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Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Official Roster June 30, 2016

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Independent Auditor's Report

Mr. Tim Keller State Auditor of the State of New Mexico Board Members of the Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Mr. Keller and Members of the Board

Report on Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining funds information, and the budgetary comparisons for the general fund and major special revenue funds of Northeast Regional Education Cooperative #4 (REC), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements which collectively comprise the REC's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We also have audited the financial statements of each of the REC's nonmajor governmental funds, and the budgetary comparisons for all nonmajor funds presented as supplementary information, as defined by the Government Accounting Standards Board, in the accompanying combining and individual fund financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

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 *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the REC as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the general fund and major special revenue funds for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. In addition, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of each nonmajor governmental fund of the REC as of June 30, 2016, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for all nonmajor funds for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplemental Information

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 Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of the financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Schedules of Required Supplementary Information for Pension Plan and related notes be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who consider 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 inquires 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 my 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 Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the REC's financial statements, the combining and individual fund financial statements, and the budgetary comparisons. The schedule required by 2.2.2.NMAC is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule required by 2.2.2 NMAC is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule required by 2.2.2 NMAC is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

The Vendor Schedule has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements, and accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

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In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 19, 2016, on our consideration of the REC'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 *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the REC's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Clovis, New Mexico September 19, 2016 **Financial Section**

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4
Government-Wide Statement of Net Position June 30, 2016

	_	Governmental Activities
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$	299,842
Accounts Receivables		450,893
Due from Grantor	_	36,419
Total Current Assets	_	787,154
Noncurrent Assets		
Capital Assets		1,196,175
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(696,298)
Total Noncurrent Assets	_	499,877
	_	
Total Assets	-	1,287,031
Deferred Outflows of Resources		
Deferred Outflows Related to Pensions		
Changes of Assumptions		79,491
Investment Experience		20,116
Changes in Proportion		1,033,754
Contributions Subsequent to Measurement Date	_	188,415
Total Deferred Outflows of Resources	_	1,321,776
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		14,082
Compensated Absences		39,129
Total Current Liabilities	-	53,211
Long-Term Liabilities		2 244 000
Pension Liability Total Long-Term Liabilities	-	2,311,089 2,311,089
Total Long-Term Liabilities	-	2,311,009
Total Liabilities	_	2,364,300
Deferred Inflows of Resources		
Deferred Inflows Related to Pensions		0
Acturial Experience		40,793
Total Deferred Inflows of Resources	-	40,793
	-	
Net Position		400.877
Net Investment in Capital Assets Unrestricted		499,877
Total Net Position	\$	(296,163) 203,714
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			Program Revenues						Ν	let (Expenses)
						Operating		Capital		Revenue and
			(Charges for		Grants and		Grants and		Changes in
Functions/Programs		Expenses		Services	(Contributions	С	ontributions		Net Assets
Governmental Activities										
Instruction	\$	311,768	\$	316,606	\$	0	\$	0	\$	4,838
Support Services										
Students		1,677,741		1,736,577		15,475		0		74,311
General Administration		781,759		539,008		0		0		(242,751)
School Administration		42,267		33,831		11,661		0		3,225
Central Services		128,064		140,876		0		0		12,812
Operation of Plant		13,910		15,522		0		0		1,612
Total Governmental	_		_						_	
Activities	\$_	2,955,509	\$	2,782,420	\$	27,136	\$	0	=	(145,953)
		eneral Reven								
	;	State Aid not								
		Specific Pur	po	se						
		General								103,956
	,	Subtotal, Ger	er	al Revenue	S					103,956
	(Change in Ne	et F	Position						(41,997)
			•							(,551)
	Ne	t Position - B	eg	inning						245,711
	Ne	t Position - E	nd	ing					\$	203,714

State of New Mexico
Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2016

	_	Ge	ner	al		Special Revenue
		General 29101		REC Operating 27101		NM Teach Educator Effectiveness 27108
Assets						
Cash Receivables	\$	0	\$	249,353	\$	0
Accounts Receivables		0		28,094		51,930
Due From Grantor		0		0		0
Interfund Balance		0		457,548	_	0
Total Assets	\$	0	\$	734,995	\$	51,930
Liabilities and Fund Balance						
Liabilities						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	\$	0	\$	13,313	\$	0
Interfund Balance		0		0		51,930
Total Liabilities	_	0	_	13,313		51,930
Fund Balance Restricted for						
Special Revenue Funds		0		0		0
Unrestricted		0		721,682		0
Total Fund Balance		0	_	721,682		0
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$	0	\$_	734,995	\$	51,930

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Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4
Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet
June 30, 2016

	Special Revenue					
		Three Rivers		IDEA B		Other
		Education Foundation		State Directed		Governmental
		27113		27200		Funds
Assets	_		_			
Cash	\$	0	\$	0	\$	50,489
Receivables						
Accounts Receivables		48,441		317,136		5,292
Due From Grantor Interfund Balance		0		0		36,419 0
Total Assets	\$	48,441	- _{\$} -	317,136	\$	92,200
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Liabilities and Fund Balance						
Liabilities						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	\$		\$	0	\$	769
Interfund Balance	_	46,771		317,136		41,711
Total Liabilities	_	46,771		317,136		42,480
Fund Balance						
Restricted for						
Special Revenue Funds		1,670		0		49,720
Unrestricted	_	0		0		0
Total Fund Balance	_	1,670		0		49,720
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$_	48,441	\$_	317,136	\$	92,200

	Total
Assets	
Cash	\$ 299,842
Receivables	
Accounts Receivables	450,893
Due From Grantor	36,419
Interfund Balance	457,548
Total Assets	\$ 1,244,702
Liabilities and Fund Balance	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 14,082
Interfund Balance	457,548_
Total Liabilities	471,630
Fund Balance	
Restricted for	
Special Revenue Funds	51,390
Unrestricted	721,682
Total Fund Balance	773,072
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$ 1,244,702

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Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2016

Amounts reported	in the	Statement	of Net Asse	ts
are different beca	use:			

different decause:		
Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds	\$	773,072
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported as assets in governmental funds. The cost of Capital Assets	1,196,175	
The cost of Capital Assets \$ Accumulated Depreciation	(696,298)	499,877
Deferred Outflows and Inflows Related to Pensions are the results of differences in expected and actual actuary experience and the difference in actuary projected and actual earnings. Also changes in proportion and differences between contributions and proportionate share of contributions. Deferred Outflows Related to Pensions Deferred Inflows Related to Pensions	1,321,776 (40,793)	1,280,983
Long-term and certain other liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported as liabilities in the funds. Long-term and other liabilities at year end consist of :		
Compensated Absences Pension Liability	(39,129) (2,311,089)	(2,350,218)
Total Net Position - Governmental Activities	\$	203,714

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Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4
Governmental Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Gene	ral	Special Revenue
		General 29101	REC Operating 27101	NM Teach Educator Effectiveness 27108
Revenues	•			
Charge for Services	\$	0 \$	735,929 \$	· _
State Grants		0	103,956	0
Federal Grants	_	0	0	0
Total Revenues	_	0	839,885	151,999
Expenditures				
Current Operations				
Instruction		0	0	0
Support Services				
Students		0	199,015	140,751
General Administration		0	684,530	11,148
School Administration		0	0	0
Central Services		0	94,255	0
Operation of Plant		0	11,335	100
Total Expenditures		0	989,135	151,999
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues				
Over Expenditures		0	(149,250)	0
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers		(605,451)	605,451	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	(605,451)	605,451	0
Net Change in Fund Balance		(605,451)	456,201	0
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	_	605,451	265,481	0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	721,682	S0

State of New Mexico
Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4
Governmental Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

		Special			
	-	Three Rivers		IDEA B	
		Education		State	Other
		Foundation		Directed	Governmental
		27113		27200	Funds
Revenues	-		_		
Charge for Services	\$	991,470	\$	385,837 \$	517,185
State Grants	•	0	*	0	0
Federal Grants		0		0	27,136
Total Revenues	-	991,470	_	385,837	544,321
Total Novollado	-	001,170	_	000,007	011,021
Expenditures					
Current Operations					
Instruction		0		77,900	238,706
Support Services					
Students		989,800		141,758	258,756
General Administration		0		81,640	14,896
School Administration		0		33,831	11,661
Central Services		0		46,621	0
Operation of Plant		0		4,087	0
Total Expenditures	-	989,800	_	385,837	524,019
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues					
Over Expenditures	_	1,670	_	0	20,302
Other Financing Sources (Uses)					
Transfers		0		0	0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	-	0	_	0	0
Net Change in Fund Balance		1,670		0	20,302
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	_	0	<u> </u>	0	29,418
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	1,670	\$	0 \$	49,720

State of New Mexico
Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4
Governmental Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues,
Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Total
Revenues	•	0.700.400
Charge for Services	\$	2,782,420
State Grants		103,956
Federal Grants	_	27,136
Total Revenues	_	2,913,512
Expenditures		
Current Operations		
Instruction		316,606
Support Services		
Students		1,730,080
General Administration		792,214
School Administration		45,492
Central Services		140,876
Operation of Plant	_	15,522
Total Expenditures	_	3,040,790
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues		
Over Expenditures	_	(127,278)
Other Financing Sources (Uses)		
Transfers		0
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	_	0
Net Change in Fund Balance		(127,278)
ŭ		, , -,
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	_	900,350
Fund Balance End of Year	\$	773,072

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Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance To the Statement of Activities June 30, 2016

\$ (127,278)

Amounts reported in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, for governmental activities those costs are shown in the Statement of Net Assets and allocated over their estimated useful lives as annual depreciation expenses in the Statement of Activities. This is the amount by which depreciation exceeds capital outlays in the period.

