Erikson Institute Financial Report June 30, 2019



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Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Trustees Erikson Institute

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Erikson Institute, which comprise the statements of financial position as of June 30, 2019 and 2018, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Erikson Institute as of June 30, 2019 and 2018, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of a Matter

Erikson Institute adopted Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2016-14, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities, during 2019. The adoption of this standard resulted in additional footnote disclosures and significant changes to classification of net assets and the disclosures related to net assets. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

Chicago, Illinois

RSM US LLP

October 28, 2019

Statements of Financial Position June 30, 2019 and 2018

	2019			2018
Assets				
Cash	\$	2,618,088	\$	949,168
Receivables, net:				
Contributions		3,252,225		4,501,527
Grants and contracts		2,514,584		2,463,325
Other		260,509		316,092
Investments		49,074,891		53,812,109
Property and equipment, net		22,802,857		23,681,148
Investments held for deferred compensation plan		831,767		783,278
Other assets		455,509		650,413
Total assets	\$	81,810,430	\$	87,157,060
Liabilities:	•	4 =00 05 4	•	
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Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Unearned tuition and deposits	\$	1,503,071 533,920	\$	1,317,512 302,546
Bonds payable, net of unamortized financing fees		25,020,119		30,004,819
Deferred compensation plan payable		831,767		783,278
Interest rate swap agreement		5,500,230		3,949,403
Total liabilities		33,389,107		36,357,558
Net assets:				
Without donor restrictions		14 024 140		17 110 125
With donor restrictions With donor restrictions		14,831,118		17,119,125
with donor restrictions		33,590,205		33,680,377
Total net assets		48,421,323		50,799,502
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	81,810,430	\$	87,157,060

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Statements of Activities
Years Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018

	2019					
	W	ithout Donor	Wi	With Donor		
	Restrictions		Re	Restrictions		Total
Support and revenue:						
Student tuition and fees, net of						
scholarships of \$2,152,139						
and \$1,800,060 respectively	\$	4,110,233	\$	-	\$ 4	,110,233
Special events less direct expenses						
of \$191,791 and \$161,260, respectively		1,242,660		-	1	,242,660
Contributions		1,220,995		5,640,077	6	3,861,072
Government grants		5,918,655		-	5	,918,655
Clinical and training		2,633,768		-	2	2,633,768
Investment income, net		1,006,906		1,031,969	2	2,038,875
Miscellaneous		139,362		-		139,362
Net assets released from restrictions:						
Appropriation from earnings on endowment funds		962,238		(962,238)		-
Satisfaction of donor and time restrictions		5,720,387	(5,720,387)		-
Total support and revenue		22,955,204		(10,579)	22	2,944,625
Expenses:						
Program services		18,310,635		-	18	3,310,635
Management and general		3,718,097		-	3	3,718,097
Fundraising		845,123		-		845,123
Total expenses		22,873,855		-	22	2,873,855
Increase (decrease) in net assets						
before other items		81,349		(10,579)		70,770
Other items:						
Depreciation		(1,011,299)		-	(1	,011,299)
Investment gain, net		59,764		53,414		113,178
Interest rate swap fair value adjustment		(1,550,828)		-	(1	,550,828)
Net assets released for capital expenditures		133,007		(133,007)		-
Total other items		(2,369,356)		(79,593)	(2	2,448,949)
(Decrease) increase in net assets		(2,288,007)		(90,172)	(2	2,378,179)
Net assets:						
Beginning of year		17,119,125	3	3,680,377	50	,799,502
End of year	\$	14,831,118	\$ 3	3,590,205	\$ 48	3,421,323

	2018	
 Without Donor	With Donor	
 Restrictions	Restrictions	Total
\$ 3,679,633	\$ -	\$ 3,679,633
797,765	-	797,765
1,179,836	4,214,922	5,394,758
6,916,744	-	6,916,744
2,758,513	-	2,758,513
1,013,513	962,662	1,976,175
110,307	-	110,307
893,337	(893,337)	-
5,669,338	(5,669,338)	-
23,018,986	(1,385,091)	21,633,895
18,360,401	-	18,360,401
3,748,916	-	3,748,916
 846,993	-	846,993
22,956,310	-	22,956,310
 62,676	(1,385,091)	(1,322,415)
(1,011,524)	-	(1,011,524)
896,026	1,117,345	2,013,371
1,190,576 -	-	1,190,576 -
1,075,078	1,117,345	2,192,423
1,137,754	(267,746)	870,008
15,981,371	33,948,123	49,929,494
\$ 17,119,125	\$ 33,680,377	\$ 50,799,502

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Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended June 30, 2019

