

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Consolidated Financial Statements March 31, 2017

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Chairman and Members of the

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of **Annapolis Valley Regional School Board**, which comprise the consolidated statement of financial position as at March 31, 2017, and the consolidated statement of operations and accumulated surplus, change in net debt and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation 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 consolidated financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the 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. 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 audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, these consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Board as at March 31, 2017 and the results of operations, changes in net debt and cash flows for the year then ended, in accordance with Canadian public sector accounting standards.

Berwick, Nova Scotia June 28, 2017

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Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Consolidated Statement of Financial Position As at March 31, 2017

	2017	2016
Financial Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	0.000.007	A 040 454
Cash	\$ 6,862,087	\$ 4,212,451
School Based Funds (Note 3)	3,524,914	2,662,886
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	10,387,001	6,875,337
Accounts Receivable		
Province of Nova Scotia	16,479,925	20,587,622
PNS - Teacher's Salary Accrual	2,139,100	1,715,100
Government of Canada	304,454	519,225
Other	606,230	517,656
PNS - Long-Term Service Awards	8,454,882	8,956,209
Total Financial Assets	38,371,592	39,171,149
Capital Assets		
New Book Value of Capital Assets (Note 2)		
Total Financial and Capital Assets	38,371,592	39,171,149
Liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	1,943,261	3,399,612
Payables and Accruals - Government		
Province of Nova Scotia	123,238	80,885
Municipalities	30,953	38,057
Government of Canada	1,240,981	1,282,286
Other Payables & Accrued Liabilities	2,164,948	2,799,272
Teachers Salary Accruals	2,139,100	1,715,100
Deferred Revenues	3,754,759	2,262,809
Long-Term Service Awards Liability (Note 8)	8,454,882	8,956,209
Long-Term Sick Leave Accrual (Note 7)	14,038,858	13,961,694
Total Liabilities	33,890,980	34,495,924
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Equity - Capital	22 000 000	34,495,924
Total Liabilities and Capital Equity	33,890,980	34,495,924
Net (debt)/surplus	4,480,612	4,675,225
Non-Financial assets		
Prepaid expenses	485,592	453,871
Tangible capital assets (Schedule E)	1,201,489	1,036,643
Accumulated surplus/(deficit) end of year	6,167,693	6,165,739
Committed Surplus		
School Based Funds	3,063,903	2,662,886
Non-Financial Assets	1,687,081_	1,490,514
Total Committed Surplus	4,750,984	4,153,400
Uncommitted Surplus	\$ 1,416,709	\$ 2,012,339

Trust Funds Under Administration (Note 4) Commitments (Note 5)

Contingencies (Note 6)

On Behalf of the Board

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus As at March 31, 2017

	2017 Budget			2017 Actual	2016 Actual		
Revenue (Schedule A)							
Province of Nova Scotia	\$	106,974,472	\$	104,862,554	\$	107,951,405	
Government of Canada	,	996,132	•	982,570	•	1,013,244	
Municipal Contributions		21,941,949		21,941,959		21,282,792	
School Generated Funds (Note 3)		4,000,000		3,408,471		4,192,769	
Other Revenues		4,158,912		3,755,315		3,950,624	
Total Revenues		138,071,465		134,950,869		138,390,834	
Expenses (Schedule B)							
Total Board Governance		388,356		371,267		379,138	
Total Regional Management		3,634,126		3,794,517		3,325,071	
Total School Management		16,798,925		15,880,971		19,368,443	
Total Instruction		63,797,369		62,794,042		62,805,815	
Total Student Support		22,854,823		23,219,305		21,758,667	
Total Adult Education		453,431		467,901		429,992	
Total Property Services		12,763,480		12,412,140		13,221,731	
Total Student Transportation		9,324,683		9,099,387		9,248,641	
Other Programs		3,139,793		3,048,131		2,812,529	
School Generated Funds (Note 3)		4,000,000		3,007,454		4,136,905	
Interest Expense		788,020		744,780		788,020	
Amortization Expense		128,459		109,020		111,259	
Total Expenses	\$	138,071,465		134,948,915		138,386,209	
Annual Surplus/(deficit) before unusual items				1,954		4,625	
School Board surplus/(deficit)							
on an expense basis				1,954		4,625	
Accumulated surplus/(deficit) beginning of year	:			0.405.700		0.404.444	
Previously Reported				6,165,739		6,161,114	
Accumulated surplus/(deficit) end of year				6,167,693		6,165,739	
Committed Surplus							
School Based Funds				3,063,903		2,662,886	
Non-Financial Assets				1,687,081		1,490,514	
Uncommitted Surplus			\$	1,416,709	\$	2,012,339	

