

**Colorado School of Mines**  
**Financial Statements and Independent Auditor's Reports**  
**Financial Audit**  
**Years Ended June 30, 2013 and 2012**  
**Compliance Audit**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2013**

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November 11, 2013

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee:

We have completed the financial statement audits of the Colorado School of Mines as of and for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012. Our audits were conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

We were engaged to conduct our audits pursuant to Section 2-3-103, C.R.S., which authorizes the State Auditor to conduct or cause to be conducted audits of all departments, institutions and agencies of state government. The reports which we have issued as a result of this engagement are set forth in the table of contents which follows.

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# **Colorado School of Mines**

## **Report Summary**

**Year Ended June 30, 2013**

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### **Purposes and Scope of Audit**

The Office of the State Auditor engaged BKD, LLP (BKD) to conduct a financial and compliance audit of the Colorado School of Mines (the School) for the year ended June 30, 2013. BKD performed the audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments and Non-Profit Organizations*. BKD was not engaged to audit the School's discretely presented component unit, the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated (the Foundation). The Foundation was audited by other auditors as disclosed in the Independent Auditor's Report, and the Foundation's audit was not performed in accordance with the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*.

The purposes and scope of this audit were to:

- Express opinions on the financial statements of the Colorado School of Mines (the School) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, including consideration of internal control over financial reporting as required by auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Evaluate compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grants governing the expenditure of federal funds for the year ended June 30, 2013.
- Issue a report on the School's internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters based on our audit of the financial statements performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* for the year ended June 30, 2013.
- Evaluate progress in implementing prior audit recommendations.

The School's schedule of expenditures of federal awards and applicable opinions thereon, issued by the Office of the State Auditor, are included in the Statewide Single Audit Report issued under separate cover.

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**Report Summary (continued)**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2013**

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**Audit Opinions and Reports**

The independent auditor's reports included herein expressed unmodified opinions on the School's financial statements as of and for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

No material weaknesses in internal control over financial reporting were identified.

No instances of noncompliance considered material to the financial statements were disclosed by the audit.

There are no findings and recommendations reported for the year ended June 30, 2013.

**Significant Audit Adjustments**

There were seven proposed audit adjustments identified during the audit. Two of these adjustments were made to the financial statements and five were not recorded. The proposed audit adjustments not recorded were determined by management to be immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements as a whole. The effect of the uncorrected misstatements, had they been recorded, would have been to decrease the change in net position by \$56,321.

**Summary of Progress in Implementing Prior Audit Recommendations**

Our audit report for the year ended June 30, 2012 did not include any recommendations.

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**Description of Colorado School of Mines**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2013**

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The Colorado School of Mines (the School) was founded on February 9, 1874. The School came under state control with statehood in 1876. The first diploma was granted in 1882. The authority under which the School operates is Article 41 of Title 23, C.R.S.

The Board of Trustees is the governing body of the School and is composed of seven members appointed by the Governor, with consent of the Senate, for four-year terms and two non-voting members, representing the faculty and students of the School, voted in by the respective constituents.

Financial support comes from student tuition and fees and from the state through a fee-for-service contract and student stipends. Funds are augmented by government and privately sponsored research, private support from alumni and support from industry and friends through the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated.

The primary emphasis of the Colorado School of Mines is engineering and science education and research. The full-time equivalent (FTE) for student enrollment and faculty and staff of the School has been as follows:

	Student FTE Enrollment		
	Resident Student FTE	Nonresident Student FTE	Total Student FTE
2013	3,452	1,787	5,239
2012	3,392	1,666	5,058
2011	3,380	1,464	4,844

	Faculty and Staff FTE		
	Faculty FTE	Staff FTE	Total Faculty and Staff FTE
2013	431	498	929
2012	407	490	897
2011	389	471	860

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**Auditor's Findings and Recommendations**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2013**

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There are no findings and recommendations reported for the year ended June 30, 2013.

**Colorado School of Mines**  
**Disposition of Prior Audit Recommendations**  
**Year Ended June 30, 2013**

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**Summary of Progress in Implementing Prior Audit Recommendations**

The audit report for the year ended June 30, 2012 did not include any recommendations.

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## Independent Auditor's Report

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee:

### Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the Colorado School of Mines (a higher education institution of the State of Colorado) (the School) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

#### ***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 opinions on these financial statements based on our audits. We did not audit the financial statements of the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated (the Foundation), the discretely presented component unit of the School. Those statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinions, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Foundation, are based solely on the report of the other auditors. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The financial statements of the Foundation were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

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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 School's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstance, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

***Opinions***

In our opinion, based on our audits and the report of the other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the School as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

***Emphasis of Matters***

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of the Colorado School of Mines are intended to present the financial position, changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows of only that portion of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the State of Colorado that is attributable to the transactions of the School. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the State of Colorado as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, and the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

As discussed in Note 11 to the financial statements, in 2013, the School adopted new accounting guidance, Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

***Required Supplementary Information***

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis listed in the table of contents, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee:

management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

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

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 11, 2013, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

*BKD, LLP*

Denver, Colorado  
November 11, 2013

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**Colorado School of Mines**  
**Management's Discussion and Analysis**  
(Unaudited)  
**Year Ended June 30, 2013**

This financial discussion and analysis of the Colorado School of Mines (the School) is intended to make the School's financial statements easier to understand and communicate the School's financial situation in an open and accountable manner. It provides an objective analysis of the School's financial position (Statements of Net Position) and results of operations (Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 (Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012, respectively) with comparative information for Fiscal Year 2011. Certain amounts reported in these two statements for Fiscal Years 2012 and 2011 have been restated in the various tables below to reflect the adoption of new accounting standards. See Note 11. School management is responsible for the completeness and fairness of this discussion and analysis and the financial statements, as well as the underlying system of internal controls.

### **Understanding the Financial Statements**

Financial highlights are presented in this discussion and analysis to help your assessment of the School's financial activities. Since the presentation includes highly summarized data, it should be read in conjunction with the financial statements, which have the following five parts:

- **Independent Auditor's Report** presents an unmodified opinion prepared by our auditors, an independent certified public accounting firm, on the fairness, in all material respects, of our financial statements.
- **Statements of Net Position** present the assets, deferred outflows, liabilities, deferred inflows, and net position of the School at a point in time (June 30, 2013 and 2012). Their purpose is to present a financial snapshot of the School. They aid readers in determining the assets available to continue the School's operations; how much the School owes to employees, vendors and creditors; and a picture of net positions and their availability for expenditure by the School.
- **Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position** present the total revenues earned and expenses incurred by the School for operating, nonoperating and other related activities during a period of time (the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012). Their purpose is to assess the School's operating and nonoperating activities.
- **Statements of Cash Flows** present the cash receipts and disbursements of the School during a period of time (the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012). Their purpose is to assess the School's ability to generate net cash flows to meet its obligations as they come due.
- **Notes to the Financial Statements** present additional information to support the financial statements and are commonly referred to as "Notes." Their purpose is to clarify and expand on the information in the financial statements. Notes are referenced in this discussion and analysis to indicate where details of the financial highlights may be found.

We suggest that you combine this financial discussion and analysis with relevant nonfinancial indicators to assess the overall health of the School. Examples of nonfinancial indicators include trend and quality of student applicants, incoming class size and quality, student retention, building condition and campus safety. Information about nonfinancial indicators is not included in this discussion and analysis but may be obtained from the School's Public Relations and Marketing Office. It should be noted that the School's financial statements include the presentation of a discretely presented component unit, the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated (the Foundation), which is a required presentation by accounting standards.

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(Unaudited)  
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## **Financial Highlights**

Selected financial highlights for Fiscal Year 2013 include:

- School assets totaled \$502,149,000, deferred outflows of \$14,987,000, with liabilities of \$277,583,000 and net position of \$239,553,000. Of the \$239,553,000 in net position, \$124,182,000 is net investment in capital assets, \$6,535,000 is nonexpendable gifts, \$22,281,000 is restricted but expendable, and \$86,555,000 is unrestricted and may be used to meet ongoing School obligations.
- The School's total net position increased by \$22,197,000. The increase is primarily due to higher operating revenues generated by tuition and fees, sponsored project activity, and auxiliary operations, as well as capital grants and contributions and additions to permanent endowments.
- Cash and cash equivalents as of June 30, 2013 totaled \$183,026,000. Net cash provided by operating activities was \$16,329,000, net cash provided by noncapital financing activities was \$15,645,000, net cash provided by capital and related financing activities was \$32,599,000 and net cash provided by investing activities was \$450,000 for a net increase in cash and cash equivalents for the fiscal year of \$65,023,000.
- The School completed the Marquez Hall academic building, started construction on the Elm Street Residence and Dining Hall and began planning for the Clear Creek Athletic Complex.

The following sections provide further explanations of the School's financial health.

## **Statements of Net Position**

Table 1 - Condensed Statements of Net Position presents a financial snapshot of the School and serves, over time, as a useful indicator of the strength of the School's financial position. It presents the fiscal resources (assets), claims against those resources (liabilities) and residual net position available for future operations (net position). Analysis of the School's deferred outflows, deferred inflows, capital assets and related debt is included in the section titled Capital Assets and Debt Management, while this section provides analysis of the School's noncapital assets and other liabilities.

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(Uaudited)  
**Year Ended June 30, 2013**

**Table 1 - Condensed Statements of Net Position as of June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 (all dollars in thousands)**

	2013	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)			
				2013 vs 2012		2012 vs 2011	
				Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
<b>Assets</b>							
Cash and Restricted Cash	\$ 183,026	118,003	135,304	65,023	55.1%	\$ (17,301)	(12.8%)
Other Noncapital Assets	45,278	38,059	43,655	7,219	19.0%	(5,596)	(12.8%)
Net Capital Assets	273,845	270,244	232,546	3,601	1.3%	37,698	16.2%
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 502,149</b>	<b>426,306</b>	<b>411,505</b>	<b>75,843</b>	<b>17.8%</b>	<b>\$ 14,801</b>	<b>3.6%</b>
<b>Deferred Outflows</b>	<b>\$ 14,987</b>	<b>19,811</b>	-	<b>(4,824)</b>	<b>(24.4%)</b>	<b>\$ 19,811</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>							
Nondebt Liabilities	\$ 43,832	45,905	49,255	(2,073)	(4.5%)	\$ (3,350)	(6.8%)
Debt Liabilities	233,751	182,856	163,664	50,895	27.8%	19,192	11.7%
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 277,583</b>	<b>228,761</b>	<b>212,919</b>	<b>48,822</b>	<b>21.3%</b>	<b>\$ 15,842</b>	<b>7.4%</b>
<b>Deferred Inflows</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,006</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$ (2,006)</b>	<b>(100%)</b>
<b>Net Position</b>							
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 124,182	122,016	117,322	2,166	1.8%	\$ 4,694	4.0%
Restricted:							
Nonexpendable Purposes	6,535	2,993	2,493	3,542	118.3%	500	20.0%
Expendable Purposes	22,281	18,343	19,616	3,938	21.51%	(1,273)	(6.5)%
Unrestricted	86,555	74,004	57,149	12,551	17.00%	16,855	29.5%
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 239,553</b>	<b>217,356</b>	<b>196,580</b>	<b>22,197</b>	<b>10.2%</b>	<b>\$ 20,776</b>	<b>10.6%</b>

### Assets

In analyzing the School's noncapital assets, cash and restricted cash comprises approximately 80.2 percent and 75.6 percent of the School's total noncapital assets as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. Restricted cash of \$84,966,000, as of June 30, 2013, primarily consists of unspent revenue bond proceeds that will be used for capital related activity as well as unspent gifts, grants and contract revenues. Total cash and restricted cash increased during the current fiscal year as a result of issuing \$60,345,000 in new long-term debt for new capital projects while it decreased in each of the prior two years as the School spent bond proceeds on various capital projects. The Statements of Cash Flows provide additional information on where cash is received and how it is used by the School. The increase in other noncapital assets from Fiscal Year 2012 to Fiscal Year 2013 is primarily due to additions to the School's permanent endowments of \$3,542,000 and a net increase in realized and unrealized gains of \$747,000 on the School's investments due to improved market conditions. The decrease in other noncapital assets from Fiscal Year 2011 to 2012 is due to collections on outstanding receivables from sponsored project activity of \$2,579,000 and a decrease in the amount due from the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated, (the Foundation) for gift related expenses of \$602,000.

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**Nondebt Liabilities**

The School's nondebt related liabilities totaling \$43,832,000 and \$45,905,000 as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, comprise 15.8 percent and 20.1 percent, respectively, of the total liabilities. The largest three categories of nondebt related liabilities are payables to vendors, accrued salaries and benefits, and unearned revenue on sponsored projects. Accrued salaries and benefits represent amounts owed to School employees, primarily for June payroll and compensated absences, but not paid as of fiscal year-end. Unearned sponsored project revenue represents amounts paid by grantors and contractors for which the School has not met all of the requirements for revenue recognition. These amounts will be recognized as revenue in future periods after all requirements have been satisfied. See Notes 6, 7 and 8 for additional information.

The decrease in nondebt related liabilities from Fiscal Year 2012 to 2013 is primarily due to a decrease of \$3,655,000 in accounts payable to vendors. During the year, several large construction projects were completed and therefore less was owed to vendors at year-end compared to the prior year. The primary cause of the decrease in nondebt related liabilities from Fiscal Year 2011 to 2012 is a decrease of \$2,648,000 in unearned revenue on sponsored projects.

**Net Position**

A portion of the School's net position has restrictions imposed by external parties, such as donors, or are invested in capital assets (property, plant and equipment) and are therefore not immediately available to spend. To help understand these restrictions, the School's net position is shown in four categories.

- The largest category of net position relates to the School's net investment in capital assets. This consists of the School's capital assets less accumulated depreciation and related debt issued to fund the purchase or construction of those assets. This category comprises 51.8 percent and 56.1 percent of net position for Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012, respectively. This amount represents the School's investments in campus facilities and equipment that is necessary to carry out the teaching, research, and student centered mission of the School. The increases over the past three years reflect the School's commitment to improving the student's on campus experience through new and renovated student and academic facilities and various infrastructure improvements.
- Net position restricted nonexpendable represents gift funds received from donors whereby the donor has specified the original principal be set aside for perpetual investment (endowment). The majority of the endowment assets benefiting the School are held and managed by the Foundation, which is a discretely presented component unit (Note 1). The Foundation's net position is not included in Table 1.
- Net position restricted expendable represents funds received for specific purposes, but allow the School to fully expend those funds in accordance with the purposes identified by the entity providing the funds. This includes spendable distributions from the School's endowments.
- Net position unrestricted represents the amount available for spending for any lawful purpose and are at the full discretion of management. In some instances, management or the Board has placed internal designations on the use of these funds.

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**Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position**

Table 2 - Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position presents the financial activity of the School during the fiscal year. A key component of these statements is the differentiation between operating and nonoperating activities. Operating revenues, such as tuition and auxiliary enterprises, are earned by providing goods and services to the students and various constituencies of the School. Operating expenses are incurred to acquire or produce goods and services necessary to carry out the mission of the School for which the School earns operating revenues. Nonoperating revenues are received when goods and services are not provided and include contributions, investment income, federal interest subsidies, and Pell grant revenue. Nonoperating expenses include interest on long-term debt, bond issuance costs, and losses on disposals of assets.

