Consolidated financial statements of

Toronto District School Board

August 31, 2016

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Management Report

Year ended August 31, 2016

Re: Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

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

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

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

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

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

John Malloy Director of Education

Carla Kisko Associate Director, Finance & Operations

January 12, 2017

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees of The Toronto District School Board

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Toronto District School Board, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at August 31, 2016, and the consolidated statements of operations, change in net debt and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Consolidated Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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

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

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

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many school boards, individual schools derive revenue from school fundraising activities held throughout the year. Adequate documentation and controls were not in place throughout the year to allow us to obtain satisfactory audit verification as to the completeness of these revenues. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the individual schools and we were not able to determine whether adjustments might be necessary to school fundraising revenue, annual surplus and cash flows from operating activities for the years ended August 31, 2016 and 2015, financial assets as at August 31, 2016 and 2015 and accumulated deficit as at September 1 and August 31 for both the 2016 and 2015 fiscal years. Our opinion on the consolidated financial statements for the year ended August 31, 2015 was modified accordingly because of the possible effects of this limitation in scope.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the possible effect of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified Opinion paragraph, the consolidated financial statements of Toronto District School Board for the year ended August 31, 2016 are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the basis of accounting described in Note 1(a) to the consolidated financial statements.

Emphasis of Matter

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

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Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants January 12, 2017

Consolidated statement of financial position as at August 31, 2016

(In thousands of dollars)

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Financial assets		
Cash	43,625	50,968
Temporary investments	155,738	169,679
Due from City of Toronto	228,519	224,202
Accounts receivable (net of allowance of \$9,632 (2015 - \$8,631))	32,969	29,807
Accounts receivable - Province of Ontario (Note 2)	485,222	452,405
Mortgage receivable (Note 3)	-	2,450
Funds on deposit (Note 4(f))	113,670	114,312
Properties held for sale (Note 5)	310	-
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Liabilities		
Short-term borrowing (Note 6)	46,000	-
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (Note 20)	242,001	217,914
Due to Province of Ontario	41,853	43,464
Accrued vacation pay	15,878	16,019
Deferred revenue (Note 7)	137,621	145,978
Deferred capital contributions (Note 8)	1,943,639	1,913,787
Retirement and other employee future benefits payable (Note 4)	369,585	426,202
Net long term debt (Note 9)	444,506	467,079
	3,241,083	3,230,443
Net debt	(2,181,030)	(2,186,620)
Non-financial assets		0.044.040
Tangible capital assets (Note 10)	2,040,453	2,011,916
Prepaid expenses and supplies	8,680	8,581
	2,049,133	2,020,497
Accumulated deficit (Note 11)	(131,897)	(166,123)

Commitments and contingencies (Notes 12 and 13)

Approved by the Board Director of Education and Secretary Treasurer Chair of the Board

Consolidated statement of operations year ended August 31, 2016 (In thousands of dollars)

	Budget	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$
Revenue			
Provincial grants			
Grants for student needs (Note 15)	2,732,400	2,780,749	2,758,637
Other	45,295	60,281	63,170
Federal grants and fees	25,000	22,500	21,497
Other fees and revenues	81,134	102,960	96,095
School fundraising	40,000	40,905	42,464
Amortization of deferred capital contributions (Note 8)	116,897	116,974	109,329
	3,040,726	3,124,369	3,091,192
Expenses (Note 14)			
Instruction	2,371,732	2,417,906	2,396,101
Administration	81,251	90,045	93,470
Transportation	54,324	56,463	56,207
School operations and maintenance	323,368	310,880	323,388
Pupil accommodation	153,173	169,240	138,998
Other programs	4,187	3,752	3,955
School funded activities	40,000	41,857	42,412
	3,028,037	3,090,143	3,054,531
Annual surplus	12,689	34,226	36,661
Accumulated deficit, beginning of year	(177,571)	(166,123)	(202,784)
Accumulated deficit, end of year	(164,882)	(131,897)	(166,123)

Consolidated statement of change in net debt

year ended August 31, 2016 (In thousands of dollars)

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Annual surplus	34,226	36,661
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(149,156)	(153,142)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	118,401	110,756
Loss from tangible capital assets disposal	1,632	-
Write-off of pre-acquisition costs	-	294
Net book value of tangible capital assets reclassified as		
properties held for sale during the year (Note 5)	586	-
	5,689	(5,431)
Acquisition of inventories of supplies	(8,390)	(8,098)
Acquisition of prepaid expenses	(6,276)	(6,149)
Consumption of inventories of supplies	8,418	7,821
Use of prepaid expenses	6,149	4,668
Change in net debt	5,590	(7,189)
Net debt, beginning of year	(2,186,620)	(2,179,431)
Net debt, end of year	(2,181,030)	(2,186,620)

Consolidated statement of cash flows

year ended August 31, 2016 (In thousands of dollars)