Depreciation Expense Capital Outlays	\$ _	(80,259) 0	(80,259)
Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities, such as compensated absences, do not require the use of current financia resources and therefore are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.	I		
Compensated Absences, June 30, 2015		40,673	
Compensated Absences, June 30, 2016	_	(39,129)	1,544
Pension contributions are reported as expenses in the government funds but are deferred outflows in the Statement of Net Position Pension Expense is reported in the Statement of Activities but not in the governmental funds.			
Pension Contributions		188,415	
Pension Expense	_	(24,419)	163,996
Changes in Net Position of Governmental Activities		\$_	(41,997)

Major Funds

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

General Fund-General-29101

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Budgeted A	Amounts Final	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)	
Revenues	_				(2	
Interest Income	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	0 \$	0	
Total Revenues	_	0	0	0	0	
Expenditures Support Services Students						
Other Purchased Services	_	0	0	0	0	
Total Students	_	0	0	0	0	
Total Support Services	_	0	0	0	0	
Total Expenditures	_	0	0	0	0	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	_	0	0	0_	0	
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers		(605,451)	(605,451)	(605,451)	0	
Total Other Sources (Uses)	_	(605,451)	(605,451)	(605,451)	0	
Net Change in Cash Balance	_	(605,451)	(605,451)	(605,451)	0	
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	605,451	605,451	605,451	0	
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	0 \$	0	
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GA Net Change in Cash Balance Net Change in Fund Balance	AP Ba	asis	\$ <u>.</u> \$ <u>.</u>	(605,451) (605,451)		

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Special Revenue Fund-REC Operating Fund-27101

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

								Variance with
						Actual		Final Budget
	_	Budgete	ed Amo	unts	_	(Budgetary		Favorable
		Original		Final		Basis)		(Unfavorable)
Revenues								
Charge for Services	\$	293,544	\$	546,248	\$		\$	304,203
State Grant		0		0	_	103,956		103,956
Total Revenues	_	293,544		546,248		954,407		408,159
Expenditures								
Support Services								
Students								
Personnel Services		123,600		141,441		89,738		51,703
Employee Benefits		40,500		62,253		52,573		9,680
Professional & Tech Services		18,000		23,223		5,611		17,612
Other Purchased Services		4,000		53,304		48,816		4,488
Supplies		0		110		183		(73)
Supply Assets		0		2,204	_	2,204		0
Total Students		186,100		282,535	_	199,125		83,410
General Administration								
Personnel Services		4,000		68,828		72,149		(3,321)
Employee Benefits		58,408		28,146		22,587		5,559
Professional & Tech Services		15,781		244,710		237,424		7,286
Purchased Property Services		8,000		10,492		10,491		1
Other Purchased Services		50,000		310,957		310,498		459
Supplies		13,000		22,872		19,828		3,044
Supply Assets	_	6,883		4,957		0		4,957
Total General Administration	_	156,072	_	690,962		672,977		17,985
School Administration								
Personnel Services		104,418		108,471		0		108,471
Employee Benefits		43,243		44,511		0		44,511
Professional & Tech Services		5,000		5,000		0		5,000
Supplies		2,700		2,700		0		2,700
Total School Administration	_	155,361		160,682	_	0	(160,682
Control Comicos					_		•	
Central Services		72.000		76,950		71 000		F 064
Personnel Services		72,000		•		71,889		5,061
Employee Benefits Total Central Services	\$	25,806 97,806	· —	27,421 104,371	Φ-	22,366 94,255	Ф	5,055 10,116
Total Gential Services	Φ_	91,000	Φ	104,371	Ψ_	94,200	Φ	10,116

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Special Revenue Fund-REC Operating Fund-27101

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

		Budgeted A	mounts	Actual (Budgetary	Variance with Final Budget Favorable
	_	Original	Final	Basis)	(Unfavorable)
Operation & Maintenance of Plant Purchased Property Services Other Purchased Services	\$	8,000 \$ 3,000	11,500 \$ 3,000	9,140 \$ 1,637	2,360 1,363
Total Operation & Maintenance of Plant	_	11,000	14,500	10,777	3,723
Total Support Services	_	606,339	1,253,050	977,134	275,916
Total Expenditures	_	606,339	1,253,050	977,134	275,916
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures	_	124,177	(706,802)	(22,727)	684,075
Other Financing Sources (Uses) Transfers		605,451	605,451	605,451	0
Total Other Sources (Uses)		605,451	605,451	605,451	0
Net Change in Cash Balance		729,628	(101,351)	582,724	684,075
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	124,177	124,177	124,177	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	853,805 \$	22,826 \$	706,901 \$	684,075
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GAA Net Change in Cash Balance Net Change in Receivables Net Change in Accounts Payable Net Change in Fund Balance	∖P Ba	asis	\$ \$	582,724 (114,521) (12,002) 456,201	

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Special Revenue Fund-NM Teach Educator Effectiveness-27108

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

		Budgeted	I Amounts		Actual (Budgetary	Variance with Final Budget Favorable	
		Original	Final		Basis)	(Unfavorable)	
Revenues							
Charge for Services	\$_	191,164		\$_	291,233		
Total Revenues	_	191,164	368,204	_	291,233	(76,971)	
Expenditures Support Services Students							
Professional & Tech Services		0	29,873		15,555	14,318	
Other Purchased Services		0	131,008		123,656	7,352	
Supplies	_	0	1,545	_	1,540	5	
Total Students	_	0	162,426	_	140,751	21,675	
General Administration Professional & Tech Services Total General Administration		0	13,114 13,114		11,148 11,148	1,966 1,966	
Operation & Maintenance of Plants Professional & Tech Services Total Operation & Maintenance of	_	0	1,500		100	1,400	
Plants	_	0	1,500	_	100	1,400	
Total Support Services	_	0	177,040		151,999	25,041	
Total Expenditures		0	177,040	_	151,999	25,041	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		191,164	191,164		139,234	(51,930)	
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	(191,164)	(191,164)		(191,164)	0	
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	<u> </u>	\$_	(51,930)	(51,930)	
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GAAP Basis Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures-Cash Basis Net Change in Receivables Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures-GAAP Basis \$ 139,234 (139,234) \$ 0							

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Special Revenue Fund-Three Rivers Education Foundation-27113 Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

Revenues Charge for Services Total Revenues	\$	Budgeted A Original 1,033,368 1,033,368	mounts Final 1,033,368 1,033,368	Actual (Budgetary Basis) 986,590 \$	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable) (46,778)		
Expenditures Support Services Students							
Personnel Services		764,309	764,309	764,309	0		
Employee Benefits		225,498	225,498	225,491	7		
Total Students		989,807	989,807	989,800	7		
Total Support Services		989,807	989,807	989,800	7		
Total Expenditures		989,807	989,807	989,800	7		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		43,561	43,561	(3,210)	(46,771)		
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	-	(43,561)	(43,561)	(43,561)	0		
Cash Balance End of Year	\$	<u> </u>	0 \$	(46,771) \$	(46,771)		
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GAAP Basis Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures-Cash Basis Net Change in Receivables Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures-GAAP Basis 1,670							

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Special Revenue Fund-IDEA-B State Directed-27200

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	Budgeted /	Amounts	Actual (Budgetary	Variance with Final Budget Favorable
	Original	Final	Basis)	(Unfavorable)
Revenues				
Charge for Services	\$ 483,259 \$	495,259 \$	147,603 \$	(347,656)
Total Revenues	483,259	495,259	147,603	(347,656)
Expenditures				
Instruction				
Personnel Services	0	7,042	7,042	0
Employee Benefits	8,655	4,014	601	3,413
Professional & Tech Services	17,250	9,495	10,710	(1,215)
Other Purchased Services	16,600	6,653	5,604	1,049
Supplies	36,946	45,910	46,021	(111)
Supply Assets	5,800	12,137	12,090	47
Total Instruction	85,251	85,251	82,068	3,183
Support Services				
Students				
Personnel Services	25,000	55,724	55,724	0
Employee Benefits	11,130	23,639	23,329	310
Professional & Tech Services	45,896	22,161	21,289	872
Other Purchased Services	57,000	38,009	36,501	1,508
Supplies	2,500	2,380	2,579	(199)
Supply Assets	144.526	2,313	2,312	1 2 402
Total Students	141,526	144,226	141,734	2,492
General Administration				
Personnel Services	25,000	30,001	30,000	1
Employee Benefits	11,125	9,809	8,673	1,136
Professional & Tech Services	33,559	33,559	31,679	1,880
Purchased Property Services	10,000	8,403	5,068	3,335
Other Purchased Services	5,500	5,300	5,300	0
Supplies	1,810	922	920	2
Supply Assets	1,000	0	0	0
Total General Administration	87,994	87,994	81,640	6,354
School Administration				
Personnel Services	25,000	32,500	23,435	9,065
Employee Benefits	11,150	12,950	10,396	2,554
Total School Administration	36,150	45,450	33,831	11,619
Central Services				
Personnel Services	35,000	35,228	35,227	1
Employee Benefits	14,245	14,017	11,394	2,623
Total Central Services	\$ 49,245 \$	49,245 \$	46,621 \$	2,624

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Special Revenue Fund-IDEA-B State Directed-27200

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Budgeted Ar		Actual (Budgetary	Variance with Final Budget Favorable		
Operation & Maintenance of Plant	-	Original	Final	Basis)	(Unfavorable)		
Operation & Maintenance of Plant Purchased Property Services Other Purchased Services	\$_	6,000 \$ 2,350	6,000 \$ 2,350	2,464 \$ 1,638	3,536 712		
Total Operation & Maintenance of Plant	_	8,350	8,350	4,102	4,248		
Total Support Services	_	323,265	335,265	307,928	27,337		
Total Expenditures	_	408,516	420,516	389,996	30,520		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		74,743	74,743	(242,393)	(317,136)		
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	(74,743)	(74,743)	(74,743)	0		
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	(317,136) \$	(317,136)		
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GAAP Basis Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures-Cash Basis Net Change in Receivables Net Change in Account Payables Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures-GAAP Basis \$ (242,393)							

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Note A: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4 (REC) have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP) as applied to government 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 REC's accounting policies are described below.