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Consolidated Statement of Change in Net (Debt)/Surplus For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017		 2016	
Net (debt)/surplus beginning of year	\$	4,675,225	\$ 4,681,998	
Changes in the Year				
Surplus/(Deficit), on an Expense Basis Acquisition of tangible capital assets Amortization of tangible capital asset (Increase) Decrease in prepaid expenses		1,954 (273,865) 109,020 (31,722)	 4,625 (93,080) 111,259 (29,577)	
Net (debt)/surplus end of year		4,480,612	\$ 4,675,225	

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Consolidated Statement of Cash Flow For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017	2016
Operating Transactions		
Annual surplus	\$ 6,167,693	\$ 6,165,739
Change in prepaid expenses	(31,722)	(29,577)
Change in deferred revenue	1,491,950	320,492
Change in accounts receivable	4,311,221	(5,263,451)
Change in accounts payable	(1,672,731)	(1,709,535)
Change in long-term debt	(424,163)	1,386,581
Cash Provided by Operating Transactions	9,842,248	870,249
Acquistion of tangible capital assets	(273,865)	(93,080)
Amortization of tangible capital assets	109,020	111,259
	(164,845)	18,179
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	9,677,403	888,428
Previous Year's Surplus	(6,165,739)	(6,161,114)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	6,875,337	12,148,023
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 10,387,001	\$ 6,875,337

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Schedule A - Supplementary Details of Revenues For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017 Budget 2017 Actual		2016 Actual	
Revenue				
Province of Nova Scotia:				
Operating Restricted Capital Other Recoveries Teachers Salary Accrual Total Province of Nova Scotia	\$ 76,752,700 25,380,822 113,400 3,012,450 - 1,715,100 106,974,472	\$ 76,758,398 23,492,924 113,400 2,100,932 257,800 2,139,100 104,862,554	\$ 81,662,762 22,796,468 113,366 1,436,984 226,726 1,715,100 107,951,405	
Government of Canada:				
IA Northern Development Secretary of State	748,149 247,983	816,318 166,252	874,687 138,557	
Total Government of Canada	996,132	982,570	1,013,244	
Municipal contributions:				
Mandatory	21,941,949	21,941,959	21,282,792	
Total Municipal Contributions	21,941,949	21,941,959	21,282,792	
School Generated Funds:				
School Generated (Note 3)	4,000,000	3,408,471	4,192,769	
Total School Generated	4,000,000	3,408,471	4,192,769	

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Schedule A - Supplementary Details of Revenues For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017 Budget	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
Other Revenues:			
Board Generated - Other	642,129	468,666	790,067
Other Revenue - Schools	1,195,686	1,096,294	1,193,259
Tuition - Students	812,385	559,317	550,576
Registration	1,225,000	1,173,615	1,000,327
Interest/Investments	70,000	73,907	68,406
Recoveries - Non-governmental	200,000	181,377	205,576
Non-Government Grants	-	201,286	139,733
Donations	13,712	853	2,680
Total Other Revenues	4,158,912	3,755,315	3,950,624
Total Revenues	\$ 138,071,465	\$ 134,950,869	\$ 138,390,834

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Schedule B - Supplementary Details of Expenses For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017 Budget	2017 Actual	2016 Actual		
Expenses:					
Board Governance:					
Board Members	\$ 265,248	\$ 247,664	\$ 256,136		
Board Secretary	57,233	57,728	57,127		
NSSBA & Other	65,875	65,875	65,875		
Total Board Governance	388,356	371,267	379,138		
Regional Management:					
Management Services	1,231,988	1,242,297	1,184,921		
Financial Services	1,168,605	1,149,657	1,219,753		
Human Resources Services	805,295	835,389	727,789		
Communication Services	85,310	83,065	84,881		
ITS - Regional	342,928	484,109	107,728		
Total Regional Management	3,634,126	3,794,517	3,325,071		
School Management & Support:					
School Management	10,737,945	10,653,491	10,702,973		
Program & Curriculum Support	5,048,060	4,194,024	6,808,566		
ITS - Site Specific	1,012,920	1,033,456	1,856,904		
Total School Management	16,798,925	15,880,971	19,368,443		
Instructional & School Services:					
Instruction	61,144,944	60,348,583	60,511,398		
Guidance Services	2,072,425	1,934,301	1,701,206		
Library Services	580,000	511,158	593,211		
Total Instruction	63,797,369	62,794,042	62,805,815		
Student Support:					
Program Management	10,530,783	11,039,860	9,905,498		
Instruction	10,350,411		10,108,558		
Program & Curriculum Support	1,973,629		1,744,611		
Total Student Support	22,854,823	23,219,305	21,758,667		