**Table 2 - Condensed Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position for Years Ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011**  
*(all dollars in thousands)*

	2013	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)			
				2013 vs 2012		2012 vs 2011	
				Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Operating Revenues	\$ 190,660	178,860	166,090	11,800	6.6%	\$ 12,770	7.7%
Operating Expenses	192,733	178,031	163,516	14,702	8.3%	14,515	8.9%
<b>Operating Income (Loss)</b>	(2,073)	829	2,574	(2,902)	(350.1%)	(1,745)	(67.8%)
Net Nonoperating Revenues	12,989	10,670	15,117	2,319	21.7%	(4,447)	(29.4%)
<b>Income before Other Revenues</b>	10,916	11,499	17,691	(583)	(5.1%)	(6,192)	(35.0%)
Other Revenues	11,281	10,585	17,856	696	6.6%	(7,271)	(40.7%)
<b>Increase in Net Position</b>	22,197	22,084	35,547	113	0.5%	(13,463)	(37.9%)
Net Position, Beginning of Year	217,356	196,580	161,033	20,776	10.6%	35,547	22.1%
Adjustment for Change in Accounting Principle	-	(1,308)	-	1,308	(100.0%)	(1,308)	100.0%
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 239,553</b>	<b>217,356</b>	<b>196,580</b>	<b>22,197</b>	<b>10.2%</b>	<b>\$ 20,776</b>	<b>10.6%</b>

Table 3 - Operating and Nonoperating Revenues for the Years Ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 provides gross operating and nonoperating (noncapital) revenues by major sources. As Table 3 shows, the School's total operating revenues increased 6.6 percent and 7.7 percent for Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012, respectively. The School has experienced increases in most sources of operating revenues for the past three years. The increase in student tuition and fees reflects a combination of increases in tuition rates and enrollment as shown in Tables 12 and 13 below. Fee-for-service revenue results from services provided to the State of Colorado. The decrease in revenue the past three years is a result of the state purchasing fewer services due to state budgetary constraints.

Revenue from the School's research activities increased by 1.3 percent and 3.4 percent over the last two years and reflects the School's commitment to increase its focus and national role as a research institution. Revenue from the federal government represents approximately 55.6 percent and 58.3 percent of total grants and contracts revenue for Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012, respectively. These sources also benefit the School in that the contracts generally allow for reimbursement of most of its related administrative and facility overhead costs. In Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012, the School received approximately \$11,309,000 and \$10,797,000, respectively, of such administrative and facility overhead costs reimbursements. The School pledges this reimbursement along with other auxiliary revenues to satisfy its bond obligations, which are commonly referred to as pledged revenues. The School's research awards of \$61,800,000 in Fiscal Year 2013 and \$55,700,000 in Fiscal Year 2012 represent new records in research awards. The School continues to see increases

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in funding from both federal and private industries sources while Federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) spending continues to decrease as the associated ARRA funded projects come to an end.

The School receives funding from the State of Colorado in two ways; (1) fee-for-service contracts with the Department of Higher Education and (2) stipends to qualified undergraduate students used to pay a portion of tuition. Funding in Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012 related to fee-for-service contracts decreased by \$250,000 and \$4,359,000, respectively. The decreases are a result of the state's continuing budget shortfalls.

The anticipated funding related to student stipends is incorporated into the School's student tuition and fees rates. In Fiscal Years 2013, 2012 and 2011, the School applied \$5,146,000, \$5,066,000 and \$5,039,000, respectively, of stipends against student bills. The per credit hour stipend allotted per student approved by the State Legislature for the past three fiscal years was \$62. The number of stipend eligible hours students applied for during Fiscal Years 2013, 2012 and 2011 were 83,003.75, 81,676.50 and 81,948.00, respectively.

The fluctuations in fee-for-service funding each year corresponds with fluctuations in funding from the State Fiscal Stabilization Funds (SFSF). On February 17, 2009, ARRA was signed into law. ARRA is a \$787 billion economic package designed to stimulate the national economy out of a continued recession. Included in the package was \$144 billion of federal funds allocated to state governments, via the SFSF to mitigate the impacts of cuts to the state's budgets as a result of the recession. The State of Colorado received \$760 million from SFSF over a three year period, of which \$622 million was allocated for education stabilization. Funding from SFSF stopped at the end of Fiscal Year 2011.

Gifts for noncapital purposes, received primarily from the School's Foundation, have increased in each of the past two years. This reflects a continued strong fundraising effort by the School's Foundation and a need to draw on those funds to replace ongoing decreases in funding from the state.

Federal nonoperating revenues consist of interest subsidies received for taxable Build America Bonds (BABs) issued by the School in addition to financial aid received under the Pell program. The School received \$1,223,000, \$1,297,000 and \$1,080,000 in federal interest subsidies in Fiscal Years 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively. The decrease in revenue experienced in Fiscal Year 2013 is a direct result of the federal sequestration. The increase from Fiscal Year 2011 to Fiscal Year 2012 is due to receiving a full year's worth of interest subsidy on the three related bond issues in Fiscal Year 2012 versus in Fiscal Year 2011 when a full year of subsidy related to two bond issues and a half year subsidy on a third issue. Revenues from the Pell program for Fiscal Years 2013, 2012 and 2011 were \$2,961,000, \$2,938,000 and \$3,066,000, respectively.

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**Table 3 - Operating and Nonoperating Revenues for Years Ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011** (*all dollars in thousands*)

	2013	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)			
				2013 vs 2012		2012 vs 2011	
				Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
<b>Operating Revenues</b>							
Student Tuition and Fees	\$ 98,371	88,322	76,937	10,049	11.4%	\$ 11,385	14.8%
Grants and Contracts	59,689	58,917	56,955	772	1.3%	1,962	3.4%
Fee-for-Service	10,938	11,188	15,547	(250)	(2.2%)	(4,359)	(28.0%)
Auxiliary Enterprises, Net	18,331	17,384	13,805	947	5.5%	3,579	25.9%
Other Operating	3,331	3,049	2,846	282	9.2%	203	7.1%
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>190,660</b>	<b>178,860</b>	<b>166,090</b>	<b>11,800</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	<b>12,770</b>	<b>7.7%</b>
<b>Nonoperating Revenues</b>							
State Appropriations	706	-	-	706	100%	-	0%
Gifts	15,344	12,534	10,312	2,810	22.4%	2,222	21.6%
Investment Income, Net	1,828	1,204	4,350	624	51.8%	(3,146)	(72.3%)
State Fiscal Stabilization Funds	-	-	870	-	0.0%	(870)	(100.0%)
Federal Nonoperating	4,184	4,235	4,145	(51)	(1.2%)	90	2.2%
Other Nonoperating, Net	147	1,061	85	(914)	(86.2%)	976	1,148.2%
<b>Total Nonoperating Revenues</b>	<b>22,209</b>	<b>19,034</b>	<b>19,762</b>	<b>3,175</b>	<b>16.7%</b>	<b>(728)</b>	<b>(3.7%)</b>
<b>Total Revenues (Noncapital)</b>	<b>\$ 212,869</b>	<b>197,894</b>	<b>185,852</b>	<b>14,975</b>	<b>7. 6%</b>	<b>\$ 12,042</b>	<b>6.5%</b>

The School continues to experience fluctuations in investment income due primarily to the ongoing uncertainty in the financial markets resulting in changes in the fair market value of the School's investments held by the Foundation and amounts held by the State Treasury. The School experienced unrealized gains in Fiscal Year 2013 of \$377,000 compared to losses of \$373,000 in Fiscal Year 2012 and gains of \$606,000 in Fiscal Year 2011. The realized investment income in Fiscal Years 2013, 2012 and 2011 were \$1,721,000, \$1,820,000 and \$3,744,000, respectively. The decreases experienced during the past three years reflect the School's continued spending of bond proceeds that are held by the State Treasury.

The programmatic uses of School resources are displayed in Table 4 - Operating Expenses by Function. Table 5 – Operating Expenses by Natural Classification summarizes operating expenses into three categories. Operating expenses increased overall by 8.3 percent from Fiscal Year 2012 to 2013 and by 8.9 percent from Fiscal Year 2011 to 2012. The increases in the past two years are attributed to the following:

- Increases in salaries and benefits supporting the teaching and research missions of the School;
- Increase in financial aid awarded to students in the form of scholarships, tuition assistance and fellowships. The amounts shown for scholarships and fellowships do not reflect the actual resources dedicated to student aid. The majority of the School's financial aid resources is being applied to the student's accounts and is netted against tuition and fee revenue as scholarship allowance. The School's scholarship allowance was \$21,082,000, \$19,464,000 and \$18,092,000 in Fiscal Years 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively;

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- Increase in auxiliary enterprise operating expenses associated with student facilities and services as enrollment continues to increase and new facilities are brought into service;
- Increase in expenses to address deferred maintenance on campus facilities; and
- Increase in depreciation expense associated with new campus facilities placed into service.

**Table 4 - Operating Expenses by Function for Years Ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011** (all dollars in thousands)

Functional Expense	2013	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)		2013 vs 2012		2012 vs 2011	
				Amount	Percent	2013 vs 2012		Amount	Percent
						Amount	Percent		
Education and General									
Instruction	\$ 58,876	53,970	51,288	4,906	9.1%	\$ 2,682	5.2%		
Research	45,071	42,442	40,962	2,629	6.2%	1,480	3.6%		
Public Service	115	56	119	59	105.4%	(63)	(52.9%)		
Academic Support	14,458	12,479	11,508	1,979	15.9%	971	8.4%		
Student Services	5,804	5,048	4,067	756	15.0%	981	24.1%		
Institutional Support	13,384	10,955	9,610	2,429	22.1%	1,345	14.0%		
Operation and Maintenance of Plant	18,531	18,961	17,351	(430)	(2.3%)	1,610	9.3%		
Scholarships and Fellowships	1,021	2,146	1,008	(1,125)	(52.4%)	1,138	112.9%		
Total Education and General	157,260	146,057	135,913	11,203	7.7%	10,144	7.5%		
Auxiliary Enterprises	20,977	18,489	15,483	2,488	13.5%	3,006	19.4%		
Depreciation and Amortization	14,496	13,485	12,120	1,011	7.5%	1,365	11.3%		
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 192,733</b>	<b>178,031</b>	<b>163,516</b>	<b>14,702</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>\$ 14,515</b>	<b>8.9%</b>		

**Table 5 – Operating Expenses by Natural Classification for Years Ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011** (all dollars in thousands)

Natural Classification	2013	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)		2013 vs 2012		2012 vs 2011	
				Amount	Percent	2013 vs 2012		Amount	Percent
						Amount	Percent		
Salaries and Benefits	\$ 125,283	113,624	107,293	11,659	10.3%	\$ 6,331	5.9%		
Operating Expenses	52,954	50,922	44,103	2,032	4.0%	6,819	15.5%		
Depreciation	14,496	13,485	12,120	1,011	7.5%	1,365	11.3%		
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 192,733</b>	<b>178,031</b>	<b>163,516</b>	<b>14,702</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>\$ 14,515</b>	<b>8.9%</b>		

### Capital Assets and Debt Management

As indicated in Table 6 - Capital Asset Categories, the School's capital assets consist of land, construction-in-progress, land improvements, buildings and improvements, software, equipment, library materials, and intangible assets with a gross book value of \$437,319,000, \$420,505,000 and \$370,507,000 at June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011, respectively. Accumulated depreciation on depreciable assets totaled \$163,474,000, \$150,261,000 and \$137,961,000, respectively. The School continues to invest in academic and auxiliary facilities to enhance the educational and campus

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experience for students. During the construction of a project, costs are accumulated in construction-in-progress. Upon completion of the project, the costs are moved out of construction-in-progress into buildings and improvements. During the past three years, the School has completed or began construction on the following capital projects:

- Completion of the Brown Hall academic building addition. This was a \$35,000,000 bond funded project financed in large part through a student academic facility fee and by \$6,748,000 of certificates of participation issued by the State of Colorado.
- Completion of Maple Hall, a 291 bed residence hall. This was a \$28,500,000 bond funded project that will be repaid by revenues generated by the School's housing operations.
- Completion of the Weaver Towers renovation, a 224 bed residence hall originally built in 1978. This was an \$11,900,000 bond funded project that will be repaid by revenues generated by the School's housing operations.
- Completion of Marquez Hall and Wing. Marquez Hall is a \$25,000,000 project financed entirely through private contributions. The Hall houses the School's Petroleum Engineering program. The Wing is an \$11,000,000 academic addition that is a bond funded project financed by student academic facility fees.
- Completion of the new W. Lloyd Wright Student Wellness Center. This is a \$3,200,000 bond funded project that replaced the School's aging student health center. The bonds will be repaid from student health fees.
- Completion of \$2,800,000 of energy conservation improvements throughout campus funded by taxable qualified energy conservation bonds that will be repaid through energy savings.
- Began construction of the Elm Street Residence and Dining Hall, a 200 bed residence hall and 500 seat student dining facility. This is a \$34,000,000 bond funded project that will be repaid by revenues generated by the School's housing operations. The new facility is expected to be placed in service by the fall of 2014.

During Fiscal Year 2013, the School began planning for the following projects:

- Welcome Center. This will be the new headquarters of the Foundation and the Alumni Association. The \$10,000,000 project will be funded from a combination of Foundation funds, bonds, and School cash resources. The bonds issued to fund a portion of the project will be repaid from rent received from the Foundation.
- Clear Creek Athletic Complex. This project will construct and equip a contemporary football stadium to complement the existing turf football field at Campbell Field, locker room and training facilities for more than 200 football and track and field athletes, office and event facilities, functional space for club sports and intramurals, and updates and additions to the existing soccer pitch area that include locker and restroom facilities and a modern press box.

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**Table 6 - Capital Asset Categories (before depreciation) as of June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 (all dollars in thousands)**

	2013	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)			
				2013 vs 2012		2012 vs 2011	
				Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Land	\$ 7,471	4,274	4,274	3,197	74.8%	\$ -	0.0%
Construction-in-Progress	6,725	36,962	12,741	(30,237)	(81.8%)	24,221	190.1%
Land Improvements	18,900	18,900	17,477	-	0.0%	1,423	8.1%
Buildings and Improvements	335,100	299,415	281,847	35,685	11.9%	17,568	6.2%
Software	1,656	1,378	1,409	278	20.2%	(31)	(2.2%)
Equipment	54,536	46,525	39,751	8,011	17.2%	6,774	17.0%
Library Materials	12,331	12,451	12,408	(120)	(1.0%)	43	0.4%
Intangible	600	600	600	-	0.0%	-	0.0%
<b>Total Capital Assets</b>	<b>\$ 437,319</b>	<b>420,505</b>	<b>370,507</b>	<b>16,814</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>\$ 49,998</b>	<b>13.5%</b>

Numerous other projects are continuing into Fiscal Year 2014 as detailed in Table 7 - Current Capital Construction Projects. Further detail regarding capital asset activity can be found in Note 4.

**Table 7 - Current Capital Construction Projects (in thousands)**

Project Description	Financing Sources	Budget
Elm Street Residence & Dining Hall	Bond proceeds	\$ 34,000
Clear Creek Athletic Complex (Planning phase)	Gifts, bond proceeds, Campus cash resources	26,300
Welcome Center (Planning phase)	Foundation, Campus cash resources	10,000
Parking Lot F	Campus cash resources	1,200
Lab Clean Room Expansion	Campus cash resources	910
Steam Infrastructure Improvements	Campus cash resources	536
Banner Workflow & Document Imaging	Campus cash resources	473
Coolbaugh Roof Replacement	Campus cash resources	471
Wind Tunnel Climate Control	Campus cash resources	402

In addition to operating and nonoperating revenues, the School received capital revenues in the amount shown in Table 8 – Capital Revenues. The variances in capital contributions from the state over the past three years are primarily related to the construction of Brown Hall. In Fiscal Year 2008, the state issued certificates of participation, for the benefit of several institutions of higher education. The School received a total of \$6,748,000 from the state towards the construction of Brown Hall. The last of that funding was received in Fiscal Year 2013. The School received a capital gift of \$2,000,000 in Fiscal Year 2013 to be used towards the construction of the Clear Creek Athletic Complex. The majority of capital grants and gifts received in Fiscal Years 2012 and 2011 are attributed to gifts received of \$5,180,000 and \$11,938,000, respectively, which were used towards the construction of the School's new petroleum engineering building, Marquez Hall.

