

Financial Statements June 30, 2023

Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc.



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Independent Auditor's Report

The Board of Directors Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc. Meridian, Idaho

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc. (the Charter) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Charter's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Qualified Opinion on the Governmental Activities Opinion Unit

In our opinion, except for the effects of the matter described in the Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions section of the report, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities of the Charter, as of June 30, 2023, and the changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Unmodified Opinions on Each Major Fund and the Aggregate Remaining Fund Information

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Charter, as of June 30, 2023, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* (*Government Auditing Standards*), issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Charter and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified and unmodified audit opinions.

Matter Giving Rise to Qualified Opinion on Governmental Activities Opinion Unit

Management has elected not to adopt the provisions of GASB 75, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require recognition and measurement of an asset or liability, deferred outflows of resources, deferred inflows of resources, and expenses associated with other post-employment benefits (OPEB). The standard also requires certain note disclosures and required supplementary information (RSI) about the OPEB plan. The amounts by which the departure would affect net position, assets, liabilities, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources, expenses, disclosures and RSI are not reasonably determinable.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

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

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Charter's ability to continue as a going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinions. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
 to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
 procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures
 in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of the Charter's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
 expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.

• Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Charter's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control—related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis, schedule of employer's share of net pension liability/(asset), schedule of employer contributions and budgetary comparison information (required supplementary information) as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated October 16, 2023, on our consideration of the Charter's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Charter's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Charter's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Boise, Idaho

October 16, 2023

Esde Saelly LLP

The management's discussion and analysis of the Meridian Technical Charter High School Inc.'s (the Charter) financial performance provides an overall review of financial activities for the fiscal year.

Financial Highlights

• The majority of the Charter's revenue source is received from the state and as long as the state funding formula remains stable, the financial position of the Charter will be stable.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This section of the annual financial report consists of three parts: management's discussion and analysis, basic financial statements, and required supplementary information.

The basic financial statements consist of two kinds of statements that present different views of the Charter's financial activities.

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The GWFS (i.e., Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities) provide readers with a broad overview of the Charter's finances. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the reporting government as a whole. The government-wide statements report information about the Charter as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies.

The Statement of Net Position provides information on all of the assets, deferred outflow of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflow of resources of the Charter, with the difference between the assets/deferred outflow of resources with the liabilities/deferred inflow of resources providing the net position. Increases or decreases in the net position may indicate whether the financial position of the Charter is improving or deteriorating, respectively.

The Statement of Activities shows how the net position of the Charter have changed throughout the fiscal year. Changes in the net position occur as soon as the underlying event gives rise.

The statements present an aggregate view of the Charter's finances. Government-wide statements contain useful long-term information as well as information for the just-completed fiscal year.

To assess the overall financial condition of the Charter, additional non-financial factors, such as changes in the Charter's property such as the condition of school buildings and other facilities, should be considered.

In the government-wide financial statements, the Charter's activities are all classified as government activities. Governmental activities include all regular and special education, all educational support activities, administration, custodial, maintenance, transportation, and food services. Most of these activities are supported by property taxes and formula aid from the State of Idaho.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9-10 of this report.

Fund Financial Statements

Funds are accounting devices the Charter uses to keep track of sources of funding and spending on particular programs and to demonstrate compliance with various regulatory requirements. Fund financial statements focus on individual parts of the Charter. Fund statements generally report operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. This statement focuses on its most significant or "major" funds and not on the Charter as a whole.

Some funds are required by state law and by bond covenants. The Charter establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes (i.e., repaying its long-term debt) or to show that it is properly using certain revenues (i.e., capital project funds).

Governmental funds – Governmental funds account for nearly the same functions as the governmental activities. However, unlike the GWFS, Governmental Funds focus on near-term inflows and outflows as well as the balances left at year-end that are available for funding future basic services.

It is useful to compare information found in the governmental funds with that of the governmental activities. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11-14 of this report.

Notes – The notes to the financial statements provide further explanation of some of the information in the statements and provide additional disclosures so statement users have a complete picture of the Charter's financial activities and position.

Required supplementary information further explains and supports the financial statements by including a comparison of the Charter's budget data for the year and schedule of employer's share of net pension liability/(asset) and schedule of employer contributions.

Government-Wide Financial Analysis

Net position may serve as a useful indicator of a Charter's financial position. In the case of the Charter, assets and deferred outflows of resources exceed liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$1,183,687 at the close of the most recent fiscal year.

	June 30, 2023	June 30, 2022
Assets Current assets Net pension asset Capital assets, net	\$ 1,717,267 - 223,696	\$ 1,559,199 27,411 195,564
Total assets	1,940,963	1,782,174
Deferred Outflows of Resources	813,470	512,525
Liabilities Current liabilities Long-term liabilities	250,704 1,289,697	249,288
Total liabilities	1,540,401	249,288
Deferred Inflows of Resources	30,345	880,621
Net Position Invested in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted	223,696 377,108 582,883 \$ 1,183,687	195,564 343,344 625,882 \$ 1,164,790

A portion of the Charter's net position (18%) reflect investment in capital assets (i.e., furniture and equipment). These capital assets provide services to students; consequently, these assets are not available for future spending. The restricted portion of the Charter's net position (32%) is restricted for professional technology and professional development.