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Schedule B - Supplementary Details of Expenses For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	2017 Budget	2017 Actual	2016 Actual	
Adult Education:				
Program Management	-	-	-	
Instruction	453,431	467,901	429,992	
Total Adult Education	453,431	467,901	429,992	
Property Services:				
Management Services	1,012,475	960,625	1,000,282	
Custodial Services	4,805,200	4,630,688	4,774,890	
Maintenance Services	6,515,805	6,366,820	6,973,169	
Grounds Services	430,000	454,007	473,390	
Total Property Services	12,763,480	12,412,140	13,221,731	
Student Transportation:				
Management Services	468,005	485,126	425,589	
Transportation (Board)	3,651,173	3,580,209	3,713,332	
Maintenance (Board)	1,152,430	1,025,118	1,138,257	
Transportation (Contract)	4,053,075	4,008,934	3,971,463	
Total Student Transportation	9,324,683	9,099,387	9,248,641	
Other Programs	3,139,793	3,048,131	2,812,529	
School Based Funds (Note 3)	4,000,000	3,007,454	4,136,905	
Interest Expense	788,020	744,780	788,020	
Amortization Expense	128,459	109,020	111,259	
Total Other Expenses	8,056,272	6,909,385	7,848,712	
Total	\$ 138,071,465	\$ 134,948,915	\$ 138,386,209	

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Schedule D - Supplementary Details of Trusts and School Based Funds For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	March 2016		Additions	Interest		Disbursements	March 2	017
ARRA Library Trust	\$ 4,119	\$	_	\$ 8	9	\$ -	\$	4,208
AVRSB BD Mem Sch Fd	7,190	*	_	15		600		6,747
Raymond Banks Memorial	11,288		_	24		230		1,301
Barteaux Trust	274		250		7		•	531
Bateman Trust	4,843		-	10-		79		4,868
Beals Trust	413,474		_	8,97		6,000		6,453
Beattie Trust	12,068		_	26		246		2,083
Borden Trust	3,867		_	8-	4	89		3,862
Brannon Trust	539		_	1:	2	-		551
Brazil, Duane Mem	8,360		_	18		500		8,043
Bruce Memorial Award	,		1,000		_	_		1,000
Carter Trust	1,606		-,	3	8	500		1,144
Card Trust	50,866		_	1,09		1,150		0,814
Charles Eaves Award	16,118		_	34		-,		6,466
Clarke	6,964		_	15		162		6,953
Coldwell Trust	5,081		_	11		118		5,073
Cummings Trust	14,758		261	32		500		4,839
Dakin Trust	6,627			14		300		6,470
Dalton Trust	17,940		_	38		-		8,327
Daniel Arnold Memorial	5,608		4,126	12		1,500		8,357
DeEll Trust	54,071		, -	1,17		1,254		3,993
Dorothy Russell	1,428		_	3		500		958
Eastern Star	30,689		1,300	51		_	3	2,505
Fairn	45,238		-	1,00		3,000		3,238
Harvey	4,344		_	9.		100		4,338
Haskell Trust	26,107		395	56	8	1,000		6,070
Hibbard Trust	11,907		_	25	6	225	1	1,938
Horton Alumni Trust	21		-		-	21		-
Horton Golden Trust	4,830		21	11:	2	500		4,463
Hudgins Trust	465		-	1	0	10		465
Inglis Trust	21,060		-	45	6	320	2	1,196
IODE Olympic Chapter	81,717		-	1,79	3	3,750	7	9,760
IOOF Wolfville	16,664		-	36	1	100	1	6,925
Jones - BRES	7,491		-	16	1	-		7,652
Jones - BRHS	16,784		-	36	2	-	1	7,146
Johnston Trust	30,589		-	66	7	1,200	3	0,056
Lightfoot Trust	151		-	;	3	-		154
Lyons Trust	4,768		-	10	4	110		4,762
MacFarlane	43		-		7	20		30
MacNutt Trust	63,509		-	1,37	4	1,000		3,883
Mitchell Trust	1,834		-	4		41		1,833
MRHS 40th Ann. Trust	25,047		-	54		1,000	2	4,594
Neily Trust	447		-	1		10		447
Nixon Trust	6,239		105	13		250		6,230
Candice Parker Trust	4,351		-	9		500		3,948
Paul Bethune	49,747		-	1,07		1,300		9,521
Harry E. Parker Trust	6,611		300	14		500		6,560
Rena B. Parker Trust	38,278		-	83		445		8,665
Frank Pecora Mem Bursary	1,596		-	3	7	500		1,133
Quartermain Trust	15		-		6	-		21
Rainforth Trust	598		-	1		-		611
Sinnott Trust	11,106		-	24		258	1	1,089
Terri Spinney Mem	68		-		1	-		69
Earle Spicer Trust	27,755		-	60	3	646	2	27,712