		Program Servic	Տար				
	Academic	Special		Management	Fund -		_
	Programs	Projects	Total	and General	raising	Total	Total
Compensation	\$ 4,806,512	\$ 8,344,005	\$ 13,150,517	\$ 1,901,678	\$ 726,433	\$ 2,628,111	\$ 15,778,628
Contracted services	410,738	954,148	1,364,886	779,795	14,800	794,595	2,159,481
Legal and audit fees	10,478	11,012	21,490	90,069	3,105	93,174	114,664
Occupancy and insurance	397,163	237,985	635,148	254,759	12,402	267,161	902,309
Books and library materials	81,630	38,057	119,687	554	29	583	120,270
Office expenses	61,127	176,845	237,972	193,695	21,712	215,407	453,379
Meeting and travel expenses	246,121	494,177	740,298	44,916	16,042	60,958	801,256
Advertising	115,474	13,791	129,265	43,835	3,360	47,195	176,460
Software and hardware	229,027	55,433	284,460	93,985	12,378	106,363	390,823
Miscellaneous	221,949	19,097	241,046	121,434	2,633	124,067	365,113
Interest	1,031,342	354,524	1,385,866	193,377	32,229	225,606	1,611,472
	7,611,561	10,699,074	18,310,635	3,718,097	845,123	4,563,220	22,873,855
Depreciation	647,231	222,486	869,717	121,356	20,226	141,582	1,011,299
	\$ 8,258,792	\$ 10,921,560	\$ 19,180,352	\$ 3,839,453	\$ 865,349	\$ 4,704,802	\$ 23,885,154

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Statement of Functional Expenses
Year Ended June 30, 2018

	Program Services			S	_		
	Academic	Special		Management	Fund -		
-	Programs	Projects	Total	and General	raising	Total	Total
Compensation	\$ 4,571,165	\$ 8,538,293	\$ 13,109,458	\$ 2,209,803	\$ 717,724	\$ 2,927,527	\$ 16,036,985
Contracted services	215,654	1,675,580	1,891,234	566,853	26,814	593,667	2,484,901
Legal and audit fees	10,648	9,523	20,171	91,477	16,078	107,555	127,726
Occupancy and insurance	387,766	207,803	595,569	252,513	12,849	265,362	860,931
Books and library materials	68,358	32,946	101,304	1,243	1,839	3,082	104,386
Office expenses	89,476	176,023	265,499	132,878	17,356	150,234	415,733
Meeting and travel expenses	230,803	485,309	716,112	39,811	13,055	52,866	768,978
Advertising	112,201	9,774	121,975	232	1,317	1,549	123,524
Software and hardware	234,008	35,891	269,899	110,190	10,552	120,742	390,641
Miscellaneous	133,034	69,497	202,531	195,081	4,604	199,685	402,216
Interest	793,785	272,864	1,066,649	148,835	24,805	173,640	1,240,289
	6,846,898	11,513,503	18,360,401	3,748,916	846,993	4,595,909	22,956,310
Depreciation	647,375	222,535	869,911	121,383	20,230	141,613	1,011,524
	\$ 7,494,273	\$ 11,736,038	\$ 19,230,312	\$ 3,870,299	\$ 867,223	\$ 4,737,522	\$ 23,967,834

Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended June 30, 2019 and 2018

	2019	2018
Cash flows from operating activities:		
(Decrease) increase in net assets	\$ (2,378,179)	\$ 870,008
Adjustments to reconcile (decrease) increase in net assets		
to net cash used in operating activities:		
Depreciation	1,011,299	1,011,524
Allowance for uncollectible accounts	(19,839)	34,813
Realized and unrealized gain on investments	(1,787,180)	(3,473,034)
Interest rate swap fair value adjustment	1,550,828	(1,190,576)
Amortization of financing fees	15,299	15,299
Proceeds from contributions restricted for permanent endowment	(1,000,000)	-
Change in assets and liabilities:		
Contributions receivable	1,272,675	471,446
Grants and contracts receivable	(72,259)	983,528
Other receivables	(46,956)	(112,261)
Other assets	194,904	(109,213)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	185,559	(375,788)
Unearned tuition and deposits	231,374	(140,073)
Net cash used in operating activities	(842,475)	(2,014,327)
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Additions to property and equipment	(133,007)	(279,108)
Proceeds from sale of investments	10,198,607	6,392,531
Purchase of investments	(3,674,210)	(4,632,099)
Net cash provided by investing activities	 6,391,390	1,481,324
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Bond redemption payments	(5,000,000)	(500,000)
Proceeds from contributions restricted for permanent endowment	1,000,000	(000,000)
Net cash used in financing activities	 (4,000,000)	(500,000)
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Net increase (decrease) in cash	1,548,915	(1,033,003)
Cash:		
Beginning of year	949,168	1,982,171
End of year	\$ 2,498,083	\$ 949,168
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:		
Cash payments for interest	\$ 1,544,490	\$ 1,173,307

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Nature of Organization and Significant Accounting Policies

Erikson Institute ("Institute") is an independent institution of higher education located in Chicago, Illinois, that prepares child development professionals for leadership. Through its academic programs, applied research, and community service and engagement, the Institute advances the ability of practitioners and researchers to improve life for children and their families. The Institute is a catalyst for discovery and change, continually bringing the newest scientific knowledge on children's development and learning into its classrooms and out to the community so that professionals serving children and families are informed, inspired and responsive. The Institute is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and applicable state law.