The remaining portions of the Charter's net position (50%) is unrestricted.

Changes in Net Position – The table below shows the changes in net position for the fiscal year 2022-2023. The Charter relies on state support for 91% of its governmental activities. The Charter had total revenues of \$2,741,910 and total expenses of \$2,723,013 that generated an increase in net position of \$18,897. This increase in net position is due to an increase in capital grants while offset with an increase in expenses.

	June 30, 2023			ne 30, 2022
Revenues				
Program Revenues				
Charges for service	\$	96,879	\$	84,350
Operating grants and contributions		381,091		376,663
Capital grants and contributions		58,059		-
Other local revenue		16,240		1,357
Investment earnings		41,269		4,449
Grants and contributions not restricted				
State foundation program		2,148,372		2,040,859
Total revenue		2,741,910		2,507,678
Expenses				
Instruction		1,881,656		1,613,887
Support services		841,357		614,713
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Total expenses		2,723,013		2,228,600
Change in Net Position	\$	18,897	\$	279,078

CHARTERS FUNDS FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, the Charter uses funds to demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

Governmental Funds

The focus of the Charter's governmental funds is to provide balances of spendable resources and to provide data on near-term inflows and outflows.

General Fund – The general fund is the general operating fund for the Charter. At the end of the current fiscal year, the general fund balance is \$1,093,311 which is an increase of \$126,744 from the prior year which is set aside for future expenditures in 2024.

Expenditures for general Charter purposes totaled \$2,079,137 which is an increase of \$98,764 is due to an increase in salary expense compared to the prior year.

General fund salaries totaled \$1,245,071 while the associated fringe benefits of retirement, social security, unemployment, workers compensation, health, dental, vision and life added \$402,366 to arrive at 79% of the Charter's general fund expenditures. Accounting and custodial staff are not included in these numbers as it is paid through a purchased service.

Budgetary Highlights

Actual general fund expenditures were \$247,432 less than the amended budget. This reduction is due to the fact that this money was retained for future capital and equipment purchases, and to retain a safety cushion for any possible future budget cuts.

The Charter contracts for all its accounting and payroll services with the West Ada School District.

Capital Assets

The Charter has invested \$669,740 in a wide range of capital assets. The total accumulated depreciation on these assets amounts to \$446,044. Capital asset additions totaled \$69,131 and relate to equipment.

Additional information regarding the Charter's capital assets can be found in Note 4 to the basic financial statements.

Long-Term Debt

The Charter does not have any long-term debt.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

Due to the uncertain times, state funding is highly variable. Salaries and benefits for staff are not fully funded by state funding for salaries and benefits, and the Charter therefore needs to augment salaries with other discretionary state funding.

CONTACTING THE CHARTER'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, and investors and creditors with a general overview of the Charter's finances and to demonstrate the Charter's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the Chairman of the Board, Mr. Wally Hedrick, 3800 N. Locust Grove, Meridian, ID 83646, by phone at (208) 890-3101, or by email at wallyhedrick@aol.com.

	 vernmental Activities
Assets Cash and investments State receivables Other receivable Prepaids Capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation)	\$ 1,666,282 30,955 5,713 14,317 223,696
Total assets	1,940,963
Deferred Outflows of Resouces Pension obligations	 813,470
Liabilities Accounts, salaries, and other payables Net pension liability	250,704 1,289,697
Total liabilities	1,540,401
Deferred Inflows of Resources Pension obligations	30,345
Net Position Investment in capital assets Restricted Unrestricted	223,696 377,108 582,883
Total net position	\$ 1,183,687

Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc. Statement of Activities

Year Ended June 30, 2023

			Program Reven	ues					
	Expenses	Charges Services	_		Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position				
Functions/Programs Governmental activities Instruction Elementary programs									
Secondary/alternative programs Exceptional programs School activities program Support services	\$ 1,731,315 37,510 112,831	\$ 96,879 - -	\$ 381,091 - -	\$ 58,059 - -	\$ (1,195,286) (37,510) (112,831)				
Attendance, guidance, health Instructional improvement School administration	128,352 16,243 549,884				(128,352) (16,243) (549,884)				
Maintenance and custodial Security Transportation program	142,113 1,483 3,282	- - -	- - -	- - -	(142,113) (1,483) (3,282)				
Total governmental activities	\$ 2,723,013	\$ 96,879	\$ 381,091	\$ 58,059	\$ (2,186,984)				
	General Reven Grants and cor State found Other revenue Interest earnin	pecific programs	\$ 2,148,372 16,240 41,269						
	Total general r		2,205,881						
	Change in Net	Position			18,897				
	Net Position, B	eginning of Y	'ear		1,164,790				
	Net Position, E	et Position, End of Year							

Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc. Balance Sheet – Governmental Funds June 30, 2023