Financial Reporting Entity

The ten Regional Cooperative Centers established throughout New Mexico in 1984 were originally organized to provide supplementary special education services to local education agencies utilizing federal PL 94-142 funds.

The role of the Cooperatives has expanded under the authorization of the regional coordinating councils to include a variety of other projects, both federally funded and funded from other sources.

The REC through the it's governing council, has established as its purpose the delivery to local school districts and communities those services deemed critical to the ongoing success of regular and special education programs provided by the local agencies.

GASB Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. Under provisions of this Statement, the REC is considered a primary government, since it is a special-purpose government that has a separately elected governing body, is legally separate, and is fiscally independent of other state or local governments. As used in GASB Statement No. 14, fiscally independent means that the REC may, without the approval or consent of another governmental entity, determine or modify its own budget with approval of the Public Education Department.

The REC has no component units, defined by GASB Statement No. 14 as other legally separate organizations for which the elected REC members are financially accountable. There are no other primary governments with which the Board Members are financially accountable.

The accounts of the REC 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 are maintained consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

The following funds are used by the REC:

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds are used to account for the REC's general government activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies, the acquisition or construction of capital assets and the servicing of general long-term debt.

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

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The REC reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund

Operating Fund (29101)(27101)

To account for revenues and expenditures from state and local sources for a specified purpose. The fund was created by grant provisions.

Special Revenue Funds

NM Teach Educator Effectiveness (27108)

The grant provides funding to design a system to establish a framework for continuous improvement and professional growth for teachers and principals, which, in turn, will promote student success. The fund was created by the authority of state grant provision.

Three Rivers Education Foundation (27113)

To provide payroll services to the foundation of which REC supports for the improvement of reading skills in districts served by the REC. The fund was created by agreement.

IDEA B State Directed (27200)

To account for a program funded by a Federal grant to assist the REC in providing free appropriate public education to all handicapped children. Funding authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B, Sections 611-620, as amended, Public Laws 91-230, 93-380, 94-142, 98-199, 99-457, 100-639, and 101-476, 20 U. S. C. 1411-1420. The fund was created by the authority of federal grant provisions.

Additionally, the REC reports the following as non-major fund types:

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

Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The Statement of Net Assets 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. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, deferred outflow of resources, liabilities and deferred inflow of resources resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, deferred outflow of resources, liabilities and deferred inflow of resources resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirement of GASB Statement No. 33 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions."

Program Revenues

Program revenues included in the Statement of Activities derive directly from the program itself or from parties outside the REC's taxpayers or citizenry, as a whole; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the REC's general revenues. Program revenues include charge for services from member RECs and program-specific operating grants funded by the Federal Department of Education and the State Public Education Department.

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Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

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 (i.e., when they are "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 government 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 certain compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. Any effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the REC financial statements.

Revenues

Entitlement and shared revenues are recorded as unrestricted grants-in-aid 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 REC and are recognized as revenue at that time.

Revenue Recognition for Grants.

Eligibility requirements for government-mandated and voluntary nonexchange transaction comprise one or more of the following:

- 1. Required characteristics of recipients. The recipient has the characteristics specified by the provider (are required to be school RECs and RECs).
- 2. Time requirements. Time requirements specified be enabling legislation or the provider have been met (period when the resources are required to be used).
- 3. Reimbursements. The provider offers resources on a reimbursement ("expenditure-driven") basis and the recipient has incurred allowable costs under the applicable program.
- 4. Contingencies. The providers offer of resources is contingent upon a specified action of the recipient and that action has occurred (the recipient has raised the matching funds).

Expenditures

Salaries are recorded as paid. Salaries for nine-month employees are paid prior to the end of the fiscal year and therefore are not accrued. Salaries for the twelve month employees payroll are accrued.

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid (or any other types, such as capital lease transactions, sale of fixed assets, debt extinguishments, long-term debt proceeds, etc.) are accounted for as other financing sources (uses). These other financing sources (uses) are recognized at the time the underlying events occur.

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Basis of Budgeting

Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year.

Budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a basis inconsistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). These budgets are prepared using the cash basis of accounting. Budgetary comparisons for the various funds in this report are on the non-GAAP budgetary basis.

The REC follows the following procedures in establishing data reflected in the financial statements:

- 1. Prior to April 15, (unless a later date is fixed by the Secretary of Education) the local board submits to the School Budget and Finance Analysis Unit (SBFAU) of the New Mexico Public Education Department an estimated budget for the REC for the ensuing fiscal year beginning July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them. All budgets submitted to the New Mexico Public Education Department (PED) by the REC shall contain headings and details as prescribed by law.
- 2. Prior to June 20, of each year, the proposed "operating" budget will be reviewed and approved by the SBFAU and certified and approved by the local board at the public hearing of which notice has been published by the local board which fixed the estimated budget for the REC for the ensuing fiscal year.
- 3. The "operating" budget will be used by the REC until they have been notified that the budget has been approved by the SBFAU and the local board. The budget shall be integrated formally in to the accounting system. Encumbrances shall be used as an element for control and shall be integrated into the budget system.
- 4. The REC shall make corrections, revisions and amendments to the estimated budgets fixed by the local board to recognize actual cash balances and carryover funds, if any. These adjustments shall be reviewed and approved by the SBFAU.
- 5. No board member or officer or employee of the REC shall make any expenditures or incur any obligation for the expenditures of public funds unless such expenditure or contractual obligation is made in accordance with an operating budget approved by the division. But this does not prohibit the transfer of funds between line items within a series of a budget.
- 6. Budget change requests are processed in accordance with Supplement I (Budget Preparation and Maintenance) of the Manual of Procedures Public School Accounting and Budgeting. Such changes are initiated by the REC and approved by the SBFAU.
- 7. Legal budget control for expenditures is by function.
- 8. Appropriations lapse at fiscal year end. Funds unused during the fiscal year may be carried over into the next fiscal year by budgeting those in the subsequent fiscal year's budget. The budget of the REC has been amended during the current fiscal year in accordance with these procedures. The budget schedules included in the accompanying financial statements reflect the approved budget and amendments thereto.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

The REC'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.

The REC is authorized under the provisions of Chapter 6, Article 10, paragraph 10, NMSA 1978, to deposit its money in banks, savings and loan associations and/or credit unions whose accounts are insured by an agency of the United States.

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Investments

All money not immediately necessary for the public uses of the REC may be invested in :

- (a) bonds or negotiable securities of the United States, the state or any county, municipality or school which has a taxable valuation of real property for the last preceding year of at least one million dollars (1,000,000) and has not defaulted in the payment of any interest or sinking fund obligation or failed to meet any bonds at maturity at any time within five years last preceding; or
- (b) securities that are issued by the United States government or by its agencies or instrumentalities and that are either direct obligations of the United States or are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States government or agencies guaranteed by the United States government.
- (c) in contracts with banks, savings and loan associations or credit unions for the present purchase and resale at a specified time in the future of specific securities at specified prices at a price differential representing the interest income to be earned by the investor. The contract shall be shown on the books of the financial institution as being the property of the investor and the designation shall be contemporaneous with the investment. The contract shall be fully secured by obligations of the United States having a market value of at least one hundred two percent of the contract. The collateral required for investment in the contracts provided for in this subsection shall be shown on the books of the financial institution as being the property of the investor and the designation shall be contemporaneous with investment.

Receivables and Payables

Receivables include interfund loans that are expected to be paid back and amount due from state government agencies related to various grant agreements. Payables represent routine monthly bills for services rendered and products purchased and accrued salaries and benefits.

Elimination and Reclassifications of Certain Receivables and Payables

In the process of aggregating data for the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities, some amounts reported as interfund activity and balances in the funds were eliminated or reclassified. interfund receivables and payables were eliminated to minimize the "grossing up" effect on assets and liabilities within the governmental activities column.

Capital Assets

Capital assets are recorded at historical costs and depreciated over their estimated useful lives (with no salvage value). Capital assets are defined by the REC as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$5,000 and an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair market value on the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred.

Estimated useful life is 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:

Infrastructure	30 Years
Buildings	50 Years
Building Improvements	20 Years
Vehicles	2-15 Years
Equipment	3-15 Years
Information Technology Equipment and Software	3-5 Years
Library Books (if material)	3-5 Years

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Restricted Net Position

For the government-wide statement of net position, net positions are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net positions use are either:

Externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments;

Imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

When an expense is incurred for purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net positions are available it will first be applied to restricted resources.

Fund Balances of Fund Financial Statements

Nonspendable fund balance indicates that portion of fund equity is not spendable such as inventory.

The restricted fund balance category includes amounts that can be spent only for specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resources providers, or through enabling legislation.

The committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the government's highest level of decision-making authority.

Amounts in the assigned fund balance classification are intended to be used by the government for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

Unassigned fund balance is the residual amount that is not restricted or committed.

Interfund Transfers

In governmental funds, transfers should be reported as other financing uses in the funds making transfers and as other financing sources in the funds receiving transfers.

Compensated Absences

All 12-month or full time employees earn vacation and sick leave in amounts varying with tenure and classification. Employees earn 10 days if employed less than 3 years and 15 days if employed more than 3 years. In October 2012 the board passed to set a maximum accumulated amount. The board passed as follows: maximum accumulated annual leave is forty (40) days at 7.5 hrs. per day (300 hours) and employees hired after July 2012 - maximum accumulated annual leave is thirty (30) days (225 hours).