Accounting policies: The Institute follows accounting standards established by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") to ensure consistent reporting of financial condition, changes in net assets, and cash flows. References to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles ("GAAP") in these footnotes are to the *FASB Accounting Standards Codification* TM , sometimes referred to as the "Codification" or "ASC."

Revenue recognition: Revenue is recorded on the accrual basis of accounting, whereby revenue is recognized when earned. Tuition revenue is recognized as the classes take place. Student fees, consulting revenue and grant revenues are recognized as the services are provided.

All contributions are considered to be available for unrestricted use unless otherwise specifically restricted by donors. Contributions are recorded and recognized as revenue when a notice of an award or a pledge is received. Restricted contributions are recorded as revenue in donor restricted net assets if limited by donor imposed stipulations that expire by passage of time, can be fulfilled and removed by action of the Institute, or contributions are non-expendable. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, donor restricted net assets are reclassified to net assets without donor restriction and reported in the statements of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

Expense allocation: The costs of providing various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities and in the statements of functional expenses. Certain expenses are attributable to more than one program or supporting function. These expenses are allocated consistently on the following bases: Depreciation, interest and occupancy costs are allocated based on square-footage used by each function. Salaries and benefits are allocated based on actual time and effort.

Cash: Cash includes cash on hand, demand deposits and time deposits with original maturities of less than three months.

The Institute maintains funds in accounts that at times are in excess of Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation insurance limits; however, the Institute minimizes this risk by maintaining deposits in high-quality financial institutions. The Institute has not experienced any losses in such accounts and believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash.

Grants and contracts receivables: Grants and contracts receivables are reported at their estimated realizable value and recognized as unrestricted revenue at the time the Institute performs the services. Management reviews the receivables for collectability and records an allowance for any accounts deemed uncollectible.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Nature of Organization and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Contributions receivable: Contributions receivable are reported at their estimated realizable value and recognized as revenue at the time an unconditional promise to give is received from a donor. If the pledge is receivable over an extended period of time, the present value of the pledge is recorded. The receivables are discounted using a present value discount rate commensurate with the risk involved. Management reviews the receivables for collectability and records an allowance for any accounts deemed uncollectible.

Investments: Investments in marketable securities held by the Institute are stated at fair value. The Institute reports the fair value of market alternatives, also known as alternative investments, using the practical expedient. The practical expedient allows for the use of net asset value ("NAV"), either as reported by the investee fund or as adjusted by the Institute based on various factors.

Investment income or loss (including gains and losses on investments, interest and dividends) net of investment expenses is included in the statements of activities as increases or decreases in net assets without donor restrictions unless the income or loss is restricted by donor or law.

Property and equipment: Property and equipment are recorded at cost. The Institute capitalizes all expenditures for property, equipment and software in excess of \$5,000. Depreciation is being provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets as follows:

Computer software5 yearsComputer equipment5 yearsFurniture and equipment10 yearsBuilding39 years

Assets retired or otherwise disposed of are removed from the accounts at their net book value and the gain or loss is recognized as the difference between proceeds, if any, and the net book value. Repairs and maintenance are charged to expense as incurred.

Unearned tuition and deposits: Tuition and deposits received for classes to be held subsequent to year-end are recorded as an unearned tuition and deposits liability at year-end.

Interest rate swap agreement: The Institute's interest rate swap agreement is recognized as either an asset or liability at its fair value in the statements of financial position with changes in the fair value reported on the statements of activities. The Institute uses an interest rate swap agreement as part of its risk management strategy to manage exposure to fluctuations in interest rates and to manage the overall cost of its debt. The interest rate swap agreement was not entered into for trading or speculative purposes. The Institute's swap agreement does not meet the requirements to qualify for hedge accounting.

Net assets: In order to ensure the observance of limitations and restrictions placed on the use of available resources, the Institute maintains its financial accounts in a manner that segregates resources for various purposes that are classified into funds established in accordance with their nature and purpose. For financial reporting purposes, fund balances and related activities of the various funds are classified as net assets without donor restrictions or net assets with donor restrictions based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Nature of Organization and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Accounting estimates: The preparation of financial statements 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 revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Income taxes: The accounting standard on accounting for uncertainty in income taxes addresses the determination of whether tax benefits claimed or expected to be claimed on a tax return should be recorded in the financial statements. Under this guidance, the Institute may recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by taxing authorities, based on the technical merits of the position. Examples of tax positions include the tax-exempt status of the Institute and various positions related to the potential sources of unrelated business taxable income. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. There were no unrecognized tax benefits identified or recorded as liabilities during the periods covered by these financial statements.

The Institute files Form 990 in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and applicable forms with the State of Illinois.