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Operating activities		
Annual surplus	34,226	36,661
Items not involving cash		
Amortization	118,401	110,756
Write-off of pre-acquisition costs	-	294
Net book value of tangible capital assets reclassified as		
properties held for sale during the year (Note 5)	586	-
Net transfer from deferred capital contributions to		
deferred revenue (Note 8)	(1,940)	-
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	1,632	-
Deferred capital contributions recognized (Note 8)	(116,974)	(109,329)
Changes in non-cash assets and liabilities		
Due from City of Toronto	(4,317)	30,746
Accounts receivable	(3,162)	(7,615)
Accounts receivable - Province of Ontario Operating	1,441	(1,440)
Prepaid expenses and supplies	(99)	(1,758)
Properties held for sale	(310)	17
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		
and accrued vacation pay	23,946	11,067
Due to Province of Ontario	(1,611)	31,188
Deferred revenues - Operating	2,152	(1,775)
Retirement and other employee future benefits payable	(56,617)	(16,419)
	(2,646)	82,393
Capital activity		
Acquisition of tangible capital assets	(149,156)	(153,142)
Investing activities		
Repayment of mortgage receivable	2,450	2,750
Temporary investments	13,941	(142,544)
Funds on deposit	642	(1,610)
	17,033	(141,404)
Financing activities		
Capital grant contributions (Note 8)	148,766	152,068
Deferred revenue - Capital	(10,509)	(17,353)
Accounts receivable - Province of Ontario Capital	(34,258)	54,097
Short term borrowing - net	46,000	(44,296)
Long-term debt repayments	(22,573)	(21,481)
Issuance of long-term debt	-	15,035
	127,426	138,069
Net decrease in cash	(7,343)	(74,084)
Cash, beginning of year	50,968	125,052
Cash, end of year	43,625	50,968

The accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements are an integral part of this consolidated financial statement.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements August 31, 2016 (Tabular amounts in thousands of dollars)

1. Significant accounting policies

The consolidated financial statements are the representations of management and are prepared in accordance with the basis of accounting as described in Note 1a) below.

Significant accounting policies adopted are as follows:

(a) Basis of accounting

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

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

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

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

- Government transfers, including amounts previously recognized as tax revenue, which do not contain a stipulation that creates a liability, be recognized as revenue by the recipient when approved by the transferor and the eligibility criteria have been met in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standard PS 3410; and
- Externally restricted contributions be recognized as revenue in the period in which the resources are used for the purpose or purposes specified in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standard PS 3100.

As a result, revenue recognized in the statement of operations and certain related deferred revenues and deferred capital contributions would be recorded differently under Canadian public sector accounting standards.

(b) Reporting entity

The consolidated financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses of the reporting entity. The reporting entity includes all organizations which are controlled by the Toronto District School Board (the Board).

School generated funds, which include the assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenses of various organizations that exist at the school level and which are controlled by the Board are included in the consolidated financial statements.

The Board established the Toronto Lands Corporation (TLC) in 2008, a wholly owned subsidiary. Its mandate is to manage designated real estate holdings of the Board to maximize rental income and dispose of surplus sites. This entity which is controlled by the Board is included in the consolidated financial statements.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(b) Reporting entity (continued)

The Board is a unit owner in Toronto Standard Condominium Corporation No. 2234, which was established for the management of common elements (consisting of the separation walls, sprinkler system, and fire alarm system) of the property located at 840 Coxwell and 555 Mortimer Avenues, which is jointly owned by the Board and Michael Garron Hospital (formerly Toronto East General Hospital). The Board's share of activities relating to this entity is included in the consolidated financial statements.

All inter-departmental and inter-entity transactions and balances between these organizations are eliminated on consolidation.

(c) Trust funds

Trust funds and their related operations administered by the Board amounting to \$9.0 million (2015 - \$8.9 million) are not included in the consolidated financial statements.

(d) Deferred revenue

Certain amounts are received pursuant to legislation, regulation or agreement and may only be used in the conduct of certain programs or in the delivery of specific services and transactions. These amounts will be recognized as revenue in the fiscal year the related qualifying expenditures are incurred or services are performed.

(e) Deferred capital contributions

Contributions received or receivable for the purpose of acquiring or developing a depreciable tangible capital asset for use in providing services, or any contributions in the form of depreciable tangible assets for use in providing services, is recognized as deferred capital contributions as defined in Ontario Regulation 395/11 of the Financial Administration Act. These amounts are recognized as revenue at the same rate as the related tangible capital asset is amortized. The following items fall under this category:

- Government transfers received or receivable for capital purposes;
- Other restricted contributions received or receivable for capital purposes; and
- Amounts previously recognized as property taxation revenues which were historically used to fund capital assets.
- (f) Retirement and other employee future benefits

The Board provides defined retirement and other future benefits to specified employee groups. These benefits include pension, health, sick leave credit gratuity, workers' compensation and longterm disability benefits. The Board has adopted the following policies with respect to accounting for these employee benefits:

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

For self-insured retirement and other employee future benefits that vest and accumulate over the periods of service provided by employees, such as life insurance and health care benefits for retirees, the cost is actuarially determined using the projected benefits method prorated on service. Under this method, the benefit costs are recognized over the expected average service life of the employee group.

