurement Date		19,950			
Total Deferred Amounts Related to Pensions	\$	183,692	\$	11,159	

\$19,950 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the reporting year ended June 30, 2018. Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense in future periods as follows:

Year Ending December 31	Net Deferred Outflows of Resources
2017	71,594
2018	61,809
2019	17,726
2020	1,454
2021	-
Thereafter	
Total	\$ 152,583

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 4 – TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS

Plan Description

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 participates in the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois (TRS). TRS is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan that was created by the Illinois legislature for the benefit of Illinois public school teachers employed outside the city of Chicago. TRS members include all active non-annuitants who are employed by a TRS-covered employer to provide services for which teacher licensure is required. The Illinois Pension Code outlines the benefit provisions of TRS, and amendments to the plan can be made only by legislative action with the Governor's approval. The TRS Board of Trustees is responsible for the System's administration.

TRS issues a publicly available financial report that can be obtained at http://trsil.org; by writing to TRS at 2815 W. Washington, PO Box 19253, Springfield, IL 62794; or by calling (888) 678-3675.

Benefits provided

TRS provides retirement, disability, and death benefits. Tier I members have TRS or reciprocal system service prior to January 1, 2011. Tier I members qualify for retirement benefits at age 62 with five years of service, at age 60 with 10 years, or age 55 with 20 years. The benefit is determined by the average of the four highest years of creditable earnings within the last 10 years of creditable service and the percentage of average salary to which the member is entitled. Most members retire under a formula that provides 2.2 percent of final average salary up to a maximum of 75 percent with 34 years of service. Disability and death benefits are also provided.

Tier II members qualify for retirement benefits at age 67 with 10 years of service, or a discounted annuity can be paid at age 62 with 10 years of service. Creditable earnings for retirement purposes are capped and the final average salary is based on the highest consecutive eight years of creditable service rather than the last four. Disability provisions for Tier II are identical to those of Tier I. Death benefits are payable under a formula that is different from Tier I.

Essentially all Tier I retirees receive an annual 3 percent increase in the current retirement benefit beginning January 1 following the attainment of age 61 or on January 1 following the member's first anniversary in retirement, whichever is later. Tier II annual increases will be the lesser of three percent of the original benefit or one-half percent of the rate of inflation beginning January 1 following attainment of age 67 or on January 1 following the member's first anniversary in retirement, whichever is later.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 4 – TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS (Continued)

Contributions

The State of Illinois maintains the primary responsibility for funding TRS. The Illinois Pension Code, as amended by Public Act 88-0593 and subsequent acts, provides that for years 2010 through 2045, the minimum contribution to the System for each fiscal year shall be an amount determined to be sufficient to bring the total assets of the System up to 90 percent of the total actuarial liabilities of the System by the end of fiscal year 2045.

Contributions from active members and TRS contributing employers are also required by the Illinois Pension Code. The contribution rates are specified in the pension code. The active member contribution rate for the year ended June 30, 2016, was 9.4 percent of creditable earnings. On July 1, 2016, the rate dropped to 9.0 percent of pay due to the expiration of the Early Retirement Option (ERO). The member contribution, which may be paid on behalf of employees by the employer, is submitted to TRS by the Regional Office of Education #56.

On behalf contributions to TRS. The State of Illinois makes employer pension contributions on behalf of the Regional Office of Education #56. For the year ended June 30, 2017, State of Illinois contributions recognized by the Regional Office of Education #56 were based on the State's proportionate share of the collective net pension liability associated with the Regional Office of Education #56, and the Regional Office of Education #56 recognized revenue and expenditures of \$471,816 in pension contributions from the State of Illinois.

2.2 formula contributions. Employers contribute 0.58 percent of total creditable earnings for the 2.2 formula change. The contribution rate is specified by statute. Contributions for the year ended June 30, 2017 were \$3,324, and are deferred because they were paid after the June 30, 2016 measurement date.

Federal and special trust fund contributions. When TRS members are paid from federal and special trust funds administered by the Will County Regional Office of Education #56, there is a statutory requirement for the Regional Office of Education #56 to pay an employer pension contribution from those funds. Under a policy adopted by the TRS Board of Trustees that has been in effect since the fiscal year ended June 30, 2006, employer contributions for employees paid from federal and special trust funds will be the same as the State contribution rate to TRS. Public Act 98-0674 now requires the two rates to be the same.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the employer pension contribution was 38.54 percent of salaries paid from federal and special trust funds. For the year ended June 30, 2017 no contributions were required for salaries made from federal and special trust funds.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 4 - TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS (Continued)

Employer retirement cost contributions. Under GASB Statement No. 68, contributions that an employer is required to pay because of a TRS member retiring are categorized as specific liability payments. The Regional Office of Education #56 is required to make a one-time contribution to TRS for members retiring under the Early Retirement Option (ERO). The payments vary depending on the member's age and salary. The maximum employer ERO contribution under the current program that ended on June 30, 2016, is 146.5 percent and applies when the member is age 55 at retirement. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 paid no employer ERO contributions.