The REC's recognition and measurement criteria for compensated absences follow:

GASB Statement No. 16 provides that vacation leave and other compensated absences with similar characteristics should be accrued as a liability as the benefits are earned by the employees if both the following conditions are met:

- (a) The employees' right to receive compensation is attributable to services already rendered.
- (b) It is probable that the employer will compensate the employees for the benefits through paid time off or some other means, such as cash payments at termination or retirement.

The entire compensated absence liability is reported on the government-wide financial statements.

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For governmental fund financial statements the current portion of unpaid compensated absences is the amount expected to be paid using expendable available resources. These amounts, if any, are recorded in the account "compensated absences payable" in the fund from which the employees who have accumulated unpaid leave are paid. The noncurrent portion of the liability is not reported.

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. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Note B: Deposit and Investments

The REC is required by New Mexico State Statute (Section 6-10-17) to be 50% collateralized. Following is a schedule calculating the requirement and disclosing the pledged securities.

Southwest Capital				Balance Per Bank		Reconciled	
Name of	f Account			06/30/2016		Balance	Type
NEREC			\$	299,842	\$	299,842	Checking-Interest
TOTAL Deposited			-	299,842	\$	299,842	-
Less: FDIC Cove	erage			(250,000)	_		
Uninsured Amount	-		-	49,842	•		
50% collateral requ	irement			24,921			
Pledged securities				400,332			
Over (Under) requir	rement		\$	375,411			
The following securiti	es are pledged	at Southwest Ca	oital	•	•		
Description	CUSIP#	Market Valv	е	Maturity Date	ı	Location	
FNMΔ	3136G00\\\	4 \$ 300 968		7/11/18	· 7	Federal Home I	oan Bank-

Description	CUSIF #	Market valve	Maturity Date	Location
FNMA	3136G0QW4	\$ 300,968	7/11/18	Federal Home Loan Bank-
Clovis SD 1-Sch Bl	c 189414LQ9	99,364	8/1/25	Federal Home Loan Bank-
		\$ 400,332		Dallas, TX

Custodial Credit Risk-Deposits

Depository Account	Bank Balance
Insured	\$ 250,000
Collateralized:	
Collateral held by the pledging bank in	
REC's name	400,332
Uninsured and uncollateralized	 0
Total Deposits	\$ 299,842

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the government's deposits may not be returned to it. The government does not have a deposit policy for custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2016 none of the REC's bank balance of \$299,842 was exposed to custodial credit risk.

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Note C: Interfund Receivables, Payables and Transfers

Interfund Balances during the year ending June 30, 2016 were as follows:

Receivable Fund	Payable Funds		
	NM Teach Three Rivers	IDEA B	
	Educator Education	State	
	Effectiveness Foundation	Directed	
	27108 27113	27200	
General	\$ 51,930 \$ 46,771 \$	317,136	
Totals	\$ 51,930 \$ 46,771 \$	317,136	
Receivable Fund	Payable Funds		
	Other		
	Governmental		
	Funds	Totals	
General	\$ 41,711 \$	457,548	
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Totals	\$ <u>41,711</u> \$_	457,548	

The above interfund balances resulted from reimbursement grants. The shortfalls were covered by the General Fund. All transactions will be repaid within one year.

Note D: Capital Assets

Capital Assets Balances and Activity for the fiscal year end is as follows:

		Beginning Balance 06/30/15		Increases		Deletions		Ending Balance 06/30/16
Governmental Activities	_							_
Other Capital Assets								
Buildings	\$	407,935	\$	0	\$	0	\$	407,935
Equipment		796,934		0		8,694		788,240
Total Capital								
Assets at Historical Cost	\$	1,520,565	\$	0	\$	8,694	\$	1,196,175
Less Accumulated Depreciation								
Buildings	\$	40,794	\$	13,598	\$	0	\$	54,392
Equipment		583,939		66,661		8,694		641,906
Total Accumulated Depreciation	_	884,605		80,259	_	8,694	_	696,298
Capital Assets, net	\$_	635,960	\$_	(80,259)	\$_	0	\$	499,877

Depreciation expense was charged to governmental activities as follows:

Support Services-Students	\$ 80,259
Total depreciation expense	\$ 80,259

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Note E: Compensated Absences

The following is a summary of compensated absences transactions:

Accrued compensated absences, July 1, 2015	\$ 40,672
Current year additions	15,838
Current year retirements	(6,522)
Adjustment for Maximum Payout	(10,859)
Accrued compensated absences, June 30, 2016	\$ 39,129

The compensated absences are shown on the balance sheet of the General Fund. The liability is expected to be retired within the year. Typically the general fund retires the compensated absences.

Note F: Pension Plan

Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Pensions. For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the Educational Retirement Board (ERB) and additions to/deductions from ERB's fiduciary net position have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by ERB, on the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting. 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.

General Information about the Pension Plan

Plan description. ERB was created by the state's Educational Retirement Act, Section 22-11-1 through 22-11-52, NMSA 1978, as amended, to administer the New Mexico Educational Employees' Retirement Plan (Plan). The Plan is a cost-sharing, multiple employer plan established to provide retirement and disability benefits for certified teachers and other employees of the state's public schools, institutions of higher learning, and agencies providing educational programs. The Plan is a pension trust fund of the State of New Mexico. The New Mexico legislature has the authority to set or amend contribution rates.

ERB issues a publicly available financial report and a comprehensive annual financial report that can be obtained at www.nmerb.org.

Benefits provided. A member's retirement benefit is determined by a formula which includes three component parts: the member's final average salary (FAS), the number of years of service credit, and a 0.0235 multiplier. The FAS is the average of the member's salaries for the last five years of service or any other consecutive five-year period, whichever is greater. A brief summary of Plan coverage provisions follows:

For members employed before July 1, 2010, a member is eligible to retire when one of the following events occurs: the member's age and earned service credit add up to the sum or 75 or more; the member is at least sixty-five years of age and has five or more years of earned service credit; or the member has service credit totaling 25 years or more.

Chapter 288, Laws of 2009 changed the eligibility requirements for new members first employed on or after July 1, 2010. The eligibility for a member who either becomes a new member on or after July 1, 2010, or at any time prior to that date refunded all member contributions and then became, or becomes, reemployed after that date is as follows: the member's age and earned service credit add up to the sum of 80 or more; the member is at least sixty-seven years of age and has five or more years of earned service credit; or the member has service credit totaling 30 years or more.

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The benefit is paid as a monthly life annuity with a guarantee that, if the payments made do not exceed the member's accumulated contributions plus accumulated interest, determined as of the date of retirement, the balance will be paid in a lump sum to the member's surviving beneficiary. There are three benefit options available: single life annuity; single life annuity monthly benefit reduced to provide for a 100% survivor's benefit; or single life annuity monthly benefit is reduced to provide for a 50% survivor's benefit.

Retired members and surviving beneficiaries receiving benefits receive an automatic cost of living adjustment (COLA) to their benefit each July 1, beginning in the year the member attains or would have attained age 65 or on July 1 of the year following the member's retirement date, whichever is later. Prior to June 30, 2013 the COLA adjustment was equal to one-half the change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI), except that the COLA shall not exceed 4% nor be less than 2%, unless the change in CPI is less than 2%, in which case, the COLA would equal the change in the CPI, but never less than zero. As of July 1, 2013, for current and future retirees the COLA was immediately reduced until the plan is 100% funded. The COLA reduction was based on the median retirement benefit of all retirees excluding disability retirements. Retirees with benefits at or below the median and with 25 or more years of service credit will have a 10% COLA reduction; their average COLA will be 1.8%. All other retirees will have a 20% COLA reduction; their average COLA will be 1.6%. Once the funding is greater than 90%, the COLA reductions will decrease. The retirees with benefits at or below the median and with 25 or more years of service credit will have a 5% COLA reduction; their average COLA will be 1.9%. All other retirees will have a 10% COLA reduction; their average will be 1.8%. Members on disability retirement are entitled to a COLA commencing on July 1 of the third full year following disability retirement. A member on regular retirement who can prove retirement because of a disability may gualify for a COLA beginning July 1 in the third full year of retirement.

A member is eligible for a disability benefit provided (a) he or she has credit for at least 10 years of service, and (b) the disability is approved by ERB. The monthly benefit is equal to 2% of FAS times years of service, but not less than the smaller of (a) one-third of FAS or (b) 2% of FAS times year of service projected to age 60. The disability benefit commences immediately upon the member's retirement. Disability benefits are payable as a monthly life annuity, with a guarantee that, if the payments made do not exceed the member's accumulated contributions, determined as of the date of retirement, the balance will be paid in a lump sum to the member's surviving beneficiary. If the disabled member survives to age 60, the regular optional forms of payment are then applied. A member with five or more years of earned service credit on deferred status may retire on disability retirement when eligible under the Rule of 75 or when the member attains age 65.

The contribution requirements of defined benefit plan members and the REC are established in state statute under Chapter 10, Article 11, NMSA 1978. The requirements may be amended by acts of the legislature. For fiscal year ended June 30, 2015 employers contributed 13.90%, and employees earning \$20,000 or less continued to contribute 7.90% and employees earning more than \$20,000 contributed an increased amount of 10.70% of their gross annual salary. Contributions to the pension plan from the REC were \$188,415 for the year ended June 30, 2016.

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Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense, and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions: The total ERB pension liability, net pension liability, and sensitivity information were based on an annual actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 2014. The total ERB pension liability was rolled forward from the valuation date to the Plan year ending June 30, 2015, using generally accepted actuarial principles. Therefore, the employer's portion was established as of the measurement date June 30, 2015. At June 30, 2016, the REC reported a liability of \$2,311,089 for its proportionate share of the net pension liability. The REC's proportion of the net pension liability is based on the employer contributing entity's percentage of total employer contributions for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The contribution amounts were defined by Section 22-11-21, NMSA 1978. At June 30, 2015, the REC's proportion was 0.03568%, which was an increase of 0.0148% from its proportion measured as of June 30, 2014.

