COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL REPORT
AND
SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012
WITH
REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS



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OFFICIAL ROSTER June 30, 2012

Cooperative Council

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Manuel Medrano Council Vice Chair

Jim Lesher Council Secretary

Vicki Smith Council Member

Tracie Phillips Council Member

Jeanelle Livingston Council Member

Albert Martinez Council Member

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FINANCIAL SECTION

FISCAL YEAR 2012

 $\mathbf{JULY}\ 1,2011\ \mathbf{THROUGH}\ \mathbf{JUNE}\ 30,2012$

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Hector H. Balderas, New Mexico State Auditor and the Governing Council of Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and budgetary comparison for the general fund and major special revenue funds of the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, which eollectively comprise the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2's basic financial statement as listed in the table of contents. We also have audited the financial statements of each of the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative's nonmajor governmental funds and the budgetary comparisons for all nonmajor funds presented as supplementary information in the accompanying combining and individual fund financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Cooperative's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions 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 and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the agency's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. 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 respective financial position of the government activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining information of the Northwest Regional Education Cooperative #2, as of June 30, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position and the respective budgetary comparisons for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to previously present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each nonmajor governmental fund of the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2 as of June 30, 2012, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for all nonmajor funds for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.



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In accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, we have also issued our report dated September 12, 2012, on our consideration of the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2'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 to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and should be considered in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Management has omitted the Management's Discussion and Analysis which is required to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements is required by GASB who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economie, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements, and the combining and individual fund financial statements and budgetary eomparisons. The additional schedules listed as "other supplemental information" in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the andit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

September 12, 2012

Keyston Accounting, LLC

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS June 30, 2012

ASSETS	 ernmental etivities
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 360,253
Receivables:	
Grant	121,481
Prepaid payroll taxes	4,884
Non-current:	
Depreciable capital assets, net	 5,184
Total assets	\$ 491,802
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 11,269
Accrued salaries	3,073
Deferred grant revenue	10,730
Compensated absences	 1,625
Total liabilities	 26,697
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets	5,184
Restricted for:	
Prepaid payroll taxes	4,884
Special revenue	166,452
Unrestricted	 288,585
Total net assets	\$ 465,105

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

				No Program Revenues				s in Net Assets
Functions/Programs Primary government:		<u>Expenses</u>		narges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions		Gov	Primary ernmental ctivities
Governmental activities:	Ф	00.000	ф	117 100	ф	70.077	Ф	106.055
Instruction	\$	82,020	\$	117,198	\$	70,877	\$	106,055
Support Services - Students		656,847		-		567,618		(89,229)
Support Services - Instruction		1,633		-		1,411		(222)
Support Services - General Administration		48,976		-		42,323		(6,653)
Support Services - School Administration		147,219		-		127,220		(19,999)
Central Services		86,372		-		74,639		(11,733)
Operations & Maintenance of Plant		13,621				11,771		(1,850)
Total governmental activities	\$	1,036,688	\$	117,198	\$	895,859		(23,631)
					General revo Unrestric	enues: ted investments earnin	ıgs	814
					Change in n	et assets		(22,817)
					Net assets -	beginning		487,922
					Net assets -	ending	\$	$465,\!105$

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Balance Sheet June 30, 2012

ASSETS	General <u>Fund</u>		Carl D Perkins Secondary - Current <u>Fund</u>		State Directed Activities <u>Fund</u>		Other Governmental <u>Funds</u>			Total vernmental <u>Funds</u>
Pooled cash and investments	\$	293,277	\$	10,730	\$	29,355	\$	26,891	\$	360,253
Receivables:		,		- ,	"	. ,		- ,		,
Grant		11,275		-		110,206		-		121,481
Prepaid payroll taxes		4,884		<u>-</u>	-	-		<u>-</u>		4,884
Total assets	\$	309,436	\$	10,730	\$	139,561	\$	26,891	\$	486,618
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE										
Liabilities:										
Accounts payable	\$	11,269	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	11,269
Accrued salaries		3,073		-		-		-		3,073
Deferred revenue:										
Federal, state, and local grants		-	_	10,730	_		_	-	_	10,730
Total liabilities		14,342		10,730		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		25,072
Fund balance:										
Restricted for:										
Prepaid payroll taxes		4,884		-		-		-		4,884
Special revenue funds		-		-		139,561		26,891		166,452
Unassigned: General fund		290,210		_		_		_		290,210
ochorar runu		270,210		<u>-</u>				<u>-</u>		270,210
Total fund balance		295,094		<u> </u>	_	139,561	_	26,891	_	461,546
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$	309,436	\$	10,730	\$	139,561	\$	26,891	\$	486,618

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Northwest Regional Education Cooperative #2

RECONCILIATION OF THE BALANCE SHEET - ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS ${\bf June~30,~2012}$

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ 461,546
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and	
therefore are not reported in the funds.	
Capital assets	25,916
Accumulated depreciation	(20,732)
Long-term liablilities are not due and payable in the	
current period and therefore are not reported in the funds	
Compensated Absences	 (1,625)
Net assets of governmental activities	\$ 465.105

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GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance Year Ended June 30, 2012