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Schedule D - Supplementary Details of Trusts and School Based Funds For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

	Mar	ch 2016	Additio	ns	Interest	Disburse	ements	March 2	2017
Bill Wade Memorial		11,090		4,500	328		6,000		9,918
Whitman Memorial		9,436		-	207		500		9,143
Worthylake Trust		6,086		-	131		1,500		4,717
Champlain Refresh		8,333	3	3,900	-		42,352		(119)
Horton Refresh		59,487	30	00,000	-	2	74,753	8	34,734
Northeast Kings Refresh		24,421	10	5,114	-	1	03,623	2	25,912
Pine Ridge Refresh		(3,405)	6	8,106	-		64,581		120
Champlain Capital Fund		11,549		1,595	-		920	•	12,224
Horton Capital Fund		19,124	1	6,260	-		4,938	;	30,446
Northeast Kings Capital Fund		6,256		4,947	-		2,092		9,111
Pine Ridge Capital Fund		13,564		3,205	-		965		15,804
Total Trusts		1,353,099	Ę	545,385	26,339		532,758	1,	392,065
Foundation Total		489,146	3	323,550	7,824		320,633	4	499,887
Total Trusts & Foundation	\$	1,842,245	\$ 8	68,935	\$ 34,163	\$	853,391	\$ 1,8	91,952

School Generated Funds

	Marc	h 31, 2016	Additions		terest	Disbursements		March 31, 2017	
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Aldershot	\$	29,785	\$ 35,243	\$	-	\$	30,203	\$	34,825
Annapolis East		59,513	103,557		-		85,473		77,597
AWEC Office		137,390	99,885		54		90,353		146,976
Avon View		149,551	238,727		-		198,090		190,188
Berwick		49,890	62,178		-		55,692		56,376
BRES		24,821	44,534		-		18,677		50,678
BRHS		65,932	93,021		138		72,296		86,795
Brooklyn		24,329	84,552		-		65,735		43,146
Cambridge		27,905	40,518		-		25,933		42,490
Central Kings		180,493	279,815		-		260,489		199,819
Champlain		27,976	28,687		-		38,361		18,302
Clark Rutherford		4,077	21,345		-		20,352		5,070
Coldbrook		55,280	146,587		-		94,092		107,775
Dr Arthur Hines		13,778	32,409		-		28,510		17,677
Dwight Ross		21,111	27,030		11		28,940		19,212
EMS		70,157	78,516		-		79,783		68,890
Falmouth		26,483	32,882		-		30,932		28,433
Gaspereau		21,630	26,918		-		28,007		20,541
Glooscap		26,759	32,357		-		28,557		30,559
Hantsport		47,583	26,389		48		16,953		57,067
Highbury Education		7,736	2,878		-		413		10,201
Horton		255,727	333,064		-		319,089		269,702
KCA		93,804	163,892		194		153,031		104,859
Kings Co Adult High		9,566	3,001		-		6,008		6,559
Kingston Dist		32,893	66,762		-		57,076		42,579
LE Shaw		9,511	20,368		-		9,601		20,278
Lawrencetown		48,783	37,074		-		30,482		55,375
Lawrencetown Ed. Ctr.		5,261	72,174		-		54,800		22,635
MRHS		185,576	169,353		320		172,036		183,213