Adopted accounting pronouncement: In 2019, the Institute adopted Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2016-14, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities.* Key elements of the ASU include a reduction in the number of net asset categories from three to two, several new requirements related to expense presentation and disclosure (including investment expenses), and new required disclosures communicating information useful in assessing liquidity. Certain provisions, as required, have been retrospectively applied to 2018.

Fiscal year 2018 net assets with donor restrictions of \$33,948,123 and \$33,680,377 were previously reported as temporarily and permanently restricted net assets of \$13,408,807 and \$20,539,316 at July 1, 2017 and \$13,141,061 and \$20,539,316 at June 30, 2018, respectively.

Recent accounting pronouncements: In 2014, the FASB issued ASU 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)*, requiring an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. The updated standard will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in U.S. GAAP when it becomes effective. The updated standard will be effective for the Institute in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

In 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, *Leases (Topic 842)*. The guidance in this ASU supersedes the leasing guidance in Topic 840, *Leases*. Under the new guidance, lessees are required to recognize lease assets and lease liabilities on the statement of financial position for all leases with terms longer than twelve months. Leases will be classified as either finance or operating, with classification affecting the pattern of expense recognition in the statement of activities. The new standard is effective for the Institute in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021.

In 2018, the FASB issued ASU 2018-08, *Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Clarifying the Scope and the Accounting Guidance for Contributions Received and Contributions Made.* This ASU provides guidance surrounding the categorization of certain transactions as contributions or exchange transactions. It further clarifies when contributions should be deemed conditional. The new standard will be effective for the Institute in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020.

The Institute is currently evaluating the impact of the adoption of these new standards on its financial statements.

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 1. Nature of Organization and Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Subsequent events: The Institute has evaluated subsequent events for potential recognition and/or disclosure through October 28, 2019, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 2. Financial Assets and Liquidity Resources

The table below represents financial assets available for general expenditures within one year of June 30, 2019:

Financial assets at year-end:	
Cash	\$ 2,618,088
Contributions receivable	3,252,225
Grants and contracts receivable	2,514,584
Other receivables	260,509
Investments	49,074,891
Total financial assets	57,720,297
Less amounts not available to be used within one year:	
Net assets with donor restrictions	(33,590,205)
Donor restricted funds to be released within one year for general expenditures	1,693,143
Board designated endowment funds	(17,052,884)
Spending-rate appropriation for distribution within one year	 1,983,121
Total financial assets unavailable within one year	(46,966,825)
Total financial assets available within one year	\$ 10,753,472

Of the \$1,693,143 of donor-restricted funds to be released within one year, \$1,488,820 relates to scholarship funding. In addition to financial assets available within one year, the Institute operates with a balanced budget and anticipates collecting sufficient revenue to cover general expenditures not covered by donor-restricted resources.

The Institute has board designated net assets functioning as endowment that, while the Institute does not intend to spend, the amounts could be made available for current operations, if necessary. As part of the Institute's liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenditures, liabilities and other obligations come due. Investments are highly liquid with 85% of assets with redemption period of 90 days or less.

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Note 3. Contributions Receivable

Contributions receivable at June 30, 2019 and 2018 are due as follows:

	2019	2018
Amounts due in less than one year Amounts due in one to five years	\$ 1,466,552 1,989,865	\$ 2,672,225 2,056,867
,	3,456,417	4,729,092
Less:		
Present value discount (annual discount rate of 3%)	(204,192)	(227,565)
	\$ 3,252,225	\$ 4,501,527

Note 4. Other Receivables

Other receivables at June 30, 2019 and 2018 are composed of the following:

	2019	2018
Student tuition fee receivables	\$ 287,514	\$ 240,558
Clinical fee and other receivables	174,536	294,541
Less: Allowance for uncollectible accounts	 (201,541)	(219,007)
	\$ 260,509	\$ 316,092

Note 5. Investments

Investments at June 30, 2019 and 2018 are composed of the following:

	June 3	30, 2019	June 3	30, 2018
	Fair Value	Cost	Fair Value	Cost
Short-term investments	\$ 3,531,193	\$ 3,531,193	\$ 4,591,645	\$ 4,591,644
Mutual funds:				
Commodities	746,376	949,382	1,256,234	1,325,580
Fixed income	7,910,423	8,021,848	8,505,555	8,836,367
Equities	20,551,539	17,403,934	23,125,867	18,895,742
Corporate stocks	2,976,176	2,722,777	3,372,113	3,041,879
Hedge funds and other investments:				
Equity	1,345,305	987,607	1,637,188	1,192,155
Private equity	5,784,788	3,812,606	5,037,387	3,323,144
Absolute return	6,229,091	5,332,355	6,286,120	5,607,097
	\$ 49,074,891	\$ 42,761,702	\$ 53,812,109	\$ 46,813,608

Notes to Financial Statements

Note 5. Investments (Continued)

Investment earnings of donor restricted endowments are considered restricted until appropriated and spent for their designated purpose.

