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INTRODUCTORY SECTION

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December 14, 2010

Honorable Brian Schweitzer
Governor of Montana
Room 204, State Capitol
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Dear Governor Schweitzer:

On behalf of the Montana Teachers' Retirement Board, we are pleased to present the Montana Teachers' Retirement System's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010. This report is intended to provide comprehensive information on the financial operations of the Montana Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) for the year. The issuance of the TRS CAFR satisfies the legal requirements of Section 19-20-201 (d) and 19-20-215, Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

TRS management is responsible for the information presented in this report and for establishing and maintaining an internal accounting control structure to reasonably assure the safekeeping of assets and the reliability of financial reporting. Because the cost on internal control should not exceed anticipated benefits, the objective is to provide reasonable, rather than absolute, assurance that the financial statements are free of any material misstatements.

The TRS was established by state law in 1937 and has completed its 73rd year of operation. The TRS is providing services to approximately 18,950 active members, 12,350 benefit recipients, and through the Board of Investments, manage assets valued in excess of \$2.5 billion.

PLAN QUALIFICATION CERTIFICATION

The TRS submitted a determination letter request to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) on September 29, 2008, asking the Service to find the TRS is a qualified plan under Internal Revenue Code Section 401(a). The TRS last submitted a determination request to the IRS in April 1998, and received a favorable determination letter dated December 10, 1998. Since the prior submission, there have been a number of changes to the TRS due in part to legislative changes made by the Montana Legislature in sessions 2001-2009. Our application asks the IRS find the legislative changes made since 2001 do not adversely affect the qualified status of the TRS. To date, we have been advised that the Service has not identified any issues that would adversely affect receipt of a favorable determination letter and that our application is under final review.

Failure to comply with the IRS’s requirements could result in the TRS losing its status as a qualified plan. Loss of status as a qualified plan would mean the plan and contributing employers would lose the favorable tax treatments applicable to and benefits from a qualified plan, including but not limited to pretax treatment of contributions.

PLAN FUNDING STATUS

The TRS plan’s net Funded Ratio decreased from 66.2% at July 1, 2009 to 65.4% at July 1, 2010. The July 1, 2010 Actuarial Valuation shows that the current contribution rates are not sufficient to pay the System's normal cost and to amortize the System’s Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) over 30 years, based on the current funding methods and long term actuarial assumptions. The normal cost of 9.74% of pay for the year beginning on July 1, 2011 is funded by employer and employee contributions. The remaining contribution, 7.37%, is available to fund the amortization of the UAAL. However, the 7.37% is not sufficient to amortize the UAAL. The System’s UAAL funded by TRS contributions as of July 1, 2010 is \$1,561.6 million based on actuarial assets. Additional information regarding the financial condition of the TRS plan can be found in the Actuarial Section of this report.

ANNUAL REQUIRED CONTRIBUTION

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 25, Financial Reporting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans, guidelines specify a 30-year maximum for the amortization of the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability in order for the System to be considered actuarially sound. The System has operated on an actuarially sound basis in the past; however, in order for the System to continue to operate in an actuarial sound manner, contributions at least equal to the Annual Required Contribution (ARC) must be contributed in future fiscal years. The ARC rate is the contribution rate determined by the Actuary, that if contributed each year, would be needed to fund benefits accrued in the current period (the normal cost) plus the amount needed to amortize the system’s UAAL over 30 years.

The table below demonstrates the ARC as recommended by the actuary in the July 1, 2010 valuation report and the current statutory contribution. It also shows the amount of annual additional contributions that will be necessary to maintain the System in an actuarial sound manner.

Schedule of Annual Required Contribution (ARC)

Valuation Date	Fiscal Year Ended for ARC is Payable	ARC	Current Contribution Rate	Expected Shortfall
July 1, 2010	June 30, 2012	12.16%	9.96%	\$17,000,000
July 1, 2010	June 30, 2013	14.18%	9.96%	\$34,000,000

LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

The Teachers' Retirement Board will be proposing legislation for the upcoming biennial session scheduled to convene January 3, 2011 for consideration by the Montana State Legislature in the following areas: employer liability; actuarial funding of the Teachers' Retirement System; changing the actuarial interest rate on service purchase agreements; amending provisions governing working retirees; increasing the state supplemental contribution to the retirement system; revising caps on compensation that can be used in the calculation of average final compensation; providing for a full actuarial reduction for early retirement.

INFORMATION SYSTEM ENHANCEMENTS

The TRS completed a significant upgrade to its computer server. The update replaced seven to ten year-old hardware. The new hardware and software will allow the TRS to virtualize its servers and prepare it to move into the State of Montana Data Center. The new equipment will provide a reliable and flexible platform for TRS operations. It will also allow the TRS workstations to be virtualized resulting in a greater savings on equipment and greater flexibility for disaster recovery. Currently, the TRS is researching alternatives for upgrading its existing pension administration system.

INVESTMENT ACTIVITY

The Montana Board of Investments (BOI) manages the State's Unified Investment Program, which includes the TRS plan investments as required by Section 19-20-501, MCA. The Unified Investment Program is required by law, 17-6-201 MCA, to operate under the "prudent expert principle", defined as: 1) discharging its duties with the care, skill, prudence, and diligence that a prudent person acting in a like capacity with the same resources and familiar with like matters exercises in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and like aims; 2) diversifying the holdings of each fund to minimize the risk of loss and maximize the rate of return; and 3) discharging its duties solely in the interest of and for the benefit of the funds managed.

The TRS investment portfolio posted a positive total return of 12.84%, resulting in an increase in the fair market value of its investments. The System's total annualized rate of return over the last five and ten years was 1.83% and 2.34% respectively. This rate of return compares with an actuarial assumed rate of 8% through June 30, 2004 and 7.75% effective July 1, 2004. The BOI invests the TRS and other pension portfolios for the long-term and its investment strategies, based on an asset/liability study completed in May 2006, are designed to provide sufficient returns over time. However, there is no guarantee of future investment performance. Performance in any given year is dependent not only on the BOI's investment performance but also on the performance of the markets themselves, which are impacted by domestic and global economic conditions, interest rates, and government policies.

TRS Investment Rates of Returns

	FY 2010	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
Fixed Income	14.02%	7.60%	6.01%	7.49%
Domestic Equities	15.87%	(9.78)%	(1.04)%	(2.16)%
International Equities	9.96%	(13.35)%	1.37%	1.15%
Private Equities	18.19%	(0.65)%	7.29%	N/A
Real Estate	(17.32)%	(14.61)%	N/A	N/A
STIP	.33%	2.41%	3.40%	3.13%
Total Portfolio	12.84%	(5.22)%	1.83%	2.34%

Please refer to the Investment Section of this report for additional detailed information regarding TRS investments.

AWARDS

The Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to TRS for its CAFR for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009. This was the fourth consecutive year in which TRS has received this prestigious award. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized CAFR. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We believe our current CAFR continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

The Public Pension Coordinating Council (PPCC) also awarded TRS the Public Pension Standards Award for Funding and Administration for 2010 in recognition of meeting the professional standards for plan funding and administration as set forth in the Public Pension Standards. The PPCC is a coalition of the National Association of State Retirement Administrators, the National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems, and the National Council on Teacher Retirement.

INDEPENDENT AUDIT

The financial statements contained in the TRS CAFR were audited by the State's Legislative Audit Division (LAD) in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. The Legislative Auditor is appointed by and reports to the State's Legislative Audit Committee. The LAD issued an unqualified opinion on the TRS financial statements for fiscal year 2010.

The Management's Discussion and Analysis and financial statements with accompanying notes, required supplementary information and schedules can be found in the Financial Section of this report.

CONCLUSION

On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank the staff, the Board's advisors, and the many people whose commitment, dedication, and proficiency has directly contributed to the continued successful operation of the Montana Teachers' Retirement System. The Teachers' Retirement Board and staff look forward to continuing to serve the educators of Montana.

Sincerely,

/s/ David L. Senn

David L. Senn
Executive Director

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Presented to

Montana Teachers' Retirement System

For its Comprehensive Annual
Financial Report
for the Fiscal Year Ended
June 30, 2009

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President

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Executive Director



Public Pension Coordinating Council

***Public Pension Standards Award
For Funding and Administration
2010***

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Montana Teachers' Retirement System

In recognition of meeting professional standards for
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Presented by the Public Pension Coordinating Council, a confederation of

National Association of State Retirement Administrators (NASRA)
National Conference on Public Employee Retirement Systems (NCPERS)
National Council on Teacher Retirement (NCTR)

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan H. Winkle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'A' and 'W'.

Alan H. Winkle
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**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND
PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET
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SUPPORTING SCHEDULES

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Legislative Audit Committee
of the Montana State Legislature:

We have audited the accompanying Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets of the Teachers' Retirement System, a component unit of the state of Montana, as of June 30, 2010, and 2009, and the related Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets for each of the fiscal years then ended. The information contained in these financial statements is the responsibility of the Teachers' Retirement System's board. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Teachers' Retirement System as of June 30, 2010 and 2009, and its changes in fiduciary net assets for the fiscal years then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Management's Discussion and Analysis, the Schedule of Funding Progress, and the Schedule of Contributions from the Employer and Other Contributing Entities are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of the Teachers' Retirement System. The Supporting Schedule of Administrative Expenses, Schedule of Investment Expenses, and Schedule of Payments to Consultants are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to

the auditing procedures applied to the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

At July 1, 2010, the Teachers' Retirement System was not actuarially sound. The amortization period for the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability is 49.5 years. The maximum allowable amortization period is 30 years.

The *Introductory Section, Investment Section, Actuarial Section, and Statistical Section* listed in the foregoing *table of contents* are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such additional information has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ James Gillett

James Gillett, CPA
Deputy Legislative Auditor

November 5, 2010

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The following discussion and analysis of the Montana Teachers' Retirement System's (TRS) Comprehensive Annual Financial Report provides a narrative overview of the TRS's financial activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, with comparative totals for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008. Please read this in conjunction with the transmittal letter presented in the introductory section and the financial statements with accompanying footnotes, required supplementary information with notes, and supporting schedules included later in this financial section.

Overview of the Financial Statements

Because of the long-term nature of a defined benefit pension plan, financial statements alone cannot provide sufficient information to properly reflect the System's ongoing plan perspective.

The financial section consists of two financial statements with footnotes, two schedules of historical trend information with footnotes, and three supporting schedules. The Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets reflects the resources available to pay benefits to retirees and beneficiaries. The Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets presents the changes that occurred in those resources for the fiscal year ended.

The Schedule of Funding Progress presents historical trend information about the actuarially funded status for the TRS plan from a long-term, ongoing perspective and the progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. The Schedule of Contributions from the Employer and Other Contributing Entities displays historical trend data of the annual required employer contributions and the actual contributions made by employers in relation to the requirement.

The Schedule of Administrative Expenses and the Schedule of Investment Expenses are a presentation of what comprises the administrative expense item and the investment expense item as reported on the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets. The Schedule of Payments to Consultants represents our fees paid to outside professionals.

Financial Highlights

- Beginning July 1, 2009, the employer contribution rate increased from 9.47% to 9.85%.
- The TRS plan net assets increased by \$221.0 million for 2010 following a decrease of \$691.8 million in 2009, representing an increase of 9.5% and a decrease of 23.1%.
- Net investment income (fair value of investments plus investment income less investment expense) increased in 2010 by 148.1% representative of the positive rebound of the overall stock market and decreased in 2009 by 299.9%.
- Pension benefits paid to beneficiaries and plan members increased 4.9% and 7.0% for the last two fiscal years respectively.

