# Consolidated Financial Statements Salve Regina University

June 30, 2024 and 2023



# **Consolidated Financial Statements**

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## Independent Auditors' Report

The Board of Trustees Salve Regina University Newport, Rhode Island

## **Opinion**

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of Salve Regina University (the "University"), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the related consolidated statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the consolidated financial position of the University as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAS"). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the University and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Consolidated Financial Statements

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

In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the University's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the consolidated financial statements are available to be issued.

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#### Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements

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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audits.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks.
   Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audits 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 University's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the University's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

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Providence, Rhode Island September 23, 2024

# Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

		June 30, 2024 2023 (in thousands)		
Assets		•		,
Cash	\$	2,273	\$	2,370
Short-term investments		14,113		19,978
Student and other accounts receivable - less allowance for credit losses				
of student accounts of \$2,730 and \$2,745 in 2024 and 2023, respectively		1,291		1,753
Loans and notes receivable - less allowance for credit losses				
of \$294 and \$310 in 2024 and 2023, respectively		1,086		1,224
Pledges receivable - less allowance for doubtful accounts of				
\$1,622 and \$1,647 in 2024 and 2023, respectively		10,025		12,041
Investments		101,194		91,819
Other assets		2,453		2,630
Right-of-use asset - operating leases		1,566		1,118
Land, buildings and equipment, net		89,860	-	88,932
Total assets	\$_	223,861	\$_	221,865
Liabilities and Net Assets				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	2,224	\$	3,547
Accrued liabilities		5,621		5,901
Deposits and deferred revenue		5,222		6,013
Obligations under operating leases		1,566		1,118
Long-term debt, net		29,475		31,683
Refundable advances from government for student loans	_	713		802
Total liabilities	_	44,821		49,064
Net assets:				
Without donor restrictions		133,814		130,183
With donor restrictions	_	45,226	_	42,618
Total net assets		179,040		172,801
Total liabilities and net assets	\$	223,861	\$	221,865

## **Consolidated Statement of Activities**

Year Ended June 30, 2024 (with comparative totals for 2023)

	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions	Total 2024	Total 2023
		(in thousands)		
Operating revenues and other support:				
Tuition and fees (less discount of \$53,007 and \$51,203 in				
2024 and 2023, respectively)	\$ 52,433 \$	- \$	52,433 \$	52,635
Room and board	21,535	<u> </u>	21,535	20,426
Net tuition, fees, room and board	73,968	-	73,968	73,061
Gifts, grants and contracts	1,113	74	1,187	1,025
Federal and state government grants	1,303	-	1,303	1,521
Investment income appropriated	3,939	242	4,181	3,301
Unrestricted investment income	972	-	972	634
Other support	487	-	487	401
Auxiliary enterprises	1,894	-	1,894	1,646
Net assets released from restrictions	1,746	(1,746)		<u>-</u>
Total operating revenues and other support	85,422	(1,430)	83,992	81,589
Operating expenses:				
Program:				
Instruction	27,511	-	27,511	26,681
Research	448	-	448	740
Academic support	6,987	-	6,987	6,648
Student services	16,688	-	16,688	15,448
Auxiliary enterprises	17,441		17,441	16,885
Total program expenses	69,075	-	69,075	66,402
Management, general, and fundraising	16,650	<u> </u>	16,650	16,887
Total operating expenses	85,725		85,725	83,289
Change in net assets from operations	(303)	(1,430)	(1,733)	(1,700)
Non-operating income (expense):				
Gifts and grants	455	2,090	2,545	5,707
Return on investments	7,538	2,382	9,920	5,787
Investment return appropriated to operations	(3,939)	(242)	(4,181)	(3,301)
Other income	439	` -	439	451
Change in value of split interest and other agreements	2	19	21	70
Other net assets released from restrictions	148	(148)	-	-
Expenses	(709)	(63)	(772)	(912)
Non-operating income, net	3,934	4,038	7,972	7,802
Change in net assets	3,631	2,608	6,239	6,102
Net assets at beginning of year	130,183	42,618	172,801	166,699
Net assets at end of year	\$\$	45,226 \$	179,040 \$	172,801

## **Consolidated Statement of Activities**

## Year Ended June 30, 2023

	l	Without Donor Restrictions	With Donor Restrictions (in thousands)	Total 2023
Operating revenues and other support:				
Tuition and fees (less discount of \$51,203)	\$	52,635	\$ -	\$ 52,635
Room and board	-	20,426		20,426
Net tuition, fees, room and board		73,061	-	73,061
Gifts, grants and contracts		961	64	1,025
Federal and state government grants		1,521	-	1,521
Investment income appropriated		3,247	54	3,301
Unrestricted investment income		634	-	634
Other support		401	_	401
Auxiliary enterprises		1,646	_	1,646
Net assets released from restrictions	_	1,895	(1,895)	
Total operating revenues and other support	_	83,366	(1,777)	81,589
Operating expenses:				
Program:				
Instruction		26,681	-	26,681
Research		740	-	740
Academic support		6,648	-	6,648
Student services		15,448	-	15,448
Auxiliary enterprises	_	16,885		16,885
Total program expenses		66,402	-	66,402
Management, general, and fundraising	_	16,887		16,887
Total operating expenses	_	83,289		83,289
Change in net assets from operations	_	77	(1,777)	(1,700)
Non-operating income (expense):				
Gifts and grants		529	5,178	5,707
Return on investments		4,926	861	5.787
Investment return appropriated to operations		(3,247)	(54)	(3,301)
Other income		451	-	451
Change in value of split interest and other agreements		5	65	70
Other net assets released from restrictions		1,039	(1,039)	-
Expenses		(762)	(150)	(912)
2.ponose	-	(102)	(100)	(012)
Non-operating income, net	-	2,941	4,861	7,802
Change in net assets		3,018	3,084	6,102
Net assets at beginning of year	_	127,165	39,534	166,699
Net assets at end of year	\$	130,183	\$42,618	\$172,801

# Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

	Years Ended June 30, 2024 2023		
	2024 (in thou		
	·	•	
Cash flows from operating activities:	<b>A</b> 0.000 <b>A</b>	0.400	
Change in net assets	\$ 6,239 \$	6,102	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash provided			
by operating activities:	7.040	7 440	
Depreciation and amortization	7,240	7,440	
Amortization of right-of-use asset - operating leases	316	250	
Change in reserve on receivables	(46)	341	
Change in pledge discounts	(183)	(386)	
Net realized and unrealized investment gains	(9,563)	(5,488)	
Gain on sale of equipment	(440)	(6)	
Contributions restricted for long-term investments	(448)	(1,083)	
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:	2.224	(050)	
Pledges receivable Accounts receivable	2,224	(859)	
	477	(461)	
Other assets	177	(159)	
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities, deposits and deferred revenue	(1,427)	(1,375)	
Obligations under operating leases	(316)	(250)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	4,690	4,066	
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase and construction of land, buildings and equipment	(9,084)	(5,016)	
Purchases of investments	(43,260)	(39,889)	
Proceeds from sales of investments	49,313	40,850	
Proceeds from sale of equipment	-	6	
Student loans issued	(181)	(205)	
Proceeds from student loans	325	328_	
Net cash used in investing activities	(2,887)	(3,926)	
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Proceeds from contributions restricted for long-term investments	448	1,083	
Repayment of long-term debt and finance leases	(2,259)	(2,493)	
Change in government advances for student loans	(89)	(138)	
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,900)	(1,548)	
Decrease in cash	(97)	(1,408)	
Cash, beginning	2,370	3,778	
Cash, ending	\$\$	2,370	
Supplemental disclosures:			
Cash paid during the year for interest	\$1,105_\$	1,119	
Land, buildings and equipment purchases included in accounts payable	\$ 535 \$	1,502	
Loans assigned to the government	\$ 10 \$	350	
Non-cash right-of-use asset additions	\$ 764 \$	-	

Years Ended June 30,

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Salve Regina University (the "University"), located in Newport, Rhode Island, is a small comprehensive Catholic university which opened in 1947 and is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education, Inc. The University was founded by and continues to be sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy. The University enrolls approximately 2,700 men and women in a variety of academic programs. The University's student population is predominately from the Northeast region of the United States. The undergraduate programs are based on the liberal arts. The University offers Baccalaureate and Master degrees, a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study and a Ph.D. in Humanities and International Relations.

The University participates in student financial aid programs sponsored by the United States Department of Education and, to a lesser extent, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, which facilitate the payment of tuition and other expenses for students.

A summary of the accounting policies consistently applied in the consolidated financial statements follows:

#### Financial Statement Presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP").

## **Principles of Consolidation**

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Salve Regina University and its subsidiary, SRU Holdings, LLC ("Holdings"). The University is the sole and controlling member of Holdings. All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation. Holdings is a Rhode Island Limited Liability Company whose purpose is to acquire and hold real estate for the benefit and use of the University while keeping such property on local tax rolls.

#### Cash

The University maintains cash balances at financial institutions which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The University monitors its exposure associated with cash and has not experienced any losses in such accounts. Cash held by investment managers are considered part of investments.

Included in cash is a restricted account of \$1,918,700 and \$1,987,000 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, related to the University's self-insured benefit plan.

#### Short-Term Investments

Short-term investments include certificates of deposit and money market funds. Management reports short-term investments at fair value as determined per the fair value policies later in this section. These investments are not part of the long-term investment portfolio. Certain of these amounts are subject to the same Federal insurance limits as described in the cash policy above.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Accounts Receivable

Students are billed based on dates outlined in the academic catalog as agreed to in advance of the delivery of the related academic or auxiliary activity. Payments for tuition, fees and auxiliary enterprises charges are generally due by the start of the academic period with the recognition that on behalf payments being made by the DOE or others are subject to specific requirements within those programs as to when those funds can be availed. Certain DOE funding can be availed prior to the commencement of the academic period, while other amounts are paid at specified intervals based on the rules as promulgated by the DOE. Thus cash flows on accounts receivable balances and the measurement of deferred revenues do not directly depend on meeting specified performance obligations of the University. Student accounts are not collateralized.

Student accounts and loans receivable are stated net of expected credit losses. Credit is extended on an unsecured basis in accordance with terms established for individual students. The University estimates expected credit losses over the life of its financial assets and certain off-balance sheet exposures as of the reporting date based on relevant information about past events, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts. The University records the estimate of expected credit losses as an allowance for credit losses. An account is considered uncollectible when all efforts to collect the account have been exhausted.

#### Loans and Notes Receivables

Loans and notes receivable are funds loaned to students by the University and funds advanced by the University via the Federal Perkins Loan Program ("Perkins") and the Nursing Student Loans Program ("Nursing"). When loans are collected, they are held in a fund to be loaned to future students or returned to the DOE when otherwise required. Funds advanced by the DOE are reflected as a liability as they are subject to return. Reserves are provided based on management's assessment of credit risk and payment status of the loans, but reserve requirements are mitigated by the ability to assign defaulted loans back to the DOE. Management has omitted detailed disclosures given the limited amounts involved.

#### Pledges Receivable

Unconditional promises to give are recorded at fair value when initially pledged based on expected cash flows using Level 2 fair value methods. For pledges expected to be collected in one year or more, a risk adjusted present value factor is applied to the inherent risk associated with the expected future cash flows. Amortization of the discount is included in gift and grant revenue. Management periodically estimates the allowance by a review of historical experience and a specific review of collection trends that differ from the plan on individual accounts. Conditional promises to give are not included as support until the conditions are substantially met.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Investments

Investments are carried at fair value. Fair value is determined as per the fair value policies described later in this section. Net investment return (loss) is reported in the consolidated statements of activities and consists of interest and dividend income, realized and unrealized capital gains and losses, less external and direct internal investment expenses.

The investment objective of the University is to invest its assets in a prudent manner to achieve a long-term rate of return sufficient to fund its board approved spending policy and to increase investment values after inflation. Major investment decisions are authorized by the Investment Subcommittee of the Board of Trustees that oversees the University's investments mindful of diversification among asset classes.

Investments also include non-operating investments in real estate.

