Arkansas Tech University

Russellville, Arkansas

Basic Financial Statements and Other Reports

June 30, 2022



LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE

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# LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

Arkansas Tech University Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

#### **Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

#### Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities and the aggregate discretely presented component units of Arkansas Tech University (University), an institution of higher education of the State of Arkansas, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the reports of other auditors, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities and the aggregate discretely presented component units of the University as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinions**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We did not audit the financial statements of the Arkansas Tech University Foundation, Inc. and Arkansas Tech University Facilities Development Foundation Inc., which represents 100% of the assets and revenues of the aggregate discretely presented component units. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Arkansas Tech University Foundation, Inc. and Arkansas Tech University Facilities Development Foundation Inc., is based solely on the report of the other auditors. The financial statements of the Arkansas Tech University Facilities Development Foundation, Inc. and Arkansas Tech University Facilities Development Auditing Standards. We are required to be independent of the University and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the University's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

#### Report on Comparative Information

We have previously audited the University's 2021 financial statements, and we expressed unmodified opinions on the respective financial statements of the business-type activities and the aggregate discretely presented component units in our report dated November 3, 2021. In our opinion, the comparative information presented herein as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, certain information pertaining to postemployment benefits other than pensions, and certain information pertaining to pensions on pages 7-19, 85-86, and 87-88 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Other Information

Management is responsible for the other information included in the annual report. The other information comprises the Schedule of Selected Information for the Last Five Years (Schedule 1) but does not include the basic financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinions on the basic financial statements do not cover the other information, and we do not express an opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the basic financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the basic financial statements, or the other information otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 7, 2022 on our consideration of the University's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the University's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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# LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

#### 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

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Arkansas Tech University Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities and the aggregate discretely presented component units of Arkansas Tech University (University), an institution of higher education of the State of Arkansas, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the University's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 7, 2022. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Arkansas Tech University Foundation, Inc. and Arkansas Tech University Facilities Development Foundation Inc., as described in our report on the University's financial statements. The financial statements of the Arkansas Tech University Facilities Development Foundation Inc., were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, and accordingly, this report does not include reporting on internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters associated with the Arkansas Tech University Foundation, Inc. and Arkansas Tech University Facilities Development Foundation, Inc. and Arkansas Te

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the University's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the University'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 University's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that were not identified.

#### **Report on Compliance and Other Matters**

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

We noted a certain matter that we reported to management of the University in a separate letter dated November 7, 2022.

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#### Purpose of This Report

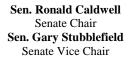
The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the University's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

Matt Fink

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Little Rock, Arkansas November 7, 2022



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# LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

#### MANAGEMENT LETTER

Arkansas Tech University Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

STUDENT ENROLLMENT DATA – In accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 6-60-209, we performed tests of the student enrollment data for the year ended June 30, 2022, as reported to the Arkansas Division of Higher Education, to provide reasonable assurance that the data was properly reported. The enrollment data reported was as follows:

	Summer II Term	Fall Term	Spring Term	Summer I Term
	2021	2021	2022	2022
Student Headcount Student Semester	1,486	9,640	8,447	1,557
Credit Hours	6,451	103,447	89,514	7,055

During our review, nothing came to our attention that would cause us to believe that the student enrollment data was not substantially correct.

This letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, the governing board, University management, state executive and oversight management, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

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Matt Fink, CPA Deputy Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas November 7, 2022



# Management's Discussion And Analysis

(UNAUDITED)



# Introduction

Arkansas Tech University (the University) is proud to present its consolidated financial statements for fiscal year 2021-22. The University's financial statements, notes to financial statements and discussion and analysis are the responsibility of, and prepared by management. Management's discussion and analysis as required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements 34 and 35 are to be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes.

# **Overview of Financial Statements and Financial Analysis**

Arkansas Tech University completed the FY 22 fiscal year with an overall increase in net position. This was primarily due to loss revenue of \$8,468,300 from CARES Act grant funds. In addition, the University had a material reduction in both the pension and other post-employment benefits entry in the areas of expense and reduction in liability.

The University's fiscal year 2021-22 state appropriations of \$39,511,575 slightly increased compared to previous years. Major emphasis has been placed on the management of expenses and this was even more crucial this year, as COVID-19 required the University to stretch in many new ways.

Other impacts to the University's financial net position included the adoption of two Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements, no. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions and no. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. Please refer to Notes 16 and 22 for a detailed analysis of these required changes to the financial statements.

The student population totaled 9,640 for the fall 2021, a 10.98% decrease from fall 2020. Due to the net impact of the student population decline management actively monitors revenue levels and net impact. This prudent management of resources practice resulted in the following FY21-22 financial results occurred:

- Transfer \$348,881 to Funded Depreciation.
- There was an \$18,074,638 decrease in the University's pension liability due to exceeding expectations in the 2021 market. Pension liability data provided by state agencies, APERS and teacher retirement.
- There was a \$1,294,021 decrease in the University's other post-employment benefits liability.

There are three financial statements presented: Statement of Net Position; Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position; and Statement of Cash Flows.



# **Condensed Statement of Net Position**

The Statement of Net Position presents the assets and deferred outflows of resources, liabilities and deferred inflows of resources, and net position of the University at the end of the fiscal year. The purpose of this statement is to show the financial position on a certain date in time and to present to readers a fiscal snapshot of Arkansas Tech University at year-end. The Statement of Net Position presents year-end data concerning assets (current and noncurrent) plus deferred outflows of resources, liabilities (current and noncurrent) plus deferred outflows of resources, liabilities (current and noncurrent) plus deferred outflows of resources). The difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources). The difference between current and noncurrent assets is discussed in the footnotes to the financial statements. From the data presented, readers of the Statement of Net Position are able to determine the assets available to continue the operations of the institution. They are also able to determine how much the institution owes vendors, investors and lending institutions. Finally, the Statement of Net Position provides a picture of the net position (difference between assets and deferred outflows of resources) and of their availability for expenditure by the institution.

Net Position is divided into three major categories. The first category—net investment in capital assets provides information on the institution's equity in property, plant and equipment. The next net position category—restricted assets—is divided into two categories: nonexpendable and expendable. The corpus of nonexpendable restricted resources is only available for investment purposes.

Restricted expendable net position is available for expenditure by the institution but must be spent for purposes subject to externally-imposed stipulations that can be fulfilled by actions of the University pursuant to those stipulations or that expire by the passage of time. The final category, unrestricted net position, is not subject to externally-imposed stipulations, but can be used at the discretion of the governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose if not limited by contractual agreements with outside parties.

Although unrestricted net position is not subject to externally-imposed restrictions, the majority of the University's unrestricted net position is subject to internal designations to meet various specific commitments. These commitments include reserves established for Russellville and Ozark campus operations, capital projects, scholarships, and other academic priorities; working capital for auxiliary enterprises; and reserves for the continued recognition of OPEB and pension obligations.

Overall, the University's total net position increased by \$17,908,940 from fiscal year 2021. A review of the Statement of Net Position reveals an increase overall in total assets and deferred outflows of resources by \$8,184,117 and liabilities and deferred inflows of resources decreased by \$9,724,823. The most significant changes occurred in noncurrent assets, noncurrent liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources.



# **Condensed Statement of Net Position (continued)**

## Condensed Statement of Net Position

Assets:	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Current assets	\$69,763,630	\$66,530,151
Noncurrent assets	53,570,870	44,404,191
Capital assets, net	139,935,802	140,297,311
Total Assets	263,270,302	251,231,653
Deferred Outflows of Resources	6,053,537	9,908,069
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	269,323,839	261,139,722
Liabilities:		
Current liabilities	13,013,803	12,219,404
Noncurrent liabilities	77,970,161	101,340,164
Total Liabilities	90,983,964	113,559,568
Deferred Inflows of Resources	16,579,076	3,728,295
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows of Resources	107,563,040	117,287,863
Net Position:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	87,574,100	74,902,960
Restricted - nonexpendable	199,389	245,697
Restricted - expendable	14,896,198	11,829,633
Unrestricted	59,091,112	56,873,569
Total Net Position	\$ 161,760,799	\$ 143,851,859



# Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

Changes in total net position as presented on the Statement of Net Position is based on the activity presented in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. The purpose of the statement is to present the revenues received by the institution, both operating and nonoperating, and the expenses paid by the institution, both operating and nonoperating, and any other revenues, expenses, gains and losses received or expended by the institution.

Generally speaking, operating revenues are received for providing goods and services to the various customers and constituencies of the institution. Operating expenses are those expenses paid to acquire or produce the goods and services provided in return for the operating revenues and to carry out the mission of the institution. Nonoperating revenues are revenues received for which goods and services are not provided. (For example, state appropriations are nonoperating because they are provided by the Legislature to the institution without the Legislature directly receiving commensurate goods and services for those revenues.)

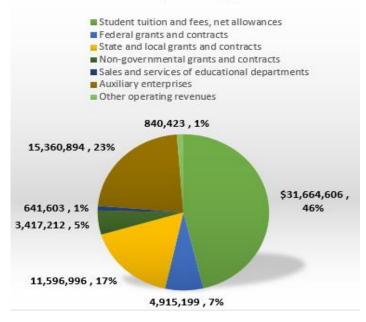
June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
\$ 68,436,933	\$ 74,831,110
(133,233,543)	(140,134,021)
(64,796,610)	(65,302,911)
78,589,487	62,748,112
13,792,877	(2,554,799)
4,116,063	4,914,485
17,908,940	2,359,686
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#### Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position



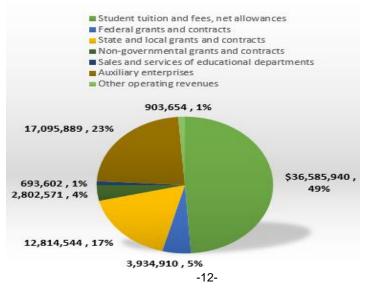
#### Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position (Continued)

The FY22 operating revenues of \$68,436,933 compared to last year's \$74,831,110 had a decrease of \$6,394,177. Noted decreases were in student tuition and fees and sales and services of educational departments. Noted decreases were in auxiliaries, and state and local grants and contracts.



# FY 2022 Operating Revenues

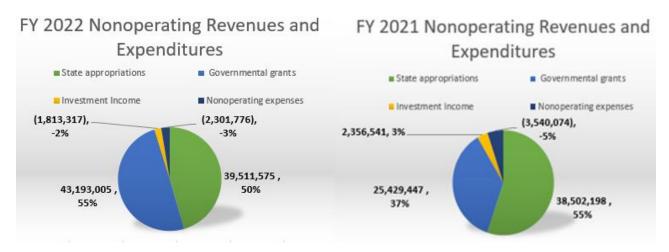
# FY 2021 Operating Revenues



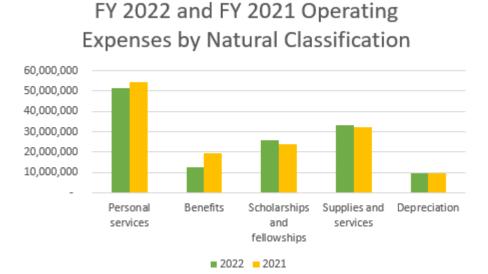


## Condensed Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position (Continued)

The FY22 nonoperating revenues and expenditures totaled \$78,589,487 compared to \$62,748,112 last year. The biggest gains were in state appropriations and governmental grants.



The operating expenditures of \$133,233,543 decreased by \$6,900,478 from last year, primarily due to the decrease in pension and other post-employment benefits.





## **Condensed Statement of Cash Flows**

The final statement presented by Arkansas Tech University is the Statement of Cash Flows. The Statement of Cash Flows presents detailed information about the cash activity of the University during the year. The FY22 cash balance totaled \$110,918,676 compared to \$93,334,640 from last year. The increase was in part due to insurance proceeds from the Williamson fire event and proceeds from the sale of property. The statement is divided into five sections on Exhibit C. The first section shows the net cash used by the operating activities of the institution. The second section reflects cash flows from noncapital financing activities and specifically reflects the cash received and spent for nonoperating, noninvesting and noncapital financing purposes. The third section deals with the cash flows from capital and related financing activities. The fourth section reflects the cash flows from investing activities and shows the purchases, proceeds, and interest received from investing activities. The fifth section reconciles the net cash used to the operating income or loss reflected on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. The condensed statement is shown below and includes a summary version of the cash flow.

#### Condensed Statement of Cash Flows

	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Cash provided (used) by:		
Operating activities	\$ (56,088,852)	\$ (55,166,596)
Noncapital financing activities	85,217,996	60,819,227
Capital and related financing activities	(13,512,009)	(8,339,449)
Investing activities	1,966,901	3,913,087
Net Change in Cash	17,584,036	1,226,269
Cash, beginning of year	93,334,640	92,108,371
Cash, end of year	\$110,918,676	\$ 93,334,640



# **Capital Asset and Debt Administration**

At June 30, 2022, the University had \$303,058,256 invested in capital assets, less accumulated depreciation of \$163,122,454. Depreciation charges total \$9,794,632 for the current fiscal year. Details of these assets are shown below.

Capital Asset (Net)	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Land, improvements and infrastructure	\$ 8,198,504	\$ 9,184,532
Buildings	110,374,920	115,814,402
Construction in progress	17,000,578	11,412,721
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	3,539,154	2,949,729
Library holdings	571,116	764,862
Livestock for educational purposes	251,530	171,065
Total	\$ 139,935,802	\$140,297,311



# **Capital Asset and Debt Administration (continued)**

Major capital additions completed this year, and the source of the funding used for their acquisition, include:

	Jur	June 30, 2022 June 30,		ne 30, 2021
Ozark Walking Trail - Grants and University Funds			\$	153,621
Paine Hall - University Funds				136,837
Witherspoon Elevator - University Funds				171,820
McEver Hoods - University Funds				149,947
ResLife WIFI - University Funds				271,029
McEver Lab - University Funds				59,202
Family Restroom Renovation				117,560
Wilson Hall - University Funds	\$	832,075		
Baswell Hall - University Funds		25,950		
Tucker Hall - University Funds		179,238		
Paine Hall - University Funds		122,886		
Ozark Automotive - University Funds		299,738		
McEver Summer Projects - University Funds		141,263		
Total	\$	1,601,150	\$	1,060,016

More detailed information about the University's capital assets is presented in Note 8 and Note 14 of the financial statements.



# **Capital Asset and Debt Administration (continued)**

<u>Debt</u>

At June 30, 2022, the University had \$64,863,429 in debt outstanding versus \$68,292,263 the previous year. Principal payments on general obligation bonds during the year were \$3,285,000. The table below summarizes these amounts by type of debt instrument. Moody's Investor Service continued its rating of A1 with a stable outlook.

