Black River Technical College

Pocahontas, Arkansas

Basic Financial Statements and Other Reports

June 30, 2022



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Black River Technical College Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the Black River Technical College (College), an institution of higher education of the State of Arkansas, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the College as of June 30, 2022, and the changes in financial position, and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the College and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements, in 2022 the College adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No.87, *Leases*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

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

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, certain information pertaining to postemployment benefits other than pensions, and certain information pertaining to pensions on pages 6-13, 41, and 42-43 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

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

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

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 23, 2023 on our consideration of the College's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the College's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Black River Technical College Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities of the Black River Technical College (College), an institution of higher education of the State of Arkansas, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the College's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated August 23, 2023.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the College's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the College's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described below in the Audit Findings section of this report that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

We noted a certain matter that we reported to management of the College in a separate letter dated August 23, 2023.

AUDIT FINDINGS

Material Weakness

Financial Statements should be presented fairly in conformity with general accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The College's internal control system did not detect or prevent material misstatements in the financial statements. The financial statements were subsequently corrected by College personnel during audit fieldwork. Key errors in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position and the Statement of Cash Flows included:

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position

 Operating federal grants and contracts revenue was overstated and non-operating federal grants and contracts revenue was understated by \$1,176,804.

Statement of Cash Flows

- 1. Operating federal grants and contracts was overstated by \$243,891 due to the misclassification of receivables.
- Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments was understated by \$311,590.

We recommend the College review internal controls to ensure the accuracy of financial statements.

Management Response: This misclassification was an oversight, as the account description was not adequately descriptive. Management will take care to properly identify and label accounts as well as ensure the number structure is accurate. Management will implement review procedures to ensure receivables are classified correctly and to correctly identify investment transactions.

College's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the College's response to the finding identified in our audit and described previously. The College's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of This Report

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

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MANAGEMENT LETTER

Black River Technical College Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

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

	Summer II Term	Fall Term	Spring Term	Summer I Term
	2021	2021	2022	2022
Student Headcount Student Semester	239	1,380	1,275	324
Credit Hours	1,013	14,362	13,688	1,758

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

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

ARKANSAS LEGISLATIVE AUDIT

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Little Rock, Arkansas August 23, 2023

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

Introduction

Black River Technical College is a public, two-year technical college committed to transforming lives through quality academic and career education to enhance the community we serve. BRTC was established as a vocational school in 1972 and became a technical college in 1991. The College is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission.

BRTC has approximately 1,380 credit students and 146 full-time employees. The campus is located in northeast Arkansas on Hwy 304 East in Pocahontas. The College also operates an additional location in Paragould and adult education centers in Walnut Ridge, Corning, and Paragould.

Overview of Financial Statements and Financial Analysis

Black River Technical College (BRTC) is presenting financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022. The following discussion and analysis have been prepared by management to provide an overview of the College's financial position and activities for the year and should be read in conjunction with the accompanying financial statements and notes. Comparative data presented will provide the opportunity for comparative analysis. Financial statements presented are the Statement of Net Position, the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, and the Statement of Cash Flows.

Statement of Net Position

The Statement of Net Position presents the assets, liabilities, and net position of the College at the end of the fiscal year and includes all assets and liabilities of the College. The purpose of this statement is to present a fiscal snapshot of the College. The difference between total assets and total liabilities is net position, which is one indicator of the current financial condition of the College. The change in net position also indicates whether the College's overall financial condition has changed positively or negatively. Assets and liabilities are generally measured using current values with the exception of capital (fixed) assets that are stated at historical cost less depreciation. The Statement of Net Position also presents assets available for operations and allows readers to determine how much the College owes vendors and other institutions.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

Statement of Net Position (Continued)

BRTC's net position for the past two years is summarized below:

Statement of Net Position For Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2022 and 2021

			Increase/	Percent
	2022	2021	(Decrease)	Change
Current Assets	\$ 7,799,445	\$ 7,082,681	\$ 716,764	10.12 %
Capital Asset, net	25,072,127	24,623,089	449,038	1.82 %
Non-current Assets	9,603,036	7,884,107	1,718,929	21.80 %
Total Assets	42,474,608	39,589,877	2,884,731	7.29 %
Deferred Outflows of Resources	925,273	1,349,036	(423,763)	(31.41) %
Current Liabilities	2,555,740	2,296,226	259,514	11.30 %
Non-current Liabilities	11,657,606	14,442,623	(2,785,017)	(19.28) %
Total Liabilities	14,213,346	16,738,849	(2,525,503)	(15.09) %
Deferred Inflows of Resources	2,278,722	157,921	2,120,801	1342.95 %
Net Position	\$ 26,907,813	\$ 24,042,143	\$ 2,865,670	11.92 %

For review purposes, Current Assets consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, account receivables, inventories, and prepaid expenses. Capital Assets, Net, consist of land, buildings, infrastructure and improvements, equipment, intangibles, right of use assets, and library holdings. Infrastructure consists of roads, sidewalks, signage, and lighting. Non-current assets consist of restricted and designated cash and cash equivalents, long-term investments, and deposits with trustee. Current liabilities consist of vendor payables, salaries payable, current portions of other post-employment benefits and accrued compensated absences for employees, unearned revenue from student pre-payments, funds held in trust for others, lease liabilities, and bonds payable. Non-current liabilities consist of the non-current portion of lease liabilities, bonds payable, and compensated absences payable as well as other post-employment benefits payable and net pension liability.

Current assets increased by \$716,764 (10.12%) in 2022. Current cash and cash equivalents increased 9.5% while current other receivables increased 18.21%. HEERF II and III receivables at year end were \$1,073,482 and a receivable in the amount of \$300,057 was recorded from the Arkansas Department of Emergency Management for Berm construction. Grant receivables are 89% of other receivables. The increase in noncurrent assets is the result of nonmandatory transfers of surplus to reserves as well as HEERF lost revenue recovery. Also, included in noncurrent assets is the lease receivable in the amount of \$100,683. The college's portion of the deferred outflows of resources for the state pension plans reflect a decrease this year with a modest decrease in deferred outflows related to Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB).

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

Statement of Net Position (Continued)

Current liabilities increased 11.3% percent from the previous year due to the implementation of GASB Statement No. 87, *Leases*, and the recognition of lease liabilities. The institution also had payables related to some flood restoration, construction, and expenditures of Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds. Non-current liabilities reflect an overall decrease of 19.28%. The Net Pension Liability decreased a significant 62.49% with the OPEB Liability and compensated absences payable decreasing 18.49% and 10.03% respectively. The only increase in noncurrent liabilities was the recognition of the lease liabilities in the amount of \$352,832. Deferred Inflows of Resources increased 1342.95% due to significant increases related to pensions and OPEB as well as the recognition of deferred inflows related to lease resources.

The combination of the increase in total assets of \$2,884,731, the decrease in deferred outflows of \$423,763, the decrease in total liabilities of \$2,525,503, and an increase in deferred inflows of \$2,120,801 results in an overall increase in net position of \$2,865,670 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position

The purpose of this statement is to present revenues and expenses, both operating and non-operating, and any other revenues, expenses, gains or losses for the College for fiscal year 2022. The total net position presented in the Statement of Net Position is based on information presented in this statement.

Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position For Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2022 and 2021

				Percent
			Increase/	Increase
	2022	2021	Decrease	(Decrease)
Operating Revenues	\$ 6,583,413	\$ 5,082,203	\$ 1,501,210	29.54 %
Operating Expenses	20,387,080	19,280,007	1,107,073	5.74 %
Operating Income/Loss	(13,803,667)	(14,197,804)	394,137	2.78 %
Non-Operating Revenues				
(Expenses)	16,637,014	14,378,060	2,258,954	15.71 %
Income before Other Rev., Exp., Gains/Losses	2,833,347	180,256	2,653,091	1471.85 %
Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains/Losses	32,323	16,882	15,441	91.46 %
Increase/Decrease in Net Position	2,865,670	197,138	2,668,532	1353.64 %
Net Position - Beginning of Year	24,042,143	23,845,005	197,138	0.83 %
Net Position - End of Year	\$ 26,907,813	\$ 24,042,143	\$ 2,865,670	11.92 %

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

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

Generally, operating revenues are received for providing goods and services to students and other constituencies of the College. These revenues include student tuition and fee payments (net of scholarship allowances), federal and state grants, auxiliary enterprises (net of scholarship allowances), and other operating revenues. Non-operating revenues are those that require no exchange of goods and services. These revenues include federal Pell grants, state appropriations, gifts, and investment income. The grant awards made through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Funding (HEERF) also are reported as non-operating revenue. This methodology results in an operating loss since federal Pell grants, state appropriations, gifts, and investment income are mandated as non-operating revenues. Other revenues are derived from various sources such as capital appropriations and capital gifts.