#### Fair Value Measurements

The University reports certain assets and liabilities at fair value on a recurring and non-recurring basis depending on the underlying accounting policy for the particular item in accordance with fair value standards. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Recurring fair value measures include the University's investment accounts and deposits with trustees. Non-recurring measures include pledges. These standards require an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs (such as quoted prices in active markets) and minimize the use of unobservable inputs (such as appraisals or valuation techniques) to determine fair value. In addition, the University reports certain investments using the Net Asset Value ("NAV") per share as determined by investment managers under the so called "practical expedient." The practical expedient allows NAV per share to represent fair value for reporting purposes when the criteria for using this method are met. Fair value standards also require the University to classify financial instruments (but for those measured using NAV) into a three-level hierarchy, based on the priority of inputs to the valuation technique.

Instruments measured and reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the University has the ability to access at measurement date.
- Level 2 inputs are other than quoted prices included in Level 1 that are either directly or indirectly observable.
- Level 3 inputs are derived from valuation methodologies, including pricing models, discounted cash flow models and similar techniques, and are not based on market, exchange, dealer, or broker-traded transactions. In addition, Level 3 valuations incorporate assumptions and projections that are not observable in the market and significant professional judgment is required in determining the fair value assigned to such assets or liabilities.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

In some instances, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy and is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

Market price is affected by a number of factors, including the type of instrument and the characteristics specific to the instrument. Instruments with readily available active quoted prices or for which fair value can be measured from actively quoted prices generally will have a higher degree of market price observability and a lesser degree of judgment used in measuring fair value. It is reasonably possible that changes in values of these instruments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect amounts reported in these consolidated financial statements. For more information on the fair value of the University's financial instruments, see Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements.

#### Other Assets

Other assets consist of prepaid expenses, deposits with trustees, the University's interest in self-insurance captives, and the University's beneficial interest in remainder trust.

#### Beneficial Interest in Remainder Trust

The University records its beneficial interest in remainder trusts at fair value. These instruments include the periodic evaluation of fair value which includes consideration of the present value of the aggregate liability to the beneficiaries based upon their life expectancy which is periodically updated as well as the use of a discount rate over the life of the trust. The initially recorded fair values of the donated investments are determined based on the underlying nature of the investments received, which have generally represented Level 1 measurements. The University has recorded other assets of \$550,000 and \$536,000 and accrued liabilities of \$236,000 and \$243,000 related to beneficial interests in remainder trusts at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

#### Leases

The University leases equipment under operating lease arrangements through 2029 for which expense is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Right-of-use ("ROU") assets represent the University's right to use an underlying asset for the lease term and lease liabilities represent the University's obligation to make lease payments arising from the lease. Operating lease ROU assets and liabilities are recognized at commencement date based on the present value of lease payments over the lease term. As the University's leases do not provide an implicit rate, the University uses a risk-free rate based on the information available at commencement date in determining the present value of lease payments.

Obligations under financing lease is reported at the net present value of the remaining obligation. The value of an option to extend or terminate a lease is reflected to the extent it is reasonably certain the option will be exercised. Lease expense for lease payments is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. Interest expense is recognized as a component of the lease payment for financing leases.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Land, Buildings and Equipment

Land, buildings and equipment with a useful life greater than one year that exceed a management established capitalization threshold are recorded at cost or fair value at date of donation in the case of gift assets. Donated fixed assets are recorded using Level 2 or Level 3 fair value approaches. Long-lived fixed assets, with the exception of land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives, which range from three to sixty years.

#### **Accrued Liabilities**

Included in accrued liabilities is a reserve for health care costs associated with incurred claims associated with the University's self-insured benefits for its employees. In connection with the program, management utilizes a stop loss insurance policy to manage its risk and exposure to larger and catastrophic claims. Also included in accrued liabilities are accrued payroll, vacation, and sick pay.

## Deposits and Deferred Revenue

Deposits and deferred revenue relate to reservation deposits for future enrollment, unearned revenue associated with in process programs and upcoming events at year end, other advances and student activity funds, and unearned revenue under a rental agreement associated with certain property rented to a third party. Substantially all amounts included in student deposits and deferred tuition revenue are recognized in the subsequent fiscal year. The remaining performance obligation for tuition related items is time driven given the academic calendar that underlies the earnings process for tuition, fees and auxiliary revenue or date driven in the event of events. There were no significant changes to deferred revenue amounts on a quantitative or qualitative basis. The significant components of deferred revenue are as follows:

		2024		2023
	(in thousands)			nds)
Student deposits and deferred tuition revenue	\$	2,937	\$	3,001
Deferred rental revenue (Note 8)		1,050		1,200
Vendor advance		679		843
Other		556		969
Total deferred revenue	\$	5,222	\$_	6,013

#### Refundable Advances from Government for Student Loans

Refundable advances represent amounts advanced from the DOE subject to certain adjustments associated with the Perkins and Nursing Student Loan Program as discussed in the student accounts and notes section of these policies. The DOE is winding down the Perkins element of this program. As such, management expects that element of past advances via assignment or loans to the DOE along with payments to the DOE from its existing Perkins cash balances and cash collected on loans.

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Income Tax Status

The University is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (the "Code") and is generally exempt from Federal and state income taxes on related income. Given the limited taxable activities of the University, management has concluded that disclosures relative to tax provisions are not necessary.

#### **Uncertain Tax Positions**

The University accounts for the effect of any uncertain tax positions based on a "more likely than not" threshold to the recognition of the tax positions being sustained based on the technical merits of the position under scrutiny by the applicable taxing authority. If a tax position or positions are deemed to result in uncertainties of those positions, the unrecognized tax benefit is estimated based on a "cumulative probability assessment" that aggregates the estimated tax liability for all uncertain tax positions. The University has identified its tax status as a tax-exempt entity and its determinations as to income being related or unrelated as its only significant tax positions; however, the University has determined that such tax positions do not result in an uncertainty requiring recognition. The University is not currently under examination by any taxing jurisdiction. The University's Federal and state tax returns are generally open for examination for three years following the date filed.