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**Table 8 – Capital Revenues for the Years Ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 (all dollars in thousands)**

Revenue Classification	2013	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)			
				2013 vs 2012		2012 vs 2011	
				Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Capital appropriations and contributions from the state	\$ 1,245	1,529	1,629	(284)	(18.6%)	\$ (100)	(6.1%)
Capital grants and gifts	2,702	5,660	13,367	(2,958)	(52.3%)	(7,707)	(57.7%)
Academic facility fee	3,124	3,019	2,826	105	3.5%	193	6.8%
<b>Total Capital Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 7,071</b>	<b>10,208</b>	<b>17,822</b>	<b>(3,137)</b>	<b>(30.7%)</b>	<b>\$ (7,614)</b>	<b>(42.7%)</b>

Table 9 - Deferred Outflows/Inflows details the types and amounts of such activity. In accordance with accounting standards, the School is required to separately disclose the change in the fair market value of the interest rate swap in the Statement of Net Position in sections labeled Deferred Outflows or Deferred Inflows, depending on the change in the fair market value. As of June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011, the outstanding swap had a fair market value of (\$8,334,000), (\$12,994,000) and (\$6,182,000), respectively. The change in fair market value of the interest rate swap as of June 30, 2013 and 2012 resulted in \$551,000 and \$5,005,000, respectively, being recorded as a deferred outflow in the Statement of Net Position. As of June 30, 2011, the change in fair value of the interest rate swap resulted in \$2,006,000 being recorded as a deferred inflow in the Statement of Net Position.

With the implementation of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*, the unamortized balance of loss on bond refunding is also reported as a deferred outflow.

**Table 9 – Deferred Outflows/Inflows at June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 (all dollars in thousands)**

Type	2013	2012	2011	Increase (Decrease)			
				2013 vs 2012		2012 vs 2011	
				Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Loss on bond refunding	\$ 14,436	14,806	15,476	(370)	(2.5%)	\$ (670)	(4.3%)
SWAP valuation	551	5,005	(2,006)	(4,454)	(89.0%)	7,011	N/A
<b>Total Deferred Outflows</b>	<b>\$ 14,987</b>	<b>19,811</b>	<b>15,476</b>	<b>(4,824)</b>	<b>(24.4%)</b>	<b>\$ 4,335</b>	<b>28.0%</b>
<b>Total Deferred Inflows</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,006</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$ (2,006)</b>	<b>(100%)</b>

The School's long-term obligations, as shown in Table 10 - Long-Term Debt Categories, are comprised principally of various revenue bonds issued to finance construction of the capital assets discussed above. As of June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011, bonds, leases, and note payable of \$225,417,000, \$169,862,000 and \$172,958,000, respectively, were outstanding.

During Fiscal Year 2013, the School had the following long-term debt activity:

- Issued \$47,345,000 of revenue bonds to construct and equip the Elm Street Residence and Dining Hall, renovate the Student Center, construct and equip a new Welcome Center, and refund a portion of existing bonds.
- Issued \$13,000,000 of subordinate revenue bonds to finance the construction of the Clear Creek Athletic Complex.

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The School did not issue any new, or refund any existing, debt during Fiscal Year 2012.

During Fiscal Year 2011, the School had the following long-term debt activity:

- Refinanced \$42,860,000 of variable rate debt, backed with a letter of credit that was due to expire, with an equal amount of new variable rate debt through a direct purchase by a financial institution.
- Issued \$11,195,000 of taxable bonds to construct and equip the Marquez Hall Wing.
- Issued \$2,800,000 of taxable Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds (QEBC) to be used to finance one or more qualified energy conservation improvement projects.

Three of the School's outstanding bond issues qualify as BABs under ARRA. As qualified BABs, the School expects to receive a cash subsidy payment from the United States Treasury, referred to as Federal Direct Payments, equal to a percentage of the interest payable on the bonds on or around each interest payment date.

**Table 10 – Long-Term Debt Categories at June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011** (*all dollars in thousands*)

<b>Debt Type</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2013 vs 2012</b>		<b>2012 vs 2011</b>	
				<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Revenue bonds	\$ 225,385	168,992	172,207	56,393	33.4%	\$ (3,215)	(1.9%)
Capital leases	32	870	319	(838)	(96.3%)	551	172.8%
Note payable	-	-	432	-	0.0%	(432)	(100.0%)
<b>Total Long-Term Debt</b>	<b>\$ 225,417</b>	<b>169,862</b>	<b>172,958</b>	<b>55,555</b>	<b>32.7%</b>	<b>\$ (3,096)</b>	<b>(1.8%)</b>

The School's Variable Rate Demand Refunding Series 2010A has an interest rate derivative instrument, referred to as an interest rate swap, associated with it. As discussed more fully in Note 9, the School had entered into an interest rate swap agreement associated with the Series 2008A variable rate debt to hedge against possible future increases in debt service cash flow requirements resulting from interest rate increases. When the School refinanced the Series 2008A Bonds in Fiscal Year 2011, the swap agreement associated with the Series 2008A bonds was reassigned to the new Series 2010A Bonds. There was no cost to the School to change the association of the swap agreement to the new bonds. At the time of the refunding, the swap had a fair market value of (\$8,301,000). In accordance with applicable accounting standards, the fair market value of the swap at the time of the refunding of the Series 2008A Bonds was included in the calculation of the deferred loss on refunding of the 2008A Bonds and is being amortized over the life of the 2010A Bonds.

### **Factors Impacting Future Periods**

The School's ability to maintain and improve the quality of academic programs, undertake new initiatives, and meet its core mission and ongoing operational needs are impacted by many factors: principally, by student enrollment and the resulting tuition and fees revenue, research volume, the level of state support, and the School's largest expense, compensation costs. As tuition and fees revenue is the School's single largest revenue source, it continues to be vital for the School to have the ability to set tuition at a level which will support the cost of educating a Colorado School of Mines student.

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The challenges facing the state's budget will continue to impact the School in Fiscal Year 2014 and likely beyond. While the School's total operating revenue continues to increase each year, actual state funding, in the form of student stipends and fee-for-service revenues, has decreased in each of the last three fiscal years. State funding is expected to increase slightly in Fiscal Year 2014 as shown in Table 11 - State Operating Support.

**Table 11 - State Operating Support** (*all dollars in thousands*)

Fiscal Year	Amount of State Support *	State Fiscal Stabilization Funds	Total State Operating Support	Total Operating Revenues	% of Total State Operating Support to Total Operating Revenues
2014**	\$ 16,814	-	16,814	204,020	8.2%
2013	16,084	-	16,084	190,300	8.5%
2012	16,254	-	16,254	178,860	9.1%
2011	20,586	870	21,456	168,916	12.7%

\* State support includes student stipends and a fee-for-service contract funded from the College Opportunity Fund.

\*\*Fiscal Year 2014 Amount of State Support is based on amounts included in the State's Long Appropriation Act (Long Bill). Total Operating Revenues is based on the School's 2014 projected revenues.

To offset anticipated increases in operating costs, the School increased resident and nonresident undergraduate tuition in Fiscal Year 2014 by 6.0 percent. Table 12 - Full Time Tuition and Room and Board Charges per Year, provides a trend of tuition and room and board charges for the past four academic years.

**Table 12 - Full Time Tuition and Room and Board Charges per Year**

Academic Year	Annual Full-time Undergraduate Tuition Rates			Annual Room and Board (avg.)		
	Residents	Nonresidents	Double	Single	Meal Plan	
2014	\$ 16,320	30,330	4,910	6,106	4,818	
2013	15,450	28,620	4,720	5,870	4,632	
2012	14,445	27,270	4,638	5,486	4,250	
2011	13,410	25,980	4,385	5,192	3,926	

The increase in tuition rates combined with enrollment changes have a significant impact on the School's ability to provide the quality of education expected by our students. Table 13 - Fall Enrollment Trends presents undergraduate, graduate and combined enrollments for each of the last three years. Table 14 - Fall Semester Undergraduate Admissions Trends highlights the School's ability to attract freshmen students and transfer students. As demonstrated by the two tables below, the School has been successful in attracting new students.

**Table 13 - Fall Enrollment Trends**

Academic Year	Undergraduate Students			Graduate Students			Total		
	Residents	Nonresidents	Total	Residents	Nonresidents	Total	Residents	Nonresidents	Total
2013	2,938	1,433	4,371	514	353	867	3,452	1,787	5,239
2012	2,873	1,312	4,185	519	354	873	3,392	1,666	5,058
2011	2,867	1,141	4,008	513	323	836	3,380	1,464	4,844

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**Table 14 - Fall Semester Undergraduate Admissions Trends**

<b>Fall of Year</b>	<b>Number of Applicants</b>	<b>Number Accepted</b>	<b>Percent Accepted</b>	<b>Number Committed</b>	<b>Percent Committed</b>
2013	13,060	4,715	36.1%	1,098	23.3%
2012	12,517	4,616	36.9%	1,066	23.1%
2011	11,117	4,730	42.5%	969	20.5%

The School continues to plan for state funding to remain flat or decrease in future years. The School, even with the economic volatility during the past several years, is financially well-positioned. Over the past few years, the School has ended the year with an overall increase in net position primarily due to strong enrollment, increased research activity, consistent contributions and deliberate measures taken to contain costs. The School continues to experience strong enrollment, which resulted in record applications and freshmen enrollment for the previous and current academic year. Fiscal Year 2013 set another new record for research award volume at \$61,800,000 and the School anticipates award volume will remain strong in Fiscal Year 2014. The growth in research is having a direct and positive impact on graduate student enrollment, research expenditures, as well as indirect costs recovered from these expenditures. The School's anticipated federal interest subsidies related to the BABs were reduced in Fiscal Year 2013 and it is expected that they will be reduced in Fiscal Year 2014 due to ongoing federal impasses on the federal budget.

Additionally, because of the continued strong enrollment, the School must ensure that the School's human capital, physical infrastructure, and financial aid accommodates student needs, optimizes the academic and social life of the student, fosters growth in research, and supports a world-class institution. The School's Fiscal Year 2014 budget was developed to devote resources to these areas. In addition, the School's five-year financial model continues to manage the delicate balance of having to make strategic and critical investments during a time of ongoing economic uncertainty for the School, our students, and our faculty and staff.

### **Requests for Information**

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Colorado School of Mines' finances for all those with an interest in the School's finances. Questions concerning any other information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Department of Finance and Administration, 1500 Illinois Street, Golden, Colorado 80401-1887.

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## Statements of Net Position

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	<b>2013</b>		<b>2012</b>	
	<b>School</b>	<b>Component Unit</b>	<b>School (Restated)</b>	<b>Component Unit</b>
<b>Assets</b>				
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 98,060	10,772	79,679	2,387
Short term investments	-	156	-	152
Accounts and loans receivable, net	17,110	6,634	15,626	6,862
Inventories	296	-	100	-
Other assets	127	-	347	-
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>115,593</b>	<b>17,562</b>	<b>95,752</b>	<b>9,401</b>
<b>Noncurrent Assets</b>				
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	84,966	96	38,324	113
Investments	19,217	249,260	14,444	220,234
Loans receivable	4,824	11,096	4,924	11,244
Other assets	3,704	787	2,618	341
Capital assets, net	273,845	16	270,244	23
<b>Total Noncurrent Assets</b>	<b>386,556</b>	<b>261,255</b>	<b>330,554</b>	<b>231,955</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 502,149</b>	<b>278,817</b>	<b>426,306</b>	<b>241,356</b>
<b>Total Deferred Outflows</b>	<b>\$ 14,987</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>19,811</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 19,558	2,433	23,098	1,354
Accrued compensated absences	460	-	458	-
Unearned revenue	14,919	-	14,370	-
Bonds, notes and leases payable	5,692	-	5,188	-
Other liabilities	1,695	-	1,463	-
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>42,324</b>	<b>2,433</b>	<b>44,577</b>	<b>1,354</b>
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities</b>				
Accrued compensated absences	5,445	-	4,758	-
Bonds, notes and leases payable	219,725	-	164,674	-
Interest rate swap agreement	8,334	-	12,994	-
Other liabilities	1,755	30,880	1,758	24,949
<b>Total Noncurrent Liabilities</b>	<b>235,259</b>	<b>30,880</b>	<b>184,184</b>	<b>24,949</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 277,583</b>	<b>33,313</b>	<b>228,761</b>	<b>26,303</b>
<b>Net Position</b>				
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 124,182	16	122,016	23
Restricted for nonexpendable purposes				
Instruction	3,596	-	288	-
Scholarships and fellowships	1,737	66,894	1,554	59,788
Other	1,202	76,685	1,151	66,790
<b>Total restricted for nonexpendable purposes</b>	<b>6,535</b>	<b>143,579</b>	<b>2,993</b>	<b>126,578</b>
Restricted for expendable purposes				
Scholarships and fellowships	3,328	39,281	2,635	34,965
Loans	5,401	1,755	5,252	1,757
Research	7,112	1,342	5,934	1,089
Capital projects	3,876	5,633	2,358	1,137
Other	2,564	29,549	2,164	28,178
<b>Total restricted for expendable purposes</b>	<b>22,281</b>	<b>77,560</b>	<b>18,343</b>	<b>67,126</b>
Unrestricted	86,555	24,349	74,004	21,326
<b>Total Net Position</b>	<b>\$ 239,553</b>	<b>245,504</b>	<b>217,356</b>	<b>215,053</b>

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**Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position**  
Years Ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 (*in thousands*)

	2013		2012	
	School	Component Unit	School (Restated)	Component Unit
<b>Operating Revenues</b>				
Tuition and fees, (net of scholarship allowance of \$20,763 in 2013 and \$19,199 in 2012)	\$ 98,371	-	88,322	-
Fee-for-Service	10,938	-	11,188	-
Federal grants and contracts	33,165	-	34,332	-
State grants and contracts	4,506	-	3,897	-
Nongovernmental grants and contracts	22,018	-	20,688	-
Auxiliary enterprises, (net of scholarship allowance of \$319 in 2013 and \$265 in 2012)	18,331	-	17,384	-
Contributions	-	26,074	-	31,146
Other operating revenues	3,331	2,459	3,049	169
<b>Total Operating Revenues</b>	<b>190,660</b>	<b>28,533</b>	<b>178,860</b>	<b>31,315</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
Education and General				
Instruction	58,876	-	53,970	-
Research	45,071	-	42,442	-
Public service	115	-	56	-
Academic support	14,458	-	12,479	-
Student services	5,804	-	5,048	-
Institutional support	13,384	21,427	10,955	21,419
Operation and maintenance of plant	18,531	-	18,961	-
Scholarships and fellowships	1,021	-	2,146	-
Total Education and General	157,260	21,427	146,057	21,419
Auxiliary enterprises	20,977	-	18,489	-
Depreciation and amortization	14,496	11	13,485	18
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>192,733</b>	<b>21,438</b>	<b>178,031</b>	<b>21,437</b>
<b>Operating Income (Loss)</b>	<b>(2,073)</b>	<b>7,095</b>	<b>829</b>	<b>9,878</b>
<b>Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)</b>				
State appropriations, noncapital	706	-	-	-
Contributions from the Foundation	13,909	-	11,347	-
Contributions	1,435	-	1,187	-
Investment income, net	1,828	23,356	1,204	(4,155)
Interest on debt	(8,626)	-	(7,217)	-
Bond issuance costs	(415)	-	(8)	-
Loss on disposal of assets	(179)	-	(1,139)	-
Federal nonoperating revenue	4,184	-	4,235	-
Other nonoperating revenue	147	-	1,061	-
<b>Net Nonoperating Revenues</b>	<b>12,989</b>	<b>23,356</b>	<b>10,670</b>	<b>(4,155)</b>
<b>Income Before Other Revenues</b>	<b>10,916</b>	<b>30,451</b>	<b>11,499</b>	<b>5,723</b>
Capital appropriations and contributions from state	1,245	-	1,529	-
Academic facility fee	3,124	-	3,019	-
Capital grants and gifts	2,702	-	5,660	-
Additions to permanent endowments	3,145	-	377	-
Transfer of Colorado Geological Services	1,065	-	-	-
<b>Total Other Revenues</b>	<b>11,281</b>	-	<b>10,585</b>	-
<b>Increase in Net Position</b>	<b>22,197</b>	<b>30,451</b>	<b>22,084</b>	<b>5,723</b>
Net Position, Beginning of Year	217,356	215,053	196,580	209,330
Adjustment for change in accounting principle	-	-	(1,308)	-
Net Position, Beginning of Year, Restated	217,356	215,053	195,272	209,330
<b>Net Position, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 239,553</b>	<b>245,504</b>	<b>217,356</b>	<b>215,053</b>