The Regional Office of Education #56 is also required to make a one-time contribution to TRS for members granted salary increases over 6 percent if those salaries are used to calculate a retiree's final average salary. A one-time contribution is also required for members granted sick leave days in excess of the normal annual allotment if those days are used as TRS service credit. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 made no payments to TRS for employer contributions due on salary increases in excess of 6 percent and no payments for sick leave days granted in excess of the normal annual allotment.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 reported a liability for its proportionate share of the net pension liability (first amount shown below) that reflected a reduction for State pension support provided to the employer. The State's support and total are for disclosure purposes only. The amount recognized by the employer as its proportionate share of the net pension liability, the related State support, and the total portion of the net pension liability that was associated with the employer were as follows:

Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability\$ 71,555State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated with the employer4,804,340Total\$ 4,875,895

The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2015, and rolled forward to June 30, 2016. The Regional Office of Education #56's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the employer's share of contributions to TRS for the measurement year ended June 30, 2016, relative to the projected contributions of all participating TRS employers and the State during that period. At June 30, 2016, the Regional Office of Education #56's proportion was .0000906495 percent, which was a decrease of .0000043221 percent from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2015.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 4 – TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS (Continued)

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 recognized pension expense of \$471,816 and revenue of \$471,816 for support provided by the State. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 recognized pension expense of \$3,594. At June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	ed Outflows esources	Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 529	\$	49
Net difference between projected and actual earnings			
on pension plan investments	2,022		-
Change of assumptions	6,146		-
Changes in proportion and differences between employer			
contributions and proportionate share of contributions	307		8,386
Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date	 3,324		-
Total	\$ 12,328	\$	8,435

\$3,324 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the reporting year ended June 30, 2018. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred (inflows) of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2018	\$ (1,446)
2019	(1,446)
2020	1,750
2021	1,523
2022	 187
	\$ 568

Actuarial assumptions

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation2.50 percentSalary Increasevaries by amount of service creditInvestment rate of return7.00 percent, net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 4 - TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS (Continued)

Mortality rates were based on the RP-2014 White Collar Table with adjustments as appropriate for TRS experiences. The rates are used on a fully-generational basis using projection table MP-2014.

For the June 30, 2016 valuation, the investment return assumption was lowered from 7.50 percent to 7.0 percent. Salary increase assumptions were lowered from their 2015 levels. Other assumptions were based on the 2015 experience analysis which increased retirement rates, improved mortality assumptions and made other changes.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a buildingblock 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 weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class that were used by the actuary are summarized in the following table:

Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
U.S. equities large cap	14.4%	6.94%
U.S. equities small / mid cap	3.6%	8.09%
International equities developed	14.4%	7.46%
Emerging market equities	3.6%	10.15%
U.S. bonds core	10.7%	2.44%
International debt developed	5.3%	1.70%
Real estate	15.0%	5.44%
Commodities (real return)	11.0%	4.28%
Hedge funds (absolute return)	8.0%	4.16%
Private equity	14.0%	10.63%
Total	100.0%	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 4 – TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS (Concluded)

Discount Rate

At June 30, 2016, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was a blended rate of 6.83 percent, which was a change from the June 30, 2015 rate of 7.47 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that employee contributions, employer contributions, and State contributions will be made at the current statutorily-required rates.

Based on those assumptions, TRS's fiduciary net position at June 30, 2016 was not projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current active and inactive members and all benefit recipients. Tier I's liability is partially-funded by Tier II members, as the Tier II member contribution is higher than the cost of Tier II benefits. Due to this subsidy, contributions from future members in excess of the service cost are also included in the determination of the discount rate. Despite the subsidy, all projected future payments were not covered, so a slightly lower long-term expected rate of return on TRS investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

At June 30, 2015, the discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.47 percent. The discount rate was lower than the actuarially-assumed rate of return on investments that year as well because TRS's fiduciary net position and the subsidy provided by Tier II were not sufficient to cover all projected benefit payments.

Sensitivity of the Regional Office of Education #56's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate

The following presents the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.83 percent, as well as what the employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (5.83 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.83 percent) than the current rate.

	1% Decrease Current Discount R		Current Discount Rate		1%	Increase
	(5.83%)		(6.83%)		(7.83%)	
Employer's proportionate share						
of the net pension liability	\$	87,515	\$	71,555	\$	58,520

TRS fiduciary net position

Detailed information about the TRS's fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2016 is available in the separately issued TRS *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report*.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 5 – TEACHERS' HEALTH INSURANCE SECURITY FUND

Plan Description

The Regional Office of Education #56 participates in the Teacher Health Insurance Security (THIS) Fund, a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit post-employment healthcare plan that was established by the Illinois legislature for the benefit of retired Illinois public school teachers employed outside the city of Chicago. The THIS Fund provides medical, prescription, and behavioral health benefits, but it does not provide vision, dental, or life insurance benefits to annuitants of the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS). Annuitants not enrolled in Medicare may participate in the state-administered participating provider option plan or choose from several managed care options. Annuitants who are enrolled in Medicare Parts A and B may be eligible to enroll in Medicare Advantage plans.

The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 (5 ILCS 375) outlines the benefit provisions of the THIS Fund and amendments to the plan can be made only by legislative action with the Governor's approval. The plan is administered by Illinois Department of Central Management Services (CMS) with the cooperation of TRS. Section 6.6 of the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971 requires all active contributors to TRS who are not employees of the state to make a contribution to the THIS Fund.

The percentage of employer required contributions in the future will not exceed 105 percent of the percentage of salary actually required to be paid in the previous fiscal year.

On behalf contributions to the THIS Fund. The State of Illinois makes employer retiree health insurance contributions on behalf of the Regional Office of Education #56. State contributions are intended to match contributions to the THIS Fund from active members which were 1.12 percent of pay during the year ended June 30, 2017. State of Illinois contributions were \$6,419, and the Regional Office of Education #56 recognized revenue and expenditures of this amount during the year.