Condensed Financial Information (in millions)

Fiduciary Net Assets				2010 Percent	2009 Percent
	FY2010	FY2009	FY2008	Inc/(Dec)	Inc/(Dec)
Cash/Short-term Investments	\$ 44.4	\$ 25.5	\$ 31.8	74.1	(19.8)
Receivables	24.0	22.6	29.5	6.2	(23.4)
Investments (fair value)	2,615.3	2,463.9	3,113.1	6.1	(20.9)
Capital Assets (net)	0.3	0.3	0.3	0	0
Total Assets	2,684.0	2,512.2	3,174.7	6.8	(20.9)
Liabilities	162.5	210.6	181.3	(22.8)	16.2
Net Assets	\$2,521.4	\$2,301.6	\$2,993.4	9.5	(23.1)
Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets					
Additions:					
Employer Contributions	\$ 72.2	\$ 66.9	\$ 67.9	7.9	(1.5)
Plan Member Contributions	62.8	57.3	59.6	9.6	(3.9)
Other Contributions	17.2	14.1	13.5	22.0	4.4
Net Investment Income	295.0	(613.0)	(153.3)	148.1	(299.9)
Total Additions	447.3	(474.8)	(12.3)	194.2	(3,760.2)
Deductions:					
Benefit Payments	220.2	209.9	196.1	4.9	7.0
Withdrawals	4.2	5.2	5.7	(19.2)	(8.8)
Administrative Expenses	1.9	1.9	1.8	0	5.6
Total Deductions	226.3	217.0	203.6	4.3	6.6
Net Inc/(Dec) in Net Assets	\$ 221.0	\$(691.8)	\$(215.9)	131.9	(220.4)

Financial Analysis

- The change from year-to-year in cash/short-term investments is due mostly to the change in the number of shares held, a per share value of \$1, in the Short Term Investment Pool.
- The increase in receivables for 2010 reflects the increase from 2% to 2.38% in the supplemental payment from the general fund. The decrease in receivables for 2009 represents a \$2.4 million less in investment interest receivable and \$4.5 million less in contributions due at fiscal year end.
- The increase in investments for 2010 represents the recovery in the economy and capital market conditions and the decrease in investments for 2009 is due primarily to the decline in the fair market value of our investment holdings.
- The significant fluctuation in liabilities is primarily due to the security lending collateral activity conducted by the Montana Board of Investments.
- The dramatic increase in net investment income for 2010 was due to an overall increase in the market value of our investment holdings. The significant decrease in net investment income in 2009 primarily reflected the continued decline in the fair value of investments of \$435.5 million from the previous year.

- The increase in benefit payments from year-to-year reflects an increase in the number of retirees and beneficiaries plus the 1.5% guaranteed annual benefit adjustment.

Overview of the Actuarial Funding

The TRS plan experienced an asset gain over the last year. The market assets had a positive return of 12.87% net of investment and operating expenses. The actuarial assets earned 9.78% which is 2.03% above the actuarial assumption of 7.75%. Actuarial gains or losses result when the return on the actuarial value of assets differs from the actuarial investment return assumption. The following table compares the annual returns for the past six years.

Fiscal Year	Market Return	Actuarial Return	Actuarial Return over 7.75 %
7/1/2004 to 6/30/2005	8.04%	2.71%	(5.04)%
7/1/2005 to 6/30/2006	8.91%	8.46%	0.71%
7/1/2006 to 6/30/2007	17.64%	10.22%	2.47%
7/1/2007 to 6/30/2008	(4.88)%	7.18%	(0.57)%
7/1/2008 to 6/30/2009	(20.80)%	(10.26)%	(18.01)%
7/1/2009 to 6/30/2010	12.87%	9.78%	2.03%

The chart above shows that overall the actuarial return on assets has underperformed the assumption in the last six years. The 2007 Legislature increased funding contributions as noted below.

Contributions as a Percent of Pay

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Employer Rate</u>	<u>State Contribution</u>	<u>Total</u>
Prior to July 1, 2007	7.15%	7.47%	0.11%	14.73%
July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2009	7.15%	9.47%	0.11%	16.73%
July 1, 2009 and after	7.15%	9.85%	0.11%	17.11%

The State's General Fund picked up the increase in the employer rate of 2% effective July 1, 2007 and 2.38% effective July 1, 2009 in lieu of the contributions being paid by the school district and community college employers.

Section 19-20-201, MCA, requires the actuarial report to show how market performance is affecting the actuarial funding of the Retirement System. The July 1, 2010 market value of assets is \$435.1 million less than the actuarial value of assets. If the market value of assets was used, the amortization period would be infinite, and the Funded Ratio would be 55.81%. Based on market assets, a contribution increase of 5.17% of pay (17.11% to 22.28%) effective July 1, 2011, is projected to maintain an amortization of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability over a 30 year period.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009

	2010	2009
ASSETS		
Cash/Cash Equivalents-Short Term		
Investment Pool (Note B)	\$ 44,365,041	\$ 25,485,799
Receivables:		
Accounts Receivable	19,916,535	14,319,630
Interest Receivable	4,110,813	4,840,668
Due from Primary Government	0	3,405,139
Total Receivables	<u>\$ 24,027,348</u>	<u>\$ 22,565,437</u>
Investments, at fair value (Note B):		
Mortgages	\$ 16,342,528	\$ 20,491,720
Investment Pools	2,426,072,098	2,222,769,923
Other Investments	10,826,623	10,511,607
Securities Lending Collateral (Note B)	162,097,378	210,084,770
Total Investments	<u>\$ 2,615,338,627</u>	<u>\$ 2,463,858,020</u>
Assets Used in Plan Operations:		
Land and Buildings	\$ 193,844	\$ 193,844
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(150,545)	(147,409)
Equipment	142,697	63,662
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	(49,458)	(53,076)
Prepaid Expense	7,380	0
Intangible Assets, net of amortization	106,371	215,843
Total Other Assets	<u>\$ 250,289</u>	<u>\$ 272,864</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 2,683,981,305</u>	<u>\$ 2,512,182,120</u>
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 111,324	\$ 186,799
Due to Primary Government	0	16,891
Accountability for Advances	0	3,841
Securities Lending Liability (Note B)	162,097,378	210,084,770
Compensated Absences (Note B)	182,728	174,174
OPEB Implicit Rate Subsidy	144,155	96,974
TOTAL LIABILITIES	<u>\$ 162,535,585</u>	<u>\$ 210,563,449</u>
NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST FOR PENSION BENEFITS	<u>\$ 2,521,445,720</u>	<u>\$ 2,301,618,671</u>

The accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this financial statement.

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

	2010	2009
ADDITIONS		
Contributions:		
Employer	\$ 72,179,128	\$ 66,850,644
Plan Member	62,844,529	57,256,365
Other	17,241,610	14,147,324
Total Contributions	<u>\$ 152,265,267</u>	<u>\$ 138,254,333</u>
Misc Income	\$ 65,233	\$ 15,421
Investment Income:		
Net Appreciation/(Depreciation) in Fair Value of Investments	\$ 199,503,703	\$ (671,926,498)
Investment Earnings	109,898,071	70,040,815
Security Lending Income (Note B)	1,253,635	4,318,004
Investment Income/(Loss)	\$ 310,655,409	\$ (597,567,679)
Less: Investment Expense	15,350,943	13,562,768
Less: Security Lending Expense (Note B)	349,935	1,897,208
Net Investment Income/(Loss)	<u>\$ 294,954,531</u>	<u>\$ (613,027,655)</u>
Total Additions	<u>\$ 447,285,031</u>	<u>\$ (474,757,901)</u>
DEDUCTIONS		
Benefit Payments	\$ 220,193,357	\$ 209,942,663
Withdrawals	4,165,835	5,170,028
Administrative Expense	1,905,124	1,853,873
OPEB Expenses	47,181	49,496
Total Deductions	<u>\$ 226,311,497</u>	<u>\$ 217,016,060</u>
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN PLAN NET ASSETS	\$ 220,973,534	\$ (691,773,961)
NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST FOR PENSION BENEFITS		
BEGINNING OF YEAR	2,301,618,671	2,993,392,632
Prior Period Adjustment	(1,146,485)	
END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 2,521,445,720</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 2,301,618,671</u></u>

The accompanying Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this financial statement.

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

NOTE A. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The Teachers' Retirement Board is the governing body of a mandatory multiple-employer cost-sharing defined benefit pension plan, which provides retirement services to persons in Montana employed as teachers or professional staff of any public elementary or secondary school, community college, or unit of the university system. The system was established by the State of Montana in 1937 to provide retirement, death, and disability benefits and is governed by Title 19, chapter 20, of the MCA. TRS as an employer does not participate in the plan and acts only as the administrator of the plan.

At June 30, 2010, the number and type of reporting entities participating in the system were as follows:

Local School Districts & Coops	351
Community Colleges	3
University System Units	2
State Agencies	<u>9</u>
Total	365

At July 1, 2010, the date of the most recent actuarial valuation, system membership consisted of the following:

Retirees and Beneficiaries Currently Receiving Benefits	12,440
Terminated Employees:	
Vested	1,553
Non-vested	10,304
Current Active Members:	
Vested	11,961
Non-vested	<u>6,992</u>
Total Membership	43,250

The pension plan provides retirement, death, and disability benefits. Employees with a minimum of 25 years of service or who have reached age 60 with 5 years of service are eligible to receive an annual retirement benefit equal to creditable service years divided by 60 times the average final compensation. Final compensation is the average of the highest three consecutive years of earned compensation. Benefits fully vest after 5 years of creditable service. Vested employees may retire at or after age 50 and receive reduced retirement benefits. A Guaranteed Annual Benefit Adjustment (GABA) of 1.5% is payable each January if the retiree has received at least 36 monthly retirement benefit payments prior to January 1 of the year in which the adjustment is to be made.

NOTE B. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The TRS, a discretely presented component unit Pension Trust Fund of the State of Montana financial reporting entity, prepares its financial statements using the accrual basis of accounting. Employee and employer contributions are recognized as revenues in the period when due pursuant to statutory requirements and investment income is recognized when earned. Benefit and withdrawal payments are recorded in the period in which the liabilities are due and payable.

Compensated Absences

Compensated absences represent 100 percent of accrued vacation and 25 percent of accrued sick leave for TRS personnel at June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2009.

Cash/Cash Equivalents and Investments

The Montana Board of Investments (BOI) manages the State's Unified Investment Program, which includes the TRS plan investments as required by Section 19-20-501, Montana Code Annotated. Per the Montana Constitution, Article VIII Section 13(3), investment of TRS assets shall be managed in a fiduciary capacity in the same manner that a prudent expert acting in a fiduciary capacity and familiar with the circumstances would use in the conduct of an enterprise of a similar character with similar aims. Investments administered by the BOI for the TRS are subject to their investment risk policies. Information on investment policies, investment activity, investment management fees and a listing of specific investments owned by the pooled asset accounts can be obtained from Board of Investments at P.O. Box 200126, Helena, MT 59620-0126.

Information about the primary government's (State of Montana) investments, including credit risk classification, can be obtained from the Department of Administration, State Accounting Division, at P.O. Box 200102, Helena, MT 59620-0102.

Cash and cash equivalents consist of funds deposited in the State Treasurer's pooled cash account and cash invested in the Short-Term Investment Pool (STIP). Pooled investments other than STIP are reported at the fair value of each unit times the number of units owned. STIP is recorded at \$1 per unit for each unit held. The fair value of publicly traded stocks and bonds is determined by reference to market prices supplied by State Street Bank (the custodial bank). Because a public market does not exist for private equity and real estate investments, the fair value of these investments is the value reported in the most recent external managers' valuation reports.

The TRS investments include: STIP; Retirement Funds Bond Pool (RFBP); Montana Domestic Equity Pool (MDEP); Montana International Equity Pool (MTIP); Montana Private Equity Pool (MPEP), Montana Real Estate Pool (MTRP), mortgages and real estate.

