

**BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Annual Financial Statements

For the Year Ended June 30, 2017

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To The School Committee  
Berkshire Hills Regional School District

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Berkshire Hills Regional School District, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements as listed in the Table of Contents.

### **Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements**

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

### **Auditors' Responsibility**

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

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

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

## **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Berkshire Hills Regional School District, as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Other Matters**

### *Required Supplementary Information*

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that Management's Discussion and Analysis and the Pension and OPEB Schedules appearing on pages 43 to 45 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board*, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with evidence sufficient to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

## **Other Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the School District's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the School District's basic financial statements. The combining nonmajor fund financial statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

## **Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards***

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 14, 2018 on our consideration of the School District's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is 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 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 School District's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.



March 14, 2018

## **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

As management of the Berkshire Hills Regional School District (the School District), we offer readers this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017.

### **A. OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the School District's basic financial statements. The basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) government-wide financial statements, (2) fund financial statements, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

**Government-Wide Financial Statements.** The government-wide financial statements are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of our finances in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The statement of net position presents information on all assets, liabilities, and deferred outflows/inflows of resources with the difference reported as net position. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position is improving or deteriorating.

The statement of activities presents information showing how the government's net position changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods (e.g., earned but unused vacation leave).

**Fund financial statements.** A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. Fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

**Governmental funds.** Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a government's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information

presented for governmental funds with similar information presented for governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between governmental funds and governmental activities.

An annual appropriated budget is adopted for the general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with this budget.

**Fiduciary funds.** Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the government. Fiduciary funds are not reflected in the government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are not available to support the School District's own programs.

**Notes to financial statements.** The notes provide additional information that are essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

**Other information.** In addition to the basic financial statements and accompanying notes, this report also presents certain required supplementary information which is required to be disclosed by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **B. FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- As of the close of the current fiscal year, the total of assets and deferred outflows exceeded liabilities and deferred inflows by \$4,161,193 (i.e., net position), a decrease of \$(508,138) in comparison to the prior year.
- As of the close of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported a combined ending fund balance of \$3,736,696, an increase of \$1,489,013 in comparison with the prior year.
- At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$1,302,543, an increase of \$319,742 in comparison with the prior year.

### C. GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The following is a summary of condensed government-wide financial data for the current and prior fiscal years.

	<u>STATEMENT OF NET POSITION</u>	
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Current and other assets	\$ 11,796,210	\$ 12,338,240
Capital assets	<u>23,148,000</u>	<u>23,118,556</u>
Total assets	34,944,210	35,456,796
Deferred outflows	1,042,050	1,352,664
Other liabilities	1,539,389	2,067,631
Long-term liabilities outstanding	<u>30,162,167</u>	<u>29,908,325</u>
Total liabilities	31,701,556	31,975,956
Deferred inflows	123,511	164,173
Net assets:		
Invested in capital assets, net	12,205,000	11,594,316
Restricted	1,987,295	1,558,774
Unrestricted	<u>(10,031,102)</u>	<u>(8,483,759)</u>
Total net position	<u>\$ 4,161,193</u>	<u>\$ 4,669,331</u>

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a government's financial position. At the close of the most recent fiscal year, total net position was \$4,161,193, a decrease of \$(508,138) from the prior year.

By far the largest portion of net position, \$12,205,000 reflects our investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings, machinery and equipment), less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. These capital assets are used to provide services to citizens; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. Although the investment in capital assets is reported net of related debt, it should be noted that the resources needed to repay this debt must be provided from other sources, since the capital assets themselves cannot be used to liquidate these liabilities.

An additional portion of net position, \$1,987,295 represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of unrestricted net position is a deficit of \$(10,031,102), caused primarily by recording the unfunded OPEB and pension liabilities.



CHANGES IN NET POSITION

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
Revenues:		
Program revenues:		
Charges for services	\$ 1,579,903	\$ 1,451,174
Operating grants and contributions	6,750,682	8,442,615
General revenues:		
Assessments to member towns	20,505,943	19,225,101
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	3,923,405	3,816,263
Investment income	25,086	3,973
Miscellaneous	35,855	63,841
Total Revenues	32,820,874	33,002,967
Expenses:		
Administration and benefits	1,959,215	1,862,857
Instruction	22,838,987	25,291,845
Other school services	3,563,558	3,491,471
Operation and maintenance	2,580,667	2,741,344
Fixed charges	188,961	164,614
Acquisition	-	159,103
Interest expense	351,573	492,312
Special education	1,846,051	1,595,624
Total expenses	33,329,012	35,799,170
Change in net position	(508,138)	(2,796,203)
Net position - beginning of year	4,669,331	7,465,534
Net position - end of year	\$ 4,161,193	\$ 4,669,331

**Governmental activities.** Governmental activities for the year resulted in a decrease in net position of \$(508,138). Key elements of this change are as follows:

- General fund increase of \$612,252 which is further explained in the governmental funds section below.
- Non-major fund revenues and other sources over expenditures by \$876,761.
- Capital additions of \$93,487 were budgeted as expenses and funded through grants and appropriations. On the government-wide basis, this results in revenue being generated in excess of expenditures, since the "expenses" are actually being added to capital assets.
- Excess of principal debt expense (included in the budget) over depreciation expense and disposals (not budgeted for) of \$439,286 and amortization of bond premium of \$220,291.
- Increase in net OPEB obligation and net pension liability net of deferrals of \$(1,571,335) neither of which is due and payable in the current period and, therefore, not reported in governmental funds.

- Current year amortization of state (MSBA) reimbursements of school building projects of \$(771,770).
- Other accrual adjustments of \$(407,110).

**D. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNDS**

As noted earlier, fund accounting is used to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

**Governmental funds.** The focus of governmental funds is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows and balances of spendable resources. Such information is useful in assessing financing requirements. In particular, unassigned fund balance may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

As of the end of the current fiscal year, governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$3,736,696, an increase of \$1,489,013 in comparison with the prior year. Key elements of this change are as follows:

- General fund increase of \$612,252 which is further explained below.
- Non-major fund revenues and other sources over expenditures by \$876,761.

The general fund is the chief operating fund. At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance of the general fund was \$1,302,543, while total fund balance was \$1,749,401. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unassigned fund balance and total fund balance to total general fund expenditures. Refer to the table below.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>% of Total 2017 General Fund Expenditures</u>
Unassigned fund balance	\$ 1,302,543	\$ 982,801	\$ 319,742	4.6%
Total fund balance	\$ 1,749,401	\$ 1,137,149	\$ 612,252	6.2%

The fund balance of the general fund changed by \$612,252 during the current fiscal year. Key factors in this change are as follows:

- Actual revenues were more than the current year budget by \$166,714.
- Expenditures were less than anticipated by \$488,046.
- Expenditures of prior year encumbrances of \$(29,348).
- Current year encumbrances of \$111,840.
- Use of excess and deficiency of \$(125,000).

## **E. GENERAL FUND BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

There were no differences between the totals of the original budget and the final amended budget.

## **F. CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION**

**Capital assets.** Total investment in capital assets at year-end amounted to \$23,148,000 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes land, buildings and improvements and machinery and equipment.

Major capital asset events during the current fiscal year were as follows:

- Current year depreciation expense - \$(805,714).
- Purchase of various equipment - \$93,487.
- Loss on disposition of assets - \$(2,329).