Assets	General					ofessional Technical Fund	Gov	Other ernmental Funds	Go	Total overnmental Funds
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Cash and investments Receivables	\$	1,284,231	\$	341,584	\$	40,467	\$	1,666,282		
State receivables		30,955		1 024		- 153		30,955		
Other receivables Prepaids		4,537 14,317		1,024		152		5,713 14,317		
repaids		14,317						14,317		
	\$	1,334,040	\$	342,608	\$	40,619	\$	1,717,267		
Liabilities and Fund Balance										
Liabilities										
Accounts payable Salaries and benefits payable	\$	175 240,554	\$	- 9,966	\$	9 	\$	184 250,520		
Total liabilities		240,729		9,966		9		250,704		
Fund Balance										
Nonspendable Prepaids		14,317						14,317		
Restricted for		14,317		-		-		14,317		
Scholarships		-		-		19,267		19,267		
Professional development		3,856	3,856 -			-		3,856		
Associated student body Professional technical		-		332,642		21,343		21,343 332,642		
Unassigned		1,075,138		-		_		1,075,138		
Total fund balance		1,093,311		332,642		40,610		1,466,563		
	\$	1,334,040	\$	342,608	\$	40,619	\$	1,717,267		

Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2023

Total fund balances - governmental funds		\$ 1,466,563
The cost of capital assets (land, buildings, furniture, equipment and construction in process) purchased or constructed is reported as an expenditure in governmental funds. The Statement of Net Position includes those capital assets among the assets of the Charter as a whole. The cost of those capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives (as depreciation expense) to the various programs reported as governmental activities in the Statement of Activities. Because depreciation expense does not affect financial resources, it is not reported in government funds.		
Costs of capital assets Depreciation expense to date	669,740	
Depreciation expense to date	(446,044)	223,696
Pension Liability not reported in the funds		(1,289,697)
Deferred outflows of resources related to pension obligations Changes of assumptions Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments Differences between expected and actual experience Contributions subsequent to measurement date	210,259 296,744 141,820 164,647	813,470
Deferred inflows of resources related to pensions Differences between expected and actual experience Changes in proportionate share	(5,756) (24,589)	(30,345)
Net Position		\$ 1,183,687

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Governmental Funds Year Ended June 30, 2023

	General	Professional Technical Fund	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenue State revenue Other state support revenue Federal revenue Interest income Other revenue	\$ 2,003,122 145,250 11,244 41,269 4,996	\$ - 222,246 - - -	\$ - 55,905 102,940 200 96,879	\$ 2,003,122 423,401 114,184 41,469 101,875
Total revenue	2,205,881	222,246	255,924	2,684,051
Expenditures Instructional	4 244 472		440.050	4 200 225
Secondary school programs	1,241,473	-	148,853	1,390,326
Alternative school programs	-	181,918	-	181,918
Exceptional school programs	36,642	-	868	37,510
School activity programs	15,541		96,427	111,968
Total instructional	1,293,656	181,918	246,148	1,721,722
Support Services				
Attendance, guidance, health	113,328	_	5,542	118,870
Instructional improvement	16,243	_	-	16,243
School administration	510,128	_	3,582	513,710
Custodial	126,576	_	-	126,576
Security	1,483	_	_	1,483
Transportation program	3,282	_	_	3,282
Total support services	771,040		9,124	780,164
Non Instructional				
Capital outlay	-	11,072	-	11,072
Capital outlay - exempt	14,441			14,441
Total non instructional	14,441	11,072		25,513
Total expenditures	2,079,137	192,990	255,272	2,527,399
Excess of Revenue Over Expenditures	126,744	29,256	652	156,652
Fund Balance, Beginning of Year	966,567	303,386	39,958	1,309,911
Fund Balance, End of Year	\$ 1,093,311	\$ 332,642	\$ 40,610	\$ 1,466,563

Reconciliation of Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances to the Statement of Activities

Year Ended June 30, 2023

Total net change in fund balances - governmental funds		\$ 156,652
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:		
Donations of capital assets are not reported in the governmental funds, however they are included in the government wide financials.		58,059
Capital outlays are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation expense during the fiscal year:		
Capital outlay Depreciation expense	11,072 (40,999)	(29,927)
Pension contributions are reported in government funds as expenditures, while on the Statement of Activities, the contributions are contributions are considered deferred outflow.		 (165,887)
Change in Net Position		\$ 18,897

Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Entity and Charter

Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc. (the Charter) is organized and operated as a nonprofit corporation in the State of Idaho. The Charter was created in 1999 to expand the academic choices available within the West Ada School District (the District) for the purpose of developing specific occupational opportunities in the areas of communications/computer technology. The Charter operates a charter school for grades ninth through twelfth, which is classified as a high school education program. The Charter is located in Ada County in Southwest Idaho.