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(Tabular amounts in thousands of dollars)

1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(f) Retirement and other employee future benefits (continued)

- (ii) For those self-insured benefit obligations that arise from specific events that occur from time to time, such as obligations for workers' compensation, the cost is recognized immediately in the period the events occur. Actuarial gains and losses that are related to obligations for workers' compensation are recognized immediately in the period they arise. For long-term disability, life insurance and health care benefits for those on disability leave, actuarial gains and losses are amortized over the expected average service life of the employee group.
- (iii) The Board's contributions to multi-employer defined benefit pension plans, such as the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS) pensions, are recorded in the period in which they become payable.
- (iv) The costs of insured benefits for active employees reflected in these consolidated financial statements are the Board's portion of insurance premiums owed for coverage of employees during the period.
- (g) Tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost which includes the costs directly related to the acquisition, design, construction, development, improvement or betterment of tangible capital assets. Cost includes overheads directly attributable to construction and development.

Leases which transfer substantially all of the benefits and risks incidental to ownership of property are accounted for as leased tangible capital assets. All other leases are accounted for as operating leases and the related payments are charged to expenses as incurred.

Tangible capital assets, except land, are amortized on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the assets. Amortization rates are as follows:

Asset class	Estimated useful life		
Buildings	40 years		
Other buildings	20 years		
Portable structures	20 years		
Land improvements with finite lives	15 years		
First time equipping of schools	10 years		
Furniture	10 years		
Equipment	5-15 years		
Computer hardware	5 years		
Computer software	5 years		
Vehicles	5-10 years		
Leasehold improvement	Over the lease term		

Assets under construction are not amortized until the asset is available for productive use.

Land permanently removed from service and held for resale is recorded at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost includes amounts to prepare the land for sale or servicing. Buildings permanently removed from service and held for resale cease to be amortized and are recorded at the lower of carrying value and net realizable value. These assets are recorded as "properties held for sale" on the consolidated statement of financial position.

Works of art and historic artifacts are not recorded as assets in these consolidated financial statements.

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1. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(h) Government transfers

Government transfers, which include legislative grants, are recognized in the consolidated financial statements in the period in which events giving rise to the transfer occur, providing the transfers are authorized, all eligibility criteria have been met and reasonable estimates of the amount can be made. If government transfers contain stipulations which give rise to a liability, they are deferred and recognized in revenue when the stipulations are met.

Government transfers for capital are deferred as required by Regulation 395/11, recorded as deferred capital contributions and recognized as revenue in the consolidated statement of operations at the same rate and over the same periods as the asset is amortized.

(i) Investment income

Investment income is reported as revenue in the period earned.

Interest income earned on monies invested specifically for externally restricted funds is added to the fund balance and forms part of the respective deferred revenue balances.

(j) Long term debt

Long term debt includes debentures and Ontario Financing Authority (OFA) loans which were arranged for financing Board's capital projects or high priority renewal projects. Long term debt is recorded net of related sinking fund balances.

(k) Budget figures

Budget figures have been provided for comparison purposes and have been derived from the budget approved by the Trustees on March 11, 2015. The budget approved by the Trustees is developed in accordance with the provincially mandated funding model for school boards and is used to manage program spending within the guidelines of the funding model.

(I) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1a) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the year. Estimates are reviewed periodically by management and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in the period in which they became known. Accounts subject to estimates include allowance for doubtful accounts receivable, certain accrued liabilities including legal claims and pay equity accruals, liability for contaminated sites, employee future benefits, useful lives of tangible capital assets and the recognition of deferred amounts related to capital contributions. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

(m) Property tax revenue

Under Public Sector Accounting Standards, the entity that determines and sets the tax levy records the revenue in the financial statements, which in the case of the Board, is the Province of Ontario. As a result, property tax revenue received from the City of Toronto is recorded as part of Provincial Legislative Grants.

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2. Accounts receivable - Province of Ontario

The account receivable from the Province of Ontario is comprised mainly of amounts related to capital grants in the amount of \$485.2 million (2015 - \$452.4 million).

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

3. Mortgage receivable

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Mortgage relating to the sale of Alderwood Public School,		
Principal of 2.25 million repaid on November 14, 2014		
and remainder repaid on November 9, 2015	-	2,450

4. Retirement and other employee future benefits

(a) A brief overview of the Board's benefit plans is set out below

Pension benefits

(i) Supplementary War Veterans Allowance

The Supplementary War Veterans Allowance Plan (the "Plan") consists of allowances to be paid to retired employees of the former Board of Education for the City of Toronto. The Plan is closed to new members. The Plan includes survivor benefits of 66 2/3% for the surviving spouse. The pension is subject to indexing at 100% of the increase in CPI. This Plan is unfunded. The benefit costs and liability related to this plan are recorded in the Board's consolidated financial statements.

Retirement benefits

(i) Sick leave credit gratuities

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

(ii) Retirement life insurance and health care benefits

Employees are able to continue coverage for life insurance, dental and health care benefits after retirement until the members reach 65 years of age; however, the retirees pay the full premium associated with this coverage. For those employees retiring before September 1, 2004 the premiums are partially subsidized by the Board, as the retirees are in the same experience group as the active employees. These future benefits are unfunded. All retirees on or after September 1, 2004 are not subsidized by the Board.

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4. Retirement and other employee future benefits (continued)

(a) A brief overview of the Board's benefit plans is set out below (continued)

Retirement benefits (continued)

(iii) Workplace safety and insurance board obligations

The Board is a Schedule 2 employer under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act and, as such, assumes responsibility for the payment of all claims to its injured workers under the Act. The Board does not fund these obligations in advance of payments made under the Act. The benefit costs and actuarially determined liabilities related to this plan based on management's best estimate are recorded in the Board's consolidated financial statements. Plan changes made in 2012 require school boards to provide salary top-up to a maximum of 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ years for employees receiving payments from the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board, where the collective agreement negotiated prior to 2012 included such a provision.