State contributions intended to match active member contributions during the years ended June 30, 2016 and June 30, 2015 were 1.07 and 1.02 percent of pay, respectively. State contributions on behalf of the Regional Office of Education #56 employees were \$6,439 and \$5,851 respectively.

Employer contributions to THIS Fund. The Regional Office of Education #56 also makes contributions to the THIS Fund. The employer THIS Fund contribution was 0.84 percent during the year ended June 30, 2017. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the Regional Office of Education #56 paid \$4,814 to the THIS Fund, which was 99 percent of the required contribution. For the years ended 6/30/16 and 6/30/15, the Regional Office paid \$4,814 and \$4,360 to the THIS Fund, respectively, which was 91 percent and 100 percent, respectively, of the required contribution.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 5 – TEACHERS' HEALTH INSURANCE SECURITY FUND (Concluded)</u>

Further information on the THIS Fund. The publicly available financial report of the THIS Fund may be found on the website of the Illinois Auditor General: http://www.auditor.illinois.gov/Audit-Reports/ABC-List.asp. The current reports are listed under "Central Management Services" (http://www.auditor.illinois.gov/Audit-Reports/HEALTHCARE-FAMILY-SERVICES-Teacher-Health-Ins-Sec-Fund.asp). Prior reports are available under "Healthcare and Family Services."

NOTE 6 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Generally accepted accounting principles require disclosure of certain information concerning individual funds which are presented only in combination on the financial statements. Funds having deficit fund balances/net position and funds which overexpend appropriations during the year are required to be disclosed. In the Education Fund Accounts, the Regional Safe Schools fund had a fund deficit of \$158,298 and the Truants Alternative / Optional Education fund had a fund deficit of \$103,964 as of June 30, 2017. Finally, the General Operations fund, a General Fund fund, had a deficit balance of \$69,677 as of June 30, 2017.

<u>NOTE 7 – INTERFUND ACTIVITY</u>

DUE TO/FROM OTHER FUNDS

Interfund due to/from other fund balances at June 30, 2017 consist of the following individual due to/from other funds in the governmental funds balance sheet. The balances between governmental funds were eliminated in the government-wide Statement of Net Position.

	Due From Other Funds		Due To Other Funds		
Education Fund	\$	-	\$	520,522	
Professional Development Alliance					
Fund		-		279,627	
General Fund		601,842		81,320	
Proprietary Fund		279,627		-	
Total	\$	881,469	\$	881,469	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 7 – INTERFUND ACTIVITY (Concluded)

TRANSFERS IN/OUT

Interfund transfers in/out to other fund balances at June 30, 2017, consist of the following individual transfers in/out to other funds in the governmental fund Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances. The transfer balances between governmental funds were eliminated in the government-wide Statement of Activities.

	Transfers In	Transfers Out
General Fund	2,002,161	2,092,161
Institute Fund	204,205	318,772
Proprietary Fund	204,567	
Total	\$ 2,410,933	\$ 2,410,933

NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 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. The Will County Regional Office of Education #56 has purchased commercial insurance to cover these risks. No losses have been incurred in excess of the amounts covered by insurance over the past three years.

NOTE 9 – OPERATING LEASE

Will County Regional Office of Education #56 rents office space from Professional Development Alliance Fund operations. The lease agreement, which originally commenced on June 1, 2012 expired on May 31, 2017. However, the lease was renewed as of June 1, 2017 and will expire on May 31, 2019. Rental expense for the year ended June 30, 2017 was \$96,000.

The future minimum lease payments under this agreement are as follows:

Fiscal Year	A	Amount			
2018 2019	\$	96,000 88,000			
Total	\$	184,000			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 10 – DUE FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS

The Will County Regional Office of Education #56's Education Fund and Professional Development Alliance Fund have funds due from various other governmental units which consist of the following:

Due From Other Governments:	
Education Fund	
Illinois State Board of Education	\$ 520,522
Professional Development Alliance Fund	
Local Governments	66,902
Illinois State Board of Education	263,751
Total Professional Development Alliance Fund	330,653
Total Due From Other Governments	<u>\$ 851,175</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 11 – CAPITAL ASSET ACTIVITY

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 34, the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 has reported capital assets in the government-wide Statement of Net Position. Purchases are reported as capital outlay in the governmental fund statements. Purchases of business-type activities are capitalized when purchased. The Regional Office's assets are composed of furniture and equipment. The following table provides a summary of changes in total assets, accumulated depreciation, and investment in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2017:

		Balance				_		Balance
	Jul	y 1, 2016	Add	litions	Del	etions	June	e 30, 2017
Governmental Activities:								
Equipment	\$	54,766	\$	-	\$	-	\$	54,766
Building Improvements		90,439		-		-		90,439
Governmental Activities Total Assets		145,205		-		-		145,205
Less Accumulated Depreciation		145,205		-		-		145,205
Total Accumulated Depreciation		145,205		-		-		145,205
Governmental Activities								
Investment in Capital Assets, Net	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Business-type Activities:								
Equipment	\$	37,508	\$	-	\$	-	\$	37,508
Business-type Activities Total Assets		37,508		-		-		37,508
Less Accumulated Depreciation		37,508		-		-		37,508
Total Accumulated Depreciation		37,508		-		-		37,508
Business-type Activities Investment in Capital Assets, Net	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets. There was no depreciation expense for the year ended June 30, 2017 charged to the governmental activities or the business-type activities on the government-wide Statement of Activities. Investment in capital assets is the component of net position that reports capital assets net of accumulated depreciation.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 12 - ON-BEHALF PAYMENTS