For the year ended June 30, 2016, the REC recognized pension expense of \$27,173. At the June 30, 2016, the REC reported deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows or resources related to pensions from the following sources:

	_	Deferred Outflows of Resources	Deferred Inflows of Resources
Beginning Balances	\$	140,981 \$	(143,735)
Differences between expected and actual experience		0	(23,049)
Changes of assumptions		79,491	0
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on pension plan investments		128,395	0
Changes in proportion and differences between REC contributions and proportionate share of contributions	3	629,034	422,432
REC contributions for the prior year		(140,981)	0
REC contributions subsequent to the measurement date		188,415	0
Total	\$	1,025,335 \$	255,648

\$188,415 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from REC's contributions subsequent to the measurement date June 30, 2015 will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended June 30, 2016. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended June 30:	
2017	\$ 442,781
2018	416,088
2019	201,576
2020	32,123
Total	\$ 1,092,568

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Actuarial assumptions. As described above, the total ERB pension liability and net pension liability are based on an actuarial valuation performed as of June 30, 2015. The total ERB pension liability was rolled forward from the valuation date to the Plan year ending June 30, 2015 using generally accepted actuarial principles. There were no significant events or changes in benefit provisions that required an adjustment to the roll-forward liabilities as of June 30, 2015. Specifically, the liabilities measured as of June 30, 2015 incorporate the following assumptions:

All members with annual salary of more than \$20,000 will contribute 10.70% during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 and thereafter,

Members hired after June 30, 2013 will have an actuarially reduced retirement benefit if they retire before age 55 and their COLA will be deferred until age 67,

COLAs for most retirees are reduced until NMERB attains a 100% funded status,

These assumptions were adopted by the Board on June 12, 2015 in conjunction with the six-year experience study period ending June 30, 2014, and

For purposes of projecting future benefits, it is assumed that the full COLA is paid in all future years.

The actuarial methods and assumptions used to determine contribution rates included in the measurement are as follows:

Actuarial Cost Method Entry Age

Amortization Method Level Percentage of Payroll

Remaining Period Amortized – closed 30 years from June 30, 2012 to June 30, 2042

Asset Valuation Method 5 year smoothed market for funding valuation (fair value for

financial valuation)

Inflation 3.00%

Salary Increases Composition: 3% inflation, plus 1.25% productivity increase rate,

plus step rate promotional increases for members with less than 10

years of service

Investment Rate of Return 7.75%

Retirement Age Experience based table of age and service rates

Mortality 90% of RP-2000 Combined Mortality Table with White Collar

Adjustment projected to 2014 using Scale AA (one year setback for

females)

Rate of Return: The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments is determined annually using a building-block approach that includes the following: 1) rate of return projections are the sum of current yield plus projected changes in price (valuation, defaults, etc.), 2) application of key economic objections (inflation, real growth, dividends, etc.), and 3)structural themes (supply and demand imbalances, capital flows, etc.).

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Discount Rate: A single discount rate of 7.75% was used to measure the total ERB pension liability as of June 30, 2015 and June 30, 2014. This single discount rate was based on the expected rate of return on pension plan investments of 7.75%. Based on the stated assumptions and the projection of cash flows, the Plan's fiduciary net position and future contributions were projected to be available to finance all projected future benefit payments of current pension plan members. Therefore the long term expected rate of return on Plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability. The projection of cash flows used to determine this single discount rate assumed that Plan contributions will be made at the current statutory levels. Additionally, contributions received through the Alternative Retirement Plan (ARP), ERB's defined contribution plan, are included in the projection of cash flows. ARP contributions are assumed to remain at a level percentage of ERB payroll, where the percentage of payroll is based on the most recent five year contribution history.

Sensitivity of the Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate Assumption: Sensitivity of the REC's proportionate share of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate. The following table shows the sensitivity of the net pension liability to changes in the discount rate as of the fiscal year end 2015. In particular, the table presents the REC's net pension liability under the current single rate assumption, as if it were calculated using a discount rate one percentage point lower (6.75%) or one percentage point higher (8.75%) than the single discount rate.

	Current				
	1	% Decrease (6.75%)	Discount Rate (7.75%)	1% Increase (8.75%)	
The REC's proportionate share of the net pension					
liability	\$	3,109,724 \$	2,311,089 \$	1,640,152	

Pension plan fiduciary net position. Detailed information about the ERB's fiduciary net position is available in the separately issued audited financial statements as of and for June 30, 2015 and 2014 which are publicly available at www.nmerb.org.

Payables to the pension plan. Employers should disclose the amount of payables to the Plan with a description of what gave rise to the payable per GASB Statement 68, paragraphs 122 and 124.

Note G: Retiree Health Care Act Contributions

Plan Description. The REC 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.

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Eligible retirees are: 1) 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 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 the Retiree Health Care Authority at 4308 Carlisle NE, Suite 104, Albuquerque, NM 87107.

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 employer, employee and retiree contributions are required to be remitted to the RHCA on a monthly basis. The statutory requirements for the employer and employee contributions can be changed by the New Mexico State Legislature. Employers that choose to become participating employers after January 1, 1998, are required to make contributions to the RHCA fund in the amount determined to be appropriate by the board.

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. For employees that were members of an enhanced retirement plan (state police and adult correctional officer member coverage plan 1; municipal police member coverage plans 3, 4 or 5; municipal fire member coverage plan 3, 4 or 5; municipal detention officer member coverage plan 1; and members pursuant to the Judicial Retirement Act) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the statutes required each participating employer to contribute 2.5% of each participating employee's annual salary; and each participating employee was required to contribute 1.25% of their salary. For employees that were not members of an enhanced retirement plan during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015, the statute required each participating employer to contribute 2.0% of each participating employee's annual salary; each participating employee was required to contribute 1.0% of their salary. In addition, pursuant to Section 10-7C-15(G) NMSA 1978, at the first session of the Legislature following July 1, 2013, the legislature shall review and adjust the distributions pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 and the employer and employee contributions to the authority in order to ensure the actuarial soundness of the benefits provided under the Retiree Health Care Act.

The REC's contributions to the RHCA for the years ended June 30, 2016, 2015 and 2014 were \$27,110, \$20,285 and \$11,508 respectively, which equal the required contributions for each year.

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Note H: Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GAAP Basis Statements

The Combined Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances - Budget and Actual - all Governmental Fund Types is presented on the budgetary basis to provide a comparison of actual results with the budget. The major differences between the budget basis and GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) basis are that:

- A. Revenues are recorded when received in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when susceptible to accrual (GAAP basis).
- B. Expenditures are recorded when paid in cash (budget basis) as opposed to when the liability is incurred (GAAP basis).

The adjustments necessary to convert the results of operations for the year from GAAP basis to the budget basis for the governmental funds are located at the bottom of each budget actual schedule.

Reconciliations are located at the bottom of each budget actual.

Note I: Risk Management

The REC is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; error and omissions; and injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The REC is insured through Risk Management. Annual premiums are paid by the REC for coverage provided in the following areas:

Workers Compensation Property and Automobile Liability and Physical Damage Liability and Civil Rights and Personal Injury Crime

The officials and certain employees of the NEREC are covered by a surety bond as required by Section 12-6-7, NMSA, 1978 Compilation.

Note J: Joint Powers Agreements and Other Agreements

Mora, Las Vegas City, Pecos, Santa Rosa, West Las Vegas and Wagon Mound Public Schools (Member Districts) and Regional Education Cooperative #4

On December 20, 2007 the Cooperative entered into an Agreement with the Member Districts whereby the Member District may provide for the efficient delivery of education-related services provided from funding under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. et seq. ("IDEA") and funded by the New Mexico Public Education Department ("NMPED"). The Cooperative will serve as a fiscal agent, accounting and reporting services on behalf of the Member Districts named herein receiving funding under a grant or other award provided from funding under Part B of the IDEA and/or any other funding source. A Member District must notify REC of any intention to withdraw its agreement to have REC serve as its fiscal agent on or before February 1st preceding the end of the last fiscal year it intends to have REC serve as the fiscal agent.

K. Subsequent Events

Subsequent events were evaluated through September 19, 2016 which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

Supplemental Information Related to

Nonmajor Funds

Special Revenue Funds

Carl D Perkins (24174)- To account for federal funds to provide vocational and technical education for secondary education. (P.L. 105-332). The fund was created by the authority of federal grant provisions.

Partners in Character Education (25240)- The objective of this program is to assist NEREC in providing free appropriate public education to rural areas. The fund was created by the authority of federal grant provisions.

IDEA-Special Education (27102) (27103) (27104) -To account for a program funded by a Federal grant to assist the REC in providing free appropriate public education to all handicapped children. Funding authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Part B, Sections 611-620, as amended, Public Laws 91-230, 93-380, 94-142, 98-199, 99-457, 100-639, and 101-476, 20 U. S. C. 1411-1420. The fund was created by the authority of federal grant provisions.

New Mexico Reads to Lead (27106)-To account for funds provided by a state grant to teach reading to students grades K-3. Funding provides reading coaches, supports intervention and professional development. The fund was created by the authority of state grant provisions.

Governor Commission on Disability (27110)- The New Mexico Governor's Commission on Disability is committed to improving the quality of life of all New Mexicans with disabilities by addressing social integration, economic self-sufficiency, political resolve, physical and program accessibility, and full participation in the benefits of life and rights of all individuals. The fund was created by the authority of state grant provisions.

Center for Teaching Execellence (27114)- This grant provides funding to sponsor workshops and other training that disseminate research-based best-teaching practices. The fund was created by the authority of state grant provisions.