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## Statements of Cash Flows

Years Ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 (*in thousands*)

	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012 (Restated)</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities:</b>		
Tuition and fees	\$ 98,503	88,181
Grants and contracts	70,973	70,313
Collection of loans to students	1,013	996
Sales of services from auxiliary enterprises	18,088	17,566
Rental income	1,307	1,307
Receipts from the Foundation	1,906	-
Other operating receipts	3,108	2,697
Payments to suppliers	(49,306)	(47,475)
Scholarships disbursed	(719)	(1,529)
Payments to employees	(86,411)	(80,574)
Payments for employee benefits	(39,407)	(32,242)
Developmental services fees	(1,800)	-
Loans issued to students	(926)	(970)
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>16,329</b>	<b>18,270</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Noncapital Financing Activities:</b>		
State Appropriations, noncapital	706	-
Receipts from the Foundation	11,066	11,427
Gifts and grants for other than capital purposes	3,467	1,703
Additions to permanent endowments	3,145	377
Principal payments on noncapital debt	(265)	-
Interest payments on noncapital debt	(131)	(156)
Endowment funds invested with the Foundation	(5,428)	(377)
Federal nonoperating revenue	3,057	3,058
Direct lending receipts	28,886	26,489
Direct lending disbursements	(28,886)	(26,466)
Agency inflows	9,588	8,329
Agency outflows	(9,560)	(8,335)
<b>Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities</b>	<b>15,645</b>	<b>16,049</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities:</b>		
Capital gifts	2,603	5,180
Academic facility fees	3,124	3,019
Bond issuance and other loan costs	(212)	(9)
Acquisition and construction of capital assets	(20,370)	(50,258)
Proceeds from capital debt and refinancing	59,628	-
Principal payments on capital debt and leases	(4,553)	(4,268)
Interest payments on capital debt and leases	(8,827)	(7,787)
Federal subsidy on Build America Bonds	1,127	1,177
Proceeds from insurance recovery	79	77
<b>Net cash provided by (used for) capital and related financing activities</b>	<b>32,599</b>	<b>(52,869)</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing Activities:</b>		
Interest and dividends on investments	450	1,249
<b>Net cash provided by investing activities</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>1,249</b>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	65,023	(17,301)
Cash and cash equivalents, Beginning of Year	<b>118,003</b>	135,304
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, End of Year</b>	<b>\$ 183,026</b>	<b>118,003</b>

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## Statements of Cash Flows

Years Ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 (*in thousands*)

	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012 (Restated)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities:</b>		
Operating income ( loss)	\$ (2,073)	829
Adjustments to reconcile operating income (loss) to net cash provided by (used for) operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization expense	14,496	13,485
Insurance recoveries	(79)	(77)
Other noncash operating expenses	790	1,476
Receipts of items classified as nonoperating revenues	3,118	1,061
Changes in assets and liabilities		
Accounts and loans receivables	(406)	2,947
Inventories	(195)	9
Other assets	(866)	545
Loans to students	25	(8)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	145	748
Deferred revenue	548	(2,415)
Accrued compensated absences	689	374
Other liabilities	137	(704)
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>\$ 16,329</b>	<b>18,270</b>
<b>Noncash Investing, Capital and Financing Activities:</b>		
Bond refinance	\$ 7,654	-
Capital assets acquired by donations, state funded and payable increases	5,754	10,384
Fair value change in interest rate swap	4,661	6,812
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments	1,378	(45)
Accretion of interest on deep discount debt	534	470
Amortization of premiums/discounts	304	104
Bond underwriter costs	203	-
Amortization of deferred losses and swap termination	476	471
Loss on disposal of assets	179	1,139

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### **Note 1: Basis of Presentation and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

#### **Governance**

Colorado School of Mines (the School) is a public institution of higher education with a primary emphasis in engineering and science education and research. The School is governed by a nine member Board of Trustees. Seven voting members are appointed by the Governor of the State of Colorado with the consent of the Colorado Senate. Two nonvoting members, representing the faculty and students of the School, are voted in by the respective constituents.

#### **Financial Reporting Entity and Basis of Presentation**

The School's financial reporting entity includes the operations of the School and all related entities for which the School is financially accountable or that provide services to the School, referred to as blended component units. Financial accountability may stem from the School's ability to appoint a majority of the governing board of the related organization, its ability to impose its will on the related organization, its ability to access assets, or its responsibility for debts of the related organization. As a result of legislation passed during the 2012 session, effective February 1, 2013 the Colorado Geological Services operations were transferred to the School from the Department of Natural Resources. The net effect of the transfer is reported as part of Other Revenues in the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. The School includes the following blended component units:

- Colorado School of Mines Building Corporation: established in June 1976 as a separate corporation under the laws of the State of Colorado. The purpose of the corporation was to build a facility that would house the United States Geological Survey (USGS). The corporation collects annual rent payments from the USGS. Upon dissolution, subject to certain provisions, any assets remaining shall be transferred to the School. Separate financial statements are not prepared.
- Colorado School of Mines Development Corporation: established in September 2001 as a separate corporation under the laws of the State of Colorado. The corporation was formed for the purpose of issuing obligations for or assisting in the financing of capital expenditures on behalf of or for the benefit of the Colorado School of Mines. Upon dissolution, subject to certain provisions, any assets remaining shall be transferred to the School. Separate financial statements are not prepared.
- Mines Applied Technology Transfer Inc. (MATTI): established in 2002 as a separate corporation under the laws of the State of Colorado with a December 31 year-end. The purpose of MATTI, a not-for-profit 501(c)(3), is to further the education, research, development and public services objectives of the School and to further the transfer of newly created technologies from the School to the private sector. The corporation is operated exclusively for the benefit of the School. Upon dissolution, subject to certain provisions, any assets remaining shall be transferred to the School. Separate financial statements are not prepared.

#### **Discretely Presented Component Unit**

The School's financial statements include one supporting organization as a discretely presented component unit (DPCU) of the School.

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Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated (the Foundation) is a legally separate entity incorporated under Article 40, Title 7 of the Colorado Revised Statutes of 1973. The Foundation was established in 1928 to promote the welfare, development and growth of the School. The Foundation has a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service stating it qualifies under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as a public charity. Although the School does not control the timing of receipts received by the Foundation, the majority of resources or income thereon that the Foundation holds and invests are restricted by the donors for the benefit of the School. Because these restricted resources held by the Foundation can only be used by, or for the benefit of, the School, the Foundation is considered a component unit of the School and is discretely presented in the School's financial statements. Separately issued financial statements are available by contacting the Foundation at P.O. Box 4005, Golden, Colorado, 80401-0005.

### **Related Organizations**

The Table Mountain Research Center (TMRC), formerly the Colorado School of Mines Research Institute (CSMRI), a not-for-profit corporation, was established in 1949 as a separate corporation under the laws of the State of Colorado. The purpose of TMRC is to promote, encourage and aid scientific and technological investigation and research.

TMRC ceased active operations during 1987 and sold most of its real estate in 1988.

### **Relationship to State of Colorado**

Article VIII, Section 5 of the Colorado Constitution declares the School to be a state institution. Thus, for financial reporting purposes, the School is included as part of the state's primary government.

### **Basis of Accounting and Presentation**

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

The School applies all applicable Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements.

The Foundation reports under FASB standards. As such, certain revenue recognition criteria and presentation features are different from GASB revenue recognition criteria and presentation features. Modifications have been made to the Foundation's financial information in the School's financial reporting entity for these differences.

### **Significant Accounting Policies**

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The School considers all highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents consist primarily of funds invested through the Treasury's Cash Management Program and money market funds with brokers.

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### **Restricted Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Restricted cash and cash equivalents include amounts whose use is constrained either through external party restrictions or imposition by law. Restricted purposes include gifts, endowments, debt funded project construction and debt service reserves.

### **Investments and Investment Income**

Investments in equity and debt securities are carried at fair value. Fair value is determined using quoted market prices. Investments include, but are not limited to, funds managed by the Foundation on behalf of the School.

Investment income consists of interest and dividend income and the net change for the year in the fair value of investments carried at fair value.

### **Accounts and Loans Receivables**

Accounts and loans receivables consist of tuition and fee charges to students, charges for auxiliary enterprise services provided to students, faculty and staff, reimbursements outstanding on research contracts and grants, and short- and long-term loans issued to students under various federal and other loan programs to cover tuition and fee charges. Receivables are recorded net of estimated uncollectible amounts. The School also administers student loans on behalf of the discretely presented component unit. The student loans administered by the School are recorded as a receivable from the student, included with loans to students in the Statements of Net Position, and a liability to the component unit.

### **Inventories**

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost, determined using the FIFO (first-in, first-out) method, or market.

### **Bond Issuance Costs**

Bond issuance costs incurred on revenue bond issues are expensed in the year the bond issue occurs.

### **Capital Assets**

Capital assets are recorded at cost at the date of acquisition, or fair value at the date of donation, if acquired by gift. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of each asset. The following estimated useful lives are being used by the School:

Land improvements	20 years
Buildings and improvements	20 – 40 years
Equipment	3 – 10 years
Library materials	10 years

For equipment, the capitalization policy includes all items with a value of \$5,000 or more, and an estimated useful life of greater than one year.

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Renovations to buildings and other improvements that significantly increase the value or extend the useful life of the structure are capitalized. For renovations and improvements, the capitalization policy includes items with a value of \$50,000 or more. Routine repairs and maintenance are charged to operating expense. Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as construction-in-progress throughout the building project. Interest incurred during the construction phase is included as part of the value of the construction-in-progress.

Assets recorded under capital lease agreements are recorded at the present value of future minimum lease payments and are amortized over either the term of the lease or the estimated useful life of the asset, whichever period is shorter. Such amortization is included as depreciation expense in the accompanying financial statements.

Intangible assets are carried at cost and are comprised of an indefeasible right to use certain fiber optic cables. Intangible assets are being amortized over 20 years.

#### **Compensated Absences**

School policies permit most employees to accumulate vacation and sick leave benefits that may be realized as paid time-off or, in limited circumstances, as a cash payment. Expense and the related liabilities that are recognized as vacation benefits are earned whether the employee is expected to realize the benefit as time-off or in cash. Expense and the related liability for sick leave benefits are recognized when earned to the extent the employee is expected to realize the benefit in cash determined using the termination payment method. Sick leave benefits expected to be realized as paid time-off are recognized as expense when the time-off occurs and no liability is accrued for such benefits employees have earned but not yet realized. Compensated absence liabilities are computed using the regular pay and termination pay rates in effect as of July 1 plus an additional amount for compensation-related payments such as Social Security and Medicare taxes computed using rates in effect at that date.

#### **Unearned Revenue – Tuition, Fees and Grants**

Unearned revenue represents student tuition and fees, for which the School has not provided the associated services, and advances on grants and contract awards for which the School has not provided services or has not met all of the applicable eligibility requirements.

#### **Bonds, Notes and Leases**

Bonds, notes and leases represent debt by borrowing or financing usually for the acquisition of buildings, equipment, or capital construction. The School has an ISDA (International Swaps and Derivatives Association) Master Swap Agreement in order to convert certain variable rate debt to a synthetic fixed rate, thereby economically hedging against changes in the cash flow requirements of the School's variable interest rate debt obligations (Note 9).

Capital leases consist of a multi-year lease-purchase contract. The contract provides that any commitments beyond the current year are contingent upon funds being appropriated for such purposes by the School. It is reasonably assured that such leases will be renewed in the normal course of business and, therefore, are treated as noncancelable for financial reporting purposes.

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#### **Deferred Outflows**

Deferred outflows represent losses on various bond refundings and the mark to market valuation of the School's SWAP agreement. For current refundings and advance refundings resulting in defeasance of debt, the difference between the reacquisition price and the net carrying amount of the old debt is reported as a deferred outflow on the Statement of Net Position and amortized as a component of interest expense over the remaining life of the old debt or the life of the new debt, whichever is shorter.

#### **Classification of Revenues**

The School has classified its revenues as either operating or nonoperating revenues according to the following criteria:

**Operating revenues** – Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange or exchange-like transactions, program-specific, or government-mandated nonexchange transactions, such as (1) student tuition and fees, (2) sales and services of auxiliary enterprises, (3) contracts and grants for research activities and (4) interest on student loans.

**Nonoperating revenues** – Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of nonexchange transactions, such as gifts and contributions and other revenue sources that are not deemed operating revenues including Federal Pell revenue and interest subsidy payments associated with Build America Bonds (BABs).

#### **Scholarship Discounts and Allowances**

Student tuition, fee revenues and certain other revenues from students are reported net of scholarship allowances in the Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position. Scholarship allowances are the difference between the stated charge for goods and services provided by the School and the amount that is paid by students and/or third-parties making payments on the students' behalf. Certain governmental grants, such as Pell grants and other federal, state or nongovernmental programs are recorded as either operating or nonoperating revenues in the School's financial statements. To the extent that revenues from such programs are used to satisfy tuition and fees and other student charges, the School has recorded a scholarship allowance.

#### **Donor Restricted Endowments**

Disbursements of the net appreciation (realized and unrealized) of investments of endowment gifts are permitted by state law, except where a donor has specified otherwise. The amount of earnings and net appreciation available for spending by the School and the Foundation is based on a spending rate set by the Foundation board on an annual basis. For the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the authorized spending rate was equal to the 4.5 percent of the rolling 36-month average market value of the endowment investments. Earnings in excess of the amount authorized for spending are available in future years and are included in the value of the related investment.

#### **Application of Restricted and Unrestricted Resources**

The School first applies restricted resources when an expense or outlay is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted resources are available.

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### **Income Taxes**

As a state institution of higher education, the income of the School is generally exempt from federal and state income taxes under Section 115(a) of the Internal Revenue Code and a similar provision of state law. However, the School is subject to federal income tax on any unrelated business taxable income. There was no tax liability related to income generated from activities unrelated to the School's exempt purpose as of June 30, 2013 and 2012.

### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America 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 reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

### **Reclassifications**

Certain 2012 amounts have been reclassified to conform to the 2013 presentation.

## **Note 2: Cash and Cash Equivalents and Investments**

The School's and DPCU cash and cash equivalents as of June 30 are detailed in Table 2.1, Cash and Cash Equivalents.

