



# SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

# **CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

## May 31, 2014 and 2013

(With Independent Auditors' Report Thereon)



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## **Independent Auditors' Report**

The Board of Trustees Southern Methodist University:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Southern Methodist University (the University), which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, and the related consolidated statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these consolidated financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles; this includes 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.

## Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the University's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the University'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 consolidated financial statements.

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



## Opinion

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Southern Methodist University as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

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Dallas, Texas September 4, 2014

## Southern Methodist University Consolidated Balance Sheets As of May 31, 2014 and 2013 (Dollars in Thousands)

Assets		2014		2013	Liabilities and Net Assets		2014		2013
					Liabilities:				
Cash and cash equivalents (restricted for capital projects: \$142,564 in 2014 and \$173,205 in 2013)	\$	210,870	\$	290,622	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	195,776	\$	186,616
					Deposits and deferred income		35,450		27,018
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful		20.000		22.256	N		205		252
accounts of \$1,595 in 2014 and \$1,030 in 2013		28,099		22,256	Notes payable		305		352
Pledges receivable, net		126,952		113,943	Bonds payable		574,219		609,621
Investments:					Advances for student loans		2,929		2,899
Short-term paper (restricted for debt retirement:	¢	0.5.4.50	<i>.</i>			٠	000.570	<b>.</b>	00.000
\$1,688 in 2014 and \$914 in 2013)	\$	86,160	\$	79,527	Total Liabilities	\$	808,679	\$	826,506
Stocks		204,207		223,464					
Bonds (restricted for debt retirement: \$6,794 in									
2014 and \$32,405 in 2013; restricted for capital projects: \$0 in 2014 and \$20,280 in 2013)		120,689		154,126					
Venture capital		47,101		52,333					
Mortgage and other notes receivable, less allowance for									
doubtful accounts of \$780 in 2014 and \$774 in 2013		7,564		7,945					
Real estate		75,039		112,508					
Funds held in trust by others		21,721		19,795					
Other		670,692		560,539	Net Assets:				
Total investments	\$	1,233,173	\$	1,210,237	Unrestricted	\$	529,583	\$	471,297
					Temporarily restricted		610,374		612,235
Property, plant and equipment, at cost,									
net of accumulated depreciation		936,299		823,610	Permanently restricted		606,807		564,362
Other assets		20,050		13,732	Total Net Assets	\$	1,746,764	\$	1,647,894
Total Assets	\$	2,555,443	\$	2,474,400	Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$	2,555,443	\$	2,474,400

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## Southern Methodist University Consolidated Statements of Activities For the Fiscal Years Ended May 31, 2014 and 2013 (Dollars in Thousands)

	2014								2013							
			Tei	mporarily	Pe	rmanently					Te	emporarily	Per	manently		
	Unrestr	icted	Re	estricted	R	estricted		Total	U	nrestricted	R	estricted	Re	estricted		Total
Revenue:																
Tuition and fees		,381	\$	-	\$	-	\$	402,381	\$	383,308	\$	-	\$	-	\$	383,308
Scholarship allowance - tuition and fees		,686)		-		-		(142,686)		(134,561)		-		-		(134,561)
Net tuition		,695	\$	-	\$	-	\$	259,695	\$	248,747	\$	-	\$	-	\$	248,747
Gifts		,113		47,454		40,623		111,190		20,114		63,281		26,079		109,474
Endowment income, net of investment expenses		,107		487		1,105		21,699		16,099		109		1,085		17,293
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments	3	,828		58,114		717		62,659		5,484		75,861		1,084		82,429
Grants and contracts		,466		-		-		34,466		26,591		-		-		26,591
Organized activities	8	,476		-		-		8,476		7,884		-		-		7,884
Other sources	30	,462		-		-		30,462		29,298		-		-		29,298
Auxiliary activities	42	,238		-		-		42,238		40,666		-		-		40,666
Scholarship allowance - room and board	(2	,842)		-		-		(2,842)		(2,942)		-		-		(2,942)
Independent operations	3	,871		-		-		3,871		3,837		-				3,837
Total revenue	\$ 423	,414	\$	106,055	\$	42,445	\$	571,914	\$	395,778	\$	139,251	\$	28,248	\$	563,277
Net assets released from restrictions	107	,916		(107,916)		-		-		57,513		(57,513)				-
Total adjusted revenue	\$ 531	,330	\$	(1,861)	\$	42,445	\$	571,914	\$	453,291	\$	81,738	\$	28,248	\$	563,277
Expenses: Program expenses:																
Instructional	\$ 163	.351	\$	-	\$	-	\$	163,351	\$	160,304	\$	-	\$	-	\$	160,304
Academic support	60	,152		-		-		60,152		56,586		-		-		56,586
Research		,489		-		-		23,489		21,950		-		-		21,950
Organized activities	9	,870		-		-		9,870		9,836		-		-		9,836
Student services	47	.186		-		-		47,186		45,225		-		-		45,225
Auxiliary activities	70	,383		-		-		70,383		68,930		-		-		68,930
Total program expenses		,431	\$	-	\$	-	\$	374,431	\$		\$	-	\$	-	\$	362,831
Institutional support		,903		-		-		94,903		88,281		-		-		88,281
Independent operations		,364		-		-		4,364		3,270		-		-		3,270
Total expenses		,698	\$	-	\$	-	\$	473,698	\$	454,382	\$	-	\$	-	\$	454,382
Postretirement plan changes other than		<u> </u>						,								
net periodic postretirement benefit cost		(654)		-		-		(654)		(6,659)				-		(6,659)
Total expenses and actuarial adjustment	\$ 473	,044	\$		\$		\$	473,044	\$	447,723	\$		\$	-	\$	447,723
Change in net assets	\$ 58	,286	\$	(1,861)	\$	42,445	\$	98,870	\$	5,568	\$	81,738	\$	28,248	\$	115,554
Net assets at beginning of the fiscal year	471	,297		612,235		564,362		1,647,894		465,729		530,497		536,114		1,532,340
Net assets at end of the fiscal year	\$ 529	,583	\$	610,374	\$	606,807	\$	1,746,764	\$	471,297	\$	612,235	\$	564,362	\$	1,647,894