	General <u>Fund</u>	Carl D Perkins Secondary - Current <u>Fund</u>	State Directed Activities <u>Fund</u>	Other Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
Revenues:					
State flow through grants	\$ 198,541	\$ -	\$ 675,068	\$ 22,250	\$ 895,859
Charges for Services	117,198	-	-	-	117,198
Earnings from investments	814			-	814
Total revenue	316,553		675,068	22,250	1,013,871
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction	-	-	80,000	3,000	83,000
Support Services - Students	197,782	-	455,781	-	653,563
Support Services - General Administration	48,731	-	-	-	48,731
Support Services - School Administration	146,483	-	-	-	146,483
Central Services	85,940	-	-	-	85,940
Operations & Maintenance of Plant	13,553	_		_	13,553
Total expenditures	492,489		535,781	3,000	1,031,270
Excess (deficiency) of revenues					
over expenditures	(175,936)	-	139,287	19,250	(17,399)
Fund balance at beginning of the year	471,030	-	274	7,641	478,945
Fund balance at end of the year	\$ 295,094	\$ -	\$ 139,561	\$ 26,891	\$ 461,546

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Northwest Regional Education Cooperative #2

RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES ALL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Net change in fund balance - total governmental funds	\$	(17,399)
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activites the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeded capital oulays in the current year. Depreciation		(5,183)
Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental		
funds. PY Compensated Absenses Current Year Compensated Absenses		1,390 (1,625)
Change in net assets of governmental activities	<u>\$</u>	(22,817)

GENERAL FUND

 $\label{eq:Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and } \\ Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) \\ Year Ended June 30, 2012$

							Fir	riance with nal Budget
		Budgeted	Amo		Actual Amounts		Positive	
	9	<u>Original</u>		<u>Final</u>	(Budg	<u>getary Basis)</u>	<u>(1</u>	<u>Negative)</u>
Revenues:		950 501		250 501		100 541		(1.50.040)
State flowthrough grant	\$	350,781	\$	350,781	\$	198,541	\$	(152,240)
Charges for services		330,351		330,351		288,838		(41,513)
Earnings from investments		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		814	-	814
Total revenues	_	681,132		681,132		488,193		(192,939)
Expenditures:								
Current:								
Support Services - Students		296,001		296,001		199,394		96,607
Support Services - General Administration		54,500		54,500		48,731		5,769
Support Services - School Administration		200,313		200,313		$144,\!257$		56,056
Central Services		106,318		106,318		85,940		20,378
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	_	24,000		24,000	-	13,107		10,893
Total expenditures		681,132		681,132		491,429		189,703
Excess (deficiency) of revenues								
over expenditures		-		-		(3,236)		(3,236)
Fund balance at beginning of the year		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		471,030		471,030
Fund balance at end of the year	\$		\$			467,794	\$	467,794
RECONCILIATION TO GAAP BASIS:								
Change in prepaids						4,884		
Change in grant receivable						(171,640)		
Change in payables						645		
Change in accrued liabilities						(6,589)		
					\$	295,094		

IDEAL NM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

Changes in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual (Non-GAAP Budgetary Basis) $Year\ Ended\ June\ 30,2012$

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final					ıl Amounts etary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
Revenues:				<u> </u>	(2005	<u>otar y 12 aoio j</u>	121	ogaci oj	
Federal direct grant	\$	-	\$	-	\$	13,144	\$	13,144	
Expenditures: Current: Instruction		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>		-	
Excess of revenues over expenditures		-		-		13,144		13,144	
Fund balance at beginning of the year				<u>-</u>				<u> </u>	
Fund balance at end of the year	\$		\$			13,144	\$	13,144	
RECONCILIATION TO GAAP BASIS: Change in grant receivable Change in deferred revenue						(2,414) (10,730)			
					\$				

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STATE DIRECTED ACTIVITIES SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

 ${\bf Statement~of~Revenues,~Expenditures,~and}$ ${\bf Changes~in~Fund~Balance~-Budget~and~Actual~(Non-GAAP~Budgetary~Basis)}$ ${\bf Year~Ended~June~30,~2012}$

								iance with al Budget
		Budgeted	Amo	unts	Actua	al Amounts	Positive	
	(<u>Original</u>		Final	(Budg	etary Basis)	(Negative)	
Revenues:								
State flowthrough grant	\$	541,462	\$	541,462	\$	564,862	\$	23,400
Expenditures:								
Current:								
Instruction		81,327		81,327		80,000		1,327
Support Services - Students		460,135		460,135		455,781		4,354
Total current expenses		541,462		541,462		535,781		5,681
Excess of revenues over expenditures		-		-		29,081		29,081
Fund balance at beginning of the year		<u>-</u>				274		274
Fund balance at end of the year	\$	<u>-</u>	\$			29,355	\$	29,355
RECONCILIATION TO GAAP BASIS:								
Change in grant receivable						110,206		
					\$	139,561		

Notes to the Financial Statements $\label{eq:June 30, 2012} \mbox{ June 30, 2012}$

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Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. Reporting Entity

The regional Cooperative Education Act, Sections 22-2B-6 NMSA 1978, provides for the formation of a Regional Education Cooperative (REC) among local school boards or other state-supported educational institutions to provide education related services. Cooperatives shall be deemed individual state agencies administratively attached to the Public Education Department. REC services may include technical assistance, staff development, cooperative purchasing, fiscal management, administration of federal programs, and additional services as may be determined to be appropriate by the regional education coordinating council.

The Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2 (the "Cooperative") was organized in 1985 for the purpose of promoting the education opportunities of handicapped children. The members of the Cooperative are Chama, Cuba, Dulce, Jemez Mountain, Mesa Vista, Penasco, and Questa. The Cooperative operates under a central administrative office whereby revenues and expenditures are allocated to each member school cooperative. The Cooperative also operates under the direction of a Cooperative Governing Council.