The TRS Investment Portfolio is listed below:

TRS Cash Equivalent and Investment Portfolio
June 30, 2010

Investment	Book Value	Fair Value
STIP	\$ 38,081,160	\$ 38,081,160
RFBP	673,872,463	710,013,885
MDEP	474,936,242	839,405,532
MTIP	334,585,518	415,264,157
MPEP	251,910,971	326,593,292
MTRP	193,814,000	134,795,233
Other Investments	27,158,428	27,169,151
Total	<u>\$ 1,994,358,782</u>	<u>\$ 2,491,322,410</u>

Securities Lending – Under the provisions of state statutes, BOI is authorized to lend its securities and has contracted with the custodial bank to lend the BOI securities to broker-dealers and other entities with a simultaneous agreement to return the collateral for the same securities in the future. The custodial bank is required to maintain collateral equal to 102 percent of the fair value of domestic securities and 105 percent of the fair value of international securities while the securities are on loan. The BOI and the custodial bank split the earnings on security lending activities. The BOI retains all rights and risks of ownership during the loan period. The securities lending collateral, securities lending collateral liability, securities lending income, and securities lending expense consist of allocations to TRS on a pro rata basis of its ownership share of each pool with securities lending activity. At June 30, 2010, and 2009, the BOI had no credit risk exposure to borrowers because the collateral pledged by the borrowers exceeded the value of the securities borrowed. The private equity and real estate pools do not participate in securities lending.

Other Investments consist of a portfolio of Montana residential mortgages, an equity interest in four real estate properties, and Structured Investment Vehicles (SIVs).

The investment risks for the pooled investments that TRS participates in are described in the following paragraphs.

Credit Risk – Credit risk is defined as the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligation.

Custodial Credit Risk - Custodial credit risk is the risk that, in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the BOI may not be able to recover the value of the investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party.

Concentration of credit risk – Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of an investor’s investment in a single issuer.

Foreign Currency Risk – Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment.

Interest Rate Risk – Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. In accordance with GASB Statement No. 40, the BOI selected the effective duration method to disclose interest rate risk.

All securities in pools are held in the name of the Montana BOI, or were registered in the nominee name for the Montana BOI and held in the possession of the BOI’s custodial bank. MDEP, MTIP, MPEP, and MTRP do not invest in debt securities, so interest rate risk, credit risk, and concentration of credit risk do not apply to these holdings. According to GASB Statement No. 40, interest rate disclosures are not required for STIP since STIP is a 2a7-like pool.

The TRS investments subject to credit and interest rate risk at June 30, 2010 and June 30, 2009 are categorized below:

<u>Investment</u>	Fair Value	Fair Value	Credit Quality	Credit Quality	Effective Duration	Effective Duration
	6/30/10	6/30/09	6/30/10	6/30/09	6/30/10	6/30/09
RFBP	\$ 710,013,885	662,541,761	NR	NR	4.08 yrs	4.08 yrs

MPEP, MTRP, MTIP, and RFBP include assets subject to foreign currency risk. The MPEP and MTRP investments in EURO currency had a carrying value of \$27,140,768 and a fair value of \$11,157,709 at June 30, 2010 and \$22,918,330 and \$9,967,018 at June 30, 2009. The MTIP and RFBP had cash and securities with a foreign currency value of \$436,706,716 at June 30, 2010 and \$560,265,713 at June 30, 2009. The TRS position in those pools was approximately 38% for both 2010 and 2009.

NOTE C. CONTRIBUTIONS

The TRS funding policy provides for monthly employee and employer contributions at rates specified by state law. Plan members are currently required to contribute 7.15% of their earned compensation and the employer contribution rate for fiscal year 2010 was 9.85% of earned compensation. The State’s General Fund contributed 2.38% of the employer contributions for school district and community college employers of their members earned compensation and an additional .11% of total earned compensation. Each employer in the Montana university system shall contribute to the TRS a supplemental employer contribution currently at a rate of 4.72% of the total compensation of employees participating in the Optional Retirement Program (ORP). An actuary determines the actuarial implications of the funding requirement in annual actuarial valuations. The actuarial method used to determine the implications of the statutory funding level is the entry age actuarial cost method, with both normal cost and amortization of the accrued liability determined as a level percentage of payroll.

NOTE D. FUNDED STATUS and FUNDING PROGRESS

Our most recent actuarial valuation may be accessed on our website at:
www.trs.mt.gov/Board/ActuarialValuations/ActuarialValuations.

The funded status of the TRS plan as of July 1, 2010, the most recent actuarial valuation date is as follows (dollar amounts in millions):

Actuarial Value of Assets	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL)	Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
\$2,956.6	\$4,518.2	\$1,561.6	65.4%	\$747.0	209.0%

The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information (RSI) following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information about whether the actuarial values of plan assets are increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Valuation date	July 1, 2010
Actuarial cost method	Entry age
Amortization method	Level percent open
Remaining amortization period	49.5 years
Asset valuation method	4-year smoothed market
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return	7.75%
Projected salary increases	4.50%
Guaranteed annual benefit adjustment	1.50%
Inflation rate	3.50%

The actuarial valuation prepared as of July 1, 2010, the most recent valuation date, indicates the statutory rate is insufficient to fund the normal cost and to amortize the unfunded accrued liability under the entry age actuarial cost method over 30 years.

On a market value basis the TRS earned \$843.7 million less than anticipated by the 7.75% assumption for the year ended June 30, 2009 and \$116.1 million more than anticipated by the 7.75% assumption for the year ended June 30, 2010. The net result as of July 1, 2010 is that the market value of assets is \$435.1 million less than the actuarial value of assets. This \$435.1 million in unrecognized asset losses, if not offset by future gains, will cause the contributions needed to amortize the UAAL in future valuations to increase even further. Therefore, to remain financially sound in the future, TRS will need either (1) future gains such as asset returns greater than the 7.75% assumption, (2) an increase in contribution rates, (3) a reduction in liabilities, or some combination thereof.

NOTE E. OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Plan Description

TRS employees and dependents are eligible to receive health care through the State Group Benefits Plan administered by the Montana Department of Administration (MDOA). In accordance with Section 2-18-704, MCA, the State provides optional post-employment medical, vision and dental health care benefits for retirees and their dependents and beneficiaries that elect to continue coverage and pay administratively established premiums. Plan coverage is on a calendar year basis. For GASB 45 reporting, the State Group Benefits Plan is considered an agent multiple-employer plan and TRS is considered to be a separate employer participating in the plan. Information about the State of Montana Other Postemployment Benefits (OPEB) can be obtained from the Department of Administration, State Accounting Division, at P.O. Box 200102, Helena, MT 59620-0102.

Funding Policy

The contribution requirements of plan members are established and may be amended by the MDOA. The monthly premium for plan members ranges from \$260 to \$916 for calendar year 2010 depending on the medical plan selected, family coverage, and Medicare eligibility. The plan is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis.

GASB 45 requires the plan's employers to report each year the annual required contribution (ARC), an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement 45. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover the normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The 2010 ARC is calculated for all the plan's employers and then allocated to each participating employer. The TRS 2010 ARC is \$47,181 and is based on the plan's current ARC rate of 6.45% percent of total annual covered payroll for all employers. The 2010 ARC is equal to an annual amount required each year to fully fund the liability over 30 years. The amount of the estimated OPEB actuarial accrued liability was determined in accordance with GASB Statement 45, and the liability for TRS is estimated at \$519,203. (The actuarial accrued liability is the present value of future retiree benefits and expenses.)

Annual OPEB Cost

For fiscal year 2010, the TRS allocated annual OPEB cost (expense) of \$47,181 was equal to the ARC. The TRS annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan and the net OPEB obligation for 2010 and the two preceding years were as follows:

<u>Fiscal Year Ended</u>		<u>Annual OPEB Cost</u>	<u>% of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed</u>		<u>OPEB Obligation</u>
6/30/2008	\$	47,478	0%	\$	47,478
6/30/2009		49,496	0%		96,974
6/30/2010		47,181	0%		144,155

Funded Status and Funding Progress

The funded status of the TRS allocation of the plan as of January 1, 2009, the most recent valuation date was as follows:

Actuarial accrued liability (AAL)	\$519,203
Actuarial value of plan assets	\$ 0
Unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL)	\$519,203
Funded ratio (actuarial value of plan assets/AAL)	0
TRS Covered payroll (active plan members)	\$764,771
UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll	67.89%

Actuarial valuations of an ongoing plan involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and the healthcare cost trend. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future. Actuarial calculations reflect a long-term perspective. The schedule of funding progress, presented as required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements, presents multiyear trend information that shows whether the actuarial value of plan assets is increasing or decreasing over time relative to the actuarial accrued liabilities for benefits.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting progress are based on the substantive plan (the plan as understood by the employer and the plan members), and includes the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation and the historical pattern of sharing of benefit costs between the employer and plan members to that point. The projection of benefits for financial reporting purposes does not explicitly incorporate the potential effects of legal or contractual funding limitations on the pattern of cost sharing between the employer and plan members in the future.

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

As of January 1, 2009, the TRS actuarially accrued liability (AAL) for benefits was \$519,203, with no actuarial value of assets, resulting in an unfunded actuarial accrued liability (UAAL) of \$519,203, and the ratio of the UAAL to the covered payroll was 67.89%. The UAAL is being amortized as a level dollar amount over an open basis for 30 years.

In the January 1, 2009, actuarial valuation, the projected unit credit funding method was used for the State. The actuarial assumptions included a 4.25% discount rate and a 2.50% payroll growth rate. The projected annual healthcare cost trend rate is 10.0% for 2009 and decreases by 1% per year down to 5% for 2014 and beyond for medical and 9.5% for prescription drugs decreasing a .5% to 2012 and then decreases by 1% down to 5% at 2015 and beyond.

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**TRS PLAN
SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS**
(All dollar amounts in millions)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets	Actuarial Accrued Liabilities (AAL) ¹	Present Value of Future University Supplemental Contributions	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabilities (UAAL) ²	Funded Ratio ³	Covered Payroll ⁴	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
July 1, 2005	2,497.5	3,527.0	126.2	903.3	73.4%	612.6	147.5%
July 1, 2006	2,745.8	3,733.6	124.7	863.1	76.1%	636.0	135.7%
July 1, 2007	3,006.2	3,928.5	153.4	768.9	79.6%	664.1	115.8%
July 1, 2008	3,159.1	4,110.8	157.1	794.6	79.9%	689.5	115.2%
July 1, 2009	2,762.2	4,331.0	157.2	1,411.6	66.2%	683.2	206.6%
July 1, 2010	2,956.6	4,518.2	158.7	1,561.6	65.4%	747.0	209.0%

- (1) Actuarial present value of benefits less actuarial present value of future normal costs based on entry age actuarial cost method. Effective July 1, 2010, the System's AAL includes the present value of future university supplemental contributions.
- (2) Actuarial accrued liabilities less actuarial value of assets and present value of future university supplemental contributions. Effective July 1, 2010, the System's UAAL is not offset by the present value of future university supplemental contributions. Instead, the ORP contributions are used as additional contributions toward the System's amortization of the unfunded liability.
- (3) Funded Ratio is the ratio of the actuarial value of assets over the actuarial accrued liabilities less the present value of future university supplemental contributions. Effective July 1, 2010, the System's UAAL is not offset by the present value of future university supplemental contributions. Instead, the ORP contributions are used as additional contributions toward the System's amortization of the unfunded liability.
- (4) Covered Payroll includes compensation paid to all active employees on which contributions are calculated.

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**TRS PLAN
SCHEDULE OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM EMPLOYERS
AND OTHER CONTRIBUTING ENTITIES**

(All dollar amounts in thousands)

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual Required Contribution	Percentage Contributed
June 30, 2005	57,150	100.0%
June 30, 2006	81,287	195.6%
June 30, 2007	96,228	117.1%
June 30, 2008	93,142	87.4%
June 30, 2009	80,998	100.0%
June 30, 2010	90,947	98.3%

A \$50 million one-time contribution made by the State in FY 2007 and a \$100 million one-time contribution made by the State in FY 2006 are included in the calculation of the percentage of ARC contributed.

Since the System is a Cost Sharing Multiple Employer Plan, there is no Net Pension Obligation (NPO).