See accompanying notes to the consolidated financial statements.

## Southern Methodist University Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows For the Years Ended May 31, 2014 and 2013 (Dollars in Thousands)

		2014		2013	
Cash flows from operating activities:	۴	00.070	۴		
Change in net assets	\$	98,870	\$	115,554	
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net					
cash used for operating activities:		20.216		20.440	
Depreciation		29,216		28,449	
Bond premium amortization		(1,882)		(1,983)	
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		227		683	
Increase in accounts and pledges receivable		(18,852)		(14,318)	
Increase in other assets		(6,318)		(3,826)	
Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses for operations		9,868		1,480	
Increase in deposits and deferred income and advances for student loans		8,462		1,411	
Contributions restricted for long-term investment		(49,581)		(42,624)	
Noncash contributions		(15,717)		(3,401)	
Net realized and unrealized gains on investments		(62,659)		(82,429)	
Income restricted for long-term investment		(2,757)		(1,377)	
Annuity obligation payments		321		559	
Net cash used for operating activities	\$	(10,802)	\$	(1,822)	
Cash flows from investing activities:					
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	\$	(134,113)	\$	(141,123)	
Proceeds from sales of property, plant and equipment		532		85	
Purchase of investments		(307,684)		(345,969)	
Proceeds from the sale of investments		354,192		449,256	
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable and accrued expenses for investing activities		(708)		16,038	
Disbursements of mortgage and other notes receivable		(862)		(1,020)	
Principal payments received on mortgage and other notes receivable		1,243		1,902	
Net cash used for investing activities	\$	(87,400)	\$	(20,831)	
Cash flows from financing activities:					
Contributions restricted for long-term investment	\$	49,581	\$	42,624	
Income restricted for long-term investment		2,757		1,377	
Annuity obligation payments		(321)		(559)	
Payments on notes payable		(47)		(425)	
Proceeds from bond issue		-		197,104	
Long-term bond payments		(33,520)		(52,460)	
Net cash provided by financing activities	\$	18,450	\$	187,661	
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(79,752)		165,008	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		290,622		125,614	
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	210,870	\$	290,622	
Supplemental data: Gifts of investments, real estate and other	\$	7,166	\$	2,591	
Gifts of property, plant and equipment	φ	1,929	φ	2,391 810	
Grants of property, plant and equipment		6,622		010	
Cash paid for interest				-	
Cash paid 101 litterest		20,037		15,007	

#### Southern Methodist University Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements May 31, 2014 and 2013

#### 1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## **Nature of Operations:**

Southern Methodist University (the University) is a private higher education institution providing undergraduate, graduate, and continuing educational opportunities. In addition to the revenue generated by the tuition and fees charged for these educational services, the University receives support from donations, and revenue from investment earnings, sponsored research, athletic events and other auxiliary activities, and other sources.