#### Net Assets

The accompanying financial statements present information regarding the University's financial position and activities based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified as follows:

Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions - Net assets available for general use and not subject to donor restrictions. The Board of Trustees has designated from net assets without donor restrictions, net assets for endowment. The University's policy is to designate unrestricted donor gifts at the discretion of the Board of Trustees. Net assets without donor restrictions also include the investment in plant, net of accumulated depreciation, funds for facilities and student loans and undesignated funds.

Net Assets With Donor Restrictions - Net assets subject to donor-imposed restrictions. Some donor-imposed restrictions are temporary in nature that may or will be met, either by the passage of time or the events specified by the donor. Other donor-imposed restrictions are perpetual in nature, where the donor stipulates that resources be maintained in perpetuity. Contributions and earnings subject to donor-imposed stipulations that are met in the same reporting period are reported as revenue without donor restrictions. Contributions of cash and other assets to be used to acquire land, buildings and equipment are accounted for as with donor restrictions until such resources are used for the related purpose.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Revenue Recognition and Operations

The consolidated statements of activities report the changes in net assets from operating and non-operating activities. Operating expenses consist of those items attributable to the University's primary mission of providing education. The primary operating revenues are derived from tuition and fees, room and board, auxiliary revenues, grants and contracts, gifts with and without donor restrictions for current operations (and related earnings), income and gains appropriated from the earnings of the endowment consistent with the University's spending policy plus earnings from general investments without donor restrictions.

Investment income and gains/losses on endowment, donor-restricted and Board-designated funds, other than the amount appropriated for operations, are classified as non-operating activities. Gifts to the endowment and other gifts and grants not directed to current operations as well as capital improvements and facilities are also classified as non-operating activities. The University also considers gains and losses on disposal of equipment, change in split interest agreements, and other income earned as non-operating. Non-operating expenses include bad debt expense and expenditures related to non-operating grant activities.

Revenues are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions unless their use is limited by donor-imposed restrictions as follows:

#### Earned Revenues

The University derives revenues primarily through tuition and fees, room and board, and auxiliary services all of which are under arrangements that are aligned to an academic semester which is less than one year in length.

Under accounting standards, revenue measurement is driven via a principles based process that requires the entities 1) identify the contract with the customer; 2) identify the performance obligations in the contract; 3) determine the transaction price; 4) allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations; and 5) recognize revenue when (or as) performance obligations are satisfied.

Tuition and fees and auxiliary enterprises revenue are recorded at established rates, net of institutional financial aid and scholarships provided directly to students. Such net amounts are recorded as revenue when performance obligations are satisfied which is generally over time as services are rendered whether relating to educational services or auxiliary services such as room and board. Management believes that recognizing revenue over time is the best measure of services rendered based on its academic calendar and has not made any changes in the timing of its satisfaction of its performance obligations or amounts allocated to those obligations. Discounts provided to employees are considered part of fringe benefits within operating expenses and likewise are recorded over time. Management does not consider there to be significant judgment involved in the timing of satisfaction of performance obligations as those are directly linked to the academic calendar of the related academic activity.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

## Revenue Recognition and Operations (Continued)

Students may withdraw from programs of study within certain time limits as under the University's withdrawal policies by semester. These policies vary by program but allow for up to a 100% refund before the start of classes declining to no refund shortly after the start of classes. Given the normal timing of the University's programs, the exposure to withdrawal rights is limited at year end.

Auxiliary rental income and grant and contract income are recorded as revenue over time as earned.

Payments made by third parties such as the Department of Education ("DOE") relative to loans and grants to students are a mechanism to facilitate payment on behalf of students, and accordingly, such funding does not represent revenue of the University. Cash flows are also impacted by DOE rules which differ for newly enrolled versus continuing students with respect to financial aid. Generally, funds made available by the DOE for new students are available later than for continuing students. Management does not view there to be other qualitative factors that have a significant impact on the nature and amount of revenue and cash flow.

## **Contributed Support**

Gifts, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as revenues as either without or with donor restrictions in the period verifiably committed by the donor. Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at their estimated fair value and per the fair value policies described elsewhere in these policies. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of the estimated future cash flows using a risk adjusted discount rate depending on the time period involved. Amortization of the discount is included in contribution revenue in accordance with the donor-imposed restrictions, if any, on the contributions. Contributions with donor-imposed restrictions that can be met through the passage of time or upon the incurring of expenses consistent with the purposes are recorded as net assets with donor restrictions and reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions when such time or purposes restriction has been satisfied.

The University reports gifts of land, buildings and equipment as revenues without donor restrictions unless explicit donor stipulations specify how the donated assets must be used. Gifts of long-lived assets with explicit restrictions that specify how the assets are to be used and gifts of cash or other assets that must be used to acquire long-lived assets are reported as revenue with donor restrictions and released from restrictions when such resources are used for the related purpose.

Contribution revenue earned on grants are recognized as related costs are incurred as revenue without donor restrictions. Revenue on contracts is recognized as value is transferred to customers which generally is indicated via the incurring of allowable costs under the contract.

Conditional contributions are recorded as revenue when such amounts become unconditional which generally involves the meeting of a barrier to entitlement. This can include items like meeting a matching provision, incurring specified allowable expenses in accordance with a framework of allowable costs or other barriers. Contributions received pending designation by the donor are considered with donor restrictions until known at which time such are reclassified if required.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 1 - Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and activities and supporting services have been summarized on a functional basis in Note 12 and this footnote presents the natural classification detail of expenses by function. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited. Depreciation of plant assets and operation and maintenance of plant expenses have been allocated to functional classifications based on such criteria as building usage. Interest expense is allocated to functional classifications that benefited from the use of the proceeds of the debt.

#### Advertising

Advertising and marketing costs are expensed as incurred and amounted to approximately \$1,082,000 and \$973,000 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

#### Use of Estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Subsequent Events

The University has evaluated subsequent events through September 23, 2024, the date the consolidated financial statements were issued. Management determined that no items through that date required recognition or disclosure in the consolidated financial statements.