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
NOTES TO THE REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Actuarial Cost Method

The actuarial valuation was prepared using the entry age actuarial cost method. Under this method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in the valuation is allocated as a level percentage of the individual's projected compensation between entry age and assumed exit. The portion of this actuarial present value allocated to a valuation year is called the normal cost. The normal cost was first calculated for each individual member. The normal cost rate is defined to equal the total of the individual normal costs, divided by the total pay rate.

The portion of this actuarial present value not provided for at a valuation date by the sum of (a) the actuarial value of the assets and (b) the actuarial present value of future normal costs is called the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is amortized as a level percentage of the projected salaries of present and future members of the System.

The ultimate cost of any pension program over time equals the benefits paid and expenses incurred while administering the program. The source of revenue used to pay for this cost is equal to the contribution from employers and employees to fund the program, plus investment return earned on contributions made through pre-funding the benefit payments.

Valuation of Assets - Actuarial Basis

The actuarial asset valuation method spreads asset gains and losses over four years. The expected return is determined each year based on the beginning of year market value and actual cash flows during the year. Any difference between the expected market value return and the actual market value return is recognized evenly over a period of four years. The gains and losses are measured starting with the year ended June 30, 2007. The actuarial value of assets is not allowed to be greater than 120% or less than 80% of the market assets. (Adopted July 1, 2007)

Inflation Rate

The assumed inflation rate is 3.50% per annum, compounded annually (adopted July 1, 2004).

Investment Earnings

The annual rate of investment earnings of the assets of the System is assumed to be 7.75% per year, compounded annually. (Adopted July 1, 2004)

Guaranteed Annual Benefit Adjustment Increases

On January 1 of each year, the retirement allowance payable must be increased by 1.5% if the retiree's most recent retirement effective date is at least 36 months prior to January 1 of the year in which the adjustment is to be made.

Future Salaries

The rates of annual salary increases assumed for the purpose of the valuation include an assumed 4.5% annual rate of increase in the general wage level of the membership plus a variable merit and longevity rate from 0% to 4.51%. The merit and longevity increases for the Montana University System (MUS) members did not show a pattern of increasing or decreasing with service at the time of our most recent study. Therefore, the MUS members have a flat 1% merit and longevity assumption. The general wage increase assumption was adopted July 1, 2004 and the merit and longevity scales were adopted July 1, 2002.

MUS members are assumed to have a 0.63% higher average final compensation to account for the larger than average annual compensation increases observed in the years immediately preceding retirement.

Amortization Method

The unfunded actuarial accrued liability created by this method, including gains and losses, is amortized as a level percentage of the System's projected payroll.

Amortization Period

The amortization period of the unfunded actuarial liability over an open period is 49.5 years as of July 1, 2010.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS PLAN INFORMATION

Other Postemployment Benefits Plan Information Schedule of Funding Progress (All dollar amounts in thousands)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) Entry Age (b)	Unfunded (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Annual Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as % of covered Payroll ((b-a/c)
1/1/2007	-	\$ 449,321	\$ 449,321	0%	\$ 519,969	86.41%
1/1/2009	-	357,664	357,664	0%	526,794	67.89%

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
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SUPPORTING SCHEDULES
FISCAL YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009**

SCHEDULE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Expenses for the administration of the plan, excluding compensated absences, depreciation and amortization, are budgeted and approved by the TRS Board. The administrative costs of the TRS are financed through realized investment income. The expenses, less amortization of intangible assets, may not exceed 1.5% of retirement benefits paid. Administrative expenses for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 are outlined below:

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
Budgeted Expenses:		
Personnel Services:		
Salaries	\$ 832,848	\$ 777,851
Other Compensation	2,200	3,900
Employee Benefits	<u>255,300</u>	<u>239,816</u>
Total Budgeted Personal Svcs	\$ <u>1,090,348</u>	\$ <u>1,021,567</u>
Operating Expenses:		
Contracted Services	\$ 416,226	\$ 423,789
Supplies & Material	26,890	47,488
Communications	56,833	44,231
Travel	16,267	23,556
Rent	62,931	61,139
Repair & Maintenance	40,178	35,390
Other Expenses	<u>68,069</u>	<u>77,505</u>
Total Budgeted Operating Exp	\$ <u>687,394</u>	\$ <u>713,098</u>
Non-Budgeted Expenses:		
Compensated Absences	\$ 8,554	\$ 15,499
Depreciation	9,356	7,841
Amortization of Intangible Assets	<u>109,472</u>	<u>95,868</u>
Total Non-Budgeted Expenses	\$ <u>127,382</u>	\$ <u>119,208</u>
Total Administrative Expenses	\$ <u>1,905,124</u>	\$ <u>1,853,873</u>

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENT EXPENSES

Investment	BOI	Custodial Bank	External Managers	Total
STIP	\$ 9,526	\$ 3,929	\$	\$ 13,455
RFBP	200,887	141,685	322,617	665,189
MDEP	280,461	216,380	3,664,307	4,161,148
MTIP	279,485	81,696	1,788,704	2,149,885
MPEP	216,462	27,931	5,126,877	5,371,270
MTRP	182,231	15,225	2,713,580	2,911,036
Mortgages/Real Estate	53,610		25,350	78,960
	<u>\$ 1,222,662</u>	<u>\$ 486,846</u>	<u>\$ 13,641,435</u>	<u>\$ 15,350,943</u>

SCHEDULE OF PAYMENTS TO CONSULTANTS (included in administrative contracted services on previous page)

	2010	2009
Actuarial Services	\$ 129,345	\$ 104,511
Personnel Services	959	4,290
Legal Services	15,678	28,357
Medical Evaluations	700	1,450
Information Technology Services	58,360	80,760
Total Consultant Payments	<u>\$ 205,042</u>	<u>\$ 219,368</u>

INVESTMENT SECTION

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LIST OF TEN LARGEST HOLDINGS IN PORTFOLIOS

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TRS Annual Report Investment Letter

For fiscal year ended 6/30/10

The fiscal year just ended witnessed a dramatic recovery in the economy and capital market conditions. Although it has yet to be officially declared, the end of the recession is estimated by many economists to have occurred sometime in the third quarter of 2009. Assuming we are now in an official economic recovery, it is shaping up as a relatively weak recovery considering the severity of the downturn. Even if the last year marked the end of the “Great Recession,” it still feels like we are in it due to the millions of unemployed whose prospects for finding a job remain limited given the slow pace of recovery.

Despite the severity of the recession, the change in trend was greeted with enthusiasm in the capital markets. The performance of both equities and credit, or risk assets in general, bottomed in the first quarter of calendar 2009, and gained traction over the balance of the year. The rally in risk assets continued more or less in an upward trend until the first quarter of calendar 2010 when signs of a loss of momentum began to emerge. Stocks peaked during January, then faded for a month and rallied to a new high in late April. However, the remainder of the second quarter experienced a major setback, as stocks and low quality corporate bonds fell. Investment grade fixed income reacted positively to the concerns suppressing stocks, however, and posted a strong finish to the end of the fiscal year.

In summary, 2010 was a fiscal year marked by capital market recovery in reaction to the approaching and hopeful end of the recession. The recovery in asset values was reflected in plan performance that turned strongly positive, although the weak stock market during the last quarter of the fiscal year dampened returns. The 2010 fiscal year return for TRS was 12.84%, as compared to the fiscal year 2009 return of negative 20.67%. The 2010 return was a vast improvement certainly, yet the prior two years of negative returns created a big hole. As a result, the longer term plan returns remained weak with the annualized three year return at negative 5.22%, five years at 1.83%, and ten years at 2.34%.

Returns were particularly strong for those assets that were beaten down the most during the bear market. For the fiscal year the plan enjoyed a 13.87% overall return from public stocks, with domestic stocks up 15.87% and international stocks up 9.96%. Bonds, which represent the next largest public asset class after stocks, also experienced high returns during the fiscal year. This asset class was up 14.02% for the fiscal year, slightly ahead of stocks. This is unusual for the bond market in a recovery year for the economy when interest rates are typically rising. The fund’s bond return was enhanced by allocations to Core-Plus and High Yield strategies within the fixed income pool which did especially well as investors stretched for income once the credit markets stabilized. Interest rates declined moderately over the course of the fiscal year which

acted to bolster government bond returns, but the best performing sectors in the bond market were the so-called spread sectors, primarily corporate bonds, and certain areas within the securitized markets. As bankruptcy risk faded, corporate bond risk premiums contracted and corporate bond returns more than doubled that of U.S. Treasury securities.

Alternative assets held in the portfolio include private equity and real estate investments. Performance for these asset classes diverged during the fiscal year as private equity returns turned strongly positive while real estate continued to suffer negative returns. Because of the inherent reporting lag for these assets their valuations typically lag by about one quarter. Private equity valuations, which tend to be sensitive to public equity prices, turned upward beginning mid-year 2009 and continued to increase over the balance of the fiscal year. The return for this asset class was 18.19% for the fiscal year. Real estate valuations, however, continued to decline during the fiscal year, though began to show signs of stabilization during the spring of 2010. The fiscal year return for real estate of negative 15.90% was disappointing though not surprising given the impact of the economic decline on real estate fundamentals. Occupancy and leasing rates continue to suffer, compounded by an ongoing lack of credit availability for many commercial properties.

Asset allocation changes during the fiscal year were driven by both market moves and transaction activity. Total public stock holdings fell slightly over the course of the year, ending at a total of 50.3% of the portfolio. Sales of domestic stocks were made after the large market rally, beginning in the fall of 2009 through the spring of this year. These proceeds were primarily used to add to the real estate allocation, and to a lesser extent private equity and international stocks, as well as to help pay plan benefits. The portfolio allocation to fixed income was down about one percent and ended the fiscal year at 29.2%. Fixed income sales were minimal and occurred early in the fiscal year in order to bolster liquidity needed to pay plan benefits and fund the private asset pools, much like the pattern during the prior fiscal year. The allocation to both private equity and real estate increased during the fiscal year, ending at 13.1% and 5.7% respectively. The increase in private equity reflected both ongoing allocation additions as well as the positive return discussed earlier. Given the decline in valuations throughout the fiscal year, the increase in the real estate allocation was driven by increased funding of this asset class. The new funds allocated to real estate were primarily used to purchase open-end core real estate funds during the second half of the fiscal year while draw downs of prior closed-end fund commitments remained slow for much of the year. There was little change in the cash level of the portfolio over the fiscal year, ending at 1.6% of the total plan. Cash was kept low given the extremely low yields available and higher priority uses of liquidity to pay benefits and invest in longer term assets with higher return potential.

As mentioned a year ago, our consideration of hedge funds as a potential new investment category was put on hold in the wake of the financial crisis. The subject was revisited this spring and a decision was made to forego an allocation to hedge fund-of-funds. Another allocation consideration was whether to invest in an inflation-hedge composite consisting of commodities, inflation-linked bonds and timberland. A review of these asset classes suggested that their expected return and risk characteristics are more critical to the allocation decision than their inflation sensitivity alone. In the end, a decision was made to endorse an allocation to timberland as a supplement to our existing real estate allocation, however commodities will not be a targeted asset class, and inflation-linked bonds (US TIPS) will be used opportunistically

within the existing bond pool. The investment in timberland will be phased in over time as opportunities present themselves.

As noted earlier in this letter, risk aversion led to negative returns for equities and low quality bonds during the second calendar quarter after perceptions of the economic recovery began to change in May. U.S. stocks fell 11% during the quarter, and were down 16% from the April high while Treasury rates in the fixed income market fell significantly as investors sought safety. Anxiety regarding Europe's sovereign debt crisis and a potential policy overshoot in China's efforts to dampen real estate speculation caused many investors to question the economic recovery. Three months of weaker-than-expected U.S. employment data and other measures of economic activity confirm that we have begun to slow from the strong initial growth coming out of the bottom of the recession. Market confidence remains fragile and there are many concerns facing investors. Aside from doubts surrounding the consumer there are questions regarding fiscal policy and regulatory changes that will continue to present uncertainty. But while the pace of economic growth appears to be slowing, the recovery is still intact and, according to most economists, appears likely to be sustained.

