

Consolidated Financial Statements of

**RAINBOW DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD**

Year ended August 31, 2014

MANAGEMENT REPORT

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

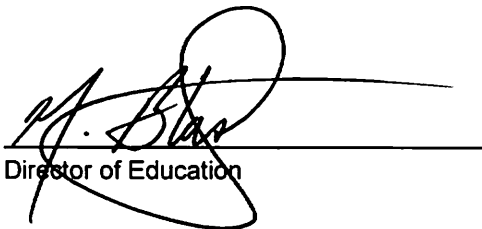
The accompanying consolidated financial statements of the **Rainbow District School Board** are the responsibility of Board management and have been prepared in compliance with the Financial Administration Act, supplemented by Ontario Ministry of Education memorandum 2004:B2 and Ontario Regulation 395/11 of the Financial Administration Act as described in note 1(a) to the consolidated financial statements.

The preparation of consolidated financial statements necessarily involves the use of estimates based on management's judgement, particularly when transactions affecting the current accounting period cannot be finalized with certainty until future periods.

Board management maintains a system of internal controls designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded, transactions are properly authorized and recorded in compliance with legislative and regulatory requirements, and reliable financial information is available on a timely basis for preparation of the consolidated financial statements. These systems are monitored and evaluated by management.

The Board meets with management and the external auditors to review the consolidated financial statements and discuss any significant financial reporting or internal control matters prior to their approval of the consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements have been audited by KPMG LLP, independent external auditors appointed by the Board. The accompanying Independent Auditors' Report outlines their responsibilities, the scope of their examination and their opinion on the Board's consolidated financial statements.



Director of Education



Superintendent of Business

December 16, 2014



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustees of the Rainbow District School Board

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements **Rainbow District School Board**, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at August 31, 2014, the consolidated statement of operations and accumulated surplus (deficit), change in net debt and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes, comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with the basis of accounting described in note 1(a) to the consolidated financial statements, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on our judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, we consider internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.

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

Basis for Qualification

In common with many school boards, individual schools derive revenue from school fundraising activities held throughout the year. Adequate documentation and controls were not in place throughout the year to allow us to obtain satisfactory audit verification as to the completeness of these revenues. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the individual schools and we were not able to determine whether adjustments might be necessary to school fundraising revenue, net revenue, financial assets and net financial position.



Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which we might have determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of school fundraising revenue referred to in the preceding paragraph, the consolidated financial statements of the Rainbow District School Board as at August 31, 2014, are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the basis of accounting described in note 1(a) to the consolidated financial statements.

Emphasis of Matter

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to note 1(a) to the consolidated financial statements which describes the basis of accounting used in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements and the significant differences between such basis of accounting and Canadian public sector accounting standards.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

December 16, 2014

Sudbury, Canada

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

August 31, 2014, with comparative information for 2013

	2014	2013
Financial assets:		
Cash	\$ 18,740,144	18,759,883
Accounts receivable - other (note 2)	5,566,334	7,476,548
Accounts receivable - Approved Capital Funding (note 3)	53,482,758	56,525,532
Asset held for sale	-	376,514
Investments	552,920	518,920
Total financial assets	78,342,156	83,657,397
Financial liabilities:		
Temporary borrowing (note 4)	1,041,593	2,710,589
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	10,812,265	13,085,853
Net long-term liabilities (note 5)	53,372,939	54,855,101
Deferred revenue (note 6)	3,770,793	4,393,515
Deferred capital contributions (note 9)	150,710,837	145,387,922
Employee future benefits liability (note 7)	20,553,722	22,892,868
Total financial liabilities	240,262,149	243,325,848
Net debt	(161,919,993)	(159,668,451)
Non-financial assets:		
Prepaid expenses (note 8)	3,430,142	3,386,576
Tangible capital assets (note 11)	164,981,675	155,859,966
Total non-financial assets	168,411,817	159,246,542
Commitments and contingent liabilities (note 15)		
Accumulated surplus (deficit) (note 13)	\$ 6,491,824	(421,909)

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

On behalf of the Board:



Director of Education



Chair of the Board

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Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus (Deficit)