The Cooperative's financial statements are required to be prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Cooperative does not contain any component units that are required to be presented in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 14, The Financial Reporting Entity and GASB Statement No. 39, Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units, an amendment of GASB Statement No. 14.

1. Blended Component Units

The Cooperative does not have any component units reported as blended component units.

2. Discretely Presented Component Units

The Cooperative does not have any component units reported as a discretely presented component unit.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

A. Reporting Entity (continued)

The summary of significant accounting policies of the Cooperative is presented to assist in the understanding of the Cooperative's financial statements. The financial statements and notes are the representation of Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2's management who is responsible for their integrity and objectivity. The financial statements of the Cooperative conform to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the government's accounting policies are described below.

B. Government-Wide and Fund Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the non-fiduciary activities of the Cooperative. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. Compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting, and Financial Statement Presentation (continued)

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

- General Fund The general fund is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.
- Carl D Perkins Secondary Current To develop more fully the academic, career, and technical skills of secondary and postsecondary students who elect to enroll in career and technical education programs. This program is funded through the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Improvement Act of 2006.
- State Directed Activities To support the improvement of educational results and functional outcomes for all children with disabilities.

Additionally, the government reports the following fund types:

Special Revenue Funds – Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources – which are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Similar to private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to November 30, 1989, generally are followed in the government-wide financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

Amounts reported as program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services, or privileges provided, 2) operating grants and contributions, and 3) capital grants and contributions. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenues rather than as program revenues.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

1. Deposits and investments

The government's cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

State statutes authorize the investment of the Cooperative's funds in a wide variety of instruments including certificates of deposit and other similar obligations, state investment pool, and money market accounts. The Cooperative is also allowed to invest in United States Government obligations. All funds for the Cooperative must follow the above investment policies.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity (continued)

1. Deposits and investments (continued)

Deposits of funds may be made in interest or non-interest bearing checking accounts in one or more banks or savings and loan associations within the geographical boundaries of the Cooperative. Deposits may be made to the extent that they are insured by an agency of the United States or by collateral deposited as security or by bond given by the financial institution.

The rate of interest in non-demand interest-bearing accounts shall be set by the State Board of Finance, but in no case shall the rate of interest be less than one hundred percent of the asked price on United States treasury bills of the same maturity on the day of deposit.

Excess of funds may be temporarily invested in securities which are issued by the State or by the United States government, or by their departments or agencies, and which are either direct obligations of the State or the United States or are backed by the full faith and credit of those governments.

2. Receivables and payables

Activity between funds that are representative of lending/borrowing arrangements outstanding at the end of the fiscal year are referred to as either "due to/from other funds" (i.e., the current portion of interfund loans) or "advances to/from other funds" (i.e., the non-current portion of interfund loans). All other outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from other funds."

3. Inventories

Inventories of governmental funds are recorded as expenditures when purchased rather than when consumed. The Cooperative did not have any inventories as of June 30, 2012.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity (continued)

4. Capital assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment (software), are reported in the applicable governmental-wide financial statements. Beginning July 1, 2005, the threshold for defining Capital assets by the government was raised from \$1,000 to assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 (amount not rounded) and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend assets lives are not capitalized. The costs of library books are not depreciated unless the individual cost is in excess of \$5,000. Software costs have been included with the cost of computer equipment and are capitalized with that equipment. The Cooperative does not develop software for internal use or any other use.

Property, plant, and equipment of the primary government are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Funiture, fixtures and equipment	5
Computer equipment	3
Vehicles	5

5. Compensated absences

The Cooperative permits certain employees to accumulate a limited amount of earned, but unused, annual leave, which will be paid to employees upon separation from the Cooperative's service. For governmental funds, expenditures are recognized during the period in which vacation cost become payable from available, expendable resources. A liability for amounts earned but not payable from available, expendable resources is reported in the government-wide financial statements.

Annual leave is earned up to a maximum of twenty (20) days at the end of each calendar year. Unused annual leave may be carried over in the following year, but upon cancellation of an employee's contract, no payment shall be made for more than twenty (20) days of accumulated unused annual leave.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity (continued)

6. Fund balance

a. Non-Spendable

The non-spendable fund balance classification includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. The "not in spendable form" criterion includes items that are not expected to be converted to cash, for example, inventories and prepaid amounts.

b. Restricted

Fund balance is reported as restricted when constraints placed on the use of resources are either (1) externally imposed by creditors, (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or (2) imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

c. Committed

Amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by the formal action of the Cooperative's Council should be reported as committed fund balance. The committed amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the Cooperative's Council removes or changes the specified use by taking the same type of action it employed to previously commit those amounts The Cooperative did not have committed fund balances at June 30, 2012.

d. Assigned

Assigned fund balance includes (a) all remaining amounts, except for negative balances, that are reported in governmental funds, other than the general fund, that are not classified as non-spendable and are neither restricted nor committed and amounts in the general fund that are constrained by the Cooperative's intent to be used for specific purposes, but are neither restricted nor committed. Intent, and removal of, is expressed by the Cooperative Council. The Cooperative did not have assigned fund balances at June 30, 2012.

e. Unassigned

The remaining fund balance, after all other classifications, within the general fund is reported as unassigned fund balance. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund. In governmental funds other than the general fund, if expenditures incurred for specific purposes exceeded the amounts restricted, committed, or assigned to those purposes, a negative fund balance will be reported as unassigned fund balance.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity (continued)

6. Fund balance (continued)

When committed, assigned and unassigned resources are available for use, it is the Cooperative's policy to use committed first followed by assigned and unassigned resources as they are needed.