Revenues reported for tuition and fees, and bookstore are reduced by the amount of scholarships and fellowships received for those purposes. This adjustment is made to avoid double counting revenues. The total net adjustment for fiscal year 2022 was \$4,134,545 of which \$3,926,396 was for tuition and fees, and \$208,149 was for the bookstore.

Both the operating revenues and operating expenses increased during 2022. The college had significant increases in federal and state grant funding which contributed the majority of the 29.54% increase. The College continues to make a concentrated effort to control expenditures through a budgeting process that prioritizes expenditures into three categories. During 2022, Personal Services decreased by 8.14%, but the significant increase in operating expenses is due to the recognition of scholarship expense related to the disbursement of HEERF funding direct to students.

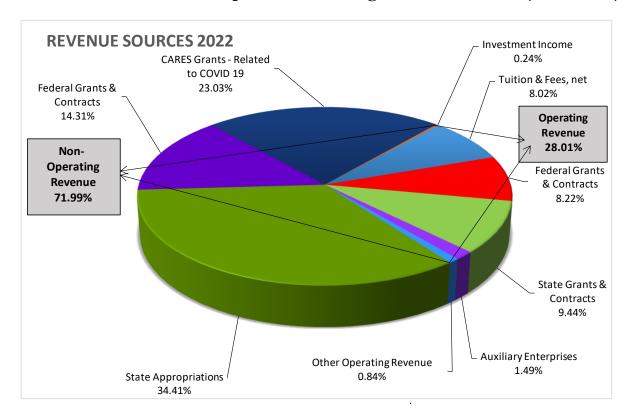
Non-operating revenue (expenses) increased due to the funding awarded through the HEERF grants. The decrease in investment income is reflective of the declining interest rates. The increase in Other Revenues, Expenses, and Gains/Losses is due to a cash gift through the Foundation for renovations.

REVENUES BY SOURCE 2022

Operating Revenues	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>
Tuition & Fees, net	\$ 1,884,036		\$ 1,948,248
Federal Grants & Contracts	1,931,717		1,134,604
State Grants & Contracts	2,219,688		1,437,257
Auxiliary Enterprises	350,202		290,265
Other Operating Revenue	197,770		271,829
Non-Operating Revenues			
State Appropriations	8,087,573		8,267,940
Federal Grants & Contracts	3,362,415		3,546,987
CARES Grants - Related to COVID 19	5,411,104		2,778,701
Investment Income	56,296		69,326
	\$ 23,500,801	•	\$ 19,745,157

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

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



Operating expenses are those expenses paid to acquire goods and services provided in return for operating revenues and to carry out the mission of the College. The operating expenses are presented in this statement in what are considered natural classifications such as personal services, supplies and services, scholarships and fellowships, and depreciation. Overall, expenditures for fiscal year 2022 increased. The increases in Supplies and Services as well as Scholarship and Fellowship expense are due to the expenditures related to the HEERF grant awards.

Overall, expenditures in functional categories increased by approximately 5.74% from 2021 to 2022. Expenditures increased in only four of the nine functional categories with the largest increase occurring in Scholarships and Fellowships, and small increases in Auxiliary Enterprises as well as Depreciation and amortization. The significant increase Scholarships and Fellowships is due to the expenditures related to the HEERF grant awards, as previously discussed. The recognition of GASB 87 resulted in an increase to Depreciation and amortization.

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

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

The table below shows the functional classification of expenditures for fiscal year 2022. A more detailed representation of functional versus natural classifications of operating expenditures is included in Note 8 of the accompanying financial statements.

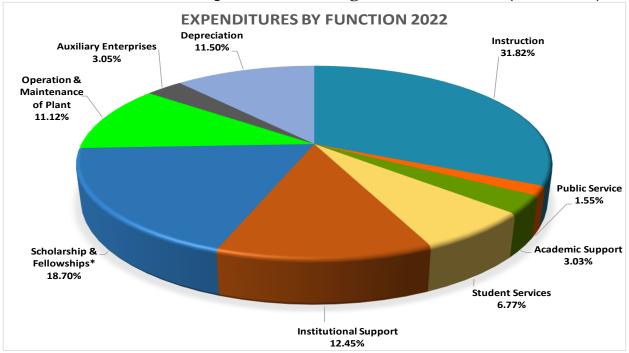
FUNCTIONAL COMPARISON

Expenditure Category	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Instruction	\$ 6,487,930	\$ 6,832,662
Public Service	316,724	413,053
Academic Support	618,392	761,729
Student Services	1,380,262	1,423,222
Institutional Support	2,537,829	2,511,727
Scholarship & Fellowships*	3,811,664	2,267,903
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	2,267,365	2,288,256
Auxiliary Enterprises	622,074	584,483
Depreciation & Amortization	2,344,840	2,196,972
Totals	\$ 20,387,080	\$ 19,280,007

^{*} Scholarship & Fellowships Expense 2022: \$7,946,209 less allowances of \$4,134,545 = \$3,811,664

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

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



Statement of Cash Flows

The Statement of Cash Flows presents a detailed look at the College's cash activity during the fiscal year. The first part of this statement shows cash flows from operating activities and the net cash used by the operating activities. The second part reflects cash flows from non-capital financing activities such as state appropriations. The third part deals with the cash used for acquisition and construction of capital assets. The fourth part reflects cash flows from investing activities. The final part is a reconciliation of net cash used by operating activities to the operating income or loss reflected on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. The summary below shows that BRTC's cash and cash equivalents increased by \$1,889,478 from 2021 to 2022. The expenditures and receipts of the federal and state grant awards have a significant affect on the first three parts of the Cash Flow Statement, increasing the Net Cash Used by Operating Activities, Net Cash Provided by Noncapital Financing Activities, and the Net Cash Used by Capital and Related Financing Activities. HEERF funding increased cash received for Non-capital Financing Activities, but also increased cash used in Operating Activities and Capital & Related Financing Activities.

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CASH FLOW SUMMARY

	 2022	2021
Cash provided (used) by:	_	
Operating Activities	\$ (11,270,698)	\$ (12,421,504)
Non-capital Financing Activities	16,252,555	14,147,003
Capital & Related Financing Activities	(3,442,471)	(1,707,023)
Investing Activities	 350,092	30,980
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash	 1,889,478	49,456
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	 10,289,113	10,239,657
Cash and Cash Equivalents - End of Year	\$ 12,178,591	\$ 10,289,113

Management's Discussion and Analysis (Unaudited)

Long Term Debt

In fiscal year 2011, BRTC issued \$2,665,000 in bonds on September 15, 2010, refunding the Series 2003 issue. The 2003 bond issue was used to fund the construction of the Adult Education/Continuing Education Building finished in fall 2005 and the Business Technology Building finished in fall 2007.

In fiscal year 2016, BRTC completed construction of a 41,450 square foot Health/Science Complex. A permanent financing bond in the amount of \$8,475,000 was issued to United States of American through the Rural Development office of the United States Department of Agriculture. In accordance with GASB 88, the 2016 Series Bond issue is now disclosed and reported as a direct placement.

More detailed information about the bond issues can be found in Notes 5 and 12 of the accompanying financial statements.

Capital Assets

During the year ended June 30, 2022, capital asset purchases of \$1,224,311 were made. Asset Under Construction reflects the construction progress for the flood mitigation system as well as a new roof for the Joe Martin building.

More detailed information about the capital assets can be found in Note 4 of the accompanying financial statements.

Economic Outlook Factors

Black River Technical College has made progress in its financial condition, despite perennial challenges. Challenges facing the college include enrollment management, public and political pressure to hold tuition down, and a student population with expectations of new amenities and programs upon enrolling in college. The uncertainties of health insurance costs, the expenses related to maintaining aging facilities, and ever-increasing instructional costs contribute to the challenges the College faces.

The recent and uncertain impact of COVID-19 on our financial stance has served as a catalyst for increased transparency and institutional involvement within a significantly more fiscally conservative budgeting process. The college's current budget projection conservatively prepares for possible decreases in state support as well as enrollment declines. Additionally, the balance of the institution's budget is reserved for contingency use.

To combat the challenges, the College leverages federal and state grant opportunities for program development and enhancement. Moreover, the College continues to capture efficiencies by collaborating with both Higher Education and K12 institutions, business and industry, and is developing philanthropic relationships to create new opportunities for students and the economic livelihood of the region.