In accordance with the Institute's spending policy, investment return on the board designated endowment is designated for support of current operations; the remainder is retained to support operations of future years and to offset potential market declines. The Institute considers the investment earnings allocation from the endowment assets to be operating income, with the remaining investment income recorded as other items. These amounts are reflected as investment income in the statements of activities as follows:

	2019		2018	
Support and revenue	\$	2,038,875	\$ 1,976,175	
Other items		113,178	2,013,371	
	\$	2,152,053	\$ 3,989,546	_

Note 6. Fair Value Measurements

The Institute follows ASC Topic, *Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures*, which provides the framework for measuring fair value under generally accepted accounting principles. This Topic applies to all financial instruments that are being measured and reported on a fair value basis. As defined in the Topic, fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. In determining fair value, the Institute uses various methods including market, income, and cost approaches. Based on these approaches, the Institute often utilizes certain assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk and/or the risks inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. These inputs can be readily observable, market corroborated, or generally unobservable inputs. The Institute utilizes valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Based on the observability of the inputs used on the valuation techniques, the Institute is required to provide the following information according to the fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy ranks the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values.

Financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value will be classified and disclosed in one of the following three categories:

<u>Level 1</u>. Valuations for assets and liabilities traded in active exchange markets, such as the New York Stock Exchange. Level 1 assets primarily include listed equities, money market funds, government securities, and mutual funds. Valuations are obtained from readily available pricing sources for market transactions involving identical assets or liabilities.

<u>Level 2</u>. Valuations for assets and liabilities traded in less active dealer or broker markets. Valuations are obtained from third-party pricing services for similar assets or liabilities. Level 2 assets primarily include less liquid and restricted equity securities, funds invested in equity securities, fixed-income, real estate securities, asset allocation and money market funds.

<u>Level 3</u>. Valuations for assets and liabilities that are derived from other valuation methodologies, including option pricing models, discounted cash flow models and similar techniques, and not based on market exchange, dealer, or broker-traded transactions. Level 3 valuations incorporate certain assumptions and projections in determining the fair value assigned to such assets or liabilities.

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Note 6. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The Institute's assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the investment.

For fiscal years 2019 and 2018, the application of valuation techniques applied to similar assets and liabilities has been consistent with techniques used in previous years. The valuation methodologies used for instruments at fair value are described on the following page.

Investments in securities traded on a national securities exchange, or reported on the NASDAQ national market, are stated at the last reported sales price on the day of valuation; other securities traded in the over-the-counter market and listed securities for which no sale was reported on that date are stated at the last quoted bid price, except for short sales positions and call options written, for which the last quoted asked price is used. The fair values of the Institute's short-term investments, including cash and cash equivalents approximate their individual carrying amounts due to the relatively short period of time between their origination and expected realization. Restricted securities and other securities for which quotations are not readily available are valued at fair value as determined by the general partner.

Hedge funds and other investments, which generally are investment partnerships, are valued at fair value based on the applicable percentage ownership of the underlying partnerships' net assets as of the measurement date, as determined by the general partner. In determining fair value, the general partner utilizes valuations provided by the underlying investment partnerships. The underlying investment partnerships value securities and other financial instruments on a fair value basis of accounting. The estimated fair values of certain investments of the underlying investment partnerships, which may include private placements and other securities for which prices are not readily available, are determined by the general partner or sponsor of the respective other investment partnership and may not reflect amounts that could be realized upon immediate sale, or amounts that ultimately may be realized. Accordingly, the estimated fair values may differ significantly from the values that would have been used had a ready market existed for these investments. The fair value of the Institute's investment partnerships generally represents the amount the Institute would expect to receive if it were to liquidate its investment in the investment partnerships excluding any redemption charges that may apply.

The following table sets forth the fair value of investments in certain entities that calculate NAV per share (or its equivalent):

	June 30, 2019 Fair Value	June 30, 2018 Fair Value	C	2019 Unfunded Commitment	2018 Unfunded Commitment	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Investment							
Hedge funds and other investments							
Equity (a)	\$ 1,345,305	\$ 1,637,188	\$	-	\$ -	Quarterly	Over 90 days
Private equity (b)	5,784,788	5,037,387		3,656,801	1,581,355	n/a	Over 1 year
Absolute return (c)	6,145,124	1,727,801		-	-	Quarterly	60 days
Absolute return (c)	83,967	4,558,319		-	-	Quarterly	Over 90 days

- (a) Represents investments in hedge funds that invest in equity, real estate and energy securities.
- (b) Represents limited partnership investments focused on achieving long-term returns through investments in a diversified portfolio of private equity limited partnerships.
- (c) Includes funds of funds invested in limited partnerships and partnership investments which are primarily private investment pools with no particular industry or geographic concentration.

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Note 6. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

There is no provision for redemptions during the life of the private equity funds. Distributions from each fund will be received as the underlying funds are liquidated.