The University currently has eleven corporations under its control that are included in the consolidated financial statements. Peruna Properties, Inc., Pony Properties, Inc., Peruna Holdings Corporation, Mustang Mockingbird Corporation, Mustang Mockingbird Properties, Mustang Airline Corporation and Peruna East Corporation are corporations the University established to acquire, own and manage, on behalf of the University, real estate adjacent to or in the near vicinity of the University campus. The University also has established the Stadium Club, Inc. to operate a private club in the Gerald J. Ford Stadium, the Southern Methodist University Foundation for Research to support academic scholarship and scientific research in the public interest for the benefit of the University and to assist in fulfilling the educational and research purposes of the University, and SMU Corp. in connection with the location of the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum at the University. During the current fiscal year, the University formed the SMU Golf Foundation to participate in a public-private initiative to construct a world class golf facility in southern Dallas that will become the home of the University's Men's and Women's Golf teams and support other community activities.

#### **Financial Reporting:**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting standards established to provide meaningful information about the financial resources and operations of the University as a whole and to present balances and transactions based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, transactions and balances have been classified into three categories of net assets:

**Unrestricted net assets** include funds that have no donor-imposed restrictions, time restrictions or whose restrictions have been satisfied. The University has determined that any donor-imposed restrictions for currently budgeted programs and activities generally are met within the operating cycle of the University. Therefore, the University's policy is to record these funds as unrestricted.

**Temporarily restricted net assets** include funds for which donor-imposed restrictions have not been met. This classification includes gifts, annuities and unconditional promises to give for which the ultimate purpose of the proceeds is not permanently restricted.

**Permanently restricted net assets** include gifts, annuities and unconditional promises to give that are restricted by the donor to be invested or held in perpetuity. Only the income from these funds is made available for program operations specified by the donor.

#### **Basis of Accounting:**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. The costs of providing various programs and support services have been summarized on a functional basis in the consolidated statements of activities. Accordingly, expenses such as depreciation, interest, bond issuance costs and the operation and maintenance of University facilities have been allocated among the functional categories. Fund-raising expenses of approximately \$20,036,000 and \$19,586,000 incurred by the University in fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively, are included primarily as institutional support expenses reported in the consolidated statements of activities.

Cash equivalents include operating cash investments, U.S. Treasury bills and short-term paper with maturities of three months or less from the date of purchase and certain certificates of deposit with maturities in excess of three months. Such assets when purchased with endowment, loan, annuity and life income assets or trust funds are classified as investments.

Investments in short-term paper, stocks, bonds and funds held in trust by others with readily determinable fair values are recorded at fair value. Equity method investments are valued at the University's percentage of the net asset values reported by the fund managers, which are used as practical expedients to estimate the fair values. All other investments are recorded at cost, with disclosure of most recently reported fair values in Note 4, herein. Management monitors the managers and investment strategies of these and other investments to ascertain whether valuations are reasonable and whether the assets are permanently impaired. Permanent impairment losses are recognized when investments' fair values are below their carrying amounts and verifiable positive evidence does not exist to support the recoverability of the investments within a reasonable period of time. Permanent impairment losses were \$25,853,000 and \$23,595,000 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. For the year ended May 31, 2014, the University has investments in venture capital funds, real estate and other investments that have fair values lower than cost by \$14,620,000 that are not reported as permanently impaired. The aggregate related fair value of these 21 investments is \$98,329,000.

Gifts are recorded at fair value at the date of donation or a nominal value if fair value is not readily determinable. Recorded realized and unrealized gains on investments are reported in the appropriate net asset classifications in the consolidated statements of activities. Gifts and income thereon that are restricted in perpetuity by the donors for the purpose of making loans to students are reported as permanently restricted net assets. Refundable advances from the federal government for student loans are reported as unrestricted net assets. Federally funded student loan programs consist of \$2,929,000 and \$2,899,000 of refundable government advances and \$373,000 and \$366,000 of matching University funds in fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Property, plant and equipment (including art objects) are recorded at cost, if purchased, or at the fair value at the time of donation, if donated. During the period qualifying construction projects are in progress, net interest costs are capitalized as part of the basis of capital assets. Capital assets include property, plant and equipment that have an acquisition cost of \$5,000 and over and have an estimated useful life of at least two (2) years, with the exception of software, where the cost must exceed \$75,000 before the asset will be capitalized. Property, plant and equipment (except for art objects and land) are depreciated on the straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives with equipment, vehicles, furniture, software and "other" depreciating in 5 to 15 years; land improvements depreciating in 15 to 50 years; and buildings depreciating in 20 to 40 years.

Contributions of land, buildings, and equipment without donor stipulations concerning the use of such long-lived assets are reported as revenue of the unrestricted net asset class. Contributions of cash or other assets to be used to acquire land, buildings, and equipment without such donor stipulations are reported as revenue of the temporarily restricted net asset class. The restrictions are considered to be released when the long-lived assets are placed in service.