The Charter's original charter was issued in 1999 through the District. Subsequently, the 2004 Idaho Legislature approved Senate Bill 1444 (the Bill) which clarified and updated the existing charter school enabling legislation. Under terms of the Bill, a charter may be revoked by the authorized chartering entity if the public charter school has failed to cure a defect after receiving reasonable notice and having had a reasonable opportunity to cure the defect. Revocation may not occur until the public charter school has been afforded a public hearing. Defects that could subject a public charter school to revocation include failure to follow the procedure set forth in the approved charter, failure to substantially meet any of the student educational standards identified in the approved charter, failure to meet generally accepted accounting standards of fiscal management, failure to submit required reports to the charter authorizing authority, and/or violation of any provision of law. Further, all charters issued or renewed after April 1, 2004 will be for an indefinite period of time. Management of the Charter believes they have complied with all of the charter requirements.

Regulatory Reporting

As required by the enabling legislation, the Charter is organized as a non-profit corporation. During the 2001 legislative session, the Idaho Legislature passed a bill that requires charter schools to provide financial reporting on a governmental basis of accounting. Therefore, in these financial statements, the accounting policies of the Charter conform to generally accepted accounting principles and to State laws applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies:

Financial Reporting Entity

The Charter follows Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) in determining the reporting entity and its component units. The financial reporting entity consists solely of the primary government. Accordingly, the financial statements include all funds, and agencies of the primary government whose budgets are controlled or whose boards are appointed by the Charter's Board of Trustees.

The accounts of the Charter are organized and operated on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds is maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

The funds of the Charter are classified as governmental funds. The fund classifications and a description of each existing fund type follow:

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for the Charter's general government activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies, the acquisition or construction of general fixed assets, and the servicing of general long-term debt. The general fund and professional technical fund are considered major funds while the remaining governmental funds are considered non-major.

Governmental funds include:

General fund – the primary operating fund of the Charter accounts for all financial resources, except those required to be accounted for in other funds.

Special revenue funds – account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital project fund – accounts for the acquisition of fixed assets or construction of major capital projects not being financed by proprietary or nonexpendable trust funds.

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Government-Wide Financial Statements

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities displays information about the reporting government as a whole.

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities were prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. Assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, and net position resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB.

Program Revenues

Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities derive directly from the program itself or from parties outside the Charter's citizenry, as a whole; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the Charter's general revenues. Program revenues include charges to students or applicants who purchase, use or directly benefit from the goods or services provided by the given function.

Allocation of Indirect Expenses

The Charter reports all direct expenses by function in the Statement of Activities. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a function. Indirect expenses of other functions are not allocated to those functions but are reported separately in the Statement of Activities.

Fund Financial Statements

Governmental Funds

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Governmental fund types use the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual, defined as measurable and available. Measurable means the amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The Charter considers all revenues available if they are collected within 30 days after year-end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for unmatured principal and interest on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the governmental funds balance sheet. Operating statements of these funds present increases and decreases in net current assets. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

Revenues

Federal and State reimbursement-type grants are recorded as intergovernmental revenues when the related expenditures/expenses are incurred and, in the governmental funds, when the revenues meet the availability criterion.

Entitlements and shared revenues (which include state equalization and state revenue sharing) are recorded as unrestricted grants at the time of receipt or earlier if the susceptible to accrual criteria are met. Expenditure-driven grants are recognized as revenue when the qualifying expenditures have been incurred and all other grant requirements have been met and the susceptible to accrual criteria have been met.

Other receipts become measurable and available when cash is received by the Charter and are recognized as revenue at that time.

Expenditures

Expenditures are recorded as incurred. Salaries for July and August are accrued at June 30 as it relates to work performed prior to year-end.

Cash and Investments

The Charter pools cash of all funds into common bank accounts. The accounting records of each fund reflect its interest in the pooled cash. Any deficiencies in cash of individual funds represent liabilities to other funds for cash borrowed. Cash includes amounts in demand deposits and interest-bearing demand deposits, and time deposit accounts. Under state law, the Charter may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest-bearing demand deposits or time deposits with state banks organized under Idaho law and national banks having their principal offices in Idaho.

Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Significant estimates used in preparing these financial statements include those assumed in determining the actuarial assumptions made in the net pension liability. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at historical cost and depreciated over their estimated useful lives (excluding salvage value). Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated acquisition value at the date of donation. Estimated useful lives are management's estimate of how long the asset is expected to meet service demands. Straight-line depreciation is used based on the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings	25-50 years
Improvements other than buildings	15-50 years
Vehicles	5-20 years
Furniture and equipment	3-10 years

The Charter's capitalization threshold was increased from \$5,000 to \$7,500 during the year ended June 30, 2023.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs not adding to the value of the asset or materially extending asset lives are not capitalized.

The Charter does not possess any material amounts of infrastructure capital assets (e.g. roads, bridges, parking lots, and sewer). In the future, if such items are built or constructed, and appear to be material in cost compared to all capital assets, they will be capitalized and depreciated over their estimated useful lives.

Other Post Employment Benefit

The Charter did not obtain an actuarial valuation or complete a specified alternative measurement method for its single employer other post-employment benefit (OPEB) plan and has elected to not record the OPEB liability and related amounts for the single employer OPEB plan in its governmental activities financial statements.