Will County pays certain expenditures on behalf of the Regional Office of Education #56. The expenditures paid by Will County for the year ended June 30, 2017, were as follows:

Salaries and Benefits	\$ 617,818
Purchased Services	30,476
Supplies and Materials	5,870
	\$ 654.164

The State of Illinois paid the following salaries, benefits, and contributions on behalf of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56:

Regional Superintendent Salary	\$ 112,800
Assistant Regional Superintendent Salary	101,520
Regional Superintendent Benefits	39,017
(Includes State paid insurance)	
Assistant Regional Superintendent Benefits	33,075
(Includes State paid insurance)	
Teachers' Health Insurance Security (THIS)	
Fund Contributions	<u>6,419</u>
Total	\$ 292,831

Salary and benefit data for the Regional Superintendent and Assistant Regional Superintendent were calculated based on data provided by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). These amounts have been recorded in the accompanying governmental fund financial statements as State revenue and expenditures of the General Fund.

Regional Office of Education #56 also recorded \$471,816 in revenue and expenses as on-behalf payments from ISBE for the Regional Office's share of the State's Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) pension expense in the Statement of Activities. In addition, the Regional Office of Education #56 has not included any on-behalf payments related to the State's TRS pension expense for the Regional Superintendent or Assistant Regional Superintendent.

State of Illinois on-behalf payments	\$ 292,831
ROE #56's share of TRS pension expense	 471,816
Total	\$ 764,647

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

<u>NOTE 13 – OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS – HEALTH INSURANCE</u>

Plan Description. The ROE #56 employees are covered by the Professional Development Alliance (PDA) health insurance plan. PDA provides postemployment health care for eligible retired employees and their dependents through a self-insured individual plan. The benefits, benefit levels, employee contributions, and employer contributions are governed by the Lincolnway Area Affiliation of Participating Schools Districts (the Cooperative) Employee Benefit Plan, which PDA is a member of, and can be amended by the Cooperative's Board of Trustees. The plan does not issue a separate report.

Benefits Provided. The ROE #56 provides postemployment health care for eligible retired employees and their dependents through PDA. Employees who terminate after meeting the age and service requirements for retirement are eligible to continue their health care plan coverage with PDA by paying the monthly premium rate. The benefit levels are the same as those afforded to active employees. The benefits include general outpatient and inpatient medical services; mental, nervous, and substance abuse care; vision care, dental care; and prescriptions.

Participant Data. At June 30, 2017 (the County's fiscal year end), participant data consisted of:

Participants	
Actives fully eligible to retire	-
Actives not yet fully eligible to retire	6
Retirees and dependents	
	6_

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation. The annual OPEB cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC). The ARC represents the normal cost each year and an amount to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability over a period of thirty years.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 13 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - HEALTH INSURANCE (Continued)

Trend Data. Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Components of Net OPEB Obligation and Expense as of June 30, 2017:

Annual Required Contribution	\$ 5,068
Interest on net OPEB obligation	390
Adjustment to annual required contribution	 (325)
Annual OPEB cost	5,133
Contributions made	 -
Increase in net OPEB obligation	5,133
Net OPEB obligation – beginning of year	 9,747
Net OPEB obligation – end of year	\$ 14,880

Schedule of Contributions, OPEB Costs and Net Obligations

	Annual OPEB	Percentage of Annual OPEB	Net OPEB
Fiscal Year Ended	Cost	Cost Contributed	Obligation
6/30/17	\$ 5,133	0%	\$14,880

Funded Status and Funding Progress. As of June 30, 2017, the actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$34,667. The covered payroll was approximately \$370,635 and the ratio of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability to the covered payroll was 9.4%.

Actuarial Method and Assumptions. Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (the plan understood by the employer and plan members) and include the benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 13 - OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - HEALTH INSURANCE (Concluded)

In the actuarial valuation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, the entry age normal cost method was used. The initial actuarial assumptions included an annual healthcare cost trend rate of 7.8% (PPO Plan) and 3.5% (Dental Plan), were reduced to an ultimate rate of 5% (PPO Plan) and 3.5% (Dental Plan). Rates include a 2.5% general inflation assumption. The Unfunded Accrued Actuarial Liability is being amortized as a level percent of pay and is being amortized over 30 years.

Schedule of Funded Status and Funding Progress

Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) Actuarial Value of Assets	\$ 34,667
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)	\$ 34,667
Funded Ratio	0%
Covered Payroll (Active Plan Members)	\$ 370,635
UAAL as a % of Covered Payroll	9.35%

NOTE 14 -RESTATEMENT

The Regional Office of Education #56 implemented GASB 68 in a prior year and recognized deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and pension liability / asset at the time of implementation. It has been determined that not all of the deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources were recorded at the time of implementation; therefore, the opening net position of the governmental activities and business-type activities on the government-wide Statement of Activities has been restated as follows:

Governmental Activities Net Position

Net position – Beginning, July 1, 2016 Effects of recognizing deferred outflows / inflows of resources Net position, restated – Beginning, July 1, 2016	\$ <u>\$</u>	4,688,875 (7,787) 4,681,088
Business-Type Activities Net Position		
Net position – Beginning, July 1, 2016 Effects of recognizing deferred outflows / inflows of resources Net position, restated – Beginning, July 1, 2016	\$ <u>\$</u>	759,546 7,296 766,842
REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION (Other than Management's Discussion and Analysis)