Year ended August 31, 2014, with comparative information for 2013

	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2013 Actual
Revenues:			
Municipal grants	\$ 32,764,590	34,365,281	32,374,472
Government of Ontario grants:			
- Grants for Student Needs	123,083,122	124,312,913	128,579,457
- Other	6,857,680	9,282,079	6,613,636
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	7,706,913	7,637,252	7,273,062
First Nation fees	4,051,706	4,187,002	4,138,124
Other revenues - School boards	54,000	62,215	63,149
Other fees and revenues	100,000	962,966	880,649
Investment income	150,000	287,598	187,353
School fundraising	4,540,000	4,394,811	3,575,871
Total revenues	179,308,011	185,492,117	183,685,773
Expenses (note 10):			
Instruction	126,618,748	127,530,094	125,806,733
Administration	4,761,715	4,716,854	4,952,999
Transportation (note 14)	13,055,989	13,212,497	13,053,705
Pupil accommodation	28,436,714	28,769,188	27,303,111
School funded activities	4,482,500	4,349,751	3,462,146
Total expenses	177,355,666	178,578,384	174,578,694
Annual surplus	1,952,345	6,913,733	9,107,079
Accumulated deficit, beginning of year	(7,499,405)	(421,909)	(9,528,988)
Accumulated surplus (deficit), end of year	\$ (5,547,060)	6,491,824	(421,909)

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statement of Change in Net Debt

Year ended August 31, 2014, with comparative information for 2013

	2014	2013
Annual surplus	\$ 6,913,733	9,107,079
Tangible capital assets:		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(17,250,294)	(16,079,157)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	8,119,314	7,580,214
Loss on sale of tangible capital assets	145,574	114,795
Transfer to (from) assets held for sale	(376,514)	376,514
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	240,211	377,484
	(9,121,709)	(7,630,150)
Prepaid expenses:		
Acquisition of prepaid expenses	(3,420,142)	(3,376,576)
Use of prepaid expenses	3,376,576	3,599,522
	(43,566)	222,946
Decrease (increase) in net debt	(2,251,542)	1,699,875
Net debt, beginning of year	(159,668,451)	(161,368,326)
Net debt, end of year	\$ (161,919,993)	(159,668,451)

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended August 31, 2014, with comparative information for 2013

	2014	2013
Operating transactions:		
Annual surplus	\$ 6,913,733	9,107,079
Items not involving cash:		
Amortization of tangible capital assets	8,119,314	7,580,214
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	(7,637,252)	(7,273,062)
Loss on sale of tangible capital assets	145,574	114,795
	7,541,369	9,529,026
Change in non-cash assets and liabilities:		
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable - other	1,910,214	(1,452,712)
Increase in investments	(34,000)	-
Decrease in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(2,273,589)	(1,526,246)
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	(622,722)	2,124,026
Decrease in employee future benefits liability	(2,339,146)	(4,326,111)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses	(43,566)	222,946
Cash provided by operating transactions	4,138,560	4,570,929
Capital transactions:		
Cash used to acquire tangible capital assets	(17,250,294)	(16,079,157)
Proceeds on disposal of tangible capital assets	240,211	377,484
Cash applied to capital transactions	(17,010,083)	(15,701,673)
Financing transactions:		
Increase (decrease) in temporary borrowing	(1,668,996)	2,710,589
Long-term liabilities issued	-	2,387,418
Debt principal repayments and sinking fund contributions	(1,482,161)	(1,381,994)
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable - Approved Capital Funding	3,042,774	(250,868)
Reduction in deferred capital contributions relating to disposal of tangible capital assets	(376,522)	(492,268)
Additions to deferred capital contributions	13,336,689	14,628,174
Cash provided by financing transactions	12,851,784	17,601,051
Change in cash	(19,739)	6,470,307
Cash, beginning of year	18,759,883	12,289,576
Cash, end of year	\$ 18,740,144	18,759,883

See accompanying notes to consolidated financial statements.

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Year ended August 31, 2014

The Rainbow District School Board was created on January 1, 1998 in accordance with the Fewer School Boards Act, 1997 and the Education Quality Improvement Act, 1997.

1. Significant accounting policies:

The consolidated financial statements of the Rainbow District School Board (the "Board") have been prepared by management in accordance with the basis of accounting described below. The consolidated financial statements contain the following significant accounting policies:

(a) Basis of accounting:

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Administration Act supplemented by Ontario Ministry of Education memorandum 2004:B2 and Ontario Regulation 395/11 of the Financial Administration Act.