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Schedule D - Supplementary Details of Trusts and School Based Funds For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

March 2016	Additions	Interest	Disbursements	March 2017
48,715	33,578	-	26,855	55,438
193,317	235,700	-	227,898	201,119
99,640	63,935	-	65,968	97,607
18,281	41,709	-	31,947	28,043
17,886	60,104	-	57,572	20,418
55,896	35,485	-	35,767	55,614
25,087	20,392	-	17,144	28,335
7,286	13,256	-	5,988	14,554
73,896	104,943	576	105,524	73,891
239,625	257,284	514	215,025	282,398
8,176	1,756	-	987	8,945
22,645	41,026	-	36,728	26,943
44,285	16,513	-	14,489	46,309
94,851	77,219	-	65,598	106,472
\$ 2,662,886	\$ 3,406,616	\$ 1,855	\$ 3,007,454	\$ 3,063,903
	48,715 193,317 99,640 18,281 17,886 55,896 25,087 7,286 73,896 239,625 8,176 22,645 44,285 94,851	48,715 33,578 193,317 235,700 99,640 63,935 18,281 41,709 17,886 60,104 55,896 35,485 25,087 20,392 7,286 13,256 73,896 104,943 239,625 257,284 8,176 1,756 22,645 41,026 44,285 16,513 94,851 77,219	48,715 33,578 - 193,317 235,700 - 99,640 63,935 - 18,281 41,709 - 17,886 60,104 - 55,896 35,485 - 25,087 20,392 - 7,286 13,256 - 73,896 104,943 576 239,625 257,284 514 8,176 1,756 - 22,645 41,026 - 44,285 16,513 - 94,851 77,219 -	48,715 33,578 - 26,855 193,317 235,700 - 227,898 99,640 63,935 - 65,968 18,281 41,709 - 31,947 17,886 60,104 - 57,572 55,896 35,485 - 35,767 25,087 20,392 - 17,144 7,286 13,256 - 5,988 73,896 104,943 576 105,524 239,625 257,284 514 215,025 8,176 1,756 - 987 22,645 41,026 - 36,728 44,285 16,513 - 14,489 94,851 77,219 - 65,598

Annapolis Valley Regional School Board Schedule E - Supplementary Details of Tangible Capital Assets As of March 31, 2017

Costs of Tangible Asset(s)

			Building		
	Buildings	Vehicles	Betterments	2017	2016
Opening Costs	\$ 427,951	\$ 791,323	\$ 849,485	\$ 2,068,759	\$ 1,975,679
Additions	-	98,696	175,169	273,865	93,080
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Closing Costs	427,951	890,019	1,024,654	2,342,624	2,068,759
Accumlated Amortization(s)					
Opening Balance	144,039	656,953	231,123	1,032,115	920,857
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Amortization Expense	14,196	63,176	31,648	109,020	111,259
Closing Balance	158,235	720,129	262,771	1,141,135	1,032,116
Note Book Value (NBV)	269,716	169,890	761,883	1,201,489	1,036,643
Note Book Value (NBV)	200,7 10	100,000	701,000	1,201,400	1,000,040
Opening Balance, April 1, 2016	283,912	134,369	618,362	1,036,643	1,054,822
Closing Balance, March 31, 2017	269,716	169,890	761,883	1,201,489	1,036,643
Increase (decrease)					
In Net Book Value	\$ (14,196)	\$ 35,521	\$ 143,521	\$ 164,846	\$ (18,179)

1. Nature of Operations

The Annapolis Valley Regional School Board is an independent legal entity with an elected board as required under the Education Act. The Board provides educational services from grade primary to grade 12 at public schools within the Annapolis Valley. The Board is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act and is exempt from income tax and can issue official receipts to donors.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared to conform in all material respects to Canadian generally accepted accounting principles prescribed by the Public Sector Accounting and Auditing Handbook for Federal, Provincial and Territorial Governments, of the Public Sector Accounting Board. These consolidated financial statements have been prepared using the following significant accounting policies:

Revenues

Revenues are recorded on an accrual basis. The main components of revenue are funding from the Province of NS, Government of Canada and Municipal Contributions. The Board receives contributions by volunteer support in the delivery of certain programs within the schools. Due to the difficulty in determining or estimating the value of these contributions, contributed services are not quantified and recognized in these financial statements.