The University has adopted an endowment spending policy whereby annually the Board of Trustees authorizes amounts to be spent for the purposes intended by the donors based in part on an index of the prior year allocation for spending and in part on a stipulated percentage of the fair value of endowments participating in the investment pool. If the current income of the endowment investments is not sufficient to cover the authorized level of spending, the difference is taken from the market value in excess of the historical gift value, to the extent available.

The expiration of donor-imposed restrictions on contributions or endowment income is recognized in the period in which the restrictions are satisfied. At that time, the related resources are reclassified from temporarily restricted to unrestricted net assets. Restrictions expire when the stipulated time has elapsed or when the stipulated purpose for which the resource was restricted has been fulfilled. Endowment income and contributions received with donor-imposed restrictions that are satisfied in the same period as received are reported as unrestricted revenues.

Tuition revenue is recognized in the fiscal year in which the predominant portion of instruction occurs. Accordingly, deferred income as of May 31, 2014 includes the amount received from the students prior to May 31, 2014 for the 2014 summer session.

The University receives grant and contract revenue for research and other services it provides pursuant to arrangements with governmental and private entities. For financial statement purposes, grant and contract revenue is recorded at the time corresponding expenses have been incurred.

The preparation of consolidated financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Certain fiscal year 2013 amounts have been reclassified to conform to the University's financial presentation in fiscal year 2014. On the consolidated statements of activities, certain revenue amounts that were previously reported as auxiliary activities revenue have been reclassified as gifts, and some fiscal year 2013 functional expenses have also been reclassified to conform to the fiscal year 2014 presentation. On the consolidated balance sheets, certain amounts previously reported in accounts receivable have been reclassified as pledges receivable, and various investments have been reclassified to conform to the fiscal year 2014 categorizations.

#### 2. Cash, Cash Equivalents, and Accounts Receivable

The fair value of cash, short maturity cash equivalents, and accounts receivable is estimated to be the same as carrying (book) value because of their short maturities. Operating funds invested in short-term paper are included as cash equivalents, the value of which may fluctuate based on the financial environment and the type of short-term investment. Approximately \$1,276,000 of the cash and cash equivalents value relates to certificates of deposit with maturities exceeding three months at the date of purchase. The fair value of these investments may fluctuate with market conditions. The fair value of cash, cash equivalents, and

accounts receivable totaled \$238,969,000 and \$312,878,000 of which \$3,582,000 and \$13,765,000 represent donations restricted for property, plant and equipment as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The University reserves accounts receivable determined to be impaired or otherwise uncollectible.

#### **3.** Pledges Receivable

Unconditional promises to give are included in the consolidated financial statements as pledges receivable with gifts reported in the appropriate net asset categories. Pledges receivable are initially recorded at their fair value, which is determined by computing the present value of future cash flows discounted at rates ranging from 4% to 7%. The present value and the associated incremental income are reflected as gift revenue in the period the agreement is made and in the period accreted, respectively.

Unconditional pledges receivable as of May 31 are expected to be realized in the following periods (dollars in thousands):

	2014	 2013
In one year or less	\$ 34,872	\$ 38,614
Between one year and five years	85,549	72,998
More than five years	40,681	31,696
Less discount	(34,150)	(29,365)
	\$ 126,952	\$ 113,943

Unconditional pledges receivable as of May 31 have the following restrictions (dollars in thousands):

	 2014	 2013
Endowment for departmental programs and activities	\$ 20,702	\$ 16,109
Endowment for scholarships	6,904	6,498
Construction projects	38,161	48,765
Scholarships, departmental programs and activities	26,621	35,433
Purpose restriction met	 34,564	 7,138
	\$ 126,952	\$ 113,943

Conditional promises to give are not recorded in the financial statements until the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. As of May 31, the University has received pledges contingent on the following conditions (dollars in thousands):

	 2014	 2013
Contingent on donor's gift collections	\$ 11,890	\$ 19,313
Matching donation/funding requirement	8,862	5,461
Other	 2,191	 3,625
	\$ 22,943	\$ 28,399

## 4. Investments

Total investments as of May 31 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