The Financial Administration Act requires that the consolidated financial statements be prepared in accordance with the accounting principles determined by the relevant ministry of the Government of Ontario. A directive was provided by the Ontario Ministry of Education within memorandum 2004:B2 requiring school boards to adopt Canadian public sector accounting standards commencing with their year ended August 31, 2004 and that changes may be required to the application of these standards as a result of regulation.

In 2011, the government passed Ontario Regulation 395/11 of the Financial Administration Act. The regulation requires that contributions received or receivable for the acquisition or development of depreciable tangible capital assets and contributions of depreciable tangible capital assets for use in providing services, be recorded as deferred capital contributions and be recognized as revenue in the consolidated statement of operations and accumulated deficit over the periods during which the asset is used to provide service at the same rate that amortization is recognized in respect of the related asset. The regulation further requires that if the net book value of the depreciable tangible capital asset is reduced for any reason other than amortization, a proportionate reduction of the deferred capital contribution along with a proportionate increase in the revenue be recognized. For Ontario school boards, these contributions include government transfers, externally restricted contributions and, historically, property tax revenue.

The accounting policy requirements under Ontario Regulation 395/11 of the Financial Administration Act are significantly different from the requirements of Canadian public sector accounting standards which require that:

- government transfers, which do not contain a stipulation that creates a liability, be recognized as revenue by the recipient when approved by the transferor and the eligibility criteria have been met in accordance with public sector accounting standard PS3410;
- externally restricted contributions be recognized as revenue in the period in which the resources are used for the purpose or purposes specified in accordance with public sector accounting standard PS3100; and
- property taxation revenue be reported as revenue when received or receivable in accordance with public sector accounting standard PS3510.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(a) Basis of accounting (continued):

As a result, revenue recognized in the consolidated statement of operations and accumulated deficit and certain related deferred revenues and deferred capital contributions would be recorded differently under Canadian Public Sector Accounting Standards.

(b) Reporting entity:

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses of the reporting entity. The reporting entity is comprised of all organizations accountable for the administration of their financial affairs and resources to the Board and which are controlled by the Board.

The consolidated financial statements include the following organizations:

- (i) Sudbury Student Services Consortium / Consortium de services aux élèves de Sudbury ("SSSC"): SSSC is accounted for using the proportionate consolidation method of accounting and reporting, whereby the Board's pro-rata share of each of the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses are combined in the financial statements. The Board is a member of the SSSC with the Sudbury Catholic District School Board, Conseil Scolaire du District du Grand Nord de L'Ontario and Le Conseil Scolaire de District Catholique du Nouvel-Ontario. SSSC is a not-for-profit organization separately incorporated without share capital under the laws of Ontario. SSSC's principal activity is to facilitate, organize and deliver safe, effective and efficient transportation services to students in the Greater Sudbury, Espanola and Manitoulin areas on behalf of member school Boards.
- (ii) School generated funds: the assets, liabilities, revenues, expenses that exist at the school level and which are deemed to be controlled by the Board, have been reflected in the consolidated financial statements.

Interdepartmental and inter-organizational transactions are eliminated in these consolidated financial statements.

(c) Investments:

Investments consist of marketable securities which are liquid short-term investments and are recorded at market value.

(d) Government transfers:

Government transfers, which include legislative grants, are recognized in the consolidated financial statements in the period in which events giving rise to the transfer occur, providing the transfers are authorized, any eligibility criteria have been met and reasonable estimates of the amount can be made.

Government transfers for the purchase or development of tangible capital assets are recorded as deferred capital contributions as described in note 1(i).

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(e) Non-financial assets:

Non-financial assets are not available to discharge existing liabilities and are held for use in the provision of services. They have useful lives extending beyond the current year and are not intended for sale in the ordinary course of operations.

(f) Tangible capital assets:

Tangible capital assets are recorded at historical cost less accumulated amortization. Historical costs include amounts that are directly attributable to acquisition, construction, development or betterment of the asset. The Board does not capitalize interest paid on debt used to finance the construction of tangible capital assets. When historical records were not available, other methods were used to estimate the cost and accumulated amortization.

Tangible capital assets, excluding land, are amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Land improvements	15 years
Buildings	40 years
Portable structures	20 years
Furniture and equipment	5 - 10 years
Vehicles	5 - 10 years
Computer hardware and software	5 years

Amortization is taken at 50% of the above rates in the year of acquisition.

Assets under construction and assets that relate to pre-acquisition and pre-construction costs are not amortized until the assets are available for productive use.