#### Note 2 - Liquidity and Availability

The University regularly monitors liquidity to meet its operating needs and other contractual commitments, while also striving to maximize the investment of its available funds. The University has various sources of liquidity at its disposal, including cash and cash equivalents, marketable debt and equity securities and a line of credit.

For purposes of analyzing resources available to meet general expenditures over a 12-month period, the University considers all expenditures related to its ongoing activities of education, research and public service as well as the conduct of services undertaken to support those activities to be general expenditures. Student loans receivable are not included in the analysis as principal and interest on these loans are used solely to make new loans and are, therefore, not available to meet current operating needs.

In addition to the financial assets available to meet general expenditures over the next 12 months, the Refer to the consolidated statements of cash flows which identify the sources and uses of the University's cash and show positive cash generated by operations for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 2 - Liquidity and Availability (Continued)

Although not expected to be needed, the spendable yet restricted portion of the University's net assets could be used to meet cash needs if necessary. Prudent investment management, however, must be considered to ensure the preservation of the funds for future use.

The following tables show the total financial assets held by the University and the amounts of those financial assets available within one year of the balance sheet date to meet general expenditures at June 30:

		2024 (in the	ousa	2023 nds)
Financial assets at year end:				
Cash	\$	2,273	\$	2,370
Short-term investments		14,113		19,978
Student and other accounts receivable, net		1,291		1,753
Loans and notes receivable, net		1,086		1,224
Pledges receivable, net		10,025		12,041
Investments		101,194		91,819
Other assets	_	1,580	_	1,701
Total financial assets at year end	\$_	131,562	\$ _	130,886
		2024		2023
		(in the	ousa	inds)
Financial assets available to meet general expenditures				
over the next 12 months:	•	0.070	•	0.070
Cash	\$	2,273	\$	2,370
Short-term investments		14,113		19,880
Student and other accounts receivable, net		1,291		1,753
Pledges receivable for general expenditure due in one year		0.000		0.070
or less, net (Note 3)		2,892		2,878
Endowment spending rate distribution and appropriations	_	4,203	-	3,620
Total financial assets available to meet general				
expenditures over the next 12 months	\$_	24,772	\$_	30,501

In addition, the University has available approximately \$61,950 of board-designated funds which are eligible to be spent on operations, if needed, upon approval by the Board of Trustees of the University.

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 3 - Pledges Receivable

Pledges receivable consisted of the following at June 30:

		2024 (in thous	2023 ands)
Amounts due in:		(m thous	unao,
Less than one year	\$	3,121 \$	3,076
One to five years		8,367	9,611
Greater than five years	_	1,027	2,052
Total due		12,515	14,739
Less:			
Unamortized discount		(868)	(1,051)
Allowance for doubtful accounts	_	(1,622)	(1,647)
Pledges receivable, net	\$	10,025 \$	12,041

Discount rates used to present value the estimated cash flows from pledges ranged from 5.92% to 7.71% for the year ended June 30, 2024 and 4.60% to 7.87% for the year ended June 30, 2023.

# **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

# Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements

The following tables summarize the University's recurring fair value measurements at June 30, 2024 and 2023:

		Investments Measured			
2024	Total	at NAV (in tho	Level 1 ousands)	Level 2	Level 3
Short-term investments:	ф 42.E4C	<b>c</b>	ф 12.54G	Φ	
Money market funds Certificates of deposit	\$ 13,546 567	\$ -	\$ 13,546	\$ - \$ 567	-
Total short-term investments	14,113		13,546	567	<del></del>
Total Short-term investments		·	13,340		
Long-term investments:					
Equity funds:					
Domestic	30,287	4,408	25,879	_	_
Developed	11,919	4,408	7,511	_	_
Emerging	3,674	-	3,674	-	_
Fixed income	10,418	-	10,418	-	-
Multi strategy hedge	14,989	13,371	1,618	-	-
Other:					
REIT	3,392	3,392	-	-	-
Real estate	9,701	-	-	-	9,701
Private equity	16,814	16,814	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Total long-term investments	101,194	42,393	49,100	<u> </u>	9,701
Total investments	115,307	42,393	62,646	567	9,701
Other assets:					
Assets held under split interest agreements	550		550		
Assets held under split interest agreements		. <u> </u>		·	
Total	\$ 115,857	\$ 42,393	\$ 63,196	\$\$	9,701

# **Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements**

Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

	Total	Investments Measured at NAV	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
2023	iotai	(in thous		Level 2	Levers
Short-term investments:					
Money market funds	\$ 17,878 \$	- 9	\$ 17,878 \$	- \$	-
Certificates of deposit	2,100			2,100	_
Total short-term investments	19,978	-	17,878	2,100	
Long-term investments:					
Equity funds:					
Domestic	25,894	3,825	22,069	-	-
Developed	10,444	3,825	6,619	-	-
Emerging	3,284	-	3,284	-	-
Fixed income	8,847	-	8,847	-	-
Multi strategy hedge	15,540	12,672	2,868	-	-
Other:					
REIT	3,211	3,211	-	-	-
Real estate	9,668	-	-	-	9,668
Private equity	14,931	14,931			
Total long-term investments	91,819	38,464	43,687		9,668
Total investments	111,797	38,464	61,565	2,100	9,668
Other assets:					
Assets held under split interest agreements	536_		536	<del>-</del>	
Total	\$ <u>112,333</u> \$	38,464	\$ <u>62,101</u> \$	2,100 \$	9,668

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Redemption/liquidity of investments are as follows at June 30:

	2024		2023
	(in the	ousai	nds)
Redemption Frequency			
Daily	\$ 62,647	\$	61,567
Monthly	8,517		7,958
Quarterly to annually	17,629		17,673
Illiquid	 26,514		24,599
Total investments	\$ 115,307	\$	111,797

Management has no intentions or plans to liquidate any NAV practical expedient investment at other than NAV per share. At June 30, 2024, the University had unfunded commitments of \$8,507,000.