		20	14		2013					
	(	Carrying		Fair	(	Carrying		Fair		
		Value		Value		Value		Value		
Short-term paper	\$	86,160	\$	86,160	\$	79,527	\$	79,527		
Stocks		204,207		204,207		223,464		223,464		
Bonds		120,689		120,689		154,126		154,126		
Venture capital		47,101		58,511		52,333		57,435		
Mortgage and other notes										
receivable, net		7,564		7,564		7,945		7,945		
Real estate:										
Real properties	\$	75,039	\$	83,015	\$	112,508	\$	107,700		
Mineral rights		-		49,248		-		37,806		
Total real estate	\$	75,039	\$	132,263	\$	112,508	\$	145,506		
Funds held in trust by others		21,721		21,721		19,795		19,795		
Other investments:										
Private equity	\$	178,348	\$	246,863	\$	206,904	\$	262,853		
Diversifying strategies		209,709		344,769		180,708		289,601		
Equity funds without daily										
liquidity		272,362		325,432		163,113		180,159		
Fixed income funds without		510		ECE		525		504		
daily liquidity Equity method investments (carrying		510		565		535		594		
value is fair value)		9,763	9,763			9,279		9,279		
Total other investments	\$	670,692	\$	927,392	\$	560,539	\$	742,486		
Total investments	\$	1,233,173	\$	1,558,507	\$	1,210,237	\$	1,430,284		

The fair value of short-term paper, stocks, bonds and funds held in trust by others is based on quoted market prices. The fair value of the University's interest in venture capital, real estate funds and other investments is based on the net asset value (NAV) reported by the fund managers, which is used as a practical expedient to estimate the fair value of the University's investment therein, unless it is probable that all or a portion of the value is different from NAV. The fair value of real estate mineral rights is estimated based on the income stream those assets generate. Where the fair value of mortgage and other notes receivable and University individually owned and managed real estate surface rights is not available and cannot be determined without incurring excessive costs, the amounts reflected as fair value are the same as carrying value. Investments include assets associated with split-interest agreements. The University's split-interest agreements consist of perpetual trusts held and administered by others, gift annuities, unitrusts and annuity trusts. Perpetual trusts held and administered by others are recorded at the current fair value of the University's interest in the trust assets.

Under split-interest agreements, the University has the right to receive income distributions that are reported as revenue. The gains associated with split-interest agreements were \$4,170,000 and \$1,988,000 in fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively. The fair value of split-interest agreements was \$35,509,000 and \$32,364,000 in fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Assets associated with gift annuities, unitrusts and annuity trusts held by the University are included in the applicable investment classifications. Under these split-interest agreements, the University makes periodic payments to named beneficiaries in return for assets received. Liabilities associated with split-interest agreements are recorded as accounts payable and accrued expenses on the consolidated balance sheets at current fair value by discounting the anticipated future payments to the income beneficiaries based on their life expectancies determined from the actuarial tables published by the Internal Revenue Service using discount rates of 4.16% and 4.12% per annum in fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively. As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, the present values of the University's financial obligations to beneficiaries were \$6,799,000 and \$6,669,000, respectively.

The University also owns foreign investments that are included in the applicable investment classifications on the consolidated balance sheets. To mitigate foreign exchange risk, the investment managers may purchase foreign currency futures contracts which result in unrealized gains and losses that are reflected in the fair values of appropriate investment categories.

Investment return is comprised of investment income and net realized and unrealized gains. Investment income of \$25,579,000 and \$22,042,000 for the years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, is net of related expenses, such as custodial fees and investment advisory fees. These expenses are approximately \$10,098,000 and \$9,532,000 for the years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Net realized and unrealized gains on investments totaled \$62,659,000 and \$82,429,000 for the years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Included in these amounts are realized and unrealized gains attributed to assets reported at fair value of approximately \$32,809,000 and \$47,548,000 for the years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, and realized gains attributed to assets reported at cost of approximately \$29,850,000 and \$34,881,000 for the years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

The University applies the guidance in Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 970-323, *Investments - Equity Method and Joint Ventures*, on the equity method of accounting for its noncontrolling interests in a for-profit real estate partnership and similar for-profit real estate entities unless those investments are reported at fair value. The University has determined those for-profit real estate investments in which it holds an interest equal to or greater than 5% will be reported using the equity method of accounting. The University has noncontrolling interests in one real estate entity for investment purposes that meets this 5% threshold and has been recorded using the equity method. All disclosures and unrealized gain (loss) adjustments are based on the most recently reported fair values and financial statements of the investment companies.

As of May 31, 2014 and 2013 the University's held a 5.4% ownership interest in the Sustainable Woodlands Fund, L.P. The fair value of its ownership using the most recent (unaudited) financial information of the investment company was \$9,763,000 and \$9,279,000 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

#### 5. Endowment Fund

The University applies the provisions of ASC 958-205, *Endowments of Not-for-Profit Entities - Presentation of Financial Statements*, which provides guidance on the net asset classification of donor-restricted endowment funds for a not-for-profit organization that is subject to the Uniform Prudent Management of Institutional Funds Act of 2006 (UPMIFA or the Act) and also requires disclosures about endowment funds, including both donor-restricted endowment funds and funds functioning as endowment funds.