Outstanding Debt	Jur	ne 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Educational and general revenue bonds	\$	28,150,000	\$29,715,000
Auxiliary facility revenue bonds		34,015,000	35,735,000
Notes payable from direct placement		844,387	910,620
Unamortized bond discount		(17,115)	(17,943)
Unamortized bond premium		1,852,064	1,949,586
Lease Liability		19,093	
Total	\$	64,863,429	\$68,292,263

More detailed information about the University's long-term liabilities is presented in Notes 10, 11 and 12 of the financial statements.

# **Economic Conditions and Other Significant Factors**

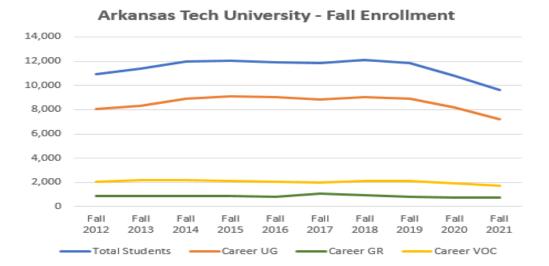
State government's financial and political support remain integral to the continued financial sustainability of the institution. The University's fiscal year 2022 state appropriations remained strong, even though COVID-19 impacted the entire fiscal year. The State Legislature uses funding categories to maintain a balanced budget.



# **Economic Conditions and Other Significant Factors (continued)**

On March 11, 2020 the Governor of Arkansas issued Executive Order 20-03 declaring an emergency and ordering the Arkansas Department of Health to take action to prevent the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19). Various other Executive Orders followed. The emergency order remained in effect until it expired May 30, 2021, per Executive Order 21-07. During FY21 the campus moved to a blended instructional format. It included online, hybrid, and in class instruction. A similar format is planned for FY22, but with more emphasis on in class instruction. Note 24 addresses the COVID-19 event. The long-term effects remain unknown. The Federal government provided CARES Act funding, through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF), to address some of the vital needs. The American Rescue Plan funding was also added. Management continues to monitor the situation and adjust using the recommendations of the campus COVID Task Force. The future impact will depend upon the significance and duration of the event, as well as the University's ability to adapt.

The "every student counts" guiding principle frames the strategic direction of managing cost of attendance, so tuition and fees remain affordable, while delivering quality academic programs and University experiences. For FY 22 the Russellville Campus tuition rates for undergraduate and graduate increased by 1.5%. The Ozark Campus adopted a tuition rate that was 1.52% higher than the prior year. The increase was necessary to support the University mission of student success, access, and excellence. Below is a graph of fall enrollment from 2011 to 2020 categorized by student classification. The FY 22 budget included a predicted decline in enrollment. Official fall 2021 enrollment numbers reflect lower than predicted decline in enrollment.





# **Economic Conditions and Other Significant Factors (continued)**

Prior to the pandemic, ATU yielded the largest enrollment in the history of the institution with enrollment of 12,101 students in fall 2018. Although the total enrollment dipped during the pandemic, the budget has been adjusted and remains viable. During FY22, the University implemented the restructuring activity and implemented a five-year budget plan. This plan included projection of enrollments. For FY22, the University budgeted an anticipated decline in enrollment. This projection was based upon expectation of the COVID impact and many other factors. The University continues to focus efforts on student success initiatives, student recruitment, and retention in order to achieve enrollment projections.

The University's overall financial position remains strong. We continue to strive for excellence and monitor our efforts to bring innovative programs to our students while we exercise prudent financial management. We remain optimistic for the University's operations during fiscal year 2021-22 and beyond. The adopted five-year budget model has laid the groundwork for a strong future. Management will continue to align resources and make adjustments as necessary to assure the continued financial integrity of Arkansas Tech University.

*Laury Fiorello* Vice President for Administration and Finance

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2022

	June 30, 2022		June 30, 2021
ASSETS			
Current Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	65,417,591	\$ 60,591,381
Accounts receivable (less allowance of \$1,335,281 and \$1,335,281, respectively) Lease Receivables		2,998,023	3,708,922
		4,184 41,464	32,567
Notes receivable (less allowance of \$29,037 and \$40,456, respectively) Inventories		31,035	59,592
Prepaid expenses		1,271,333	2.137.689
Total Current Assets		69,763,630	66,530,151
		<u> </u>	
Noncurrent Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents		45,501,085	32,743,259
Deposits with trustee		296,495	309,487
Endowment investments		7,545,841	9,921,062
Investments Lease Receivable		20 592	1,090,279
Right to Use Asset (net of accumulated amortization of \$8,688)		39,582 18,823	
Notes receivable (less allowance of \$118,381 and \$422,485, respectively)		169,044	340.104
Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation of \$163,122,454 and \$154,175,255, respectively)		139,935,802	140,297,311
Total Noncurrent Assets		193,506,672	 184,701,502
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TOTAL ASSETS		263,270,302	 251,231,653
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred Outflows of Resources-Refunding		908,113	951,767
Deferred Outflows of Resources-OPEB		1,659,588	1,860,547
Deferred Outflows of Resources-Pensions		3,485,836	 7,095,755
TOTAL DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		6,053,537	9,908,069
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	269,323,839	\$ 261,139,722
LIABILITIES Current Liabilities: Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Lease Payable Bonds and notes payable Compensated absences payable Total other postemployment benefit liability Unearned revenue Funds held in trust for others	\$	4,131,292 8,433 3,539,542 563,442 384,337 3,859,234	\$ 3,320,555 3,447,926 628,138 426,051 3,849,366
Other liabilities		388,006	454,177
Total Current Liabilities		139,517 13,013,803	 93,191 12,219,404
		13,013,005	 12,213,404
Noncurrent Liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		224,016	254,893
Lease Payable		10,660	
Bonds and notes payable		61,304,794	64,844,337
Compensated absences		1,603,641	1,787,779
Total other postemployment benefit liability		7,372,063	8,624,370
Net pension liability		7,254,876	25,329,514
Refundable federal advances Total Noncurrent Liabilities		200,111 77,970,161	 499,271 101,340,164
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TOTAL LIABILITIES		90,983,964	 113,559,568
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES			
Deferred Inflows of Resources-Leases		23,974	
Deferred Inflows of Resources-OPEB		3,721,221	2,712,057
Deferred Inflows of Resources-Pensions		12,833,881	 1,016,238
TOTAL DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES		16,579,076	 3,728,295
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	\$	107,563,040	\$ 117,287,863

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2022

	June 30, 2022		, ,	
NET POSITION				
Net Investment in capital assets:	\$	87,574,100	\$	74,902,960
Restricted for:				
Nonexpendable:				
Scholarships and fellowships		155,929		155,929
Loans		43,460		89,768
Expendable:				
Scholarships and fellowships		2,794,330		3,624,822
Capital projects				
Debt service		4,178,146		1,830,854
Education and general departments		7,923,722		6,373,957
Unrestricted:		59,091,112		56,873,569
TOTAL NET POSITION		161,760,799		143,851,859
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES, and NET POSITION	\$	269,323,839	\$	261,139,722

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Exhibit A-1

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION - COMPONENT UNIT JUNE 30, 2022 AND 2021

		June 30, 2022		June 30, 2021
ASSETS	<u>,</u>	000.000	4	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	864,449	\$	848,429
Unconditional promises to give, net		978,982		787,338
Investments		47 707 040		46 700 000
Marketable securities		47,787,848		46,729,890
Annuities		389,639		453,623
Cash surrender value of life insurance		1,344,457		1,320,052
Limited partnerships		3,259,267		2,924,288
Total investments		52,781,211		51,427,853
Deferred compensation trust		246,574		216,162
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	54,871,216	\$	53,279,782
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
Liabilities				
Accounts payable	\$	259	\$	206,380
University funds under management		7,545,840		9,870,594
Reserve for annuities payable		48,206		51,295
Deferred compensation payable		246,574		216,162
Total liabilities		7,840,879		10,344,431
NET ASSETS				
Without donor restrictions		4,757,354		10,763,894
With donor restrictions		42,272,983		32,171,457
Total net assets		47,030,337		42,935,351
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	54,871,216	\$	53,279,782

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION - COMPONENT UNIT JUNE 30, 2022 AND 2021

	June 30, 2022		June 30, 2021
ASSETS Current assets: Cash in bank	\$ 53,685	\$	2,261,212
Total current assets	 53,685		2,261,212
LIABILITIES AND UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS Current liabilities: Accounts payable Total current liabilities		\$	4,166
Unrestricted net assets	 53,685		2,257,046
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 53,685	\$	2,261,212

Exhibit A-2

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Year Ended June 30 2022	Year Ended June 30 2021		
OPERATING REVENUES				
Student tuition and fees (net of scholarship allowance of \$27,201,328 and \$26,985,993, respectively)	\$ 31,664,606	\$ 36,585,940		
Federal grants and contracts	4,915,199	3,934,910		
State and local grants and contracts	11,596,996	12,814,544		
Non-governmental grants and contracts	3,417,212	2,802,571		
Sales and services of educational departments	641,603	693,602		
Auxiliary enterprises:				
Athletics (net of scholarship allowance of \$1,583,003 and \$1,404,720, respectively)	4,152,127	4,603,291		
Residence life (net of scholarship allowance of \$4,408,293 and \$4,456,123, respectively)	5,131,619	6,041,336		
Bookstore	286,821	287,018		
Food service (net of scholarship allowance of \$2,968,067 and \$2,691,438, respectively)	3,338,173	3,519,623		
Student Union	946,222	1,050,659		
Health Services	1,505,932	1,593,962		
Other operating revenues	840,423	903,654		
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	68,436,933	74,831,110		
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Personal services	51,628,714	54,332,176		
Benefits	12,404,264	19,723,301		
Scholarships and fellowships	26,019,187	23,844,260		
Supplies and services	33,386,746	32,365,750		
Depreciation	9,794,632	9,868,534		
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	133,233,543	140,134,021		
OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)	(64,796,610)	(65,302,911)		
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NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)				
State appropriations	39,511,575	38,502,198		
Governmental grants	43,193,005	25,429,447		
Investment income (loss) (net of investment expense of \$114,084 and \$39,232, respectively)	(1,813,317)	2,356,541		
Interest on capital asset - related debt	(1,846,429)	(1,831,504)		
Bond issuance costs		(862,292)		
Paying agents fees capital asset related debt	(27,445)	(30,070)		
Gain or (loss) on disposal of capital assets	(95,948)	(313,093)		
Lease amortization	(8,688)			
Other revenues (expenses)	(323,266)	(503,115)		
NET NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	78,589,487	62,748,112		
INCOME BEFORE OTHER REVENUES, EXPENSES, GAINS OR LOSSES	13,792,877	(2,554,799)		
Conital grants and gifts	2 711 270	2,666,892		
Capital grants and gifts Insurance proceeds	2,711,279 794,228			
Proceeds from energy project	232,077	2,097,577		
Increase (decrease) in valuation of livestock	76,900	(EC 090)		
Adjustments to prior year revenues and expenses	301,579	(56,080) 206,096		
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INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET POSITION	17,908,940	2,359,686		
NET POSITION - BEGINNING OF YEAR	143,851,859	141,492,173		
NET POSITION - END OF YEAR	\$ 161,760,799	\$ 143,851,859		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES - COMPONENT UNIT FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 AND 2021

	Year Ended June 30, 2022				Year Ended June 30, 2021					
	Wi	thout Donor	٧	With Donor			Wi	thout Donor	With Donor	
	F	Restrictions	F	Restrictions		Total	R	estrictions	Restrictions	Total
Public Support revenues and reclassifications:										
Contributions and revenues	\$	203,198	Ş	11,920,236	Ş	12,123,434	\$	21,809	\$ 1,971,796	\$ 1,993,605
Investment income, net		(4,835,433)		(369,941)		(5,205,374)		5,311,348	1,122,690	6,434,038
Net assets released from restrictions:										
Satisfaction of Program or time restrictions Uncollectible promises to give		1,448,769		(1,448,769)				1,217,687	(1,217,687)	
Total net assets released from restrictions		1,448,769		(1,448,769)				1,217,687	(1,217,687)	
Total public support, revenues and reclassifications		(3,183,466)		10,101,526		6,918,060		6,550,844	1,876,799	8,427,643
Expenses:										
Program services:										
Scholarships		921,471				921,471		531,905		531,905
Amount paid to benefit Arkansas Tech University		1,620,887				1,620,887		959,660		959,660
Supporting services:										
Management and general		78,528				78,528		138,486		138,486
Fundraising		202,188		-		202,188		588,085		588,085
Total expenses		2,823,074		-		2,823,074		2,218,136		2,218,136
Changes in net assets		(6,006,540)		10,101,526		4,094,986		4,332,708	1,876,799	6,209,507
Net assets at beginning of year		10,763,894		32,171,457		42,935,351		6,431,186	30,294,658	36,725,844
Net assets at end of year	\$	4,757,354	\$	42,272,983	\$	47,030,337	\$	10,763,894	\$ 32,171,457	\$ 42,935,351

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION, INC. STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES - COMPONENT UNIT FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 AND 2021

	June 30, 2022		June 30, 2021	
Income:				
Interest	\$	105	\$	2,427
Total Income		105		2,427
Expenses:				
Legal and audit		1,500		8,279
Insurance		1,966		1,966
Total expenses		3,466		10,245
Decrease in unrestricted net assets		(3,361)		(7,818)
Unrestricted net assets at beginning of year		2,257,046		1,953,589
Cash contribution from Arkansas Tech University				311,275
Cash contribution to Arkansas Tech University		(2,200,000)		-
Unrestricted net assets at end of year	\$	53,685	\$	2,257,046