Further, management has elected to exclude the net OPEB asset and related amounts for its proportionate share of the PERSI Sick Leave Insurance Fund. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require all OPEB amounts to be recorded based on an actuarial valuation or a specified alternative measurement method. It also requires certain disclosures regarding the contributions, OPEB obligation and expense, and related deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources. The amounts by which the departure would affect net position, assets, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, deferred outflows of resources, expenses and disclosures are not reasonably determinable.

Fund Balances of Fund Financial Statements

Fund balances of the governmental funds are classified as follows:

- Nonspendable fund balance—amounts that cannot be spent either because they are not in a spendable form or because they are legally or contractually required to be maintained intact.
- Restricted fund balance—amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes because of charter sponsoring organization, state or federal laws, or externally imposed conditions by grantors or creditors.
- Committed fund balance—amounts constrained to specific purposes by the Charter itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority (i.e., Board of Trustees). To be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Charter takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint.
- Assigned fund balance—amounts the Charter intends to use for a specific purpose. Intent can be expressed by the Board of Trustees or by a principal if the Board of Trustees delegates the authority.
- Unassigned fund balance—amounts that are available for any purpose. Positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

Use of Restricted/Unrestricted Net Position and Fund Balances

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position are available, the Charters policy is to apply restricted net position first. When an expenditure is incurred for purposes for which restricted, committed, assigned, and unassigned fund balances are available, the Charter's policy is to apply restricted fund balance, then committed fund balance, then assigned fund balance, and then unassigned fund balances.

Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources

In addition to assets, the statement of financial position includes a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial element, deferred outflow of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then.

In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Deferred outflows and inflows for the Charter relate to pension obligations.

Pensions

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability/asset and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho Base Plan (Base Plan) and additions to/deductions from the Base Plan's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by the Base Plan. For this purpose, benefit payments (including refunds of employee contributions) are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the benefit terms. Investments are reported at fair value.

Note 2 - Cash and Investments

At June 30, 2023, the Charter's bank balance of cash and certificates of deposit consisted of the following:

<u>Deposits</u>	 Balance
Insured Uninsured or not collateralized	\$ 1,370,000 296,744
Total bank balance of deposits and certificates of deposit	\$ 1,666,744

The total certificate of deposit as of June 30, 2023 was \$1,138,151 and is included in the balance above. The certificate of deposit was recorded at cost plus accrued interest.

Note 3 - Due from Other Agencies and Units of Government

There was \$30,955 due from the state of Idaho as of June 30, 2023.

Note 4 - Capital Assets

A summary of activity in the capital assets is as follows:

	June 30, 2022 Addition		dditions	De	Deletions June 30,		e 30, 2023	
Governmental activities								
Capital assets Buildings and improvements Furniture and equipment	\$	288,690 313,018	\$	- 69,131	\$	- (1,099)	\$	288,690 381,050
Total capital assets		601,708		69,131		(1,099)		669,740
Less accumulated depreciation for Buildings, and improvements Furniture and equipment		(132,441) (273,703)		(9,137) (31,862)		- 1,099		(141,578) (304,466)
Total accumulated depreciation		(406,144)		(40,999)		1,099		(446,044)
Total capital assets, net	\$	195,564	\$	28,132	\$	-	\$	223,696

Depreciation expense was charged to the functions/programs of the Charter as follows:

Governmental activities Secondary/alternative programs Maintenance and custodial	\$ 39,903 1,096
Total depreciation expense – governmental activities	\$ 40,999

Note 5 - Concentrations

The Charter's principal source of support is State base support revenue. For the year ended June 30, 2023, this funding source accounted for approximately 91% of all revenues.

Note 6 - Insurance

The Charter is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; and errors and omissions. The Charter purchases insurance for property losses from independent carriers. The Charter has in effect property insurance coverage up to \$2,000,000 with a \$2,500 deductible per incident. Worker's compensation insurance is purchased from the State of Idaho in accordance with State requirements. The Charter maintains a \$2,000,000 commercial general liability policy per occurrence and a \$5,000,000 maximum aggregate.

There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverage from the previous year, and no settlements in excess of insurance coverage in any of the prior three fiscal years.

Note 7 - In-Kind Donations

The Charter does not record various types of in-kind support including contributed building space and professional services. The lease between the District and the Charter renews annually each year at the Charter's option. Under the lease agreement, rent is \$1 plus funds the Charter receives through facilities funding pursuant to IC 33-5208 subsection 5, which are held for future Charter real property improvements by the District. The Charter paid rent of \$74,784 during the year ended June 30, 2023, pursuant to this agreement. The fair value of the annual lease payments is approximately \$311,800.

Note 8 - Pension Plan

Plan Description

The Charter contributes to the Base Plan which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by Public Employee Retirement System of Idaho (PERSI or System) that covers substantially all employees of the State of Idaho, its agencies and various participating political subdivisions. The cost to administer the plan is financed through the contributions and investment earnings of the plan. PERSI issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and the required supplementary information for PERSI. That report may be obtained on the PERSI website at www.persi.idaho.gov.

