

On behalf of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Education of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria), and To the Minister of Education and Child Care, Province of British Columbia

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria) (the Entity), which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at June 30, 2023
- the statement of operations for the year then ended
- the statement of changes in net debt for the year then ended
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements as at and for the year ended June 30, 2023 of the Entity are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting provisions of Section 23.1 of the Budget Transparency and Accountability Act of the Province of British Columbia.

# Emphasis of Matter – Comparative Information

We draw attention to Note 25 to the financial statements which explains that certain

## Auditor 's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

 Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

Victoria, Canada September 25, 2023



### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

(i) Liability for Contaminated Sites

Contaminated sites are a result of contamination being introduced into air, soil, water or sediment of a

- 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)
  - (k) Capital Leases

Leases that, from the point of view of the lessee, transfer substantially all the benefits and risks incident to ownership of the property to the School District are considered capital leases. These are accounted for as an asset and an obligation. Capital lease obligations are recorded at the present value of the minimum lease payments excluding executor costs, e.g. insurance, maintenance costs, etc. The discount rate used to determine the present value of the lease payments is the lower of the School District's rate for incremental borrowing or the interest rate implicit in the lease.

All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the related6.4 (at)-13.1 (i) (nt)-13.1 -1.120 Td ()

#### 6. Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities – Other

	J	June 30, 2023		June 30, 2022		
Trade Payables	\$	4,842,197	\$	6,066,150		
Salaries and Benefits Payable		18,159,255		15,780,759		
Accrued Vacation Pay		1,338,704		1,882,577		
Holdback Payables		4,183,211		2,586,762		
International Student Program Fee Payable		7,421,995		7,262,919		
Other		776,236		1,001,332		
	\$	36,721,598	\$	34,580,499		

International Student Program Fees Payable in the amount of \$7,421,995 (2022: \$7,262,919) is comprised of 2022/23 refunds \$144,102 (2022: \$286,835), homestay fees of \$5,965,546 (2022: \$5,802,363) and medical fees of \$1,312,347 (2022: \$1,173,721). These amounts are collected and paid by the School District on behalf of the International Student Program. The same amount included in cash and cash equivalents is restricted and not available for general use.

### 7. Unearned Revenue

	June 30, 202	3 June 30, 2022
Unearned Revenue, Beginning of Year	\$ 11,497,06	9 \$ 11,955,313
Changes for the Year:		
Increase:		
Tuition fees	16,080,82	6 14,458,006
Rentals and Leases	2,811,92	3 2,519,825
Other	988,33	5

#### 8. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue includes unspent grants and contributions received that meet the description of a restricted contribution in the Restricted Contributions Regulation 198/2011 issued by Treasury Board, i.e. the stipulations associated with those grants and contributions have not yet been fulfilled.

	Ju	une 30, 2023	Ju	une 30, 2022
Deferred Revenue, Beginning of Year	\$	7,532,465	\$	6,540,627
Changes for the Year:				
Increase:				
Provincial Grants - Ministry of Education and Child Care		31,506,515		29,296,235
Other		6,811,189		5,443,756
Investment Income		281,708		92,850
		38,599,412		34,832,841
Decrease:				
Allocation to Revenue		38,511,927		32,595,202
Recovered		865,583		1,245,801
		39,377,510		33,841,003
Net Changes for the Year		(778,098)		991,838
Deferred Revenue, End of Year	\$	6,754,367	\$	7,532,465

### 9. Deferred Capital Revenue

Deferred capital revenue includes grants and contributions received that are restricted by the contributor for the acquisition of tangible capital assets that meet the description of a restricted contribution in the Restricted Contributions Regulation 198/2011 issued by Treasury Board. Once spent, the contributions are amortized into revenue over the life of the asset acquired.

Deferred Capital Revenue:

June 30, 2023

#### 10. Employee Future Benefits

The School District provides certain benefits upon retirement including vested sick leave, accumulating nonvested sick leave, lump sum retirement payments, vacation, overtime and death benefits for qualified employees pursuant to certain contracts and union agreements. Funding is provided when the benefits are paid and accordingly, there are no plan assets. Although no plan assets are uniquely identified, the School District has provided for the payment of these benefits.