Exhibit B-2

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Cash Flows from Operating Activities:		A 00 100 707
Tuition and fees	\$ 31,866,613	\$ 36,192,727
Grants and contracts	19,929,957	19,552,025
Payments to suppliers	(31,514,374)	(33,892,548)
Payments for personnel services	(51,628,714)	(54,332,176)
Payments for benefits	(15,384,072)	(17,184,392)
Payments for scholarships and fellowships	(26,019,187)	(23,844,260)
Payments for grants and contracts	(174,967)	(351,117)
Auxiliary enterprises:		
Residential life	5,131,619	6,041,336
Food service	3,338,173	3,519,623
Bookstore	286,821	287,018
Athletics	4,152,127	4,603,291
Health services	1,505,932	1,593,962
Student union	946,222	1,050,659
Sales and service of educational departments	641,603	693,602
Other receipts (payments)	833,395	903,654
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	(56,088,852)	(55,166,596)
Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:		
State appropriations	39,511,575	38,502,198
Direct loan receipts	23,104,644	28,132,343
Direct loan payments	(23,104,644)	(28,132,343)
Non-capital grants and gifts received	45,671,139	25,429,447
Deletions to endowment funds	96,711	(2,652,339)
Student organization/agency transactions (net)	(66,171)	(460,079)
Other revenues (expenses)	4,742	
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Noncapital Financial Activities	85,217,996	60,819,227
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:		
Capital grants and gifts received	218,750	2,691,983
Purchases of capital assets	(2,969,567)	(2,701,022)
Construction in progress expenditures	(6,483,818)	(4,932,679)
Other lease receipts (payments)	(19,793)	
Proceeds from sales of property	( , ,	2,127,674
Payment to Issuer Equity Contribution		(2,127,674)
Insurance proceeds received	794,228	2,097,577
Proceeds from energy project	232,077	, ,
Payments to note trustee - note principal	(66,233)	(64,655)
Payments to note trustee - held in trust	()	(23,797)
Payments to note trustee - note interest	(22,218)	
Payments to lease principal	(8,418)	
Payments to bond trustees for bond principal	(3,285,000)	(3,461,525)
Payments to bond trustees for interest and fees	(1,902,017)	(1,945,331)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	(13,512,009)	(8,339,449)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities:		
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	1,090,279	
Purchase of investments	1,090,279	2,662,173
Investment income	876,622	1,250,914
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities	1,966,901	3,913,087
Net Increase in Cash	17,584,036	1,226,269
Cash - beginning of the year	93,334,640	92,108,371
Cash - end of year	\$ 110,918,676	\$ 93,334,640

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	June 30, 2022		June 30, 2021		
Reconciliation of net operating revenues expenses to					
net cash provided (used) by operating activities:					
Operating income (loss)	\$	(64,796,610)	\$	(65,302,911)	
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to					
net cash provided (used) by operating activities:					
Depreciation expense		9,794,632		9,868,534	
Federal grants and contracts				(351 <i>,</i> 117)	
Other miscellaneous operating receipts/payments		(7,028)			
Changes in assets and liabilities:					
Receivables		698,054		(475,068)	
Student loan receivables		(552,241)		(212,818)	
Inventories		28,558		(11,955)	
Prepaid expenses		866,356		(741,031)	
Payables		802,491		(773,812)	
Other liabilities		550			
Unapplied student aid		45,432		9,708	
Unclaimed property		894		4,466	
Unearned revenue		9,868		280,499	
Compensated absences		(248,834)		(51,372)	
Other post employment benefits		(83,898)		52,884	
Pension liability		(2,647,076)		2,537,397	
Net cash provided (used) by operating activities	\$	(56,088,852)	\$	(55,166,596)	
Noncash transactions:					
Donated capital assets	\$	14,395	\$	1,338	
Unrealized gain (loss) on livestock valuation		76,900		(56,080)	
Gain (Loss) on disposal		(95,948)		313,093	
Increase(Decrease) in market valuation of investments		(282,779)		149,051	
(Increase) Decrease in Note Receivables allowance for bad debt		315,523		136,837	
Costs of student loan principal and interest canceled		(854,960)		(32,056)	
Interest, fees, principal on long-term debt paid directly from deposit with trustee		12,292		62,564	
Proceeds and net premium from refunding bond issues deposited with trustee				39,091,186	
Deposit with trustee utilized to refund bonds				1,405,422	
Issuance costs on refunding bonds paid from bond proceeds				(428,665)	
Underwriter's discount paid from bond proceeds				(433,627)	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



# Notes to the Financial Statements



# **NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

<u>Nature of Operations</u>: Arkansas Tech University is a multi-purpose, state-supported institution of higher education dedicated to providing an opportunity for higher education to the people of Arkansas and to serving the intellectual and cultural needs of the region in which it is located.

<u>Reporting Entity</u>: The financial reporting entity, as defined by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement no. 14, *The Financial Reporting Entity*, consists of the primary government, organizations for which the primary government is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the primary government are such that exclusion could cause the financial statements to be misleading or incomplete.

Arkansas Tech University is governed by a Board of Trustees. The State of Arkansas allocates and allots funds to each agency separately and requires that the funds be maintained accordingly. Because of this requirement, separate accounts are maintained for each agency.

Arkansas Tech University was created in 1909 by Act 100 of the Arkansas General Assembly. Under the provisions of this Act, the State was divided into four agricultural school districts. The General Assembly in 1925 changed the name from the Second District Agriculture College to Arkansas Polytechnic College with power to grant degrees. In 1948, the Board of Trustees converted the college from a junior college to a degree-granting institution. In accordance with Act 343 of the Arkansas General Assembly of 1975, the name was changed to Arkansas Tech University effective July 9, 1976. The Institution's programs are now divided into the College of Education, Professional Studies and Community Outreach, Business, Arts and Humanities, Natural and Health Sciences, Applied Sciences and Graduate Studies.

Arkansas Valley Vocational Technical Institute (AVTI) merged with Arkansas Tech University effective July 1, 2003. Act 260 of 2007 changed the name of Arkansas Valley Technical Institute of Arkansas Tech University to Arkansas Tech University – Ozark Campus. The Ozark Campus of ATU is located 50 miles west of Russellville. Enrollment for fall is 1,709 students and the Ozark Campus offers twenty-one associate degree programs, as well as thirty-eight technical and vocational programs.

Arkansas Tech University – Ozark Campus acquired the Arkansas Tech University Career Center effective July 1, 2011. It is located in Russellville, Arkansas, and offers programs in ten career and technical areas. There are satellite offices located in Paris, Clarksville, Danville, and Ozark, Arkansas, as well. The enrollment is approximately 652 students from eleven area high schools.

The University is an institution of higher education of the State of Arkansas and is included in the financial statements of the State of Arkansas.



# NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The Arkansas Tech University Foundation, Inc. (the Foundation) is a legally separate, tax-exempt component unit of Arkansas Tech University (the University). The Foundation acts primarily as a fund-raising and asset management organization to develop and supplement the resources that are available to the University in support of its mission and programs. The 33 member board of the Foundation is self-perpetuating and consists of graduates and friends of the University. Although the University does not control the timing or amount of receipts from the Foundation, the majority of resources or income thereon that the Foundation holds and invests is restricted to the activities of the University by donors. Because these restricted resources held by the Foundation may only be used by, or for the benefit of the University, the Foundation is considered a component unit of the University under the guidelines established by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement no. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Foundation are discretely presented in the University's financial statements in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement no. 39.

During the year ended June 30, 2022, the Foundation transferred equipment and funds of \$469,925 to the University for proper accountability and academic support. Complete financial statements for the Foundation may be obtained from the Foundation at P. O. Box 8820, Russellville, AR 72801.

The Foundation reports under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) standards. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. No modifications have been made to the Foundation's financial information in the University's financial statements.

The Arkansas Tech University Facilities Development Foundation Inc. (the Facilities Development Foundation) is a legally separate, tax-exempt component unit of Arkansas Tech University (the University). The Facilities Development Foundation acts primarily as a fund-raising and asset management organization to develop and supplement the resources that are available to the University in support of its mission and programs. The five member board of the Facilities Development Foundation is self-perpetuating and consists of graduates and friends of the University. Although the University does not control the timing or amount of receipts from the Facilities Development Foundation, all resources, or income thereon, which the Facilities Development Foundation holds and invests are restricted to the activities of the University by donors. Because these restricted resources held by the Facilities Development Foundation is considered a component unit of the University under the guidelines established by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement no. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*. Accordingly, the financial statements of the Facilities Development Foundation are discretely presented in the University's financial statements in accordance with the provisions of GASB Statement no. 39.



# NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Complete financial statements for the Foundation may be obtained from the Facilities Development Foundation at 1509 North Boulder Avenue, Administration Room 206, Russellville, AR 72801.

The Facilities Development Foundation reports under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) standards. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. No modifications have been made to the Development Foundation's financial information in the University's financial statements.

<u>Financial Statement Presentation</u>: In June 1999, the GASB issued Statement no. 34, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments*. This was followed in November 1999 by GASB Statement no. 35, *Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for Public Colleges and Universities*. As an institution of higher education of the State of Arkansas, the University was required to adopt GASB Statements no. 34 and no. 35. The financial statement presentation required by GASB Statements no. 34 and no. 35 provides a comprehensive, entity-wide perspective of the University's assets, liabilities, net position, revenues, expenses, changes in net position and cash flows. This replaces the fund-group perspective previously required.

<u>Basis of Accounting</u>: For financial reporting purposes, the University is considered a special-purpose government, engaged only in business-type activities. Accordingly, the University's financial statements have been presented using the economic resource management focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when an obligation has been incurred. All significant intra-agency transactions have been eliminated.

<u>Cash Equivalents</u>: For purposes of the statement of cash flows, the University considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

<u>Investments</u>: The University accounts for its investments at fair market value in accordance with GASB Statement no. 31, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Certain Investments and for External Investment Pools.* Changes in unrealized gain (loss) on the carrying value of investments are reported separately in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Nonparticipating contracts are reported at cost.

The University has implemented GASB Statement no. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures, an amendment of GASB Statement no. 3.* This accounting standard establishes more comprehensive disclosure requirements related to investment and deposit risks, but does not affect reported amounts of investments, net position, or changes in net position.



# NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The University has implemented GASB Statement no. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. This Statement addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements. The definition of fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. This Statement provides guidance for determining a fair value measurement for financial reporting purposes. This Statement also provides guidance for applying fair value to certain investments and disclosures related to all fair value measurements. Further information can be found in Note 3.

<u>Accounts Receivables</u>: Accounts receivables consist of tuition and fee charges to students and auxiliary enterprise services provided to students, faculty, and staff. Accounts receivables also include amounts due from the Federal Government, state and local governments, or private sources in connection with reimbursement of allowable expenditures made pursuant to the University's grants and contracts. Accounts receivables are recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts.

Inventories: Inventories are carried at cost with cost being determined on a first-in, first-out (FIFO) basis.

<u>Capital Assets</u>: Capital assets are recorded at cost on the date of acquisition or, in the case of gifts, acquisition value on the date of donation. Livestock for educational purposes is recorded at estimated fair market value. The University's capitalization policy is to include all items with a unit cost of \$5,000 or more and an estimated useful life of greater than one year, including renovations to buildings, infrastructure, and land improvements that significantly increase the value and efficiency or extend the life of the structure. Routine repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense in the year in which the expense is incurred.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method using the mid-month convention over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 30 years for buildings, 15 years for infrastructure, and land improvements, 10 years for library books, and 4 to 7 years for equipment and intangible assets. Depreciation expense includes the depreciation of assets recorded under capital leases.

The University has implemented GASB Statement no. 51, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets.* This Statement requires that all intangible assets not specifically excluded by its scope provisions be classified as capital assets. The requirements of this Statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after June 15, 2009. The provisions of this Statement generally are required to be applied retroactively.



# NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

<u>Unearned Revenues</u>: Unearned revenues include amounts received for tuition and fees and certain auxiliary activities prior to the end of the fiscal year but related to the subsequent accounting period. Unearned revenues also include amounts received from grant and contract sponsors that have not yet been earned.

<u>Compensated Absences</u>: Employee annual and sick leave earned, but not paid, and related matching costs are recorded as a liability and expense on the University's financial statements as required by generally accepted accounting principles. An estimate is made to allocate this liability between its current and noncurrent components.

<u>Noncurrent Liabilities</u>: Noncurrent liabilities include (1) principal amounts of revenue bonds payable, notes payable and capital lease obligations with contractual maturities greater than one year; (2) estimated amounts for accrued uncompensated absences and other liabilities that will not be paid within the next fiscal year.

<u>Pensions:</u> The University has implemented GASB Statement no. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions,* as amended. The requirements of this Statement are effective for financial statements for periods beginning after June 15, 2014. For purposes of measuring net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net positions of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (ATRS) and Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS) and additions to and deductions from ATRS and APERS fiduciary net positions have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by ATRS and APERS. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value. Further information can be found in Note 22.

<u>Net Position</u>: The University's net position is classified as follows:

*Net Investment in capital assets:* This represents the University's total investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. Amounts to the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets are not included as a component of invested in capital assets.

*Restricted – expendable:* Restricted expendable net position include resources in which the University is legally or contractually obligated to spend resources in accordance with restrictions imposed by external third parties.

*Restricted* – *nonexpendable:* Nonexpendable net position consist of endowment and similar type funds in which donors or other outside sources have stipulated, as a condition of the gift instrument, that the principal be maintained inviolate and in perpetuity and be invested for the purpose of producing present and future income that may either be expended or added to principal.



# NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Net Position: (Continued)

*Unrestricted:* Unrestricted net position represents resources derived from student tuition and fees, state appropriations, and sales and services of educational departments and auxiliary enterprises. These resources are used for transactions relating to the educational and general operation of the University and may be used at the discretion of the governing board to meet current expenses for any purpose. These resources also include auxiliary enterprises that are substantially self-supporting activities providing services for students, faculty, and staff.

<u>Income Taxes</u>: The University, as a political subdivision of the State of Arkansas, is excluded from Federal income taxes under Section 115(1) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended. The Foundations are exempt from income taxes under Section 501(C)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

<u>Classification of Revenues</u>: The University has classified its revenues as either operating or nonoperating revenues according to the following criteria.

*Operating revenues:* Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions such as (1) student tuition and fees, net of scholarship discounts and allowances, (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, net of scholarship discounts and allowances, (3) most Federal, state, and local grants and contracts and Federal appropriations, and (4) interest on institutional student loans.

*Nonoperating revenues:* Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions, such as gifts and contributions, and other revenue sources that are defined as nonoperating revenues by GASB Statement no. 9, *Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting,* and GASB Statement no. 34, such as state appropriations, and investment income.

<u>Scholarship Discounts and Allowances</u>: Student tuition and fee revenues, and certain other revenues from students, are reported net of scholarship discounts and allowances in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Scholarship discounts and allowances are the difference between the stated charge for goods and services provided by the University and the amount that is paid by students and/or third parties making payments on the students' behalf. Certain governmental grants, such as Pell grants and other Federal, state, or nongovernmental programs are recorded as either operating or nonoperating revenues in the University's financial statements. To the extent that revenues from such programs are used to satisfy tuition and fees and other student charges, the University has recorded a scholarship discount and allowance.



# NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

<u>Noncurrent Cash and Investments:</u> Cash and investments that are externally restricted for endowment scholarships and other purposes or to purchase or construct capital assets are classified as noncurrent assets in the Statement of Net Position. Additionally, this classification includes other long-term investments with original maturity dates greater than one year.

<u>Deposits with Trustees</u>: Deposits with trustees are externally restricted and held by various banks for the University. They are maintained in order to make debt service payments, to maintain sinking or reserve funds as required by bond covenants, or to purchase or construct capital assets.