Cost includes amounts for improvements to prepare the land for sale or servicing. Buildings permanently removed from service and held for resale cease to be amortized and are recorded at the lower of carrying value and estimated net realizable value. Tangible capital assets which meet the criteria for financial assets are reclassified as "assets held for sale" on the consolidated statement of financial position.

(g) Deferred revenue:

The Board receives amounts pursuant to legislation, regulation or agreement that may only be used for certain programs or in the delivery of specific services and transactions. These amounts are recognized as revenue in the fiscal year the related expenditures are incurred or services performed.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(h) Investment income:

Investment income is reported as revenue in the period earned.

(i) Deferred capital contributions:

Contributions received or receivable for the purpose of acquiring or developing a depreciable tangible capital asset for use in providing services, or any contributions of depreciable tangible capital assets received or receivable for use in providing services, are recorded as deferred capital contributions when the asset is acquired as required under Ontario Regulation 395/11 of the Financial Administration Act. Amounts are recognized into revenue at the same rate as the related tangible capital asset is amortized.

(j) Retirement and other employee future benefits:

The Board provides defined retirement and other future benefits to specified employee groups. These benefits include life insurance and health care benefits, retirement gratuity, worker's compensation, long-term disability benefits and a contribution to pension. The Board accrues its obligation for these employee benefits. The Board has adopted the following accounting policies with respect to accounting for these employee benefits:

- (i) The costs of self-insured retirement and other employee future benefit plans are actuarially determined using management's best estimate of salary escalation, accumulated sick days, insurance and health care costs trends, disability recovery rates, long-term inflation rates and discount rates. The cost of retirement gratuities are actuarially determined using the employee's salary, banked sick days and years of service as at August 31, 2012 and management's best estimate of discount rates. Any actuarial gains and losses arising from changes to the discount rate are amortized over the expected average remaining services life of the employee group.

For those self-insured benefit obligations that arise from specific events that occur from time to time, such as obligations for worker's compensation, long-term disability and life insurance and health care benefits for those on disability leave, the cost is recognized immediately in the period the events occur. Any actuarial gains and losses that are related to these benefits are recognized immediately in the period they arise.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(j) Retirement and other employee future benefits (continued):

(ii) The costs of multi-employer defined pension plan benefits, such as the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System ("OMERS") pensions, are the employer's contributions due to the plan in the period.

(iii) The costs of insured benefits are the employer's portion of insurance premiums owed for coverage of employees during the period.

(k) Budget figures:

Budget figures have been provided for comparison purposes and have been derived from the budget approved by the Board on July 2, 2013. The approved operating budget for 2013-2014 is reflected on the consolidated statement of operations and accumulated surplus.

The budget approved by the Board is developed in accordance with the provincially mandated funding model for school boards and is used to manage program spending within the guidelines of the funding model.

(l) Use of estimates:

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with the basis of accounting described in note 1 requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Actual results could differ from these current estimates. Significant estimates include assumptions used in performing actuarial valuations of employee future benefit liabilities.

These estimates are reviewed annually and, as adjustments become necessary, they are recorded in the period in which they become known.

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2. Accounts receivable - other:

	2014	2013
Municipalities	\$ 3,835,571	4,498,834
Government of Canada	872,851	1,391,313
First Nations	586,811	728,839
Other	271,101	857,562
	<u>\$ 5,566,334</u>	<u>7,476,548</u>

3. Accounts receivable – Approved Capital Funding:

The Government of Ontario replaced variable capital funding with a one-time debt support grant in 2009-10. The Board received a one-time grant that recognizes capital debt as of August 31, 2010 that is supported by the existing capital programs. The Board receives this grant in cash over the remaining term of the existing capital debt instruments. The Board may also receive yearly capital grants to support capital programs which would be reflected in this account receivable.

4. Temporary borrowing:

The Board has a \$4,200,000 non-revolving demand bridge credit facility available to provide interim financing for the MacLeod Public School Capital Priorities construction costs. These borrowings consisted of ninety-day bankers' acceptances bearing interest at the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce ("CIBC") rate plus 0.75% per annum.