Certain alternative investments and investments in funds have been valued as of March 31, 2019 and 2018, and then adjusted for any purchases and withdrawals made between April 1 and June 30 and investment return estimates, when available, because June 30 balances were not readily available from fund managers and general partners.

Alternative investments are redeemable with the investee fund at NAV under the original terms of the subscription agreement. Due to the nature of these investments and changes in market conditions, the overall economic environment may significantly impact the NAV of the funds and therefore the value of the Institute's interest. It is therefore reasonably possible that, if the Institute were to sell all or a portion its market alternatives, the transaction value could be significantly different than the fair value reported as of June 30.

The Institute assesses the levels of financial instruments at each measurement date, and transfers between levels are recognized on the actual date of the event of change in circumstances that caused the transfer in accordance with the Institute's accounting policy regarding recognition of transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy. There were no such transfers for fiscal 2019 or 2018.

The Institute's valuation of the interest-rate swap agreement is based on widely-accepted valuation techniques, including discounted cash flow analysis on the expected cash flows of the interest-rate swap agreement. This analysis reflects the contractual terms of the agreement, including the period to maturity, and uses observable market-based inputs, including LIBOR rate curves.

In accordance with ASU 2015-07, Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820), certain investments that were measured at net asset value per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy. The fair value amounts presented in this table are intended to permit reconciliation of the fair value hierarchy to the line items presented in the statements of financial position.

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Note 6. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The following table presents the Institute's fair value hierarchy for those assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2019:

				In	vestments Clas	ssifie	ed in the Fai	ir Va	lue Hierarchy
				Q	uoted Prices	S	ignificant		
				in A	Active Markets		Other		Significant
			Investments	1	for Identical	Ol	oservable	U	nobservable
		- 1	Measured at		Assets		Inputs		Inputs
Description	Total	Ne	et Asset Value		(Level 1)	(Level 2)		(Level 3)
Short-term investments	\$ 3,531,193	\$	-	\$	3,531,193	\$	-	\$	-
Mutual funds:									
Commodities	746,376		-		746,376		-		-
Fixed income	7,910,423		-		7,910,423		-		-
Equities	20,551,539		-		20,551,539		-		-
Corporate stocks	2,976,176		-		2,976,176		-		-
Hedge funds and other investments:									
Equity	1,345,305		1,345,305		-		-		-
Private equity	5,784,788		5,784,788		-		-		-
Absolute return	6,229,091		6,229,091		-		-		-
	\$ 49,074,891	\$	13,359,184	\$	35,715,707	\$	-	\$	-
Investments held for deferred compensation:									
Money market funds	\$ 4,732	\$	_	\$	4,732	\$	-	\$	_
Equity	661,142		-		661,142		-		-
Fixed income	79,005		-		79,005		-		-
Multi-asset	61,520		-		61,520		-		-
Guaranteed	25,368		-		-		25,368		
	\$ 831,767	\$	-	\$	806,399	\$	25,368	\$	-
Interest rate swap	\$ (5,500,230)	\$	-	\$	-	\$ (5	5,500,230)	\$	

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Note 6. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

The following table presents the Institute's fair value hierarchy for those assets measured at fair value on a recurring basis as of June 30, 2018:

					Investments Classified in the Fair Value Hie					lue Hierarchy
					Quoted Prices			Significant		
			Investments			Active Markets	Other		Significant	
						for Identical		Observable		nobservable
			ı	Measured at		Assets		Inputs		Inputs
Description		Total	Ne	et Asset Value		(Level 1)	(Level 2)		(Level 3)
Short-term investments	\$	4,591,645	\$	_	\$	4,591,645	\$	_	\$	_
Mutual funds:										
Commodities		1,256,234		-		1,256,234		-		-
Fixed income		8,505,555		-		8,505,555		-		-
Equities		23,125,867		-		23,125,867		-		-
Corporate stocks		3,372,113		-		3,372,113		-		-
Hedge funds and other investments:										
Equity		1,637,188		1,637,188		-		-		-
Private equity		5,037,387		5,037,387		-		-		_
Absolute return		6,286,120		6,286,120		-		-		_
	\$	53,812,109	\$	12,960,695	\$	40,851,414	\$	-	\$	-
Investments held for deferred compensation:										
Money market funds	\$	4,859	\$	-	\$	4,859	\$	-	\$	_
Equity		622,874		-		622,874		-		-
Fixed income		76,347		-		76,347		-		-
Multi-asset		53,864		-		53,864		-		-
Guaranteed	_	25,334		-	_	-		25,334		
	\$	783,278	\$	-	\$	757,944	\$	25,334	\$	
Interest rate swap	\$	(3,949,403)	\$	-	\$	-	\$ (3	3,949,403)	\$	

The Institute's investment portfolio is exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the financial statements.

Market risk: Market risk arises primarily from changes in the market value of financial instruments. Exposure to market risk is influenced by a number of factors, including the relationships between financial instruments, and the volatility and liquidity in the markets in which the financial instruments are traded. In many cases, the use of financial instruments serves to modify or offset market risk associated with other transactions and, accordingly, serves to decrease the Institute's overall exposure to market risk. The Institute attempts to control its exposure to market risk through various analytical monitoring techniques.