Additional information on capital assets can be found in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

**Long-term debt.** At the end of the current fiscal year, total long-term debt (bonds payable, unamortized bond premium and long term note payable) outstanding was \$12,485,037, all of which was backed by the full faith and credit of the government.

Additional information on capital assets and long-term loans and notes can be found in the footnotes to the financial statements.

## **REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Berkshire Hills Regional School District's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

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BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF NET POSITION  
JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current:	
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 5,155,983
Intergovernmental receivables	6,630,559
Inventory	9,668
Noncurrent:	
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	22,404,000
Land	744,000
<b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Related to pensions	<u>1,042,050</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>35,986,260</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>	
Current:	
Warrants payable	106,477
Accrued payroll and withholdings	1,322,756
Accrued interest payable	110,156
Current portion of long-term liabilities:	
Bonds payable	1,530,291
Note payable	150,000
Noncurrent:	
Bonds payable, net of current portion	10,586,746
Note payable, net of current portion	218,000
Net pension liability	2,700,519
Net OPEB obligation	14,788,237
Compensated absences	188,374
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	
Related to pensions	<u>123,511</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>	<b>31,825,067</b>
<b>NET POSITION</b>	
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	12,205,000
Restricted for:	
Grants and other statutory restrictions	1,977,627
Permanent nonexpendable funds	9,668
Unrestricted	<u>(10,031,102)</u>
<b>TOTAL NET POSITION</b>	<b>\$ <u>4,161,193</u></b>

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

BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		<u>Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Assets</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
Administration and benefits	\$ 1,959,215	\$ 74,570	\$ 234,583	\$ (1,650,062)
Instruction	22,838,987	1,074,154	5,656,919	(16,107,914)
Other school services	3,563,558	421,449	585,329	(2,556,780)
Operation and maintenance	2,580,667	9,730	273,851	(2,297,086)
Fixed charges	188,961	-	-	(188,961)
Interest expense	351,573	-	-	(351,573)
Special education	1,846,051	-	-	(1,846,051)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ 33,329,012</u>	<u>\$ 1,579,903</u>	<u>\$ 6,750,682</u>	(24,998,427)
			<b>General Revenues:</b>	
			Assessments to member towns	20,505,943
			Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs	3,923,405
			Investment income	25,086
			Miscellaneous	35,855
			Total general revenues	<u>24,490,289</u>
			Change in Net Assets	(508,138)
			<b>Net Assets:</b>	
			Beginning of year	<u>4,669,331</u>
			End of year	<u>\$ 4,161,193</u>

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

BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>General</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 3,166,936	\$ 1,989,047	\$ 5,155,983
Intergovernmental receivables	6,630,559	-	6,630,559
Inventory	-	9,668	9,668
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 9,797,495</u>	<u>\$ 1,998,715</u>	<u>\$ 11,796,210</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Liabilities:			
Warrants payable	\$ 95,057	\$ 11,420	\$ 106,477
Accrued payroll	1,189,001	-	1,189,001
Payroll withholdings	133,755	-	133,755
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,417,813	11,420	1,429,233
<b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>			
Unavailable revenues	6,630,281	-	6,630,281
<b>FUND BALANCES</b>			
Non spendable	-	9,668	9,668
Restricted	-	1,977,627	1,977,627
Assigned	446,858	-	446,858
Unassigned	1,302,543	-	1,302,543
TOTAL FUND BALANCES	<u>1,749,401</u>	<u>1,987,295</u>	<u>3,736,696</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES AND FUND BALANCES	<u>\$ 9,797,495</u>	<u>\$ 1,998,715</u>	<u>\$ 11,796,210</u>

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

BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 RECONCILIATION OF TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUND  
 BALANCES TO NET POSITION OF GOVERNMENTAL  
 ACTIVITIES IN THE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2017

<b>Total Governmental Fund Balances</b>	\$	3,736,696
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.</li> </ul>		23,148,000
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accrual of receivable from Massachusetts School Building Authority, which is deferred in the governmental funds.</li> </ul>		6,630,281
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long-term liabilities, including bonds and notes payable, net OPEB obligation, and net pension liability are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the governmental funds.</li> </ul>		(29,055,254)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other</li> </ul>		<u>(298,530)</u>
<b>Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b><u>4,161,193</u></b>

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

BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>General</u>	Nonmajor Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
<b>Revenues:</b>			
Assessments to member towns	\$ 20,505,943	\$ -	\$ 20,505,943
Charges for services	-	1,579,903	1,579,903
Intergovernmental	8,223,790	3,123,436	11,347,226
Investment income	25,086	-	25,086
Miscellaneous	35,855	98,631	134,486
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Total Revenues	28,790,674	4,801,970	33,592,644
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Current:			
Administration and benefits	1,217,175	53,037	1,270,212
Instruction	10,016,691	3,601,580	13,618,271
Other school services	2,383,641	681,180	3,064,821
Operation and maintenance	1,847,036	37,652	1,884,688
Fixed charges	188,961	-	188,961
Employee benefits	8,731,263	-	8,731,263
Acquisition	-	37,531	37,531
Special education	1,846,051	-	1,846,051
Debt service	1,829,833	-	1,829,833
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Total Expenditures	28,060,651	4,410,980	32,471,631
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	730,023	390,990	1,121,013
<b>Other Financing Sources (Uses):</b>			
Long term note proceeds	-	368,000	368,000
Transfers in	-	117,771	117,771
Transfers out	(117,771)	-	(117,771)
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Total Other Financing Sources (Uses):	(117,771)	485,771	368,000
Change in fund balance	612,252	876,761	1,489,013
Fund Balance, at Beginning of Year	1,137,149	1,110,534	2,247,683
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Fund Balance, at End of Year	\$ 1,749,401	\$ 1,987,295	\$ 3,736,696
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The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.



BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,  
EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF  
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

<b>Net Changes in Fund Balances - Total Governmental Funds</b>	<b>\$ 1,489,013</b>																				
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<b>Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities</b>	<b>\$ <u>(508,138)</u></b>																				

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

BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

GENERAL FUND

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND OTHER SOURCES, AND EXPENDITURES AND OTHER USES - BUDGET AND ACTUAL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual Amounts</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
	<u>Original Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>		
<b>Revenues and Transfers In:</b>				
Assessments to member towns	\$ 20,505,943	\$ 20,505,943	\$ 20,505,943	\$ -
Intergovernmental	4,566,902	4,566,902	4,695,175	128,273
Investment income	7,500	7,500	25,086	17,586
Miscellaneous	15,000	15,000	35,855	20,855
Total Revenues and Transfers In	<u>25,095,345</u>	<u>25,095,345</u>	<u>25,262,059</u>	<u>166,714</u>
<b>Expenditures and Transfers Out:</b>				
Administration and benefits	1,307,904	1,878,186	1,227,858	650,328
Instruction	10,122,936	10,027,252	10,024,178	3,074
Other school services	2,373,637	2,350,291	2,385,964	(35,673)
Operation and maintenance	1,958,769	1,824,201	1,907,109	(82,908)
Fixed charges	180,916	188,966	188,961	5
Employee benefits	5,732,906	5,176,347	5,202,648	(26,301)
Debt service	1,942,375	1,947,819	1,947,604	215
Special education	1,600,901	1,827,282	1,847,977	(20,695)
Transfer out	1	1	-	1
Total Expenditures and Transfers Out	<u>25,220,345</u>	<u>25,220,345</u>	<u>24,732,299</u>	<u>488,046</u>
Excess of revenues and transfers in over expenditures and transfers out	(125,000)	(125,000)	529,760	654,760
<b>Other Financing Sources/Uses:</b>				
Use of free cash:				
Operating budget	125,000	125,000	-	(125,000)
Total Other Financing Sources/Uses	<u>125,000</u>	<u>125,000</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(125,000)</u>
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 529,760</u>	<u>\$ 529,760</u>