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5. Net long-term liabilities:

	2014	2013
Loans payable to the Ontario Financing Authority with interest rates ranging from 3.56% to 5.23%, due in semi-annual installments including interest, with maturity dates ranging from November 2031 to June 2038	\$ 49,121,088	50,471,839
5.399% RBC Life Insurance Company amortizing debenture payable in monthly installments of \$30,403 including interest, due January 31, 2033	4,251,851	4,383,262
	<u>\$ 53,372,939</u>	<u>54,855,101</u>

The principal payments on the long-term liabilities are as follows:

2015	\$ 1,587,552
2016	1,667,007
2017	1,750,469
2018	1,838,139
2019	1,929,957
Thereafter	44,599,815

The payments made for long-term liabilities include principal and interest payments as follows:

	2014	2013
Principal repayments	\$ 1,482,161	1,381,994
Interest payments on long-term liabilities	2,681,371	2,673,498
	<u>\$ 4,163,532</u>	<u>4,055,492</u>

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6. Deferred revenue:

Deferred revenue consists of amounts received by the Board that are restricted for specific purposes by the funder and amounts that are required to be set aside by the Board for specific purposes, legislation, regulation or agreement.

Deferred revenue is comprised of:

	2014	2013
Amounts restricted by legislation, regulation or agreement:		
Special education	\$ 1,239,922	715,921
Proceeds of disposition	362,826	573,614
Pupil accommodation	919,717	861,089
Child care retrofit	994,389	622,066
Education programs – other	108,555	1,446,802
	3,625,409	4,219,492
Amounts restricted by external contributions	145,384	174,023
	\$ 3,770,793	4,393,515

7. Employee future benefits (in thousands):

The Board provides defined retirement and other future benefits to specified employee groups. These benefits include pension, life insurance and health care benefits, retirement gratuity, worker's compensation and long-term disability benefits.

a) Plan changes:

Retirement life insurance and health care benefits have been grandfathered to existing retirees and employees who retired before September 1, 2013. Effective September 1, 2013, any new retiree requesting retirement life insurance and health care benefits will be directed to a third-party provider.

b) Retirement benefits:

(i) Ontario Teacher's Pension Plan:

Teachers and related employee groups are eligible to be members of the Ontario Teacher's Pension Plan. Employer contributions for these employees are provided directly by the Government of Ontario. The pension costs and obligations related to this plan are a direct responsibility of the Province. Accordingly, no costs or liabilities related to this plan are included in the Board's consolidated financial statements.

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7. Employee future benefits (in thousands) (continued):

b) Retirement benefits (continued):

(ii) Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System:

All non-teaching employees of the Board are eligible to be members of the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS), a multi-employer pension plan. The plan provides defined pension benefits to employees based on their length of service and rates of pay. Eligible employees contributed at a rate of up to 14.6% of earnings in 2014 (2013 – 14.6%). The Board contributions equal the employee contributions to the plan. During the year ended August 31, 2014, the Board contributed \$2,341 (2013 - \$2,221) to the plan. As this is a multi-employer pension plan, these contributions are the Board's pension benefit expenses. No pension liability for this type of plan is included in the Board's consolidated financial statements.

(iii) Retirement gratuities:

The Board provides retirement gratuities to certain groups of employees. The Board provides these benefits through an unfunded defined benefit plan. The benefit costs and liabilities related to this plan are included in the Board's consolidated financial statements. The amount of the gratuities payable to eligible employees at retirement is based on their salary, accumulated sick days, and years of service at August 31, 2012.

(iv) Retirement life insurance, dental and health care benefits:

The Board continues to provide life insurance, dental and health care benefits to certain employee groups after retirement until the members reach 65 years of age. These benefits have been grandfathered to existing retirees and employees who retired before September 1, 2013.

c) Other employee future benefits:

(i) Workplace Safety and Insurance Board Obligations:

The Board is a Schedule 2 employer under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act and, as such, assumes responsibility for the payment of all claims to its injured workers under the Act. The Board does not fund these obligations in advance of payments made under the Act. The benefit costs and liabilities related to this plan are included in the Board's consolidated financial statements. The Putting Students First Act, requires the Board to provide a salary top-up for employees receiving payments from the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board, where previously negotiated collective agreements included such provision.

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7. Employee future benefits (in thousands) (continued):

c) Other employee future benefits (continued):

(ii) Long-term disability life insurance, dental and health care benefits:

The Board provides life insurance, dental and health care benefits to employees on long-term disability leave. The Board is responsible for the payment of life insurance premiums and the costs of health care benefits under this plan. The Board provides these benefits through an unfunded defined benefit plan. The costs of salary compensation paid to employees on long-term disability leave are fully insured and are not included in this plan.