Credit risk: Credit risk arises primarily from the potential inability of counterparties to perform in accordance with the terms of a contract. The Institute's exposure to credit risk associated with counterparty nonperformance is limited to the current cost to replace all contracts in which the Institute has a gain. Exchange-traded financial instruments generally do not give rise to significant counterparty exposure due to the cash settlement procedures for daily market movements and the margin requirements of individual exchanges. The Institute seeks to mitigate its exposure to this credit risk by placing its cash with major institutions.

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Note 6. Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Concentration of credit risk: The Institute's managers currently invest with various managers and clearing brokers. In the event these counterparties do not fulfill their obligations, the Institute may be exposed to risk. This risk of default depends on the creditworthiness of the counterparty to these transactions. The Institute attempts to minimize this credit risk by monitoring the creditworthiness of the managers and clearing brokers.

Alternative investments and investments in funds: The managers of underlying investment entities, in which the Institute invests, may utilize derivative instruments with off-balance-sheet risk. The Institute's exposure to risk is limited to the amount of its investment.

Note 7. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are composed of the following at June 30, 2019 and 2018:

	2019	2018
Land	\$ 2,692,677	\$ 2,692,677
Building	27,299,163	27,299,163
Furniture and equipment	4,142,765	4,099,524
Software	623,813	623,813
Other	142,267	52,500
	34,900,685	34,767,677
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(12,097,828)	(11,086,529)
	\$ 22,802,857	\$ 23,681,148
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Depreciation expense totaled \$1,011,299 and \$1,011,524 for fiscal years 2019 and 2018, respectively.

Note 8. Long-Term Debt

On June 29, 2017, the Institute entered into a bond trust agreement with the Illinois Finance Authority to issue Illinois Finance Authority Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2017A and Series 2017B (used to redeem \$30,500,000 of outstanding Adjustable Rate Demand Educational Facility Revenue Bonds, Series 2007). The bonds are non-amortizing and have a term of 25 years. In connection to the issuance and purchase of the bonds, a continuing covenant agreement has been entered into with the purchasers of the bonds and requires the Institute to comply with certain financial covenants which are monitored on a quarterly and semi-annual basis. The Series 2017A and 2017B purchasers are secured creditors and therefore have a security interest in the property and gross revenues of the Institute. The bonds have a maturity date of November 1, 2042, and are redeemable at such date. The Institute partially redeemed \$5,000,000 of outstanding bonds in 2019 and \$500,000 in 2018.

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Note 8. Long-Term Debt (Continued)

Following is summary of the bond payable at June 30, 2019 and 2018:

	2019	2018
Illinois Finance Authority (IFA) Revenue Refunding Bonds:		
Series 2017A	\$ 16,435,000	\$ 19,676,000
Series 2017B	8,937,000	10,696,000
Total	25,372,000	30,372,000
Less unamortized cost of issuance fees	(351,881)	(367,181)
Bonds payable per statement of financial position	\$ 25,020,119	\$ 30,004,819

In order to reduce exposure to adjustable interest rates on variable rate debt, the Institute entered into a 30-year interest rate swap agreement in June 2017. The agreement had the effect of fixing the rate of interest at 3.6 percent for the variable rate debt. The notional amount of the swap agreement is \$16,250,000. The fair value of the swap agreement is the estimated amount that the Institute would pay or receive to terminate the agreement as of the statement of financial position date, taking into account current interest rates and the current creditworthiness of the swap counterparty. As of June 30, 2019 and 2018, the fair value of the interest rate swap agreement was a liability of \$5,500,230 and \$3,949,403, respectively, and is presented on the statements of financial position as "Interest rate swap agreement." The Institute recorded a loss in the amount of \$1,550,828 in 2019 and a gain of \$1,190,576 in 2018, for the change in the fair value of the swap agreement.

Note 9. Retirement Plans

The Institute's defined contribution 403(b) retirement plan covers all employees. The Institute provides matching contributions for all employees who have worked more than 1,000 hours during the year. Vesting of employer matching contributions takes place after one year of service. Under this plan, pension benefits and costs are calculated separately for each participant and are funded currently. Pension expense for the plan was \$596,973 and \$579,037 in fiscal years 2019 and 2018, respectively.

The Institute has a nonqualified 457(b) deferred compensation plan for certain employees. Contributions to the plan are invested under the direction of the individual qualified employee from the same options available for the 403(b) plan. Eligible employees made contributions of \$5,000 and \$0 for the fiscal years ended 2019 and 2018, respectively. At June 30, 2019 and 2018, \$831,767 and \$783,278, respectively, was accrued as a liability and set aside in a separate account for this benefit. The plan is intended to constitute an unfunded plan and all amounts held are assets of the employer.