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN THE NET PENSION LIABILITY & RELATED RATIOS ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND LAST THREE CALENDAR YEARS

Calendar Year Ended December 31,		2016		2015		2014
Total Pension Liability Service Cost	¢	20.771	\$	42.079	¢	10.969
Interest on the Total Pension Liability	\$	39,771 124,987	Э	42,078 109,141	\$	49,868 100,073
Differences Between Expected and Actual Experience		124,987		109,141		100,075
of the Total Pension Liability		(8,408)		139,396		(19,639)
Changes of Assumptions		-		-		58,670
Benefit Payments, including Refunds of Employee Contributions		(75,188)		(95,802)		(47,571)
Net Change in Total Pension Liability		81,162		194,813		141,401
Total Pension Liability - Beginning		1,669,158		1,474,345		1,332,944
Total Pension Liability - Ending (A)	\$	1,750,320	\$	1,669,158	\$	1,474,345
Plan Fiduciary Net Position						
Contributions - Employer	\$	22,335	\$	20,165	\$	39,390
Contributions - Employees		16,949		15,354		22,331
Net Investment Income		109,931		27,654		68,005
Benefit Payments, including Refunds of Employee Contributions		(75,188)		(95,802)		(47,571)
Other (Net Transfer)		(1,725)		(3,892)		(897)
Net Change in Plan Fiduciary Net Position		72,302		(36,521)		81,258
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning		1,598,244		1,634,765		1,553,507
Plan Fiduciary Net Position - Ending (B)	\$	1,670,546	\$	1,598,244	\$	1,634,765
Net Pension Liability (Asset)- Ending (A) - (B)	\$	79,774	\$	70,914	\$	(160,420)
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a Percentage of the Total Pension Liability		95.44%		95.75%		110.88%
Covered Valuation Payroll		376,645		341,197		373,016
Net Pension Liability (Asset) as a Percentage of Covered Valuation Payroll		21.18%		20.78%		(43.01%)

Notes to Schedule:

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND LAST THREE CALENDAR YEARS

Calendar Year Ended December 31,	Det	ctuarially termined ntribution	<u> </u>	Actual ntribution	-	Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	Covered Valuation Payroll	Actual Contribution as a Percentage of Covered Valuation Payroll
2016	\$	22,335	*	\$ 22,334	\$	1	\$ 376,645	5.93%
2015		20,165	*	20,164		1	341,197	5.91%
2014		37,077	*	39,390		(2,313)	373,016	10.56%

Notes to Schedule:

Summary of Actuarial Methods and Assumptions Used in the Calculation of the 2016 Contribution Rate*

Valuation Date:

Notes

Actuarially determined contribution rates are calculated as of December 31 each year, which is 12 months prior to the beginning of the fiscal year in which contributions are reported.

Methods and Assumptions Used to Determine 2016 Contribution Rates:

Actuarial Cost Method:	Aggregate entry age normal
Amortization Method:	Level percentage of payroll, closed
Remaining Amortization Period:	27-year closed period
Asset Valuation Method:	5-year smoothed market; 20% corridor
Wage Growth:	3.50%
Price Inflation:	2.75%, approximate; No explicit price inflation assumption is used
	in this valuation.
Salary Increases:	3.75% to 14.50%, including inflation
Investment Rate of Return:	7.50%
Retirement Age:	Experience-based table of rates that are specific to the type of eligibility condition. Last updated for the 2014 valuation pursuant to an experience study of the period 2011 to 2013.
Mortality:	RP-2014 Blue Collar Health Annuitant Mortality Table, adjusted to match current IMRF experience. For disabled lives, an IMRF specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2012). The IMRF specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Disabled Retirees Mortality Table applying the same adjustments that were applied for non-disabled lives. For active members, an IMRF specific mortality table was used with fully generational projection scale MP-2014 (base year 2014). The IMRF specific rates were developed from the RP-2014 Employee Mortality Table with adjustments to match current IMRF experience.

Other Information:

Notes:

There were no benefit changes during the year.

* Based on Valuation Assumptions used in the December 31, 2014, actuarial valuation; note two year lag between valuation and rate setting.

This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, information is presented for those years for which information is available.

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 SCHEDULE OF THE EMPLOYER'S PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 *

		2016		2015		2014
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability	0.0	000906495%	0.0	000949716%	0.0	000941630%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability State's proportionate share of the net pension liability associated	\$	71,555	\$	62,216	\$	57,306
with the employer		4,804,340		3,715,110		3,573,659
Total	\$	4,875,895	\$	3,777,326		3,630,965
Employer's covered-employee payroll	\$	601,808	\$	573,653	\$	677,630
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of its covered-employee payroll		11.9%		10.8%		8.5%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		36.4%		41.5%		43.0%

*The amounts presented were determined as of the prior fiscal-year end.

SCHEDULE OF EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 †

Fiscal Year Ended June 30,	Re	tutorily equired tribution	Actual tribution	Defi	ribution ciency access)	C	nployer's Covered- oyee Payroll	Contributions as a Percentage of Covered- Employee Payroll	
2017	\$	3,324	\$ 3,284	\$	40	\$	618,297	0.5%	
2016		3,490	3,490		-		601,808	0.6%	
2015		3,327	3,327		-		573,653	0.6%	
2014		3,370	3,375		(5)		677,630	0.5%	

† The information in both schedules will accumulate until a full 10-year trend is presented as required by Statement No. 68.