The University acquired non-operating real estate that is being measured on a recurring basis using Level 3 inputs with the change in value being reported as a component of unrealized gains. The significant Level 3 inputs were: a sales comparison approach that considered active markets for similar properties, prices of alternative properties having similar utility and the contributory value of residential dwellings; and a cost approach using estimates of land value and replacement cost of the improvements and accrued depreciation. An income valuation approach was not utilized because there is not an active rental market for similar properties that would result in a reliable estimate of the property's income generating potential, this approach does not reflect the primary analysis undertaken by a typical purchaser, and similar properties are typically owner-occupied. There were no purchases, sales, or transfers of Level 3 assets during the year ended June 30, 2024.

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 4 - Investments and Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Investment activities consisted of the following for the years ended June 30:

	2024 (in the	2023 ousands)
Investments and short-term investments, beginning of year	\$ 111,797	\$ 107,270
Gifts and additions: Endowment gifts Endowment additions from operations Operational additions Non-operational additions Total gifts and additions	3,591 - 708 - 4,299	1,177 2,000 3,607 - 6,784
Investment returns: Interest and dividends Net realized and unrealized gains Total investment returns	2,036 8,856 10,892	1,576 4,845 6,421
Expenditures: Amounts appropriated under endowment spending policy	(4,181)	(3,301)
Other expenditures: Capital projects Scholarships Operations Total other expenditures	(3,288) (55) (4,157) (7,500)	(417) (139) (4,821) (5,377)
Net investment returns and expenditures	(789)	(2,257)
Investments and short-term investments, end of year	\$ 115,307	\$111,797_

Investment management fees were \$707,000 and \$643,000 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, and are netted against realized and unrealized gains. Additionally, certain investment managers net their investment manager fees against returns, and accordingly, such amounts are not included in the aforementioned fees.

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 5 - Other Assets

Other assets consisted of the following at June 30:

	2024 2 (in thousands			
Interest in Captives Beneficial interest in remainder trust Prepaid expenses Other	\$ 1,403 623 199 228	\$ 	1,528 536 325 241	
Other assets	\$ 2,453	\$_	2,630	

## Note 6 - Land, Buildings and Equipment

Land, buildings and equipment consisted of the following at June 30:

		2024 2 (in thousands			
Land and improvements Buildings and improvements Equipment and computer software Equipment under finance lease Construction in progress	\$	8,190 174,445 48,067 932 4,115	\$	8,026 171,447 45,254 932 3,325	
Less: accumulated depreciation  Land, buildings and equipment, net	- \$_	235,749 (145,889) <b>89,860</b>	\$	228,984 (140,052) <b>88,932</b>	

Depreciation and amortization expense was \$7,240,000 and \$7,440,000 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Construction in progress includes the planned expansion of junior class housing, McKillop Library HVAC updates and other smaller renovations in progress throughout the campus. In order to accommodate the housing policy change, the University is planning construction of one new dormitory that is subject to city regulatory approval at this time.

The University disposed of \$1,352,000 of fully depreciated equipment for the year ended June 30, 2024 and \$360,000 of equipment at a gain of \$6,000 for the year ended June 30, 2023.

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 7 - Debt

Debt, net consisted of the following at June 30:

		2024 (in the	vuca.	2023
Obligations under Rhode Island Higher Education Facility Revenue Bonds of Refunding Series 2011 amortizes over 20 years with fixed interest of 3.65%; principal and interest paid monthly, secured by a pledge of annual tuition and dormitory revenues and a mortgage on certain property. The bonds are privately placed with a bank.	\$	9,465	\$	10,885
Obligations under Rhode Island Higher Education Facility Revenue Bonds of Refunding Series 2015, comprised of three bonds with one amortizing over 30 years (\$15,751 at June 30, 2024) with a fixed rate of 2.55% for 15 years (rate to be reset in year 16 for the following 15 year term), one over 21 years (\$1,988 at June 30, 2024) with variable interest rate of an adjusted 30-day SOFR rate (5.49% at June 30, 2024) and one over 30 years (\$2,863 at June 30, 2024) with variable interest rate of an adjusted 30-day SOFR rate (5.49% at June 30, 2024); principal and interest paid monthly, secured by a pledge of annual tuition and dormitory revenues and a mortgage on certain property. The bonds are privately placed with a bank.	_	20,602	_	21,441
Total debt		30,067		32,326
Less unamortized bond issuance costs	_	592	_	643
Debt, net	\$_	29,475	\$_	31,683

The obligations under the Rhode Island Higher Education Facility Revenue Bonds include financial and non-financial covenants.

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 7 - Debt (Continued)

Annual principal payments for the next five years and thereafter as of June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Year Ending June 30,	(in thousands)		
2025	\$	2,359	
2026		2,422	
2027		2,516	
2028		2,619	
2029		1,920	
Thereafter		18,231	
	\$	30,067	

Bond issuance costs are capitalized and amortized on the straight-line basis over the life of the related bonds. Bond issuance costs of \$592,000 and \$643,000 are net of accumulated amortization of \$573,000 and \$522,000 at June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Amortization expense amounted to \$51,000 for each of the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023.

The University maintains an unsecured revolving credit agreement with a bank that provides for maximum borrowings of \$4,000,000 with a term ending in December 2024. Management intends to renew the credit agreement under similar terms upon expiration. Any amounts outstanding bear interest at the bank's prime rate. At June 30, 2024 and 2023, there were no amounts outstanding under this agreement.

#### Note 8 - Leases

The University leases dormitory, athletic facilities, and administrative space under operating leases expiring at various dates through 2032. The components of lease expense were as follows for the years ended June 30:

	2024 (in thou	ısand	2023 ds)
Operating lease expense:	•		•
Fixed	\$ 366	\$	287
Short-term lease cost	240		240
Total operating lease expense	606		527
Finance lease expense:			
Amortization of right-of-use assets	 -		187
Total finance lease expense	-	_	187
Total lease expense	\$ 606	\$	714

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 8 - Leases (Continued)

Lease expense was approximately \$366,000 and \$477,000 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

Other information related to leases was as follows for the years ended June 30:

	2024			2023	
	(in thousands)				
Supplemental cash flows information					
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease obligations:					
Operating cash flows from operating leases	\$	365	\$	285	
Financing cash flows from finance leases		-		310	
Weighted average remaining lease term:					
Operating leases		4.8 years		5.9 years	
Finance leases		0 years		0 years	
Weighted average discount rate:					
Operating leases		3.40%		2.90%	
Finance leases		0.00%		0.00%	