**TABLE 2.1 Cash and Cash Equivalents (*in thousands*)**

Type	2013	2012
<b>School</b>		
Cash on hand	\$ 15	15
Cash with U.S. financial institutions	7,512	10,696
Cash with State Treasurer	175,499	107,292
<b>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents-School</b>	<b>\$ 183,026</b>	<b>118,003</b>
<b>Discretely Presented Component Unit</b>		
Cash with U.S. financial institutions	\$ 10,868	2,500
<b>Total Cash and Cash Equivalents-DPCU</b>	<b>\$ 10,868</b>	<b>2,500</b>

### **Deposits**

The School deposits the majority of its cash with the Colorado State Treasurer (Treasury) pursuant to Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.). The Treasury pools these deposits and invests them in securities authorized by Section 24-75-601.1, C.R.S. The Treasury acts as a bank for all state agencies and most state supported institutions of higher education. Monies deposited in the Treasury are invested until the cash is needed. As of June 30, 2013, the School had cash on deposit with the Treasury of \$175,499,000 which represented approximately 2.4 percent of the total \$7,260.8 million fair value of deposits in the State Treasury Pool (Pool). As of June 30, 2012, the School had cash on deposit with the Treasury of \$107,292,000 which represented approximately 1.6 percent of the total \$6,541.7 million fair value of deposits in the Pool.

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For financial reporting purposes all of the Treasury's investments are reported at fair value, which is determined based on quoted market prices at fiscal year-end. On the basis of the School's participation in the Pool, the School reports as an increase or decrease in cash for its share of the Treasury's unrealized gains and losses on the Pool's underlying investments. The Treasury does not invest any of the Pool's resources in any external investment pool, and there is no assignment of income related to participation in the Pool. The unrealized gains/losses included in income reflect only the change in fair value for the fiscal year.

Investments in the Pool are exposed to custodial credit risk if the securities are uninsured, are not registered in the state's name, and are held by either the counterparty to the investment purchase or the counterparty's trust department or agent but not in the state's name. As of June 30, 2013, none of the investments in the Pool are subject to custodial credit risk.

Credit quality risk is the risk that the issuer or other counterparty to a debt security will not fulfill its obligations. This risk is assessed by national rating agencies that assign a credit quality rating for many investments. Credit quality ratings for obligations of the U.S. government or obligations explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government are not reported; however, credit quality ratings are reported for obligations of U.S. government agencies that are not explicitly guaranteed by the U.S. government. Based on these parameters, as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, approximately 88.5 percent and 89.0 percent, respectively, of investments of the Pool are subject to credit quality risk reporting. Except for \$41,074,270 and \$12,087,710, respectively, of corporate bonds rated lower medium, these investments are rated from upper medium to the highest quality, which indicates that the issuer has strong capacity to pay principal and interest when due.

Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in the market rate of interest will adversely affect the value of an investment. In addition to statutory limitations on the types of investments, the Treasury's investment policy mitigates interest rate risk through the use of maturity limits set to meet the needs of the individual fund if the Treasurer is investing for a specific fund rather than the Pool. The Treasurer actively manages the time to maturity in reacting to changes in the yield curve, economic forecasts, and liquidity needs of the participating funds. The Treasurer further limits investment risk by setting a minimum/maximum range for the percentage of investments subject to interest rate risk and by laddering maturities and credit ratings. As of June 30, 2013, the weighted average maturity of investments in the Pool is 0.037 years for Commercial Paper (1.0 percent of the Pool), 1.321 years for U.S. Government Securities (63.9 percent of the Pool), 3.371 years for Asset Backed Securities (16.0 percent of the Pool), and 3.100 years for Corporate Bonds (19.1 percent of the Pool). As of June 30, 2012, the weighted average maturity of investments in the Treasurer's Pool is 0.090 years for Commercial Paper (2.1 percent of the Pool), 0.803 years for U.S. Government Securities (75.2 percent of the Pool), 2.379 years for Asset Backed Securities (6.6 percent of the Pool), and 3.252 years for Corporate Bonds (16.1 percent of the Pool).

The Pool was not subject to foreign currency risk or concentration of credit risk in Fiscal Year 2012-13.

Additional information on investments of the Pool may be obtained in the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ended June 30, 2013.

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Deposits not with the Treasury are exposed to custodial credit risk (the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the government would not be able to recover deposits or would not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party), if they are not covered by depository insurance (FDIC) and the deposits are uncollateralized, collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, except for deposits collateralized by certain types of collateral pools including a single financial institution collateral pool where the fair value of the pool is equal to or exceeds all uninsured public deposits held by the financial institution (the Public Deposit Protection Act) or collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent but not in the depositor – government's name. Accordingly, none of the School's deposits as of June 30, 2013 and 2012 are deemed to be exposed to custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2013 and 2012, the DPCU maintained balances in various operating accounts in excess of federally insured limits totaling approximately \$9,962,000 and \$0, respectively.

### **Investments**

The School has authority to invest institutional funds in any investment deemed advisable by the governing board per section 15-1-1106, C.R.S. The School may legally invest in direct obligations of, and other obligations guaranteed as to principal by, the U.S. Treasury and U.S. agencies and instrumentalities and in bank repurchase agreements. It may also invest, to a limited extent, in equity securities.

**Credit Quality Risk** – Credit quality risk is the risk that an issuer of an investment will not fulfill its obligation to the holder of the investment. Credit risk only applies to debt investments. This is measured by the assignment of a rating by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization (NRSRO). The School has no investment policy that would further limit its investment choices beyond those allowed by state statute.

**Interest Rate Risk** – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Interest rate risk only applies to debt investments. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity of its fair value to changes in market interest rates. Interest rate risk inherent in the School's investments is measured by monitoring the modified duration of the overall investments portfolio. Modified duration estimates the sensitivity of the School's investments to changes in the interest rates. The School does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. The following table presents investment balances by type.

**Concentration of Credit Risk** – Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of an entity's investment in a single issuer. At June 30, 2013 and 2012, no single investment of the School exceeded 5 percent of the total investments.

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The School's and DPCU investments at June 30 are shown in Table 2.2 Investments.

**TABLE 2.2 Investments (in thousands)**

<b>Investment Type</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>School</b>		
Cash	\$ 1,407	931
Corporate equity securities	9,108	4,937
Hedge funds	4,192	3,665
Private equity	3,180	2,627
Corporate bonds	1,330	2,284
<b>Total Investments-School</b>	<b>\$ 19,217</b>	<b>14,444</b>
<b>Discretely Presented Component Unit</b>		
Cash	\$ 17,344	11,514
Corporate equity securities	91,086	62,854
Hedge funds	54,573	50,090
Private equity	38,277	38,443
Corporate bonds	22,821	32,658
Split-interest agreements	10,686	10,912
Gift annuity agreements	4,790	4,871
Beneficial interest investments	9,683	8,892
<b>Total Investments-DPCU</b>	<b>\$ 249,260</b>	<b>220,234</b>

The School's investments are managed by the Foundation on behalf of the School and is reflected in its Long-term Investment Pool (LTIP). The School investments are under the Foundation's LTIP policy. This policy requires funds to be managed in a diversified manner to reduce risks with the goal of providing a steady stream of funding for the School. The LTIP must be over a broad investment spectrum in order to create a mix of potential returns that, in the aggregate, would achieve the overall portfolio objectives. This diversification is to ensure that adverse or unexpected developments arising in one security or asset class will not have a significant detrimental impact on the entire portfolio. This policy minimizes concentration credit risk.

Table 2.3, Debt Investments, Interest Rate Risk and Credit Quality Risk, presents the School's rating and duration for its debt securities.

**TABLE 2.3 Debt Investments, Interest Rate and Credit Quality Risk  
(in thousands)**

<b>Investment Type</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>School</b>		
Corporate Bonds		
Fair Value	\$ 1,330	\$ 2,284
% of Rated Value by Credit Rating	Unrated	Unrated
Duration (yrs)	2.21-5.70	2.39-8.56

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**TABLE 2.3 Debt Investments, Interest Rate and Credit Quality Risk**  
**(continued) (in thousands)**

<b>Investment Type</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>Discretely Presented Component Unit</b>		
Corporate Bonds		
Fair Value	\$ 22,821	\$ 32,658
% of Rated Value by Credit Rating	Unrated	Unrated
Duration	2.21-5.70	2.39-8.56

### **Note 3: Accounts, Contributions and Loans Receivable**

Table 3.1, Accounts Receivable, segregates receivables as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, by type.

**TABLE 3.1 Accounts Receivable (in thousands)**

<b>Type of Receivable</b>	<b>2013</b>			
	<b>Gross Receivables</b>	<b>Allowance</b>	<b>Net Receivable</b>	<b>Net Current Portion</b>
<b>School</b>				
Student accounts	\$ 4,099	1,058	3,041	3,041
Student loans	5,574	178	5,396	572
Federal government	7,794	-	7,794	7,794
Private sponsors	2,519	438	2,081	2,081
DPCU	2,376	-	2,376	2,376
Other	1,246	-	1,246	1,246
<b>Total Receivable-School</b>	<b>\$ 23,608</b>	<b>1,674</b>	<b>21,934</b>	<b>17,110</b>
<b>Discretely Presented Component Unit</b>				
Contributions*	\$ 16,675	700	15,975	6,634
Due from School	1,755	-	1,755	-
<b>Total Receivable-DPCU</b>	<b>\$ 18,430</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>17,730</b>	<b>6,634</b>

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**TABLE 3.1 Accounts Receivable (continued) (in thousands)**

Type of Receivable	2012			
	Gross Receivables	Allowance	Net Receivable	Net Current Portion
<b>School</b>				
Student accounts	\$ 4,144	1,018	3,126	3,126
Student loans	5,606	185	5,421	497
Federal government	6,786	-	6,786	6,786
Private sponsors	3,724	749	2,975	2,975
DPCU	1,363	-	1,363	1,363
Other	879	-	879	879
<b>Total Receivable-School</b>	<b>\$ 22,502</b>	<b>1,952</b>	<b>20,550</b>	<b>15,626</b>
<b>Discretely Presented Component Unit</b>				
Contributions*	\$ 17,232	884	16,348	6,862
Due from School	1,758	-	1,758	-
<b>Total Receivable-DPCU</b>	<b>\$ 18,990</b>	<b>884</b>	<b>18,106</b>	<b>6,862</b>

\* The allowance on the contributions receivable is comprised of uncollectible and unamortized discounts of \$316 and \$384, respectively, for June 30, 2013, and \$403 and \$481 respectively, as of June 30, 2012.

### Note 4: Capital Assets

Table 4.1, Capital Assets, presents the changes in capital assets and accumulated depreciation by major asset category for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

**TABLE 4.1 Capital Assets (in thousands)**

Category	Balance 2012	Additions	Deletions	Transfers	Balance 2013
Nondepreciable capital assets					
Land	\$ 4,274	3,197	-	-	7,471
Construction-in-progress	36,962	11,798	15	(42,020)	6,725
<b>Total nondepreciable assets</b>	<b>41,236</b>	<b>14,995</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>(42,020)</b>	<b>14,196</b>
Depreciable capital assets					
Land improvements	18,900	-	-	-	18,900
Buildings and improvements	299,415	-	3,230	38,915	335,100
Software	1,378	297	19	-	1,656
Equipment	46,525	5,876	970	3,105	54,536
Library materials	12,451	131	251	-	12,331
Intangible assets	600	-	-	-	600
<b>Total depreciable capital assets</b>	<b>\$ 379,269</b>	<b>6,304</b>	<b>4,470</b>	<b>42,020</b>	<b>423,123</b>

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**TABLE 4.1 Capital Assets (continued) (in thousands)**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Balance 2012</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Deletions</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Balance 2013</b>
<b>Less accumulated depreciation</b>					
Land improvements	\$ 7,826	730	-	-	8,556
Buildings	102,512	9,501	360	-	111,653
Software	823	244	2	-	1,065
Equipment	27,918	3,841	687	-	31,072
Library materials	11,082	165	252	-	10,995
Intangible assets	100	33	-	-	133
<b>Total accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>150,261</b>	<b>14,514</b>	<b>1,301</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>163,474</b>
<b>Net depreciable assets</b>	<b>229,008</b>	<b>(8,210)</b>	<b>3,169</b>	<b>42,020</b>	<b>259,649</b>
<b>Total Net Capital Assets</b>	<b>\$ 270,244</b>	<b>6,785</b>	<b>3,184</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>273,845</b>
<b>Category</b>	<b>Balance 2011</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Deletions</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Balance 2012</b>
<b>Nondepreciable capital assets</b>					
Land	\$ 4,274	-	-	-	4,274
Construction-in-progress	12,741	44,892	30	(20,641)	36,962
<b>Total nondepreciable assets</b>	<b>17,015</b>	<b>44,892</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>(20,641)</b>	<b>41,236</b>
<b>Depreciable capital assets</b>					
Land improvements	17,477	-	-	1,423	18,900
Buildings and improvements	281,847	270	1,374	18,672	299,415
Software	1,409	171	202	-	1,378
Equipment	39,751	6,934	706	546	46,525
Library materials	12,408	195	152	-	12,451
Intangible assets	600	-	-	-	600
<b>Total depreciable capital assets</b>	<b>353,492</b>	<b>7,570</b>	<b>2,434</b>	<b>20,641</b>	<b>379,269</b>
<b>Less accumulated depreciation</b>					
Land improvements	7,101	695	(30)	-	7,826
Buildings	93,844	8,989	321	-	102,512
Software	578	203	(42)	-	823
Equipment	25,320	3,388	790	-	27,918
Library materials	11,052	176	146	-	11,082
Intangible assets	66	34	-	-	100
<b>Total accumulated depreciation</b>	<b>137,961</b>	<b>13,485</b>	<b>1,185</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>150,261</b>
<b>Net depreciable assets</b>	<b>215,531</b>	<b>(5,915)</b>	<b>1,249</b>	<b>20,641</b>	<b>229,008</b>
<b>Total Net Capital Assets</b>	<b>\$ 232,546</b>	<b>38,977</b>	<b>1,279</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>270,244</b>

The total interest costs related to capital asset debt incurred by the School during the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, was \$9,375,000 and \$8,195,000, respectively. The School capitalizes interest costs as a component of construction-in-progress during the period of construction, based on interest costs of borrowing specifically for the project, net of interest earned on investments acquired with the proceeds of the tax-exempt debt. The total amount of interest costs capitalized as part of construction-in-progress during the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 was \$1,196,000 and \$1,671,000, respectively.

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#### Note 5: Deferred Outflows

Table 5.1, Deferred Outflows details the types and amounts of deferred outflows as of June 30, 2013 and 2012.

**TABLE 5.1 Deferred Outflows (in thousands)**

Deferred Outflows	2013	2012 (Restated)
Loss on bond refunding	\$ 14,436	14,806
SWAP valuation	551	5,005
<b>Total Deferred Outflows</b>	<b>\$ 14,987</b>	<b>19,811</b>

#### Note 6: Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities

Table 6.1, Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities, details the accounts payable and accrued expenses as of June 30, 2013 and 2012.

**TABLE 6.1 Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities (in thousands)**

Type	2013	2012
Accounts payable - vendors	\$ 8,685	12,340
Accrued salaries and benefits	10,052	10,088
Accrued interest payable	821	670
<b>Total Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities</b>	<b>\$ 19,558</b>	<b>23,098</b>

The School leases various buildings and equipment under operating lease rental agreements. Operating leases do not give rise to property rights or meet other capital lease criteria, and therefore, the related assets and liabilities are not recorded in the accompanying financial statements. For Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012, total rent expense under these agreements was \$320,000 and \$185,000, respectively. Table 6.2, Future Minimum Operating Lease Payments, details the future minimum operating lease payments.

**TABLE 6.2 Future Minimum Operating Lease Payments  
(in thousands)**

Years Ending June 30	Minimum Lease Payment
2014	\$ 284
2015	221
2016	77
2017	9
<b>Total Operating Lease Payments</b>	<b>\$ 591</b>

The School leases office space to an unrelated single tenant. The lease term is 10 years and expires in July 2018. The annual rent payment of \$1,307,000 is paid in monthly installments and is recorded as other operating revenue.