Early College HS Start Up (27180)- To account for state funds to establish an Early College High School. ECHS simultaneously offer a high school diploma and a college-level associate degree or up to two years of college credit toward a bachelor's degree. The fund was created by the authority of state grant.

School Based Health Clinic (29130)-To account for state funds to operate a school based health clinic as required by the Affordable Care Act. The fund was created by the authority of state grant provision.

		Special Revenue				
		01-0		Partnership		IDEA B
		Carl D Perkins		in Character Education		Entitlement Santa Rosa
		24174		25240		27102
Assets	_		_	202.10	-	21102
Cash	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
Receivables Accounts Receivables		0		0		0
Due From Grantor		0		0		0
Total Assets	\$	0	\$_	0	\$	0
Liabilities and Fund Balance						
Liabilities						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	\$		\$		\$	0
Interfund Balance Total Liabilities	_	0	-	0	-	0
Total Liabilities	_	0	-	0	-	
Fund Balance						
Restricted for		_				
Special Revenue Funds	_	0	_	0	-	0
Total Fund Balance	_	0	_	0	-	0
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$	0	\$_	0	\$_	0

		Special Revenue				
	_	IDEA Preschool		IDEA B Entitlement		NM Reads to Lead
		Santa Rosa 27103		Wagon Mound 27104		Wagon Mound 27106
Assets	-	27 100	-	21104		27 100
Cash	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
Receivables						
Accounts Receivables		5,292		0		0
Due From Grantor	φ-	0	- ф	0	Φ.	0
Total Assets	Φ=	5,292	Ф	0	\$	0
Liabilities and Fund Balance						
Liabilities						
Current Liabilities						
Accounts Payable	\$	0	\$		\$	0
Interfund Balance	_	5,292	_	0		0
Total Liabilities	_	5,292	-	0		0
Fund Balance						
Restricted for Special Revenue Funds		0		0		0
Total Fund Balance	-	0	•	0	•	0
Total Fully Dalatice	-	<u> </u>	-		•	
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$_	5,292	\$	0	\$	0

	_	Special Revenue				
	_	Governor Commission on Disability 27110		Center for Teachng Excellence 27114		Early College HS Start Up 27180
Assets	-					
Cash Receivables	\$	6,693	\$	0	\$	0
Accounts Receivables Due From Grantor		0 0		0 36,419		0 0
Total Assets	\$	6,693	\$	36,419	\$	0
Liabilities and Fund Balance						
Liabilities Current Liabilities Accounts Payable Interfund Balance Total Liabilities	\$	0 0 0	\$	0 36,419 36,419	\$	0 0 0
Fund Balance Restricted for	_				-	
Special Revenue Funds Total Fund Balance	-	6,693 6,693	 	0	- ·	0
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$	6,693	\$	36,419	\$	0

	_	Special Revenue	-	
		School Based Health Clinic 29130		Total
Assets				
Cash Receivables	\$	43,796	\$	50,489
Accounts Receivables		0		5,292
Due From Grantor		0		36,419
Total Assets	\$ <u></u>	43,796	.\$_	92,200
Liabilities and Fund Balance				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	\$	769	\$	769
Interfund Balance Total Liabilities	_	769		41,711 42,480
Total Liabilities	_	709	-	42,400
Fund Balance Restricted for				
Special Revenue Funds		43,027		49,720
Total Fund Balance		43,027	-	49,720
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	\$ <u></u>	43,796	\$	92,200

		Special Revenue					
			Partnership	IDEA B			
		Carl D	in Character	Entitlement			
		Perkins	Education	Santa Rosa			
Davisavias	_	24174	25240	27102			
Revenues Charge for Sorvings	\$	0 \$	0 \$	24.025			
Charge for Services Federal Grants	Ф	0	27,136	24,925 0			
Total Revenues	_	0	27,136	24,925			
Total Revenues	_		21,130	24,925			
Expenditures							
Current Operations							
Instruction		0	0	24,125			
Support Services							
Students		0	15,475	800			
General Administration		0	0	0			
School Administration		0	11,661	0			
Total Expenditures		0	27,136	24,925			
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues							
Over Expenditures		0	0	0			
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	_	0	0	0			
Fund Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	0			

		Special Revenue				
		IDEA	IDEA B		NM Reads	
		Preschool	Entitlement		to Lead	
		Santa Rosa	Wagon Mound		Wagon Mound	
	_	27103	27104	_	27106	
Revenues		_		_		
Charge for Services	\$	7,777	\$ 0	\$	46,422	
Federal Grants		0	0		0	
Total Revenues	_	7,777	0	-	46,422	
Expenditures						
Current Operations						
Instruction		2,485	0		45,922	
Support Services						
Students		5,292	0		0	
General Administration		0	0		500	
School Administration		0	0		0	
Total Expenditures	_	7,777	0	-	46,422	
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues						
Over Expenditures		0	0		0	
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	_	0	0	_	0	
Fund Balance End of Year	\$_	0	\$0	\$	0	

			Special	Revenu	ıe	
		Governor	Cen	ter for		
		Commission	Tea	chng		Early College
		on Disability	Exce	llence		HS Start Up
	_	27110	27	114	_	27180
Revenues	_					
Charge for Services	\$	19,972	\$ 2	200,589	\$	0
Federal Grants	_	0		0	_	0
Total Revenues	_	19,972		200,589		0
Expenditures						
Current Operations						
Instruction		0		0		0
Support Services						
Students		13,279	1	186,193		0
General Administration		0		14,396		0
School Administration		0		0		0
Total Expenditures	-	13,279	2	200,589		0
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues						
Over Expenditures		6,693		0		0
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	-	0		0		0
Fund Balance End of Year	\$_	6,693	\$	0	\$	0

	_	Special Revenue	
	_	School Based Health Clinic 29130	Total
Revenues			
Charge for Services	\$	217,500 \$	517,185
Federal Grants	_	0	27,136
Total Revenues	-	217,500	544,321
Expenditures			
Current Operations			
Instruction		166,174	238,706
Support Services			
Students		37,717	258,756
General Administration		0	14,896
School Administration		0	11,661
Total Expenditures	_	203,891	524,019
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues			
Over Expenditures		13,609	20,302
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	_	29,418	29,418
Fund Balance End of Year	\$_	43,027 \$	49,720

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Special Revenue Fund-Carl Perkins-24174

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

		Budgete	d Amounts		Actual (Budgetary		Variance with Final Budget Favorable
		Original	Final		Basis)		(Unfavorable)
Revenues							
Federal Grant	\$	39,343 \$		\$_	39,343	\$_	0
Total Revenues	_	39,343	39,343	_	39,343	_	0
Expenditures Support Services Students							
Personnel Services		0	0		0		0
Employee Benefits		0	0	_	0	_	0
Total Students		0	0	_	0	_	0
School Administration		0	0		0		0
Personnel Services		0	0		0		0
Employee Benefits Total School Administration	_	0	0	-	0	_	0
Total School Administration		<u> </u>		_	<u> </u>	-	0
Total Support Services		0	0	. <u>-</u>	0	_	0
Total Expenditures	_	0	0	_	0	_	0
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		39,343	39,343		39,343		0
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	(39,343)	(39,343)		(39,343)	_	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0	\$_	0	\$ _	0
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Net Change in Receivables Net Change in Account Payal Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues	s Over oles	· Expenditure		\$ - \$=	39,343 (39,422) 79 0		

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Special Revenue Fund-Partnerships in Character Education-25240

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Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Budgeted Original	d Amounts Final	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues					
Federal Grant	\$_	0	·		
Total Revenues	_	0	27,136	27,136	0
Expenditures Support Services Students					
Personnel Services		0	8,461	7,947	514
Employee Benefits		0	3,489	3,479	10
Other Purchased Services		0	3,318	3,894	(576)
Supplies		0	207	155	52
Total Students		0	15,475	15,475	0
School Administration Personnel Services Employee Benefits Total School Administration	_	0 0 0	8,790 2,871 11,661	8,790 2,871 11,661	0 0 0
Total Support Services	_	0	27,136	27,136	0
Total Expenditures	_	0	27,136	27,136	0
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		0	0	0	0
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	0	0	0	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0	\$0	\$ 0	\$0
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to G Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues	Over Ex	kpenditures-Ca		\$ 0 \$ 0	

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Special Revenue Fund-IDEA B Entitlement-Santa Rosa-27102

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Budgeted Am		Actual (Budgetary	Variance with Final Budget Favorable		
_	_	Original	<u>Final</u>	Basis)	(Unfavorable)		
Revenues	•	04.0== •	o= ooo	0= 000 A	(00.000)		
Charge for Services	\$_	31,355 \$	87,999 \$	25,333 \$	(62,666)		
Total Revenues	_	31,355	87,999	25,333	(62,666)		
Expenditures Instruction							
Professional & Tech Services		5,947	8,947	611	8,336		
Other Purchased Services		2,000	2,000	0	2,000		
Supplies		11,860	37,504	22,745	14,759		
Supply Assets	_	6,100	34,100	770	33,330		
Total Instruction	_	25,907	82,551	24,126	58,425		
Support Services Students Professional & Tech Services		2 000	2 000	900	2 200		
Other Purchased Services		3,000 1,000	3,000 1,000	800 0	2,200 1,000		
Supplies		1,000	1,000	0	1,000		
Total Students	_	5,041	5,041	800	4,241		
rotal otddents	_	0,041	3,041		7,271		
Total Support Services	_	5,041	5,041	800	4,241		
Total Expenditures	_	30,948	87,592	24,926	62,666		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		407	407	407	0		
Cash Balance Beginning of Year		(407)	(407)	(407)	0		
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	<u> </u>	0 \$	0 \$	0		
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GAAP Basis Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures-Cash Basis \$ 407 Net Change in Receivables (407) Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures-GAAP Basis \$ 0							