7. Net assets

Net assets are presented on the statement of net assets and may be presented in any of three components.

a. Invested in capital assets

This component of net assets consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.

b. Restricted net assets

Net assets are reported as being restricted when the restriction is either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Enabling legislation authorizes the government to assess, levy, charge, or otherwise mandate payment of resources (from external resource providers) and includes a legally enforceable requirement that those resources be used only for the specific purposes stipulated in the legislation.

c. Unrestricted net assets

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets that do not meet the definition of "invested in capital assets" or "restricted."

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

In the governmental environment, net assets often are designated to indicate that management does not consider them to be available for general operations. In contrast to restricted net assets, these types of constraints on resources are internal and management can remove or modify them. However, enabling legislation established by the reporting government should not be construed as an internal constraint.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

I. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity (continued)

8. Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgetary Information

Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are prepared by management and are approved by the Cooperative and the New Mexico Public Education Department.

These budgets are prepared on the Non-GAAP cash basis, excluding encumbrances, and secure appropriation of funds for only one year. Carryover funds must be re-appropriated in the budget of the subsequent fiscal year. The budget process in the State of New Mexico requires that the beginning cash balance be appropriated in the budget of the subsequent fiscal year. Such appropriated balance is legally restricted and is therefore presented as a reserved portion of fund balance.

Actual expenditures may not exceed the budget on a line item basis, i.e., each budgeted expenditure must be within budgeted amounts. Budgets may be amended in two ways. If a budget transfer is necessary within a major category called a 'series', this may be accomplished with only Governing Council approval. If a transfer between 'series' or a budget increase is required, approval must also be obtained from the Public Education Department.

The budgetary information presented in these financial statements has been amended in accordance with the above procedures.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

II. STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE, AND ACCOUNTABILITY (continued)

A. Budgetary Information (continued)

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

- 1. In April or May, the Executive Director submits to the Governing Council a proposed operating budget of the fiscal year commencing the following July. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them, and has approval by the New Mexico Public Education Department.
- 2. In May or June, the budget is approved by the Governing Council.
- 3. The Governing Council meeting, while not intended for the general public, is open for the general public unless a closed meeting has been called for.
- 4. The Executive Director is authorized to transfer budgeted amounts between departments within any fund; however, any revisions that alter the total expenditures of any fund must be approved by the board and the State of New Mexico Public Education Department.
- Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year for the General Fund.
- 6. The budget for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis not consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Encumbrances are treated the same way for GAAP purposes and for Budget purposes.

The Governing Council may approve amendments to the appropriated budget, which are required when a change is made affecting budgeted ending fund balance. New Mexico state law prohibits a Governmental Agency to exceed an individual line item.

	<u>Orig</u>	<u>ginal Budget</u>	<u>Final Budget</u>			
General Fund	\$	681,132	\$	681,132		
Special Revenue Fund		541,462		541,462		
Totals	\$	1,222,594	\$	1,222,594		

B. Budgetary Violations

The Cooperative did not have any budgetary violations during the year ended June 30, 2012.

C. Deficit fund equity

There was no deficit fund balance as of June 30, 2012.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS

A. Cash and Temporary Investments

At June 30, 2012, the carrying amount of the Cooperative's deposits was \$360,253 and the bank balance was \$521,520 with the difference consisting of outstanding checks. Of this balance \$250,000 was covered by federal depository insurance and \$100,991 was covered by collateral held in joint safekeeping by a third party. The remaining \$34,769 was not covered by pledged collateral.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Cooperative's deposits may not be returned to it. New Mexico State Statutes require collateral pledged for deposits in excess of the federal deposit insurance to be delivered, or a joint safekeeping receipt be issued, to the Cooperative for at least one half of the amount on deposit with the institution. The statement listed below will meet the State of New Mexico Office of the State Auditor's requirement in reporting the uninsured portion of the deposits. As of June 30, 2012, \$34,769 of the Cooperative's bank balance of \$521,520 was exposed to custodial risk as follows:

Uninsured and uncollateralized	\$ 170,529
Uninsured and collateral held by pledging bank's trust dept not in the Cooperative's name	 100,991
Total uninsured	271,520
Insured (FDIC)	 250,000
Total deposits	\$ 521,520
State of New Mexico collateral requirement:	
50% of uninsured public fund bank deposits	\$ 135,760
Pledged security	 100,991
Under collateralization	\$ (34,769)

The collateral pledged is listed on page 42 of this report. The types of collateral allowed are limited to direct obligations of the United State Government and all bonds issued by any agency, district or political subdivision of the State of New Mexico.

According to the Federal Deposit Insurance Authority, public unit deposits are funds owned by the Cooperative. From December 31, 2010 through December 31, 2012, all FDIC insured institution deposits held in noninterest bearing transaction accounts will be fully insured regardless of the amount. Time deposits, savings deposits and interest bearing "Now" accounts of a public unit in an institution in the same state will be insured up to \$250,000 in aggregate and separate from the \$250,000 coverage for public unit demand deposits at the same institution.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

B. Receivables

The Cooperative had governmental receivables in the General Fund in the amount of \$121,481 at June 30, 2012.

An allowance for doubtful accounts has not been established. All receivables are expected to be collectible.