<u>Funds Held in Trust for Others:</u> The University holds deposits as custodian or fiscal agent for students, student organizations, and certain other organized activities related to the University.

<u>Restricted/Unrestricted Resources:</u> The University has no formal policy addressing which resources to use when both restricted and unrestricted net position are available for the same purpose. University personnel decide which resources to use at the time expenses are incurred.

<u>Lease Receivable</u>: The University's lease receivable is measured at the present value of lease payments expected to be received during the lease term. Under the lease agreement, the University may receive variable lease payments that are dependent upon the leasee's revenue. The variable payments are recorded as an inflow of resources in the period the payment is received. A deferred inflow of resources is recorded for the lease. The deferred inflow of resources is recorded at the initiation of the lease in an amount equal to the initial recording of the lease receivable. The deferred inflow of resources is amortized on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

<u>Right to use assets</u>: The University has recorded right to use lease assets as a result of implementing GASB 87. The right to use assets are initially measured at an amount equal to the initial measurement of the related lease liability. The right to use assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the life of the related lease.



# **NOTE 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash deposits are carried at cost. The University's cash deposits at year-end are shown below:

		Ca	rrying Value	Bar	nk Balance
Insured (FDIC)		\$	639,768	\$	639,768
Collateralized:					
Collatera	held by the pledging ban	k or			
pledging	oank's trust department in	the			
Universit	's name.		110,265,183		110,267,825
Total Deposits		\$	110,904,951	\$	110,907,593

The above deposits do not include cash on hand maintained by the University in the amount \$13,725.



# NOTE 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents (continued)

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that the University's deposits may not be returned in the event of a bank or depository failure. The State Treasurer requires that all state funds be either insured by Federal Deposit Insurance or collateralized by securities held by the cognizant Federal Reserve Bank.

The University's deposits with the State Treasurer are pooled with funds of other State Agencies and then, in accordance with statutory limitations, placed in financial institutions or invested, as the Treasurer may determine, in the State's name. It is the University's policy to require collateralization of 105 percent of the total bank deposits.

### NOTE 3: Investments

The University has implemented GASB Statement no. 40, *Deposit and Investment Risk Disclosures, an amendment of GASB Statement no. 3*. The new accounting standard establishes more comprehensive disclosure requirements related to investment risks, but does not affect reported amounts of investments, net position, or changes in net position.

Credit risk for investments is the risk that an issuer or counterparty to the investment will not fulfill its obligations. Interest rate risk is the risk that interest rate fluctuations will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The risks for the University's investments including the external investment pool and deposits with trustee are shown separately below:

<u>External Investment Pool</u>: The University has investments with the Arkansas Tech University Foundation, Inc. (ATUF) that are pooled with other ATUF funds. The pool was originally established in 1999 and the funds were invested in the Common Fund. In 2003, the funds were moved under the management of Monroe Vos Consulting Group. The total amount of the pool is \$47,476,704 and Arkansas Tech University owns approximately 16 percent of that amount. The funds are invested based on the ATUF Board's approved policy of no more than five percent of the portfolio can be invested in one company. This policy reduces the concentration of credit risk.



### **NOTE 3: Investments (continued)**

The following table contains information on the risk disclosure for the external investment pool:

	Market					
Type of Investment	Value	AAA	AA	Α	<b< th=""><th>NR</th></b<>	NR
US Stocks	\$3,400,156					\$3,400,156
Non-US Stocks	686,672					686,672
Other	3,459,013					3,459,013
Total investments	\$7,545,841					\$7,545,841

### Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Governments with investments in external investment pools are required to disclose the interest rate risk of such investments. Interest rate risk exposure for the stocks would be minimal due to the Arkansas Tech University Foundation Board's policy that no more than five percent of the portfolio can be invested in one company. The Institution does not have a policy designed to manage interest rate risk.

### Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. Governments are required to disclose the credit quality ratings of debt securities and external investment pools.

The University has implemented GASB Statement no. 72, *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. This Statement addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements. The definition of fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. This Statement provides guidance for determining a fair value measurement for financial reporting purposes. This Statement also provides guidance for applying fair value to certain investments, and disclosures related to all fair value measurements.



### **NOTE 3: Investments (continued)**

### Investments Measured at Fair Value

The University measures and records its investments using fair value measurement guidelines established by generally accepted accounting principles. These guidelines recognize a three-tiered fair value hierarchy, as follows:

*Level 1:* Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical investments in active markets that a government can access at the measurement date. Examples are equity securities traded on an open market, actively traded mutual funds, or US Treasuries.

*Level 2:* Inputs - other than quoted prices included within Level 1 - that are observable for an investment, either directly or indirectly. Examples are quoted prices for similar investments in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar investments in markets that are not active, inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the investment, and market-corroborated inputs.

*Level 3:* Unobservable inputs for an investment. This uses the best information available which might include the government's own data.



### **NOTE 3: Investments (continued)**

### Investments Measured at Fair Value (Continued)

		Fair Value Measurements Using:				
		Quoted Prices in				
		Active Markets				
		for	Significant Other	Significant		
		Identical Assets	Observable Inputs	Unobservable Inpu		
Investments by fair value level	6/30/2022	(Level 1)	(Level 2)	(Level 3)		
Bonds and Equity Funds-						
External Investment Pool	\$ 7,545,841	\$ 7,264,381		\$ 281,46		
Total Investments at Fair Value	\$ 7,545,841	\$ 7,264,381		\$ 281,46		

### **Deposits with Trustee**

At June 30, 2022, the University's deposits with trustee in the amount of \$296,495 were invested by the trustee in The Federated Government Obligations Fund.

### The Federated Government Obligations Fund

This fund operates as a "government money market fund" as defined in or interpreted under Rule 2a-7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended. Under normal conditions, this fund will invest its assets so that at least 80% of its net assets are invested in government securities and/or repurchase agreements that are collateralized fully by government securities.

#### **Investments Measured at the NAV**

Calculation of Net Asset Value – The Fund attempts to stabilize the NAV of its Shares at \$1.00 by valuing the portfolio securities using the amortized cost method. In addition, for regulatory purposes, the Fund calculates a market-based NAV per Share on a periodic basis. The Fund cannot guarantee that its NAV will always remain at \$1.00 per Share. The Fund does not charge a front-end sales charge. Shares can be purchased, redeemed or exchanged any day the NYSE is open.



# NOTE 3: Investments (continued) Federated Government Obligations Fund

Security Description	 Fair Value
Government Agencies <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 36,765
Repurchase Agreements <sup>(2)</sup>	29,650
U.S. Treasury <sup>(1)</sup>	 230,080
Total Investments measured at the NAV	\$ 296,495

(1) Government Agencies and U.S. Treasury – Fixed-Income Securities. Fixed-income securities pay interest, dividends, or distributions at a specified rate. The rate may be a fixed percentage of the principal or may be adjusted periodically. In addition, the issuer of a fixed-income security must repay the principal amount of the security, normally within a specified time. Fixed-income securities provide more regular income than equity securities. However, the returns on fixed-income securities are limited and normally do not increase the issuer's earnings. This limits the potential appreciation of fixed –income securities as compared to equity securities.

A security's yield measures the annual income earned on a security as a percentage of its price. A security's yield will increase or decrease depending upon whether it costs less (a "discount") or more (a "premium") than the principal amounts. If the issuer may redeem the security before its scheduled maturity, the price and yield on a discount or premium security may change based upon the probability of an early redemption. Securities with higher risks generally have higher yields.

The following describes the types of fixed-income securities in which the Fund principally invests:

U.S. Treasury Securities – are direct obligations of the federal government of the United States.

Government Securities – are issued or guaranteed by a federal agency or instrumentality acting under federal authority. Some government securities, including those issued by Fannie Mae, are supported by the full faith and credit of the United States and are guaranteed only as to the timely payment of interest and principal.

Other government securities receive support through federal subsidies, loans or other benefits, but are not backed by the full faith and credit of the United States. For example, the U.S. Treasury is authorized to purchase specified amounts of securities issued by (or otherwise make funds available to) the Federal Home Loan Bank System, Freddie Mac, and Fannie Mae in support of such obligations.

Some government agency securities have no explicit financial support, and are supported only by the credit of the applicable agency, instrumentality, or corporation. The U.S. government has provided financial support to Freddie Mac, and Fannie Mae, but here is no assurance that it will support these or other agencies in the future.

Callable Securities – are certain U.S. Treasury or government securities in which the Fund invests are callable at the option of the issuer. Callable securities are subject to call risks.



### **NOTE 3: Investments (continued)**

(2) *Repurchase Agreements.* Repurchase agreements are transactions in which the Fund buys a security from a dealer or bank and agrees to sell the security back at a mutually agreed-upon time and price. The repurchase price exceeds the sale price, reflecting the Fund's return on the transaction. This return is unrelated to the interest rate on the underlying security. The Fund will enter into repurchase agreements only with banks and other recognized financial institutions, such as securities dealers, deemed creditworthy by the Adviser.

The Fund's custodian or sub-custodian will take possession of the securities subject to repurchase agreements. The Adviser or sub custodian will monitor the value of the underlying security each day to ensure that the value of the security always equals or exceeds the repurchase price.

Repurchase agreements are subject to credit risks.

### **NOTE 4: Donor Restricted Endowment**

The University has a donor restricted endowment, entitled "Lillian Massie Permanent Endowment Fund", that is to be used by the Department of Liberal and Fine Arts for support and scholarship. The original contribution was \$155,929 and the balance was \$177,771 as of June 30, 2022. During fiscal year 2022, the endowment funds were invested in an external investment pool under the management of the Arkansas Tech University Foundation, Inc. The same guidelines will continue to apply in that the University may not spend any of the principal. State law allows a governing board to expend a portion of the net appreciation in the fair value of the assets over the historic dollar value of the fund unless the applicable gift document states otherwise. State law stipulates that such expenses are to be for the purpose for which the endowment funds were established. The original principal of \$155,929 was reported as nonexpendable restricted net position. The University does not utilize a spending rate for the net appreciation.



### **NOTE 5: Disaggregation of Accounts and Other Receivables**

Accounts receivable consisted of the following at June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2021, respectively:

	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Student Tuition and Fees	\$ 3,057,737	\$ 2,646,705
Auxiliary Enterprise and Other Operating Activities	62,765	1,302,846
Scholarship	3,954	9,495
Federal, State and Private Grants & Contracts	1,174,354	922,757
Accrued Interest	35	60
Credit Memos	727	13,572
Other	33,732	148,768
	4,333,304	5,044,203
Less Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	(1,335,281)	(1,335,281)
Net Accounts Receivable	\$ 2,998,023	\$ 3,708,922

### **NOTE 6: Inventories**

Inventories consisted of the following at June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2021, respectively:

	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Museum	\$12,078	\$12,078
Post Office	8,590	38,050
Supplies	10,367	9,464
	\$31,035	\$59,592

# **NOTE 7: Receivables**

#### **Notes Receivable:**

Student loans made through the Federal Perkins Loan Program (the Program) comprise substantially all of the notes receivable at June 30, 2022. The Program provides for cancellation of a loan at rates 10 percent to 30 percent per year up to a maximum of 100 percent if the participant complies with certain provisions.



### **NOTE 7: Receivables (continued)**

As the University determines that loans are uncollectible and not eligible for reimbursement by the Federal government, the loans are written off and assigned to the U.S. Department of Education. The University has provided an allowance for uncollectible notes that, in management's opinion, is sufficient to absorb loans that will ultimately be written off. At June 30, 2022, the notes receivable were \$210,508, net of the allowance for uncollectible loans of \$147,418.

#### Lease Receivable:

The University entered into a lease with the United States Postal Service. Under the lease, the vendor pays the University \$383 per month for a remaining 132 months as of July 1, 2021 in exchange for leasing building space on Arkansas Tech University's campus. There are no variable payment components of the lease. The lease liability is measured at a discount rate of 0.995%. As a result of the lease, the University has recorded a lease receivable of \$43,766 at June 30, 2022. The lease receivable is discussed in more detail in Note 1.

Lease Receivable Description Building lease to US Post Office	Date of Inception 7/1/2021	Final Maturity 6/30/2032	Interest Rate 0.995%	Fiscal Year Revenue 4,600	Net of Int. R <u>ev/Accrued Int</u> . 419	Receivable Reduction 4,181	Receivable Balance 43,766
Year Ending	Fiscal Year	Net of Int.	Re	ceivable	Receivable		
June 30	Revenue	Rev/Accrued	Int. R	eduction	Balance		
2023	4,600	41	6	4,184	39,582		
2024	4,600	37	6	4,224	35,358		
2025	4,600	33	2	4,268	31,090		
2026	4,600	29	0	4,310	26,780		
2027	4,600	24	7	4,353	22,427		
2028-2032	23,000	57	3	22,427	-		



# **NOTE 8: Capital Assets**

Following are the changes in capital assets for the year ended June 30, 2022:

		Balance						Balance
		June 30, 2021		Additions		Retirements		June 30, 2022
Capital assets not depreciated								
Land	\$	2,505,259	\$	24,098			\$	2,529,357
Landscaping		235,557						235,557
Livestock for educational purposes		171,065		170,240	\$	(89,775)		251,530
Construction in progress		11,412,721		6,483,818		(895,961)		17,000,578
Total capital assets not being depreciated	\$	14,324,602	\$	6,678,156	\$	(985,736)	\$	20,017,022
Other capital assets								
Intangible Asset - Software License	s	1,419,153					s	1,419,153
Capital Leases*	•	1,614,785					×	1,614,785
Non-major infrastructure networks		9,348,164	s	58,420				9,406,584
Land improvements		14,757,895	•	3,341				14,761,236
Buildings		228,060,311		2,253,541	s	(98,263)		230,215,589
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		16,024,253		1,450,331	•	(784,657)		16,689,927
Library holdings		8,923,403		72,894		(62,337)		8,933,960
Total other capital assets		280,147,964		3,838,527		(945,257)		283,041,234
Less accumulated depreciation:								
Intangible Asset - Software License		(1,419,153)						(1,419,153)
Capital Leases*		(1,614,785)						(1,614,785)
Non-major infrastructure networks		(6,834,153)		(354,871)				(7,189,024)
Land improvements		(10,828,190)		(717,016)				(11,545,206)
Buildings		(112,245,909)		(7,595,499)		739		(119,840,669)
Furniture, fixtures, and equipment		(13,074,524)		(860,606)		784,357		(13,150,773)
Library materials		(8,158,541)		(266,640)		62,337		(8,362,844)
Total accumulated depreciation		(154,175,255)		(9,794,632)		847,433		(163,122,454)
Other capital assets, net	\$	125,972,709	\$	(5,956,105)	\$	(97,824)	\$	119,918,780
Capital Asset Summary:								
Capital assets not being depreciated	\$	14,324,602	\$	6,678,156	\$	(985,736)	\$	20,017,022
Other capital assets, at cost		280,147,964		3,838,527		(945,257)		283,041,234
Total cost of capital assets		294,472,566		10,516,683		(1,930,993)		303,058,256
Less accumulated depreciation		(154,175,255)		(9,794,632)		847,433		(163,122,454)
Capital assets, net	\$	140,297,311	\$	722,051	\$	(1,083,560)	\$	139,935,802

\*Fully depreciated equipment purchased under a capital lease.