The University's endowment consists of approximately 1,500 individual donor-restricted endowment funds and funds designated by the Board of Trustees to function as endowments established for a variety of purposes. 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.

#### **Interpretation of Relevant Law:**

Based on the interpretation of the UPMIFA by the Board of Trustees of the University, absent explicit donor stipulations to the contrary, the University classifies as permanently restricted net assets (a) the original value of gifts donated to the permanent endowment, (b) the original 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.

The remaining portion of the donor-restricted endowment fund that is not classified as permanently restricted net assets is classified as temporarily restricted net assets until it is appropriated for expenditure by the Board of Trustees in a manner consistent with the standard of prudence prescribed by the Act. In accordance with the Act, the Board of Trustees 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 appreciation of investments
- 6. Other resources
- 7. The investment policies of the University

Temporarily restricted and permanently restricted donor-restricted endowment funds were \$485,937,000 and \$580,793,000, respectively, as of May 31, 2014 and \$469,776,000 and \$538,702,000, respectively, as of May 31, 2013. Funds functioning as endowment funds were \$72,356,000 and \$69,556,000 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, and are included in unrestricted net assets.

Changes in endowment net assets for the years ended May 31 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

			20			2013										
	Un	restricted		mporarily estricted		manently estricted		Total	Uni	restricted		mporarily estricted		rmanently estricted		Total
Net assets at beginning of year	\$	69,556	\$	469,776	\$	538,702	\$	1,078,034	\$	64,048	\$	437,673	\$	511,151	\$	1,012,872
Gifts		-		-		40,623		40,623		-		-		25,829		25,829
Investment return: Investment income, net of distributions Net realized and unrealized gains Total investment return	\$	495 4,111 4,606	\$	297 58,177 58,474	\$	1,089 	\$	1,881 62,288 64,169	\$	369 5,574 5,943	\$	77,168	\$	1,075	\$	1,444 82,742 84,186
Endowment gains transferred for spending	Ψ	(3,346)	Ŷ	(42,482)	Ψ	-	Ψ	(45,828)	Ψ	(3,544)	Ŷ	(43,852)	Ŷ	-	Ψ	(47,396)
Funds functioning as endowment net transfers		1,540		-		-		1,540		2,552		-		-		2,552
Other revenues and transfers				169		379		548		557		(1,213)		647		(9)
Net assets at end of year	\$	72,356	\$	485,937	\$	580,793	\$	1,139,086	\$	69,556	\$	469,776	\$	538,702	\$	1,078,034

Changes in endowment net assets split between donor-restricted and funds functioning as endowment for the years ended May 31 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	r-Restricted dowment	Func	14 Funds tioning as lowment		Total	2013   Funds   Donor-Restricted Functioning as   Endowment Endowment Total						
Gifts	\$ 40,623	\$	\$ -		40,623	\$	25,829	\$	-	\$	25,829	
Investment return: Investment income, net of distribution Net realized and unrealized gains Total investment return	\$ 1,386 58,177 59,563	\$ \$	495 4,111 4,606	\$ \$	1,881 62,288 64,169	\$	1,075 77,168 78,243	\$ \$	369 5,574 5,943	\$	1,444 82,742 84,186	
Endowment gains transferred for spending	(42,482)		(3,346)		(45,828)		(43,852)		(3,544)		(47,396)	
Funds functioning as endowment net transfers	-		1,540		1,540		-		2,552		2,552	
Other revenues and transfers	 548				548		(9)				(9)	
Total change in endowment funds	\$ 58,252	\$	2,800	\$	61,052	\$	60,211	\$	4,951	\$	65,162	

Endowment funds classified as permanently restricted net assets of \$580,793,000 and \$538,702,000 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, represent the portion of perpetual endowment funds that is required to be retained permanently by explicit donor stipulation.

Endowment funds classified as temporarily restricted net assets and subject to a time restriction under UPMIFA as of May 31 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

2014		2013
\$ 75,526	\$	67,936
410,411		401,840
\$ 485,937	\$	469,776
\$ \$	\$ 75,526 410,411	\$ 75,526 \$ 410,411

#### **Funds with Deficiencies:**

From time to time, the fair value of assets associated with individual donor-restricted endowment funds may fall below the level the donor or the Act requires the University to retain as a fund of perpetual duration. There were no deficiencies of this nature as of May 31, 2014 or 2013.

#### **Return Objectives and Risk Parameters:**

The University has adopted investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a predictable stream of funding to programs supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include those assets of donor-restricted funds that the University must hold in perpetuity or for donor-specified periods, as well as funds functioning as endowment funds. Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Trustees, the endowment assets are invested in a manner that is intended to outperform over the long term (defined as rolling three and five year periods) a blended benchmark composed of 75% of the Russell 3000 and 25% of Barclay's Government/Credit Index. The University expects its endowment funds, over time, to provide an average rate of return of approximately 9% annually (or 5.5% after an expected average rate of University inflation of 3.5% per year), net of all costs of management fees, trading expenses and custody services over the long term. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this target.