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Special Revenue Fund-IDEA Preschool-Santa Rosa-27103

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Budgeted A Original	mounts Final	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues					
Charge for Services	\$_	8,393 \$	16,420 \$	2,485 \$	(13,935)
Total Revenues	_	8,393	16,420	2,485	(13,935)
Expenditures Instruction					
Professional & Tech Services		1,000	1,000	0	1,000
Other Purchased Services		500	500	0	500
Supplies		3,393	3,393	2,485	908
Supply Assets	_	2,000	2,000	0	2,000
Total Instruction		6,893	6,893	2,485	4,408
Support Services Students Professional & Tech Services		1,000	1,000	0	1,000
Other Purchased Services		500	500	0	500
Supply Assets		0	8,027	5,292	2,735
Total Students		1,500	9,527	5,292	4,235
Total Support Services	_	1,500	9,527	5,292	4,235
Total Expenditures	_	8,393	16,420	7,777	8,643
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		0	0	(5,292)	(5,292)
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	0	0	0	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	(5,292) \$	(5,292)
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue Net Change in Receivables Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue	s Ove	r Expenditures-C	_	(5,292) 5,292 0	

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Special Revenue Fund-IDEA B Entitlement-Wagon Mound-27104

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

December	_	Budgeted Am Original	nounts Final	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues	ф	1 11C C	1 11C C	1 110 0	0
Charge for Services Total Revenues	Ф <u> </u>	1,446 1,446	1,446 1,446	1,446 1,446	0
Expenditures Instruction					
Professional & Tech Services		0	0	0	0
Total Instruction	_	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	_	0	0	0	0
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		1,446	1,446	1,446	0
Cash Balance Beginning of Year		(1,446)	(1,446)	(1,446)	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	0 \$	0
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue Net Change in Receivables Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue	s Ove	r Expenditures-Ca	<u>-</u>	1,446 (1,446) 0	

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Special Revenue Fund-NM Reads to Lead-Wagon Mound-27106

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Budgeted An		Actual (Budgetary	Variance with Final Budget Favorable
_	_	Original	Final	Basis)	(Unfavorable)
Revenues					
Charge for Services	\$_	57,002 \$	57,002	52,923 \$	(4,079)
Total Revenues	_	57,002	57,002	52,923	(4,079)
Expenditures Instruction					
Personnel Services		38,563	38,563	38,563	0
Employee Benefits		6,937	6,937	6,437	500
Professional & Tech Services		2,500	2,500	921	1,579
Supplies	_	2,000	2,000	0_	2,000
Total Instruction		50,000	50,000	45,921	4,079
Support Services General Administration Professional & Tech Services Total General Administration Total Support Services Total Expenditures	-	500 500 500 50,500	500 500 500 50,500	500 500 500 46,421	0 0 0 4,079
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		6,502	6,502	6,502	0
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	-	(6,502)	(6,502)	(6,502)	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	0 \$	0
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue Net Change in Receivables Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue	s Ov	er Expenditures-Ca		6,502 (6,502) 0	

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Special Revenue Fund-Governor Commission on Disability-27110

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

				Actual		Variance with Final Budget
		Budgeted A	Amounts	(Budgetary		Favorable
	_	Original	Final	Basis)		(Unfavorable)
Revenues	_	<u> </u>		,		<u>, </u>
State Grants	\$_	16,000 \$	16,000 \$	19,972	\$	3,972
Total Revenues	_	16,000	16,000	19,972		3,972
Expenditures Support Services Students						
Professional & Tech Services		15,000	15,000	13,044		1,956
Other Purchased Services		1,000	1,000	205		795
Supplies	_	0	0	30		(30)
Total Students	_	16,000	16,000	13,279		2,721
Total Support Services	-	16,000	16,000	13,279		2,721
Total Expenditures	_	16,000	16,000	13,279		2,721
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		0	0	6,693		6,693
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	0	0	0		0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	6,693	\$	6,693
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to Ga Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues C Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues C	ver Ex	xpenditures-Cash		6,693 6,693	•	

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Special Revenue Fund-Center for Teaching Excellence-27114

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

				Actual	Variance with Final Budget
		Budgeted Ar	nounts	(Budgetary	Favorable
		Original	Final	Basis)	(Unfavorable)
Revenues State Grants	\$	263,775 \$	263,775 \$	210,647 \$	(53,128)
Total Revenues	Ψ_	263,775 ¢	263,775	210,647	(53,128)
rotal Novellage	_		200,110	210,011	(66,126)
Expenditures Support Services Students					
Personnel Services		123,600	126,239	126,239	0
Employee Benefits		40,821	41,018	40,046	972
Other Purchased Services		30,189	16,913	2,877	14,036
Supplies	_	6,592	17,032	17,031	1
Total Students	_	201,202	201,202	186,193	15,009
General Administration		40.000	40.000	44.200	4.700
Professional & Tech Services Total General Administration	_	16,096	16,096 16,096	14,396	1,700 1,700
Total General Administration	_	16,096	16,096	14,396	1,700
Total Support Services	_	217,298	217,298	200,589	16,709
Total Expenditures	_	217,298	217,298	200,589	16,709
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		46,477	46,477	10,058	(36,419)
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	(46,477)	(46,477)	(46,477)	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0 \$	0 \$	(36,419) \$	(36,419)
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GAA Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Ove Net Change in Receivables Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Ove	er Ex	penditures-Cash l		10,058 (10,058) 0	

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Special Revenue Fund-Early College High School Start Up-27180 Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis) For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

		Budgeted /	Δ mounts	Actual (Budgetary		Variance with Final Budget Favorable
	_	Original	Final	Basis)		(Unfavorable)
Revenues		Original	i iiiai	<u> </u>	•	(Officionalic)
State Grant	\$	29,458 \$	29,458	\$ 29,458	\$	0
Total Revenues	· —	29,458	29,458	29,458	• "	0
		· ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		•	
Expenditures						
Support Services						
Students						
Supply Assets		0	0	0	_	0
Total Students		0	0	0	-	0
Total Support Services		0	0	0		0
		_	_	_		
Total Expenditures	_	0	0	0		0
- (5.0)						
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues		00.450	00.450	00.450		•
Over Expenditures		29,458	29,458	29,458		0
Cook Bolonea Boginning of Voor		(20.459)	(20.459)	(20.459)		0
Cash Balance Beginning of Year		(29,458)	(29,458)	(29,458)	-	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$	0 \$	0	\$ 0	\$	0
	· —				• "	
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to	GAAF	P Basis				
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue			Cash Basis	\$ 29,458		
Net Change in Receivables				(29,458)		
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue	s Ovei	Expenditures-0	GAAP Basis	\$ (25,150)	•	
				-	•	

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Special Revenue Fund-School Based Health Clinic-29130

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Cash Balance -

Budget and Actual (Budgetary Basis)

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

	_	Budgete Original	d An	nounts Final	-	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Favorable (Unfavorable)
Revenues		•			_	·	
Charge for Services	\$	159,507	\$	176,707	\$	217,500 \$	40,793
Total Revenues		159,507		176,707	_	217,500	40,793
Expenditures	_		, <u></u>		_		
Instruction							
Employee Benefits		0		0		323	(323)
Professional & Tech Services		0		0		2,010	(2,010)
Other Purchased Services		154,127		183,394		180,684	2,710
Supplies		25,000		12,564		10,963	1,601
Supply Assets		2,000		1,015		0	1,015
Total Instruction	_	181,127	_	196,973	-	193,980	2,993
rotal mandenon	_	101,121		130,373	-	133,300	2,333
Support Services Students							
Personnel Services		25,000		29,678		29,677	1
Employee Benefits		11,373		8,049		8,040	9
Other Purchased Services		0		0		0	0
Supplies		0		0		0	0
Total Students		36,373		37,727	_	37,717	10
		·		,	_	<u> </u>	
Total Support Services	_	36,373	_	37,727	_	37,717	10
Total Expenditures		217,500		234,700		231,697	3,003
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over Expenditures		(57,993)		(57,993)		(14,197)	43,796
Cash Balance Beginning of Year	_	57,993	. <u>-</u>	57,993		57,993	0
Cash Balance End of Year	\$_	0	\$_	0	\$_	43,796 \$	43,796
Reconciliation of Budgetary Basis to GA Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues O Net Change in Accounts Payable Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues O	ver Ex	kpenditures-C			\$ \$ =	(14,197) 27,806 13,609	

Required Supplemental Information

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Schedules of Required Supplementary Information for Pension Plan

Schedule of the REC's Proportionate Share of the Net Pension Liability

Last 10 Fiscal Years*

Last 10 Fiscal Years			
		2015	2016
REC's proportion of the net pension liability		0.02088%	0.03568%
REC's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	1,191,350 \$	2,311,089
REC's covered-employee payroll	\$	575,420 \$	974,178
REC's proportionate share of the net pension liability as a percentage of i covered-employee payroll	ts	207.04%	237.23%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		66.54%	63.97%

^{*}The amounts presented were determined as of June 30. This schedule is presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the REC will present information for those years for which information is available.

Schedule of REC's Contributions

Last 10 Fiscal Years*

	2015	2016
Contractually required contribution	\$ 140,981 \$	160,899
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 140,981 \$	140,981
Contribution deficiency (excess)	0	19,918
REC's covered-employee payroll	\$ 575,420 \$	974,178
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	24.50%	16.52%

^{*} These schedules are presented to illustrate the requirement to show information for 10 years. However, until a full 10-year trend is compiled, the REC will present information for those years for which information is available.