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### **Note 7: Unearned Revenue**

Table 7.1, Unearned Revenue, details the types and amounts of unearned revenue as of June 30, 2013 and 2012.

**TABLE 7.1 Unearned Revenue (in thousands)**

Type	2013	2012
Tuition and fees	\$ 4,650	4,687
Grants and contracts	9,271	8,837
Miscellaneous	998	846
<b>Total Unearned Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 14,919</b>	<b>14,370</b>

### **Note 8: Compensated Absences**

Table 8.1, Compensated Absences, presents the changes in compensated absences for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

**TABLE 8.1 Compensated Absences (in thousands)**

	2013	2012
Beginning of the year	\$ 5,216	4,842
Additions	1,139	836
Adjustments/reductions	450	462
<b>End of the year</b>	<b>\$ 5,905</b>	<b>5,216</b>
<b>Current Portion</b>	<b>\$ 460</b>	<b>458</b>

### **Note 9: Bonds, Notes and Leases**

As of June 30, 2013 and 2012, the categories of long-term obligations are detailed in Table 9.2, Bonds, Notes and Leases Payable. Table 9.3, Changes in Bonds, Notes and Leases Payable, presents the changes in bonds, notes and capital leases payable for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

#### **Revenue Bonds**

A general description of each revenue bond issue, original issuance amount, and the amount outstanding as of June 30, 2013 and 2012 is detailed in Table 9.4, Revenue Bond Detail.

The School's fixed rate revenue bonds are payable semi-annually, have serial maturities contain sinking fund requirements and contain optional redemption provisions. The School's variable rate demand bonds are payable annually, contain sinking fund requirements and contain optional redemption provisions. The optional redemption provisions allow the School to redeem, at various dates, portions of the outstanding revenue bonds at varying prices. All School revenue bonds are special limited obligations of the School. The revenue bonds are secured only by certain pledged revenues and are not pledged by any encumbrance, mortgage, or other pledge of property, and the revenue bonds do not constitute general obligations of the School.

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The revenue bonds are secured by a pledge of all net revenues as defined by the bond documents. As of June 30, 2013 and 2012, net auxiliary pledged revenues, total net pledged revenues, and the associated debt service coverage are shown in Table 9.1, Net Pledged Revenues. The School's net pledged revenues will continue to be pledged for the life of the associated revenue bonds as detailed in Table 9.2, Bonds, Notes and Leases Payable. The outstanding principle and interest of the related pledged debt is detailed in Table 9.5, Revenue Bonds Future Minimum Payments. The School believes it is in compliance with all existing pledged revenue requirements of its outstanding bonds.

**TABLE 9.1 Net Pledged Revenues (in thousands)**

Source of Net Pledged Revenue	2013	2012
<b>Auxiliary Revenue Bonds</b>		
Net auxiliary facilities	\$ 8,298	8,445
Student fees	2,930	3,654
Renewal and replacement fund	487	493
Net auxiliary pledged revenues	11,715	12,592
Prior obligation auxiliary debt service	1,008	2,165
Prior obligation auxiliary debt service coverage	11.62	5.82
<b>Institutional Enterprise Revenue Bonds</b>		
Student tuition	\$ 13,799	12,639
Student facility fees	3,124	3,019
Federal indirect cost recovery	11,309	10,797
Federal interest subsidy	1,223	1,297
Institutional Enterprise Pledged Revenues	29,455	27,752
Total Net Pledged Revenues	40,162	38,179
Total Parity Debt Service	11,911	9,918
Total Parity Debt Service Coverage	3.37	3.85
% of Pledged Revenue to Total Revenue	82%	87%

The Auxiliary Facility Enterprise Revenue bonds specify debt service coverage requirements for the auxiliary facilities. The debt service coverage provisions require net pledged revenues to be equal to 110 percent of the combined principal and interest payments, excluding any reserves, on the Auxiliary Bonds and any additional bonds due during any subsequent fiscal year. The Auxiliary Facility Enterprise Revenue bonds are payable from net pledged revenues on parity with the other bonds and the note payable.

A master resolution adopted by the Board includes a covenant by the Board which provides, in summary, that, while the Bonds are outstanding, and subject to applicable law, the Board will continue to impose such fees and charges as are included within the gross revenues and will continue the present operation and use of the institutional enterprise and the facilities. The Board will continue to maintain such reasonable fees, rental rates and other charges for the use of all facilities and for services rendered by the Institutional Enterprise as will return annually gross revenue sufficient to pay the prior bond obligations, to pay operation and maintenance expenses, to pay the annual debt service requirements of the bonds and any parity obligations payable from the net revenues. In addition, the Board will make any deposits required to the reserve fund. The debt covenant includes provisions relating to other matters such as

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maintenance of insurance coverage for the facilities. The Master Resolution prohibits the Board from selling, destroying, abandoning, otherwise disposing of or altering at any time the property comprising a part of the facilities until all bonds payable out of net revenues have been paid or provision has been made to pay all such bonds. The School believes it is in compliance with these covenants.

The Series 2009B, 2010B and 2011 Bonds qualify as BABs for purposes of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) signed into law on February 17, 2009. Pursuant to ARRA, for the Series 2009B and 2010B Bonds, the School expects to receive a cash subsidy payment from the United States Treasury, referred to as Federal Direct Payments, equal to 35 percent of the interest payable on the bonds on or around each interest payment date. For the Series 2011 Bonds, the School expects to receive Federal Direct Payments equal to 70 percent of the interest payable on the bonds on or around each interest payment date. Due to federal budget cuts that occurred during Fiscal Year 2013, the School received approximately 8.75 percent less in payments under this program. Pursuant to the Colorado Recovery Act, the Board may pledge any Federal Direct Payments received to the payments of the bonds. The Board has pledged such payments to the payment of the Series 2009B, 2010B, 2011 and 2012B Bonds. In Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012, the School received \$1,223,000 and \$1,297,000, respectively, in Federal Direct Payments.

The Series 2009A, 2009B, 2009C, 2009D and 2012B revenue bonds qualify for the State Intercept Program established pursuant to Section 23-5-139 CRS. The State Intercept Program provides for the payment by the Treasury of principal and interest due with respect to the revenue bonds issued by state supported institutions of higher education if such institution will not make the payment by the date on which it is due. For Fiscal Years 2013 and 2012, the School did not invoke the State Intercept Program.

The following table provides a summary of the School's long-term debt obligations as of June 30, 2013 and 2012 (in thousands):

**TABLE 9.2 Bonds, Notes and Leases Payable (in thousands)**

Type	Interest Rates	Final Maturity	Balance 2013	Balance 2012 (Restated)
Auxiliary Facilities Enterprise Revenue Bonds	2.5% - 5.4%	2028	\$ 11,860	19,608
Institutional Enterprise Revenue Bonds				
Variable Rate Demand Bonds	0.130%*	2038	41,385	41,960
Fixed Rate Bonds	3% - 6.29%	2043	172,140	107,424
Capital Leases Payable	3.25% - 7.5%	2014	32	870
<b>Total Bonds, Notes and Leases Payable</b>			<b>\$ 225,417</b>	<b>169,862</b>

\* Variable rate demand bonds are set at an adjustable rate as discussed below. The rates reflected in the table are as of June 30, 2013.

The demand feature of the Series 2010A variable rate demand bonds applies at the end of an interest rate mode period. This period can range from weekly to long-term. As a result of the direct purchase agreement with Wells Fargo, the demand feature is not applicable until October 2015. The interest rate on the Series 2010A variable rate demand bonds is calculated weekly based on 67 percent of the one month London interbank offered rate (LIBOR). In addition, the School pays a support fee of 0.65. The interest rate on the Series 2010A as of June 30, 2013 was 0.130 percent.

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Table 9.3, Changes in Bonds, Notes and Leases payable presents the changes in bonds, notes and leases for the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012.

**TABLE 9.3 Changes in Bonds, Notes and Leases Payable (in thousands)**

<b>Type</b>	<b>Balance</b>			<b>Balance</b> <b>2013</b>	<b>Current Portion</b>
	<b>2012</b> <b>(Restated)</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Deductions</b>		
Revenue bonds payable	\$ 168,405	60,879	11,335	217,949	5,660
Plus unamortized premiums	685	7,140	322	7,503	-
Less unamortized discounts	98	-	31	67	-
Total revenue bonds	168,992	68,019	11,626	225,385	5,660
Capital leases payable	870	-	838	32	32
<b>Total Bonds, Notes and Leases Payable</b>	<b>\$ 169,862</b>	<b>68,019</b>	<b>12,464</b>	<b>225,417</b>	<b>5,692</b>
<b>Type</b>	<b>Balance</b>			<b>Balance</b> <b>2012</b> <b>(Restated)</b>	<b>Current Portion</b>
	<b>2011</b> <b>(Restated)</b>	<b>Additions</b>	<b>Deductions</b>		
Revenue bonds payable	\$ 171,515	470	3,580	168,405	4,350
Plus unamortized premiums	797	-	112	685	-
Less unamortized discounts	105	-	7	98	-
Total revenue bonds	172,207	470	3,685	168,992	4,350
Notes payable	432	-	432	-	-
Capital leases payable	319	807	256	870	838
<b>Total Bonds, Notes and Leases Payable</b>	<b>\$ 172,958</b>	<b>1,277</b>	<b>4,373</b>	<b>169,862</b>	<b>5,188</b>

**TABLE 9.4 Revenue Bond Detail (in thousands)**

<b>Issuance Description</b>	<b>Original Issuance Amount</b>	<b>Outstanding Balance 2013</b>	<b>Outstanding Balance 2012</b>
<b>Auxiliary Facilities Enterprise Revenue Bonds:</b>			
Capital Appreciation, Series 1999 -			
Used to fund capital improvements for residence halls, residential housing, student center and fraternity housing facilities	\$ 7,794	10,489	9,955
Refunding and Improvement Series 2002 -			
Used to refund a portion of the Auxiliary Facilities Refunding and Improvement Series 1993, Auxiliary Facilities Enterprise Series 1997, and acquire and equip certain auxiliary facilities	32,040	-	6,015
Refunding and Improvement, Series 2004 -			
Used to refund the Auxiliary Facilities Refunding and Improvement Series 1993, Auxiliary Facilities Series 1996, and construct and equip recreational and health facilities	17,450	1,375	3,655
<b>Total Auxiliary Facilities Enterprise Revenue Bonds</b>	<b>\$ 57,284</b>	<b>11,864</b>	<b>19,625</b>

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**TABLE 9.4 Revenue Bond Detail (continued) (in thousands)**

<b>Issuance Description</b>	<b>Original Issuance Amount</b>	<b>Outstanding Balance 2013</b>	<b>Outstanding Balance 2012 (Restated)</b>
<b>Institutional Enterprise Revenue Bonds:</b>			
Refunding and Improvement Series 2009A -			
Used to refund the Colorado School of Mines Development Corporation Refunding Variable Rate Demand Bonds, Series 2005, refund a portion of the Variable Rate Demand Improvement Series 2008B, make a payment in connection with modifying a portion of an existing swap agreement for the Series 2008B Bonds, and acquire certain real properties	\$ 28,720	26,035	26,940
Series 2009B -			
Used to fund construction or renovation of certain campus capital projects including a new residence hall, Weaver Towers, wellness center and other capital improvements	42,860	42,860	42,860
Refunding Series 2009C -			
Used to refund a portion of the Series 2008B and terminate an existing swap agreement for the Series 2008B Bonds	16,745	15,285	15,785
Series 2009D -			
Used to provide bridge funding for construction of Marquez Hall	8,400	6,445	7,240
Variable Rate Demand Refunding Series 2010A -			
Used to current refund the Refunding Series 2008A	42,860	41,385	41,960
Series 2010B - Taxable Direct Payment Build America Bonds.			
Used to construct, improve, renovate and equip new academic Marquez Hall Wing and provide additional facilities	11,195	11,195	11,195
Series 2011 - Taxable Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds. Used to finance qualified conservation improvement projects	2,800	2,535	2,800
Series 2012A -			
Used to fund construction of new athletic facilities	13,000	13,000	-
Series 2012B – Used to fund construction of a new residence hall and dining facility, renovate the Student Center, provide bridge funding for construction for a new welcome center, and refund all of the Series 2002 and a portion of the Series 2004	47,345	47,345	-
<b>Total Institutional Enterprise Revenue Bonds</b>	<b>213,925</b>	<b>206,085</b>	<b>148,780</b>
<b>Total Revenue Bonds</b>	<b>\$ 271,209</b>	<b>217,949</b>	<b>168,405</b>
Plus Premiums		7,503	685
Less Discounts		67	98
<b>Total Outstanding Revenue Bonds</b>	<b>\$ 225,385</b>	<b>217,949</b>	<b>168,992</b>

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#### Refunding Revenue Bond Activity

In November 2012, the School issued \$47,345,000 in Institutional Enterprise Revenue Bonds Series 2012B. \$7,653,590 of the proceeds was used to current refund all of the outstanding balance of the Refunding and Improvement Series 2002 and advance refund a portion of the outstanding balance of the Refunding and Improvement Series 2004. The current and advanced refunding portion of the Series 2012B resulted in an economic gain of \$879,000, a decrease in the cash flows to service the new debt versus the old debt of \$994,000, and a deferred loss of \$312,000 that is being amortized over the life of the old debt.

#### Debt Service Requirements on Revenue Bonds

The future minimum revenue bonds debt service requirements as of June 30, 2013, are shown in Table 9.5, Revenue Bonds Future Minimum Payments.

**TABLE 9.5 Revenue Bonds Future Minimum Payments (in thousands)**

Years Ending June 30	Principal	Interest	Total
2014	\$ 5,660	9,690	15,350
2015	6,330	9,514	15,844
2016	6,455	9,312	15,767
2017	6,675	9,080	15,755
2018	6,875	8,836	15,711
2019 – 2023	33,445	40,732	74,177
2024 – 2028	34,440	35,392	69,832
2029 – 2033	37,955	27,784	65,739
2034 – 2038	51,135	22,089	73,224
2039 – 2043	34,285	9,142	43,427
Subtotal	223,255	181,571	404,826
Unaccrued interest -1999 Bonds	(5,306)		
<b>Total Debt Service</b>	<b>\$ 217,949</b>		

#### Interest Rate SWAP Agreements

In Fiscal Year 2008, the School entered into a floating to fixed interest rate swap agreement (Swap Agreement) in connection with the 2008A issuance. The Swap Agreement was entered into with the objective of protecting against the potential of rising interest rates. With the issuance of the Series 2010A Refunding Bonds, the swap agreement was not terminated and was associated with the Series 2010A Refunding Bonds. The Swap Agreement has a notional amount of \$41,385,000 and \$41,960,000, and a fair value of (\$8,334,000) and (\$12,994,000) at June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The Swap Agreement provides for certain payments to or from Morgan Stanley equal to the difference between the fixed rate of 3.59 percent payable by the School and 67 percent of one month USD-LIBOR-BBA, 0.130 and 0.163 percent at June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively, payable by Morgan Stanley. The fair value of the swap is classified as a noncurrent liability and the change in fair value of the swap is classified as a deferred outflow at June 30, 2013 and 2012. On the date of the refunding of the Series 2008A Bonds, the fair market value of the swap was (\$8,301,000) and was included in the calculation of deferred loss

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on refunding and is being amortized over the life of the Series 2010A Refunding Bonds. Accumulated amortization of the deferred loss as of June 30, 2013 and 2012 was \$518,000 and \$312,000, respectively. Morgan Stanley, counterparty to the Swap Agreement, determined the fair value as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, using a discounted forecasted cash flows; however, the actual method and significant assumptions used are proprietary. The Swap Agreement has an effective date of March 5, 2008 and a termination date of December 1, 2037.