Approximate annual non-cancelable rental payments under these leases for the years ending June 30 are as follows:

	Operating Leases (in thousan		
2025	\$	355	
2026		356	
2027		356	
2028		356	
2029		236	
Thereafter		31	
Total future minimum lease payments		1,690	
Less imputed interest		(124)	
Total lease obligations	\$	1,566	

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 8 - Leases (Continued)

## Lessor Agreement

The University leases its non-operating real estate investment to a private independent non-higher educational institution. The lease calls for annual payments of \$50,000 per year for a total of \$500,000 over the initial term which expires in June 2031. There is one five year renewal option with fair market rent, not to exceed \$130,000 per year. The University has recorded deferred rental revenue of \$1,050,000 and \$1,200,000 as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively, that represents the estimate of below market rental income. The deferred rental revenue was determined by applying the University's historical endowment return to the cost of the real estate over a ten year period and comparing that to the rental revenue over a ten year period. The resulting difference is management's estimate of the below market rent over that period. The University opted for an opportunity cost of investment method due to the lack of realistic market comparisons due to the unique nature of the property and its present use. This liability is included in deposits and deferred revenue on the consolidated statements of financial position and is amortized to other income on a straight-line basis over a period of ten years.

#### Note 9 - Commitments

#### Long-Term Contracts

The University has long-term contracts with outside service vendors for their food and custodial services through August 31, 2028 and June 30, 2025, respectively, and each can be terminated with reasonable notice. Expenses incurred under these contracts are variable each year based on the number of students served and actual expenses incurred.

The University has in place a fixed rate contract to purchase and receive credits associated with energy generated by solar power electrical facilities. The contract terminates twenty-five years after commercial operations commenced in June 2018.

The University has in place a contract with a service provider to assist and facilitate marketing efforts surrounding its online educational courses. The contract spans seven years after operations commence. Operations commenced July 2019 and will span through June 2026.

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 9 - Commitments (Continued)

## Self-Insurance Program

The University participates in a self-insured health insurance captive (the "Captive") in order to manage its health insurance costs. The University is an equity participant in the Captive that currently includes over twenty other educational institutions. As a participant, the University is liable for its prorata share of any Captive losses specific to the University. Any Captive gains or losses will be allocated to the members at the end of the year. The Captive has purchased reinsurance for itself to limit claims to the capital provided by the members. The University cannot be allocated any more in claims than this initial capital contribution. Specific to the University's plan, a stop-loss insurance policy is in force providing coverage for claims in excess of \$180,000 per participant in a calendar year. In addition, there is a general aggregate stop loss of \$125,000.

#### Note 10 - Net Assets and Endowment Matters

#### **Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions**

Net assets without donor restrictions are comprised of the following at June 30:

	2024 (in the	ousa	2023 nds)
Operating Net investment in plant Board-designated funds operating as endowment	\$ 12,026 59,838 61,950	\$ _	16,189 55,731 58,263
Net assets without donor restrictions	\$ 133,814	\$	130,183

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 10 - Net Assets and Endowment Matters (Continued)

#### Net Assets With Donor Restrictions

Net assets with donor restrictions are comprised of the following at June 30:

		2024 (in the	ousa	2023 ands)
Purpose restricted gifts:				
Capital improvements	\$	3,517	\$	3,280
Instructional, including pledges receivable		4,653		5,428
Financial aid, including pledges receivable		1,056		1,068
Other		5,323		7,808
		14,549	_	17,584
Accumulated unspent gains:			_	
Financial aid		4,997		3,881
Instructional		1,587		965
Other		512		177
		7,096		5,023
Endowment corpus:				
Financial aid		12,265		11,796
Instructional		8,024		7,011
Other		3,025		956
	_	23,314	_	19,763
Total endowment	_	30,410	· -	24,786
Interest in remainder trust restricted				
for perpetual endowment		267		248
		267	-	248
Net assets with donor restrictions	\$_	45,226	\$_	42,618

Net assets were released from donor restrictions as a result of the incurrence of expenses satisfying the restricted purposes, the occurrence of events specified by donors or by the change of restrictions specified by the donors. Net assets released from restrictions were for the following purposes for the years ended June 30:

	2024			2023
	(in thousands)			
Capital improvements	\$	131	\$	692
Instructional		1,398		1,431
Financial aid		256		464
Other	-	109		347
Net assets released from restrictions	\$	1,894	\$	2,934

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 10 - Net Assets and Endowment Matters (Continued)

The following represents required disclosures relative to the composition of endowment assets and those functioning as endowment assets at June 30:

				2024		
	Witl	et Assets hout Donor strictions	Ne: Wit	nousands) t Assets th Donor strictions		Total
Endowment assets and those functioning as endowment assets, beginning of year	\$	58,263	\$	24,786	\$	83,049
Gifts Additions from operations		90		3,501 -		3,591 -
Total gifts and additions		90		3,501	_	3,591
Investment return:						
Interest and dividends		684		362		1,046
Net realized and unrealized gains		6,053		2,802		8,855
Total investment returns		6,737		3,164	_	9,901
Expenditures:  Amounts appropriated under endowment spending policy:						
Scholarships		(32)		(820)		(852)
Operations		(3,108)		(221)		(3,329)
Total amounts appropriated under endowment spending policy		(3,140)		(1,041)	_	(4,181)
Net investment returns and expenditures		3,597		2,123		5,720
Endowment assets and those functioning as endowment assets, end of year	\$	61,950	\$	30,410	\$ <u></u>	92,360

## Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

Note 10 - Net Assets and Endowment Matters (Continued)