The financial crisis that began in earnest during the fall of 2008 was arguably the worst seen in the U.S. and the rest of the world since the Great Depression. Lessons learned in that era sparked a concerted response by the fiscal and monetary authorities in this country, and to varying degrees across the globe, which eventually succeeded in restoring confidence in the financial system. In this long term context, current market jitters notwithstanding, we are likely to see less volatility in the capital markets in fiscal year 2011 than that experienced during the past two years. The investment portfolio is well-positioned for this more stable economic environment.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Clifford A. Sheets

Clifford A. Sheets
Chief Investment Officer, CFA
Montana Board of Investments

Investment Policy

The Montana Board of Investments (BOI) manages the State's Unified Investment Program, which includes the TRS plan investments as required by Section 19-20-501, Montana Code Annotated. The Unified Investment Program is required by law to operate under the "prudent expert principle", defined as: 1) discharging its duties with the care, skill, prudence, and diligence that a prudent person acting in a like capacity with the same resources and familiar with like matters exercises in the conduct of an enterprise of like character and like aims; 2) diversifying the holdings of each fund to minimize the risk of loss and maximize the rate of return; and 3) discharging its duties solely in the interest of and for the benefit of the funds managed.

Investment Results

TRS Rates of Returns*

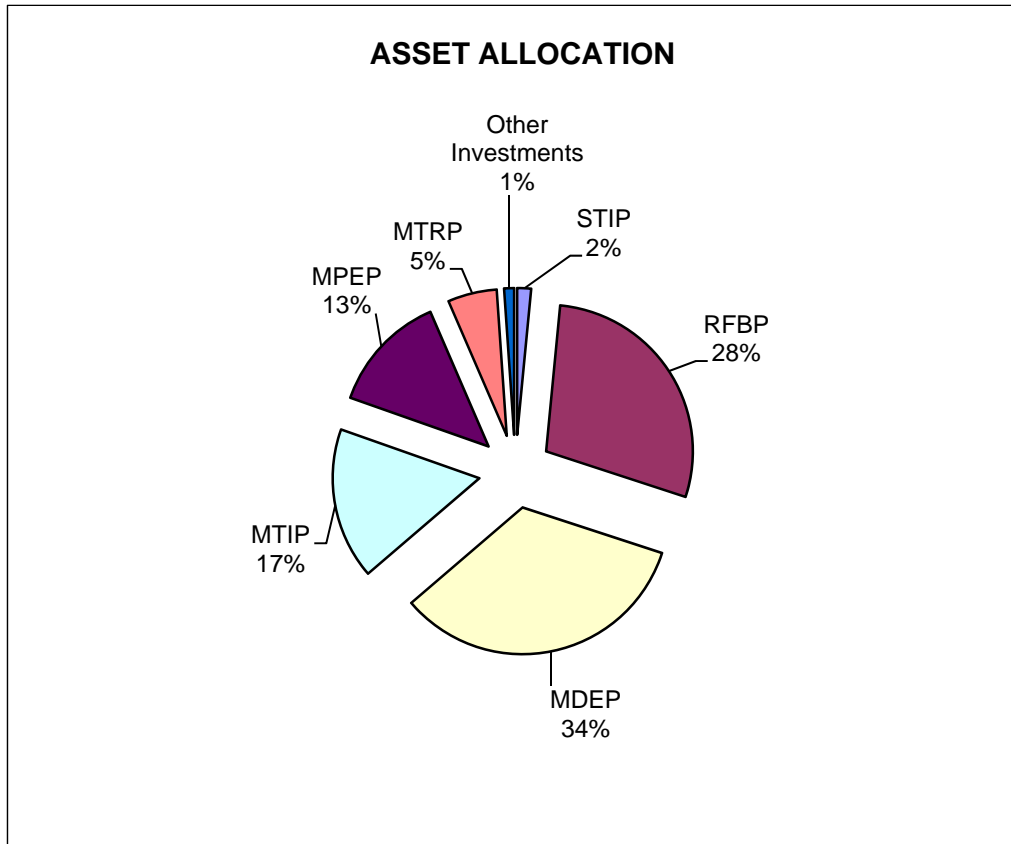
	FY 2010	3-Year	5-Year	10-Year
STIP	0.33%	2.41%	3.40%	3.13%
1 Mo LIBOR Index	0.27%	1.89%	3.10%	2.87%
RFBP	14.02%	7.60%	6.01%	7.49%
BC US Agg Bond Index	9.50%	7.55%	5.54%	6.47%
MDEP	15.87%	-9.78%	-1.04%	-2.16%
S&P 1500 Comp Index	15.57%	-9.43%	-0.49%	-0.85%
MTIP	9.96%	-13.35%	1.37%	1.15%
International Custom Benchmark	11.13%	-10.52%	3.26%	1.32%
MPEP	18.19%	-0.65%	7.29%	N/A
S&P 1500 +4% (Qtr Lag)	55.35%	0.13%	6.24%	4.06%
MTRP	-17.32%	-14.61%	N/A	N/A
NCREIF ODCE Index (net)	-31.26%	-11.56%	-0.96%	3.83%
Total Portfolio	12.84%	-5.22%	1.83%	2.34%

* A time-weighted rate of return

Investment Summary and Asset Allocation

JUNE 30, 2010

Investment	Book Value	Fair Value
STIP	\$ 38,081,160	\$ 38,081,160
RFBP	673,872,463	710,013,885
MDEP	474,936,242	839,405,532
MTIP	334,585,518	415,264,157
MPEP	251,910,971	326,593,292
MTRP	193,814,000	134,795,233
Other Investments	27,158,428	27,169,151
Total	\$ 1,994,358,782	\$ 2,491,322,410



Ten Largest Bond Holdings (RFBP) at fair value:

1. FNMA (Fannie Mae)	\$	243,103,907
2. US Treasury Notes/Bonds		230,403,227
3. FHLMC (Freddie Mac)		192,520,372
4. State Street Bank & Trust Co		90,970,693
5. Bank of America		66,847,022
6. WI Treasury Notes/Bonds		62,813,894
7. Wells Fargo Bank (Wachovia Bank) (Wells Fargo)		49,679,204
8. DOT Headquarters II Lease Mortgage		30,504,300
9. GE Capital		29,751,342
10. GNR		29,289,263

Ten Largest Public Equity Holdings (MDEP) at fair value:

1. Blackrock Equity Index Fund	\$	341,625,636
2. Western Asset US Index Plus LLC		117,126,006
3. Dimensional Fund Advisors Inc		51,423,091
4. Apple Inc		31,562,236
5. Microsoft Corp		27,427,368
6. IBM Corp		24,102,061
7. State Street Bank & Trust Co		22,996,544
8. Exxon Mobil Corp		22,466,005
9. Wells Fargo		21,837,005
10. Hewlett Packard Co		20,868,361

Ten Largest International Equity Holdings (MTIP) at fair value:

1. Blackrock ACWI EX US Superfund	\$	380,523,563
2. Blackrock GL EX US Alpha TILT		87,550,614
3. DFA Intl Small Co Portfolio		53,056,998
4. EAFE Stock Performance Index		42,891,177
5. Artio Emerging Markets II CIF		24,487,299
6. Emerging Markets Value		24,476,824
7. State Street Bank & Trust Co		8,868,407
8. Market Vectors Gold Miners E		7,435,268
9. Nestle SA Reg		7,080,728
10. Roche Holding AG		6,000,226

A complete list of the portfolio holdings is available upon request from the Montana Board of Investments.

Investment Management Fees

The Legislature sets the maximum management fee the BOI may charge the accounts it manages. The maximum fee is set at the aggregate level and at the beginning of each fiscal year. The BOI allocates the aggregate fees across the Pools. Custodial bank fees are paid by a statutory appropriation from the state general fund. The BOI allocates custodial bank fees across the Pools and accounts invested outside the Pools and deposits the proceeds in the general fund. The State Treasurer then pays the monthly custodial bank fees from the general fund. External manager fees are paid directly from the accounts they manage. TRS investment management fees charged each Pool and mortgages and real estate are shown below:

Investment	BOI	Custodial Bank	External Managers	Total
STIP	\$ 9,526	\$ 3,929	\$	\$ 13,455
RFBP	200,887	141,685	322,617	665,189
MDEP	280,461	216,380	3,664,307	4,161,148
MTIP	279,485	81,696	1,788,704	2,149,885
MPEP	216,462	27,931	5,126,877	5,371,270
MTRP	182,231	15,225	2,713,580	2,911,036
Mortgages/Real Estate	53,610		25,350	78,960
	<u>\$ 1,222,662</u>	<u>\$ 486,846</u>	<u>\$ 13,641,435</u>	<u>\$ 15,350,943</u>

ACTUARIAL SECTION

ACTUARY'S CERTIFICATION LETTER

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September 24, 2010

Teachers' Retirement Board
 State of Montana
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Members of the Board:

We have completed the annual valuation of the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Montana as of July 1, 2010. The purpose of this valuation is to determine the financial status of the Retirement System. To achieve this purpose, an actuarial valuation is made at the beginning of each fiscal year as required by MCA 19-20-201.

The purpose of this letter is to provide the Actuarial Section, the Schedule of Funding Progress, and the Schedule of Contributions from the Employers and Other Contributing Entities for the System's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. The July 1, 2010 valuation reflects revised rates of withdrawal, disability and service retirement for active members based on a five-year experience study ending July 1, 2009 adopted by the Board on May 13, 2010. All results prior to July 1, 2009 were determined by the prior actuarial firm.

The funding objective of the System is to establish contribution rates that will tend to remain level as a percentage of payroll. The contribution rates have been:

School District and Other Employers

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Employers</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Total employee & employer</u>
Prior to July 1	7.15%	7.47%	0.11%	14.73%
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2009	7.15%	7.47%	2.11%	16.73%
July 1, 2009 and after	7.15%	7.47%	2.49%	17.11%

State and University Employers

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Employers</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Total employee & employer</u>
Prior to July 1	7.15%	7.47%	0.11%	14.73%
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2009	7.15%	9.47%	0.11%	16.73%
July 1, 2009 and after	7.15%	9.85%	0.11%	17.11%

The July 1, 2010 actuarial valuation shows that the current employer rate of 9.96% is not sufficient to pay the System's normal cost and to amortize the System's Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) within a 30-year period. The normal cost of 9.74% of pay consists of 2.59% employer contributions and 7.15% employee contributions. The System's UAAL as of July 1, 2010 is \$1,561.6 million. The remaining contribution of 7.37% (9.96%-2.59%) goes towards funding the amortization of the UAAL. The contribution of 7.37% will amortize UAAL of the Retirement System within 49.5 years. The maximum acceptable amortization period specified in Statements No. 25 and 27 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is 30 years.

The assumptions and methods used for funding purposes meet the parameters set for the disclosures presented in the financial section by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 25, Financial Reporting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans. The GASB guidelines specify a 30-year maximum for the amortization of the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability.

The July 1, 2010 valuation determines the employer contribution rate for fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and June 30, 2013. Since the amortization period is greater than 30 years, the employer Annual Required Contribution (ARC) must be increased to 12.16% for fiscal year 2012 and 14.18% for fiscal year 2013 in order to amortize the UAL over 30 years. If the employer contributions are not increased to these levels, the system will not be funded in an actuarially sound manner. The table below compares the ARC as recommended by the actuary and the current statutory contribution. It also shows the amount of additional contributions that will be necessary to maintain the System in an actuarially sound manner.

Schedule of Annual Required Contribution (ARC)

Valuation Date	Fiscal Year Ended for which ARC is Payable	ARC	Current Contribution	Expected Shortfall
July 1, 2010	July 1, 2012	12.16%	9.96%	\$17,000,000
July 1, 2010	July 1, 2013	14.18%	9.96%	\$34,000,000

A funding measurement that may be considered is the funding ratio of the Actuarial Accrued Liability to Assets. This ratio is shown in the Schedule of Funding Progress. As the actuarial experience varies from year to year, the funding ratio will reflect actuarial gains and losses. The Actuarial Accrued Liability represents the portion of the total plan benefits and expenses which is not provided for by future Normal Cost contributions.