Responsibility for administration of the Base Plan is assigned to the Board comprised of five members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Idaho Senate. State law requires that two members of the Board be active Base Plan members with at least ten years of service and three members who are Idaho citizens not members of the Base Plan except by reason of having served on the Board.

Pension Benefits

The Base Plan provides retirement, disability, death and survivor benefits of eligible members or beneficiaries. Benefits are based on members' years of service, age, and highest average salary. Members become fully vested in their retirement benefits with five years of credited service (5 months for elected or appointed officials). Members are eligible for retirement benefits upon attainment of the ages specified for their employment classification. The annual service retirement allowance for each month of credited service is 2.0% of the average monthly salary for the highest consecutive 42 months.

The benefit payments for the Base Plan are calculated using a benefit formula adopted by the Idaho Legislature. The Base Plan is required to provide a 1% minimum cost of living increase per year provided the Consumer Price Index increases 1% or more. The PERSI Board has the authority to provide higher cost of living increases to a maximum of the Consumer Price Index movement or 6%, whichever is less; however, any amount above the 1% minimum is subject to review by the Idaho Legislature.

Member and Employer Contributions

Member and employer contributions paid to the Base Plan are set by statute and are established as a percent of covered compensation. Contribution rates are determined by the PERSI Board with limitations, as defined by state law. The Board may make periodic changes to employer and employee contribution rates (expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll) if current rates are actuarially determined to be inadequate or in excess to accumulate sufficient assess to pay benefits when due.

The contribution rates for employees are set by statute at 60% of the employer rate. As of June 30, 2023, it was 7.16%. The employer contribution rate is set by the Retirement Board and was 11.94% of covered compensation. The Charter's contributions were \$164,647 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense (Revenue), and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At June 30, 2023, the Charter reported an asset for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2022, and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The Charter's proportion of the net pension liability was based on the Charter's share of contributions in the Base Plan pension plan relative to the total contributions of all participating PERSI Base Plan employers. At June 30, 2022, the Charter's portion was .032743740%. At June 30, 2021, the Charter's portion was .03470654%.

For the year ended June 30, 2023, the Charter recognized pension expense of \$165,887. At June 30, 2023, the Charter reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	Ou	eferred atflows of esources	In	eferred Iflows of esources
Changes in assumptions Net difference between projected and actual earnings on	\$	210,259	\$	-
pension plan investments		296,744		-
Differences between expected and actual experience		141,820		5,756
2022 change in proportionate share		-		2,705
2023 change in proportionate share		-		21,884
Charter's contributions subsequent to the measurement date		164,647		_
Total	\$	813,470	\$	30,345

\$164,647 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from Employer contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ending June 30, 2024.

The average of the expected remaining service lives of all employees that are provided with pensions through PERSI (active and inactive employees) determined July 1, 2020 the beginning of the measurement period ended June 30, 2021 is 4.6 years, and 4.6 years for the measurement period ended June 30, 2022.

Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense (revenue) as follows:

Years Ended June 30,

2023 2024	\$ 146,662 159,825
2025	70,506
2026	241,485

Actuarial Assumptions

Valuations are based on actuarial assumptions, the benefit formulas, and employee groups. Level percentages of payroll normal costs are determined using the Entry Age Normal Cost Method. Under the Entry Age Normal Cost Method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in the actuarial valuation is allocated as a level percentage of each year's earnings of the individuals between entry age and assumed exit age. The Base Plan amortizes any unfunded actuarial accrued liability based on a level percentage of payroll. The maximum amortization period for the Base Plan permitted under Section 59-1322, Idaho Code, is 25 years.

The total pension liability in the June 30, 2022 actuarial valuation was determined using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement:

Inflation 2.30% Salary increases, including inflation 3.05%

Investment rate of return 6.35%, net of investment expenses

Cost-of-living adjustments 1.00%

Several different sets of mortality rates are used in the valuation for contributing members, members retired for service and beneficiaries. These rates were adopted for the valuation dated July 1, 2021.

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Contributing Members, Service Retirement Members an	d Beneficiaries
General Employees and All Beneficiaries - Males	Pub-2010 General Tables, increased 11%
General Employees and All Beneficiaries - Females	Pub-2010 General Tables, increased 21%
Teachers - Males	Pub-2010 General Tables, increased 12%
Teachers - Females	Pub-2010 General Tables, increased 21%
Fire & Police - Males	Pub-2010 Safety Tables, Increased 21%
Fire & Police - Females	Pub-2010 Safety Tables, Increased 26%
	5% of Fire and Police active member deaths are
	assumed to be duty related. This assumption
	was adopted July 1, 2021
Disabled Members - Males	Pub-2010 Disabled Tables, increased 38%
Disabled Members - Females	Pub-2010 Disabled Tables, increased 36%

An experience study was performed for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2020, which reviewed all economic and demographic assumptions. The total Pension Liability as of June 30, 2023, is based on results of an actuarial valuation dating July 1, 2022.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using the building block approach and a forward-looking model in which best estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are development for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation.