(iv) Long-term disability benefits

The Board provides long term disability insurance coverage for non-teaching employees. The benefit costs and actuarially determined liabilities related to this plan are included in the Board's consolidated financial statements. The Board has an internally restricted reserve to fund these liabilities.

Teaching staff have their own long term disability plans through their Federations and are responsible for the entire cost. Accordingly, no costs or liabilities related to these plans are included in the Board's consolidated financial statements.

The Board provides life insurance, dental and health care benefits to employees on long-term disability leave for a period of two years after the date of disability. The insurance carriers waive the life insurance premiums for employees on long-term disability; however, the Board and employee are responsible for the payment of the costs of health care benefits under this plan under the same cost-sharing arrangements to which the employee would be entitled as an active employee. Continuation of dental coverage is also available subject to the employee paying the full cost.

(v) Sick leave top up benefits

A maximum of 11 unused sick leave days from the current year may be carried forward into the following year only, to be used to top-up salary for illnesses paid through the short term leave and disability plan in that year.

(vi) Voluntary retirement gratuity early payout provision

During 2016, OSSTF, PSSP, CUPE, ETFO ratified agreements at the local and central level, which included a voluntary retirement gratuity early payout provision. The provision provided OSSTF, PSSP, CUPE and ETFO members the option of receiving a discounted frozen retirement gratuity benefit payment. This provision was also made available to all non-unionized school board employees, including principals and vice-principals. With the exception of CUPE employees and secondary teachers, all voluntary early payout payments were made by August 31, 2016. For CUPE employees, the payment was made in September 2016. Secondary teachers were paid in October 2016.

Some employees took the early payouts, which were discounted from the current financial statement carrying values. As a result, the reduction in the liability for those members who accepted the voluntary retirement gratuity early payout option was accompanied by actuarial gains in the Board's 2016 consolidated financial statements. The overall impact of the early payout provision is a decrease in the Board's employee future benefits liability of \$37.6 million.

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(Tabular amounts in thousands of dollars)

4. Retirement and other employee future benefits (continued)

(a) A brief overview of the Board's benefit plans is set out below (continued)

Retirement benefits (continued)

(vii) Future changes to benefit plans

Currently, the Board provides health, dental and life insurance benefits for eligible employees and early retirees who elected to maintain coverage after their early retirement date (up to the age of 65). The Board has assumed liability for payment of benefits under these plans. As part of ratified labour collective agreements for unionized employees that bargain centrally, and ratified central discussions with the principals and vice-principals associations, Employee Life and Health Trusts (ELHTs) will be established in 2016-17 school year for the following employee groups: ETFO, OSSTF, OSSTF-EW, CUPE, EWAO, OCEW and non-unionized employees including principals and vice-principals.

The ELHTs will provide health, life and dental benefits to teachers (excluding daily occasional teachers), education workers (excluding casual and temporary staff), other school board staff and retired individuals who are enrolled in the Board's benefit plan on the Board's participation date into the ELHT. These benefits will be provided through a joint governance structure between the bargaining/employee groups, school board trustees associations and the Government of Ontario. The ELHTs for OSSTF, ETFO and OSSTF-EW will commence on April 1, 2017, and the ELHTs for the remaining employee groups comprised of CUPE, Trades, principals and vice-principals, and non-unionized employees will commence on June 1, 2017. The Board will no longer be responsible for providing benefits to the above mentioned groups. The Board will transfer to the ELHTs an amount per full-time equivalency (FTE) based on the 2014-15 actual benefit costs + 8.16% representing inflationary increases for 2015-16 and 2016-17. In addition, the Ministry of Education will provide an additional \$300 per FTE for active employees to the school board. These amounts will then be transferred to the Trust for the provision of employee and retiree benefits.

- 2016 Other Pension Retirement benefits benefits benefits Total \$ \$ \$ \$ Unfunded accrued benefit obligation 3,581 264,878 158,698 427,157 Unamortized net actuarial losses (41, 929)(15, 643)(57,572) Accrued benefit liability 3,581 222,949 143,055 369,585 2015 Pension Retirement Other benefits benefits benefits Total \$ \$ \$ \$ Unfunded accrued benefit obligation 145,338 3,975 274,227 423,540 Unamortized net actuarial gains 2.662 2.662 Accrued benefit liability 3.975 276,889 145,338 426,202
- (b) Retirement and other employee future benefits liabilities

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4. Retirement and other employee future benefits (continued)

(c) Retirement and other employee future benefits expenses

				2016
	Pension	Retirement	Other	
	benefits	benefits	benefits	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current year benefit costs	-	-	22,331	22,331
Interest on accrued benefit obligation	91	6,442	3,504	10,037
Recognition of actuarial losses (gains)	35	(209)	136	(38)
Change in Voluntary Early Payout	-	(5,734)	-	(5,734)
Employee future benefits expenses	126	499	25,971	26,596
				2015
	Pension	Retirement	Other	2013
				Tatal
	benefits	benefits	benefits	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Current year benefit costs	-	-	11,988	11,988
Interest on accrued benefit obligation	123	8,373	4,297	12,793
Recognition of actuarial losses (gains)	22	708	1,241	1,971
Employee future benefits expenses	145	9,081	17,526	26,752

These amounts are included in the respective expense categories on the consolidated statement of operations.