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BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

FIDUCIARY FUNDS

STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

JUNE 30, 2017

	Private Purpose Trust Funds	Agency Funds
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Cash and short-term investments	\$ 311,817	\$ 198,625
Total Assets	311,817	198,625
<b><u>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</u></b>		
Accounts payable	18,600	164
Student activity funds	-	198,461
Total Liabilities	18,600	198,625
<b><u>NET POSITION</u></b>		
Total net position held in trust	\$ 293,217	\$ -

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BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 FIDUCIARY FUNDS  
 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

	<u>Private Purpose Trust Funds</u>
<b>Additions:</b>	
Investment income	\$ 529
Contributions	2,845
Miscellaneous	<u>4,800</u>
Total additions	8,174
<b>Deductions:</b>	
Scholarships	<u>22,700</u>
Net decrease	(14,526)
<b>Net position:</b>	
Beginning of year	<u>307,743</u>
End of year	<u><u>\$ 293,217</u></u>

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## Berkshire Hills Regional School District

### Notes to Financial Statements

#### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The accounting policies of the Berkshire Hills Regional School District (the School District) conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applicable to governmental units. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

##### A. Reporting Entity

The government is a municipal corporation governed by an elected School Committee. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, these financial statements present the government and applicable component units for which the government is considered to be financially accountable. In fiscal year 2017, it was determined that no entities met the required GASB-39 criteria of component units.

##### B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

###### Government-Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net position and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenues include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Member assessments and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

###### Fund Financial Statements

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

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

Government-Wide Financial Statements

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

Amounts reported as *program revenues* include (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, (2) operating grants and contributions, and (3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as *general revenues* rather than as program revenues. Likewise, general revenues include member assessments.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial resources measurement focus* and the *modified accrual basis of accounting*. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. Typically, revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the government. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The government reports the following major governmental fund:

- The *General Fund* is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

D. Cash and Short-Term Investments

Cash balances from all funds, except those required to be segregated by law, are combined to form a consolidation of cash. Cash balances are invested to the extent available, and interest earnings are recognized in the general fund. Certain special revenue and fiduciary funds segregate cash, and investment earnings become a part of those funds.

Deposits with financial institutions consist primarily of demand deposits, certificates of deposits, and savings accounts. A cash and investment pool is maintained that is available for use by all funds. Each fund's portion of this pool is reflected on the combined financial statements under the caption "cash and short-term investments". The interest earnings attributable to each fund type is included under investment income.

*E. Capital Assets*

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, are reported in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Property, plant and equipment is depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

<u>Assets</u>	<u>Years</u>
Buildings	50
Building improvements	15
Land and improvements	20
Vehicles, equipment and furnishings	5 – 10

*F. Compensated Absences*

It is the government's policy to permit employees to accumulate earned but unused vacation and sick pay benefits. All vested sick and vacation pay is accrued when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental funds only if they have matured, for example, as a result of employee resignations and retirements.

*G. Long-Term Obligations*

In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the statement of net position.

## H. Fund Equity

Fund equity at the governmental fund financial reporting level is classified as “fund balance”. Fund equity for all other reporting is classified as “net position”.

Fund Balance - Generally, fund balance represents the difference between the current assets and current liabilities. The School District reserves those portions of fund balance that are legally segregated for a specific future use or which do not represent available, spendable resources and therefore, are not available for appropriation or expenditure. Unassigned fund balance indicates that portion of fund balance that is available for appropriation in future periods.

Net Position - Net position represents the difference between assets/deferred outflows and liabilities/deferred inflows. Net investment in capital assets, consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation, reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowing used for the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets. Net position is reported as restricted when there are limitations imposed on their use either through the enabling legislation adopted by the School District or through external restrictions imposed by creditors, grantors, or laws or regulations of other governments. The remaining net position is reported as unrestricted.

## I. Use of Estimates

The preparation of basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosures for contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the basic financial statements, and the reported amounts of the revenues and expenditures/expenses during the fiscal year. Actual results could vary from estimates that were used.

## 2. **Stewardship, Compliance and Accountability**

### A. Budgetary Information

The School Committee annually determines the amount to be raised (after deducting the amount of anticipated revenue the School District expects to receive) to maintain and operate the School District during the next fiscal year. The School District then calculates the assessments to each Town based on its approved budget and seeks an appropriation in the amount of that assessment from each Town’s annual town meeting. After assessments are appropriated by each Town that are consistent with the School Committee’s budget (either its initial budget or a budget revised to



be consistent with the Town's appropriations), the School District Treasurer certifies the assessments to the Treasurers of the Towns.

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the general fund. Effective budgetary control is achieved for all other funds through provisions of the Massachusetts General Laws.

At year end, appropriation balances lapse, except for certain unexpended capital items and encumbrances which will be honored during the subsequent year.

*B. Budgetary Basis*

The general fund final appropriation appearing on the "Budget and Actual" page of the fund financial statements represents the final amended budget after all transfers and supplemental appropriations.

*C. Budget/GAAP Reconciliation*

The budgetary data for the general fund is based upon accounting principles that differ from generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Therefore, in addition to the GAAP basis financial statements, the results of operations of the general fund are presented in accordance with budgetary accounting principles to provide a meaningful comparison with budgetary data.

The following is a summary of adjustments made to the actual revenues and other sources, and expenditures and other uses, to conform to the budgetary basis of accounting.

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Revenues and Other Financing Sources</u>	<u>Expenditures and Other Financing Uses</u>
Revenues/Expenditures (GAAP basis)	\$ 28,790,674	\$ 28,060,651
Other financing sources/uses (GAAP basis)	-	117,771
Reverse prior year appropriation carry- forwards from expenditures	-	(29,348)
Add end of year appropriation carryforwards to expenditures	-	111,840
Reverse the effect of non-budgeted State contributions for teachers retirement	<u>(3,528,615)</u>	<u>(3,528,615)</u>
Budgetary basis	<u>\$ 25,262,059</u>	<u>\$ 24,732,299</u>

D. Assessments of Member Towns

Most capital and operating costs of the School District in excess of each town's net minimum contribution are apportioned to the member towns on the basis of their respective pupil enrollments in the School District on October 1 of the preceding year. Certain costs, such as transportation and debt service, are outside of the net school spending requirements established by the Commonwealth. These costs are apportioned to the member towns based on either the above percentage or on a member-specific basis. For the year ended June 30, 2017, the assessments were calculated as follows:

	Minimum <u>Contribution</u>	Contribution Outside Net <u>Sch. Spending</u>	Total Operating <u>Assessments</u>	Capital <u>Assessment</u>	Total <u>Assessment</u>
Great Barrington	\$ 6,756,779	\$ 7,140,445	\$ 13,897,224	\$ 566,175	\$ 14,463,399
Stockbridge	1,338,211	1,572,792	2,911,003	124,709	3,035,712
West Stockbridge	<u>1,399,875</u>	<u>1,488,900</u>	<u>2,888,775</u>	<u>118,057</u>	<u>3,006,832</u>
Total	<u>\$ 9,494,865</u>	<u>\$ 10,202,137</u>	<u>\$ 19,697,002</u>	<u>\$ 808,941</u>	<u>\$ 20,505,943</u>

**3. Cash and Short-Term Investments**

*Custodial Credit Risk - Deposits.* Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the School District's deposits may not be returned to it. Massachusetts General Law Chapter 44, section 55, limits deposits "in a bank or trust company or banking company to an amount not exceeding sixty per cent of the capital and surplus of such bank or trust company or banking company, unless satisfactory security is given to it by such bank or trust company or banking company for such excess." The School District manages custodial credit risk by the diversification and choice of depository. The School District does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

As of June 30, 2017, none of the School District's bank balance of \$5,834,436 was exposed to custodial credit risk as uninsured and/or uncollateralized.

**4. Intergovernmental Receivables**

The balance reported primarily represents reimbursements from the Massachusetts School Building Authority for debt incurred by the School District to fund a middle / high school building project in prior years. The reimbursement from MSBA will be received in annual installments of approximately \$1 million through fiscal year 2024.

## 5. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2017 was as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Increases</u>	<u>Decreases</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
<b>Governmental Activities:</b>				
Capital assets, being depreciated:				
Land improvements	\$ 884,980	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 884,980
Buildings and improvements	32,425,706	-	-	32,425,706
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	6,677,747	93,487	(355,504)	6,415,730
Total capital assets, being depreciated	39,988,433	93,487	(355,504)	39,726,416
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Land improvements	(870,065)	(14,915)	-	(884,980)
Buildings and improvements	(9,677,074)	(658,457)	-	(10,335,531)
Machinery, equipment, and furnishings	(6,322,738)	(132,342)	353,175	(6,101,905)
Total accumulated depreciation	(16,869,877)	(805,714)	353,175	(17,322,416)
Total capital assets, being depreciated	23,118,556	(712,227)	(2,329)	22,404,000
Capital assets, not being depreciated:				
Land	744,000	-	-	744,000
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	744,000	-	-	744,000
Total capital assets, net	\$ 23,862,556	\$ (712,227)	\$ (2,329)	\$ 23,148,000

Depreciation expense was charged to functions of the School District as follows:

### Governmental Activities:

Administration	\$ 4,084
Instruction	771,717
Other school services	18,238
Operation and maintenance	11,675
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ <u>805,714</u>

## 6. Deferred Outflows of Resources

Deferred outflows of resources represent the consumption of net position by the School District that is applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred outflows of resources have a positive effect on net position, similar to assets. Deferred outflows of resources related to pensions in accordance with GASB Statement No. 68 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* are more formally discussed in Note 12.

**7. Warrants Payable**

Warrants payable represent 2017 expenditures paid by July 15, 2017.

**8. Notes Payable**

The following summarizes activity in notes payable during fiscal year 2017:

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Balance Beginning of Year</u>	<u>New Issues</u>	<u>Maturities</u>	<u>Balance End of Year</u>
Bond anticipation	\$ 520,734	\$ -	\$ (520,734)	\$ -

**9. Long-Term Debt**

*A. General Obligation Debt*

The School District issues general obligation bonds and long-term notes to provide funds for the acquisition and construction of major capital facilities. General obligation bonds currently outstanding are as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities:</u>	<u>Serial Maturities Through</u>	<u>Interest Rate(s) %</u>	<u>Bond Outstanding as of June 30, 2017</u>	<u>Bond Premium Amortization</u>	<u>Amount Outstanding as of June 30, 2017</u>
Bonds payable:					
School building renovation	10/15/23	2.17	\$ 10,575,000	\$ 1,542,037	\$ 12,117,037
Total bonds payable			\$ 10,575,000	\$ 1,542,037	\$ 12,117,037

<u>Long-term notes payable:</u>	<u>Intended Maturities Through</u>	<u>Interest Rate(s) %</u>	<u>Amount Outstanding as of June 30, 2017</u>
Various capital projects*	2020	4.25%	\$ 368,000
Total note payable			\$ 368,000

\* This borrowing is a short-term note intended to finance these purchases over a period of time. This is being accomplished by rolling over the short-term note for lesser amounts each year. The interest rate reported is the interest rate for the short-term note issued in fiscal year 2017 and due in fiscal year 2018.

**B. Future Debt Service**

The annual payments to retire the general obligation bond outstanding as of June 30, 2017 are as follows:

<u>Governmental</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2018	\$ 1,530,291	\$ 496,000	\$ 2,026,291
2019	1,600,291	428,750	2,029,041
2020	1,670,291	358,000	2,028,291
2021	1,735,291	283,875	2,019,166
2022	1,810,291	206,250	2,016,541
2023 - 2027	<u>3,770,582</u>	<u>167,000</u>	<u>3,937,582</u>
Total	<u>\$ 12,117,037</u>	<u>\$ 1,939,875</u>	<u>\$ 14,056,912</u>

**C. Changes in General Long-Term Liabilities**

During the year ended June 30, 2017, the following changes occurred in long-term liabilities:

	<u>Total Balance July 1, 2016</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Reductions</u>	<u>Total Balance June 30, 2017</u>	<u>Less Current Portion</u>	<u>Long-Term Portion June 30, 2017</u>
<u>Governmental Activities</u>						
Bonds payable	\$ 13,582,328	\$ -	\$ (1,465,291)	\$ 12,117,037	\$ (1,530,291)	\$ 10,586,746
Long term note payable	-	368,000	-	368,000	(150,000)	218,000
Net pension liability	2,864,861	-	(164,342)	2,700,519	-	2,700,519
Net OPEB obligation	13,322,512	1,465,725	-	14,788,237	-	14,788,237
Compensated absences	138,624	49,750	-	188,374	-	188,374
Totals	<u>\$ 29,908,325</u>	<u>\$ 1,883,475</u>	<u>\$ (1,629,633)</u>	<u>\$ 30,162,167</u>	<u>\$ (1,680,291)</u>	<u>\$ 28,481,876</u>

**10. Deferred Inflows of Resources**

Deferred inflows of resources are the acquisition of net assets by the School District that are applicable to future reporting periods. Deferred inflows of resources have a negative effect on net position, similar to liabilities. The School District reports two items as deferred inflows of resources, one of which is attributable to changes in the net pension liability, and the other which arises from the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting in governmental funds. Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions in accordance with GASB Statement No. 68 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions* are more formally discussed in Note 12.

## 11. Governmental Funds – Balances

Fund balances are segregated to account for resources that are either not available for expenditure in the future or are legally set aside for a specific future use.

The School District implemented GASB Statement No. 54 (GASB 54), *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, which enhances the usefulness of fund balance information by providing clearer fund balance classifications that can be more consistently applied and by clarifying existing governmental fund type definitions.