Notes to Required Supplementary Information

Changes of assumptions

For the 2016 measurement year, the assumed investment rate of return was 7.0 percent, including an inflation rate of 2.5 percent and a real return of 4.5 percent. Salary increases were assumed to vary by service credit.

For the 2015 measurement year, the assumed investment rate of return was 7.5 percent, including an inflation rate of 3.0 percent and a real return of 4.5 percent. Salary increases were assumed to vary by service credit. Various other changes in assumptions were adopted based on the experioence analysis for the three-year period ending June 30, 2014.

For the 2014 measurement year, the assumed investment rate of return was also 7.5 percent, including an inflation rate of 3.0 percent and a real return of 4.5 percent. However, salary increases were assumed to vary by age.

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN FOR RETIRED EMPLOYEES SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS (UNAUDITED) June 30, 2017

Actuarial Valuation Date	V	ctuarial alue of Assets (a)	Liabi	rial Accrued lity (AAL) ntry Age (b)	Jnfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payr ((b-a)/c)	of
6/30/16	\$	-	\$	34,667	\$ 34,667	-	\$ 370,635		85%
6/30/15 6/30/14		-		34,667 -	34,667	-	370,635	9.3	35% -
6/30/13		-		-	-	-	-	-	

OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS GENERAL FUND JUNE 30, 2017

	Inte	erest Fund	General perations		General State Aid	 Lincoln School		TOTALS
ASSETS								
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$ -	\$	2,865,071	\$ 12,464	\$	2,877,535
Accounts receivable Due from other funds		- 11,355	90		- 590,487	-		90 601,842
Prepaid expenses		-	 -	_	23,481	-	_	23,481
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	11,355	\$ 90	\$	3,479,039	\$ 12,464	\$	3,502,948
LIABILITIES								
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$ -	\$	7,547	\$ -	\$	7,547
Due to other funds		198	 69,767		11,355	 		81,320
Total Liabilities		198	 69,767		18,902	 -		88,867
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)								
Nonspendable		-	-		23,481	-		23,481
Unassigned		11,157	 (69,677)		3,436,656	12,464		3,390,600
Total Fund Balance (Deficit)		11,157	(69,677)		3,460,137	 12,464		3,414,081
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND								
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)	\$	11,355	\$ 90	\$	3,479,039	\$ 12,464	\$	3,502,948

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Inte	rest Fund	General perations	General State Aid	Lincoln School	TOTALS
REVENUES						
Local sources	\$	-	\$ 15,566	\$ -	\$ 4,838	\$ 20,404
On-behalf payments - Local		-	654,164	-	-	654,164
State sources		-	-	767,356	-	767,356
On-behalf payments - State		-	 292,831	 -	 -	 292,831
Total Revenues		-	 962,561	 767,356	 4,838	 1,734,755
EXPENDITURES						
Salaries and benefits		-	-	428,295	1,000	429,295
Purchased services		-	8,731	491,010	326	500,067
Supplies and materials		-	2,040	41,991	21,241	65,272
On-behalf payments		-	946,995	 -	 -	 946,995
Total Expenditures		-	 957,766	 961,296	 22,567	 1,941,629
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES						
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES		-	 4,795	 (193,940)	 (17,729)	 (206,874)
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)						
Transfers in		-	2,002,161	-	-	2,002,161
Transfers out		-	(2,092,161)	-	-	(2,092,161)
Interest		-	 -	 -	 -	 -
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)		-	 (90,000)	 -	 -	 (90,000)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)		-	(85,205)	(193,940)	(17,729)	(296,874)
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING		11,157	 15,528	 3,654,077	 30,193	 3,710,955
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - ENDING	\$	11,157	\$ (69,677)	\$ 3,460,137	\$ 12,464	\$ 3,414,081

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS EDUCATION FUND JUNE 30, 2017

		itle II -	Edu	cKinney cation for	•	gional Safe	Alterna	Truants ative/Optional		
	Teach	er Quality	Homel	ess Children		Schools	E	ducation	1	OTALS
ASSETS										
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Due from other governments		4,400		70,746		237,450		207,926		520,522
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	4,400	\$	70,746	\$	237,450	\$	207,926	\$	520,522
LIABILITIES										
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Due to other funds		4,400		70,746		237,450		207,926		520,522
Total Liabilities		4,400		70,746		237,450		207,926		520,522
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES										
Unavailable revenue	. <u> </u>			-		158,298		103,964		262,262
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)										
Nonspendable		-		-		-		-		-
Restricted		-		-		-		-		-
Unassigned		-		-		(158,298)		(103,964)		(262,262)
Total Fund Balance (Deficit)						(158,298)		(103,964)		(262,262)
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND										
BALANCE (DEFICIT)	\$	4,400	\$	70,746	\$	237,450	\$	207,926	\$	520,522

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES EDUCATION FUND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	Fitle II - her Quality	E	McKinney Education for neless Children	Re	egional Safe Schools	Alter	Truants rnative/Optional Education	TOTALS
REVENUES								
State sources	\$ -	\$	-	\$	158,304	\$	103,962	\$ 262,266
Federal sources	 19,800		500,653		-		-	 520,453
Total Revenues	 19,800		500,653		158,304		103,962	 782,719
EXPENDITURES								
Salaries and benefits	-		112,478		291,785		203,100	607,363
Pension expense	-		-		3,324		-	3,324
Purchased services	19,800		25,152		17,653		3,726	66,331
Supplies and materials	-		796		3,840		1,100	5,736
Capital outlay	-		590		-		-	590
Payments to other governments	 -		346,100		-		-	346,100
Total Expenditures	 19,800		485,116		316,602		207,926	 1,029,444
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES								
OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	 -		15,537		(158,298)		(103,964)	 (246,725)
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)	-		15,537		(158,298)		(103,964)	(246,725)
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - BEGINNING	 -		(15,537)					 (15,537)
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) - ENDING	\$ _	\$	_	\$	(158,298)	\$	(103,964)	\$ (262,262)