The amount of benefits paid during the year were \$520 (2015 - \$568) for pension benefits, \$54,439 (2015 - \$23,582) for retirement benefits, and \$24,093 (2015 - \$19,021) for other employee future benefits.

Notes to the consolidated financial statements August 31, 2016 (Tabular amounts in thousands of dollars)

4. Retirement and other employee future benefits (continued)

(d) Actuarial assumptions

The accrued benefit obligations for employee future benefit plans as at August 31, 2016 are based on the most recent actuarial extrapolation completed for accounting purposes as at August 31, 2016. The last full actuarial valuation was completed as at August 31, 2015. These valuations take into account any plan changes and the economic assumptions used in these valuations are the Board's best estimates of expected rates of:

	2016	2015
	%	%
Estimated inflation		
Health	8.00	8.25
Dental	4.00	4.25
War veterans	1.50	1.50
WSIB	2.00	2.00
LTDI	0.50	1.00
Wages and salary calculation	2.00	0.00
Discount on accrued benefit obligations		
Sick leave credit gratuity	2.05	2.45
Life, health and dental	2.05	2.45
War veterans	2.05	2.45
WSIB	2.05	2.85
LTDI	2.05	2.45
Sick leave accumulation	N/A	N/A

(e) Multi-employer pension plans

(i) Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan

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

(ii) Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System

Non-teaching employees of the Board are eligible to be members of the Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System, a multi-employer pension plan. The plan provides defined pension benefits to employees based on their length of service and rates of pay. The Board's contributions equal the employees' contributions to the Plan. During the year ended August 31, 2016, the Board contributed \$51.0 million (2015 - \$50.1 million) to the plan. As this is a multi-employer pension plan, these contributions are the Board's pension benefit expenses and are included in the respective expense categories on the consolidated statement of operations. No pension liability for this type of plan is included in the Board's consolidated statement of financial position.

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4. Retirement and other employee future benefits (continued)

(f) Funds held on deposit for employee benefit plans are represented by the following

(i) Health and dental funds on deposit

The Board has funds held on deposit with Sunlife and Manulife to fund current liabilities for the health and dental plans of the Board in the amount of \$ 22.6 million (2015 - \$25.5 million). These funds primarily cover estimated current period claims yet to be submitted by employees.

(ii) Group Life Funds on deposit

The Board has funds held on deposit with Great West Life to fund current liabilities for the group life insurance plans of the Board in the amount of \$10.5 million (2015 - \$10.1 million).

(iii) Long term disability funds on deposit

The Board has funds held on deposit with Sunlife and CIBC to fund the long term disability plan of the Board in the amount of \$80.5 million (2015 - \$78.7 million). These funds primarily cover the actuarially determined liabilities of the Plan and cover reduced Board premiums otherwise required by the Plan.

5. Properties held for sale

As of August 31, 2016, \$0.3 million (2015 - \$Nil) related to buildings and \$Nil (2015 - \$Nil) related to land were recorded as properties held for sale (PHFS). The net book value of properties reclassified to properties held for sale during the year was \$0.6 million (2015 - \$Nil). Net proceeds of \$11.6 million (2015 - \$0.18 million) were received on the sale of these properties, which had a carrying value of \$0.3 million (2015 - \$0.02 million), resulting in a gain on sale of \$11.3 million (2015 - \$0.16 million). The proceeds from the sale of these properties have been used to fund in-year capital projects, as well as \$1.7 million recognized as revenue mainly to fund sale costs, with an amount remaining in deferred revenue (from current and prior years' sales) of \$79.3 million, in accordance with Ontario Regulation 193/10.

6. Short-term borrowing

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
92 day Bankers Acceptances bearing interest at 1.63%		
maturing on October 4, 2016	46,000	

The Board has a \$150 million credit facility with a Canadian chartered bank for operating and capital improvement purposes. The amount outstanding as at August 31, 2016 was \$46.0 million (2015 - \$Nil).

The Ministry funds the interest cost incurred on the short term financing. Further, the Ministry will periodically arrange for the permanent financing, under a long term financing arrangement (see also Note 9 (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k) and (l)).

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7. Deferred revenue

The continuity of deferred revenue including those set aside for specific purposes by legislation, regulation or agreement as at August 31, 2016 is as follows:

		Externally		Transfer	
		restricted	Revenue	to/(from)	
	Balance,	revenue and	recognized	deferred	Balance,
	August 31,	investment	in the	capital	August 31,
	2015	income	period	contributions	2016
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Special Education	883	343,166	344,049	-	-
Other Ministry of Education					
grants	1,211	23,824	24,952	-	83
Other Provincial grants	2,324	35,374	35,329	-	2,369
Tuition fees	18,325	24,277	19,741	-	22,861
Other (operation)	7,352	40,732	41,152	-	6,932
Minor tangible capital assets	-	68,953	59,646	9,307	-
School renewal	13,410	49,487	25,614	19,804	17,479
Interest on capital	-	24,046	24,046	-	-
Temporary accommodation	-	1,990	-	1,959	31
School condition improvement	13,643	-	-	13,643	-
Retrofitting school space for					
child care	10,021	-	-	4,145	5,876
Renewable energy	244	-	-	40	204
Ministry of Health - Pool grants	31	-	-	-	31
Proceeds of disposition	77,451	11,641	1,668	8,094	79,330
Proceeds of disposition - PHFS	-	-	-	(310)	310
Other	1,083	20,181	-	19,149	2,115
	145,978	643,671	576,197	75,831	137,621

8. Deferred capital contributions

Deferred capital contributions include grants and contributions received that are used for the acquisition of tangible capital assets in accordance with Regulation 395/11 that have been spent by year end. The contributions are amortized into revenue at the rate used to amortize the related asset over its useful life.

