Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System State Employees' Pension Plan

Schedule of Employer Allocations and Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer June 30, 2020



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#### **Independent Auditor's Report**

The Members of the Board of Pension Trustees Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System Dover, DE

#### Report on the Schedules

We have audited the accompanying schedule of employer allocations of the State Employees' Pension Plan as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes. We have also audited the total for all entities of the columns titled net pension liability, total deferred outflows of resources, total deferred inflows of resources, and total pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions (specified column totals) included in the accompanying schedule of pension amounts by employer of the State Employees' Pension Plan as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and the related notes.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Schedules

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these schedules 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 the schedules that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on the schedule of employer allocations and the specified column totals included in the schedule of pension amounts by employer 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 schedule of employer allocations and specified column totals included in the schedule of pension amounts by employer are free from material misstatement.



An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the schedule of employer allocations and specified column totals included in the schedule of pension amounts by employer. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the schedule of employer allocations and specified column totals included in the schedule of pension amounts by employer, 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 schedule of employer allocations and specified column totals included in the schedule of pension amounts by employer 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 schedule of employer allocations and specified column totals included in the schedule of pension amounts by employer.

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 schedules referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the employer allocations and net pension liability, total deferred outflows of resources, total deferred inflows of resources, and total pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions for the total of all participating entities for the State Employees' Pension Plan as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### Other Matters

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System, which include the State Employees' Pension Plan, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020, and our report thereon, dated November 17, 2020, expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements.

#### Supplementary Information

The schedule of allocation of PRI contribution has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the schedule of employer allocations and the specified column totals included in the schedule of pension amounts by employer and, accordingly, we do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on it.



#### Restriction on Use

Our report is intended solely for the information and use of Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System management, the Board of Pension Trustees, State Employees' Pension Plan employers, and their auditors, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated May 21, 2021 on our consideration of the State Employees' Pension Plan's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the State Employees' Pension Plan's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

May 21, 2021

BDO USA, LLP

# Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System State Employees' Pension Plan Schedule of Employer Allocations As of and for the year ended June 30, 2020

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Reporting Unit	contributions	share
State of Delaware Entities:	107 547	0.4454.0/
Academia Antonia Alonso Charter	\$ 426,516	0.1654 %
Academy of Dover Charter	169,130	0.0656
Campus Community Charter	229,550	0.0890
DE Aglands	11,737	0.0046
DE Military Academy Charter	390,357	0.1514
Delaware Design Lab (Design Thinking Academy)	2,362	0.0009
Delaware Department of Transportation	9,118,264	3.5364
Delaware State Housing Authority	34,185	0.0133
Delaware State University	6,165,787	2.3913
Early College High School Charter	195,904	0.0760
East Side Charter	426,636	0.1655
Family Foundations Charter	503,610	0.1953
First State Military Academy	297,103	0.1152
First State Montessori Academy Charter	438,097	0.1699
Freire Charter School	312,547	0.1212
Gateway Lab Charter	240,588	0.0933
General Gov't (State of DE)	222,180,032	86.1703
Great Oaks Charter School	319,695	0.1240
Kumba Charter	548,606	0.2128
Las America Aspira Charter	766,804	0.2974
Lottery	306,769	0.1190
MOT Charter	889,193	0.3449
Newark Charter	2,019,304	0.7832
Odyssey Charter	1,407,822	0.5460
Positive Outcomes Charter	200,834	0.0779
Providence Creek Charter	349,849	0.1357
Sussex Academy Charter	561,933	0.2179
Sussex Montessori Charter	4,533	0.0018
The Charter School of Wilmington	652,202	0.2529
Thomas Edison Charter	484,118	0.1878
State of Delaware Entities Sub-Total	249,654,067	96.8259
Affiliated Entities:		
Delaware Solid Waste Authority	770,388	0.2988
Delaware State Education Association	8,558	0.0033
University of Delaware	7,405,119	2.8720
Total	\$ 257,838,132	100 %
PRI Transfer (Note 4)	\$ 5,650,098	

See accompanying notes to Schedule of Employer Allocations and Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer.

## Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System State Employees' Pension Plan Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer As of and for the year ended June 30, 2020

Deferred outflows of resources

Deferred inflows of resources

Deferred inflows of resources

Pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions

Reporting Unit	Net Pension Liability	Differences between expected and actual experience	Changes of assumptions	Changes in proportion	Total deferred outflows of resources	Differences between expected and actual experience		Net difference between projected and actual investment earnings on pension plan investments	Changes in	Total deferred inflows of resources	Proportionate share of allocated plan pension expense	Net amortization of deferred amounts from changes in proportion	Total pension expense excluding that attributable to employer paid member contributions
State of Delaware entities:													
Academia Antonia Alonso Charter	\$ 2,325,387	303,148	162,898	784,809	1,250,855	6,986	-	404,067	-	411,053	624,507	277,810	902,317
Academy of Dover Charter	922,105	120,210	64,595	111,798	296,603	2,770	-	160,228	53,251	216,249	247,641	(2,487)	245,154
Campus Community Charter	1,251,515	163,153	87,671	32,170	282,994	3,760	-	217,468	139,473	360,701	336,107	(42,594)	293,513
DE Aglands	63,992	8,342	4,483	3,522	16,347	192	-	11,119	7,028	18,339	17,186	1,088	18,274
DE Military Academy Charter	2,128,243	277,447	149,087	45,243	471,777	6,394	-	369,811	23,584	399,789	571,562	13,558	585,120
Delaware Design Lab (Design Thinking	12,876	1,679	902	391,944	394,525	39	-	2,237	1,032,298	1,034,574	3,458	(46,533)	(43,075)
Delaware Department of Transportation	49,713,216	6,480,836	3,482,502	259,703	10,223,041	149,353	-	8,638,342	512,985	9,300,680	13,350,994	(465,582)	12,885,412
Delaware State Housing Authority	186,376	24,297	13,056	-	37,353	560	-	32,385	150,935	183,880	50,053	(57,808)	(7,755)
Delaware State University	33,616,171	4,382,353	2,354,875	-	6,737,228	100,992	-	5,841,263	795,414	6,737,669	9,027,968	(270,405)	8,757,563
Early College High School Charter	1,068,079	139,240	74,821	198,574	412,635	3,209	-	185,593	23,729	212,531	286,844	119,781	406,625
East Side Charter	2,326,038	303,233	162,943	112,492	578,668	6,988	-	404,180	155,779	566,947	624,681	20,560	645,241
Family Foundations Charter	2,745,708	357,943	192,342	87,789	638,074	8,249	-	477,104	181,692	667,045	737,388	28,507	765,895
First State Military Academy	1,619,820	211,167	113,471	455,477	780,115	4,866	-	281,466	-	286,332	435,019	187,026	622,045
First State Montessori Academy Charter	2,388,525	311,379	167,321	498,310	977,010	7,176	-	415,038	-	422,214	641,463	274,880	916,343
Freire Charter School	1,704,022	222,144	119,370	542,192	883,706	5,119	-	296,097	-	301,216	457,632	200,692	658,324
Gateway Lab Charter	1,311,697	170,999	91,887	64,646	327,532	3,941	-	227,925	43,826	275,692	352,270	11,981	364,251
General Government (State of DE)	1,211,336,329	157,915,182	84,856,336	1,658,263	244,429,781	3,639,195	-	210,486,028	3,601,645	217,726,868	325,316,795	(1,212,230)	324,104,565
Great Oaks Charter School	1,742,994	227,224	122,100	556,027	905,351	5,236	-	302,869	-	308,105	468,099	204,889	672,988
Kumba Charter	2,991,027	389,923	209,527	383,466	982,916	8,986	-	519,731	-	528,717	803,271	224,175	1,027,446
Las America Aspira Charter	4,180,653	545,008	292,862	820,024	1,657,894	12,560	-	726,445	-	739,005	1,122,756	321,582	1,444,338
Lottery	1,672,518	218,037	117,163	9,567	344,767	5,025	-	290,623	99,130	394,778	449,172	(36,535)	412,637
MOT Charter	4,847,926	631,997	339,606	666,882	1,638,485	14,565	-	842,392	-	856,957	1,301,960	285,924	1,587,884
Newark Charter	11,009,344	1,435,227	771,225	957,678	3,164,130	33,075	-	1,913,022	-	1,946,097	2,956,672	467,376	3,424,048
Odyssey Charter	7,675,516	1,000,614	537,684	1,701,529	3,239,827	23,059	-	1,333,724	-	1,356,783	2,061,339	586,944	2,648,283
Positive Outcomes Charter	1,094,957	142,744	76,704	30,828	250,276	3,290	-	190,264	4,675	198,229	294,062	6,637	300,699
Providence Creek Charter	1,907,395	248,656	133,616	47,517	429,789	5,730	-	331,436	134,157	471,323	512,250	(14,201)	498,049
Sussex Academy Charter	3,063,687	399,396	214,617	483,267	1,097,280	9,204	-	532,357	-	541,561	822,784	194,609	1,017,393
Sussex Montessori Charter	24,715	3,222	1,731	18,438	23,391	74	-	4,295	-	4,369	6,638	3,688	10,326
The Charter School of Wilmington	3,555,834	463,554	249,093	3,792	716,439	10,683	-	617,874	167,091	795,648	954,956	(48,143)	906,813
Thomas Edison Charter	2,639,436	344,089	184,897	21,813	550,799	7,930	-	458,638	79,432	546,000	708,848	(15,642)	693,206
Previously Closed Entities *		-	-	54,287	54,287	-	-	-	1,599,137	1,599,137	-	(652,505)	(652,505)
State of Delaware Entities Sub-Total	1,361,126,101	177,442,443	95,349,385	11,002,047	283,793,875	4,089,206	-	236,514,021	8,805,261	249,408,488	365,544,375	567,042	366,111,417
Affiliated Entities													
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Delaware Solid Waste Authority	4,200,195	547,556	294,231	116,463	958,250	12,619	-	729,840	64,201	806,660	1,128,005	6,166	1,134,171
Delaware State Education Association	46,659	6,083	3,269	4,119	13,471	140	-	8,108	10,601	18,849	12,531	(2,503)	10,028
University of Delaware	40,373,068	5,263,212	2,828,208	927,445	9,018,865	121,292	-	7,015,365	3,170,011	10,306,668	10,842,602	(570,705)	10,271,897
Total	\$ 1,405,746,023	183,259,294	98,475,093	12,050,074	293,784,461	4,223,257	-	244,267,334	12,050,074	260,540,665	377,527,513	-	377,527,513