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Education Fund Account Title II - Teacher Quality (17-4935-02)

	Budgeted Original	Amounts Final	Actual Amounts
Revenues Federal sources Total Revenues	\$ 20,299 20,299	\$ 20,299 20,299	\$ 19,800 19,800
Expenditures Purchased services Total Expenditures	<u>20,299</u> 20,299	20,299 20,299	<u> 19,800</u> <u> 19,800</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	-	\$ -
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Education Fund Account McKinney Education for Homeless Children (17-4920-RF)

	Budgeted	Actual	
	Original	Final	Amounts
Revenues			
Federal sources	\$ 464,951	\$ 528,487	\$ 485,116
Total Revenues	464,951	528,487	485,116
Expenditures			
Salaries and benefits	121,553	113,950	112,478
Purchased services	32,998	52,512	25,152
Supplies and materials	8,900	15,325	796
Capital outlay	600	600	590
Payments to other governments	300,900	346,100	346,100
Total Expenditures	464,951	528,487	485,116
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	-	\$-
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year		<u> </u>	
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Education Fund Account McKinney Education for Homeless Children (16-4920-00)

	Budgeted	Actual		
	Original	Final	Amounts	
Revenues				
Federal sources	\$ 500,000	\$ 566,870	\$ 15,537	
Total Revenues	500,000	566,870	15,537	
Expenditures				
Salaries and benefits	126,983	137,564	-	
Purchased services	30,125	41,690	-	
Supplies and materials	9,700	9,024	-	
Capital outlay	600	900	-	
Payments to other governments	332,592	377,692		
Total Expenditures	500,000	566,870		
Net Change in Fund Balance			15,537	
Fund Balance (Deficit), Beginning of Year			(15,537)	
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$-	\$ -	\$ -	

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Education Fund Account Regional Safe Schools

	Budgeted	Budgeted Amounts			
	Original	Final	Amounts		
Revenues					
State sources	\$ 316,602	\$ 316,602	\$ 158,304		
Total Revenues	316,602	316,602	158,304		
Expenditures					
Salaries and benefits	295,109	295,109	291,785		
Pension expense	-	-	3,324		
Purchased services	19,930	17,653	17,653		
Supplies and materials	1,563	3,840	3,840		
Other objects	-	-	-		
Payments to other governments					
Total Expenditures	316,602	316,602	316,602		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
Over (Under) Expenditures			(158,298)		
Net Change in Fund Balance (Deficit)	\$ -	\$-	\$ (158,298)		
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year					
Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (158,298)		

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Education Fund Account Truants Alternative / Optional Education

	Budgeted	Actual	
	Original	Final	Amounts
Revenues			
State sources	\$ 207,926	\$ 207,926	\$ 103,962
Total Revenues	207,926	207,926	103,962
Expenditures			
Salaries and benefits	203,100	203,100	203,100
Purchased services	3,726	3,726	3,726
Supplies and materials	1,100	1,100	1,100
Other objects			
Total Expenditures	207,926	207,926	207,926
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues			
Over (Under) Expenditures		-	(103,964)
Net Change in Fund Balance (Deficit)	\$-	\$ -	\$ (103,964)
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			
Fund Balance (Deficit), End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (103,964)

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE FUND JUNE 30, 2017

	E/ISC rations	05		Title I - School Improvement and Accountability		Grundy/Kendall County ROE/ISC Operations		T	OTALS
ASSETS									
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
Due from other governments	 -		66,902		263,751		-		330,653
Total Assets	\$ -	\$	66,902	\$	263,751	\$	-	\$	330,653
LIABILITIES									
Accounts payable	\$ -	\$	-	\$	8,496	\$	-	\$	8,496
Accrued payroll	-		-		42,530		-		42,530
Due to other funds	-		66,902		212,725		-		279,627
Total Liabilities	 -		66,902		263,751		-		330,653
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES Unavailable revenue	 -		-		-		-		-
FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT) Restricted Unassigned	-		-				_		-
Total Fund Balance (Deficit)	 -		-				-		
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS									
OF RESOURCES, AND FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)	\$ -	\$	66,902	\$	263,751	\$	-	\$	330,653

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 COMBINING SCHEDULE OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE FUND ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	OE/ISC perations	hnology Success	Impr	e I - School ovement and countability	C R(dy/Kendall County OE/ISC verations]	TOTALS
REVENUES								
State sources	\$ 282,158	\$ 66,902	\$	-	\$	150,286	\$	499,346
Federal sources	 -	 -		665,580		-		665,580
Total Revenues	 282,158	66,902		665,580		150,286		1,164,926
EXPENDITURES								
Salaries and benefits	195,177	66,902		231,022		86,552		579,653
Pension expense	8,061	-		2,288		4,028		14,377
Purchased services	78,920	-		242,302		59,706		380,928
Supplies and materials	-	-		7,686		-		7,686
Payments to other governments	-	-		139,972		-		139,972
Total Expenditures	 282,158	 66,902		623,270		150,286		1,122,616
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE (DEFICIT)	-	-		42,310		-		42,310
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING (DEFICIT)	 -	 _		(42,310)		-		(42,310)
FUND BALANCE - ENDING (DEFICIT)	\$ _	\$ _	\$		\$		\$	-