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2022

		June 30, 2022
ASSETS		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	5,398,640
Accounts receivable (less allowance of \$212,121)		174,672
Other receivables		1,872,861
Inventories		255,202
Prepaid expenses		96,622
Accrued interest		1,448
Total Current Assets:		7,799,445
Non-Current Assets:		
Cash & cash equivalents		6,779,951
Other receivables		100,683
Other long-term investments		2,073,297
Deposits with trustee		201,620
Land, construction in progress, improvements and infrastructure, buildings, and		
leasehold improvements		47,552,770
Improvements and infrastructure, buildings, and leasehold improvements -		
accumulated depreciation		(25,961,411)
Equipment		12,242,910
Equipment - accumulated depreciation		(9,449,913)
Library holdings z		619,508
Library holdings - accumulated depreciation		(596,826)
Intangibles		1,244,985
Intangibles- accumulated amortization		(579,896)
Right of Use Assets		536,424
Right of Use Assets - accumulated amortization		(88,939)
Total Non-Current Assets:		34,675,163
TOTAL ASSETS		42,474,608
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		
Deferred outflows related to pensions		816,449
Deferred outflows related to OPEB		95,821
Deferred outflows related to debt refunding		13,003
Total Deferred Out Flows of Resources	-	925,273
TOTAL ASSETS AND DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES		43,399,881

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30, 2022

	June 30, 2022
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities:	
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 1,643,390
Bond interest payable	78,083
OPEB Payable	128,867
Compensated absences payable	60,077
Unearned Revenue	92,284
Funds held in trust for others	62,505
Lease Liability	97,666
Bonds payable	393,125
Bond original issue discount	(257)
Total Current Liabilities:	2,555,740
Non-Current Liabilities:	
OPEB Payable	1,520,775
Compensated absences payable	573,728
Net Pension Liability	1,402,350
Lease Liability	352,832
Bonds payable	7,809,205
Bond original issue discount	(1,284)
Total Non-Current Liabilities:	11,657,606
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14,213,346
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Deferred inflows related to pensions	1,754,843
Deferred inflows related to OPEB	411,065
Deferred inflows related to lease resources	112,814_
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	2,278,722
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	16,492,068
Net Investment in capital assets	17,069,945
Expendable:	
Debt Service	275,174
Other	203,526
Unrestricted	9,359,168
TOTAL NET POSITION	\$ 26,907,813

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

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	Jun	e 30, 2022
Operating Revenues:		
Student tuition and fees	\$	1,884,036
(net of scholarship allowances of \$3,926,396)		
Federal grants and contracts		1,931,717
State and local grants and contracts		2,219,688
Auxiliary enterprises		
Bookstore		237,332
(net of scholarship allowances of \$208,149)		107.011
Cafeteria		107,211
Vending/Testing Center		5,659
Other operating revenues		197,770
Total Operating Revenues		6,583,413
Operating Expenses:		
Personal services		9,655,004
Supplies and services		4,575,572
Scholarships and fellowships		3,811,664
Depreciation and amortization		2,344,840
Total Operating Expenses		20,387,080
Operating Income (Loss)		(13,803,667)
Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)		
State appropriations		8,087,573
Federal grants and contracts		3,362,415
HEERF Grants - Related to COVID-19		5,411,104
Investment income		56,296
Interest on capital asset - related debt		(273,167)
Other revenue/expense		(7,207)
Net Non-operating Revenues (Expenses)		16,637,014
Income Before Other Revenues, Expenses,		,,
Gains or Losses		2,833,347
Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains or Losses		
Capital gifts		35,878
Gain (Loss) from disposition of capital assets		2
Refunds to grantors		(3,557)
Total Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains or Losses		32,323
Total Other Nevenues, Expenses, Gams of Losses		32,323
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets		2,865,670
Net Position - Beginning of Year		24,042,143
Net Position - End of Year	\$	26,907,813

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

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	June 30, 2022
Student tuition and fees	\$ 1,854,468
Federal grants and contracts	2,070,841
State grants and contracts	2,374,638
Auxiliary enterprises revenues:	
Bookstore	237,332
Cafeteria	107,153
Vending	5,637
Other receipts	311,954
Payments to employees	(7,574,283)
Payments to employee benefits	(2,449,016)
Payments to suppliers	(4,396,695)
Other Payments	(1,063)
Scholarships & fellowships	(3,811,664)
Net Cash Provided (used) by Operating Activities:	(11,270,698)
CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
State appropriations	8,087,573
Federal grants and contracts	3,362,415
HEERF Grants - Related to COVID-19	4,807,235
Direct lending loan receipts	1,085,771
Direct lending loan payments	(1,085,771)
Refunds to grantors	(4,037)
Other agency funds - net	(631)
Net Cash Provided (used) by Noncapital Financing Activities:	16,252,555
CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Purchases of capital assets	(2,644,707)
Proceeds from sale of assets	(=,0::,:0:)
Payments on Right of Use Assets	(92,636)
Payment of capital debt	(458,667)
Payment to Establish Bond Fund 2016	(45,724)
Payments to bond trustees-principal	(160,000)
Payments to bond trustees-interest	(40,739)
Net Cash Provided (used) by Capital and Related Financing Activities:	(3,442,471)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	311.590
Interest on investments	38,502
Net Cash Provided (used) by Investing Activities	350,092
Net Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents:	1,889,478
Cash & Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year:	10,289,113
Cash & Cash Equivalents - End of Year:	\$ 12,178,591

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022

	J	une 30, 2022
Reconciliation of net operating revenues (expenses) to net cash provided (used) by operating activities:		
Operating income (loss)	\$	(13,803,667)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash		
provided (used) by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization expense		2,344,840
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Receivables, net		342,896
Inventories		37,147
Prepaid expenses		23,707
Accounts payable		105,577
OPEB payable		51,606
Unearned revenue		1,461
Compensated absences		(52,135)
Net pension liability		(322,130)
NET CASH PROVIDED (USED) BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:	\$	(11,270,698)
Noncash Transactions		
Trustee investment earnings		590
Bond interest and fees paid by bond trustee		(590)
Investment earnings reinvested		15,981
Right to Use Assets (less Amortization)		447,485

NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Reporting Entity

The State Board of Vocational Education was created under the provisions of Act 328 of 1957 for the purpose of establishing in various sections of Arkansas, secondary level schools specializing in vocational technical training. Efforts of the agencies were to be directed toward specialized training of students of high school age and as a service to the community in the area of adult education.

Black River Vocational Technical School, an institution of higher education of the State of Arkansas, began operations February 26, 1973. Effective July 1, 1991, the College's name was changed to Black River Technical College under the provisions of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-53-301. The College is now under the jurisdiction of the Arkansas Higher Education Coordinating Board. The governing body is the Board of Trustees comprised of seven members.

The College's financial statements reflect all funds and accounts directly under the control of the College. There are no component units.

Financial Statement Presentation

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement no. 34, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments. GASB Statement no. 35, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for Public Colleges and Universities, followed this in November 1999. The financial statement presentation required by GASB no. 34 and no. 35 provides a comprehensive, entity-wide perspective of the College's assets, liabilities, net position, revenues, expenses, changes in net position, cash flows, and replaces the fund-group perspective previously required.

Basis of Accounting

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

Capital Assets and Depreciation

Land, buildings, improvements and infrastructure, equipment, library holdings, intangible assets, and construction in progress are reported at cost or estimated historical cost if actual data is not available. Donated capital assets are reported at acquisition value when received. The College follows the State guidelines for equipment capitalization.

Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated lives of the assets, generally 15 to 30 years for buildings, 10 to 20 years for infrastructure and land improvements, 10 to 15 years for library holdings, and 3 to 20 years for equipment.

The College adopted GASB Statement No. 51, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Intangible Assets, during fiscal year 2010. The statement requires government entities to recognize all intangible assets not specifically excluded by its scope provisions to be classified as capital assets in the Statement of Net Position. The statement also provided guidance on determining the useful life of intangible assets for amortization purposes.

The College amortizes intangibles using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the asset, generally 4 to 20 years.

Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, the College considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Accounts Receivable

Accounts Receivable consists of tuition and fee charges to students and auxiliary enterprises provided to students, faculty, and staff. Other Receivable also includes amounts due from the state and federal government for grants as well as various industry partners for corporate training classes. In addition, there are receivables from bookstore credit memos and various miscellaneous receivables.

During fiscal year 2022, the College implemented GASB Statement no. 87, *Leases*. The College has one contractual agreement with an outside party to receive an amount regularly over the term of a contract. This agreement is recorded on the Statement of Net Position in Other Receivables as a lease receivable and a related deferred inflow. Detailed information on leases receivable can be found in Note 10.

Investments

Investments are stated at cost under the provisions of Statement no. 31 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Investments consist of certificates of deposit classified as nonparticipating contracts.

<u>Inventories</u>

Inventories are valued at cost with cost being generally determined on a first-in, first-out basis.

Non-current Cash and Investments

Cash that is externally restricted to purchase or construct capital assets is classified as non-current assets in the Statement of Net Position. This classification also includes cash and investments designated by the College for those same purposes and other investments with an original maturity in excess of one year.

Deposits with Trustee

Deposits with trustee are externally restricted and utilized for the payment of debt and the maintenance of reserve funds

Right of Use Assets

With the adoption of GASB Statement no. 87, *Leases*, the College has accounted for the authority to use these assets on the Statement of Net Position and amortizes them over the term of the contract.