<sup>\*</sup> Previously Closed Entities include DE College Prep Charter, Delaware STEM Academy, Moyer Academy Charter, Pencader Charter, Prestige Charter, Reach Charter, and The Delaware Met Charter. These entities will remain on the schedule until amortization of change in proportion is complete.

## State Employees' Pension Plan

Notes to Schedule of Employer Allocations and Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer

#### 1. Plan Description

The State Employees' Pension Plan (the Plan) is a cost sharing multiple-employer defined-benefit pension plan established in the Delaware Code. The Plan is administered by the Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System (DPERS).

The General Assembly is responsible for setting benefits and contributions and amending plan provisions; administrative rules and regulations are adopted and maintained by the Board of Pension Trustees (the Board).

The management of the Plan is the responsibility of the Board. The Board is comprised of five members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the State Senate, plus two ex-officio members. The daily operation is the responsibility of the Office of Pensions. Although Plan assets are comingled with assets of other Plans and Funds for investment purposes, the Plan's assets may be used only for the payment of benefits to the members of the Plan in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

The following are brief descriptions of the Plan in effect as of June 30, 2020. For a more complete description, please refer to the DPERS Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

Separately issued financial statements for DPERS are available from the Office of Pensions at:

McArdle Building, Suite 1 860 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover, DE 19904

#### (a) Plan Description and Eligibility

The State Employees' Pension Plan is a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit plan that covers virtually all full-time or regular part-time employees of the State, including employees of other affiliated entities.

There are two tiers within this plan: 1) Employees hired prior to January 1, 2012 (Pre-2012) 2) Employees hired on or after January 1, 2012 (Post-2011).

#### (b) Service Benefits

Final average monthly compensation (employee hired Post-2011 may not include overtime pay in pension compensation) multiplied by 2.0% and multiplied by years of credited service prior to January 1, 1997, plus final average monthly compensation multiplied by 1.85% and multiplied by years of credited service after December 31, 1996, subject to minimum limitations. For this plan, final average monthly compensation is the monthly average of the highest three periods of 12 consecutive months of compensation.

#### (c) Vesting

Pre-2012 date of hire: 5 years of credited service. Post-2011 date of hire: 10 years of credited service.

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#### (d) Retirement

Pre-2012 date of hire: Age 62 with 5 years of credited service; age 60 with 15 years of credited service; or after 30 years of credited service at any age. Post-2011 date of hire: age 65 with at least 10 years of credited service; Age 60 with 20 years of credited service; and 30 years of credited service at any age.

#### (e) Disability Benefit

Pre-2012 date of hire: Same as Service Benefits. Employee must have 5 years of credited service. In lieu of disability pension benefits, over 90% of the members of this plan opted into a Disability Insurance Program offered by the State effective January 1, 2006. Post-2011 date of hire; in the Disability Insurance Program.