There can be risks inherent to interest rate swaps that the School addresses and monitors pursuant to entering into interest rate swap agreements:

**Termination Risk** – The need to terminate the transaction in a market that dictates a termination payment by the School. It is possible that a termination payment is required in the event of termination of a swap agreement due to a counterparty default or following a decrease in credit rating. In general, exercising the right to optionally terminate an agreement should produce a benefit to the School, either through receipt of a payment from a termination, or if a termination payment is made by the School, a conversion to a more beneficial debt instrument or credit relationship.

**Credit Risk** – The risk that the counterparty will not fulfill its obligations. The School considers the swap agreement counterparty's (Morgan Stanley) credit quality rating and whether the counterparty can withstand continuing credit market turmoil. As of June 30, 2013, Morgan Stanley's credit rating is Baa1 by Moody's, A- by Standards & Poor's.

For the outstanding swap agreement the School has a maximum possible loss equivalent to the swaps' fair market value at June 30, 2013 and 2012 related to the credit risk. However, the School was not exposed to this loss because of the negative fair market value of the swaps as of June 30, 2013 and 2012. In addition, these agreements required no collateral and no initial net cash receipt or payment by the School.

**Basis Index Risk** – Basis risk arises as a result of movement in the underlying variable rate indices that may not be in tandem, creating a cost differential that could result in a net cash outflow from the School. Basis risk can also result from the use of floating, but different, indices. To mitigate basis risk, it is the School's policy that any index used as part of an interest rate swap agreement shall be a recognized market index, including, but not limited to, the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association (SIFMA) or the London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR).

As of June 30, 2013, the aggregate debt service payments and net swap cash payments, assuming current interest rates remain the same, for their term are reflected in Table 9.6, Future Revenue Bonds and Net Swap Minimum Payments.

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**TABLE 9.6 Future Revenue Bonds and Net Swap Minimum Payments (*in thousands*)**

<b>Years Ending June 30</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Bond Interest</b>	<b>SWAP Interest (net)</b>	<b>Total Debt Service</b>	<b>Support Fee</b>
2014	\$ 600	53	1,420	2,073	267
2015	625	53	1,398	2,076	263
2016	625	52	1,377	2,054	258
2017	675	51	1,354	2,080	254
2018	975	50	1,325	2,350	249
2019 – 2023	3,475	237	6,278	9,990	1,180
2024 – 2028	6,500	206	5,472	12,178	1,028
2029 – 2033	13,300	138	3,658	17,096	687
2034 – 2038	14,610	46	1,229	15,885	231
<b>Total Debt Service</b>	<b>\$ 41,385</b>	<b>886</b>	<b>23,511</b>	<b>65,782</b>	<b>4,417</b>

### **Extinguishment of Debt**

Previous revenue bond issues considered to be extinguished through in-substance defeasance under generally accepted accounting principles are not included in the accompanying financial statements. The amount of debt in this category, covered by assets placed in trust to be used solely for future payments, amounted to \$6,935,000 and \$23,800,000 as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively.

### **Capital Leases**

As of June 30, 2013 and 2012, the School had an outstanding liability for capital leases approximating \$32,000 and \$870,000, respectively, with underlying gross capitalized asset cost approximating \$132,000 and \$1,304,000, respectively. Accumulated amortization as of June 30, 2013 and 2012 is \$119,000 and \$197,000, respectively.

Future minimum payments on the capital leases are shown in Table 9.7 Future Minimum Capital Lease Payments.

**Table 9.7 Future Minimum Capital Lease Payments (*in thousands*)**

<b>Year Ending June 30,</b>	<b>Principal</b>	<b>Interest</b>	<b>Total</b>
2014	\$ 32	1	33
<b>Total capital lease payments</b>	<b>\$ 32</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>33</b>

### **State of Colorado Certificates of Participation**

In Fiscal Year 2008, State of Colorado Senate Bill 08-218 made Federal Mineral Leasing (FML) monies available for capital construction at institutions of higher education. FML money is derived from ongoing leasing and production activities on federal lands within Colorado and approximately half of these payments go to the State of Colorado. The state used part of this money on November 6, 2008 and issued Certificates of Participation (COP) to support some higher education construction and maintenance projects. The School received \$6,748,000 for a portion of the support in the construction of an addition to the Brown Hall building. The State of Colorado is responsible for making the principal and interest payments on the COP.

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### **Note 10: Other Liabilities**

Table 10.1, Other Liabilities, details other liabilities as of June 30, 2013 and 2012.

**TABLE 10.1 Other Liabilities (in thousands)**

Type	2013		2012	
	Total	Current Portion	Total	Current Portion
<b>School</b>				
Amounts due to the Foundation	\$ 2,001	246	1,937	179
Funds held for others	129	129	101	101
Pollution remediation	30	30	206	206
Student deposits	620	620	598	598
Miscellaneous	670	670	379	379
<b>Total Other Liabilities - School</b>	<b>\$ 3,450</b>	<b>1,695</b>	<b>3,221</b>	<b>1,463</b>
<b>Discretely Presented Component Unit</b>				
Colorado School of Mines	\$18,889	-	13,844	-
Other trust funds	945	-	950	-
Obligations under split-interest agreements	5,606	-	5,168	-
Obligations under gift annuity agreements	5,116	-	4,715	-
Refunded advances	96	-	113	-
Other liabilities	228	-	159	-
<b>Total Other Liabilities - DPCU</b>	<b>\$30,880</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24,949</b>	<b>-</b>

### **Direct Lending**

The School began participation in the Direct Student Loan program operated by the federal government in the spring of Fiscal Year 2010. This program enables eligible students or parents to obtain a loan to pay for the student's cost of attendance directly through the School rather than through a private lender. The School is responsible for handling the complete loan process, including funds management, as well as promissory note functions. The School is not responsible for collection of these loans or for defaults by borrowers, and therefore these loans are not recognized as receivables in the accompanying financial statements. Lending activity during the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 under these programs were \$28,886,000 and \$26,466,000, respectively.

### **Note 11: Changes in Accounting Principles**

During Fiscal Year 2013, the School adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position* (GASB 63). GASB 63 provides guidance for reporting deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources and net position (previously "net assets") in a statement of net position (previously "statement of net assets") and related disclosures. GASB 63 also changes the caption "Invested in capital assets, net of related debt" to "Net investment in capital assets" in the Statement of Net Position. Adoption of GASB 63 had no effect on the School's beginning net position as of July 1, 2012 or on the change in net position for the year ended June 30, 2012.

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During Fiscal Year 2013, the School early adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No 65, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities* (GASB 65). GASB 65 establishes accounting and financial reporting standards that reclassify, as deferred outflows of resources or deferred inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities and recognizes, as outflows of resources or inflows of resources, certain items that were previously reported as assets and liabilities. This standard expands on the financial reporting guidance provided in GASB 63 and concepts introduced and defined in GASB Concepts Statement 4, *Elements of Financial Statements*.

Adoption of GASB 65 resulted in a decrease of \$1,308,000 in beginning net position as of July 1, 2011, an increase in the change in net position for the year ended June 30, 2012 of \$102,000, and a decrease in noncurrent assets and total assets of \$1,206,000. Additionally, adoption of GASB 65 resulted in an increase in deferred outflows, an increase in noncurrent liabilities, and total liabilities of \$14,806,000.

The decrease in beginning net position, the increase in net position, and the decrease in noncurrent assets and total assets resulted from the requirement that debt issuance costs be recognized as an expense in the period incurred. The increases in deferred outflows, noncurrent liabilities and total liabilities resulted from the requirement to reclassify as deferred outflows certain items previously reported as assets or liabilities.

## **Note 12: Pension Plan**

### **Plan Description**

Virtually all the School employees participate in a defined benefit pension plan. The plan's purpose is to provide income to members and their families at retirement or in case of death or disability. The plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan, administered by the Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA). PERA was established by state statute in 1931. Responsibility for the organization and administration of the plan is placed with the Board of Trustees of PERA. Changes to the plan require an actuarial assessment and legislation by the General Assembly. The state plan and other divisions' plans are included in PERA's financial statements which may be obtained by writing PERA at P.O. Box 5800, Denver, Colorado, 80217 or by calling PERA at 1-800-729-PERA (7372), or by visiting [www.copera.org](http://www.copera.org).

PERA also administers the Voluntary Investment Program that administers two defined contribution plans.

Defined benefit plan members (except state troopers) vest after five years of service and are eligible for full retirement based on their original hire date as follows:

- Hired before July 1, 2005 – age 50 with 30 years of service, age 60 with 20 years of service, or age 65 with 5 years of service.
- Hired between July 1, 2005 and December 31, 2006 – any age with 35 years of service, age 55 with 30 years of service, age 60 with 20 years of service, or age 65 with any years of service.
- Hired between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2010 – any age with 35 years of service, age 55 with 30 years of service, age 60 with 25 years of service, or age 65 with 5 years of service. For members with less than five years of service credit as of January 1, 2011 age and service

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requirements increase to those required for members hired between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2010.

- Hired between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2016 – any age with 35 years of service, age 58 with 30 years of service, age 65 with 5 years of service.
- Hired on or after January 1, 2017 – any age with 35 years of service, age 60 with 30 years of service, or age 65 with 5 years of service.

Members are also eligible for retirement benefits without a reduction for early retirement based on their original hire date as follows:

- Hired before January 1, 2007 – age 55 with a minimum of 5 years of service credit and age plus years of service equals 80 or more.
- Hired between January 1, 2007 and December 2010 – age 55 with a minimum of 5 years of service credit and age plus years of service equals 85 or more. Age plus years of service requirements increase to 85 for members with less than five years of service credit as of January 1, 2011.
- Hired between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2016 – age 58 and age plus years of service equals 88 or more.
- Hired on or after January 1, 2017 – age 60 and age plus years of service equals 90.

Most members automatically receive the higher of the defined retirement benefit or money purchase benefit at retirement. Defined benefits are calculated as 2.5 percent times the number of years of service times the highest average salary (HAS). For retirements before January 1, 2009, HAS is calculated as one-twelfth of the average of the highest salaries on which contributions were paid, associated with three periods of 12 consecutive months of service credit and limited to a 15 percent increase between periods. For retirements after January 1, 2009, or persons hired on or after January 1, 2007, more restrictive limits are placed on salary increases between periods used in calculating HAS.

Retiree benefits are increased annually in July after one year of retirement based on the member's original hire date as follows:

- Hired before July 1, 2007 – the lesser of 2 percent or the average of the monthly Consumer Price Index increases.
- Hired on or after January 1, 2007 – the lesser of 2 percent or the actual increase in the national Consumer Price Index, limited to a 10 percent reduction in a reserve established for cost of living increases related strictly to those hired on or after January 1, 2007. (The reserve is funded by 1 percentage point of salaries contributed by employers for employees hired on or after January 1, 2007.)
- The upper limits on benefits increase by one-quarter percentage point each year when the funded ratio of PERA equals or exceeds 103 percent and declines by one-quarter percentage point when the funded ratio drops below 90 percent after having exceeded 103 percent. The funded ratio increase does not apply for three years when a negative return on investment occurs.

Members who are disabled, who have five or more years of service credit, six months of which has been earned since the most recent period of membership, may receive retirement benefits if determined to be permanently disabled. If a member dies before retirement, their eligible children under the age of 18 (23 if a full time student) or their spouse may be entitled to a single payment or monthly benefit payments. If there are no eligible child or spouse then financially dependent parents, beneficiaries, or the member's estate, may be entitled to a survivor's benefit.

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#### **Funding Policy**

The contribution requirements of plan members and their employers are established, and may be amended by the General Assembly. Salary subject to PERA contribution is gross earnings less any reduction in pay to offset employer contributions to the state sponsored IRC 125 plan established under Section 125 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Most employees contribute eight percent of their salary, as defined in CRS 24-51-101(42), to an individual account in the plan. Effective July 1, 2012, the temporary contribution rate increase of 2.5 percent for members in the State and Judicial Divisions to replace the 2.5 percent reduction in employer contributions effective for Fiscal Years 2010-11 and 2011-12 expired.

From July 1, 2012, to December 31 2012, the School contributed a total of 15.65 percent of the employee's salary. From January 1, 2013, through June 30, 2013, the School contributed a total of 16.55 percent. During all of Fiscal Year 2012-13, 1.02 percent of the employees' total salary was allocated to the Health Care Trust Fund.

Per Colorado Revised Statutes, an amortization period of 30 years is deemed actuarially sound. At December 31, 2011, the division of PERA in which the state participates has a funded ratio of 59.2 percent and a 53-year amortization period based on current contribution rates. The funded ratio on the market value of assets is slightly higher at 60.2 percent.

In the 2004 and 2010 legislative sessions, the General Assembly authorized an Amortization Equalization Disbursement (AED) to address a pension-funding shortfall. The AED requires PERA employers to pay an additional 0.5 percent of salary for calendar years 2006 and 2007, with subsequent year increases of 0.4 percent of salary through 2017, to a maximum of 5 percent (except for the Judicial Division whose AED contribution was frozen at the 2010 level).

In the 2006 and 2010 legislative sessions, the General Assembly authorized a Supplemental Amortization Equalization Disbursement (SAED) that requires PERA employers to pay additional one half percentage point of total salaries, for calendar years 2008 through 2017, to a maximum of 5 percent (except for the Judicial Division whose SAED contribution was frozen at the 2010 level). The SAED will be deducted from the amount otherwise available to increase state employees' salaries.

At a 103 percent funding ration, both the AED and the SAED will be reduced by one-half percentage point, and for subsequent declines to below 90 percent funded both the AED and SAED will be increased by one-half percentage point. For the Judicial Division, if the funding ratio reaches 90 percent and subsequently declines, the AED and SAED will be increased by one-half percentage point.

Historically, members have been allowed to purchase service credit at reduced rates. However, legislation passed in the 2006 session required, that future agreements to purchase service credit be sufficient to fund the related actuarial liability.

The School contributions to the defined benefit program described above for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2013, 2012 and 2011 were \$10,731,000, \$7,731,000 and \$7,136,000, respectively, equal to its required contributions for those years.

#### **CSM Foundation Retirement Plan**

The Foundation participates in a defined contribution pension plan covering substantially all of its employees. Contributions and costs are based on the number of years of service and a percentage of regular salary. Pension expense was \$135,000 and \$82,000 for 2013 and 2012, respectively.

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### **Note 13: Volunteer Tax-Deferred Retirement Plans (Voluntary Investment Program)**

#### **Deferred Compensation Plan**

The PERA Deferred Compensation Plan (457) was established July 1, 2009, as a continuation of the state's deferred compensation plan which was established for state and local government employees in 1981. At July 1, 2009, the state's administrative functions for the 457 plan were transferred to PERA, where all costs of administration and funding are borne by the plan participants. In calendar year 2012, participants were allowed to make contributions of up to 100 percent of their annual gross salary (reduced by their 8 percent PERA) to a maximum of \$17,000. The reduction for the 8 percent PERA contribution reflects the expiration of the temporary contribution rate increase to 10.5 percent effective in Fiscal Years 2010-11 and 2011-12. Participants who are age 50 and older and contribution the maximum amount allowable, were allowed to make an additional \$5,500 contribution in 2012, for a total maximum contribution of \$22,500. Contributions and earnings are tax deferred. At December 31, 2012, the plan had 17,469 participants.

### **Note 14: Other Postemployment Benefits and Life Insurance**

#### **Health Care Plan**

The PERA Health Care Program began covering benefit recipients and qualified dependents on July 1, 1986. This benefit was developed after legislation in 1985 established the program and the Health Care Fund; the program was converted to a trust fund in 1999. The plan is a cost-sharing multiple-employer plan under which PERA subsidizes a portion of the monthly premium for health care coverage. The benefits and employer contributions are established in statute and may be amended by the General Assembly. PERA includes the Health Care Trust Fund in its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, which may be obtained by writing PERA at P.O. Box 5800, Denver, Colorado 80217, by calling PERA at 1-800-759-PERA (7372), or by visiting <http://www.copera.org>.