	2023				
		(in thousands)			
	Net Assets	Net Assets			
	Without Donor	With Donor			
	Restrictions	Restrictions	Total		
Endowment assets and those functioning					
as endowment assets, beginning of year	\$\$4,569_\$	22,861 \$	77,430		
Gifts	73	1,130	1,203		
Additions from operations	2,000	, -	2,000		
Total gifts and additions	2,073	1,130	3,203		
Investment return:					
Interest and dividends	661	276	937		
Net realized and unrealized gains	3,387	1,393	4,780		
Total investment returns	4,048	1,669	5,717		
Expenditures:					
Amounts appropriated under endowment					
spending policy:					
Scholarships	(31)	(658)	(689)		
Operations	(2,396)	(216)	(2,612)		
Total amounts appropriated under					
endowment spending policy	(2,427)	(874)	(3,301)		
Net investment returns and expenditures	1,621	795	2,416		
Endowment assets and those functioning					
as endowment assets, end of year	\$ <u>58,263</u> \$	24,786 \$	83,049		

#### **Endowment**

The University's endowment consists of over 100 individual funds established for a variety of purposes. Its endowment includes both donor-restricted endowment funds and funds designated by the Board of Trustees to function as endowments. As required by GAAP, net assets associated with endowment funds, including funds designated by the Board of Trustees to function as endowments, are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 10 - Net Assets and Endowment Matters (Continued)

## Interpretation of Relevant Law and Spending Policy

The Board of Trustees of the University has interpreted the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act ("UPMIFA") signed into law in the State of Rhode Island requiring the tracking of value of the original gift as of the gift date of the donor-restricted endowment funds absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary. As such, the University tracks in perpetuity: (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original gift value of subsequent gifts to the permanent endowment, and (c) accumulations to the permanent endowment made in accordance with the direction of the applicable donor gift instrument at the time the accumulation is added to the fund. Endowment accounts are subject to appropriation for expenditure by the University in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by UPMIFA. In accordance with UPMIFA, the University considers the following factors in making a determination to appropriate or accumulate donor-restricted endowment funds:

- (1) The duration and preservation of the fund
- (2) The purposes of the University and the donor-restricted endowment fund
- (3) General economic conditions
- (4) The possible effect of inflation and deflation
- (5) The expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments
- (6) Other resources of the University
- (7) The investment policies of the University

Based on the above, the Board of Trustees had established a spending rate of four and a half percent of a rolling three-year average fair value of the long-term investments for both 2024 and 2023. The University has adopted this spending policy in an effort to balance current needs along with preserving the purchasing power of these funds into the future.

#### Funds with Deficiencies

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with the individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level that the donor requires the University to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. These deficiencies resulted from unfavorable market fluctuations. The University has interpreted UPMIFA to permit spending from underwater endowments in accordance with prudent measures required under law. Funds with deficiencies were reported in net assets with donor restrictions as follows at June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	2024 (in the	ous	2023 ands)
Fair value of underwater endowment funds Original endowment gift amount	\$  82 107	\$	3,338 3,373
Deficiencies of underwater endowment funds	\$ (25)	\$	(35)

#### Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 10 - Net Assets and Endowment Matters (Continued)

#### Return Objectives and Risk Parameters

The University's investment portfolio is managed to provide for the long-term support of the University. Accordingly, these funds are managed with disciplined longer-term investment objectives and strategies designed to meet cash flow and spending requirements. Management of the assets is designed to attain the maximum total return consistent with acceptable and agreed-upon levels of risk. It is the goal of the aggregate endowment fund assets to generate a long-term rate of return which would meet the annual spending rate, provide for inflation, and fees. The expected spending draw for the year ending June 30, 2025 is approximately \$4,203,000.

#### Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives

To satisfy its long-term rate-of-return objectives, the University relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends). The University targets an asset allocation strategy wherein assets are diversified among several asset classes. The pursuit of maximizing total return is tempered by the need to minimize the volatility of returns and preserve capital. As such, the University seeks broad diversification among assets having different characteristics with the intent to endure lower relative performance in strong markets in exchange for greater downside protection in weak markets.

#### Note 11 - Defined Contribution Plans

The University has a qualified defined contribution plan for eligible employees. Under the plan, the University makes discretionary contributions as a percentage of the salaries of all eligible participating employees with that percentage having been 8% in 2024 and 2023. Expenses under this plan were approximately \$2,457,000 and \$2,277,000 for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

# Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements

## Note 12 - Natural Classification of Expenses

**Total expenses** 

Expenses presented by natural classification and function are as follows for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

								2024							
		(in thousands)													
										Management					
		Instruction		Research		Academic Support		Student Services		Auxiliary Enterprises		and General		Fundraising	Total
Salaries and benefits Contract services	\$	21,672 1,596	\$	303 4	\$	4,430 24	\$	10,085 114	\$	2,762 5,246	\$	10,358 2,624		1,860 \$ 31	51,470 9,639
Occupancy and related expenses		1,048		35		420		952		4,746		462		45	7,708
Depreciation and amortization Interest		1,718 672		34 9		689 78		1,307 132		2,609 140		842 41		41	7,240 1,072
Other operating expenses		805		63		1,346		4,098		1,938		151		195	8,596
Other non-operating expenses		-				<u> </u>	_	<u> </u>				772	_	<u>-</u> .	772
Total expenses	\$	27,511	\$	448	\$	6,987	\$_	16,688	\$	17,441	\$	15,250	<b>\$</b>	2,172 \$	86,497
	2023														
								(in thousa	nd	s)					
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		Instruction		Research		Academic Support		Student Services		Auxiliary Enterprises		and General		Fundraising	Total
Salaries and benefits	\$	20,631	\$	515	\$	4,150	\$	8,929	\$	3,157	\$	9,815	\$	1,919 \$	49,116
Contract services		1,410		5		9		175		4,792		3,018		38	9,447
Occupancy and related expenses		1,010		33		405		820		4,580		442		43	7,333
Depreciation and amortization		1,767		34		709		1,337		2,685		866		42	7,440
Interest		632		10		86		150		158		46		-	1,082
Other operating expenses		1,231		143		1,289		4,037		1,513		495		163	8,871
Other non-operating expenses				-								912			912
			-								-		_		

\$<u>26,681</u> \$<u>740</u> \$<u>6,648</u> \$<u>15,448</u> \$<u>16,885</u> \$<u>15,594</u> \$<u>2,205</u> \$<u>84,201</u>