#### (f) Survivor Benefits

If employee is receiving a pension, the eligible survivor receives 50% of pension (or 67.7% with 2% reduction of benefit, 75% with 3% reduction of benefit, or 100% with 6% reduction of benefit); if employee is active with at least 5 years of credited service, eligible survivor receives 75% of pension the employee would have received at age 62.

#### (g) Burial Benefit

\$7,000 per member.

#### 2. Basis of Presentation

The Schedules of Employer Allocations and Pension Amounts by Employer (collectively, the Schedules) present amounts that are considered elements of the financial statements of DPERS or of its participating employers. Accordingly, they do not purport to be a complete presentation of the financial position or changes in financial position of DPERS or the participating employers. The accompanying schedules have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Such preparation requires management of the Plan to make a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reported amounts. Due to the inherent nature of these estimates, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### 3. Allocation Methodology

GASB Statement No. 68, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions, requires participating employers in the Plan to recognize their proportionate share of the collective net pension liability, collective deferred inflows of resources, collective deferred outflows of resources and collective pension expense. The allocation percentages presented in the Schedule of Employer Allocations and applied to the amounts presented in the Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer are based on the ratio of each employer's contribution to the Plan's total employer contributions during the measurement period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, adjusted to remove contributions to separately finance specific liabilities of an individual employer. Employer contributions to the plan are recognized when due pursuant to legal requirements. The Board of Pension Trustees determines employer contributions. Employer contributions were 11.96% of earnings for the Fiscal Year 2020.

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#### 4. Post Retirement Increases (PRI) Contributions

The Plan's Reporting units make contributions to a PRI fund which accumulates resources to fund ad hoc post-retirement increases granted by the General assembly. The increases are funded over a 5-year period from the PRI fund. The allocation of the contributions from the PRI Fund to the Pension Trust is a reduction to the Net Pension Liability of each participating employer.

#### 5. Collective Net Pension Liability and Actuarial Information

The components of the collective net pension liability of the participating employers at June 30, 2020 were as follows (in thousands):

Employers' total pension liability	\$ 11,044,574
Plan net position	(9,638,828)
Employers' net pension liability	\$ 1,405,746

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The collective total pension liability for the June 30, 2020 measurement date was determined by an actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2019, with update procedures used to roll forward the total pension liability to June 30, 2020. This actuarial valuation used the following actuarial assumptions:

#### Actuarial assumptions:

Investment rate of return / discount rate (1)	7.0%
Projected salary increases (1)	2.5% + Merit
Cost of living adjustments	0.0%

<sup>(1)</sup> Inflation is included at 2.5%.

The total pension liabilities are measured based on assumptions pertaining to the interest rates, inflation rates, and employee demographic behavior in future years. It is likely that future experience will not exactly conform to these assumptions. To the extent that actual experience deviates from these assumptions, the emerging liabilities may be higher or lower than anticipated. The more the experience deviates the larger the impact on future financial statements.

Mortality assumptions are based on the RP-2014 tables with gender adjustments for healthy annuitants and disabled retirees and an adjusted version on MP-2015 mortality improvement scale on a fully generational basis.

Projected benefit payments do not include the effects of projected ad hoc cost-of-living adjustments (ad hoc COLAs) as they are not substantively automatic. The primary considerations relevant to making this determination includes the historical pattern of granting the changes and the consistency in the amounts of the changes.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a buildingblock method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighing the expected future real rates

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of return by an asset allocation percentage, which is based on the nature and mix of current and expected plan investments, and by adding expected inflation. Best estimates of geometric real rates of return for each major asset class included in the Plan's current and expected asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 are summarized in the following table:

	Long-term expected	
Asset Class	real rate of return	Asset allocation
Domestic equity	5.7%	28.5%
International equity	5.7	15.2
Fixed income	2.0	28.8
Alternative investments	7.8	23.0
Cash and equivalents	-	4.5

#### Discount Rate

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.0%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from employers will be made at rates determined by the Board of Pension Trustees, actuarially determined. Based on those assumptions, the pension plans' fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

#### Sensitivity of the Collective Net Pension Liability to Changes in the Discount Rate

The following presents the collective net pension liability, calculated using the discount rate of 7.0%, as well as what the collective net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower or one percentage point higher than the current rate (in thousands):

	1% Decrease	Discount Rate	1% Increase
Collective net pension liability	\$ 2,699,064	\$ 1,405,746	\$ 315,893

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#### 6. Collective Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources

The following presents a summary of changes in the collective deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources (excluding employer specific amounts) for the year ended June 30, 2020:

	Measurement					
	period ending June 30	Amortization Period	Beginning of year balance	Additions	Deductions	End of year balance
Deferred Outflows of Re	sources:					
Difference between	2020	6 years	\$ -	\$ 98,376,419	\$ (16,396,070)	\$ 81,980,349
expected and actual	2019	6 years	77,670,573	-	(15,534,115)	62,136,458
experience	2018	6 years	43,164,194	=	(10,791,048)	32,373,146
	2017	6 years	10,154,013	-	(3,384,672)	6,769,341
Subtotal			130,988,780	98,376,419	(46,105,905)	183,259,294
Changes of assumptions	2017	6 years	105,848,996	-	(35,282,998)	70,565,998
and a second persons	2016	6 years	55,818,188	-	(27,909,093)	27,909,095
Subtotal			161,667,184	-	(63,192,091)	98,475,093
Total			\$ 292,655,964	\$ 98,376,419	\$ (109,297,996)	\$ 281,734,387
Difference between	2016	6 years	\$ (8,446,515)	\$ -	\$ 4,223,258	\$ (4,223,257)
expected and actual experience	2015	6 years	(2,984,579)	-	2,984,579	-
Subtotal			(11,431,094)	-	7,207,837	(4,223,257)
Not difference between	2020	5 years	<u>-</u>	(239,763,396)	47,952,679	(191,810,717)
Net difference between	2019	5 years	161,134,884	-	(40,283,721)	120,851,163
projected and actual earnings on pension	2018	5 years	(170,221,158)	_	56,740,386	(113,480,772)
plan investments	2017	5 years	(119,654,018)	_	59,827,010	(59,827,008)
plan investments	2016	5 years	146,416,574	-	(146,416,574)	(37,027,000)
Subtotal			17,676,282	(239,763,396)	(22,180,220)	(244,267,334)
Total			\$ 6,245,188	¢ (230 762 306)	\$ (14,972,383)	\$ (248 400 501)
Total			٠ ,٢٦٥,١٥٥	7 (237,703,370)	7 (17,772,303)	7 (ZTU, T7U, J71)

Amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources (excluding employer specific amounts) related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows (in thousands):

Year ending June 30	
2021	\$ (19,162)
2022	16,980
2023	35,052
2024	(16,022)
2025	16,396
Total	\$ 33,244

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#### Changes in Proportion

The previous amounts do not include employer specific deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to changes in proportion. These amounts should be recognized (amortized) by each employer over the average of the expected remaining service lives of all plan members, which is 6 years for the 2020 amounts.

#### 7. Collective Pension Expense

The components of collective pension expense for the year ending June 30, 2020 (excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions) are as follows (in thousands):

Service cost	\$ 202,689
Interest on total pension liability	745,008
Member contributions	(74, 167)
Administrative expense	6,055
Changes in benefit terms	-
Projected earnings on plan investments	(626,327)
Recognition of deferred outflows and inflows of resources:	
Differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments	22,180
Differences between expected and actual experiences with regards to factors or other inputs in the measurement of total pension liability	38,898
Changes in assumption with regards to factors or other inputs in the measurement of total pension liability	63,192
Pension expense	\$ 377,528

#### 8. Risk and Uncertainty

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization ("WHO") announced a global health emergency because of a new strain of coronavirus originating in Wuhan, China (the "COVID-19 outbreak") and the risks to the international community as the virus spread globally beyond its point of origin. In March 2020, the WHO classified the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic, based on the rapid increase in exposure globally.