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Balance, beginning of year	1,913,787	1,871,048
Additions to deferred capital contributions	148,766	152,068
Revenue recognized in the period	(116,974)	(109,329)
Transfers to deferred revenue relating to disposals and		
properties held for sale	(1,940)	-
	1,943,639	1,913,787

Additions to deferred capital contributions includes net proceeds from disposition of properties held for sale in the amount of \$11.6 million (2015 - \$0.18 million).

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9. Net long-term debt

(a) Net long-term debt reported in the consolidated statement of financial position is comprised of the following:

		Interest	Maturity		
		rate	date	2016	2015
		%		\$	\$
Critical renewal debenture	Note 9(b)	5.07	December 17, 2024	21,917	23,934
Sinking Fund (City of Toronto)	Note 9(c)	6.10	December 12, 2017	75,846	75,846
Less: sinking fund assets	Note 9(c)	-	-	(67,032)	(60,815)
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(d)	4.56	November 15, 2031	80,138	83,630
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(e)	4.90	March 3, 2033	82,205	85,302
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(f)	5.06	March 13, 2034	73,090	75,569
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(g)	5.23	April 13, 2035	46,362	47,772
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(h)	4.83	March 11, 2036	42,634	43,895
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(i)	3.59	March 9, 2037	21,654	22,346
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(j)	3.66	June 25, 2038	35,336	36,359
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(k)	4.00	March 11, 2039	17,737	18,206
Ontario Financing Authority	Note 9(I)	2.99	March 9, 2040	14,619	15,035
Balance as at August 31				444,506	467,079

- (b) On December 17, 2004 the Board issued a \$40 million debenture to fund an equivalent amount of major renovation projects. The debenture bears interest at 5.071% and has a 20-year amortization with semi-annual interest and principal payments of \$1.6 million. The annual debt service of \$3.2 million is funded from the annual Facility Renewal Grant.
- (c) City of Toronto Debenture in the amount of \$75.8 million maturing December 12, 2017, with an interest rate of 6.1%. Sinking fund assets in the amount of approximately \$67.0 million (2015 \$60.8 million) have been set aside to retire the long-term City of Toronto debenture. The market value of sinking fund assets as at August 31, 2016 was \$75.1 million (2015 \$70.0 million).
- (d) On November 15, 2006, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$107.7 million of the GPL program. The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$3.6 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 4.56%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.
- (e) On March 3, 2008, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$103.2 million (GPL of \$93.9 million and PCS of \$9.3 million). The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$3.6 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 4.90%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.
- (f) On March 13, 2009, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$88.1 million (GPL of \$81.1 million and PCS of \$7.0 million). The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$3.1 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 5.06%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.
- (g) On April 14, 2010, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$53.8 million (GPL of \$51.7 million and PCS of \$2.1 million). The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$1.9 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 5.23%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.

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9. Net long-term debt (continued)

- (h) On March 11, 2011, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$48.4 million (GPL of \$33.9 million and PCS of \$14.5 million). The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$1.7 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 4.83%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.
- (i) On March 9, 2012, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$24.3 million (GPL of \$23.9 million and PCS of \$0.4 million). The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$0.7 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 3.59%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.
- (j) On June 26, 2013, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$37.8 million (GPL of \$21.2 million and Capital Enveloping (ARC) of \$16.6 million). The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$1.2 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 3.66%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.
- (k) On March 12, 2014, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$18.7 million (Prohibit to Repair of \$14.1 million and Capital Priority Program of \$4.6 million). The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$0.6 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 4.003%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.
- (I) On March 11, 2015, the Board entered into a loan agreement with the Ontario Financing Authority to finance \$15.0 million (Primary Class Size of \$3.6 million and Capital Priority Program of \$11.4 million). The loan is repayable by semi-annual installments of principal and interest of \$0.4 million based on a 25 year amortization schedule and bears interest of 2.993%. The annual principal and interest costs are funded by the Ministry of Education.
- (m) Principal and sinking fund payments relating to net long-term liabilities of \$440.3 million (2015 -\$458.9 million) outstanding as at August 31, 2016 are due as follows:

	Principal and sinking		
	fund contributions	Interest	Total
	\$	\$	\$
2017	19,426	24,621	44,047
2018	20,239	21,495	41,734
2019	18,797	18,329	37,126
2020	19,691	17,436	37,127
2021	20,627	16,500	37,127
Thereafter	341,500	116,908	458,408
	440,280	215,289	655,569

In addition, debenture interest on sinking fund contributions estimated to amount to approximately \$4.2 million is expected to be earned during the remaining life of the City of Toronto debenture. This interest together with the sinking fund contributions will fund the total outstanding City of Toronto debenture principal of \$75.8 million (2015 - \$75.8 million).