#### **NOTE 9: Unearned Revenue**

Unearned revenue consists of the following at June 30, 2022 and June 30, 2021, respectively:

	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2021
Prepaid tuition and fees	\$917,658	\$956,903
Grants and contracts	1,514,773	1,316,969
Scholarships	243,257	179,667
Other	1,183,546	1,395,827
	\$3,859,234	\$3,849,366

### **NOTE 10: Long Term Liabilities**

Long-term liability activity for the year ended June 30, 2022 was as follows:

Long Term Liabilities	June 30, 2021	Additions	Deletions	June 30, 2022	Current Portion	I	Noncurrent Portion
General obligation bonds	\$ 65,450,000		\$ 3,285,000	\$ 62,165,000	\$ 3,375,000	\$	58,790,000
Less bond discount	17,943		828	17,115	828		16,287
Plus bond premium	1,949,586		97,522	1,852,064	97,522		1,754,542
Total bonds payable	67,381,643		3,381,694	63,999,949	3,471,694		60,528,255
Notes Payable from direct placements	910,620		66,233	844,387	67,848		776,539
Lease liabilities		27,511	8,418	19,093	8,433		10,660
Compensated absences	2,415,917	736,058	984,892	2,167,083	563,442		1,603,641
Total	\$ 70,708,180	\$ 763,569	\$ 4,441,237	\$ 67,030,512	\$ 4,111,417	\$	62,919,095

Additional information regarding the note payable is included in note 12 Additional information regarding revenue bonds payable is included in Note 11.

# **NOTE 11: Bonds Payable**

Debt service principal payments on the bonds amounted to \$3,285,000 for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. The retirement of some bond issues is secured by a specific pledge of certain gross revenue, surplus revenues, and specific fees. Debt service accounts are funded at various times during the year by transfers from the applicable funds.



# NOTE 11: Bonds Payable (continued)

Pledged Revenues	Amount Authorized and Issued	Debt Outstanding June 30, 2022	Maturities to June 30, 2022
Housing Revenue Refunding Bond Series 2017 2001 Nutt Hall/ 2011 Tucker Hall 2011A & 2012A M Street Dorm 2012B Paine Hall 2012C Baswell Hall 3.0%-4.0% December 21, 2017 Final Maturity Date: June 1, 2041 Housing Fees will be maintained at a level equal to at least 120% of combined maximum annual debt service.	\$ 21,945,000	\$17,865,000	\$ 4,080,000
Student Fee Revenue Refunding Bond Series 2017 2010 Ozark Student Union 2012A Old Art & 2012B 2003 Art Building 2012C 2004 Hull Building 2012B 2005 Art Building 3.0%-4.0% December 21, 2017 Final Maturity Date: June 1, 2042 Student Fee will be maintained at a level equal to at least 120% of combined maximum annual debt service.	7,550,000	5,440,000	2,110,000
Revenue Refunding Bond Series 2017 2007 Sports Complex/Baswell Hall 2012 Baseball Field 3.0%-3.75% December 21, 2017 Final Maturity Date: June 1, 2042 Athletic Fees will be maintained at a level equal to at least 120% of combined maximum annual debt service.	3,470,000	2,860,000	610,000

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# NOTE 11: Bonds Payable (continued)

Pledged Revenues	Amount Authorized and Issued	Debt Outstanding June 30, 2022	Maturities to June 30, 2022
Capital Improvement Refunding Revenue Bond Taxable Series 2020A Chambers Cafeteria Renovation 0.68%-3.32% December 17, 2020 Final Maturity Date: June 30, 2043 Food Service revenues will be maintained at a level to at least 120% of combined maximum annual debt service.	\$ 6,565,000	\$ 6,065,000	\$ 500,000
Student Fee Refunding Revenue Bonds Series 2021A Ozark Allied Health Building 2.0% - 3.0% February 25, 2021 Final Maturity Date: May 1, 2044 Student Fees will be maintained at a level to at least 120% of combined maximum annual debt service.	5,060,000	4,745,000	315,000

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# NOTE 11: Bonds Payable (continued)

Pledged Revenues	Amount Authorized and Issued	Debt Outstanding June 30, 2022	Maturities to June 30, 2022
Student Fee Refunding Revenue Bond Taxable Series 2021B 2008 Student Services/Academic Classroom 2008 Physical Plant 2009 Rothwell, McEver & Corley 0.51%-2.7% February 25, 2021 Final Maturity Date: May 1, 2039 Student Fees will be maintained at a level to at least 120% of combined maximum annual debt service.	\$ 11,380,000	\$ 10,315,000	\$ 1,065,000
Housing System Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A 2006 Baswell Hall, 2009 Hughes/Critz 2.0%-3.0% February 25, 2021 Final Maturity Date: May 1, 2039 Housing Fees will be maintained at a level to at least 120% of combined maximum annual debt service.	8,050,000	7,225,000	825,000

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# NOTE 11: Bonds Payable (continued)

	Amount	Debt	
Pledged	Authorized	Outstanding	Maturities to
Revenues	and Issued	June 30, 2022	June 30, 2022
Student Fee Refunding Revenue Bonds Series 2020A			
Brown Building			
Phase I Energy Project			
1.3%-3.0%			
December 17, 2020			
Final Maturity Date: December 1, 2043			
Student Fees will be maintained at a level equal			
to at least 120% of combined maximum			
annual debt service.	\$ 8,065,000	\$ 7,650,000	\$ 415,000
Bond Discount	(18,771)	(17,115)	(1,656)
Bond Premium	2,047,108	1,852,064	195,044
Total	\$74,113,337	\$ 63,999,949	\$10,113,388



### NOTE 11: Bonds Payable (continued)

Principal and interest on these revenue bonds are collateralized by a pledge of revenues produced by the facilities constructed with the bond proceeds and/or student activity fees and facility fees. Certain of these bonds payable are callable at the option of the Board of Trustees.

As of June 30, 2022, debt service reserves aggregating \$296,495 were maintained. The University's reserve balances exceeded the reserve requirements at June 30, 2022.

The changes in bonds payable are as follows:

June 30,			June 30,
2021	Issued	Retired	2022
\$ 65,450,000		3,285,000	\$62,165,000



### NOTE 11: Bonds Payable (continued)

Debt service requirements on long-term debt as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, are as follows:

Year Ending	Bor	nds	
June 30,	Principal	Interest	Total
2023	\$ 3,375,000	\$ 1,798,002	\$ 5,173,002
2024	3,485,000	1,704,270	5,189,270
2025	3,550,000	1,605,593	5,155,593
2026	3,665,000	1,502,717	5,167,717
2027	3,775,000	1,395,857	5,170,857
2028-2032	19,055,000	5,253,564	24,308,564
2033-2037	14,885,000	2,705,441	17,590,441
2038-2042	9,000,000	887,545	9,887,545
2043-2044	1,375,000	42,504	1,417,504
Total	\$62,165,000	\$16,895,493	\$79,060,493

Bond principal due within one year is reported as short-term bonds, while all principal due over one year is reported as long-term bonds. Short-term and long-term bonds payable at June 30, 2022, were \$3,375,000 and \$58,790,000, respectively.

In the event of a default for the general obligation bonds, the Trustee may, and upon written request of the holders of not less than 20% in principal amount of Bonds then outstanding shall, declare the principal of all the Bonds then outstanding to be due and immediately payable. The Trustee may, and upon the written request of the holders of not less than 20% of the Bonds then outstanding shall, proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the holders of the Bonds under the applicable law of the State of Arkansas and under the Indenture by such suits, actions or special proceedings in equity or at law, either for the specific performance of any covenant or agreement contained in the indenture or in-aid or execution of any power granted in the indenture or for the enforcement of any other proper legal or equitable remedy, including mandamus, as the Trustee shall determine most effectual to enforce and protect such rights.



#### **NOTE 12: Note Payable**

On December 16, 2018, the University entered into an agreement with the Arkansas Division of Higher Education for a \$1,100,000 College Savings Bond Loan. The purpose of the loan will be used for Phase I Energy Project, to include campus HVAC controls, and lighting. The debt service on the loan will be supported by revenue from tuition and fees. The term of the loan is fifteen (15) years at an estimated annual interest rate not to exceed 2.5 percent. Principal payments of \$66,233 and interest of \$22,219 were paid as of June 30, 2022. The principal outstanding at June 30, 2022 was \$844,387. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the note is \$972,966, as of June 30, 2022. The unpaid principal may be prepaid in whole or in part at any time without penalty.

Fiscal	Total		Total
Year	Principal	Interest	Payments
2023	\$ 67,848	\$ 20,603	\$ 88,451
2024	69,504	18,948	88,452
2025	71,200	17,252	88,452
2026	72,937	15,514	88,451
2027	74,717	13,735	88,452
2028-2032	401,837	40,420	442,257
2033	86,344	2,107	88,451
Totals	\$ 844,387	\$128,579	\$ 972,966



### **NOTE 13: Long-Term Lease Obligation**

The University has recorded one right to use leased asset. The asset is a right to use asset for leased equipment. The right to use lease asset is amortized on a straight-line basis over the terms of the related lease.

Right to use asset activity for Arkansas Tech University for the year ended June 30, 2022, was as follows:

	eginning Balance	In	creases	Decr	eases	Ending alance
Right to use asset	 					 
Leased equipment	\$ -	\$	27,511	\$	-	\$ 27,511
Total right to use asset	 -		27,511		-	27,511
Less accumulated amortization for:						
Leased equipment			8,688			8,688
Total accumulated amortization	-		8,688		-	 8,688
Right to use asset, net	\$ -	\$	18,823	\$	-	\$ 18,823

Arkansas Tech University has entered into an agreement to lease equipment. The lease agreement qualifies as other than a short-term lease under GASB 87 and, therefore, has been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of July 1, 2021.

The agreement was executed on July 1, 2021 to lease post office equipment and requires 12 quarterly payments of \$2,148. There are no variable payments components of the lease. The lease liability is measured at a 0.995 percent discount rate. As a result of the lease, the University has recorded a right to use asset with an ending liability of \$19,093 at June 30, 2022. The right to use asset is discussed in more detail in Note 1.

		Date of	Final	Interest	Principal	Net Int/Exp	Liability	Ending
Lease Description	Classification	Inception	Maturity	Rate	Payments	Accrued Int	Reduction	Liability
MailFinance, Inc	Equipment	7/1/2021	7/1/2024	0.995%	8,418	174	8,592	19,093



# NOTE 13: Long-Term Lease Obligation (Continued)

The future minimum lease obligation and the net present value of the minimum lease payments were as following:

Year Ending	Principal	Net Int/Exp		Ending
 June 30	Payments	Accrued Int	Total	Liability
2023	8,433	159	8,592	10,660
2024	8,518	74	8,592	2,142
2025	2,142		2,142	



# **NOTE 14: Commitments**

The Institution was contractually obligated for the following at June 30, 2022:

Project Name	Construction in Progress	Remaining on Contract	Completion Date
New Academic Facility	109,248		Suspended
New Public Safety Building	33,637		Suspended
Williamson ANCRC TGT1724	441,037		7/31/2022
Williamson Hall Renovation	711,300		7/31/2022
Williamson ANCRC TGT1807	571,524		7/31/2022
Williamson ANCRC TGT1910	463,948		7/31/2022
Williamson Fire Recovery	504,818		7/31/2022
Williamson Fire ATU Portion	305,864	20,000	7/31/2022
Williamson Insurance Proceeds	3,617,614		7/31/2022
New Campus Entrance	118,637	121,363	1/30/2025
ATU Student Rec & Student Union	12,725	47,221	1/30/2025
404 N El Paso Renovation	319,999		12/31/2022
Hull Student Union	4,236,423	447,790	10/1/2022
McEver Hall Renovation	338,380	2,034,339	6/30/2023
Jones Hall Renovation	349,181	110,335	10/1/2023
Doc Bryan Roof Project	765		12/5/2025
Post Office Renovation	6,250		9/30/2022
University Commons - G Building	213,214	13,571	7/30/2022
M Street ResLife	16,995		7/30/2022
ATU Student Rec & Student Union	632,777		1/30/2025
Nutt Chiller Replacement	275,194	724	1/1/2023
OZK Instructional Control System	19,037		7/30/2023
Morton Hall - Nursing Grant Project	20,028		1/30/2024
Chambers West Floor Evaluation	1,113		1/30/2023
Electrical Sofit	23,538		8/1/2022
Crabaugh HVAC	651,344		5/30/2023
Dean Hall HVAC	1,977,316	182,897	5/30/2023
Ozark HVAC	86,619	722,171	5/30/2023
огк п	19,850		5/30/2023
RSVL HyFlex	124,070		5/30/2023
RSVL IT	157,342		5/30/2023
Witherspoon HVAC	614,895	616,419	5/30/2023
Caraway Roof	25,896		7/30/2023
Total CIP	\$ 17,000,578	\$ 4,316,830	



# NOTE 15: Employee Retirement Benefits Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association/College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA/CREF)

Plan Description: Arkansas Tech University participates in TIAA/CREF, a defined contribution plan. The plan is a 403(b) program as defined by Internal Revenue Service Code of 1986 as amended and is administered by TIAA/CREF. TIAA is an insurance company offering participants a traditional annuity with guaranteed principal and a specific interest rate plus the opportunity for additional growth through dividends. CREF is an investment company that offers a number of equity investment options. Arkansas Code Annotated § 24-7-804 authorizes participation in the plan. The University's contributions to TIAA/CREF for the years ended June 30, 2022, 2021, and 2020 were \$3,327,305, \$4,246,252, and \$3,348,210, respectively. Participants' contributions were \$2,475,225, \$2,576,632, and \$2,510,983, for the year ended June 30, 2022, 2021, and 2020, respectively.

Funding Policy: TIAA/CREF has contributory plans. Prior to July 1, 2021, contributory members contribute a minimum of six percent of earnings to the plan. The University matches ten percent for contributory members. July 1, 2021 forward, new contributory members contribute a minimum of four percent of earning to the plan. The University matches eight percent for contributory members.

On September 1, 2004, the University also began offering the 457(b) plan. The plan is on a voluntary basis. Employees must reach their maximum contribution to the 403(b) plan before participating in the 457(b) plan and they are eligible to contribute up to the maximum amount established by the IRS. Employees have the same investment options under this plan as they do under the current 403(b) plan.