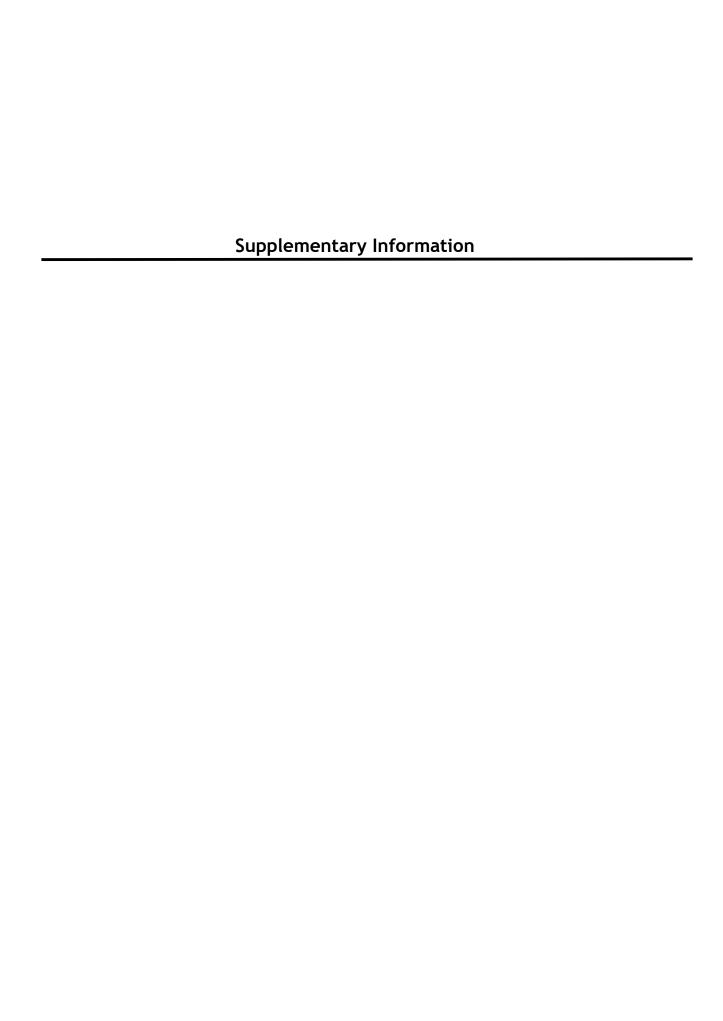
The full impact of the COVID-19 outbreak continues to evolve as of the date of this report. This pandemic has adversely affected global economic activity and greatly contributed to instability in financial markets. While the Plan's investment portfolio has a long-term strategy, it experienced increased volatility and significant fluctuations in fair value since June 30, 2020. Such changes in market value and possible changes to the actuarial assumptions used in determining the net pension liability, such as discount rates and rates of retirement and termination as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak may result in significant changes to the total amount of liability, deferred inflows, deferred outflows, and pension expense to be allocated to participating employers in future periods. However, the actual impact, if any, cannot be determined at this time.

## State Employees' Pension Plan

Notes to Schedule of Employer Allocations and Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer

## 9. Subsequent Events

The Plan evaluated all subsequent events through May 21, 2021, the date that the schedules were available to be issued.



State Employees' Pension Plan Schedule of Allocation of PRI Contribution For the year ended June 30, 2020

Reporting Unit	Allocation of PRI Contribut	
State of Delaware Entities:		_
Academia Antonia Alonso Charter	\$	9,346
Academy of Dover Charter		3,706
Campus Community Charter		5,030
DE Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation		257
DE Military Academy Charter		8,554
Delaware Department of Transportation		199,812
Delaware State Housing Authority		749
Delaware State University		135,113
Delaware Design Lab (Design Thinking)		52
Early College High School Charter		4,293
East Side Charter		9,349
Family Foundations Charter		11,036
First State Military Academy		6,511
First State Montessori Academy Charter		9,600
Freire Charter School		6,849
Gateway Lab Charter		5,272
General Government (State of DE)		4,868,709
Great Oaks Charter School		7,006
Kuumba Academy Charter		12,022
Las America Aspira Charter		16,803
Lottery		6,722
MOT Charter		19,485
Newark Charter		44,250
Odyssey Charter		30,850
Positive Outcomes Charter		4,401
Providence Creek Charter		7,666
Sussex Academy Charter		12,314
Sussex Montessori Charter		99
The Charter School of Wilmington		14,292
Thomas Edison Charter		10,609
Subtotal		5,470,757
Delaware Solid Waste Authority		16,882
Delaware State Education Association		188
University of Delaware		162,271
Total	\$	5,650,098

See accompanying independent auditor's report.



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

Members of the Board of Pension Trustees Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System Dover, DE

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 schedule of employer allocations and the total for all entities of the columns titled net pension liability, total deferred outflows of resources, total deferred inflows of resources, and total pension expense excluding that attributable to employer-paid member contributions as of and for the year ended June 30, 2020 (specified column totals), included in the schedule of pension amounts by employer of the Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System - State Employees' Retirement Plan (the Plan) (hereafter collectively referred to as the Schedules) and the related notes and have issued our report thereon dated May 21, 2021.

#### Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the Schedules, we considered the Plan's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Schedules, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan'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 combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the Schedules will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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



#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

#### **Purpose of This Report**

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

May 21, 2021