The actuarial assumptions used in our 2010 actuarial valuation are summarized in Exhibit 1. Adoption dates vary by assumption and are provided in Exhibit 1.

In preparing our actuarial valuation reports, we relied, without audit, on the financial statements prepared by the staff of the System. We also relied upon the employee and beneficiary data provided to us by the staff. We compared the data for the July 1, 2010 actuarial valuation with corresponding information from the prior valuation and tested for missing or incomplete items, such as birth dates and hire dates. Based on these tests, we believe the data to be sufficient and

reliable for the purposes of our calculations. It should be noted that if any data or other information is inaccurate or incomplete, our calculations might need to be revised.

On the basis of the foregoing, we hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, this report is complete and accurate and has been prepared in accordance with generally recognized and accepted actuarial principles and practices which are consistent with the Actuarial Standards of Practice promulgated by the Actuarial Standards Board and the applicable Guides to Professional Conduct, amplifying Opinions, and supporting Recommendations of the American Academy of Actuaries.

The assumptions represent our best estimate of future conditions affecting the System, and we believe they are reasonably related to the past experience of the System. Nevertheless, the emerging costs of the System will vary from those presented in our report to the extent that actual experience differs from that projected by the actuarial assumptions. Gains or losses in future experience may result in changes in future contribution rates. The current actuarial asset method smoothes asset gains and losses over four years.

Future actuarial results may differ significantly from the current results presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Since the potential impact of such factors is outside the scope of a normal annual actuarial valuation, an analysis of the range of results is not presented herein.

Funding and Benefits Policy

The Teachers' Retirement System has adopted a Funding and Benefits Policy to provide general guidelines to help ensure decisions are made based on sound, consistent, and thoroughly examined criteria. The Funding and Benefits Policy includes guidance on the following topics:

1) Additional Funding

- a) The Funding and Benefits Policy states: "Whenever the amortization period of the unfunded liabilities for two consecutive valuations are projected to exceed 30 years based on the market value of assets, or the funded ratio is less than 85%, and the Board cannot reasonably anticipate that the amortization period would decline or the funded ratio improve without an increase in funding sources, it is the obligation of the Board to recommend to the legislature that funding be increased and/or liabilities be reduced."
- b) Analysis: The amortization period at July 1, 2010 is 49.5 years based on actuarial assets and infinite based on market assets. Assuming experience follows the actuarial assumptions, the amortization period is projected to remain above 30 years based on both measures for some time to come. The funded ratio is currently 65.44%. Therefore, the guidance in the Board's Funding and Benefits Policy indicates the Board should "recommend to the legislature that funding be increased and/or liabilities be reduced."

2) Ultimate Goal

- a) The Funding and Benefits Policy states: “It is the ultimate goal of the TRB to eliminate the current Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability and to establish a Stabilization Reserve equal to at least 10% of the Actuarial Accrued Liability. Once the system has achieved this goal, any surplus funds that become available may be applied toward the cost of benefit enhancements and/or contribution reductions, provided, sufficient reserves are retained to reasonably allow for adverse experience and the contribution rates remain at least 1 percent above the normal cost.”
- b) Analysis: This goal is currently a long way off. This is represented by infinite and 49.5 years amortization periods on a market value of assets and an actuarial value of assets basis respectively. Discipline will be required by all parties concerned to reach this goal, and will have to include contribution increases to maintain the amortization period within 30 years.

3) Benefit Enhancements

- a) The Funding and Benefits Policy states: “Proposed benefit enhancements must include additional funding sufficient to cover any increase in the normal cost and to amortize any increase in unfunded liabilities over a period not to exceed 25 years. In addition, as of the most recent actuarial valuation, the funded ratio must be 85% or greater before the Board will support legislation to enhance benefits.”
- b) Analysis: Since the net funded ratio at July 1, 2010 of 65.44% is below 85% the Board’s Funding and Benefits policy does not currently support enhanced benefits, even if funding of increased unfunded liabilities over 25 years is included.

Assumption Changes

Since the previous valuation, the Board has adopted an experience study on May 13, 2010 performed for the five year period ending July 1, 2009. As a result, the rates of withdrawal, disability and retirement for active members have been revised since the previous valuation. The impact of this change was a reduction in the Unfunded Accrued Liability of \$2.1 million and a 0.36% decrease in the normal rate.

Benefit Changes

No benefit changes are reflected in this valuation.

Contribution Changes

The contribution rate changes are documented at the beginning of this summary.

Method Changes

Since the previous valuation, there have been two methodology changes. These methodology changes were documented in the experience study for the five-year period ending July 1, 2009 and adopted by the Board on May 13, 2010. They are:

Calculation of the Normal Rate - Under the Entry Age Normal Cost Method the Actuarial Present Value of the Projected Benefits of each active member included in the Actuarial Valuation is allocated on a level basis over the earnings of the individual between entry age and the assumed exit age. The portion of this Actuarial Present Value allocated to the valuation year is called the Normal Cost. The calculation of the Normal Cost is based on each individual’s expected salaries for the valuation year. The normal rate is traditionally the normal cost divided by the expected total salaries for the valuation year. Under the current method, the normal rate is developed by dividing the normal cost for the valuation year by

the reported payroll of continuing active members for the prior year. For calculation of the normal rate, we recommend dividing the normal cost by the projected total salaries for the same period for which the normal cost is developed by increasing individual salaries with the assumed rates of salary increase. The impact of this change will lower the normal rate.

Present Value of Future ORP Contributions- University supplemental contributions to the System are made as a percent of pay for members of the Optional Retirement Plan (ORP) until June 30, 2033. Currently, the present value of these contributions is used to offset the System's Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL). We propose instead, that the Systems' UAL is not offset by the present value of these additional contributions. Instead, the ORP contributions will be used as additional contributions toward the System's amortization of the unfunded liability.

The following exhibits provide further information.

- Exhibit 1 Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Methods
- Exhibit 2 Schedule of Active Member Valuation Data
- Exhibit 3 Schedule of Retirees and Beneficiaries Added to and Removed from Rolls
- Exhibit 4 Solvency Test
- Exhibit 5 Analysis of Financial Experience
- Exhibit 6 Provisions of Governing Law

The Schedule of Funding Progress and the Schedule of Contributions from the Employers and Other Contributing Entities were also prepared by Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting, LLC.

Edward A. Macdonald and Todd B. Green are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and a Fellow of the Conference of Consulting Actuaries, and an Associate of the Society of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

Sincerely,

/s/ Edward A. Macdonald

Edward A. Macdonald, ASA, FCA, MAAA
President

/s/ Todd Green

Todd Green, ASA, FCA, MAAA
Principal and Senior Actuary

Exhibit 1

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA

SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Replacement of Terminated Members

The ages at entry and distribution by sex of future members are assumed to average the same as those of the present members they replace. If the number of active members should increase, it is further assumed that the average entry age of the larger group will be the same, from an actuarial standpoint, as that of the present group. Under these assumptions, the normal cost rates for active members will not vary with the termination of present members.

Employer Contributions

At the time of this valuation, the total employer contribution rate for normal costs and amortization of the UAAL was 9.96% of members' salaries. In accordance with MCA 19-20-604, the employer contribution rate will be reduced by 0.11% when the amortization period of the System's UAAL is 10 years or less according to the System's latest actuarial valuation.

Administrative and Investment Expenses

The administrative and investment expenses of the System are assumed to be funded by investment earnings in excess of 7.75% per year.

Valuation of Assets - Actuarial Basis

The actuarial asset valuation method spreads asset gains and losses over four years. The expected return is determined each year based on the beginning of year market value and actual cash flows during the year. Any difference between the expected market value return and the actual market value return is recognized evenly over a period of four years. The gains and losses are measured starting with the year ended June 30, 2007. The actuarial value of assets is not allowed to be greater than 120% or less than 80% of the market assets. (Adopted effective July 1, 2007.)

Investment Earnings

The annual rate of investment earnings of the assets of the System is assumed to be 7.75% per year, compounded annually. (Adopted effective July 1, 2004)

Interest on Member Contributions

Interest on member contributions is assumed to accrue at a rate of 5% per annum, compounded annually. This assumption was set as of July 1, 2004.

Postretirement Benefit Increases

On January 1 of each year, the retirement allowance payable must be increased by 1.5% if the retiree has received benefits for at least 36 months prior to January 1 of the year in which the adjustment is to be made.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Future Salaries

The rates of annual salary increase assumed for the purpose of the valuation are illustrated in Table A-2. In addition to increases in salary due to merit and longevity, this scale includes an assumed 4.5% annual rate of increase in the general wage level of the membership. The merit and longevity increases for the MUS members did not show a pattern of increasing or decreasing with service at the time of our most recent study. Therefore, the MUS members have a flat 1% merit and longevity assumption. The general wage increase assumption was adopted July 1, 2004 and the merit and longevity scales were adopted July 1, 2002.

Montana University System (MUS) members are assumed to have a 0.63% higher average final compensation to account for the larger than average annual compensation increases observed in the years immediately preceding retirement.

Service Retirement

Table A-3 shows the annual assumed rates of retirement among members eligible for service retirement. Separate rates are used when a member is eligible for reduced benefits, for the first year a member is eligible for full benefits, and for the years following the first year a member is eligible for full benefits. The rates for General Members were adopted May 13, 2010. The rates for University Members were adopted May 13, 2010.

Disablement

The rates of disablement used in this valuation are illustrated in Table A-4. These rates were adopted May 13, 2010.

Mortality

The mortality rates used in this valuation are illustrated in Table A-5. A written description of each table used is included in Table A-1. These rates were adopted July 1, 2006.

Other Terminations of Employment

The rates of assumed future withdrawal from active service for reasons other than death, disability or retirement are shown for representative ages in Table A-6. These rates were adopted May 13, 2010.

Benefits for Terminating Members

Members terminating with less than five years of service are assumed to request an immediate withdrawal of their contributions with interest. Table A-7 shows the assumed probability of retaining membership in the System among members terminating with five or more years of service. These rates were adopted July 1, 2002.

We estimated the present value of future benefits for terminated vested members based on the greater of the present value of their deferred benefit at age 60 or their available contribution account.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA

SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Part-Time Employees

The valuation data for active members identify part-time members, but give no indication as to the number of hours worked. As done in the past, we imputed a "part-time percentage" by comparing the pay received with their annual equivalent full-time salary. Their accumulated service was divided by this percentage to reflect their full benefit. Part-time members earning less than \$1,000 during the last year were valued at their current member contribution balance.

Optional Retirement Program

ORP payroll as of June 30, 2010 was \$179,655,253.

Effective for fiscal years after June 30, 2007 until June 30, 2033, the Optional Retirement Program contribution rate is 4.72%, pursuant to MCA 19-20-621.

Buybacks, Purchase of Service, and Military Service

The active liabilities and normal cost (excluding liabilities and normal cost in respect of Return of Employee Contributions) were increased to 100.5% of their original value to fund this additional service based on a study of the System's experience for the five calendar years 1995 through 1999. Effective July 1, 2008.

Probability of Marriage

If death occurs in active status, all members are assumed to have an eligible surviving spouse and two children. The spouse is assumed to be the same age as the member.