Leases Payable

The College has leases including those for buildings, office space, and equipment. The lease asset is recorded on the Statement of Net Position and amortized over the term of the contract. The amount payable over the contract is recorded as a lease payable on the Statement of Net Position.

Detailed information on leases payable can be found in Note 10.

Unearned Revenues

Unearned revenues include amounts received for tuition and fees and certain auxiliary activities prior to the end of the fiscal year but related to the subsequent accounting period.

NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Compensated Absences Payable

Compensated absences payable represents the College's liability for unused annual and sick leave and related matching costs at June 30, 2022.

Non-Current Liabilities

Non-current liabilities include (1) principal amounts of bonds payable and bond original issue discount with contractual maturities greater than one year; (2) estimated amounts for accrued compensated absences that will not be paid within the next fiscal year; (3) other post-employment benefits payable, and (4) net pension liability.

In accordance with GASB 88, direct placement of bonds are disclosed separately in the notes to the financial statements.

Pensions

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

Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions (OPEB)

For purposes of measuring OPEB liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB, and OPEB expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the plan and additions to/deductions from the plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis. For this purpose, benefit payments are recognized when currently due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms.

Generally accepted accounting principles require that the reported results must pertain to liability and asset information within certain defined timeframes. For this report, the following timeframes are used:

Valuation Date June 30, 2022 Measurement Date June 30, 2022

Measurement Period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

Net Position

Net investment in capital assets presents the College's total investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets.

Restricted net position – expendable represent those resources for which the College is legally or contractually obligated to spend such resources in accordance with restrictions imposed by external parties.

Unrestricted net position include those resources derived from student tuition and fees, state appropriations, and sales and services of auxiliary enterprises. These resources are used for transactions relating to the educational and general operations of the College, and may be used at the discretion of the College's Board of Trustees.

NOTE 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Restricted/Unrestricted Resources

The College has no formal policy addressing which resources to use when both restricted and unrestricted net assets are available for the same purpose. College personnel decide which resources to use at the time expenses are incurred.

Operating and Non-operating Revenues

Revenues of the College are classified as either operating or non-operating according to the following criteria:

Operating revenues result from activities that have characteristics of exchange transactions; that is, the College receives payment in exchange for providing services or products to students or other constituencies. Student tuition and fees, net of scholarship allowances, and some federal, state, and local grants are the primary characteristics of operating revenues for the College.

Non-operating revenues are those revenues that result from non-exchange transactions or from activities specifically defined as non-operating by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Pell grants are considered non-operating under the definitions set forth by the GASB because it imposes administrative responsibilities on the College. Appropriations from the state are also considered non-operating under the definitions set forth by the GASB because the College does not provide a direct and commensurate benefit to the legislature in exchange for such funding. In addition to state appropriations, gifts and investment income are categorized as non-operating revenue.

Scholarship Discounts and Allowances

Student tuition and fee revenues and certain other revenues from students are reported net of scholarship discounts and allowances in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Scholarship discounts and allowances are the difference between the stated charge for goods and services provided by the College and the amount that is paid by students and/or certain third parties making payments on behalf of the students. Under this approach, scholarships awarded by the College are considered as reductions in tuition and fee revenues rather than as expenses. Additionally, certain governmental grants, such as Pell grants are required to be reported as either operating or non-operating revenues in the College's financial statements. To the extent that revenues from such programs are applied to tuition, fees, and other student charges, the College has reported a corresponding scholarship discount or allowance.

NOTE 2: Public Fund Deposits and Investments

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

			Bank
	Carr	rying Amount	 Balance
Insured (FDIC)	\$	4,844,467	\$ 4,847,168
Collateralized:			
Collateral held by the pledging bank or			
pledging bank's trust department in the College's name		9,608,071	9,054,896
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Total Deposits	\$	14,452,538	\$ 13,902,064

The above deposits do not include cash on hand maintained by the College of \$970 at June 30, 2022. The above total deposits include certificates of deposits of \$2,073,297 reported as investments and classified as nonparticipating contracts. Additionally, the deposits include a certificate of deposit and money market checking accounts of \$201,620 reported as deposits with trustee.

NOTE 3: Income Taxes

The College is tax exempt under Internal Revenue Service code. It is also exempt from state income taxes under Arkansas law. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is made in the financial statements.

NOTE 4: Capital Assets

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

	Balance June 30, 2021		Additions		Adjustments Transfers Reclassify		Ju	Balance ne 30, 2022
Capital Assets not being depreciated:								
Land	\$	583,690					\$	583,690
Assets Under Construction		303,794	\$	1,480,627				1,784,421
Total Capital Assets not being depreciated:	\$	887,484	\$	1,480,627	\$	-	\$	2,368,111
Other Capital Assets:								
Improvements and Infrastructure	\$	2,449,440					\$	2,449,440
Buildings		42,342,288						42,342,288
Leasehold Improvements		392,931						392,931
Equipment		11,424,061	\$	1,223,308	\$	(404,459)		12,242,910
Library Holdings		618,505		1,003				619,508
Intangibles		1,244,985						1,244,985
Total Other Capital Assets	_	58,472,210		1,224,311		(404,459)		59,292,062
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:								
Land Improvements		458,980		38,088				497,068
Infrastructure		1,514,536		64,528				1,579,064
Buildings		22,205,647		1,539,812				23,745,459
Leasehold Improvements		120,173		19,647				139,820
Equipment		9,372,572		481,800		(404,459)		9,449,913
Library Holdings		590,633		6,193				596,826
Intangibles		474,064		105,832				579,896
Total Accumulated Depreciation:		34,736,605		2,255,900		(404,459)		36,588,046
Other Capital Assets, Net	\$	23,735,605	\$	(1,031,589)	\$	-	\$	22,704,016
Capital Asset Summary:								
Capital Assets not being depreciated	\$	887,484	\$	1,480,627			\$	2,368,111
Other Capital Assets, at cost		58,472,210		1,224,311	\$	(404,459)		59,292,062
Total Cost of Capital Assets		59,359,694		2,704,938		(404,459)		61,660,173
Less Accumulated Depreciation		34,736,605		2,255,900		(404,459)		36,588,046
Capital Assets, Net	\$	24,623,089	\$	449,038	\$	=	\$	25,072,127

NOTE 5: Long-Term Liabilities

A summary of long-term debt is as follows:

Bonds:

				Amount		Debt	Maturities
	Date of Final	Rate of	_	Authorized	(Outstanding	to
Date of Issue	Maturity	Interest		and Issued		6/30/2022	6/30/2022
Series 10 Genera	al Obligation						
9/15/2010	6/15/2028	2.00 - 4.00%	\$	2,665,000	\$	985,000	\$ 1,680,000
J	Jnamortized bond	discount		(4,560)		(1,541)	(3,019)
			\$	2,660,440	\$	983,459	\$ 1,676,981
Series 16 Direct	Placement						
2/26/2016	2/26/2044	3.125%		8,475,000		7,217,330	1,257,670
TOTALS			\$	11,135,440	\$	8,200,789	\$ 2,934,651

The changes in long-term liabilities are as follows:

	Balance July 1, 2021		Additions		Reductions		Balance June 30, 2022		Amount due within one Year	
Compensated Absences	\$	685,940	\$	311,535	\$	363,670	\$	633,805	\$	60,077
General Obligation Bonds		1,143,202				159,743		983,459		159,743
Direct Placement Bonds		7,443,391				226,061		7,217,330		233,125
Lease Payable				536,424		85,926		450,498		97,666
TOTALS	\$	9,272,533	\$	847,959	\$	835,400	\$	9,285,092	\$	550,611

The long-term revenue bond debt principal and interest payments are as follows:

^{*}Accrued interest payable of \$78,083 on the bond issues was recorded as a current liability at June 30, 2022.

Year ended	C	General Oblig	ation	Bonds		Direct Place	ment	Bonds	
June 30,	P	Principal	Ir	nterest	I	Principal		Interest	 Total
2023	\$	160,000	\$	35,627	\$	233,125	\$	225,542	\$ 654,294
2024		170,000		30,267		240,411		218,256	658,934
2025		175,000		24,403		247,923		210,744	658,070
2026		180,000		18,190		255,671		202,996	656,857
2027		190,000		11,620		263,661		195,006	660,287
2028-2032		110,000		4,400		1,447,167		846,168	2,407,735
2033-2037						1,687,867		605,468	2,293,335
2038-2042						1,968,603		324,732	2,293,335
2043-2044						872,902		41,076	 913,978
Totals	\$	985,000	\$	124,507	\$	7,217,330	\$	2,869,988	\$ 11,196,825

NOTE 6: Commitments

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

Construction Contracts

	Estimated Completion	Rem	aining
Project Name	Date	Comn	nitment
Steiling Architecture - Flood Mitigation Project	September 2023	\$	2,098
Shannon Kee Construction, LLC - Flood Mitigation Project	September 2023		22,938
Steiling Architecture - Joe Martin Roof Project	November 2022		3,573
Architectural Roofing & Construction - Joe Martin Roof Project	November 2022		266,322
		\$	294,931

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans

Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS)

a. General Information about the Defined Benefit Pension Plan

Plan description: Eligible employees of Black River Technical College may elect to participate in the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS). APERS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit plan which covers all State employees who are not covered by another authorized plan. The plan was established by the authority of the Arkansas General Assembly with the passage of Act 177 of 1957. The costs of administering the plan are paid out of investment earnings. The general administration and responsibility for the proper operation of the System is vested in the nine members of the Board of Trustees of the Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (the Board). Membership includes three state and three non-state employees, all appointed by the Governor, and three ex-officio trustees, including the Auditor of the State, the Treasurer of the State, and the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration.