Governmental funds reported deferred revenues in connection with receivables for revenues that are not considered to be available to liquidate liabilities of the current period. Governmental funds also defer revenue recognition in connection with resources that have been received, but not yet earned. At the end of the current fiscal year, there were not any deferred revenue or unearned revenue reported in the governmental funds.

C. Capital Assets

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2012 was as follows:

		Beginning <u>Balance</u>	Increases		<u>Decreases</u>		Ending <u>Balance</u>		
Governmental activities:									
Capital assets, being depreciated: Vehicles	\$	25,916	\$ -	\$		-	\$	25,916	
Less accumulated depreciation for: Vehicles		(15,549)	 (5,183)			-		(20,732)	
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	\$	10,367	\$ (5,183)	\$		_	\$	5,184	

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

III. DETAILED NOTES ON ALL FUNDS (continued)

C. Capital Assets (continued)

Depreciation has been allocated to the functions by the following amounts:

Depreciation Allocation of Functions

Instruction	\$ 410
Support Services -Students	3,284
Support Services - Instruction	8
Support Services - General Administration	245
Support Services - School Administration	736
Central Services	432
Operations & Maintenance of Plant	69
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 5,184

The Schedule of Capital Assets Used by Source and the Schedule of Changes in Capital Assets by Function and Activity have not been prepared because the detailed information is unavailable.

D. Inter-Fund Receivables and Payables

There were not any inter-fund receivables or payables at June 30, 2012.

E. Compensated Absences

Compensated absences consist of the following at June 30, 2012:

							Ame	ount		
	Beg	inning					En	ding	Due	within
	Balances		Additions		Retirements		Balance		one year	
Compensated absences	\$	1,390	\$	1,218	\$	983	\$	1,625	\$	1,625

The liability of compensated absences is liquidated with resources from the general fund and special revenue funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

IV. OTHER INFORMATION

A. Risk Management

The Cooperative is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injury to employees; and natural disasters. The New Mexico Public Schools Insurance Authority (NMSIA) was formed on April 5, 1985 under the New Mexico Public Schools Insurance Authority Act, Chapter 22, Section 2 of the New Mexico Statutes Annotated (NMSA 1978), as amended, as an insurance fund to provide health, disability and life insurance coverage (benefits coverage), and property, casualty and worker's compensation insurance coverage (risk coverage) to participating public schools, school board members, public school employees, and retirees within the State of New Mexico. The Cooperative is one of 91 members that participate in NMPSIA. Participation in NMPSIA is mandatory for all K-12 public schools except those with enrollment exceeding 60,000 students. Participation is voluntary for other public education institutions. The Cooperative pays an annual premium to the pool for its general insurance coverage. The agreement for formation of NMPSIA provides that the pool will be selfsustaining through member premiums. NMPSIA establishes self-insured retentions by line of coverage and procures insurance and reinsurance, where indicated, in excess of the self-insured retention on a per occurrence basis. NMPSIA will publish its own financial report for the year ended June 30, 2012.

B. Contingent Liabilities

Amounts received or receivable from grant agencies are subject to audit and adjustment by grantor agencies, principally the federal and state governments. Any disallowed claims, including amounts already collected, may constitute a liability of the applicable funds. The amount, if any, of expenditures that may be disallowed by the grantor cannot be determined at this time, although the government expects such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

C. Employee Retirement Plan

Plan Description - Substantially all of the Cooperative's full-time employees participate in a public employee retirement system authorized under the Educational Retirement Act (Chapter 22, Article 11, NMSA 1978). The Educational Retirement Board (ERB) is the administrator of the plan, which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit retirement plan. The plan provides for retirement benefits, disability benefits, survivor benefits and cost-of-living adjustments for plan members (certified teachers, and other employees of State public school districts, colleges and universities) and beneficiaries. ERB issues a separate, publicly available financial report that includes the financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. That report may be obtained by writing to:

ERB P.O. Box 26129 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87502-6129 www.nmerb.org

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

IV. OTHER INFORMATION (continued)

C. Employee Retirement Plan (continued)

Funding Policy – Effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2012, plan members were required by statute to contribute 7.90% of their gross salary if they earned \$20,000 or less annually, and plan members earning more than \$20,000 annually were required to contribute 9.4% of their gross salary. The Cooperative was required to contribute 12.4% of the gross covered salary for employees earning \$20,000 or less, and 10.9% of the gross covered salary of employees earning more than \$20,000 annually. Effective July 1, 2011 plan members are required by statute to contribute 7.9% of their gross salary if they earned \$20,000 or less annually, and plan members earning more than \$20,000 annually are required to contribute 11.15% of their gross salary. The Cooperative is required to contribute 12.4% of the gross covered salary for employees earning \$20,000 or less, and 9.15% of the gross covered salary of employees earning more than \$20,000 annually. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Cooperative are established in Chapter 22, Article 11, NMSA 1978. The requirements may be amended by acts of legislature. The Cooperative's contributions to the ERB for the year ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010 were \$59,016, \$75,339 and \$76,456, respectively, which equal the amount of the required contributions for each fiscal year.

D. Post-Retirement Health Care Benefits

Plan Description – Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2's contributes to the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Fund, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit postemployment healthcare plan administered by the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Authority (RHCA). The RHCA provides health care insurance and prescription drug benefits to retired employees of participating New Mexico government agencies, their spouses, dependents, and surviving spouses and dependents. The RHCA Board was established by the Retiree Health Care Act (Chapter 10, Article 7C, NMSA 1978). The Board is responsible for establishing and amending benefit provisions of the healthcare plan and is also authorized to designate optional and/or voluntary benefits like dental, vision, supplemental life insurance, and long-term care policies.