The Board recognizes as revenue provincial government transfers representing the year over year change in accrued benefit obligations as the transfer has been authorized.

Expenses

Expenses are recorded on the accrual basis. Provisions are made for probable losses on accounts receivable, and for contingent liabilities when it is likely that a liability exists and the amount can be reasonably determined.

Pension Liabilities

The Board contributes to Registered Retirement Savings Plans and Registered Pension Plans on behalf of the non-teaching employees. The Board's teachers are members of a pension plan established by the Province of Nova Scotia as required by the Teachers' Pension Act. The Province of Nova Scotia and the Nova Scotia Teachers' Union are responsible for funding this plan.

Net Debt

Net Debt represents the direct liabilities of the Board less financial assets.

Financial Instruments

Cash and cash equivalents are recorded at cost which approximates market value. The Board's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, payable and accruals and other liabilities. It is management's opinion that the Board is not exposed to significant interest, currency or credit risks arising from these financial instruments. The fair value of these financial instruments approximates their carrying values.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies continued

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents included cash on hand, balances with banks, short term deposits and bank balances held by schools.

Non Financial Assets

All capital acquisitions are now recorded using Tangible Capital Asset accounting. All non financial assets previously recorded that do not meet these guidelines have been removed from these statements.

All tangible capital assets purchased by the Board are recorded as assets and amortized based on the Province of Nova Scotia's tangible capital asset accounting policy thresholds. The thresholds and amortization rates are as follows:

Buildings	\$250,000	Amortization	5%	Declining Balance
Vehicles	\$ 15,000	Amortization	35%	Declining Balance
Building betterments	\$150,000	Amortization	5%	Declining Balance

Prepaid Expenses are cash disbursements for goods or services, other than Tangible Capital Assets and inventories of supplies, of which some or all will provide economic benefits in one or more future periods. The prepaid amount is recognized as an expense in the year the goods or service is used or consumed.

Accumulated Deficit/Surplus

Accumulated Deficit/Surplus represents the liabilities of the School Board less financial assets, and non financial assets. This represents the accumulated balance of net deficit/surplus arising from the operations of the Board.

Use of Estimates

In preparing the Board's financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and reported amounts by fund of revenue and expenditure. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

3. School Based Funds

The Board is required to include in its financial statements the financial activities of its school sites. To meet this requirement, the Board has instituted a new school based funds policy to promote appropriate internal controls, provided each site with a standard computer based accounting system and established common reporting standards for school based funds. The following is a summary of these financial activities, a site by site listing is provided in Schedule D.

March 31, 2016	Additions	Interest	Disbursements	Schedule D - SBF	Deferred Revenue	March 31, 2017
\$2,662,886	\$3,406,616	\$1,855	\$3,007,454	\$3,063,903	\$461,011	\$3,524,914

(Student Council Funds are included in the School Based Funds totals. Cafeteria funds are no longer school based and are administered in the regional Financial System)

4. Trust funds

The Annapolis Valley Regional School Board manages a number of trust funds primarily for the generation of scholarships and awards. A summary of the trusts and their activity is found in Schedule D of these financial statements. Effective April 1, 1997, the Board incorporated the activities of the former Kings County District School Board Foundation. These are now carried as a separate Trust Account.

5. Contractual Obligations

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Contract	Vendor	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Contracted School Bus					
Transportation Services	Stock Transportation	\$3,753,414	\$3,847,190	\$3,943,369	\$1,222,522
Regional Office Rent	Western Kings Health Society	\$305,952	\$309,929	\$77,732	ı
West Hants Education Centre and Windsor Adult High Rent	BioMedica Diagnostics Inc.	\$149,216	\$37,442	-	-
NSSPI Photocopier	Xerox Canada	\$119,667	\$123,257	\$126,955	130,764
Totals		\$4,328,249	\$4,317,818	\$4,148,056	\$1,353,286

6. Contingency

There is a claim outstanding against the Annapolis Valley Regional School Board. The outcome of this claim is not determinable and therefore no amount has been recorded in the accounts of the Annapolis Valley Regional School Board. Any settlement resulting from the resolution of this claim will be treated as a charge to operations in the period the settlement occurs.