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## 11. Tangible Capital Assets

June 30, 2023

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Cost:

## 11. Tangible Capital Assets (Continued)

June 30, 2022 (Continued)

Accumulated Amortization:	Balance at June 30, 2021 (Restated – Note 25)	Additions	Disposals / Reclassification	Transfers Balance at (WIP) June 30, 2022
Sites	\$ -	\$-	\$-\$	- \$ -
Site Improvements	765,000	170,000	-	- 935,000
Buildings	191,013,696	8,437,058	-	- 199,450,754
Furniture & Equipment	4,747,096	1,354,513	(829,463)	- 5,272,146
Vehicles	426,449	116,566	-	- 543,015
Computer Software	87,456	17,563	(47,244)	- 57,775
Computer Hardware	6,309,252	1,677,732	(4,880,015)	- 3,106,969
Total	\$ 203,348,949	\$ 11,773,432	\$ (5,756,722) \$	- \$ 209,365,659

Net Book Value:

Net Book Value	Net Book Value
June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022

#### 12. Employee Pension Plans

The School District and its employees contribute to the Teachers' Pension Plan and Municipal Pension Plan (jointly trusteed pension plans). The boards of trustees for these plans, representing plan members and employers, are responsible for administering the pension plans, including investing assets and administering benefits. The plans are multi-employer defined benefit pension plans. Basic pension benefits are based on a formula. At December 31, 2022, the Teachers' Pension Plan has about 51,000 active members and approximately 41,000 retired members. As of December 31, 2022, the Municipal Pension Plan has about 240,000 active members, including approximately 30,000 from school districts.

Every three years, an actuarial valuation is performed to assess the financial position of the plans and adequacy of plan funding. The actuary determines an appropriate combined employer and member contribution rate to fund the plans. The actuary's calculated contribution rate is based on the entry-age normal cost method, which produces the long-term rate of member and employer contributions sufficient to provide benefits for average future entrants to the plans. This rate may be adjusted for the amortization of any actuarial funding surplus and will be adjusted for the amortization of any unfunded actuarial liability.

The most recent actuarial valuation of the Teachers' Pension Plan as at December 31, 2020 indicated a \$1,584 million surplus for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis.

The most recent actuarial valuation for the Municipal Pension Plan as at December 31, 2021, indicated a \$3,761 million funding surplus for basic pension benefits on a going concern basis.

The School District paid \$20,517,942 for employer contributions to these plans in the year ended June 30, 2023 (2022: \$19,447,660).

The next valuation for the Teachers' Pension Plan will be as at December 31, 2023. The next valuation for the Municipal Pension Plan will be as at December 31, 2024

### 15. Contractual Obligations

The School District has entered into a number of multiple-year contracts for the delivery of services and operating leases. These contractual obligations will become liabilities in the future when the terms of the contracts are met. Disclosure relates to the unperformed portion of the contracts.

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2	028	There	eafter
Youth and Family Counselling	\$1,644,485	\$ -	\$-	\$-	\$	-	\$	-
Transportation	788,166	788,166	788,166	788,166		-		-
Operating Lease	42,075	42,075	19,998	-		-		-
Occupational/Physical								
Therapy	600,738	-	-	-		-		-
Waste Management	156,874	19,609						

### 19. Contingent Liabilities and Assets

The School District, in conducting its usual business activities, is involved in various legal claims and litigation.

# 21. Internally Restricted Surplus - Operating Fund (Continued)

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Restricted for Anticipated Unusual Expenses Identified by the Board		
Shared Minor Capital-New Classrooms due to Enrolment Growth	25,000	25,000
Reconciliation and Anti-Racism	44,366	41,000
School Police Liaison	-	5,000
Potential Arbitration Settlement	414,868	-
	484,234	71,000
Restricted for Operations Spanning Multiple School Years		
Schools Operating Surplus	997,230	1,347,625
Schools Special Project Carryforward	191,973u	

School District No . 61 (Greater Victoria ) Notes to Financial Statements

#### 26. Risk Management

The School District has exposure to the following risks from its use of financial instruments: credit risk, market risk and liquidity risk.

The Board ensures that the School District has identified its risks and ensures that management monitors and controls them.

a) Credit risk:

Credit risk is the risk of financial loss to an institution if a customer or counterparty to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. Such risks arise principally from certain financial assets held consisting of cash, amounts receivable and investments.

The School District is exposed to credit risk in the event of non-performance by a debtor. This risk is mitigated as most amounts receivable are due from the Province and are collectible.