(n) Interest on long-term debt amounted to \$24.8 million (2015 - \$25.3 million).

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10. Tangible capital assets

(a) Opening and closing balances with activities for the year ended August 31, 2016

					Gross	book value			Acc	um ulated a	mortization	Net book value	Net book value
	Balance at		Transfers	Transfers		Balance at	Balance at		Transfers		Balance at	Balance at	Balance at
	September 1,		to/from	to held		August 31,	September 1,		to held	Disposals,	August 31,	August 31,	August 31,
	2015	Additions	CIP	for sale	Disposal	2016	2015	Amortization	for sale	write-offs	2016	2016	2015
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Land	75,294	390	-	(277)	-	75,407	-	-	-	-	-	75,407	75,294
Land improvements	79,947	18,923	-	-	(255)	98,615	31,030	7,472	-	(175)	38,327	60,288	48,917
Buildings (40 years)	3,042,104	114,918	14,023	(1,137)	(3,020)	3,166,888	1,225,472	100,446	(828)	(1,470)	1,323,620	1,843,268	1,816,632
Buildings (20 years)	22	-	-	-	-	22	2	1	-	-	3	19	20
Portable structures Construction in	33,042	1,959	-	-	(799)	34,202	9,695	1,708	-	(799)	10,604	23,598	23,347
Progress (CIP)	17,550	2,572	(14,023)		-	6,099	-	-	-	-	-	6,099	17,550
Pre-acquisition building		-	-	-	-	125	-	-	-	-	-	125	125
Equipment (5 years)	3,166	12	-	-	(2,700)	478	2,676	423	-	(2,700)	399	79	490
Equipment (10 years)	3,627	201	-	-	(455)	3,373	1,815	342	-	(455)	1,702	1,671	1,812
Equipment (15 years)	3,345		-	-	-	3,345	2,124	188	-	-	2,312	1,033	1,221
First time equipping	-,					0,010	_,				_,•	1,000	-,
(10 years)	7,348	546		-	(151)	7.743	2,582	748	-	(151)	3.179	4.564	4,766
Furniture (10 years)	1,110	77	-	-	(111)	1,076	641	109	-	(111)	-, -	437	469
Computer hardw are	30,579	8,240	-	-	(10,205)	28,614	16,329	5,133	-	(10,205)	11,257	17,357	14,250
Computer softw are	2,919	-, -	-	-	(797)	2,122	1,176	553	-	(795)		1,188	1,743
Vehicles	,				(-)	,	, -			()		,	, -
(< 10,000 pounds)	2,107	-	-	-	-	2,107	1,552	198	-	-	1,750	357	555
Vehicles	, -					_,	,				-,		
(> 10,000 pounds)	5,129	778	-	-	-	5,907	4,043	202	-	-	4,245	1,662	1,086
Leasehold	,					-,	,				, -	,	
improvement -													
building	5.679	437	-	-	-	6,116	2,303	842	-	-	3,145	2,971	3,376
Leasehold							,						
improvement -													
land	380	103	-	-	-	483	117	36	-	-	153	330	263
	3,313,473	149,156	-	(1,414)	(18,493)	3,442,722	1,301,557	118,401	(828)	(16,861)	1,402,269	2,040,453	2,011,916

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10. Tangible capital assets (continued)

(b) Works of art and historic artifacts

TDSB has an art collection in its possession with an insured value of \$7.4 million (2015 - \$7.4 million). In addition, TDSB also has a number of historic artifacts. In accordance with public sector accounting standards, these works of art and historic artifacts are not recorded as an asset in these consolidated financial statements.

11. Accumulated deficit

Accumulated deficit consists of the following:

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Accumulated deficit		
Working Funds	18,750	16,633
Reserves and reserve funds	139,911	136,981
Employee future benefits	(374,419)	(404,228)
Interest accrual	(6,818)	(7,027)
School generated funds	16,297	17,249
Capital grants used on land purchases	75,407	75,294
Liability for contaminated sites	(1,025)	(1,025)
	(131,897)	(166,123)

Internal reserves and reserve funds set aside for specific purposes by the Board of Trustees consist of the following:

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Special education	166	736
Employee benefit plans	99,277	99,960
School support	19,229	17,741
Sinking fund interest	17,181	14,684
Sinking fund asset provision	595	595
Other	3,463	3,265
	139,911	136,981

12. Contractual obligations and commitments

(a) Capital, facility renewals and renovations

The Board's commitments for approved capital and facility renewal programs as of August 31, 2016 amounted to \$45.0 million (2015 - \$28.3 million).

- (b) Other significant obligations
 - The Board awarded contracts for student transportation, extended to August 31, 2016. The estimated annual commitment under these contracts is \$56.8 million (2015 - \$50.2 million).
 - (ii) The Board is committed to purchase natural gas including transportation through supply contracts with various expiry dates; the latest contract expires on October 31, 2017. The estimated outstanding costs of these contracts are \$10.2 million (2015 - \$11.3 million).