The following types of fund balances are reported at June 30, 2017:

Non-spendable - Represents amounts that cannot be spent because they are either (a) not in spendable form or (b) legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. This fund balance classification includes nonmajor governmental fund reserve for food service inventory.

Restricted - Represents amounts that are restricted to specific purposes by constraints imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments, or constraints imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. This fund balance classification includes various special revenue funds.

Assigned - Represents amounts that are constrained by the School District's intent to use these resources for a specific purpose. This fund balance classification includes general fund encumbrances that have been established by various School District departments for the expenditure of current year budgetary financial resources upon vendor performance in the subsequent budgetary period and surplus (E&D) to be used in the subsequent year's budget.

Unassigned - Represents amounts that are available to be spent in future periods.

Following is a breakdown of the School District's fund balances at June 30, 2017:

	General Fund	Nonmajor Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Non-spendable			
Reserved for inventory	\$ -	\$ 9,668	\$ 9,668
Total Non-spendable	-	9,668	9,668
Restricted			
Special revenue funds	-	1,977,627	1,977,627
Total Restricted	-	1,977,627	1,977,627
Assigned			
Encumbrances	111,840	-	111,840
Reserved for expenditures	335,018	-	335,018
Total Assigned	446,858	-	446,858
Unassigned			
General fund	1,302,543	-	1,302,543
Total Unassigned	1,302,543	-	1,302,543
Total Fund Balance	\$ 1,749,401	\$ 1,987,295	\$ 3,736,696

## 12. **Berkshire County Retirement System**

The School District follows the provisions of GASB Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions – an amendment of GASB Statement No. 27*, with respect to the employees' retirement funds.

### A. Plan Description

Substantially all employees of the School District (except teachers and administrators) are members of the Berkshire County Retirement System (the System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer public employee retirement system (PERS). Eligible employees must participate in the System. The pension plan provides pension benefits, deferred allowances, and death and disability benefits. Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws establishes the authority of the System, contribution percentages and benefits paid. The System Retirement Board does not have the authority to amend benefit provisions. Additional information is disclosed in the System's annual financial reports publicly available from the System located at Berkshire County Retirement System, 29 Dunham Hall, Pittsfield, MA 01201.

### Participant Retirement Benefits

The System provides for retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a member's highest three-year average annual rate of regular

compensation for those hired prior to April 2, 2012 and the highest five-year average annual rate of regular compensation for those first becoming members of the Massachusetts System on or after that date. However, per Chapter 176 of the Acts of 2011, for members who retire on or after April 2, 2012, if in the 5 years of creditable service immediately preceding retirement, the difference in the annual rate of regular compensation between any 2 consecutive years exceeds 10 percent, the normal yearly amount of the retirement allowance shall be based on the average annual rate of regular compensation received by the member during the period of 5 consecutive years preceding retirement. Benefit payments are based upon a member's age, length of creditable service, level of compensation and group classification.

A retirement allowance may be received at any age, upon attaining 20 years of service. The plan also provides for retirement at age 55 if the participant was a member prior to January 1, 1978, with no minimum vesting requirements. If the participant was a member on or after January 1, 1978 and a member of Groups 1 or 2, then a retirement allowance may be received if the participant (1) has at least 10 years of creditable service, (2) is age 55, (3) voluntarily left Town/City employment on or after that date, and (4) left accumulated annuity deductions in the fund. Members of Group 4, have no minimum vesting requirements, however, must be at least age 55. Groups 2 and 4 require that participants perform the duties of the Group position for at least 12 months immediately prior to retirement.

If a participant was a member prior to April 1, 2012 is eligible for a retirement allowance upon 10 years creditable service and reaching ages 60 or 55 for Groups 1 and 2, respectively. Participants in Group 4 must be at least age 55. Groups 2 and 4 require that participants perform the duties of the Group position for at least 12 months immediately prior to retirement.

A retirement allowance consists of two parts: an annuity and a pension. A member's accumulated total deductions and a portion of the interest they generate constitute the annuity. The difference between the total retirement allowance and the annuity is the pension. The average retirement benefit is approximately 80-85% pension and 15-20% annuity.

#### Participant Refunds

Employees who resign from service and who are not eligible to receive a retirement allowance are entitled to request a refund of their accumulated total deductions. Members voluntarily withdrawing with at least 10 years of service or involuntarily withdrawing, receive 100% of the regular interest that has accrued on those accumulated total deductions. Members voluntarily withdrawing with less than 10 years of service get credited interest each year at a rate of 3%.



### Participants Contributions

Participants contribute a set percentage of their gross regular compensation annually. Employee contribution percentages are specified in Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The employee's individual contribution percentage is determined by their date of entry into the system. In addition, all employees hired on or after January 1, 1979 contribute an additional 2% on all gross regular compensation over the rate of \$30,000 per year. The percentages are as follows:

Before January 1, 1975	5%
January 1, 1975 – December 31, 1983	7%
January 1, 1984 – June 30, 1996	8%
Beginning July 1, 1996	9%

For those members entering a Massachusetts System on or after April 2, 2012 in Group 1, the Contribution rate will be reduced to 6% when at least 30 years of creditable service has been attained.

### Employer Contributions

Employers are required to contribute at actuarially determined rates as accepted by the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC).

The School District's contribution to the System for the year ended June 30, 2017 as \$596,083, which was equal to its annual required contribution.

### B. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the System and additions to/deductions from System's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by System. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

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

At June 30, 2017, the School District reported a liability of \$2,700,519 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2016, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2015 rolled forward to December 31, 2016. The School District's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a

projection of the School District's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating employers, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2017, the School District's proportion was 6.79% percent, which was a 0.02 percent increase from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2016.

For the year ended June 30, 2017, the School District recognized pension expense of \$727,352. In addition, the School District reported deferred outflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources (in thousands):

	<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ -	\$ 124
Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings	586	-
Changes in assumptions	391	-
Changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions	<u>65</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u>\$ 1,042</u>	<u>\$ 124</u>

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2018	\$ 306
2019	306
2020	299
2021	<u>7</u>
Total	<u>\$ 918</u>

**D. Actuarial Assumptions**

The total pension liability in the January 1, 2015 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation	Not explicitly assumed
Salary increases	4.25% for Group 1, 4.75% for Group 2
Investment rate of return	7.60%

Pre-retirement rates for mortality were based on RP-2000 Employees table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2009 (gender distinct) and post-retirement rates for mortality were based on RP-2000 Health Annuitant table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2009 (gender distinct). For disabled retirees, the rates reflect the RP-2000 Healthy Annuitant table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2012 (gender distinct).