The accrued benefit obligations for employee future benefit plans as at August 31, 2014 are based on the most recent actuarial valuation completed for accounting purposes as at August 31, 2014. These actuarial valuations were based on assumptions about future events. The economic assumptions used in these valuations are the Board's best estimates of expected rates of:

	2014	2013
	%	%
Inflation	3.0	3.0
Wage and salary escalation	n/a	n/a
Discount on accrued benefit obligations	3.0	3.25

Assumed health care cost trend rates at August 31, 2014:

	2014	2013
	%	%
Initial health care cost trend rate	7.9	8.1
Cost trend rate declines to	4.5	4.5
Year that the rate will be ultimately reached	2030	2030

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7. Employee future benefits (in thousands) (continued):

The Board has internally appropriated an amount for retirement gratuities totaling \$2,415 (2013 - \$1,915).

Information with respect to the Board's retirement and other employee future benefit obligations is as follows:

			2014	2013
	Retirement Benefits	Other Employee Future Benefits	Total Employee Future Benefits	Total Employee Future Benefits
Accrued employee future benefit obligations	\$ 2,070	17,193	19,263	20,481
Workplace Safety and Insurance Board	-	1,291	1,291	2,412
	\$ 2,070	18,484	20,554	22,893

Accrued benefit obligation			2014	2013
	Retirement Benefits	Other Employee Future Benefits	Total Employee Future Benefits	Total Employee Future Benefits
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 2,458	20,435	22,893	27,219
Current period benefit cost	-	380	380	481
Interest cost	72	623	695	752
Recognized actuarial losses (gains)	19	(1,323)	(1,304)	(1,796)
Benefits paid	(479)	(1,631)	(2,110)	(2,222)
Recognition of unamortized actuarial losses (gains) on plan amendments / curtailments	-	(96)	(96)	(465)
Curtailment gain	-	-	-	(1,541)
Balance, end of year	2,070	18,388	20,458	22,428
Unamortized net actuarial gain	-	96	96	465
Accrued benefit liability	\$ 2,070	18,484	20,554	22,893

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7. Employee future benefits (in thousands) (continued):

Employee future benefit expenses	2014		2013	
	Retirement Benefits	Other Employee Future Benefits	Total Employee Future Benefits	Total Employee Future Benefits
Current year benefit cost	\$ -	380	380	481
Interest on accrued benefit obligation	72	623	695	752
Amortization of actuarial losses (gains)	19	(1,323)	(1,304)	(1,796)
Benefit payments	(479)	(1,631)	(2,110)	(2,222)
Curtailment gain	-	-	-	(1,541)
Employee future benefits expenses ¹	\$ (388)	(1,951)	(2,339)	(4,326)

¹ Excluding pension contributions to multi-employer pension plans, described in note 7(b)(ii).

8. Prepaid expenses:

	2014	2013
Payroll	\$ 1,895,973	1,919,830
Transportation	1,345,741	1,323,062
Insurance	101,452	113,110
Other	86,976	30,574
	\$ 3,430,142	3,386,576

9. Deferred capital contributions:

Deferred capital contributions include grants and contributions received that are used for the acquisition or development of depreciable tangible capital assets in accordance with Ontario Regulation 395/11 of the Financial Administration Act that have been expended by year end. The contributions are amortized into revenue over the life of the asset.

	2014	2013
Opening balance	\$ 145,387,922	138,525,078
Additions to deferred capital contributions	13,336,689	14,628,174
Revenue recognized in the period	(7,637,252)	(7,273,062)
Disposal of tangible capital assets	(376,522)	(492,268)
Ending balance	\$ 150,710,837	145,387,922

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10. Expenses by object:

The following is a summary of the expenses reported on the Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Deficit by object:

	2014 Budget	2014 Actual	2013 Actual
Current expenses:			
Salary and wages	\$ 118,423,511	119,277,675	119,870,360
Employee benefits	15,543,989	15,043,166	15,517,223
Staff development	486,724	819,791	658,767
Supplies and services	13,125,456	13,168,159	11,383,239
Interest	2,577,542	2,708,949	2,669,873
Fees and contract services	14,498,716	14,807,554	14,719,765
School funded activities	4,482,500	4,349,751	3,462,146
Other	138,450	284,025	258,144
Amortization of tangible capital assets	8,078,778	8,119,314	7,580,214
	177,355,666	178,578,384	176,119,731
Employee benefits plan curtailment gain	-	-	(1,541,037)
	\$ 177,355,666	178,578,384	174,578,694