The plan issues a publicly available financial report, which may be obtained by contacting:

Arkansas Public Employees
Retirement System
124 W. Capitol, Suite 400
Little Rock, AR 72201-3704
(501) 682-7800
http://www.apers.org/annualreports/index.php

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans (Continued)

Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS) (Continued)

a. General Information about the Defined Benefit Pension Plan (Continued)

Benefits Provided: Benefit provisions are set forth in Arkansas Code Annotated, Title 24, Chapters 5 and 6 and may only be amended by the Arkansas General Assembly. APERS provides retirement, disability and death benefits. Retirement benefits are determined as a percentage of the member's highest 3-year average compensation times the member's years of service. The percentage used is based upon whether a member is contributory or non-contributory as follows:

Contributory, prior to 7/1/2005	2.07%
Contributory, on or after $7/1/2005$, but prior to $7/1/2007$	2.03%
Contributory, on or after 7/1/2007	2.00%
Non-Contributory	1.72%

Members are eligible to retire with a full benefit under the following conditions:

- at age 65 with 5 years of service,
- at any age with 28 years actual service,
- at age 60 with 20 years of actual service if under the old contributory plan (prior to July 1, 2005), or
- at age 55 with 35 years of credited service for elected or public safety officials.

Members may retire with a reduced benefit at age 55 with at least 5 years of actual service or at any age with 25 years of service.

Members are eligible for disability benefits with 5 years of service. Disability benefits are computed as an age and service benefit, based on service and pay at disability. Death benefits are paid to a surviving spouse as if the member had 5 years of service and the monthly benefit is computed as if the member had retired and elected the Joint & 75% Survivor option. A cost of living adjustment of 3% of the current benefit is added each year.

Contributions. Contribution requirements are set forth in Arkansas Code Annotated, Title 24, Chapter 4. The contributions are expected to be sufficient to finance the costs of benefits earned by members during the year and make a level payment that, if paid annually over a reasonable period of future years, will fully cover the unfunded costs of benefit commitments for services previously rendered (A.C.A. 24-2-701 (a)). Members who began service prior to July 1, 2005 are not required to make contributions to APERS. Members who began service on or after July 1, 2005 are required to contribute 5% of their salary. Employers are required to contribute at a rate established by the Board of Trustees of APERS based on an actuary's determination of a rate required to fund the plan (A.C.A. 24-2-701 (c)(3)). Employers contributed 15.32% of compensation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022. In some cases, an additional 2.5% of member and employer contributions are required for elected officials.

Contributions to APERS from Black River Technical College were \$ 159,391. for the year ended June 30, 2022 at the rate of 15.32 percent of applicable compensation.

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

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans (Continued)

Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS) (Continued)

b. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the Plan

At June 30, 2022, Black River Technical College reported liabilities of \$351,862 for its proportionate share of the net pension liabilities. The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability for the plan was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. Black River Technical College's proportion of the net pension liability was based on current contributions of all participating employers. At June 30, 2021, BRTC's proportionate share was .04576582% for APERS.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, Black River Technical College recognized a credit to pension expense in the amount of \$33,744. For the year ended June 30, 2022, BRTC reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected and actual experience		
	\$ 8,053	\$ 22,566
Changes of assumptions		2,465
Net differences between projected and actual earnings on		
pension plan investments		617,638
Changes in proportion and differences between BRTC		
contributions and proportionate share of contributions	41,588	49,983
BRTC contributions subsequent to the measurement date		
	159,391	
Total	\$ 209,032	\$ 692,652

\$159,391 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from BRTC's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2023	\$ (167,489)
2024	(128,840)
2025	(159,248)
2026	(187,434)

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans (Continued)

Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS) (Continued)

b. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the Plan (Continued)

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

	APERS
Date of actuarial valuation	June 30, 2021
Inflation rate	3.25% wage inflation and 2.5% price inflation
Salary increases	3.25% - 9.85%, including inflation
Investment rate of return	7.15%
Mortality Table	Based on the RP-2006 Healthy Annuitant benefit weighted generational mortality tables for males and females. Mortality rates are multiplied by 135% for males and 125% for females and are adjusted for fully generational improvements using Scale MP-2017.
Actuarial experience study dates	July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2017

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of each plan was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2021, are summarized in the table below:

APERS		
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate
		of Return
Broad Domestic Equity	37%	6.22%
International Equity	24%	6.69%
Real Assets	16%	4.81%
Absolute Return	5%	3.05%
Domestic Fixed	18%	0.57%

Total Real Rate of Return 4.93%
Plus: Price Inflation-Actuary Assumption
Net Expected Return 7.43%

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

A single discount rate of 7.15% was used to measure the total pension liability. This single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.15% The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans (Continued)

Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System (APERS) (Continued)

b. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to the Plan (Continued)

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

	1% Decrease	Current discount rate	1% Increase
		7.15%	
APERS – 7.15%	\$ 1,052,559	\$ 351,862	\$ (226,812)

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

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

a. General Information about the Defined Benefit Pension Plans

Plan description: Eligible employees of Black River Technical College may elect to participate in the pension plan through the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (ATRS), administered by the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System Board of Trustees. ATRS is a cost-sharing, multiple-employer, defined benefit plans. Benefit provisions are established and amended by Arkansas Code Title 24.

The plan issues a publicly available financial report, which may be obtained by contacting:

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System 1400 West Third Street Little Rock, AR 72201 (501) 682-1517 https://www.artrs.gov/publications

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

Members are eligible for full retirement benefits at age 60 with five or more years of actual or reciprocal service or at any age with 28 or more years of credited service. Members with 25 years of actual or reciprocal service who have not attained age 60 may receive an annuity reduced by 10/12 of 1% multiplied by the number of months by which the early retirement precedes the earlier of (1) completion of 28 years of credited service or (2) attainment of age 60. The normal retirement benefit, paid monthly, is determined based on (1) the member's final average salary (effective July 1, 2018, computed using the average of the annual salaries paid during the period of 5 years of credited service producing the highest annual average) and (2) the number of years of service. Disability retirement benefits are payable to members who are vested and demonstrate total and permanent incapacity to perform the duties of their position while in active employment. The disability annuity is computed in the same manner as the age and service annuity. Survivor benefits are payable to qualified survivors upon the death of an active, vested member. Eligible spouse survivors receive a survivor annuity that is based on the member's years of service credit prior to their death, and minor child survivors receive a percentage of the member's highest salary earned. A lump sum death benefit is provided for active and retired members with ten years of actual service. A cost of living adjustment (COLA) is payable on July 1 of each year to retirees, certain survivors, and annuity beneficiaries who received monthly benefits for the previous 12 months. The COLA is determined by multiplying the member's base retirement annuity by 3%.

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans (Continued)

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (Continued)

a. General Information about the Defined Benefit Pension Plans (Continued)

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

The funding policy of ATRS provides for periodic employer contributions at statutorily established rates based on annual actuarial valuations. For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2022, the employer contribution rate was 14.75% of covered employee payroll. Contributions to ATRS from Black River Technical College were \$184,658 for the year ended June 30, 2022.

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

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

At June 30, 2022, Black River Technical College reported liabilities of \$ 1,050,488 for its proportionate share of the net pension liabilities. The net pension liabilities were measured as of June 30, 2021, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability for each plan was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. Black River Technical College's proportion of the net pension liability was based on current contributions of all participating employers. At June 30, 2021, the BRTC's proportion was .037940% for ATRS.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, Black River Technical College recognized pension expense in the amount of \$55,664. For the year ended June 30, 2022, BRTC reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions as follows:

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected and actual		
experience	\$ 53,447	\$ 9,081
Changes of assumptions	316,515	
Net differences between projected and actual		
earnings on pension plan investments		870,326
Changes in proportion and differences between		
BRTC contributions and proportionate share of	52,797	182,784
contributions		
BRTC contributions subsequent to the		
measurement date	184,658	
Total	\$ 607,417	\$ 1,062,191

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans (Continued)

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (Continued)

b. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

\$ 184,658 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from BRTC's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2023. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2023	\$ (128,306)
2024	(114,301)
2025	(140,355)
2026	(264,479)
2027	8,009

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

	ATRS
Date of actuarial valuation	June 30, 2021
Inflation rate	2.75%
Salary increases	2.75% to 7.75%
Investment rate of return	7.25%, compounded annually
Mortality table	Pub-2010 Healthy Retired, General Disabled
	Retiree, and General Employee Mortality weighted
	tables were used for males and females. Mortality
	rates were adjusted for future mortality
	improvements using projection scale MP-2020 from
	2010.
Actuarial experience study dates	July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2020

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments of the plan was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return were adopted by the plan's trustees after considering input from the plan's investment consultant and actuary.