Eligible retirees are:

- retirees who make contributions to the fund for at least five years prior to retirement and whose eligible employer during that period of time made contributions as a participant in the RHCA plan on the person's behalf unless that person retires before the employer's RHCA effective date, in which the event the time period required for employee and employer contributions shall become the period of time between the employer's effective date and the date of retirement;
- 2) retirees defined by the Act who retired prior to July 1, 1990;
- 3) former legislators who served at least two years; and
- 4) former governing authority members who served at least four years.

The RHCA issues a publicly available stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the postemployment healthcare plan. That report and further information can be obtained by writing to:

Retiree Health Care Authority 4308 Carlisle NE, Suite 104 Albuquerque, NM 87107

Notes to the Financial Statements June 30, 2012

IV. OTHER INFORMATION (continued)

D. Post-Retirement Health Care Benefits (continued)

Funding Policy – The Retiree Health Care Act (Section 10-7C-13 NMSA 1978) authorizes the RHCA Board to establish the monthly premium contributions that retirees are required to pay for healthcare benefits. Each participating retiree pays a monthly premium according to a service based subsidy rate schedule for the medical plus basic life plan plus an additional participation fee of five dollars if the eligible participant retired prior to the employer's RHCA effective date or is a former legislator or former governing authority member. Former legislators and governing authority members are required to pay 100% of the insurance premium to cover their claims and the administrative expenses of the plan. The monthly premium rate schedule can be obtained from the RHCA or viewed on their website at www.nmrhca.state.nm.us.

The Retiree Health Care Act (Section 10-7C-15 NMSA 1978) is the statutory authority that establishes the required contributions of participating employers and their employees. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2012, the statute required each participating employer to contribute 1.834% of each participating employee's annual salary; each participating employee was required to contribute .917% of their salary. In the fiscal years ending June 30, 2013 and June 30, 2014 the contribution rates for employees and employers will rise as follows:

Fiscal Year	<u>Contribution</u>	Contribution					
2012-2013	2.000%	1.000%					

Employers joining the program after January 1, 1998 are also required to make a surplus-amount contribution to the RHCA based on one of two formulas at agreed-upon intervals.

The RHCA plan is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. The employer, employee and retiree contributions are required to be remitted to the RHCA on a monthly basis. The statutory requirements for the contributions can be changed by the New Mexico State Legislature.

The Cooperative's contributions to the RHCA for the year ended June 30, 2012, 2011 and 2010 were \$5,361, \$6,185 and \$4,898, respectively.

E. New Accounting Pronouncement

In June 2012, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) issued Statement No. 68 Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions. Effective for annual reporting periods beginning after June 15, 2014. Statement No. 68 requires cost-sharing employers to record a liability and expnse equal to their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability and expense for the cost-sharing plan. At this time, management is evaluating the implications of GASB No. 68 and its impact on the financial statements.

NONMAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Northwest Regional Education Cooperative #2

GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Combining Balance Sheet June 30, 2012

Special Revenue Funds

26,891

Total liabilities and fund balance

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Northwest Regional Education Cooperative #2

NON-MAJOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance $Year\ Ended\ June\ 30,2012$

Special Revenue Funds

	IDEAL
	NM
	Fund
Revenues:	
State sources:	
State flow through grants	\$ 22,250
Expenditures: Current:	
Instruction	3,000
Excess of revenues over expenditures	19,250
Fund balance at beginning of the year	7,641
Fund balance at end of the year	\$ 26,891

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BUDETARY PRESENTATION

Special Revenue Funds June 30, 2012

IDEAL NM

To provide eLearning services to PK-12 schools, higher education institutions and government institutions. To perform services as regional service provider for IDEAL-NM and the Graduate New Mexico Program (GNM)

STATE OF NEW MEXICO

Northwest Regional Education Cooperative #2

IDEAL NM SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

 $Schedule\ of\ Revenues,\ Expenditures,\ and$ $Changes\ in\ Fund\ Balance\ -\ Budget\ and\ Actual\ (Non\mbox{-}GAAP\ Budgetary\ Basis)$ $Year\ Ended\ June\ 30,\ 2012$

							Variance with Final Budget		
	Budgeted Amounts					l Amounts	Positive		
	Original			<u>Final</u>		etary Basis)	(Negative)		
Revenues:									
State sources:									
State flowthrough grant	\$	-	\$	-	\$	19,250	\$	19,250	
Expenditures:									
Current:									
Instruction		_=		-		<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
Excess of revenues over expenditures		-		-		19,250		19,250	
Fund balance at beginning of the year						7,641		7,641	
Fund balance at end of the year	\$	_	\$			26,891	\$	26,891	
RECONCILIATION TO GAAP BASIS:									
Change in grant receivable						(3,000)			
Change in payables						3,000			
					\$	26,891			

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OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

STATE OF NEW MEXICO Northwest Regional Education Cooperative #2

SCHEDULE OF PLEDGED COLLATERAL June $30,\,2012$

	Community <u>Bank</u>		
Cash on deposit at June 30, 2012	\$ 521,520		
Less FDIC coverage	250,000		
Uninsured funds	\$ 271,520		
50% collateral requirement	\$ 135,760		
Pledged collateral	 100,991		
Excess (deficiency) of pledged collateral	\$ (34,769)		

Pledged collateral of financial institutions consists of the following at June 30, 2012