### Arkansas Teacher Retirement System:

Plan Description: The University contributes to the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (ATRS), a cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit pension plan for employees who do not elect a qualified alternative retirement plan. ATRS, administered by a Board of Trustees, provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by State law and can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Teacher Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for ATRS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, 1400 West Third Street, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 or by calling 1-800-666-2877.

Funding Policy: ATRS has contributory and noncontributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute 6.75 percent of their salaries. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate determined by the Board of Trustees, based on the annual actuarial valuation. The current employer rate is 14.75 percent of covered salaries, the maximum allowed by State law. The University contributions to ATRS for the years ended June 30, 2022, 2021, and 2020, were \$433,032, \$451,880, and \$486,724, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year. See Note 22 for further detail on the ATRS pension plan.



# **NOTE 15: Employee Retirement Benefits (continued)**

#### **Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System**

Plan Description: The University contributes to the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS), a cost sharing and multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan. Employees may elect coverage under APERS as a qualified retirement system. APERS, administered by a Board of Trustees, provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Benefit provisions are established by State Law and can be amended only by the Arkansas General Assembly. The Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for APERS. That report may be obtained by writing to Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System, 124 West Capitol, Suite 400, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 or by calling 1-800-682-7377.

Funding Policy: APERS has contributory and noncontributory plans. Contributory members are required by State law to contribute five percent of their salaries. Each participating employer is required by State law to contribute at a rate determined by the Board of Trustees, based on the annual actuarial valuation. The current employer rate for higher education entities is 15.32 percent of covered salaries. The University's contributions to APERS for the years ended June 30, 2022, 2021, and 2020, were \$1,660,276, \$1,828,598, and \$1,992,404, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year. See Note 22 for further detail on the APERS pension plan.

### Alternate Retirement Plans: VALIC and Delta Life

Arkansas Tech University Ozark Campus offers two different Alternate Retirement Plans. The Alternate Retirement Plans are defined contribution plans. The plans are 403(b) programs as defined by IRS Code of 1986 as amended, and is administered by the Arkansas State Board of Workforce Education and Career Opportunities and the respective plan providers. The administrator provides insurance policies and annuity contracts and when they are issued they become property of the participant. Act 480 of 1983 provides alternative retirement plans, as approved by the Arkansas State Board of Workforce Education and Career Opportunities, for the staff members of Arkansas Tech University - Ozark Campus.



# NOTE 15: Employee Retirement Benefits (continued)

### Alternate Retirement Plans: VALIC and Delta Life (Continued)

Funding Policy: The participants' contributions are tax-sheltered and amount to a minimum of six percent of compensation. Arkansas Tech University's contribution rate is 12 percent. Participants become vested after one year. Arkansas Tech University's contributions to VALIC for Arkansas Tech University - Ozark Campus staff that were employed prior to July 1, 2003 for the years ended June 30, 2022, 2021, and 2020, were \$33,028, \$34,318, and \$37,432, respectively. The participants' contributions for VALIC for the years ended June 30, 2022, 2021, and 2020, were \$16,514, \$17,159, and \$18,716, respectively.

Arkansas Tech University's contributions to Delta Life for Arkansas Tech University - Ozark Campus staff that were employed prior to July 1, 2003 for the years ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$612 and \$8,243, respectively. The participants' contributions for Delta Life for the year ended June 30, 2021 and 2020 were \$306 and \$4,122, respectively.

### NOTE 16: Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pension (OPEB)

Arkansas Tech University implemented GASB Statement no. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, during fiscal year 2017-18. This statement replaces GASB no. 45. GASB Statement no. 75 establishes new standards for accounting and financial reporting of employer provided OPEB plans. This statement identifies methods and assumptions that are required to be used to project future benefit payments.



# NOTE 16: Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pension (OPEB) (Continued)

### **General Information about OPEB Plan**

### Medical Plan description.

Arkansas Tech University offers a single-employer, defined benefit OPEB plan for all permanent benefits eligible employees. Employees who have reached age 60 and completed 10 years of service with Arkansas Tech University are eligible to participate in the University's Retirement with Benefits Plan. The University allows continued group health insurance coverage until the retiree reaches Medicare eligibility. Coverage is also offered to dependents. If the retiree predeceases the dependent, coverage for the survivor ceases.

For participants retiring before July 1, 1998, eligibility is based on attainment of age 55 and completion of 20 years of service or completion of 30 years of service at any age. The University pays the premium for health insurance coverage for the lifetime of the retiree.

For participants retiring between July 1, 1998 and July 1, 2017, the University pays one hundred percent of the retiree's premium for health insurance coverage until the individual reaches Medicare eligibility.

For participants retiring after July 1, 2017, the retiree will be responsible for the same percentage of premium that they were responsible for while active. The retiree will also be subject to premium changes in the same proportion as the active employee group. Coverage is still offered until Medicare eligibility.

Additionally, the University has four employees that participate in the Arkansas State Employee Health Insurance Plan (administered by the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration Employee Benefits Division), a single-employer defined benefit healthcare plan. As a partial participant in the plan, the University's partial decrease in the OPEB liability of \$149,037 represents a pro-rata share of the statewide liability, which was actuarially determined in accordance with GASB Statement no. 75. Required information and actuarial data of the statewide liability are disclosed in the Arkansas Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022.



# NOTE 16: Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pension (OPEB) (continued)

Arkansas Tech University Medical Plans			
Ef Plan:	fective January 1, PPO \$950	, 2022 PPO \$3,000	HSA \$4,000
In-Network (INN) Benefits			
Deductible (Ded) (Individual/Family)	\$950/\$1,900	\$3,000/\$6,000	\$4,000/\$8,000
Coinsurance	20%	30%	0% after Deductible
Out-of-Pocket Max	\$3,450/\$6,900	\$6,000/\$12,000	\$4,000/\$8,000
(Individual/Family)	\$5,450/\$0,900	\$0,000/\$12,000	\$4,000/\$8,000
Preventive Care	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge
Office Visit (OV) - Primary Care (PCP)	\$35 Copay	\$40 Copay	DC*
OV - Specialist Care Provider (SCP)/Urgent Care/Chiro/PT	\$35 Copay	\$80 Copay	DC*
Hospital Emergency Room (ER)	DC*	DC*	DC*
Outpatient Surgery	DC*	DC*	DC*
Hospital Inpatient	DC*	DC*	DC*
Out-of-Network (OON) Benefits			
Deductible (Individual/Family)	\$950/\$1,900	\$9,000/\$18,000	\$8,000/\$16,000
Coinsurance	40%	50%	20%
Out-of-Pocket Max	N/A	\$18,000/\$36,000	N/A
(Individual/Family)			
Office Visits (PCP) & (SCP)	DC*	DC*	DC*
Prescription Drugs Retail (30 Days) - Generic/Formulary /	615/645/665/665	600/650/670/6050	DCX
Non-Form./Specialty Copay	\$15/\$45/\$65/\$65	\$20/\$50/\$70/\$250	DC*
Mail Order (90 Days) - Generic/Form /	\$15/\$45/\$65/\$65	\$40/\$100/\$140	DC*
Non-Form./Specialty Copay		/\$500	
Selected INN Detail Benefits	DC*	DC*	DC*
Skilled Nursing Facility Advanced Imagines (CT, MRI, PET)	DC*	DC*	DC*
Manipulations (Physical, Speech, and			
Occupational Therapy)	DC*	DC*	DC*
Home Health	DC*	DC*	DC*
Ambulance	DC*	DC*	DC*
	20	20	20

\* DC=Deductible and Coinsurance apply.



# NOTE 16: Postemployment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits (continued)

#### Life Insurance Plan Description

The University also offers a life insurance plan to retirees. Maximum coverage is the lower of either\$50,000 or two times the employee's annual salary. Coverage reduces by 33 1/3% at age 65 and at age 70. Upon retirement, benefits reduce to a maximum of \$20,000.

Employees Covered by Benefit Terms.

At June 30, 2022, the following employees were covered by the benefit terms:

Inactive employees or beneficiaries currently receiving benefit payment	45
Inactive employees entitled to but not yet receiving benefit payments	0
Active employees	922
	967

### **Total OPEB Liability**

Arkansas Tech University's total OPEB liability of \$7,756,400 was measured as of June 30, 2021, and was determined by a June 30, 2021 valuation date. No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of the GASB statement no. 75.

#### Actuarial assumptions and other inputs:

The total OPEB liability in the June 30, 2021 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions and other inputs, applied to all periods included in the measurement, unless otherwise specified:

3.25 percent

Inflation Salary increases

Sample merit and longevity increases excluding inflation shown below.

<u>Age</u>	Merit & Longevity
20	6.6%
25	5.1%
30	3.2%
35	2.3%
40	1.9%
45	1.5%
50	1.1%
55	0.8%
60	0.7%



# NOTE 16: Postemployment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits (continued)

Actuarial assumptions and other inputs (Continued).

Discount rate	2.16 percent for the valuation measured as of June 30, 2021
	2.21 percent for the valuation measured as of June 30, 2020.
Health cost trend rates	The initial health cost trend was 7.5% in 2022 and declines
	gradually to an ultimate rate of 4.44% starting in 2042.
Retirees' share of benefit-related	Retirees are responsible for the portion of premium rates
costs	not covered by the University's explicit subsidy. Employees
	retiring on/after July 1, 2017 will be responsible for the
	same percentage of premiums that they were responsible
	for while active.
Measurement date	A July 1, 2021 measurement date was used.

The discount rate as of June 30, 2021 is 2.16%, which is the 20-year bond buyer index rate as of June 24, 2021. The discount rate as of June 30, 2020 is 2.21%, which is the 20-year bond buyer index rate as of June 25, 2020.

Mortality rates were based on the RPH-2014 Total Dataset Mortality Table fully generational using Scale MP-2017.

The actuarial assumptions used in the June 30, 2021 valuation were based on the results of a 2011 actuarial experience study.



# NOTE 16: Postemployment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits (continued)

**Changes in Total OPEB Liability** 

	Total OPEB
	Liability
Balance at 6/30/21	\$9,050,421
Changes for the year	
Service Cost	641,416
Interest	207,194
Difference between expected and actual experience	(199,952)
Changes of assumptions	(1,306,091)
Benefit payments	(636,588)
Net changes	(1,294,021)
Balance at 6/30/22	\$7,756,400

During the measurement year, the TOL decreased by \$1,294,021. The service cost and interest cost increased the TOL by \$848,610 while benefit payments decreased the TOL by \$636,588.

There were liability gains of \$199,952 during the year due to population changes. There was a decrease in enrollment across all plans.

There were no benefit changes.

There were assumption changes due to the change in the 20-year Bond Buyer Index rate and the changes in claim curves and trends. The discount rate changes from 2.21% as of June 30, 2020, to 2.16% as of June 30, 2021. This assumption change resulted in a net decrease in the liability of \$1,306,091.



### NOTE 16: Postemployment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits (continued)

*Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the discount rate:* 

Changes in the discount rate affect the measurement of the TOL. Lower discount rates produce higher TOL and higher discount rates produce a lower TOL. The following table shows the sensitivity of the TOL to the discount rate. A one percent decrease in the discount rate increases the TOL by approximately 11%. A one percent increase in the discount rate decreases the TOL by approximately 9%.

	1%	Discount	1%
	Decrease	Rate	Increase
	1.16%	2.16%	3.16%
Total OPEB Liability	\$8,583,710	\$7,756,400	\$7,073,002

Sensitivity of the total OPEB liability to changes in the healthcare cost trend rate:

Changes in healthcare trends affect the measurement of the TOL. Lower healthcare trends produce lower TOL and higher healthcare trends produce higher TOL. The following table shows the sensitivity of the TOL to healthcare trends. A one percent decrease in healthcare trends decreases the TOL by approximately 6%. A one percent increase in the healthcare trend rate increases the TOL by approximately 8%.

	1%	Healthcare	1%			
	Decrease	Trend	Increase			
Total OPEB Liability	\$7,253,929	\$7,756,400	\$8,342,728			



# NOTE 16: Postemployment Healthcare and Life Insurance Benefits (continued)

OPEB Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the University recognized contributions subsequent to the measurement date of \$576,906. In addition, the University recognized an OPEB expense of \$300,439. The following table summarizes the current balances of deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to the Plan along with the net recognition over the next five years and the total recognition thereafter if any.

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Difference between expected and		
actual experience		\$1,157,214
Changes in assumptions	\$1,082,682	2,564,007
Contributions subsequent to the		
measurement date	576,906	
Totals	\$1,659,588	\$3,721,221

The subsequent contributions after the measurement date are reflected as a deferred outflow, but this is not subject to a deferred recognition period in the OPEB expense. Instead, these subsequent contributions will be recognized as a reduction of the total OPEB liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported above as deferred inflows will be recognized in OPEB expense as follows:

Year Ended	
June 30,	Amount
2023	\$ (355,602)
2024	(355,602)
2025	(355,602)
2026	(355,602)
2027	(355,602)
Thereafter	(860,529)



# NOTE 17: Risk Management

Due to the diverse risk exposure, the insurance maintained by the University contains a comprehensive variety of coverage. These coverages are outlined as follows:

Items Insured	Coverage	Contributions	Administrator
Buildings	Replacement value or agreed amount (\$25,000 deductible for each incident)	N/A	State of Arkansas Multi-Agency Property Program
Contents	Replacement value (\$25,000 deductible for each incident.)	N/A	State of Arkansas Multi-Agency Property Program
General liability	N/A	N/A	Arkansas Claims Commission
Automobile fleet	Comprehensive or liability	N/A	State of Arkansas Automobile Insurance Policy
Life insurance program	N/A	50% Employee 50% University	USAble
Health care program	N/A	Partial employee contribution for individual coverage; entire premium amount for covered dependents.	Arkansas Blue Cross Blue Shield
Workers' compensation	Reimbursement of medical expenses and loss of salary due to job-related injury or illness.	The administrator is reimbursed quarterly for claims paid and administrative expenses	Arkansas Public Employees Claims Division



### NOTE 17: Risk Management (continued)

The University participates in the Arkansas Fidelity Bond Trust Fund administered by the Governmental Bonding Board. Coverage is provided for actual losses incurred as a result of fraudulent or dishonest acts by State employees or officials. There is a limit of \$300,000 and a \$2,500 deductible for each loss. The Department of Finance and Administration withholds the amounts for the premiums from the University's State Treasury funds.

The University participates in the Property Insurance Trust Fund Program administered by the Risk Management Division of the Arkansas Insurance Department. The program's general objectives are to formulate, develop, and administer on behalf of members, a program of insurance to obtain lower costs for property coverage and to develop a comprehensive loss control program. The fund uses a reinsurance policy to reduce exposure to large losses on insured events. The University pays an annual premium for this coverage.