For each major asset class that is included in each pension plans' target asset allocation as of June 30, 2021, these best estimates are summarized in the following table:

ATRS		
Asset Class	Target Allocation	Long-Term Expected Real Rate of Return
Total equity	53%	4.8%
Fixed income	15%	0.4%
Alternatives	5%	3.8%
Real assets	15%	4.7%
Private equity	12%	6.5%
Cash equivalents	0%	-0.2%

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans (Continued)

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System (Continued)

b. Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions (Continued)

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

A single discount rate of 7.25% was used to measure the total pension liability based on the expected rate of return on pension plan investments. The fiscal year 2022 member and employer contribution rates are 6.75% and 14.75% of active member payroll, respectively. Although not all members contribute, the member and employer rates are scheduled to increase by .25% increments ending in fiscal year 2023. The ultimate member and employer rates will be 7% and 15%, respectively. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that member and employer contributions will be made in accordance with this schedule. This includes payroll for current T-DROP participants and Return to Work retirees. Based on these assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

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

	1% Decrease	Current discount rate	1% Increase	
ATRS – 7.25%	\$ 2,197,827	\$ 1,050,488	\$ 98,498	

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

Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association/College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA/CREF)

General Information about the Defined Contribution Pension Plans

Plan Description. The College participates in TIAA/CREF, a defined contribution plan. The plan is a 403(b) program as defined by Internal Revenue Service Code of 1986 as amended, and is administered by TIAA/CREF. TIAA is an insurance company offering participants a traditional annuity with guaranteed principle and a specific interest rate plus the opportunity for additional growth through dividends. CREF is an investment company which offers a variable annuity. Arkansas law authorizes participation in the plan.

Funding Policy. TIAA/CREF has contributory and non-contributory plans. Contributory members contribute 6% of earnings to the plan. The College contributes 14% of earnings for contributory members. The participants' and the College's contributions for the year ended June 30, 2022 were \$80,734, and \$165,396, respectively.

NOTE 7: Retirement Plans (Continued)

Alternative Retirement Plan - Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company

Plan Description. The College contributes to the Alternative Retirement Plan – Variable Annuity Life Insurance Company (VALIC), a defined contribution plan. The plan is a 403(b) program as defined by Internal Revenue Service Code of 1986 as amended, and is administered by the State Board of Workforce Education and Career Opportunities and VALIC. VALIC provides insurance policies and annuity contracts which become the property of the participant, when issued. ACT 480 of 1983 provides alternative retirement plans, as approved by the Arkansas State Board of Workforce Education and Career Opportunities, for the staff members of the vocational-technical schools. Employees were allowed to continue participation in this plan when the College converted from a vocational-technical school to an institution of higher education.

Funding Policy. The participants' contributions are tax-sheltered and amount to a minimum of 6% of compensation. The College's contribution rate is 14%. Participants become vested after one year. The participants' and the College's contributions for the year ended June 30, 2022 were \$280,605 and \$472,723 respectively.

NOTE 8: Natural Classification by Function

The College's operating expenses by function were as follows:

			Sc	holarships			Depreciation		
]	Personal		and	Su	pplies and		and	
		Services	Fe	llowships*		Services	am	ortization	Total
Instruction	\$	5,322,305			\$	1,165,625			\$ 6,487,930
Public Service		285,007				31,717			316,724
Academic Support		584,111				34,281			618,392
Student Services		1,174,192				206,070			1,380,262
Institutional Support		1,586,196				951,633			2,537,829
Scholarships and Fellowships			\$	3,811,664					3,811,664
Operations and Maintenance of		529,706				1,737,659			2,267,365
Auxiliary Enterprises		173,487				448,587			622,074
Depreciation and amortization							\$	2,344,840	2,344,840
Total	\$	9,655,004	\$	3,811,664	\$	4,575,572	\$	2,344,840	\$ 20,387,080

^{*} Includes \$2,814,880 of HEERF direct payments to students.

NOTE 9: Disaggregation of Receivable and Payable Balances

Accounts receivable from students and responsible third parties were \$ 386,793 at June 30, 2022. This amount was reduced by an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$ 212,121.

Current other receivables of \$1,872,861 at June 30, 2022 consisted of \$1,659,498 due from various grantors for the Career Pathways, Carl Perkins, BAT, Adult Ed - GEER, Adult Ed - TANF, ACC: Ready for Life, Federal Work Study, ACE Career Coach, Workforce Challenge, and ACE secondary programs as well for the ADEM: FEMA project and the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund. Vendor credit memos totaled \$79,411 and \$120,345 was due from various sources. The remaining \$13,607 current other receivables recognized with the adoption of GASB 87 – *Leases.* Non-current other receivables of \$100,683 is a lease receivable.

The accounts payable and accrued liabilities of \$ 1,643,390 at June 30, 2022 consisted of \$ 934,049 due to various vendors and \$ 709,341 for accrued salaries and benefits. The increase in vendor payables includes those related to construction in progress.

NOTE 10: Leases

Right to Use Leased Assets

The College has recorded four right to use leased assets. The assets are right to use assets for leased buildings and equipment. The related leases are discussed in the Leases Payable subsection of this note. The right to use lease assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the terms of the related leases.

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

,	Balance				F	Balance
	June 30, 2021	A	dditions	ns Reductions		e 30, 2022
Right to use assets						
Leased Buildings		\$	392,810		\$	392,810
Leased equipment			143,614			143,614
Total right to use assets			536,424			536,424
Less accumulated amortizatin for:						
Leased Buildings			(37,878)			(37,878)
Leased equipment			(51,061)			(51,061)
Total accumulated amortization			(88,939)			(88,939)
Right to use assets, net	\$ -	\$	447,485	\$ -	\$	447,485

Leases Payable

The College has entered into agreements to lease certain buildings and equipment. The lease agreements qualify as other than short-term leases under GASB 87 and, therefore, have been recorded at the present value of the future minimum lease payments as of the date of their inception. The lease liabilities are measured using the incremental borrowing rates as calculated for the state of Arkansas by the Department of Finance and Administration. The discount rates for leases implemented during the first quarter of fiscal year 2022 were 1.615% and .775% for real estate and equipment, respectively. The rates generally will not change during the term of the lease.

The first agreement was executed on June 1, 2013 to lease the building at 2402 N 12th Ave, Paragould, Arkansas and, as of July 1, 2021, had 155 remaining monthly payments of \$2,500. There are no variable payments components of the lease. As a result of the lease, the College has recorded a right to use asset with a net book value of \$322,480 and a lease liability of \$325,005 at June 30, 2022.

The second agreement was executed on January 1, 2022, to lease the building at 900 W Kingshighway, Paragould, Arkansas, and requires 24 monthly payments of \$1,833. There are no variable payment components of the lease. As a result of the lease, the College has recorded a right to use asset with a net book value of \$32,451 and a lease liability of \$32,582 at June 30, 2022.

The third agreement was executed on February 1, 2021, to lease copier equipment and, as of July 1, 2021, had 55 remaining monthly payments of \$923. There are no variable payment components of the lease. As a result of the lease, the College has recorded a right to use asset with a net book value of \$38,974 and a lease liability of \$39,124 at June 30, 2022.

The fourth agreement was executed on November 1, 2018, to lease copier equipment and, as of July 1, 2021, had 28 remaining monthly payments of \$3,380. As a result of the lease, the College has recorded a right to use asset with a net book value of \$53,580 and a lease liability of \$53,787 at June 30, 2022.

NOTE 10: Leases (Continued)

Leases Payable (Continued)

The future minimum lease obligations and the present value of these minimum lease payments as of June 30, 2022 were as follows:

Year	ended
i ear	ended

June 30,	June 30,		Interest	Total
2023	\$	97,666	\$ 5,970	\$ 103,636
2024		60,682	4,913	65,595
2025		36,731	4,343	41,074
2026		32,615	3,845	36,460
2027		26,598	3,402	30,000
2028-2032		139,624	10,376	150,000
2033-2034		56,582	918	57,500
Totals	\$	450,498	\$ 33,767	\$ 484,265

Leases Receivable

The College has one lease receivable. The deferred inflow for the lease is amortized using the straight-line method. Below are the details of the lease.