Even though history provides a valuable perspective for setting the investment return assumption, the System relies primarily on an approach which builds upon the latest capital market assumptions. Specifically, the System uses consultants, investment managers and trustees to develop capital market assumptions in analyzing the System's asset allocation. The assumptions and the System's formal policy for asset allocation are shown below. The formal asset allocation policy is somewhat more conservative than the current allocation of System's assets.

The best-estimate range for the long-term expected rate of return is determined by adding expected inflation to expected long-term real returns and reflecting expected volatility and correlation. The capital market assumptions are as of 2022.

		Long-Term
	Target	Expected Real
Asset Class	Allocation	Rate of Return
Cash	0%	0.00%
Lare Cap	18%	4.50%
Small/Mid Cap	11%	4.70%
International Equity	15%	4.50%
Emerging Markets Equity	10%	4.90%
Domestic Fixed	20%	-0.25%
TIPS	10%	-0.30%
Real Estate	8%	3.75%
Private Equity	8%	6.00%

Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.35 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rate. Based on the assumptions, the pension plans' net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The long-term expected rate of return was determined net of pension plan investment expense but without reduction for pension plan administrative expense.

Sensitivity of the Employer's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following represents the Charter's proportionate share of the net pension liability calculated using the discount rate of 6.35 percent, as well as what the Charter's proportionate share of the net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower (5.35 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher (7.35 percent) than the current rate:

	19	% decrease	Current discount			L% increase
		(5.35%)		rate (6.35%)		(7.35%)
Charter's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$	2,276,188	\$	1,289,697	\$	482,279

Pension Plan Fiduciary Net Position

Detailed information about the pension's plan fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued PERSI financial report.

PERSI issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and the required supplemental information for PERSI. That report may be obtained on the PERSI website at www.persi.idaho.gov.

Payables to the Pension Plan

At June 30, 2023, the Charter reported no payable to the defined benefit pension plan for legally required employer contributions and for legally required employee contributions which had been withheld from employee wages but not yet remitted to PERSI.



Required Supplementary Information June 30, 2023

Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc.

Schedule of Employer's Share of Net Pension Liability PERSI - Base Plan Last 10 - Fiscal Years *

	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
Employer's proportion of the net pension liability	0.03274374%	0.03470654%	0.03492630%	0.03492090%	0.03494760%	0.03381740%	0.03447400%	0.03615360%	0.03686720%
Employer's proportionate share of the net pension liability/(asset)	\$ 1,289,697	\$ (27,411) \$	811,035	\$ 398,612	\$ 515,483	531,551	\$ 698,841 \$	476,084 \$	271,400
Covered payroll	\$ 1,310,586	\$ 1,310,981 \$	1,264,585	\$ 1,203,173	\$ 1,115,429	1,058,274	\$ 1,030,521 \$	1,032,623 \$	1,005,568
Employer's proportional share of the net pension liability/asset									
as a percentage of its covered payroll	98.41%	2.09%	64.13%	33.13%	46.21%	50.23%	67.81%	46.10%	26.99%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the									
total pension liability	83.09%	100.36%	88.22%	93.79%	91.69%	90.68%	87.26%	91.38%	94.95%

^{*}GASB Statement No. 68 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the Charter will present information for those use for which information is available.

Data reported is measured as of June 30, 2022.

Schedule of Employer Contributions PERSI - Base Plan Last 10 - Fiscal Years *

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
Statutorily required contribution	\$ 164,647 \$	154,562 \$	154,878 \$	149,637 \$	136,458 \$	127,104 \$	114,135 \$	115,207 \$	115,637
Contributions in relation to the statutorily required contribution	\$ (164,647) \$	(154,562) \$	(154,878) \$	(149,637) \$	(136,458) \$	(127,104) \$	(114,135) \$	(115,207) \$	(115,637)
Contribution (deficiency) excess	\$ - \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Covered payroll	\$ 1,399,014 \$	1,310,586 \$	1,310,981 \$	1,264,585 \$	1,203,173 \$	1,115,429 \$	1,058,274 \$	1,030,521 \$	1,032,623
Contributions as a percentage of the covered payroll	11.77%	11.79%	11.81%	11.83%	11.34%	11.40%	10.79%	11.18%	11.20%

^{*}GASB Statement No. 68 requires ten years of information to be presented in this table. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the Charter will present information for those use for which information is available.

Data reported is measured as of June 30, 2022.