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Notes to Required Supplementary Information for Pension Plan

For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

Changes of benefit terms. The COLA and retirement eligibility benefits changes in recent years are described in the Benefits Provided subsection of the financial statement note disclosure General Information on the Pension Plan.

Changes of assumptions.

ERB conducts an actuarial experience study for the Plan on a biennial basis. Based on the six-year actuarial experience study presented to the Board of Trustees on June 12, 2015, the Board of Trustees of ERB implemented the following changes in assumptions for fiscal years 2015.

- 1. Fiscal year 2015 valuation assumptions that changed based on this study:
 - a. Lower wage inflation from 4.25% to 3.75%
 - b. Minor changes to demographic assumptions
 - c. Lower population growth from .50% to zero by removing population growth assumption for
 - d. Updated the mortality tables to incorporate generational improvements
- 2. Assumptions that were not changed:
 - a. Investment return will remain at 7.75%
 - b. Inflation will remain at 3.00%
 - c. COLA assumption of 2.00% per year
 - d. Retain net 4.75% real return assumption
 - e. Maintain current payroll growth assumption of 3.50%
 - f. Maintained experience-based rates for members who joined NMERB by June 30, 2010

See also the Actuarial Assumptions subsection of the financial statement note disclosure General Information on the Pension Plan.

Other Supplemental Information

State of New Mexico Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4 Cash Reconciliation For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

		_	Beginning Cash Balance	Revenue	_ !	Expenditures	3	Adjustments	<u>.</u>	Ending Cash Balance
Federal Flow through	24000	\$	(39,343)	\$ 39,343		0	\$	0	\$	0
Federal Direct	25000		0	27,136		27,136		0		0
State Flow through	27000		(269,581)	2,722,097		2,801,921		605,451		256,046
Local Grants	29000	_	663,444	217,500	_	231,697		(605,451)	_	43,796
Total		\$	354,520	\$ 3,006,076	\$	3,060,754	\$	0	\$	299,842

State of New Mexico
Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4
Vendor Schedule
For the Year Ended June 30, 2016

							Was the	
							vendor in-	
							state and	
					Name and Physical		chose	
					Address per the	In-State/ Out-of-State	Veteran's	
					procurement	Vendor	preference (Y	
			\$ Amount of	\$ Amount of	documentation, of	(Y or N)	or N) For	Brief Description
	Type of	Awarded	Awarded	Amended	ALL Vendor(s) that	(Based on Statutory	federal funds	of the Scope of
RFB#/RFP#	Procurement	Vendor	Contract	Contract	responded	Definition)	answer N/A	Work

No RFPs over the threshold for FY 16.

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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*

Independent Auditor's Report

Mr. Tim Keller State Auditor of the State of New Mexico Board Members of the Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Mr. Keller and Members of the Board

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the aggregate remaining fund information, the budgetary comparisons of the general fund and major special revenue funds, of the Northeast Regional Education Cooperative #4 (REC) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the REC's basic financial statements, and the combining and individual funds and related budgetary comparisons of the REC, presented as supplemental information, and have issued our report thereon dated September 19, 2016.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, of the financial statements, we considered the REC's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the REC's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the REC'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 REC'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 are less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did identify certain deficiencies in internal control, described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses, that we consider to be significant deficiencies. 2014-003, 2016-001, 2016-002, and 2016-003.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of it's 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 an instance of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards and which are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses as item 2014-003, 2016-001, 2016-002, and 2016-003.

The REC's Responses to Findings

De'lun Willoughby CPA PC

The REC's responses to the findings identified in our audit as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Responses. Responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

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 entity'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 entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Clovis, New Mexico September 19, 2016

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Schedule of Findings and Responses

June 30, 2016

Financial Statements Findings

Prior Year Audit Findings

2014-001 Budget Violation
2014-003 Expenditures
2015-001 Cash Appropriations in Excess of Available Cash Balances
2015-002 Final Report not Submitted to PED Timely

Resolved
Repeated & Modified
Resolved
Resolved

Status

Current Year Audit Findings

2014-003 Expenditures-Compliance and Internal Control-Significant Deficiency Condition

Out of 172 expenditures sampled totaling \$683,036.35, we noted the following:

Fund 25240 - 2 expenditures sampled totaling \$3,317.15, 1 had a purchase order (PO) processed after the purchase was made (after fact) totaling \$152.97.

Fund 27101 - 58 expenditures sampled totaling \$321,424.24, 1 had no documentation totaling \$1,500.00, 9 had POs processed after fact totaling \$40,826.12.

Fund 27106 - 3 expenditures sampled totaling \$874.24, 2 had POs processed after fact totaling \$640.00.

Fund 27108 - 11 expenditures sampled totaling \$119,106.25, 3 had POs processed after fact totaling \$23,200.00.

Fund 25240 - 6 expenditures sampled totaling \$12,570.33, 1 had a PO processed after fact totaling \$1.673.80.

Fund 27114 - 21 expenditures sampled totaling \$27,911.63, 1 bill was paid late (invoice dated 1/9/15 and check dated 11/19/15) totaling \$1,425.00, 1 had a PO processed after fact totaling \$317.21.

Fund 27200 - 38 expenditures sampled totaling \$94,456.60, 1 had no documentation totaling \$500.00, 2 had PO's processed after fact totaling \$7,031.96.

Fund 29130 - 23 expenditures sampled totaling \$72,312.16, 1 was paid late (invoice dated 10/7/15 and check dated 3/3/16,) totaling \$4,082.44, 4 had PO's processed after fact totaling \$11,193.50.

Criteria

In accordance with 6.20.2.17 Purchasing, each school district shall establish and implement written policies and procedures for purchasing which shall be in compliance with the Procurement Code, Section 13-1-21 et seq, NMSA 1978. Per 13-1-158 NMSA 1978 Except as provided in Subsection D of this section, upon certification by the central purchasing officer or the using agency that services, construction, or items of tangible personal property have been received and accepted, payment shall be tendered to the contractor within thirty days of the date of certification.

Cause

REC's personnel has not followed procedures in the purchase of items and services or paid invoices within thirty days.

Effect

Making a purchase without first obtaining a purchase order could cause the REC to over spend, have late fees, or difficulty with vendors because of slow pay. Not being in compliance with these requirements places the REC and the Board at risk for fraud or misuse of public funds.

Recommendation

Purchases should not be made without receiving a purchase order. All REC personnel need to be aware that a purchase order must be approved prior to the purchase of goods or services.

Response

We will continue to provide training to insure staff and management is in compliance with the proper regulations. The Chief Procurement Officer has met and advised staff that no purchases should be made unless purchase order is approved.

The Director is responsible for enforcing the purchasing policy and is implementing a no purchase without approval process.

Northeast Regional Education Cooperative # 4

Schedule of Findings and Responses

June 30, 2016

2016-001 Certification of Inventory-Compliance and Internal Control-Significant Deficiency Condition

The REC did not provide a certificate of the inventory of capital assets.

Criteria

NMAC 2.2.10 U (2) found in the Audit Rule 2016.

Cause

Management was not aware a certification of capital assets was a requirement.

Effec

The REC is in violation of NMAC 2.2.10 U (2).

Recommendation

The REC should certify the inventory of capital assets. Training may be required to obtain knowledge of the requirement of the certification of inventory.

Response

The NEREC is in compliance and presented inventory to Council Members at our September Council Meeting which was approved. Staff and management are aware of the inventory compliance requirement.

The Director as of September 19, 2016 has certified the inventory and will certify the inventory annually.

2016-002 Disposal of Capital Assets-Compliance and Internal Control-Significant Deficiency Condition

The REC disposed of property without complying with Sections 13-6-1, 13-6-2 NMSA 1978 and 2.2.2.10 V NMAC.

Criteria

Sections 13-6-1 and 13-6-2 NMSA 1978 govern the disposition of obsolete, worn-out or unusable tangible personal property owned by state agencies, local public bodies, school districts, and state educational institutions. At least thirty days prior to any disposition of property, written notification of the official finding and proposed disposition duly sworn and subscribed under oath by each member of the authority approving the action must be sent to the State Auditor.

Cause

Management was unaware they were violating Sections 13-6-1, 13-6-2 NMSA 1978 and 2.2.2.10 V NMAC.

Effect

Property could be disposed of without management's knowledge perpetrating fraud. Financial statements could be overstated.

Recommendation

Property disposals must follow Sections 13-6-1, 13-6-2 NMSA 1978 and 2.2.2.10 V NMAC. Additional training may be requires to assure the violations do not occur again.

Response

The NEREC staff and management have been trained in the disposal of capital assets requirements and we will follow the necessary legal requirement for disposal of property.

The Business Manager is responsible for the disposal of capital assets and will follow the legal requirements for the disposal in the future.

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Schedule of Findings and Responses

June 30, 2016

2016-003 Background Checks-Compliance and Internal Control-Significant Deficiency Condition

During our review of 6 background checks we noted the following:

The REC could not locate 2 background checks.

Criteria

NM Statute 22-10(A)-5 states that if an employee terminates and returns, a new background check is required.

Cause

Management was not aware a new background check was required if an employee returns to work.

Effect

As a safety measure, people with serious criminal records may not be fit to have responsibility for the safety and well being of children.

Recommendation

Background checks must be received before an employee is hired. Additional training may be necessary to assure background checks are performed for returning employees.

Response

Those two employees have submitted their paperwork for background checks. In the future background checks must be received before employee is hired.

The Business Manager is responsible for the back ground checks and has obtained all back ground checks as of October 7, 2016.

Financial Statement Preparation

The financial statements were prepared by DeAun Willoughby, CPA. However, they are the responsibility of management.

Exit Conference

An exit conference was held on September 19, 2016 in attendance were Richard Perea-Chairman, Dr. James A Abreu-Director, Mary Sanchez-Business Manager and De'Aun Willoughby, CPA.