After the PERA subsidy, the benefit recipient pays the balance of the premium through an automatic deduction from the monthly retirement benefit. Monthly premium costs for participants depend on the health care plan selected, the PERA subsidy amount, Medicare eligibility, and the number of persons covered. Effective July 1, 2000, the maximum monthly subsidy is \$230 per month for benefit recipients who are under 65 years of age and who are not entitled to Medicare; and \$115 per month for benefit recipients who are 65 years of age or older or who are under 65 years of age and entitled to Medicare. The maximum subsidy is based on the recipient having 20 years of service credit, and is subject to reduction by 5 percent for each year less than 20 years.

Employees are not required to contribute to the Health Care Trust Fund, which is maintained by employer's contributions as discussed in Note 12 above. The School is required to contribute 1.02 percent of gross covered wages to the Health Care Trust Fund. The School contributed \$680,000, \$621,000 and \$617,000 as required by statute in Fiscal Years 2012-13, 2011-12 and 2010-11, respectively. In each year the amount contributed was 100 percent of the required contribution.

The Health Care Trust Fund offers two general types of plans: fully-insured plans offered through health care organizations and self-insured plans administered for PERA by third party vendors. As of December 31, 2012, there were 51,666 enrolled participants, including spouses and dependents, from all contributors to the plan. At December 31, 2012, the Health Care Trust Fund had an unfunded actuarial accrued liability of \$1.43 billion, a funded ratio of 16.5 percent, and a 66-year amortization period.

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#### **Colorado Higher Education Insurance Benefits Alliance Trust (CHEIBA)**

Retired faculty and exempt-administrative staff are eligible to participate in the Colorado Higher Education Insurance Benefits Alliance Trust (CHEIBA). CHEIBA is a cost-sharing multiple-employer insurance purchasing pool, which allows for postemployment health coverage until the retiree is eligible for Medicare. As of June 30, 2013, there were 17 participants in post-retirement coverage from the nine member higher education institutions. For Fiscal Year 2013, the School had five retired faculty administrative participants under CHEIBA.

CHEIBA financial statements are prepared under accounting principles generally accepted in the United states using the accrual basis of accounting following governmental accounting standards for a business-type activity. The financial statements can be obtained by contacting Marshall Parks, Treasurer, CHEIBA Trust. Contributions are recognized in the period due. Benefits and refunds are recognized and paid when due according to the participating plans. The fair value of the Trust's investments is based on quoted market prices from national securities exchanges.

There are no long-term contracts for contributions to the plan. Participating schools can withdraw their participation in the plan with at least one year's notice to the CHEIBA board.

#### **Note 15: Discretely Presented Component Unit**

##### **Colorado School of Mines Foundation**

Distributions made by the Foundation to the School during the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012 were approximately \$16,522,000 and \$16,527,000, respectively. These amounts have been recorded as contributions from the Foundation and as capital grants and gifts and Component Unit operating expenses in the accompanying financial statements. As of June 30, 2013 and 2012, the School has recorded an accounts receivable from the Foundation of \$2,376,000 and \$1,363,000, respectively. As of June 30, 2013 and 2012, the School has recorded a payable to the Foundation of \$2,001,000 and \$1,937,000, respectively.

The School is the ultimate beneficiary of substantially all restricted and trust funds held by the Foundation and is the income beneficiary of the majority of endowment funds held by the Foundation. The Foundation also manages a portion of the School's endowments. The School has endowments and other assets held by the Foundation approximating \$18,901,000 and \$14,192,000 as of June 30, 2013 and 2012, respectively. The Foundation retains an investment management fee equal to 2 percent.

#### **Note 16: Commitments and Contingencies**

##### **Commitments**

Contracts have been entered into for the purpose of planning, acquiring, constructing and equipping certain building additions and other projects, with outstanding amounts totaling approximately \$9,896,000 as of June 30, 2013. These commitments will be funded or financed by donor contributions, state appropriations, existing revenue bonds, and other campus resources.

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#### **Claims and Litigation**

In November 1992, the School and numerous other potentially responsible parties (PRP's) were notified by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) of potential liability pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended (CERCLA). Such potential liability results from costs associated with the investigation and cleanup of hazardous substances at a site owned by the School and leased to CSMRI, which performed mining research for a variety of private and governmental entities. Negotiations with the EPA, the enforcement agency related to past costs, have been resolved. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) and EPA have reserved their rights as to future costs of investigation and cleanup.

In 2010, the School executed a contract to further assess and characterize the site in relation to ground water monitoring results. A liability of \$1.8 million was recorded at June 30, 2010, to implement the plan. Work began in late 2010. As of June 30, 2013, the liability was \$30,000 and relates to completion of a final report. The School is currently negotiating with PRP's regarding the cost of the remediation work. It is unknown at this time how much, if any, the School will be able to recover from other potential responsible parties.

In relation to the site above, CSMRI held Radioactive Materials License (RML) Number 617-01 that authorized its possession of soil contaminated with radioactive material. CSMRI applied on June 6, 2012 to terminate RML #617-01 and that termination was granted December 19, 2012. In addition, on July 26, 2012, the CDPHE issued to the School RML #1206-01 for the lower terrace portion of the site granting the School the right to possess groundwater containing uranium. The School placed an environmental covenant restricting use of the groundwater on the remaining upper terrace area previously covered by RMS #617-01. Current administrative controls at the site include the environmental covenant restricting use of groundwater on the upper terrace area and RML #1206-01 which covers the lower terrace area.

The School prepared a draft comprehensive groundwater report for the site that was submitted to the CDPHE in conjunction with a request for termination of RML #1206-01. The draft report demonstrates that remaining levels of uranium in groundwater are due to ambient soil conditions and no additional remediation is recommended. The draft report is under review by CDPHE and termination of RML #1206-01 is anticipated.

In December 2012, CSMRI changed its name to Table Mountain Research Center (TMRC). With the termination of RML #617-01 in December 2012, TMRC has no continuing lease or management responsibilities for the site.

In the normal course of its operations, the School is involved in various litigation matters. Management believes that any future liability that it may incur as a result of these matters, including the EPA matter discussed above, will not have a material effect on the School's financial statements.

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### **Government Grants**

The School is currently participating in numerous grants from various departments and agencies of the federal and state governments. The expenditures of grant proceeds must be for allowable and eligible purposes. Single audits and audits by the granting department or agency may result in requests for reimbursement of unused grant proceeds or disallowed expenditures. Upon notification of final approval by the granting department or agency, the grants are considered closed. Management believes that any future liability that it may incur as a result of audits by the granting department or agency will not have a material effect on the School's financial statements.

### **Future Accounting Standards**

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 68 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions (Statement No. 68)*, which revises and establishes new financial reporting requirements for most governments that provide their employees with pension benefits. The School provides its employees with pension benefits through the state's multiple-employer cost-sharing PERA defined benefit retirement program.

Statement No. 68 requires cost-sharing employers participating in the PERA program, such as the School, to record their proportionate share, as defined in Statement No. 68, of PERA's unfunded pension liability. The School has no legal obligation to fund this shortfall nor does it have any ability to affect funding, benefit, or annual required contribution decisions made by PERA. The requirement of Statement No. 68 to record a portion of PERA's unfunded liability will negatively impact the School's future unrestricted net position. Statement No. 68 is effective for Fiscal Year 2015. At this time, management is unable to estimate the magnitude of this impact. Information regarding PERA's current funding status can be found in their Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

### **Note 17: Risk Management**

The School is subject to risks of loss from liability for accident, property damage and personal injury. These risks are managed by the State Division of Risk Management, an agency formed by statute and funded by the Long Appropriations Bill. Therefore, the School is not required to purchase insurance for such risk of loss. Commercial insurance coverage is purchased for employee health benefits. There has been no reduction in coverage nor have any settlements exceeded coverage in any of the three preceding years. The School does not retain risk of loss except for damage incurred to property belonging to the state, limited to a \$1,000 deductible per incident.

The State Division of Risk Management is deemed to be a public entity risk pool; therefore, under the Governmental Immunity Act, the School is protected from suit by the Doctrine of Sovereign Immunity except under certain circumstances in which immunity is waived.

## **Colorado School of Mines**

### **Notes to Financial Statements**

June 30, 2013 and 2012

#### **Note 18: Legislative Appropriations**

The Colorado State Legislature establishes spending authority to the School in its annual Long Appropriations Bill. The Long Appropriations Bill appropriated funds include an amount from the State of Colorado's College Opportunity Fund.

For the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, appropriated expenses were within the authorized spending authority. For the years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the School had a total appropriation of \$16,084,000 and \$16,254,000, respectively. For years ended June 30, 2013 and 2012, the School's appropriated funds consisted of \$5,146,000 and \$5,066,000, respectively, received from students that qualified for stipends from the College Opportunity Fund, \$10,938,000 and \$11,188,000, respectively, as fee-for-service contract revenue. All other revenues and expenses reported by the School represent nonappropriated funds and are excluded from the annual appropriations bill. Nonappropriated funds include tuition and fees, grants and contracts, gifts, indirect cost recoveries, auxiliary revenues and other revenue sources.

**Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards**

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the business-type activities and the discretely presented component unit of the Colorado School of Mines (a higher education institution of the State of Colorado) (the School) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated November 11, 2013, which contained a paragraph emphasizing a matter regarding the financial statements and contained an emphasis of matter paragraph regarding a change in accounting principle. Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated, as described in our report on the School's financial statements. The financial statements of the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

***Internal Control Over Financial Reporting***

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

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee

***Compliance and Other Matters***

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

***Purpose of this Report***

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

*BKD, LLP*

Denver, Colorado  
November 11, 2013

## Independent Auditor's Required Legislative Audit Committee Communication

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee:

As part of our audits of the financial statements and compliance of the Colorado School of Mines, State of Colorado (the School), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2013 we wish to communicate the following to you.

**Auditor's Responsibility Under Auditing Standards Generally Accepted in the United States of America and the Standards Applicable to Financial Audits Contained in *Government Auditing Standards* Issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations**

An audit performed in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-133, *Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations* is designed to obtain reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance about the financial statements and about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements described in OMB Circular A-133 that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. In performing auditing procedures, we establish scopes of audit tests in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole. Our engagement does not include a detailed audit of every transaction.

These standards require communication of significant matters related to the financial statement and compliance audits that are relevant to the responsibilities of those charged with governance in overseeing the financial reporting process. Such matters are communicated in the remainder of this letter or have previously been communicated during other phases of the audit. The standards do not require the auditor to design procedures for the purpose of identifying other matters to be communicated with those charged with governance.

An audit of the financial statements and compliance do not relieve management or those charged with governance of their responsibilities.

Members of the Legislative Audit Committee

## **Qualitative Aspects of Significant Accounting Policies and Practices**

### **Significant Accounting Policies**

The School's significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 of the audited financial statements.

### **Alternative Accounting Treatments**

We had discussions with management regarding alternative accounting treatments within accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for policies and practices for material items, including recognition, measurement and disclosure considerations related to the accounting for specific transactions as well as general accounting policies, as follows:

- No matters are reportable

### **Management Judgments and Accounting Estimates**

Accounting estimates are an integral part of financial statement preparation by management, based on its judgments. The following areas involve significant areas of such estimates for which we are prepared to discuss management's estimation process and our procedures for testing the reasonableness of those estimates:

- Allowance for doubtful accounts for accounts receivable, federal and private grants receivable, and loans to students
- Estimated useful lives of capital assets
- Fair value of investments
- Accrued pollution remediation obligations
- Fair values of derivative instruments
- Accrued compensated absences

### **Financial Statement Disclosures**

The following areas involve particularly sensitive financial statement disclosures for which we are prepared to discuss the issues involved and related judgments made in formulating those disclosures:

- Revenue recognition
- Derivative instruments (interest rate swaps)
- Change in accounting principles

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### **Audit Adjustments**

During the course of any audit, an auditor may propose adjustments to financial statement amounts. Management evaluates our proposals and records those adjustments which, in its judgment, are required to prevent the financial statements from being materially misstated. Some adjustments proposed were not recorded because their aggregate effect is not currently material; however, they involve areas in which adjustments in the future could be material, individually or in the aggregate.

Areas in which adjustments were proposed include:

#### Proposed Audit Adjustments Recorded

- Reclassification of gain/loss on disposal of assets
- Reclassification of unrestricted cash and net position

#### Proposed Audit Adjustments Not Recorded

- Attached is a summary of uncorrected misstatements we aggregated during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented that were determined by management to be immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements as a whole

### **Auditor's Judgments About the Quality of the School's Accounting Principles**

During the course of the audit, we made the following observations regarding the School's application of accounting principles:

- Adoption of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position*
- Adoption of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported As Assets and Liabilities*

### **Disagreements with Management**

The following matters involved disagreements which if not satisfactorily resolved would have caused a modified auditor's opinion on the financial statements:

- No matters are reportable

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### **Consultation with Other Accountants**

During our audit, we became aware that management had consulted with other accountants about the following auditing or accounting matters:

- The Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated, is audited by other auditors. We place reliance on the audit of the financial statements of the Colorado School of Mines Foundation, Incorporated as of June 30, 2013, and for the year then ended.

### **Significant Issues Discussed with Management**

#### *Prior to Retention*

During our discussion with management prior to our engagement, the following issues regarding application of accounting principles or auditing standards were discussed:

- No matters are reportable

#### *During the Audit Process*

During the audit process, the following issues were discussed or were the subject of correspondence with management:

- Adoption of GASB Statement No. 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Net Position* and GASB Statement No. 65, *Items Previously Reported As Assets and Liabilities*

### **Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit**

Our audit requires cooperative effort between management and the audit team. During our audit, we found significant difficulties in working effectively on the following matters:

- No matters are reportable

### **Other Material Written Communications**

Listed below are other material written communications between management and us related to the audit:

- Management representation letter
- Management letter

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This letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Audit Committee, the Office of the State Auditor, Board of Trustees, and Management and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

*BKD, LLP*

November 11, 2013

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**Colorado School of Mines**  
**ATTACHMENT**

This analysis and the attached "Schedule of Uncorrected Misstatements (Adjustments Passed)" reflects the effects on the financial statements if the uncorrected misstatements identified were corrected.

**QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS**

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	Before Misstatements	Misstatements	Subsequent to Misstatements	% Change
Current Assets	115,592,895		115,592,895	
Non-Current Assets & Deferred Outflows	401,543,146	(162,177)	401,380,969	-0.04%
Current Liabilities	(42,324,033)		(42,324,033)	
Non-Current Liabilities & Deferred Inflows	(235,258,656)		(235,258,656)	
Current Ratio	2.731		2.731	
Total Assets & Deferred Outflows	517,136,041	(162,177)	516,973,864	-0.03%
Net Position	(239,553,352)	162,177	(239,391,175)	-0.07%
Revenues & Income	(224,150,136)	(90,815)	(224,240,951)	0.04%
Cost & Expenses	201,952,505	147,136	202,099,641	0.07%
Net Increase	(22,197,631)	56,321	(22,141,310)	-0.25%

**Client:** Colorado School of Mines  
**Period Ending:** June 30, 2013

### SCHEDULE II OF UNCORRECTED MISSTATEMENTS (ADJUSTMENTS PASSED)

Taxable passed adjustments	
Times (1 - estimated tax rate of 0%)	
Taxable passed adjustments net of tax	
Nontaxable passed adjustments	
<b>Total passed adjustments, net of tax</b>	

**Colorado School of Mines**  
**Audit Report Distribution Summary**  
**Years Ended June 30, 2013 and 2012**

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