The University participates in the Vehicle Insurance Trust Fund Program administered by the Risk Management Division of the Arkansas Insurance Department. The general objective of the program is to allow members a means of insuring vehicles. The fund uses a reinsurance policy to reduce exposure to large losses on insured events. The University pays an annual premium for this coverage.

The University maintains workers' compensation coverage through the State of Arkansas program, Arkansas Code Annotated § 11-9-305. Annual premiums are based on a formula calculated by the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration.

Settled claims have not exceeded this commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. There were no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the prior year in the major categories of risk.



# NOTE 18: Natural Classifications with Functional Classifications

The University's operating expenses by functional classification were as follows:

			Sc	holarships		De	epreciation	
Functional	Personal			&	Supplies &		&	
Classification	Services	Benefits	F	ellowships	Services	Ar	nortization	Total
Instruction	\$24,309,478	\$ 6,072,920	\$	477,525	\$ 7,911,579			\$ 38,771,502
Research	3,333,708	775,434		11,429	290,513			4,411,084
Public service	660,667	224,175			47,647			932,489
Academic support	3,970,336	963,781			3,020,215			7,954,332
Student service	4,725,282	1,147,985			2,147,410			8,020,677
Institutional support	6,956,636	1,474,693			4,194,603			12,625,932
Operation of plant	2,846,622	907,001			8,916,750			12,670,373
Scholarships				23,342,483				23,342,483
Depreciation						\$	9,794,632	9,794,632
Auxiliary enterprises	4,825,985	838,275		2,187,750	6,858,029			14,710,039
Total expense	\$51,628,714	\$ 12,404,264	\$	26,019,187	\$33,386,746	\$	9,794,632	\$ 133,233,543

### NOTE 19: Disaggregation of Payables

The accounts payable and other liabilities of \$4,355,308 consisted of \$3,279,336 due to vendors, salaries, and other payroll related items, \$594,827 of construction contract retainages held, \$224,016 due for construction contractor payments, and \$257,129 due for bond and lease interest.



# NOTE 20: Pledged Revenues

At June 30, 2022, the University's pledged revenues were as follows:

	ISSUE	MATURITY	,		GROSS REVENUE
BONDS	DATE	DATE	PURPOSE	PLEDGED	COLLECTED
			Renovate		
Auxiliary Revenue			Chambers	Russellville Food	
Bond 2020A	12/17/2020	6/30/2043	Cafeteria	Service Revenue	\$ 6,306,240
Student Fee					
Revenue Bonds-			Construct Brown	Student Tuition	
2020	12/17/2020	12/1/2043	Building; Energy Project	& Fees	58,865,934
			Ozark Student Services		
			Building; Academic		
Student Fee			Classroom; Physical		
Revenue Bonds-			Plant; Rothwell McEver	Student Tuition	
2021B	2/25/2021	5/1/2039	& Corley Buildings	& Fees	58,865,934
			Construct Ozark		
			Allied Health		
			Building and refoof		
Student Fee			Ozark Technology		
Revenue Bonds-			and Academic	Student Tuition	
2021A	2/25/2021	5/1/2044	Support Building	& Fees	58,865,934
Housing Refunding			Baswell Hall, Critz Hall		
Bonds 2021A	2/25/2021	5/1/2039	and Hughes Building	Housing Fees	9,539,912

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# NOTE 20: Pledged Revenues (continued)

					GROSS
	ISSUE	MATURITY			REVENUE
BONDS	DATE	DATE	PURPOSE	PLEDGED	COLLECTED
			2001 Nutt Hall		
			2011 Tucker Hall		
			2011A M. Street Dorm		
Housing			2012A M. Street Dorm		
Refunding Bonds-			2012B Paine Hall		
2017	12/21/2017	6/1/2041	2012C Baswell Hall	Housing Fees	\$9,539,912
			2010 Oz Student Union		
			2012A Old Art Building		
Student Fee			2012B 2003 Art Bldg		
Refunding Bonds-			2012C 2004 Hull Bldg	Student Tuition	
2017	12/21/2017	6/1/2042	2012D 2005 Art Bldg	& Fees	58,865,934
Athletic Refunding			2007 Sports Complex		
Bonds 2017	12/21/2017	6/1/2042	2012 Baseball Field	Athletic Revenues	5,735,130

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# NOTE 20: Pledged Revenues (continued)

				PRINCIPAL	INTEREST
		FY 2022	FY 2022	OUTSTANDING	OUTSTANDING
BONDS	ISSUE	PRINCIPAL PAID	INTEREST PAID	6/30/2022	6/30/2022
Auxiliary Revenue					
Bond 2020A	\$ 6,565,000	\$ 235,000	\$ 156,542	\$ 6,065,000	\$ 2,113,321
Student Fee					
Revenue Bonds					
2020A	8,065,000	415,000	167,325	7,650,000	1,679,669
Housing					
Refunding Bonds					
2021A	8,050,000	405,000	210,300	7,225,000	1,500,600
Student Fee					
Revenue Bonds-					
2020A	5,060,000	155,000	127,563	4,745,000	1,428,325
Student Fee					
Revenue Bonds-					
2021B	11,380,000	550,000	203,416	10,315,000	2,188,878
Housing					
Refunding Bonds					
2017	21,945,000	945,000	707,638	17,865,000	5,833,581
Student Fee					
Refunding Bonds					
2017	7,550,000	445,000	220,481	5,440,000	1,260,169
Athletic Fee					
Refunding Bonds					
2017	3,470,000	135,000	93,600	2,860,000	890,950

The approximate percentages of revenues pledged for the year ended June 30, 2022 were as follows:

Student tuition and fees - 3.88%

Food service fees - 6.21%

Housing fees-23.77%

Athletic revenue - 3.99%



## NOTE 21: Contingent Liabilities

On July 3, 2017, the University received a demand letter from a former employee asserting a claim in the amount \$105,611 for alleged salary shortages that began in July, 2011. On February 27, 2018, the former employee filed a lawsuit against Arkansas Tech University in Pope County Circuit Court, Case No. 58-CV-2018-132, alleging breach of contract. The University filed a motion to dismiss based upon sovereign immunity and the plaintiff voluntarily dismissed her claim. On May 16, 2018, Plaintiff re-filed her breach of contract claim before the Arkansas State Claims Commission. It was assigned claim number 180951. The complaint did not specify the amount of damages being sought. A portion of the university's motion to dismiss the claim was granted. On the remaining portion, the parties are currently engaged in discovery. No hearing date has been set as of October 12, 2022. The University has, and will continue to, aggressively defend the matter.

On May 10, 2019, the University received a tort claim that has been filed before the Arkansas State Claims Commission. It was assigned claim number 191129. The complaint seeks an amount of \$250 to \$500 for a windshield that was allegedly damaged by a ball at a university sporting event. The University prepared an answer denying liability. No hearing date has been set as of July 18, 2022.

On June 22, 2022, the University received a tort claim that has been filed before the Arkansas State Claims Commission. It was assigned claim number 221514. The complaint seeks an amount of \$238.71 for a windshield that was allegedly broken by a rock knocked into it by someone mowing university lawn. The University is preparing an answer denying liability. No hearing date has been set as of July 18, 2022.

On August 20, 2020, the Arkansas Tech University Board of Trustees approved a Voluntary Faculty Retirement Transition Program for faculty at ATU (the "program"). The program is not a retirement plan but (i) an incentive to those eligible employees to retire in accordance with the terms of the program and (ii) adequate consideration offered to support the tenure release and liability waiver and release set out herein. Eligible faculty employees who chose to enter into the program agree to retire their position as an ATU employee effective August 1, 2023. Generally, the program terms include:



#### NOTE 21: Contingent Liabilities (continued)

- (1) The faculty member employee relinquishes his/her tenure at Arkansas Tech University effective May 8, 2021.
- (2) Arkansas Tech University hereby enters into a two-year employment contract with the faculty member employee with their salary for the 2021-2022 Academic Year and the 2022-2023 academic year being set in specific individual amounts. Further, the faculty member employee voluntarily does hereby agree to retire from his/her position as an ATU employee effective May 15, 2023.
- (3) The university agrees to offer the faculty member employee the benefits package offered to current employees who work at least ¾ time. As applicable, retirement contributions during this time shall be based on the actual salary received by the faculty member employee. If the faculty member employee is transitioning from an administrative role (12-month) to a faculty position, references herein to "end of academic year contract" shall mean "end of Notice of Appointment", as applicable. Further, the individual transitioning from an administrative role will receive the payout for any unused vacation time at the time of transition.
- (4) The faculty member employee agrees to teach 15 semester hours per academic year, attend department/college meetings as requested, and advise students within their department as requested by the Department Head, all to an extent sufficient to qualify for ¾ time employment at the university. The university agrees to waive any scholarly or service requirements while the faculty member employee is in the transition program. The faculty member employee will not be eligible for any overload pay during the term of the program. Further, there will be no other university assignments for pay, teaching or otherwise.
- (5) The two-year transition period contract may be shortened upon mutual agreement of the faculty member employee, the Department Head, the Dean, and the Vice President of Academic Affairs. On August 1, 2023, which is the conclusion of the two year transition period, the faculty member employee shall retire from employment at Arkansas Tech University, and the university will provide the faculty member employee currently existing retiree benefits. This would include the health insurance benefit that employees who are age 60 or above and have completed ten (10) years of service at Arkansas Tech University may retire and have a portion of their health insurance premium paid by Arkansas Tech University until the retiree reaches Medicare eligibility age. This agreement is non-renewable by the individual faculty member employee. Any future employment of the faculty member employee after the end of the two year transition period would only be under special circumstances as approved by the President and the Vice President of Academic Affairs.



#### NOTE 22: Pensions

#### **General Information about the Pension Plans**

*Plan descriptions:* Eligible employees of Arkansas Tech University (the University) are provided with pensions through the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (ATRS), administered by the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System Board of Trustees, and Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees. ATRS and APERS), administered by the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees. ATRS and APERS are cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit plans. Benefit provisions are established and amended by Arkansas Code Title 24.

Each plan issues a publicly available financial report, which may be obtained by contacting the appropriate plan:

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System	Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System
1400 West Third Street	124 W. Capitol, Suite 400
Little Rock, AR 72201	Little Rock, AR 72201-3704
(501) 682-1517	(501) 682-7800
https://www.artrs.gov/publications	http://www.apers.org/annualreports/index.php

*Benefits Provided:* Each plan provides retirement, disability and death benefits and annual adjustments to plan members and beneficiaries, as follows:

#### APERS

The normal retirement benefit, paid on a monthly basis, is determined based on (1) the member's final average compensation (an average of the highest 36 months' earnings) and (2) the number of years of credited service. Retiree benefit increases are calculated each year on July 1, for the following 12 months. The predetermined amount is the amount of the benefit payable as of the immediately preceding July 1, increased by 3%. Members are eligible for full retirement benefits (1) at any age with 28 years of credited service; (2) at age 65 with five years of actual service, except for members of the General Assembly who must have 10 years of actual service if the member only has service as a member of the General Assembly; or (3) at age 55 with 35 years of credited service as an elected official or public safety member. Members are eligible for reduced benefits (1) at any age with at least 25 years but less than 28 years of actual service; or (2) at age 55 with five years of actual service. Members who are defined as a public safety member are eligible for a reduced benefit with five years of actual service if the member of actual service if the member who are defined as a public safety member are eligible for a reduced benefit with five years of actual service if the member who are defined as a public safety member are eligible for a reduced benefit with five years of actual service if the member is within 10 years of normal retirement age.



# NOTE 22: Pensions (continued)

#### ATRS

Members are eligible for full retirement benefits at age 60 with five or more years of actual or reciprocal service or at any age with 28 or more years of credited service. Members with 25 years of credited service who have not attained age 60 may receive an annuity reduced by 10/12 of 1% multiplied by the number of months by which the early retirement precedes the earlier of (1) completion of 28 years of credited service or (2) attainment of age 60. The normal retirement benefit, paid monthly, is determined based on (1) the member's final average salary and (2) the number of years of service. Disability retirement benefits are payable to members who are vested and demonstrate total and permanent incapacity to perform the duties of their position while in active employment. The disability annuity is computed in the same manner as the age and service annuity. Survivor benefits are payable to qualified survivors upon the death of an active, vested member

Eligible spouse survivors receive a survivor annuity that is based on the member's years of service credit prior to their death, and minor child survivors receive a percentage of the member's highest salary earned. A lump sum death benefit is provided for active and retired members with 10 years of actual service. A cost of living adjustment (COLA) is payable on July 1 of each year to retirees, certain survivors, and annuity beneficiaries who received monthly benefits for the previous 12 months. The COLA is determined by multiplying the member's base retirement annuity by 3%.

Contributions. Arkansas Code Title 24 establishes the contribution requirements of active members and participating employers. Contribution rates for each plan are as follows:

#### APERS

Contribution provisions applicable to the participating employers are established by the APERS Board of Trustees and should be based on an independent actuary's determination of the rate required to fund the plan. The General Assembly and certain agencies employing individuals in public safety positions must also remit additional amounts. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the employer contribution rate, as a percentage of active member payrolls, was 15.32%. Contributions to APERS from the University were \$1,660,276 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

APERS consists of both a contributory plan and a noncontributory plan. The contributory plan has been in effect since the beginning of the plan and is available to all persons who became members prior to January 1, 1978.



#### NOTE 22: Pensions (continued)

#### **APERS (Continued)**

The noncontributory plan was created by Act 793 of 1977 and was effective January 1, 1978. It automatically applied to all members hired from January 1, 1978, to June 30, 2005. Act 2084 of 2005 requires that, beginning July 1, 2005, all new hires become contributory members and are required to contribute 5% of their earnings to APERS. All other noncontributory members were given the opportunity to become contributory if they so elected by December 31, 2005.

During a member's participation in the APERS deferred retirement option plan (DROP), the employer continues to make contributions and the employee ceases to make contributions.

#### ATRS

The funding policy of ATRS provides for periodic employer contributions at statutorily established rates based on annual actuarial valuations. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the employer contribution rate was 14.75% of covered employee payroll. Contributions to ATRS from the University were \$433,032 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

ATRS has contributory and noncontributory plans. The contributory plan has been in effect since the beginning of the plan. Contributory members of ATRS contribute 6.75% of their gross wages. The noncontributory plan began July 1, 1986. Effective July 1, 1999, all new members were automatically enrolled as contributory members. Active members as of July 1, 1999 were allowed to make an irrevocable choice between the contributory or noncontributory plan. Employee contributions are refundable if covered employment terminates before a monthly benefit is payable.