	<u>Maturity</u>	CUSIP#	<u>Ma</u>	<u>Market Value</u>		
Community Bank:						
FHLB	3/11/2016	313375RN9	\$	100,991		

The above securities are held at Federal Reserve Bank of Boston in Boston, MA.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO Northwest Regional Education Cooperative #2

CASH RECONCILIATION

June 30, 2012

	Beginning Cash		Receipts		Disbursements		Other		Net Cash End of Period		Adjustments to the report		Total Cash on Report	
Operations Federal Flowthrough Funds State Flowthrough Funds Total	\$	294,405 (2,414) 7,915 299,906	\$	489,204 13,144 587,111 1,089,459	\$	(490,332) - (538,780) (1,029,112)	\$	- - -	\$	293,277 10,730 56,246 360,253	\$	- - -	\$	293,277 10,730 56,246 360,253
Account Name Operational	Account	<u>it Type</u>	_	ank Name	<u>Bank Amount</u> \$ 521,520		Ba		Bank	ents to cash: Balance nding checks			\$	521,520 (161,267)
									Tota	al adjustment	to cash		\$	360,253

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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

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Hector H. Balderas, New Mexico State Auditor and the Governing Council of Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2

We have andited the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information, and the budgetary comparison for the general fund and major special revenue funds, and the combining and individual fund and related budgetary comparisons presented as supplemental information of Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2 as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated September 12, 2012. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in <u>Government Auditing Standards</u>, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Management of the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2 is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statement, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative 2's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and therefore, there can be no assurance that all deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses have been identified. However, as described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. (2002–2, 2009-7 and 2012 - 2 through 2012-4).

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 Northwest Regional Educational Cooperatives #2's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be material weaknesses. (2002-2, 2009-7 and 2012-2 through 2012-4)

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. We consider the deficiencies described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses to be significant deficiencies. (2009-8 and 2012-1)



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Compliance and other matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed four instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under <u>Government Auditing Standards</u> and which are described in the accompanying sehedule of audit findings as finding 2012 – 1 through 2012 - 4.

We also noted a certain other matter that is required to be reported pursuant to <u>Government Auditing</u> <u>Standards</u> paragraphs 5.14 and 5.16, and pursuant to Section 12-6-5, NMSA 1978, which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as findings (2002-2, 2009-7 and 2012 - 2 through 2012-4).

Management's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. We did not audit ruanagement's response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, others within the Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2, the U.S. Department of Education, State Auditor, the New Mexico Legislature, New Mexico Public Education Department, and applicable federal grantors, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

September 12, 2012

Keystine Accounting, Lh C

SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS Year Ended June 30, 2012

A. PRIOR YEAR AUDIT FINDINGS

2006 – 01 LACK OF STANDARDS FOR DOCUMENTATION OF EXPENDITURES

Current Status: Resolved - Not repeated in the current year.

2002 – 02 LATE AUDIT REPORT

Current Status: Not resolved - repeated in the current year.

2009 - 7 PURCHASE ORDER APPROVED AFTER PURCHASE

Current Status: Not resolved - repeated in the current year.

2009 - 8 UNTIMELY PAYMENT OF PURCHASES

Current Status: Not resolved - repeated in the current year.

2009 - 9 BACKUP DOCUMENTATION FOR DISBURSEMENT MISSING

Current Status: Resolved - Not repeated in the current year.

$2011-5 \quad OVERPAYMENT\ OF\ TRAVEL\ REIMBURSEMENTS$

Current Status: Resolved - Not repeated in the current year.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT

2009 - 7 PURCHASE ORDER APPROVED AFTER PURCHASE

<u>Significant Deficiency?</u> <u>Material Weakness?</u>
No Yes

<u>Internal Control?</u> <u>Compliance?</u> <u>Other Matter?</u>
Yes No Yes

- Condition: Out of 30 items tested, 5 purchases totaling \$10,817 were made prior to the approval of purchase orders.
- Criteria: Authorization for a purchase is acquired through the completion of a purchase order, which is signed by a person given authority over purchase control. The purchase order must be approved prior to the purchase or ordering of goods as per PSAB Supplement 13.
- Effect of condition: Any purchase made without prior authorization have the potential to cause cash deficits in the funds from which they are made or violations of the approved budget.
- Cause: Proper procedures need to be adhered to so budgets can be followed, and personnel need to forgo their immediate need for purchases.
- Recommendation: The importance of cash controls and adequate planning need to be made clear to all personnel that will be making purchases for the Cooperative.
- Management's Response: NWREC #2 will make appropriate adjustments to insure that cash controls and adequate planning will occur to prevent purchase order approval after purchase.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT (continued)

2009 - 8 UNTIMELY PAYMENT OF PURCHASES

<u>Significant Deficiency?</u> <u>Material Weakness?</u>
Yes No

<u>Internal Control?</u> <u>Compliance?</u> <u>Other Matter?</u>
Yes No No

Condition: 1 of the 30 disbursements tested totaling \$391 were purchases that were not paid within 30 days of being invoiced.

Criteria: Disbursement payments made in remittance for products and/or services received by the Cooperative should be made in a timely manner as part of sound accounting practices. Payment should be made within vendor terms or within thirty days of the invoice date.

Effect of condition: Late fees can be added to the cost of purchases made that are not paid for in a timely manner. Payment of such late fees is not an allowable cost under the guidelines established by the federal government.

Cause: The Cooperative did not pay for purchases within an appropriate time.

Recommendation: A system should be implemented to ensure that invoices are paid within a period not to exceed thirty days from the invoice date.