The principal risk to the endowment is the possibility of prolonged or severe asset depreciation that impairs the ability of the fund to preserve the value of the corpus after inflation, fees and the yearly spending distribution. The endowment's broadly diversified portfolio is designed to reduce the volatility of returns. Also, the endowment is invested in asset classes that are projected to perform well and act as a hedge in environments that could cause prolonged or severe asset depreciation such as high inflation or deflation. Risk management is a dynamic process that takes into account general market developments, the proliferation of new investments and the changing nature of correlation across asset classes. The University and its Investment Committee are responsible for this process, monitoring and managing the factors pertaining to credit, liquidity, market and operational risks.

#### **Strategies Employed for Achieving Objectives:**

To satisfy its long-term return objectives, the University relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized gains) and current income (interest and dividends, etc.). The University targets a diversified asset allocation that places emphasis on global equities, diversifying strategies, private markets, real assets and fixed income strategies to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

#### Spending Policy and the Investment Objectives Relationship to Spending Policy:

University Administration is authorized to distribute for spending from all endowment funds invested in the Investment Pool that have sufficient realized and unrealized capital gains, an amount equal to seventy percent (70%) of the spending calculated for the previous fiscal year increased by an inflation factor to be determined each fiscal year (1% for fiscal year 2014), and a percent determined for each fiscal year (4.70% for fiscal year 2014) of thirty percent (30%) of the four-quarter average of the Investment Pool per share market value for the preceding calendar year multiplied by the number of shares outstanding at the end of that calendar year. In establishing this policy, the University considers the long-term expected return on its endowment. Accordingly, over the long term, the University expects the current spending policy to allow its endowment to maintain its purchasing power by growing at a rate at least equal to planned payouts and inflationary increases. Additional real growth will be provided through new gifts and excess investment returns.

#### 6. Fair Value of Financial Instruments

The University complies with ASC 820, *Fair Value Measurement*. This codification provides a definition for fair value, as well as establishing a framework for measuring it and expanding disclosures about fair value measurements. The financial assets recorded at fair value on a recurring basis primarily relate to investments. ASC 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that distinguishes between market participant assumptions based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entities (observable inputs that are classified within Levels 1 and 2 of the hierarchy) and the reporting entities' own assumptions about market participant assumptions (unobservable inputs classified within Level 3 of the hierarchy).

Additional disclosures are required under ASC 820, including segregating asset values among the three levels that identify how investments are valued. In general, fair values determined by Level 1 inputs utilize quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets. Fair values determined by Level 2 inputs utilize data points that are observable, such as quoted prices for comparable assets, interest rates and yield curves. Fair values determined by Level 3 inputs are unobservable data points for the assets and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the assets.

ASC 825, *Financial Instruments*, permits entities to choose to measure financial instruments and other items at fair value. The unrealized gains and losses on items for which the fair value option has been elected would be classified as revenue. For financial statement purposes (balance sheets), the University reports marketable securities, funds held in trust by others and equity method investments at fair value. Venture capital, real estate and other investments (other than equity method investments) are carried on the cost basis.

Annuity obligations are valued for financial statement purposes at fair value using Level 2 valuation techniques. Notes and bonds payable are at the amount of debt incurred, adjusted for principal payments made and premium amortizations. The fair values of annuity obligations, notes payable and bonds payable at the present value of future payments discounted at the prevailing interest rates of comparable debt instruments (Level 2 valuation technique) were \$6,799,000, \$262,000 and \$614,932,000, respectively, as of May 31, 2014 and \$6,669,000, \$297,000 and \$653,720,000, respectively, as of May 31, 2013.

The following table presents information about the University's investments at fair value as of May 31, 2014, including the fair value hierarchy to determine such fair value, as well as the strategies, liquidity, and unfunded commitments related to them (dollars in thousands):