On March 1, 2020, the College entered into a lease agreement with the City of Pocahontas, for the facility located at 2022 Highway 67 South, Pocahontas, owned by the College. The College is responsible for repairs and maintenance. The term of the lease is 10 years. The rent is paid monthly and is subject to an annual rent escalation of 1.0%.

The amount of the principal and interest and the amortization of the deferred inflows for each of the next five years and then in five-year increments are:

Year ended					Amo	rtization of
June 30,	P	rincipal	Ir	Interest		rred Inflow
2023	\$	13,607	\$	1,746	\$	14,715
2024		13,983		1,523		14,715
2025		14,367		1,294		14,715
2026		14,758		1,060 818		14,715
2027		15,158				14,715
2028-2030		42,417		952		39,239
Totals	\$	114,290	\$	7,393	\$	112,814

NOTE 11: Black River Technical College Foundation, Inc.

The financial statements of the College do not include assets, liabilities, net assets, and changes in net assets, relating to the Black River Technical College Foundation, Inc. The Black River Technical College Foundation, Inc. operates as a nonprofit benevolent corporation for charitable educational purposes of the College. A summary of the Foundation's financial condition as of June 30, 2022, follows:

Black River Technical College Foundation

ASSETS		
Cash and Investments	\$	842,482
Other		15
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	842,497
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Net Assets:		
Unrestricted	\$	457,866
Temporarily Restricted		251,536
Permanently Restricted		133,095
Total Net Assets		842,497
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$	842,497
Major components of the changes in net assets during 2021-2	22 consisted	d of:
Donations without Donor Restrictions	\$	107,380
Donations with Donor Restrictions	•	89,354
Other revenue		4,051
Total		200,785
Expenditures		114,654
Net Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$	86,131

The College applied the guidelines established by Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement no. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units* to the Black River Technical College Foundation, Inc. The College determined the Foundation did not meet all of the criteria to be reported as a component unit in the accompanying financial statements.

NOTE 12: Pledged Revenues

The College had pledged revenues at June 30, 2022 as follows:

Series 2010 Student Fee—Issue Date: 9-15-2010; Maturity Date: 06-15-2028; Purpose: Refund Series 2003 Bonds for Renovation and Construction of Classroom Facilities, Pocahontas Campus: Type of Revenue Pledged: Tuition and Fees; 2022 Gross Revenue: \$5,810,432; Amount Issued: \$2,665,000; 2022 Principal Paid: \$160,000; Interest Paid: \$40,748; Principal Outstanding: \$985;000 Interest Outstanding: \$124,507 Percent of Revenue Pledged in 2022: 3.45%

Student Fee Revenue Bond 2016— Issue Date: 2-26-2016: Maturity Date: 2-26-2044; Purpose: To provide permanent financing for a portion of the costs of acquiring, constructing, equipping, and furnishing a new health and science facility, Pocahontas campus; Type of Revenue Pledged: Tuition and Fees; 2022 Gross Revenue: \$5,810,432; Amount Issued: \$8,475,000; 2022 Principal Paid: \$226,061; Interest Paid: \$232,606; Principal Outstanding: \$7,217,330; Interest Outstanding: \$2,869,988 Percent of Revenue Pledged in 2022: 7.89%

NOTE 13: Risk Management

The College is exposed to various risks of loss including, but not necessarily limited to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; nonperformance of duty; injuries to employees; and natural disasters.

The College participates in the Self-Insured Fidelity Bond Program administered by The Arkansas Governmental Bonding Board. The blanket dishonesty bond provides coverage of actual losses incurred as a result of fraudulent or dishonest acts committed by state officials or employees. Each loss is limited to \$300,000 with a \$2,500 deductible. Premiums for coverage are remitted by the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration from funds deducted from the College's state treasury funds. In compliance with requirements of a federal grant, Black River Technical College purchased an additional \$1,000,000 Crime and Employee Dishonesty coverage as part of the Participating Municipalities of the State of Arkansas policy with The Cincinnati Insurance Company. This policy has a \$300,000 deductible.

The College participates in the Arkansas Multi-Agency Insurance Trust Fund (AMAIT) for insurance coverage for property and vehicles. In its administrative capacity, AMAIT is responsible for monitoring, negotiating, and settling claims that have been filed against its members. The College pays annual premiums for buildings, contents, and vehicles. The College also now has cyber incident and event liability coverage through AMAIT as well as Business Interruption Coverage in the event the College is prevented from conducting business as usual due to a catastrophic event. The coverage would pay operating expenses while the College was in recovery. This policy has a \$10,000 deductible.

The College also participates in the workers' compensation program which is administered by Public Employee Claims Division of the Arkansas Insurance Department. The program is responsible for obtaining and administering workers' compensation insurance coverage for its members, as well as obtaining reinsurance coverage for those claims that exceed the standard policy limits. In its administrative capacity, the Division is responsible for monitoring, negotiating, and settling claims that have been filed on behalf of and against the College. The College contributes quarterly to this program.

Additional information related to the State's risk management program is available in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the State of Arkansas.

The College carries Directors and Officers Liability through Indian Harbor Insurance Company. Losses carry a \$1,000,000 limit with a \$25,000 deductible. An annual premium is paid for this coverage.

During the past three fiscal years, no claims have exceeded the amount of coverage. While the College still has coverage for flood, the underwriter of the policy did increase the deductible from \$100,000 for buildings and contents per event to \$500,000 for buildings and \$500,000 for contents per event.

NOTE 14: Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB)

General Information about the OPEB Plan

Plan description: The College adopted GASB Statement no. 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions, during fiscal year 2018. The Statement requires governmental entities to recognize and match other postretirement benefit costs with related services received and also to provide information regarding the actuarially calculated liability and funding level of the benefits associated with past services. The College participates in a single employer defined benefit postretirement medical plan, which is administered by the Arkansas Higher Education Consortium (AHEC). The authority under which the Plan's benefit provisions are established by Board policy 6215, adopted April 1998, last revised May 2021.

Benefits provided: The College offers postemployment health care benefits to all employees who officially retire from the College and meet certain age- and service-related requirements. Health care benefits are offered through the Black River Technical College Health Insurance Plan. The OPEB plan does not provide for automatic cost of living adjustments (COLA). OPEB benefits are subject to medical inflation, which is reflected in the actuarial assumptions.

Covered employees: Employees between the ages of 55 and 60 shall become eligible for retirement benefits in the calendar year in which the sum of the ages and the number of years of continuous full-time service to the College total 70. Employees 60 years and older are eligible for retirement benefits in the calendar year in which they have at least 10 years continuous full-time service to the College. Employees who meet these requirements have the opportunity to continue basic health insurance coverage upon retirement at no cost to the retiree until the retiree reaches the age 65 or becomes eligible for Medicare coverage. After age 65, a retiree can continue coverage, but must pay the same premium as an active employee. Eligible employees may elect single or family coverage; however, the retiree will be entirely responsible for total cost of insurance premium for spouse and any unmarried dependents. Eligible employees may also choose to buy up to a plan with a lower deductible. The employee is responsible for the differences in the premium.

As of the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation, the following current and former employees were covered by the benefit terms under the plan:

Active employees	113
Retirees and beneficiaries	73
Retirees and beneficiaries covered by medical	14

Contributions: Contributions are made on a pay as you go basis. Employer contributions for the year ended June 30, 2022, were \$82,665. The plan has no invested assets (no assets were accumulated in a trust that meets the criteria in paragraph 4 of GASB Statement no. 75) at this time, so no long-term expected return on plan assets was used.

NOTE 14: Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

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

At June 30, 2022, Black River Technical College reported a liability of \$1,649,642 for total OPEB liability. The OPEB liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and was determined by an actuarial valuation date of June 30, 2022, based on the following assumptions:

Actuarial Assumptions:	
Date of actuarial valuation	June 30, 2022
Discount Rate	4.09%
Inflation rate	3.00%
Investment rate of return	0.00%
Mortality rates	The Pub-T 2010 Mortality Table (headcount basis) projected generationally with Scale MP-2019 was used.
Healthcare Cost Trend Rate	8.0% next year, 7.5% the following year, 7.0% the third year, 6.5% the fourth year, with the rate decreasing by 0.5% each year, to an ultimate rate of 5.0%.