Management's Response: NWREC #2 is aware of the payment of invoices within 30 days. This one finding was due to 31 days in a month. Future efforts will work towards meeting the 30 day requirement in paying invoices.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT (continued)

2012 – 1 REVENUE POSTED IN EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

Significant Deficiency? Material Weakness?
Yes No

<u>Internal Control?</u> <u>Compliance?</u> <u>Other Matter?</u>
Yes Yes No

Condition: The REC posted deposits received totaling \$6,000 in an expense account.

Criteria: In accordance with proper accounting procedures – expenses and revenue should be reported separately.

Effect of condition: The revenue and expenses were understated.

Cause: The revenue received was posted in the expense account.

Recommendation: The deposits should be properly recorded in the revenue accounts.

Management's Response: NWREC #2 is aware of this clerical error and journal adjustments were made to correct the entry into revenue. Future deposits will be posted in the proper account.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT (continued)

2012 - 2 INSUFFICIENT PLEDGED COLLATERAL

<u>Significant Deficiency?</u> <u>Material Weakness?</u> No Yes

<u>Internal Control?</u> <u>Compliance?</u> <u>Other Matter?</u>
Yes Yes Yes

Condition: Of three months tested, pledged collateral fair value was not sufficient to cover bank balances in one month by \$34,769.

Criteria: According to New Mexico State Statute (NMSA 1978) 6-10-16, "Deposits of public money shall be secured by (1) securities of the United States, (2) securities of the state of New Mexico, (3) securities that are guaranteed by the United State or the State of New Mexico, (4) revenue bonds that are underwritten by a member of the national association of securities dealers (NASD) and are rated "BAA", (5) letters of credit issued by a federal home loan bank".

Effect of condition: The assignment of securities as collateral of public monies that do not meet the state statute requirements has resulted in leaving the cooperative's deposits inadequately guaranteed in case of bank failure.

Cause: The REC did not have enough pledged collateral to cover bank balances.

Recommendation: It is the responsibility of management to ensure that adequate safekeeping of the cooperative's assets is maintained. As part of its fiscal responsibility, management should work closely with its depository banks to closely monitor types and amounts of collateral to meet the state requirements.

Management's Response: NWREC #2 will contact the Federal Reserve to increase the pledged collateral amount to cover the bank balances.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT (continued)

2012 – 3 NO BACKGROUND CHECK ON FILE FOR EMPLOYEE

Significant Deficiency? Material Weakness?

No Yes

<u>Internal Control?</u> <u>Compliance?</u> <u>Other Matter?</u>
Yes Yes Yes

Condition: The Cooperative does not have a copy of background check for one employee who is required to have it.

Criteria: In accordance with federal and state law all employees who have access to children are required to have a background check completed and approved

Effect of condition: The Cooperative is out of compliance with requirements for 1978 NMSA 22-10A-5.

Cause: The Cooperative allowed the employee to work without having a background check on file.

Recommendation: The Cooperative should not allow any employee to work without a complete and approve background check.

Management's Response: NWREC #2 will ensure that all employees will have a completed background check on file.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT (continued)

2012 - 4 PAYMENT FOR SERVICE NOT RENDERED

Significant Deficiency? <u>Material Weakness</u>?
No Yes

<u>Internal Control?</u> <u>Compliance?</u> <u>Other Matter?</u>
Yes Yes Yes

Condition: The Cooperative paid payroll liabilities of \$4,884 for services not rendered.

Criteria: According to State Law 30-23-2 payment should not be made for services not rendered.

Effect of condition: The money is susceptible to loss due to the fact that it could be difficult to collect the funds already paid.

Cause: The prepayment of a liability before the services are rendered and the liability is accrued causes the Cooperative to have prepaid for services.

Recommendation: The Cooperative should only pay for services rendered.

Management's Response: NWREC #2 will make adjustments to prevent payment of payroll liabilities before services are rendered.

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND RESPONSES

Year Ended June 30, 2012

B. FINDINGS - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AUDIT (continued)

2002 – 2 LATE AUDIT REPORT

Significant Deficiency? Material Weakness?
No Yes

<u>Internal Control?</u> <u>Compliance?</u> <u>Other Matter?</u>
Yes No Yes

- Condition: The June 30, 2012 audit report was not submitted to the New Mexico State Auditor's Office by the due date of September 30, 2012. This report was rejected by the New Mexico State Auditor's Office on October 1, 2012 and resubmitted on October 4, 2012.
- Criteria: The New Mexico State Auditor has issued NMAC 2.2.2, Requirements for Contracting and Conduction Audits of Agencies, setting due dates for Cooperative audits to be in his office by September 30, 2012...
- Effect of condition: The report was not available for the New Mexico Department of Education and other state agencies to review on a timely basis.
- Cause: The Cooperative's audit was submitted prior to the September 30, 2012 deadline and rejected after the required reporting deadline of September 30, 2012.
- Recommendation: The audit report needs to be submitted earlier to allow for audit comments from the New Mexico State Auditor to be resolved before the audit deadline.
- Management's Response: The audit report will be submitted earlier to allow audit comments to be resolved before the required reporting deadline.

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REQUIRED DISCLOSURES Year Ended June 30, 2012

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The financial statements were prepared by the independent public accountants. The management of Northwest Regional Educational Cooperative #2 is responsible for those financial statements and the subsequent disclosures.

An exit conference was held September 17, 2012, during which the audit findings were discussed. The exit conference was attended by the following individuals:

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Kim Mizell Executive Director
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