A full experience study has not been performed specifically for this system as the results may not be credible due to the size of the system. An experience study for local systems was completed in 2002 in which data for 30 local systems was accumulated and reviewed. However, gains and losses by source are analyzed in each actuarial valuation to determine whether the demographic assumptions continue to be reasonable.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was selected from a best estimate range determined using the building block approach. Under this method, an expected future real return range (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) is calculated separately for each asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return net of investment expenses by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target allocation and best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major class are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Asset Allocation</u>	<u>Real Return Arithmetic Basis</u>	<u>Long-term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Large Cap Equities	14.50%	7.75%	1.09%
Small/Mid Cap Equities	3.50%	7.75%	0.27%
International Equities	16.00%	8.00%	1.28%
Emergency International Equities	6.00%	9.25%	0.56%
Core Bonds	3.00%	3.98%	0.12%
20+ Year Treasury STRIPS	7.00%	4.00%	0.28%
15 Year Duration Treasuries	0.00%	5.00%	0.00%
TIPS	3.00%	4.00%	1.20%
High-Yield Bonds	1.50%	5.75%	0.09%
Bank Loans	1.50%	6.00%	0.09%
EMD (External)	1.00%	6.00%	0.06%
EMD (Local Currency)	2.00%	6.75%	0.14%
Private Debt	4.00%	8.00%	0.32%
Private Equity	10.00%	9.50%	0.95%
Real Estate (Core)	10.00%	6.50%	0.65%
Timber/Natural Resources	4.00%	6.75%	0.27%
Hedge Funds	9.00%	6.75%	0.61%
Portfolio Completion Strategies	4.00%	n/a	n/a
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00%</b>		

*E. Discount Rate*

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.60%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that the plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at contractually required rates, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments to current active and inactive plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

*F. Sensitivity of the Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate*

The following presents the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 7.60 percent, as well as what the School District's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1 percentage-point lower (6.60%) or 1 percentage-point higher (8.60%) than the current rate (amounts in thousands):

<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	1% Decrease <u>(6.60%)</u>	Current Discount Rate <u>(7.60%)</u>	1% Increase <u>(8.60%)</u>
6/30/2017	\$4,686	\$2,701	\$1,024

*G. Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position*

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

**13. Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (MTRS)**

*A. Plan Description*

The Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System (MTRS) is a public employee retirement system (PERS) that administers a cost-sharing multi-employer defined benefit plan, as defined in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 67, Financial Reporting for Pension Plans. MTRS is managed by the Commonwealth on behalf of municipal teachers and municipal teacher retirees. The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor and is responsible for all contributions and future benefit requirements of the MTRS. The MTRS covers certified

teachers in cities (except Boston), towns, regional school districts, charter schools, educational collaboratives, and Quincy College. The MTRS is part of the Commonwealth's reporting entity and does not issue a stand-alone audited financial report.

Management of MTRS is vested in the Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement Board (MTRB), which consists of seven members — two elected by the MTRS members, one who is chosen by the six other MTRB members, the State Treasurer (or their designee), the State Auditor (or their designee), a member appointed by the Governor, and the Commissioner of Education (or their designee), who serves ex-officio as the Chairman of the MTRB.

#### *B. Benefits Provided*

MTRS provides retirement, disability, survivor, and death benefits to members and their beneficiaries. Massachusetts General Laws (MGL) establishes uniform benefit and contribution requirements for all contributory PERS. These requirements provide for superannuation retirement allowance benefits up to a maximum of 80% of a member's highest three-year average annual rate of regular compensation. For employees hired after April 1, 2012, retirement allowances are calculated on the basis of the last five years or any five consecutive years, whichever is greater in terms of compensation. Benefit payments are based upon a member's age, length of creditable service, and group creditable service, and group classification. The authority for amending these provisions rests with the Legislature.

Members become vested after ten years of creditable service. A superannuation retirement allowance may be received upon the completion of twenty years of creditable service or upon reaching the age of 55 with ten years of service. Normal retirement for most employees occurs at age 65. Most employees who joined the system after April 1, 2012 cannot retire prior to age 60.

The MTRS' funding policies have been established by Chapter 32 of the MGL. The Legislature has the authority to amend these policies. The annuity portion of the MTRS retirement allowance is funded by employees, who contribute a percentage of their regular compensation. Costs of administering the plan are funded out of plan assets.

#### *C. Contributions*

Member contributions for MTRS vary depending on the most recent date of membership:

<u>Membership Date</u>	<u>% of Compensation</u>
Prior to 1975	5% of regular compensation
1975 - 1983	7% of regular compensation
1984 to 6/30/1996	8% of regular compensation
7/1/1996 to present	9% of regular compensation
7/1/2001 to present	11% of regular compensation (for teachers hired after 7/1/01 and those accepting provisions of Chapter 114 of the Acts of 2000)
1979 to present	An additional 2% of regular compensation in excess of \$30,000

*D. Actuarial Assumptions*

The total pension liability for the June 30, 2016 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of January 1, 2016 rolled forward to June 30, 2016. This valuation used the following assumptions:

- (a) 7.5% investment rate of return, (b) 3.5% interest rate credited to the annuity savings fund and (c) 3.0% cost of living increase per year on the first \$13,000 per year.
- Salary increases are based on analyses of past experience but range from 4.0% to 7.5% depending on length of service.
- Experience study is dated July 21, 2014 and encompasses the period January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2011.
- Mortality rates were as follows:
  - Pre-retirement – reflects RP-2014 Employee table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2014 (gender distinct).
  - Post-retirement – reflects RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2014 (gender distinct).
  - Disability – assumed to be in accordance with the RP-2014 Healthy Annuitant table projected generationally with Scale BB and a base year of 2014 set forward 4 years.

Investment assets of the MTRS are with the Pension Reserves Investment Trust (PRIT) Fund. The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future rates of return 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 rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage. Best estimates of geometric rates of return for each major asset class included in the PRIT Fund's target

asset allocation as of June 30, 2016 are summarized in the following table:

<u>Asset Class</u>	<u>Target Allocation</u>	<u>Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return</u>
Global equity	40.0%	6.9%
Core fixed income	13.0%	1.6%
Private equity	10.0%	8.7%
Real estate	10.0%	4.6%
Value added fixed income	10.0%	4.8%
Hedge funds	9.0%	4.0%
Portfolio completion strategies	4.0%	3.6%
Timber/natural resources	4.0%	5.4%
Total	<u>100.0%</u>	

*E. Discount Rate*

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.5%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rates and the Commonwealth's contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rates. Based on those assumptions, the 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 to determine the total pension liability.

*F. Sensitivity Analysis*

The following illustrates the sensitivity of the collective net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. In particular, the table presents the MTRS collective net pension liability assuming it was calculated using a single discount rate that is one-percentage-point lower or one-percentage-point higher than the current discount rate (amounts in thousands):

<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>	<u>1% Decrease to 6.5%</u>	<u>Current Discount Rate 7.5%</u>	<u>1% Increase to 8.5%</u>
June 30, 2016	\$27,464,000	\$22,357,928	\$18,022,000

*G. Special Funding Situation*

The Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributor and is required by statute to make all actuarially determined employer contributions on behalf of the member employers. Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB Statement No. 68,

Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (GASB 68) and the Commonwealth is a nonemployer contributing entity in MTRS. Since the employers do not contribute directly to MTRS, there is no net pension liability to recognize for each employer.

*H. School District Proportions*

In fiscal year 2016 (the most recent measurement period), the Commonwealth's proportionate share of the MTRS' collective net pension liability and pension expense that is associated with the School District was \$34,592,037 and \$3,528,615 respectively, based on a proportionate share of 0.154719%. As required by GASB 68, the School District has recognized its portion of the collective pension expense as both a revenue and expenditure in the general fund.

**14. Other Post-Employment Benefits – OPEB (GASB 45)**

GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions*, requires governments to account for other post-employment benefits (OPEB), primarily healthcare, on an accrual basis rather than on a pay-as-you-go basis. The effect is the recognition of an actuarially required contribution as an expense on the statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position when a future retiree earns their post-employment benefits, rather than when they use their post-employment benefit. To the extent that an entity does not fund their actuarially required contribution, a post-employment benefit liability is recognized on the Statement of Net Position over time.