For the year ended June 30, 2022, the College recognized OPEB expense of \$ 134,271. At June 30, 2022, the College reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to OPEB from the following sources:

	Deferred Outflows of	Deferred Inflows of
	Resources	Resources
Differences between expected and actual		
experience		\$ 183,602
Changes of assumptions*	\$ 95,821	227,463
Net differences between projected and actual		
earnings on OPEB plan investments		
Total	\$ 95,821	\$ 411,065

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

Year ending June 30:	Net Deferred Outflow of Resources	
2023	\$ (34,052)	
2024	(34,052)	
2025	(34,052)	
2026	(34,052)	
2027	(34,052)	
Thereafter	(144,984)	
Total	\$(315,244)	

NOTE 14: Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) (Continued)

OPEB Liabilities, OPEB Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to OPEB (Continued)

Discount Rate: A single discount rate of 4.09% was used to measure the total OPEB Liability. GASB no. 74 and no. 75 include a specific requirement for the discount rate that is used for the purpose of the measurement of the total OPEB Liability. This rate considers the ability of the fund to meet benefit obligations in the future. To make this determination, employer contributions, employee contributions, benefit payments, expenses and investment returns are projected into the future. The Plan Net Position (assets) in future years can then be projected and compared to the obligation to make benefit payments in those years. As long as assets are projected to be on hand in a future year, the assumed valuation discount rate is used. In years where assets are not projected to be sufficient to meet benefit payments, the use of a "risk-free" rate is required. The single discount rate is equivalent to applying these two rates to the benefits that are projected to be paid during the different time periods.

Changes in the Total OPEB Liability

		Total OPEB
		Liability
Balance	s at 6/30/21	\$ 2,013,792
Change	s for the year:	
a)	Service cost	123,972
b)	Interest	44,351
c)	Differences between expected and	
	actual experience	(197,071)
d)	Employer contributions	0
e)	Employee contributions	0
f)	Net investment income	0
g)	Benefits and refunds	(82,665)
h)	Admin expenses	0
i)	Assumption change	(252,737)
j)	Other	
Net cha	nges	(364,150)
Balance	s at 6/30/22	\$ 1,649,642

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the total OPEB liability, calculated using a single discount rate of 4.09%, as well as what the total OPEB liability would be if it were calculated using a single discount rate that is one percentage point higher or one percentage point lower than the current rate, for the measurement period ended June 30, 2022.

	1% Decrease	Current discount rate	1% Increase
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 1,749,878	\$ 1,649,642	\$ 1,555,343

Sensitivity of the Total OPEB Liability to Changes in the Health Care Cost Trend Rates

The following presents the total OPEB liability if it were calculated using health care cost trend rate that is one percentage point higher or one percentage point lower than the current rate, for the measurement period ended June 30, 2022.

	1% Decrease	Assumed	1% Increase
	HCCTR	HCCTR	HCCTR
Total OPEB Liability	\$ 1,496,947	\$ 1,649,642	\$ 1,829,117

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED) June 30, 2022

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB)

Black River Technical College

Schedule of Changes in the College's Total OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

Fiscal Year ending June 30	 2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Total OPEB Liability					
Service Cost	\$ 123,972	\$ 115,957	\$ 102,216	\$ 99,591	\$ 97,559
Interest	44,351	50,238	49,668	50,234	49,877
Benefit Changes	-	-	-	-	-
Difference between Actual & Expected				-	-
Experience	(197,071)		(8,578)	-	-
Assumption Changes	(252,737)	57,749	36,972	19,861	15,506
Benefit Payments	(82,665)	(81,675)	(75,735)	(77,220)	(66,330)
Net Change in Total OPEB Liability	\$ (364,150)	\$ 142,269	\$ 104,543	\$ 92,466	\$ 96,612
Total OPEB Liability - Beginning	2,013,792	1,871,523	1,766,980	1,674,514	1,577,902
Total OPEB Liability - Ending	\$ 1,649,642	\$ 2,013,792	\$ 1,871,523	\$ 1,766,980	\$ 1,674,514
Covered Employee Payroll	\$ 5,531,129	\$ 6,861,912	\$ 6,807,401	\$ 6,831,642	\$ 6,980,231
Total OPEB Liability as a Percentage of Covered Employee Payroll	29.8%	29.3%	27.5%	25.9%	24.0%

Notes to Schedule:

Changes of assumptions: The assumed single discount rate was changed from 3.13% to 2.98% at 6/30/2018, 2.79% at 6/30/2019, 2.66% at 6/30/2020 (and PUBG-T mortality table added), 2.18% at 6/30/2021, 4.09% at 6/30/2022

Historical information is required only for measurement periods for which GASB 75 is applicable. Future years' information will be displayed up to 10 years as information becomes available.

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

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

June 30, 2022

Retirement Plans

Arkansas Public Employees Retirement System

Black River Technical College

Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - APERS

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	2022*		2021*		2020*	2019*		2018*		2017*		2016*	2015*
BRTC's Proportion of Net Pension Liability		0.0458%	0.0468%		0.0433%		0.0484%		0.0477%	0.041	.2%	0.0427%	0.0376%
BRTC's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	\$	351,862	\$ 1,340,745	\$:	1,045,381	\$	1,068,065	\$ 1	1,233,812	\$ 984,2	91	\$ 785,596	\$ 533,909
BRTC's Covered Payroll	\$	913,893	\$ 913,551	\$	829,207	\$	906,967	\$	860,524	\$ 749,4	47	\$ 756,807	\$ 665,272
BRTC's Proportionate Share of the NPL as a % of its covered payroll		38.50%	146.76%		126.07%		117.76%		143.38%	131.3	4%	103.80%	80.25%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a % of the Total Pension Liability		93.57%	75.38%		78.55%		79.59%		75.65%	75.5	0%	80.39%	84.15%

^{*}The amounts presented were determined as of June 30 of the previous year.

Black River Technical College

Schedule of the College's Contributions - APERS

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		2022	2021		2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2	015
Contractually Required Contribution	\$	159,391	\$ 140,008	\$	139,973	\$ 127,034	\$ 133,770	\$ 124,776	\$ 108,669	\$ 11	.1,775
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution		159,391	140,008		139,973	127,034	133,770	124,776	108,669	11	.1,775
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$	
BRTC's Covered Payroll	\$ 1	1,040,417	\$ 913,893	\$	913,551	\$ 829,207	\$ 906,967	\$ 860,524	\$ 749,447	\$ 75	66,807
Contributions as a % of Covered Employee Payroll		15.32%	15.32%		15.32%	15.32%	14.75%	14.50%	14.50%	1	4.76%

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

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION (UNAUDITED) June 30, 2022

Retirement Plans (Continued)

Arkansas Teacher Retirement System

Black River Technical College

Schedule of the College's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability - ATRS

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	2022*	2021*	2020*	2019*	2018*	2017*	2016*	2015*
BRTC's Proportion of Net Pension Liability	0.0379%	0.0423%	0.0402%	0.0403%	0.0432%	0.0425%	0.0436%	0.0448%
BRTC's Proportionate Share of Net Pension Liability	\$ 1,050,488	\$ 2,397,561	\$ 1,676,932	\$ 1,467,831	\$ 1,817,121	\$ 1,875,607	\$ 1,421,451	\$ 1,176,003
BRTC's Covered Payroll	\$ 1,236,486	\$ 1,326,259	\$ 1,237,230	\$ 1,223,026	\$ 1,281,170	\$ 1,245,685	\$ 1,271,812	\$ 1,299,304
BRTC's Proportionate Share of the NPL as a % of its covered payroll	84.96%	180.78%	135.54%	120.02%	141.83%	150.57%	111.77%	90.51%
Plan Fiduciary Net Position as a % of the Total Pension Liability	88.58%	74.91%	80.96%	82.78%	79.48%	76.75%	82.20%	84.98%

^{*}The amounts presented were determined as of June 30 of the previous year.

Black River Technical College

Schedule of the College's Contributions - ATRS

		2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Contractually Required Contribution	\$	184,658	\$ 179,290	\$ 188,992	\$ 173,212	\$ 171,224	\$ 179,364	\$ 174,396	\$ 178,054
Contributions in Relation to the Contractually Required Contribution	_	184,658	179,290	188,992	173,212	171,224	179,364	 174,396	178,054
Contribution Deficiency (Excess)	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$
BRTC's Covered Payroll	\$	1,251,919	\$ 1,236,486	\$ 1,326,259	\$ 1,237,230	\$ 1,223,026	\$ 1,281,170	\$ 1,245,685	\$ 1,271,812
Contributions as a % of Covered Employee Payroll		14.75%	14.50%	14.25%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%	14.00%

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

BLACK RIVER TECHNICAL COLLEGE SCHEDULE OF SELECTED INFORMATION FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2022 (Unaudited)

Year Ended June 30,

		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018	
Total Assets and Deferred Outflows	\$	43,399,881	\$	40,938,913	\$	39,920,416	\$	41,160,086	\$	43,383,710	
Total Liabilities and Deferred Inflows		16,492,068		16,896,770		16,075,411		16,151,377		16,233,396	
Total Net Position		26,907,813		24,042,143		23,845,005		25,008,709		27,150,314	
Total Operating Revenues		6,583,413		5,082,203		4,588,811		4,852,627		4,834,122	
Total Operating Expenses		20,387,080		19,280,007		17,923,178		18,973,265		18,553,343	
Total Net Non-Operating Revenues		16,637,014		14,378,060		12,172,594		11,974,169		11,929,929	
Total Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains or Losses		32,323		16,882		(1,931)		4,864		2,062,468	