Records with no Birth Date

New records with no birth date are assumed to be 25 years old. Records that are not new and have no birth date used the same birth date as the prior year's valuation.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Table A-1

I. Economic assumptions		
A.	General wage increases* (Adopted July 1, 2004)	4.50%
B.	Investment return (Adopted July 1, 2004)	7.75%
C.	Price Inflation Assumption (Adopted July 1, 2004)	3.50%
D.	Growth in membership	0.00%
E.	Postretirement benefit increases (Starting three years after retirement)	1.50%
F.	Interest on member accounts (Adopted July 1, 2004)	5.00%
II. Demographic assumptions		
A.	Individual salary increase due to promotion and longevity (General Member assumptions adopted July 1, 2002) (University Member assumptions adopted July 1, 2000)	Table A-2
B.	Retirement (adopted May 13, 2010)	Table A-3
C.	Disablement (adopted May 13, 2010)	Table A-4
D.	Mortality among contributing members, service retired members, and beneficiaries For Males: RP 2000 Combined Mortality Table for Males, set back three years, with mortality improvements projected by Scale AA to 2008 (adopted July 1, 2006). For Females: RP 2000 Combined Mortality Table for Females, set back two years, with mortality improvements projected by Scale AA to 2008 (adopted July 1, 2006).	Table A-5
E.	Mortality among disabled members For Males: RP 2000 Disabled Mortality Table for Males, set back three years, with mortality improvements projected by Scale AA to 2008 (adopted July 1, 2006). For Females: RP 2000 Disabled Mortality Table for Females, set forward three years, with mortality improvements projected by Scale AA to 2008 (adopted July 1, 2006).	Table A-5
F.	Other terminations of employment (adopted May 13, 2010)	Table A-6
G.	Probability of retaining membership in the System upon vested termination (adopted July 1, 2002)	Table A-7

* *Montana University System (MUS) members are assumed to have a 0.63% higher average final compensation to account for the larger than average annual compensation increases observed in the years immediately preceding retirement.*

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Table A-2
Future Salaries

Years of Service	General Members			University Members		
	Individual Merit & Longevity	General Wage Increase	Total Salary Increase	Individual Merit & Longevity	General Wage Increase	Total Salary Increase
1	4.51%	4.50%	9.01%	1.00%	4.50%	5.50%
2	4.09	4.50	8.59	1.00	4.50	5.50
3	3.46	4.50	7.96	1.00	4.50	5.50
4	2.94	4.50	7.44	1.00	4.50	5.50
5	2.52	4.50	7.02	1.00	4.50	5.50
6	2.21	4.50	6.71	1.00	4.50	5.50
7	1.89	4.50	6.39	1.00	4.50	5.50
8	1.68	4.50	6.18	1.00	4.50	5.50
9	1.47	4.50	5.97	1.00	4.50	5.50
10	1.31	4.50	5.81	1.00	4.50	5.50
11	1.16	4.50	5.66	1.00	4.50	5.50
12	1.00	4.50	5.50	1.00	4.50	5.50
13	0.84	4.50	5.34	1.00	4.50	5.50
14	0.68	4.50	5.18	1.00	4.50	5.50
15	0.58	4.50	5.08	1.00	4.50	5.50
16	0.47	4.50	4.97	1.00	4.50	5.50
17	0.37	4.50	4.87	1.00	4.50	5.50
18	0.26	4.50	4.76	1.00	4.50	5.50
19	0.21	4.50	4.71	1.00	4.50	5.50
20	0.16	4.50	4.66	1.00	4.50	5.50
21	0.11	4.50	4.61	1.00	4.50	5.50
22 & Up	0.00	4.50	4.50	1.00	4.50	5.50

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SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Table A-3
Retirement
Annual Rates

Age	General Members			University Members		
	Eligible for Reduced Benefits	First Year Eligible for Full Benefits	Thereafter	Eligible for Reduced Benefits	First Year Eligible for Full Benefits	Thereafter
45		8.0%	5.5%		17.0%	8.0%
46		8.0	5.5		17.0	8.0
47		8.0	5.5		17.0	8.0
48		8.0	5.5		17.0	8.0
49	*	8.0	5.5	*	17.0	8.0
50	5.0%	8.0	5.5	7.0%	17.0	8.0
51	5.0	8.0	6.3	7.0	17.0	8.0
52	5.0	8.0	8.0	7.0	17.0	8.0
53	5.0	9.0	7.3	7.0	17.0	8.0
54	5.0	9.0	8.2	7.0	17.0	8.0
55	7.0	9.0	9.8	7.0	15.0	8.0
56	7.0	12.0	11.3	7.0	15.0	8.0
57	7.0	11.8	12.5	7.0	15.0	8.0
58	7.0	14.8	13.1	7.0	15.0	8.0
59	7.0	17.4	14.8	7.0	15.0	8.0
60	*	14.6	17.0	*	15.0	8.5
61		21.3	25.0		14.0	14.5
62		23.8	25.0		20.0	19.0
63		11.4	25.0		14.0	14.5
64		19.0	25.0		20.0	18.0
65		40.0	35.0		28.0	26.0
66		8.0	20.0		21.0	21.0
67		30.0	20.0		21.0	24.5
68		6.0	20.0		21.0	19.5
69		6.0	20.0		21.0	30.0
70		**	**		**	**

* All benefits are unreduced after attaining age 60. Reduced benefits are not available before age 50.

** Immediate retirement is assumed at age 70 or over.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Table A-4
Disablement
Annual Rates

Age	All Members
25	.005%
30	.005
35	.008
40	.028
45	.044
50	.063
55	.084
60	.100

Table A-5
Mortality
Annual Rates

Age	Contributing Members, Service Retired Members and Beneficiaries		Disabled Members	
	Men	Women	Men	Women
25	.03%	.02%	1.97%	.68%
30	.04	.02	2.17	.69
35	.05	.04	2.17	.67
40	.09	.05	2.17	.66
45	.11	.08	2.08	.85
50	.15	.12	2.23	1.31
55	.23	.20	2.69	1.89
60	.41	.38	3.32	2.43
65	.78	.73	3.99	3.19
70	1.45	1.29	4.90	4.33
75	2.42	2.17	6.15	6.01
80	4.22	3.55	8.30	8.30
85	7.55	5.91	11.43	11.86

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Table A-6
Other Terminations of Employment
Among Members Not Eligible to Retire

Annual Rates

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>All Members</u>
1	36.5%
2	20.5
3	14.6
4	10.5
5	8.5
6	7.0
7	6.4
8	5.8
9	5.4
10	5.0
11	4.3
12	3.9
13	3.5
14	3.2
15	2.9
16	2.6
17	2.3
18	2.0
19	1.9
20	1.8
21	1.7
22	1.6
23	1.5
24	1.5

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SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Table A-7
Probability of Retaining Membership in the System
Upon Vested Termination

<u>Age</u>	<u>Probability of Retaining Membership</u>
25	54%
30	54
35	58
40	58
45	60
50	70
55	75

Exhibit 2

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA
SCHEDULE OF ACTIVE MEMBER VALUATION DATA**

Full-Time Members				
<u>Valuation Date</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Annual Payroll</u>	<u>Average Annual Payroll</u>	<u>Annualized % of Increase in Average Pay</u>
July 1, 2000	13,289	477,160,000	35,906	5.9%
July 1, 2002	12,796	486,204,000	37,997	5.8%
July 1, 2004	12,601	510,808,000	40,537	6.7%
July 1, 2005	12,523	523,909,000	41,836	3.2%
July 1, 2006	12,715	549,268,000	43,198	3.3%
July 1, 2007	12,634	568,351,000	44,986	4.1%
July 1, 2008	12,694	592,514,000	46,677	3.8%
July 1, 2009	12,673	613,077,000	48,377	3.6%
July 1, 2010	12,711	630,444,000	49,598	2.5%
Part-Time Members*				
<u>Valuation Date</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Annual Payroll</u>	<u>Average Annual Payroll</u>	<u>Annualized % of Increase in Average Pay</u>
July 1, 2000	4,245	42,000,000	9,894	N/A
July 1, 2002	4,650	52,700,000	11,333	14.5%
July 1, 2004	5,013	60,300,000	12,029	6.1%
July 1, 2005	5,019	62,000,000	12,353	2.7%
July 1, 2006	4,840	57,700,000	11,921	-3.5%
July 1, 2007	4,994	61,100,000	12,235	2.6%
July 1, 2008	5,077	64,900,000	12,783	4.5%
July 1, 2009	5,270	69,900,000	13,264	3.8%
July 1, 2010	5,642	74,571,000	13,217	-0.4%

* Excludes part-time active members with annual compensation less than \$1,000.

Exhibit 3

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA

SCHEDULE OF RETIREES AND BENEFICIARIES ADDED TO AND REMOVED FROM ROLLS*

Year Ended	Added to Rolls		Removed from Rolls		Rolls End of Year		% Increases in Annual Allowances	Average Annual Allowances
	No.	Annual Allowances	No.	Annual Allowances	No.	Annual Allowances		
June 30, 2000	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9,021	117,227,000	18.4%	12,995
June 30, 2002	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9,768	139,131,000	18.7%	14,244
June 30, 2004	1,232	N/A	625	N/A	10,375	157,776,000	14.8%	15,400
June 30, 2005	613	N/A	324	N/A	10,664	170,129,000	6.5%	15,954
June 30, 2006	617	12,898,000	262	1,913,000	11,019	181,114,000	6.5%	16,436
June 30, 2007	668	16,737,000	331	2,614,000	11,356	195,237,000	7.8%	17,192
June 30, 2008	762	17,688,000	330	3,940,000	11,788	208,985,000	7.0%	17,729
June 30, 2009	512	12,072,000	264	1,790,000	12,036	219,267,000	4.9%	18,218
June 30, 2010	698	16,124,000	294	1,343,000	12,440	234,048,000	6.7%	18,814

*Information provided where available

Exhibit 4

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA

SOLVENCY TEST

(All dollar amounts in millions)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets	Aggregate Accrued Liabilities For			Portion of Accrued Liabilities Covered by Reported Asset		
		(1) Active Member Contributions	(2) Retirants and Beneficiaries	(3) Active Members (Employer Financed Portion)	(1)	(2)	(3)
July 1, 2004	2,485.7	750.6	1,865.3	743.3	100.0%	93.0%	0.0%
July 1, 2005	2,497.5	771.5	1,979.2	776.3	100.0%	87.2%	0.0%
July 1, 2006	2,745.8	791.3	2,033.8	908.5	100.0%	96.1%	0.0%
July 1, 2007	3,006.2	804.5	2,171.1	952.9	100.0%	100.0%	3.2%
July 1, 2008	3,159.1	823.6	2,313.0	974.2	100.0%	100.0%	2.3%
July 1, 2009	2,762.2	832.8	2,415.8	1,082.4	100.0%	79.9%	0.0%
July 1, 2010	2,956.6	823.9	2,557.0	1,137.2	100.0%	83.4%	0.0%

Exhibit 5

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL EXPERIENCE

An analysis of financial experience is performed in conjunction with all regularly scheduled valuations.

The results of our analysis of the financial experience of the System in the two most recent regular actuarial valuations are presented in this Exhibit 5. Each gain or loss shown represents our estimate of how much the given type of experience caused the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability or Funding Reserve to change in the period since the previous actuarial valuation.

Gains and losses shown due to demographic sources are approximate. Demographic experience is analyzed in greater detail in our periodic assumption studies.

Non-recurring gains and losses result from changes in the actuarial assumptions and benefit improvements.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA

ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL EXPERIENCE *

(All dollar amounts in millions)

	UAAL (Gain)/Loss		
	June 30, 2010	June 30, 2009	June 30, 2008
Investment Income			
Investment income was (greater) less than expected based on actuarial value of assets.	\$ (55.2)	\$ 561.9	\$ 17.0
Pay Increases			
Pay increases were (less) greater than expected.	(22.0)	(4.4)	4.8
Age & Service Retirements			
Members retired at (older) younger ages or with (less) greater final average pay than expected	13.0	6.3	(1.0)
Disability Retirements			
Disability claims were (less) greater than expected	0.5	0.4	0.2
Death-in-Service Benefits			
Survivor claims were (less) greater than expected	(0.4)	(0.2)	0.3
Withdrawal From Employment			
(More) less reserves were released by withdrawals than expected	6.6	4.7	1.7
Death After Retirement			
Retirees (died younger) lived longer than expected	(3.5)	(2.8)	(6.3)
Other			
Miscellaneous (gains) and losses	24.4	12.0	2.5
Total (Gain) or Loss During Period From Financial Experience	\$ (36.6)	\$ 577.9	\$ 19.2
Non-Recurring Items.			
Changes in actuarial assumptions and methods	156.6	-	(10.6)
Changes in benefits caused a (gain) loss.	-	-	-
Composite (Gain) Loss During Period.	\$ 120.0	\$ 577.9	\$ 8.6

* Effects related to gains are shown in parentheses. Numerical results are expressed as a (decrease) increase in the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL). Gains decrease the UAAL and losses increase the UAAL.