*A. Plan Description*

In addition to providing the pension benefits described in the following footnote, the School District provides post-employment health care and life insurance benefits for retired employees through the School District's plan. The benefits, benefit levels, employee contributions and employer contributions are governed by Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. As of June 30, 2016, the actuarial valuation date, approximately 310 retirees and 172 active employees meet the eligibility requirements. The plan does not issue a separate financial report.

*B. Benefits Provided*

The School District provides medical, prescription drug and life insurance to retirees and their covered dependents. All active employees who retire from the School District and meet the eligibility criteria will receive these benefits.



*C. Funding Policy*

Retirees contribute 13% to 20% of the cost of the health plan, as determined by the School District. The School District contributes the remainder of the health plan costs on a pay-as-you-go basis.

*D. Annual OPEB Costs and Net OPEB Obligation*

The School District's fiscal 2017 annual OPEB expense is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover the normal cost per year and amortize the unfunded actuarial liability over a period of thirty years. The following table shows the components of the School District's annual OPEB cost for the year ending June 30, 2017, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and the change in the School District's net OPEB obligation based on an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2016.

Annual Required Contribution (ARC)	\$ 3,195,267
Interest on net OPEB obligation	476,946
Adjustment to ARC	<u>(457,045)</u>
Annual OPEB cost	3,215,168
Contributions made	<u>(1,749,443)</u>
Increase in net OPEB obligation	1,465,725
Net OPEB obligation - beginning of year	<u>13,322,512</u>
Net OPEB obligation - end of year	<u>\$ 14,788,237</u>

The School District's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation were as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year</u> <u>Ended</u>	<u>Annual OPEB</u> <u>Costs</u>	<u>Percentage of</u> <u>OPEB Cost</u> <u>Contributed</u>	<u>Net</u> <u>OPEB</u> <u>Obligation</u>
2017	\$3,215,168	54.4%	\$14,788,237
2016	\$4,202,869	40.4%	\$13,322,512
2015	\$3,993,758	40.6%	\$10,818,454
2014	\$2,925,543	51.5%	\$8,445,775
2013	\$2,798,442	55.6%	\$7,027,967

*E. Funded Status and Funding Progress*

The funded status of the plan as of June 30, 2016, the date of the most recent actuarial valuation was as follows:

Actuarial accrued liability (AAL)	\$ 50,710,405
Actuarial value of plan assets	-
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Unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL)	\$ 50,710,405
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Funded ratio (actuarial value of plan assets/AAL)	0%
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Covered payroll (active plan members)	N/A
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UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll	N/A
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Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amount and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples included assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

*F. Actuarial Methods and Assumptions*

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the plan as understood by the School District and the plan members and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the School District and plan members to that point. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce short-term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities and the actuarial value of assets, consistent with the long-term perspective of the calculations.

In the June 30, 2016 actuarial valuation the Entry Age Normal cost method was used. The actuarial value of assets was not determined as the School District has not advance funded its obligation. The actuarial assumptions included a 3.58% discount rate and a 3.5% inflation rate. Medical and drug cost trend for participants under 65 was 1.8% for 2017, 0% for 2018, then 6.5%, decreasing by 0.5% for four years to an ultimate level of 4.5% per year. For participants over 65, the medical and drug cost trend was 1.4% for 2017, 7% for 2018, then 6.5%, decreasing by 0.5% for four years to an ultimate level of 4.5% per year. The amortization costs for the initial UAAL is a level percentage of payroll for a period of 30 years, on an open basis. This has been calculated assuming the amortization payment increases at a rate of 3.5%.

## 15. Commitments and Contingencies

Grants - Amounts received or receivable from grantor agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal government. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount of expenditures which may be School District expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

Outstanding Legal Issues - There are several pending legal issues in which the School District is involved. The School District's management is of the opinion that the potential future settlement of such claims would not materially affect its financial statements taken as a whole.

Berkshire Health Group – The School District is a member of the Berkshire Health Group (the Group), a Massachusetts Municipal Joint Purchase Health Insurance Trust organized under Chapter 32B Section 12 of the Massachusetts General Laws to purchase and provide health care coverage for its members. As of June 30, 2017, there were 12 participating municipal entities.

Any participating governmental unit may withdraw from the Group at its discretion upon written notification to the Board at least 90 days prior to the anniversary date of health care coverage contracts purchased by the Group. The Board may terminate a participating governmental unit by a two-thirds vote of all Board members if the unit is in arrears for any payment due to the Group. There is no liability for premiums and expenses following the effective date of the withdrawal or termination of a participating governmental unit except for its (1) proportional share of any deficits in self-funded plans, (2) open premium expense and (3) any subsequent expense to cover its subscribers remaining (where required by law) on plans after withdrawal or termination.

A participating governmental unit's proportionate share of a deficit in the self-funded plans shall be the deficiency certified as of as of June 30 in the fiscal year of withdrawal or termination multiplied by the quotient as defined in the agreement. A withdrawn or terminated participating governmental unit shall not be entitled to any share of any surplus in the Trust. All surpluses or deficits of the Group are shared on a proportional and collective basis by non-terminating members. It is at the sole discretion of the Group's Board whether any surplus is to be distributed to the participating governmental units through rate reduction. In the case of a deficit, additional revenue may be raised from each participating governmental unit.

Based on the audited results of operations of the Berkshire Health Group for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, after accruing \$2.7 million for incurred but unreported claims, the Group has an accumulated surplus of \$10 million.

**16. Implementation of New GASB Standard**

The Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) has issued Statement No. 75, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Post-Employment Benefits Other than Pensions*, replacing requirements of Statements No. 45 and 57, effective for the School District beginning with its year ending June 30, 2018. This statement establishes standards for recognizing and measuring liabilities, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expense/expenditures. In addition, this Statement details the recognition and disclosure requirements for employers with payables to defined benefit OPEB plans that are administered through trusts that meet the specific criteria and for employers whose employees are provided with defined contribution OPEB. Management's current assessment is that this pronouncement will have a material impact by increasing net OPEB liability, and as a result, decreasing the unrestricted net position on the governmental-wide financial statements.

BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THE NET PENSION LIABILITY (GASB 68)

JUNE 30, 2017

(Unaudited)

**Berkshire County Retirement System**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Measurement Date</u>	<u>Proportion of the Net Pension Liability</u>	<u>Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</u>	<u>Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Position Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</u>
6/30/2017	12/31/2016	6.79%	\$2,700,519	\$ 2,872,645	94.01%	84.06%
6/30/2016	12/31/2015	6.77%	\$2,864,861	\$ 2,864,184	100.02%	82.25%
6/30/2015	12/31/2014	6.38%	\$1,675,324	\$ 2,570,757	65.17%	88.13%

**Massachusetts Teachers' Retirement System**

<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Measurement Date</u>	<u>Proportion of the Net Pension Liability</u>	<u>Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability</u>	<u>Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Total Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability Associated with the School District</u>	<u>Total Net Pension Liability Associated with the School District</u>	<u>Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Plan Fiduciary Net Position Percentage of the Total Pension Liability</u>
6/30/2017	6/30/2016	0.154719%	\$ -	\$ 34,592,037	\$ 34,592,037	\$ 10,176,882	-	44.62%
6/30/2016	6/30/2015	0.158584%	\$ -	\$ 32,493,226	\$ 32,493,226	\$ 10,052,462	-	55.38%
6/30/2015	6/30/2014	0.162137%	\$ -	\$ 25,773,917	\$ 25,773,917	\$ 9,941,420	-	61.64%

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

See Independent Auditors' Report.

BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS (GASB 68)  
JUNE 30, 2017  
(Unaudited)

**Berkshire County Retirement System**

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<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Contractually Required Contribution</u>	<u>Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution</u>	<u>Contribution Deficiency (Excess)</u>	<u>Covered Payroll</u>	<u>Contributions as a Percentage of Covered Payroll</u>
June 30, 2017	\$ 596,093	\$ 596,093	\$ -	\$ 2,872,645	20.8%
June 30, 2016	\$ 567,214	\$ 567,214	\$ -	\$ 2,864,184	19.8%
June 30, 2015	\$ 510,294	\$ 510,294	\$ -	\$ 2,570,757	19.8%

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BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SCHEDULE OF OPEB FUNDING PROGRESS (GASB 45)

June 30, 2017

(Unaudited)

**Other Post-Employment Benefits**

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) - Entry Age (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percent- age of Covered Payroll [(b-a)/c]
6/30/2016	\$ -	\$ 50,710,405	\$ 50,710,405	0.0%	N/A	N/A
6/30/2014	\$ -	\$ 54,078,322	\$ 54,078,322	0.0%	N/A	N/A
6/30/2012	\$ -	\$ 38,023,253	\$ 38,023,253	0.0%	\$ 13,201,860	288.0%
6/30/2010	\$ -	\$ 43,586,948	\$ 43,586,948	0.0%	\$ 12,236,361	356.2%
6/30/2008	\$ -	\$ 41,992,877	\$ 41,992,877	0.0%	\$ 13,519,073	310.6%

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BERKSHIRE HILLS REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 COMBINING NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS  
 STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

Special Revenue Funds:	Fund Balance Beginning of Year	Revenue			Other Financing Sources/Uses		Expenditures	Fund Balance End of Year
		Charges for Services	Federal/State	Other	Note Proceeds	Intrafund Transfers		
Food Services Revolving	\$ 9,528	\$ 180,653	\$ 219,103	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 399,680	\$ 9,604
Athletic Revolving	13,564	63,905	-	-	-	-	48,638	28,831
Flexible Spending Revolving	1,478	74,570	-	-	-	-	51,795	24,253
Future Farmers Revolving	359,773	15,966	-	-	-	-	-	375,739
Elementary Rental Revolving	3,675	950	-	-	-	-	-	4,625
Middle School Rental Revolving	5,150	1,600	-	-	-	-	-	6,750
High School Rental Revolving	1,922	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,922
Donations Revolving	2,575	-	-	48,971	-	-	28,269	23,277
Custodial Revolving	-	7,180	-	-	-	-	7,180	-
Collaborative Revolving	49,067	149,325	-	-	-	-	131,363	67,029
Circuit Breaker Revolving	295,464	-	364,902	-	-	-	295,414	364,952
E-Rate Revolving	-	-	30,472	-	-	-	30,472	-
Wellness Revolving	1,340	11,600	-	-	-	-	1,665	11,275
Tax Shelter Annuity Revolving	1,760	-	-	-	-	-	1,242	518
Regional Transportation Revolving	70,239	-	157,568	-	-	-	70,239	157,568
School Choice Revolving	226,587	-	1,215,456	-	-	-	1,243,160	198,883
Tuition Revolving	371,055	1,074,154	-	-	-	-	941,674	503,535
Tridian Art Revolving	5,295	-	-	-	-	-	1,326	3,969
Title I FY15	5,458	-	20,755	-	-	-	26,213	-
Title I FY16	38,687	-	50,615	-	-	-	89,302	-
Title I FY17	-	-	225,884	-	-	-	212,666	13,218
Sped IDEA B FY16	10,434	-	-	-	-	-	10,434	-
Sped IDEA B FY17	-	-	437,831	-	-	-	323,586	114,245
Title II Teacher Quality FY15	2,704	-	284	-	-	-	2,988	-
Title II Teacher Quality FY16	1,585	-	36,230	-	-	-	37,815	-
Title II Teacher Quality FY17	-	-	24,248	-	-	-	24,248	-
SPED Early Childhood FY17	-	-	1,400	-	-	-	1,400	-
Early Childhood Sped FY17	-	-	14,766	-	-	-	14,766	-
21st Century Enhanced FY17	-	-	11,000	-	-	-	11,000	-
Twenty First Century FY17	-	-	164,400	-	-	-	164,400	-
Twenty First Century Summer FY17	-	-	50,600	-	-	-	50,600	-
21st Century Jan - June 2016	333	-	-	-	-	-	333	-
Stars Residency FY17	-	-	10,000	-	-	-	10,000	-
BCREB FY17	-	-	3,000	-	-	-	3,000	-
Big Yellow School Bus FY17	-	-	200	-	-	-	200	-

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	Fund Balance Beginning of Year	Revenue			Other Financing Sources/Uses		Expenditures	Fund Balance End of Year
		Charges for Services	Federal/State	Other	Note Proceeds	Intrafund Transfers		
Early Education Parent-Child Home	-	-	27,500	-	-	-	27,500	-
United Way Proj Connection FY16	102	-	-	-	-	-	102	-
United Way Proj Connection FY17	-	-	-	40,000	-	-	40,000	-
W.E.B. Dubois Edu Series	-	-	-	5,108	-	-	5,108	-
Berkshire Taconic FY16	874	-	-	182	-	-	875	181
Berkshire Taconic FY17	-	-	-	4,370	-	-	3,857	513
Mass Creativity Innovation FY16	1,588	-	-	-	-	-	1,588	-
Service Learning grant FY17	-	-	12,590	-	-	-	12,590	-
Perkins grant FY16	3,112	-	6,631	-	-	-	9,743	-
Perkins grant FY17	-	-	13,255	-	-	-	8,017	5,238
Service Learning - Summer - FY17	-	-	19,240	-	-	-	19,240	-
Academic Support FY16	425	-	-	-	-	-	425	-
Shared Services / CIG	75,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,263	69,737
SPED Enhancement FY17	-	-	1,506	-	-	-	73	1,433
21st Century - enhanced - summer FY17	-	-	4,000	-	-	-	4,000	-
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<b>Capital Projects Funds:</b>			-					
Equipment maintenance	(100,354)	-	-	-	100,354	-	-	-
Grounds repair / improvement	(128,092)	-	-	-	128,092	-	-	-
Computer hardware	(87,795)	-	-	-	7,555	117,771	37,531	-
Building maintenance	(131,999)	-	-	-	131,999	-	-	-
<b>Total Non-Major Governmental Funds</b>	<b>\$ 1,110,534</b>	<b>\$ 1,579,903</b>	<b>\$ 3,123,436</b>	<b>\$ 98,631</b>	<b>\$ 368,000</b>	<b>\$ 117,771</b>	<b>\$ 4,410,980</b>	<b>\$ 1,987,295</b>

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