7. Accumulated sick leave liability

The Board has recognized in these consolidated financial statements, the liability associated with accumulated sick leave earned by teaching and non-teaching staff. The Board has recorded a corresponding receivable from the Province of Nova Scotia which has assumed responsibility for the liability up to March 31, 2017.

The non-teaching accumulated sick leave actuarial valuation was prepared by Morneau Shepell based on data from March 31, 2015 that was extrapolated to March 31, 2017. All assumptions used in the Sick Leave valuation have been chosen by the Province. The discount rate to be used in the calculations was 3.59% per annum at March 31, 2017. A rate of 3.71% per annum was used as at March 31, 2016. Salary increases were assumed to be 1% at April 1, 2016 and 2% at April 1, 2017, 2.5% at April 1, 2018 and 3.5% at April 1, 2019. Retirement age was assumed to be 10% at age 59, 20% at age 60, 10% at age 61-64, 50% at age 65-69 and 100% at age 70.

The teaching accumulated sick leave actuarial valuation was prepared by Eckler Ltd. based on valuation as at July 31, 2014 and extrapolated to March 31, 2016. The Province provided the information for the assumptions. The discount rate was set at 3.71% as of March 31, 2016 and 3.59% as of March 31, 2017. The retirement for 2015-16 and 2016-17 was estimated to be 50% at the Rule of 85 with the remainder at earlier of 35 years of credited services, age 62 with 10 years credited service, and age 65 with 2 years credited service. Withdrawal prior to retirement was set at 5% per annum in the first 2 years of employment. The salary increases were assumed to be 0% on April 1, 2016, 1% on April 1, 2017, 1.5% on April 1, 2018, 0.5% on March 31, 2019 and 2.0% per year from April 1, 2019. Expected sick leave utilization is 7.6 days per school year for males and 8.8 days per year for females. The expected net sick leave accrual for a full time employee is 20 day less expected current year sick leave used (12.4 days for males and 11.2 days for females).

7. Accumulated sick leave liability (continued)

Non-Teaching - Accumulated Sick Leave			
· ·	2017	2016	
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Opening benefit obligation, beginning of the	Ф 4 404 7 05	ф 4 00C 404	
year	\$ 1,494,735	\$ 1,336,421	
Current service cost	196,748	160,077	
Interest on obligation	53,163	49,465	
Impact of plan amendment Other (past services transfers etc)	- (244 022)	- (244.054)	
Other (past service, transfers, etc) Less: sick leave taken	(241,933)	(211,854)	
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Actuarial (gains) losses	71,036	160,626	
Closing benefit obligation, end of year	1,573,749	1,494,735	
Donaign appets, at market related values			
Pension assets, at market related values	(1,573,749)	(1,494,735)	
Funded status - surplus (deficiency)	(1,575,749)	(1,494,733)	
Unamortized actuarial (gains) losses	240,562	187,168	
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Accrued benefit asset (liability)	\$(1,333,187)	\$(1,307,567)	
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Teachers -Accumulated Sick Leave			
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Opening benefit obligation, beginning of the	¢10 022 107	¢10 720 000	
year Current service cost	\$10,933,197	\$10,729,000	
	663,300	652,100	
Interest on obligation	392,708	407,597	
Impact of plan amendment Other (past service, transfers, etc.)	(875,000)	(875,000)	
Other (past service, transfers, etc) Less: sick leave taken	-	-	
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Actuarial (gains) losses	111,600	19,500	
Closing benefit obligation, end of year	11,225,805	10,933,197	
Pension assets, at market related values	-	-	
Funded status - surplus (deficiency)	(11,225,805)	(10,933,197)	
Unamortized actuarial (gains) losses	(1,479,866)	(1,720,930)	
Accrued benefit asset (liability)	\$(12,705,671)	\$ <u>(12.654.127)</u>	
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Total Sick Leave Liability	<u>\$(14,038,858)</u>	\$ <u>(13,961,694)</u>	

8. Service Awards

During the 2000-2001 and the 2013-2014 fiscal years the Province of Nova Scotia assumed full responsibility for accumulated liability associated with teaching and non-teaching employee retirement allowances. School boards are responsible only for the current service cost of this benefit. The projected liability is offset by a corresponding receivable from the Province. The amount of the projected liability has been determined by the Nova Scotia Department of Finance, based on an actuarial valuation.