11. Tangible capital assets (in thousands):

Cost	Balance August 31, 2013	Additions and Transfers	Disposals and Write-offs	Balance at August 31, 2014
Land	\$ 4,028	\$ 182	\$ -	\$ 4,210
Land improvements	8,632	848	-	9,480
Buildings	191,792	22,637	-	214,429
Buildings permanently removed from services	1,061	-	-	1,061
Portable structures	2,789	-	-	2,789
Construction in progress	9,659	(8,946)	-	713
Furniture and equipment	3,217	1,586	(179)	4,624
Vehicles	368	24	(62)	330
Computer hardware and software	2,593	919	(588)	2,924
Total	\$ 224,139	\$ 17,250	\$ (829)	\$ 240,560

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11. Tangible capital assets (in thousands) (continued):

Accumulated amortization	Balance August 31, 2013	Disposals and transfers	Amortization expense	Balance at August 31, 2014
Land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Land improvements	2,725	-	630	3,355
Buildings	61,137	-	6,356	67,493
Buildings permanently removed from services	595	-	-	595
Portable structures	872	-	141	1,013
Construction in progress	-	-	-	-
Furniture and equipment	1,391	(179)	411	1,623
Vehicles	323	(52)	29	300
Computer hardware and software	1,236	(589)	552	1,199
Total	\$ 68,279	\$ (820)	\$ 8,119	\$ 75,578

	Net book value August 31, 2013	Net book value August 31, 2014
Land	\$ 4,028	\$ 4,210
Land improvements	5,907	6,125
Buildings	130,655	146,937
Buildings permanently removed from services	466	466
Portable structures	1,917	1,776
Construction in progress	9,659	713
Furniture and equipment	1,826	3,001
Vehicles	45	30
Computer hardware and software	1,357	1,724
Total	\$ 155,860	\$ 164,982

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12. Ontario School Board Insurance Exchange (OSBIE):

The School Board is a member of the Ontario School Board Insurance Exchange (OSBIE), a reciprocal insurance company licensed under the Insurance Act.

OSBIE insures general public liability, property damage and certain other risks. Liability insurance is available to a maximum of \$24 million per occurrence.

The premiums over a five year period are based on the reciprocals and the Board's actual claims experience. Periodically, the Board may receive a refund or be asked to pay an additional premium based on its pro rata share of claims experience. The current five year term expires December 31, 2016.

13. Accumulated surplus (deficit):

Accumulated surplus (deficit) consists of the following:

	2014	2013
Available for compliance – unappropriated		
Total operating accumulated surplus	\$ 4,461,257	\$ 10,059,896
Available for compliance – internally appropriated		
Retirement gratuities	2,415,242	1,915,242
Committed capital	5,957,074	4,083,620
Student Success Initiative	167,717	121,466
First Nation, Metis and Inuit Initiative	508,937	323,497
Student focused initiatives	3,447,912	-
Efficiency and modernization	2,200,000	-
Employee Future Benefits	1,551,358	475,025
Total accumulated surplus available for compliance	20,709,497	16,978,746
Unavailable for compliance – externally appropriated		
Employee future benefits	(19,394,108)	(22,328,329)
Accrued interest	(698,901)	(720,318)
School generated funds	1,664,288	1,619,228
Revenue recognized for land	4,211,048	4,028,764
Total externally appropriated	(14,217,673)	(17,400,655)
Total accumulated surplus (deficit)	\$ 6,491,824	\$ (421,909)

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14. Transportation consortium:

The Board is a member of the Sudbury Student Services Consortium / Consortium de services aux élèves de Sudbury ("SSSC"). The SSSC provides student transportation services to students of the four local school boards. The SSSC is a separate legal entity.

In the year, the Board paid \$13,190,607 for student transportation services provided by the SSSC. These amounts are included in transportation expense on the consolidated statement of operations and accumulated deficit.

At year-end, the Board has a payable of \$16,427 (2013 – (\$650,382)) with SSSC.

These transactions are in the normal course of operations and are measured at the exchange amount which is the amount of consideration established and agreed to by the members.

15. Commitments and contingent liabilities:

(a) Guarantees:

The Board has guaranteed work relating to their capital projects by issuing letters of credit in the amount of \$629,173 (2013 - \$730,700).

(b) Contractual obligations:

The Board has a total of \$5,698,980 of contractual obligations at year end relating to the construction and renovation of buildings.