Exhibit 6

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA

PROVISIONS OF GOVERNING LAW

Effective Date	September 1, 1937.
Vesting Period	5 years. No benefits are payable unless the member has a vested right, except the return of employee contributions with interest.
Final Compensation	Average of highest 3 consecutive years of earned compensation.
Normal Form of Benefits	Life only annuity. All benefits cease upon death; however, in no event will the member receive less than the amount of employee contributions with interest.
Normal Retirement Benefits	
Eligibility:	25 years of service or age 60 and 5 years of service.
Benefit:	The retirement benefit is equal to 1/60 of final compensation for each year of service.
Early Retirement Benefits	
Eligibility:	5 years of service and age 50.
Benefit:	The retirement benefit is calculated in the same manner as described for normal retirement, but the benefit is reduced 1/2 of 1% for each of the first 60 months early and 3/10 of 1% for each of the next 60 months early.
Death Benefit	
Eligibility:	5 years of service.
Benefit:	The death benefit is equal to 1/60 of final compensation for each year of service accrued at date of death, with an actuarial adjustment based on the relation of the member's age at death to the beneficiary's age. A monthly benefit of \$200 is paid to each child until age 18. In addition, a lump-sum benefit of \$500 is paid upon the death of an active or retired member.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF MONTANA

PROVISIONS OF GOVERNING LAW

Disability Benefit

Eligibility: 5 years of service.

Benefit: The disability benefit is equal to 1/60 of final compensation for each year of service accrued at date of disability. The minimum benefit is 1/4 of the final compensation.

Withdrawal Benefits

With less than 5 years of service, the accumulated employee contributions with interest are returned. With more than 5 years, the member may elect a refund of contributions with interest or leave the contributions and interest in the System and retain a vested right to retirement benefits.

Contributions

Member: 7.15% of compensation.
Employer: 9.58% of compensation, 9.96% starting July 1, 2009.

MCA 19-20-604 specifies that the employer contribution rate will be reduced by 0.11% when the amortization period of the System's UAAL is 10 years or less according to the System's latest actuarial valuation.

Interest on Member Contributions

Effective July 1, 2010, the Interest credited on member contributions is reduced from 1.0% to 0.25% per annum.

Cost-of-Living Adjustments

On January 1 of each year, the retirement allowance payable must be increased by 1.5% if the retiree has received benefits for at least 36 months prior to January 1 of the year in which the adjustment is to be made.

STATISTICAL SECTION

SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

This schedule allows the reader an opportunity to review trends in the revenues and expenses of the TRS for the last ten years.

SCHEDULE OF AVERAGE BENEFIT PAYMENTS

This schedule shows the average monthly benefit, average final average salary, and number of retirees categorized by years of credited service for the last ten years.

SCHEDULE OF MEMBERSHIP

This schedule presents the membership type for the last ten years.

SCHEDULE OF RETIRED MEMBERS AND BENEFICIARIES BY TYPE OF BENEFIT

This schedule shows the number of retirees and beneficiaries by benefit type for the current year.

SCHEDULE OF PRINCIPAL PARTICIPATING EMPLOYERS

This schedule presents the 15 largest employers in the TRS for the current year as compared to nine years ago.

LOCATION OF BENEFIT RECIPIENTS

This schedule lists the number of current beneficiaries by geographic location.

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Changes in Net Assets
Last Ten Fiscal Years
(In thousands)

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Additions:										
Member Contributions	\$ 48,278	47,872	50,221	51,383	52,900	53,293	56,509	59,552	57,256	62,845
Employer Contributions	50,990	51,519	53,277	55,774	57,150	58,269	61,944	67,922	66,851	72,179
Other Contributions	611	762	754	770	656	100,693	50,720	13,492	14,147	17,242
Misc Income	6		4			4	16	16	16	65
Net Investment Income	(119,050)	(159,585)	126,246	281,793	188,734	224,787	484,532	(153,312)	(613,028)	294,954
Total Additions	\$ (19,165)	(59,432)	230,502	389,720	299,440	437,046	653,721	(12,330)	(474,758)	447,285
Deductions:										
Benefit Payments:	\$ 118,842	130,006	140,229	150,271	161,247	171,957	182,827			
Retirees								189,441	203,096	213,130
Beneficiaries								3,898	4,063	4,173
Disabilities								2,721	2,784	2,890
Withdrawals	5,370	6,472	6,468	5,843	4,340	4,876	5,595	5,695	5,170	4,166
Administrative Expenses	1,716	1,607	1,861	1,507	1,561	1,579	1,434	1,751	1,854	1,905
Other				890			502	47	49	47
Total Deductions	\$ 125,928	138,085	148,558	158,511	167,148	178,412	190,358	203,553	217,016	226,311
Change in Net Assets	\$ (145,093)	(197,517)	81,944	231,209	132,292	258,634	463,363	(215,883)	(691,774)	220,974

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Schedule of Average Benefit Payments
Ten Years Ended June 30, 2010

<u>Fiscal Year of Retirement</u>		<u>Years of Credited Service</u>						
		5 - 9	10 - 14	15 - 19	20 - 24	25 - 29	30+	
2001	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	185	472	872	1,196	1,660	2,155
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	1,846	2,649	3,488	3,576	4,035	4,260
	Number of Retirees		30	44	33	62	170	217
2002	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	261	441	744	1,214	1,689	2,219
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,073	2,530	3,237	3,504	4,068	4,363
	Number of Retirees		28	37	43	66	173	222
2003	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	310	432	797	1,347	1,725	2,193
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,216	2,502	3,084	3,891	4,066	4,238
	Number of Retirees		24	40	51	85	149	193
2004	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	263	474	954	1,383	1,838	2,489
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,231	2,589	3,814	3,904	4,290	4,757
	Number of Retirees		35	37	34	62	127	198
2005	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	263	639	879	1,327	1,776	2,605
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,283	3,404	3,433	3,737	4,184	4,876
	Number of Retirees		38	31	39	57	141	205
2006	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	307	515	845	1,410	1,883	2,626
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,577	2,801	3,297	4,089	4,416	4,896
	Number of Retirees		43	53	43	47	140	208
2007	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	296	585	821	1,393	2,009	2,714
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,598	3,283	3,318	3,982	4,727	5,041
	Number of Retirees		42	42	46	74	135	193
2008	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	332	480	908	1,515	1,974	2,728
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,876	2,694	3,594	4,282	4,656	5,022
	Number of Retirees		38	51	53	61	147	220
2009	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	293	670	1,084	1,455	2,115	2,984
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,678	3,474	4,187	4,280	4,914	5,468
	Number of Retirees		34	32	55	75	122	197
2010	Average Monthly Benefit	\$	303	629	987	1,501	2,135	3,109
	Average Final Average Salary	\$	2,681	3,181	3,662	4,388	5,029	5,619
	Number of Retirees		42	51	44	65	125	247

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Schedule of Membership

Active and Inactive Members

<u>Period Ended</u>	<u>Active Members</u>	<u>Inactive Vested Members</u>	<u>Inactive Non-vested</u>	<u>Total</u>
June 30, 2001	18,530	1,359	10,034	29,923
June 30, 2002	17,262	1,611	8,834	27,707
June 30, 2003	18,285	1,519	7,736	27,540
June 30, 2004	18,257	1,607	7,723	27,587
June 30, 2005	18,247	1,640	8,431	28,318
June 30, 2006	18,108	1,681	8,470	28,259
June 30, 2007	18,188	1,660	8,856	28,704
June 30, 2008	18,292	1,649	9,574	29,515
June 30, 2009	18,456	1,640	9,868	29,964
June 30, 2010	18,953	1,553	10,304	30,810

Retired Members and Benefit Recipients

<u>Period Ended</u>	<u>Retirement</u>	<u>Survivors</u>	<u>Disability</u>	<u>Total</u>
June 30, 2001	8,288	434	294	9,016
June 30, 2002	8,615	432	295	9,342
June 30, 2003	8,957	431	294	9,682
June 30, 2004	9,246	427	294	9,970
June 30, 2005	9,578	427	294	10,299
June 30, 2006	9,909	429	299	10,637
June 30, 2007	10,242	424	305	10,971
June 30, 2008	11,043	438	307	11,788
June 30, 2009	11,228	498	310	12,036
June 30, 2010	11,620	504	316	12,440

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Schedule of Retired Members by Type of Benefit

Monthly Benefit Amount	Retired Members	Type of Benefit					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
\$ 1 - 500	1,970	938	674	48	221	49	40
501 - 1,000	1,897	1,161	460	14	110	107	45
1,001 - 1,500	2,315	1,962	236	5	50	48	14
1,501 - 2,000	2,550	2,467	39	1	33	8	2
2,001 - 2,500	1,863	1,837	10	0	13	2	1
2,501 - 3,000	952	942	4	0	6	0	0
3,001 - 3,500	433	431	2	0	0	0	0
3,501 - 4,000	229	227	0	0	2	0	0
4,001 - 4,500	114	114	0	0	0	0	0
4,501 - 5,000	49	49	0	0	0	0	0
over 5,000	68	67	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	12,440	10,195	1,425	68	436	214	102

- Type of Benefit
- 1 Regular Retirement
 - 2 Early Retirement
 - 3 Beneficiary, Regular or Early
 - 4 Beneficiary, Death
 - 5 Disability, Retiree
 - 6 Disability, Beneficiary

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**Schedule of Principal Participating Employers
Current Year and Nine Years Ago**

Employer	2010		2001	
	Covered Employees	% of Total Covered Employees	Covered Employees	% of Total Covered Employees
Billings Public Schools	1,590	8.3%	1,592	7.6%
Great Falls Public Schools	1,088	5.7%	1,100	5.3%
Missoula County Public Schools	1,000	5.2%	1,015	4.9%
Helena Public Schools	897	4.7%	830	4.0%
Bozeman Public Schools	684	3.6%	540	2.6%
Kalispell Public Schools	536	2.8%	465	2.2%
Butte Public Schools	400	2.1%	480	2.3%
University of Montana	345	1.8%	1,234	5.9%
Belgrade Public Schools	307	1.6%	186	0.9%
Browning Public Schools	301	1.6%	288	1.4%
Columbia Falls Public Schools	299	1.6%	277	1.3%
Montana State University	288	1.5%	1,414	6.8%
Hardin Public Schools	270	1.4%	238	1.1%
Havre Public Schools	245	1.3%	196	0.9%
Hamilton Public Schools	215	1.1%	172	0.8%
Miles City Public Schools	207	1.1%	208	1.0%

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Location of Benefit Recipients as of July 1, 2010

Alabama	5	Michigan	22	Tennessee	12
Alaska	40	Minnesota	78	Texas	85
Arizona	311	Mississippi	6	Utah	71
Arkansas	11	Missouri	24	Vermont	4
California	149	Montana	9,621	Virginia	25
Colorado	110	Nebraska	22	Washington	428
Connecticut	7	Nevada	124	West Virginia	3
Florida	55	New Hampshire	5	Wisconsin	27
Georgia	13	New Jersey	4	Wyoming	123
Hawaii	15	New Mexico	38	District of Columbia	2
Idaho	148	New York	14	Australia	4
Illinois	15	North Carolina	35	Canada	17
Indiana	11	North Dakota	105	England	1
Iowa	16	Ohio	11	Germany	1
Kansas	18	Oklahoma	19	Israel	1
Kentucky	5	Oregon	175	Marshall Island	1
Louisiana	7	Pennsylvania	13	Mexico	1
Maine	4	Rhode Island	1	New Zealand	2
Maryland	12	South Carolina	10	United Kingdom	3
Massachusetts	8	South Dakota	55	TOTAL*	11,990

*450 recipients receive two benefits