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12. Contractual obligations and commitments (continued)

- (b) Other significant obligations (continued)
 - (iii) The Board is committed to a Wide Area Network contract which expires December 2020. The estimated annual commitment under this contract is \$6.0 million (2015 \$6.0 million).
 - (iv) The Board is committed to a Multi-Functional Devices contract which expires October 2019. The estimated annual commitment under the contract is \$2.9 million (2015 \$2.9 million).
 - (v) TDSB and School Solar Limited Partnership (SSLP) entered into a Project Agreement on May 18, 2011 and amended on February 3, 2014. The Agreement involves SSLP providing roof replacements to approximately 4 million square feet of roofs, in return for the right to install solar panels on school roofs and benefit from the associated Feed-in Tariff ("FIT") contracts over a 20-year period. Roof betterment projects will be capitalized at cost as completed, with a corresponding increase in deferred capital contributions in accordance with Ontario Regulation 395/11. During fiscal 2016, approximately 1.5 million square feet (2015 - 2.2 million square feet) of roof betterments were completed and capitalized at a cost of \$16.5 million (2015 - \$21.2 million).

13. Contingent liabilities

Legal claims

The Board has been named as the defendant in certain legal actions, in which damages have been sought. Any losses arising from these actions are recorded in the year that the related litigation is settled or when any likely amounts are measurable. Where the outcomes of actions are not determinable as at August 31, 2016, no provision is made in the consolidated financial statements.

Pay equity

The Board is continuing to negotiate several pay equity claims with employee groups. Management records any future pay equity settlements in the year in which the claim is settled, or earlier, if the amount is determined to be likely and the liability is measurable.

14. Expenses by object

The following is a summary of the expenses reported on the consolidated statement of operations by object:

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Expenses		
Salary and wages	2,261,481	2,219,500
Employee benefits	332,558	335,351
Staff development	1,944	2,049
Supplies and services	187,388	187,717
Interest	25,026	25,768
Rental expenses	11,845	13,708
Fees and contract services	104,425	103,337
Other	3,586	13,639
Amortization and loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	120,033	111,050
School activities expenditures	41,857	42,412
	3,090,143	3,054,531

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15. Grants for student needs

Included in grants for student needs is an amount of \$1.533 billion (2015 - \$1.440 billion) raised through local property taxation by the Province and transferred to the Board.

16. Ontario School Board Insurance Exchange (OSBIE)

The Board participates for its liability, property and automobile insurance in the Ontario School Boards' Insurance Exchange (OSBIE), a reciprocal insurance company licensed under the Insurance Act that is funded by the member boards across Ontario. Liability insurance is available to a maximum of \$24 million per occurrence.

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

17. Repayment of "55 School Board Trust" funding

On June 1, 2003, the Board received \$275.1 million from the "55 School Board Trust" for its capital related debt eligible for provincial funding support pursuant to a 30-year agreement it entered into with the trust. The "55 School Board Trust" was created to refinance the outstanding not permanently financed (NPF) debt of participating boards who are beneficiaries of the trust. Under the terms of the agreement, the "55 School Board Trust" repaid the board's debt in consideration for the assignment by the Board to the trust of future provincial grants payable to the Board in respect of the NPF debt.

The flow-through of \$20.5 million (2015 - \$20.5 million) in grants in respect of the above agreement for the year ended August 31, 2016, is not recorded in these consolidated financial statements.

18. Financial contribution agreements

During 2001-2002, the Board established three joint trust accounts with the Toronto Catholic District School Board pertaining to Education Development Levy Agreements. These Agreements pertain to building developments that pre-date the passing of the Education Development Charges provisions of the Education Act. The total levy amount in these joint trust accounts as at August 31, 2016 is \$65.1 million (2015 - \$64.6 million). The Board's financial interest in these joint trust accounts has not been reflected in the consolidated statement of financial position, as the amounts are determined jointly and will be apportioned at the time the funds are required for school construction. These funds must be used for construction of school facilities in specific designated areas of the City of Toronto.

19. Transportation agreement

In 2011, the Board entered into an agreement with the Toronto Catholic District School Board in order to provide common administration of student transportation in the City. This agreement was executed in an effort to increase delivery efficiency and cost effectiveness of student transportation for each of the Boards. Under the agreement, decisions related to the financial and operating activities of Toronto Transportation group are shared. No partner is in a position to exercise unilateral control.

The Board's portion of transportation expenses has been included in the consolidated statement of operations.

20. Liability for contaminated sites

As at August 31, 2016, the Board has a liability for contaminated sites of \$1.0 million (2015 - \$1.0 million). The liability relates to contamination at two Board properties that are no longer in productive use, and was estimated based on a baseline phase II environmental site assessment performed by an environmental consulting firm. No recoveries are expected.

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21. Subsequent events

On December 7, 2016, the Board entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement with a developer to sell 7.3 acres of land for a multi-use development at the corner of Bloor and Dufferin. The gross sale proceeds of the land is \$121.5 million. The sale is subject to appropriate planning and zoning approvals from the City of Toronto.

Further, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed on December 15, 2016, committing the developer to build a 30,000 square feet childcare/community centre conditional on a \$7 million contribution being provided by the Province. The \$7 million will be flowed from the Ministry of Education to the Board, and in turn to the developer.

22. Comparative figures

Certain comparative figures have been reclassified from statements previously presented to confirm to the presentation of the current year financial statements. Balances reclassified include temporary investments and Due from City of Toronto.