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – General Fund Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final					Actual	Variance with Final Budget- Positive (Negative)		
Revenue									
State revenue	\$	2,182,509	\$	2,141,710	\$	2,148,372	\$	6,662	
Federal revenue	Ψ.	10,000	Ψ.	11,000	Y	11,244	Ψ.	244	
Local revenues		2,000		2,882		4,996		2,114	
Interest income		2,400		35,978		41,269		5,291	
Total revenue		2,196,909		2,191,570		2,205,881		14,311	
Expenditures									
Salaries		1,247,982		1,248,336		1,245,071		3,265	
Benefits		479,820		397,497		402,366		(4,869)	
Purchased services		331,492		352,666		351,508		1,158	
Supplies and materials		29,500		22,149		17,824		4,325	
Insurance and judgements		9,100		9,137		9,137		-	
Contingency		140,000		140,000		-		140,000	
Capital outlay program		779,339		156,784		53,231		103,553	
Total expenditures		3,017,233		2,326,569		2,079,137		247,432	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue									
Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	(820,324)	\$	(134,999)	\$	126,744	\$	261,743	

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances – Budget and Actual – Professional Technical Fund

Year Ended June 30, 2023

	Budgeted Amounts							Variance with Final Budget- Positive		
		Original		Final		Actual	(N	(Negative)		
Revenue										
State revenue	\$	192,947	\$	222,246	\$	222,246	\$			
Total revenue		192,947		222,246		222,246				
Expenditures										
Salaries		57,580		78,333		78,333		-		
Benefits		14,465		17,822		17,866		(44)		
Purchased services		55,900		62,758		45,395		17,363		
Supplies and materials		59,252		30,657		18,722		11,935		
Insurance and judgements		750		625		623		2		
Capital Outlay Program		281,083		32,051		32,051				
Total expenditures		469,030		222,246		192,990		29,256		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue	,	(276,002)	,		,	20.256	.	20.256		
Over (Under) Expenditures	\$	(276,083)	\$	-	\$	29,256	\$	29,256		

Note 1 - Basis of Budgeting

The Charter follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. The Charter annually prepares a budget by estimating the probable amount of money necessary for all purposes for which an appropriation is to be made (including interest and principal due on the bonded debt) and by itemizing and classifying the proposed expenditures by department, fund or service as nearly as may be practicable. To support such proposed expenditures, the Charter prepares an estimate of the total revenue anticipated during the ensuing fiscal year for which a budget is being prepared and classifies such receipts by source as nearly as may be possible and practicable.
- 2. The proposed budget is published in the local newspaper.
- 3. A public hearing is conducted to obtain citizen comments.
- 4. The budget is formally adopted through approval by the Board of Directors and published in the local newspaper.
- 5. The Charter may, after school starts and actual enrollments figures are known, amend the budget using the same procedure that was used in adopting the original budget. A budget may be amended downward in any instance. However, amendment to a greater amount than adopted can only happen if the Charter receives additional revenues in that fiscal year as a result of an increase in non-property tax related receipts. Once the change is justified, the process for formal adoption is as described above.
- 6. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for all funds. Legal budgetary control is established based upon total revenues and expenditures.
- 7. Budgets for funds are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The level of control (level at which expenditures may not exceed budget) is the fund.
- 8. All annual appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end.



Other Information June 30, 2023

Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc.



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

To the Board of Directors Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc. Meridian, Idaho

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Meridian Technical Charter High School, Inc. (the Charter), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2023, which collectively comprise the Charter's basic financial statements and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 16, 2023.

In our report, our opinion on the financial statements was qualified, as discussed in the "Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions" paragraph in the report on the financial statements, management did not obtain an actuarial valuation and did not record the other-post-employment benefit (OPEB) liability.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

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

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

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, and therefore material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, as item 2023-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report On Compliance and Other Matters

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

Charter's Response to Findings

The Charter's response to the findings identified in our audit is described in the schedule of findings and responses. The Charter's response was not subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Purpose of this Report

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

Boise, Idaho

October 16, 2023

Esde Saelly LLP

2023-001 Financial Statement Preparation and Audit Adjustments

Criteria:

Management should have an internal control system in place designed to provide for the preparation of the financial statements being audited. This includes proper reporting on a modified accrual basis of accounting and the ability to convert the trial balance from modified accrual to full accrual under the requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). It also includes the ability to prepare the required footnote disclosures by GASB.

Condition:

Communicating Internal Control Related Matters Identified in an Audit defines a material weakness and significant deficiency. According to these definitions, an internal control system design must include elements to accurately prepare financial statements without adjustments by the auditor. As auditors, we were requested to assist management in the preparation of the financial statements from the trial balances. This preparation included government—wide reporting conversion entries and footnotes.

Effect:

The auditor proposed certain accrual closing entries, government—wide reporting conversion entries and prepared the footnotes and reported financial data in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Cause:

The size of the Charter and the limited number of accounting personnel makes it difficult to implement this level of internal control.

Recommendation:

We recommend management and those charged with governance annually analyze the cost/benefit of implementing a control system which would allow for the preparation of financial statements and the related disclosure and reconsider whether to accept the degree of risk associated with this condition because of cost or other considerations.

Response and Action Plan of Management:

The Charter agrees that having an internal control system over financial reporting is an important part of the Charter's overall internal control process. The Charter has performed a cost/benefit analysis of implementing these controls and concluded the resources were not in place to effectively implement the necessary changes for the year ended June 30, 2023.