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Note 10. Net Assets

Net assets are available for the following purposes at June 30:

		2019		2018
Without donor restrictions:	•	(0.070.400)	•	(4.0.47.000)
Undesignated	\$	(2,270,469)	\$	(4,947,020)
Board designated - funds functioning as endowment		4 070 007		10.005.010
Facilities		4,972,687		10,005,818
General operations		11,918,463		11,826,812
Scholarships		161,734		152,541
		17,052,884		21,985,171
Board designated - reinvestment funds		48,703		80,974
	\$	14,831,118	\$	17,119,125
With donor restrictions:				
Purpose restricted				
Special projects	\$	4,892,450	\$	5,456,768
Program support	•	213,405	•	639,642
Scholarships		2,387,165		2,499,997
Contractings		7,493,020		8,596,407
		7,100,020		0,000,101
Endowment funds:				
Endowed chairs		6,607,397		6,607,397
Program support		8,383,256		8,384,237
Scholarships		10,492,923		9,480,291
Library		613,609		612,045
		26,097,185		25,083,970
	\$	33,590,205	\$	33,680,377
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Net assets released from restriction for operating expenditures:				
		2019		2018
Special projects	\$	4,082,185	\$	4,338,392
Program support		517,404		476,218
Scholarships		1,120,798		854,728
	\$	5,720,387	\$	5,669,338
Net assets released from restriction for capital expenditures:				
		2019		2018
Special projects	ф	132 007	φ	
Special projects	\$	133,007	<u>\$</u> \$	-
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Note 11. Endowment Funds

Interpretation of Relevant Law

The Institute's Board of Trustees has interpreted Uniform Prudent Management of Invested Funds Act ("UPMIFA") as requiring the preservation of the fair value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As a result of this interpretation, the Institute classifies as restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund is classified as with donor restricted net assets until those amounts are appropriated for expenditure by the Institute in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. In accordance with UPMIFA, the Institute considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate earnings on donor-restricted endowment funds:

- 1) The duration and preservation of the fund;
- 2) The purpose of the Institute and the donor-restricted endowment fund;
- 3) General economic conditions;
- 4) The possible effect of inflation and deflation;
- 5) The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments;
- 6) Other resources of the Institute; and
- 7) The investment policies of the Institute.

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted funds may fall below the level that the donor requires the Institute to retain as a fund of perpetual duration (underwater endowments). As of June 30, 2019 and 2018, deficiencies of \$99,124 and \$105,529, respectively, were reported in net assets with donor restrictions.

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Note 11 Endowment Funds (Continued)

The changes in endowment net assets for the Institute were as follows for the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018:

				2019		
	V	ithout Donor	With Donor			
		Restrictions		Restrictions		Total
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$	21,985,171	\$	25,083,970	\$	47,069,141
Investment income		1,144,350		1,007,686		2,152,036
Contributions		-		1,000,000		1,000,000
Board designated amounts						
transferred for debt payment		(5,000,000)		-		(5,000,000)
Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure:						
Board designated		(1,076,637)		-		(1,076,637)
Donor restricted (time)		-		(962,238)		(962,238)
Donor restricted (purpose)		-		(32,233)		(32,233)
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Endowment net assets, end of year	\$	17,052,884	\$	26,097,185	\$	43,150,069
				2018		
		ithout Donor/		With Donor		
		Restrictions		Restrictions		Total
Endowment net assets, beginning of year	\$	21,597,094	\$	24,001,561	\$	45,598,655
Investment income		1,978,864		2,018,632		~ ~ ~ ~ . ~ ~
Contributions				2,010,032		3,997,496
		-		-		3,997,496 -
Board designated amounts		-		-		-
transferred for debt payment		(500,000)				(500,000)
_		(500,000)				-
transferred for debt payment Appropriation of endowment assets for		(500,000) (1,090,787)				-
transferred for debt payment Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure:		, ,		- (893,337)		(500,000)
transferred for debt payment Appropriation of endowment assets for expenditure: Board designated		, ,		-		(500,000) (1,090,787)

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Note 11 Endowment Funds (Continued)

Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The Institute has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding. Funds functioning as endowment are only released by the Board of Trustees for spending based on organizational spending and investment policies or specifically directed spending in accordance with donor-specified uses. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the Institute must hold in perpetuity as well as board-designated funds. Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Trustees, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to produce results that exceed the price and yield results of the various indices set in the investment policy, while assuming a moderate level of investment risk.

Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate of return objectives, the Institute relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The Institute targets a diversified asset allocation that places a greater emphasis on equity-based investments to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

Spending Policy and How the Investment Objectives Relate to Spending Policy

The Institute has a policy of appropriating for distribution a percentage of its endowment fund's average fair value over the prior 12 quarters through the calendar year proceeding the fiscal year in which the distribution is planned. The policy is coordinated with its investment policy such that over the long term, its endowment will be able to maintain its purchasing power over time. The Board approved a spending rate of 4.5% for both the years ended June 30, 2019 and 2018.