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Professional Development Alliance Fund Account ROE / ISC Operations

	Bud		Actual	
	Original		al	Amounts
Revenues				
State sources	\$ 282,1	58 \$ 282	2,158 \$	282,158
Total Revenues	282,1	58 282	2,158	282,158
Expenditures				
Salaries and benefits	192,6	94 192	2,694	195,177
Pension expense		-	-	8,061
Purchased services	89,4	64 89	9,464	78,920
Total Expenditures	282,1	58 282	2,158	282,158
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$	-	- \$	-
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year				-
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$	\$	\$	

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Professional Development Alliance Fund Account Technology for Success

	Budgeted	Actual	
	Original	Original Final	
Revenues			
State sources	\$ 66,900	\$ 66,900	\$ 66,902
Total Revenues	66,900	66,900	66,902
Expenditures			
Salaries and benefits	66,900	66,900	66,902
Pension expense	-	-	-
Purchased services	-	-	
Total Expenditures	66,900	66,900	66,902
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$-	-	\$-
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	<u>\$ -</u>	\$ -

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Professional Development Alliance Fund Account Title I - School Improvement and Accountability

	Budgeted	Actual	
	Original	Final	Amounts
Revenues			
Federal sources	\$ 1,205,884	\$ 1,205,884	\$ 665,580
Total Revenues	1,205,884	1,205,884	665,580
Expenditures			
Salaries and benefits	566,687	566,687	231,022
Pension expense	-	-	2,288
Purchased services	350,739	350,739	242,302
Supplies and materials	18,710	18,710	7,686
Other objects	229,248	229,248	-
Payments to other governments	40,500	40,500	139,972
Total Expenditures	1,205,884	1,205,884	623,270
Net Change in Fund Balance (Deficit)	\$ -	-	\$ 42,310
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year (Deficit)			(42,310)
Fund Balance, End of Year (Deficit)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Professional Development Alliance Fund Account Grundy / Kendall County ROE / ISC Operations

	Budgeted	Actual	
	Original	Original Final	
Revenues			
State sources	\$ 150,286	\$ 150,286	\$ 150,286
Total Revenues	150,286	150,286	150,286
Expenditures			
Salaries and benefits	90,580	90,580	86,552
Pension expense	-	-	4,028
Purchased services	59,706	59,706	59,706
Total Expenditures	150,286	150,286	150,286
Net Change in Fund Balance	\$ -	-	\$-
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year			
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

COMBINING BALANCE SHEET NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS JUNE 30, 2017

	General Education Development		Bus Driver Training		TOTALS	
ASSETS						
Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable	\$	134,775 1,371	\$	98,228 4,760	\$	233,003 6,131
Total Assets	\$	136,146	\$	102,988	\$	239,134
LIABILITIES Accounts payable Total Liabilities	\$	345	\$	1,765	\$	2,110
FUND BALANCE Restricted		135,801		101,223		237,024
Total Fund Balance		135,801		101,223		237,024
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	\$	136,146	\$	102,988	\$	239,134

COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES NONMAJOR SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	General Education Development		Bus Driver Training		TOTALS	
REVENUES						
Local sources	\$	10,204	\$	25,540	\$	35,744
State sources		-		2,903		2,903
Total Revenues		10,204		28,443		38,647
EXPENDITURES						
Salaries and benefits		-		-		-
Purchased services		2,354		14,352		16,706
Supplies and materials		298		-		298
Capital outlay		-		-		-
Other objects		-		-		-
Total Expenditures		2,652		14,352		17,004
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE		7,552		14,091		21,643
FUND BALANCE - BEGINNING		128,249		87,132		215,381
FUND BALANCE - ENDING	\$	135,801	\$	101,223	\$	237,024

FEDERAL COMPLIANCE

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Federal Grantor / Pass Through Grantor / Program or Cluster Title	Federal CFDA Number	Pass-Through Entity Identifying Number	Passed Through to Subrecipients	Total Federal Expenditures
U.S. Department of Education Passed-Through Illinois State Board of Education				
Title I - Grants to Local Educational Agencies Title I - School Improvement and Accountability	84.010A	2017-4331-SS	139,972	\$ 623,270
Education for Homeless Children and Youth McKinney Education for Homeless Children Total McKinney Education for Homeless Children	84.196A	2017-4920-RF	346,100 346,100	485,116 (M) 485,116
Improving Teacher Quality State Grants Title II - Teacher Quality - Leadership Grant Total Improving Teacher Quality State Grants	84.367A	2017-4935-02		<u> 19,800 </u> (M) <u> 19,800 </u>
Total U.S. Department of Education				1,128,186
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards			\$ 486,072	\$ 1,128,186

(M) Program was audited as a major program.

WILL COUNTY REGIONAL OFFICE OF EDUCATION #56 NOTES TO THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

NOTE 1 -BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (the "Schedule") includes the federal award activity of the Will County Regional Office of Education #56 under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2017. 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 Regional Office of Education #56, it is not intended to and does not present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of Regional Office of Education #56.

NOTE 2 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Expenditures reported on the Schedule are reported on the modified 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. Negative amounts shown on the Schedule represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. Regional Office of Education #56 has elected not to use the 10-percent de minimis indirect cost rate allowed under the Uniform Guidance.