The non teachers retiring allowance actuarial valuation was prepared by Morneau Shepell based on data from March 31, 2015, extrapolated to March 31, 2017. All assumptions used in the Sick Leave valuation have been chosen by the Province. The discount rate to be used in the calculations was 3.59% per annum at March 31, 2017. A rate of 3.71% per annum was used as at March 31, 2016. Salary increases were assumed to be 1% at April 1, 2016 and 2% at April 1, 2017, 2.5% at April 1, 2018 and 3.5% at April 1, 2019. Retirement age was assumed to be 10% at age 59, 20% at age 60, 10% at age 61-64, 50% at age 65-69 and 100% at age 70.

CUPE members who have a frozen benefit as at July 16, 1998 are entitled to a payment upon retirement of the frozen amount reduced to reflect the proportion by which unused sick time at retirement is less than unused sick time at July 16, 1998.

CUPE members with 15 years of service at April 1, 2015, including those with the frozen benefit noted above, are entitled to a payment upon retirement of 1 week's pay, 2 week's pay if they have 30 years of service at April 1, 2015.

NSGEU members who have a frozen benefit as at November 18, 1998 are entitled to a payment upon retirement of the frozen amount reduced to reflect the proportion by which unused sick time at retirement is less than unused sick time at November 18, 1998.

Non Union members who have a frozen benefit as at December 31, 1998 are entitled to a payment upon retirement of the frozen amount.

The teachers retirement allowance actuarial valuation was prepared by Eckler Ltd. based on valuation as at July 31, 2013 and extrapolated to March 31, 2016. The Province provided the information for the assumptions. The discount rate was set at 3.71% as of March 31, 2016 and 3.59% as of March 31, 2017. The retirement for 2015-16 and 2016-17 was estimated to be 50% at the Rule of 85 with the remainder at earlier of 35 years of credited services, age 62 with 10 years credited service, and age 65 with 2 years credited service. The salary increases were assumed to be 0% on April 1, 2016, 1% on April 1, 2017, 1.5% on April 1, 2018, .05% on March 31, 2019 and 2.0% per year from April 1, 2019. No pre-retirement mortality assumed. No termination prior to retirement assumed.

In determining liabilities and current service costs under accounting standard CPA PS 3250, the method required is the projected unit credit method, prorated on service. Under this method, the total benefit payable at retirement is allocated on a pro-rata basis over all years of service. However, with the curtailment of service as at August 1,2015, the benefit is no longer pro-rated (all service has been accrued).

Government Accounting informed the actuary to assume the plan is curtailed effective August 1, 2015 and accrued service for purposes of benefit determination is frozen at that date.

8. Service Awards (continued)

Non-Teachers - Retiring Allowances

Non-Teachers - Retiring Allowances	2017	2016
Opening benefit obligation, beginning of the year Current service cost Interest on obligation Impact of curtailment Other (past service, transfers, etc) Less: benefits paid Actuarial (gains) losses Closing benefit obligation, end of year	\$ 249,448 - 7,608 (76,364) 3,484 184,176	\$ 283,824 - 10,268 (3,040) 180 (8,408) (33,377) 249,448
Pension assets, at market related values Funded status - surplus (deficiency)	(184,176)	(249,448)
Unamortized actuarial (gains) losses Accrued benefit asset (liability)	(21,549) \$ (205,724)	(33,377) \$ (282,825)
Teachers - Retiring Allowances		
Opening benefit obligation, beginning of the year Current service cost Interest on obligation Impact of curtailment Other (past service, transfers, etc) Less: benefits paid Actuarial (gains) losses Closing benefit obligation, end of year	\$ 8,385,084 - 291,299 - - (694,934) 1,104,900 9,086,349	\$ 8,371,090 193,500 320,691 369,000 312,100 (892,997) (288,300) 8,385,084
Pension assets, at market related values Funded status - surplus (deficiency)	(9,086,349)	(8,385,084)
Unamortized actuarial (gains) losses Accrued benefit asset (liability)	837,191 \$(8,249,158)	(288,300) \$(8,673,384)
Total Retiring Allowance Liability	\$(8,454,882)	\$(8,956,209)