# NOTE 22: Pensions (continued)

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

At June 30, 2022, the University reported liabilities of \$7,254,876 (\$4,595,350 APERS and \$2,659,526 ATRS) for its proportionate share of the net pension liabilities. The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability for each plan was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The University's proportion of the net pension liability was based on current contributions of all participating employers. At June 30, 2021, the University's proportion was 0.0961% for ATRS and 0.5977% for APERS.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the University recognized a decrease in pension expense of \$495,595 for ATRS and a decrease of \$2,151,481 for APERS. The total pension expense for year ended June 30, 2022 for ATRS and APERS was \$60,532, and \$491,286, respectively. For the year ended June 30, 2022, the University reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience (ATRS - \$135,313 deferred outflows, APERS - \$105,172 deferred outflows; ATRS - \$22,990 deferred inflows, and APERS – \$294,718	\$240,485	\$317,708
Changes of assumptions or other inputs (ATRS – 801,322 – deferred outflow; APERS - \$32,189 – deferred inflow)	801,322	32,189
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments (APERS-\$8,066,400 deferred inflows. ATRS \$2,203,409 – deferred inflows)		10,269,809
Changes in University's proportion and differences between the University's contributions and proportionate share of the University's contributions (APERS - \$304,361 – deferred outflows; ATRS - \$46,360 – deferred outflows, APERS - \$1,335,635 – deferred inflows; ATRS \$878,540)	350,721	2,214,175
The University's contributions subsequent to the measurement date (ATRS - \$433,032 and APERS - \$1,660,276)	2,093,308	
Total	\$3,485,836	\$12,833,881



## NOTE 22: Pensions (continued)

\$2,093,308 (APERS - \$1,660,276; ATRS - \$433,032) was reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from University's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2023	(\$2,710,326) (ATRS – (\$499,109) and APERS – (\$2,211,217))
2024	(\$2,646,887) (ATRS – (\$421,599) and APERS – (\$2,225,288))
2025	(\$2,922,896) (ATRS – (\$487,899) and APERS – (\$2,434,997))
2026	(\$3,176,015) (ATRS – (\$728,108) and APERS – (2,447,907))
2027	\$14,769 ATRS – \$14,769
Total	(\$11,441,355) (ATRS – (\$2,121,946) and APERS – (\$9,319,409))

Actuarial assumptions. The total pension liability in the actuarial valuation (as of the date noted below) was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

	ATRS	APERS
Date of actuarial valuation	June 30, 2021	June 30, 2021
Inflation rate	2.75%	3.25%
Salary increases	2.75% to 7.75%, including	3.25% - 9.85%, including
	inflation	inflation
Investment rate of return	7.25%	7.15%
Mortality rates	Pub-2010 Healthy Retired,	RP-2006 weighted
	General Disabled Retiree,	generational mortality
	and General Employee	tables for healthy annuitant,
	Mortality weighted tables	disability, or employee
	were used for males and	death in service, if
	females.	applicable.
Actuarial experience study	July 1, 2015, through June	July 1, 2012, through June
dates	30, 2020	30, 2017

#### ATRS

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of each plan 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 by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return were adopted by the plan's trustees after considering input from the plan's investment consultant and actuary.



# NOTE 22: Pensions (continued)

#### APERS

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of each plan 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 by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for the 10-year period from 2021-2030 were based upon capital market assumptions provided by the plan investment consultant.

For each major asset class that is included in each pension plans' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2022, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

ATRS		
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real
		Rate of Return
Global equity	53.00%	4.8%
Fixed income	15.00%	0.4%
Alternatives	5.00%	3.8%
Real assets	15.00%	4.7%
Private equity	12.00%	6.5%
Cash equivalents	0.00%	-0.2%

APERS				
Asset Class	sset Class Target Allocation			
		Rate of Return		
Broad Domestic Equity	37.00%	6.22%		
International Equity	24.00%	6.69%		
Real Assets	16.00%	4.81%		
Absolute Return	5.00%	3.05%		
Domestic Fixed	18.00%	0.57%		

*Discount rate.* The discount rate for each plan was determined as follows:

#### APERS

The single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.15%. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that plan member 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. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments.



# NOTE 22: Pensions (continued)

#### ATRS

The single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be 14.50% of payroll. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments.

Sensitivity of University's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the University's proportionate share of the net pension liability for each plan calculated using the discount rate stated above, as well as what the University's proportionate share of net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower or 1-percentage-point higher than the current rate:

	1% Decrease	Current discount rate	1% Increase
ATRS – Current			
discount rate			
7.25%	\$5,564,250	\$2,659,526	\$249,368
APERS – Current			
discount rate			
7.15%	\$13,746,502	\$4,595,350	\$(2,962,184)

*Pension plan fiduciary net position.* Detailed information about each pension plan's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued financial report of each plan.



#### **NOTE 23: Impaired Capital Assets**

On April 3, 2019, the Williamson building at Arkansas Tech University was significantly damaged by a fire. The Williamson Building was constructed in 1940 at a cost of \$142,447. The University completed two additions to the Williamson Building in 2003 for \$564,305 and 2016 for \$57,334, which brings the total historical cost of the building to \$764,086. The accumulated depreciation remaining on the building is \$732,848, making the carrying value \$31,238. In addition, at June 30, 2022, the University had construction in progress cost of \$6,616,105. The construction in progress was related to the remodel of the Williamson Building in fiscal years 2019 and 2018. Due to a claim being held at the State Claims Commission, the University has not been able to determine the final amount of construction in progress. Therefore, the construction in progress amount has not been included in the historical costs of the building was closed. The building, however was insured, along with all parties who were working on the building when the fire occurred. The University is currently working with all parties involved to determine the fire and ultimately the liable party. The cost of replacement, demolition, and insurance settlement has not been determined at this time. Due to the unknown amounts, an impairment loss or gain could not be determined for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

#### NOTE 24: COVID-19

On March 11, 2020, the Governor of Arkansas issued Executive Order 20-03 declaring an emergency and ordering the Arkansas Department of Health to take action to prevent the spread of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). In fiscal year 2022, 2021, and 2020, the University received \$9,841,199, \$8,142,989, and \$2,322,906 in federal aid from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Securities (CARES) Act. In fiscal year 2022, the University received \$17,826,469 in federal aid from the American Rescue Plan. The extent of the impact of COVID-19 on the financial statements for future reporting periods remains uncertain, however, the University is expecting to receive additional federal aid for coronavirus relief.



# REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)



#### **Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)**

The schedule of Required Supplementary Information generally starts with information as of the implementation of GASB Statement no. 74, *Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans,* and eventually will build up to 10 years of information.

Arkansas Tech University implemented GASB Statement no. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, during fiscal year 2017-18. This statement replaces GASB no. 45. GASB Statement no. 75 establishes new standards for accounting and financial reporting of employer provided OPEB plans. This statement identifies methods and assumptions that are required to be used to project future benefit payments.

	6/30/2022 *		6/30/2021 *		6/30/2020 *		6/30/2019*		6	6/30/2018*
Total OPEB Liability										
Service cost	\$	641,416	\$	565,846	\$	557,275	\$	690,617	\$	654,843
Interest		207,194		311,890		331,669		332,836		330,873
Changes of benefit items						(217,357)		(445,594)		
Difference between expected and actual experience		(199,952)		(757,374)		(144,335)		(176,952)		(274,183)
Change of assumptions	(:	1,306,091)		937,496		475,267		(380,600)		(1,990,011)
Benefits payments		(636,588)		(699,472)		(640,867)		(691,248)		(787,562)
Net change in total OPEB liability	\$(:	1,294,021)	\$	358,386	\$	361,652	\$	(670,941)	\$	(2,066,040)
Total OPEB Liability - beginning	\$ 9	9,050,421	\$	8,692,035	\$	8,330,383	\$	9,001,324	\$	11,067,364
Total OPEB Liability - ending	\$	7,756,400	\$	9,050,421	\$	8,692,035	\$	8,330,383	\$	9,001,324
Covered employee payroll	4	8,649,556		44,465,898		45,449,605		46,942,626		43,683,964
Total OPEB liability as a percentage of covered employee payroll		15.94%		20.35%		19.12%		17.75%		20.61%

#### Schedule of Changes in Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

\* amounts presented for each fiscal year were determined as of June 30 of the previous year Schedule is intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available

#### Notes to Schedule:

No assets are accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement no. 75.

During the measurement year, the TOL decreased by \$1,294,021. The service cost and interest cost increased the TOL by \$848,610 while benefit payments decreased the TOL by \$636,588.



# **Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)**

There were liability gains of \$199,952 due to benefit changes during the year. There was a decrease in enrollment across all plans.

There were assumption changes due to the change in the 20-year Bond Buyer Index rate and the changes in claim curves and trends. The discount rate changed from 2.21% to 2.16% as of June 30, 2021. These assumption changes decreased the liability by \$1,306,091.

The plan does not issue a stand-alone financial report. For inquiries relating to the plan, please contact Mrs. Laury Fiorello, Vice President for Finance and Administration, 1509 North Boulder Avenue, Administration Building Room 202, Russellville, AR 72801.



# Schedule of the University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
University's proportion of the NPL	0.0961%	0.1102%	0.1210%	0.1180%	0.1300%	0.1362%	0.1386%	0.1394%
University's proportionate share of NPL	\$2,659,526	\$6,237,701	\$5,048,545	\$4,292,979	\$5,466,689	\$6,009,569	\$4,513,157	\$3,660,521
University's covered payroll**	\$3,127,082	\$3,460,363	\$3,724,788	\$3,574,150	\$3,854,064	\$3,853,121	\$3,836,236	\$4,099,736
University's proportionate share of NPL								
as a % of covered payroll	85.05%	180.26%	135.54%	120.11%	141.84%	155.97%	117.65%	89.29%
Plan fiduciary net position as % of total								
pension liability	88.58%	74.91%	80.96%	82.78%	79.48%	76.75%	82.20%	84.98%

# Schedule of the University's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
University's proportion of the NPL	0.5977%	0.6667%	0.6689%	0.6193%	0.6003%	0.5586%	0.5447%	0.4638%
University's proportionate share of NPL	\$ 4,595,350	\$19,091,813	\$16,137,521	\$13,661,256	\$15,513,102	\$13,357,051	\$10,031,477	\$6,580,919
University's covered payroll **	\$11,904,407	\$13,005,518	\$12,800,302	\$11,813,655	\$10,826,228	\$10,038,448	\$ 9,243,408	\$8,302,554
University's proportionate share of NPL								
as a % of covered payroll	38.60%	146.80%	126.07%	115.64%	143.29%	133.06%	108.53%	79.26%
Plan fiduciary net position as % of total								
pension liability	93.57%	75.38%	78.55%	79.59%	75.65%	75.50%	80.39%	84.15%

\*The 2022 amounts presented were determined as of June 30, 2021 and the 2021 amounts were determined as of June 30, 2020, etc., the actuarial valuation dates.

\*\*Restated 2016 and 2015 amounts per GASB No. 82 – Pension Issues, an amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68, and No. 73.

Note: Schedules are intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.



# Schedule of University Contributions Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

	2022	2021	2020	2019		2018		2017		2016		2015	
Contractually required contribution	\$ 433,032	\$ 451,880	\$ 486,724	\$	521,469	\$	500,381	\$	539,569	\$	539,437	\$	537,073
Contributions in relation to													
contractually													
required contribution	\$ (433,032)	(451,880)	(486,724)		(521,469)		(500,381)		(539,569)		(539,437)		(537,073)
Contribuiton deficiency (excess)	-	-	-		-		-		-		-		-
University's covered payroll*	\$ 2,942,333	\$ 3,127,082	\$ 3,460,363	\$	3,724,778	\$	3,574,150	\$	3,854,064	\$	3,853,121	\$3	,836,236
Contributions as a % of covered-													
employee payroll	14.75%	14.50%	14.25%		14.00%		14.00%		14.00%		14.00%		14.00%

# Schedule of University Contributions Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

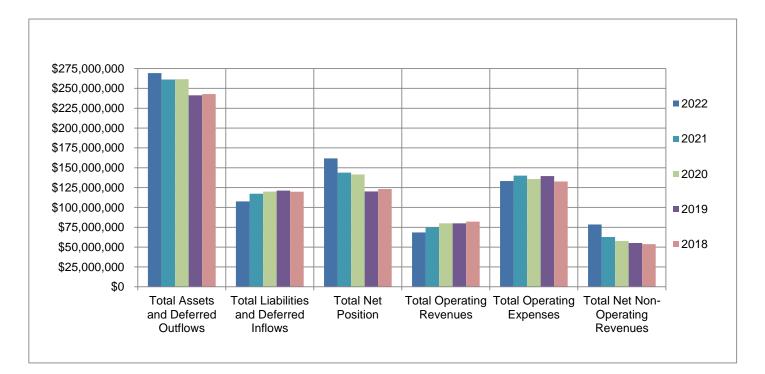
	2022		2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually required contribution	\$ 1,660,276	\$	1,828,598	\$ 1,992,404	\$ 1,961,212	\$ 1,712,980	\$ 1,569,803	\$ 1,455,575	\$1,364,327
Contributions in relation to									
contractually									
required contribution	\$ (1,660,276)	(	1,828,598)	(1,992,404)	(1,961,212)	(1,712,980)	(1,569,803)	(1,455,575)	(1,364,327)
Contribuiton deficiency (excess)	-		-	-	-	-	-	-	-
University's covered payroll*	\$10,862,376	\$ 1	1,904,407	\$13,005,518	\$12,800,302	\$11,813,655	\$10,826,228	\$10,038,448	\$9,243,408
Contributions as a % of covered-									
employee payroll	15.32%		15.32%	15.32%	15.32%	14.50%	14.50%	14.50%	14.76%

\*Restated 2016 and 2015 amounts per GASB No. 82 – Pension Issues, an amendment of GASB Statements No. 67, No. 68, and No. 73.

Note: Schedules are intended to show information for 10 years. Additional years will be displayed as they become available.

#### ARKANSAS TECH UNIVERSITY SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

	Year Ended June 30,										
	2022			2021		2020		2019		2018	
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows	\$	269,323,839	\$	261,139,722	\$	261,497,473	\$	241,336,492	\$	242,963,699	
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows		107,563,040		117,287,863		120,005,300		121,175,576		119,717,148	
Total Net Position		161,760,799		143,851,859		141,492,173		120,160,916		123,246,551	
Total Operating Revenues		68,436,933		74,831,110		80,035,237		79,978,926		82,018,193	
Total Operating Expenses		133,233,543		140,134,021		135,683,024		139,439,720		132,658,350	
Total Net Non-Operating Revenues		78,589,487		62,748,112		57,749,148		55,169,223		53,670,932	
Total Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains or Losses		4,116,063		4,914,485		19,229,896		1,205,936		3,535,111	



#### Schedule 1