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	Price N	Quoted es in Active Markets Level 1)	Ob	Other servable Inputs Level 2)	U	nobservable Inputs (Level 3)		Total		Infunded mmitments	Investment Redemption Frequency	Investment Redemption Notice Period (Days)
Short-term paper	\$	86,160	\$	-	\$	-	\$	86,160	\$	-		
Stocks	Ψ	204,207	Ψ	_	Ψ	-	Ψ	204,207	Ψ	_		
Bonds		118,458		2,231		-		120,689		_		
Venture capital		-		2,231		58,511		58,511		6,423	Illiquid	N/A
Mortgage and other notes receivable		_		7,564				7,564		-	Inquia	1 1/ 2 1
Real estate:				7,501				7,501				
Real properties												
Directly held real estate		_		5,558		290		5,848		_	Illiquid	N/A
Real estate funds		_		-		54,787		54,787		18,353	Illiquid	N/A
Timber funds		_		_		22,380		22,380		-	Illiquid	N/A
Mineral rights		_		49,248		-		49,248		_	Inquia	1 1/ 2 1
C						5,688					TILianda	N/A
Funds held in trust by others		-		16,033		5,088		21,721		-	Illiquid	IN/A
Other investments:						246.962		246.962		116 202	<b>TII:</b> · 1	
Private equity		-		-		246,863		246,863		116,393	Illiquid	N/A
Diversifying strategies:						00.042		00.042				15
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		98,843		98,843		-	Annually	45 to 90
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		30,886		30,886		-	Semi-annual	45 to 90
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		63,241		63,241		-	Quarterly	30 to 90
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		19,048		19,048		-	Locked up (1)	90
Multi strategy hedge funds		-		-		22,945		22,945		-	Annually	90
Multi strategy hedge funds		-		-		89,081		89,081		-	Quarterly	45 to 90
Multi strategy hedge funds		-		-		16,428		16,428		-	Locked up (2)	90
Side pockets/private-like hedge funds		-		-		4,297		4,297		-	Illiquid	N/A
Equity funds without daily liquidity:												
Domestic equities, long only		-		-		63,298		63,298		-	Quarterly	60 to 65
Domestic equities, long only		-		-		46,190		46,190		5,000	Annually	45 to 60
Domestic equities, long only		-		-		24,365		24,365		-	Locked up (2)	30
Domestic equities, long only		-		-		20,998		20,998		-	Locked up (3)	90
International equities emerging markets		-		-		22,914		22,914		-	Quarterly	90
International equities emerging markets		-		-		55		55		-	Illiquid	N/A
International equities developing markets		-		-		18,113		18,113		-	Quarterly	90
International equities emerging markets		-		-		20,730		20,730		-	weekly	3 business days
International equities developing markets		-		-		56,619		56,619		-	Monthly	6 business days
International equities developing markets		-		-		24,665		24,665		-	Monthly	15 business days
International equities developing markets		-		-		26,455		26,455		-	Monthly	60
Multi strategy equity funds		-		-		1,030		1,030		-	End of Month	5
Fixed Income funds without daily liquidity		-		-		565		565		-	End of Month	5
Equity method investments (Timber fund)		-		-		9,763		9,763		-	Illiquid	N/A
Total investments	\$	408,825	\$	80,634	\$	1,069,048	\$	1,558,507	\$	146,169		

(1) Quarterly liquidity after completion of lockup expiring December 31, 2014.

(2) Quarterly liquidity after completion of lockup expiring September 30, 2015. (3) 50% of capital subject to a three year lockup expiring December 31, 2016; the remainder subject to a five year lockup expiring December 31, 2018.

The following table presents information about the University's investments at fair value as of May 31, 2013, including the fair value hierarchy to determine such fair value, as well as the strategies, liquidity, and unfunded commitments related to them (dollars in thousands):

	(	Quoted		Other							
	Price	s in Active	Ob	servable	Un	observable				Investment	Investment
	Ν	Aarkets		Inputs		Inputs		Ur	funded	Redemption	Redemption
	(]	Level 1)	(]	Level 2)		(Level 3)	 Total	Con	mitments	Frequency	Notice Period (Days)
Short-term paper	\$	79,527	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 79,527	\$	-		
Stocks		223,464		-		-	223,464		10,000		
Bonds		105,178		48,948		-	154,126		-		
Venture capital		_		-		57,435	57,435		13,217	Illiquid	N/A
Mortgage and other notes receivable		-		7,945		-	7,945		- í	1	
Real estate:											
Real properties											
Directly held real estate		-		5,288		290	5,578		-	Illiquid	N/A
Real estate funds		-		-		80,177	80,177		12,077	Illiquid	N/A
Timber funds		-		-		21,945	21,945		36	Illiquid	N/A
Mineral rights		-		37,806		-	37,806		-	· <b>I</b> ·· ··	
Funds held in trust by others		-		14,561		5,234	19,795		-	Illiquid	N/A
Other investments:				,		,	,			1	
Private equity		-		-		262,854	262,854		66,598	Illiquid	N/A
Diversifying strategies:						- ,	- ,		,	1	
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		75,289	75,289		-	Annually	45 to 90
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		17,668	17,668		-	Semi-annual	45
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		25,365	25,365		-	Quarterly	30 to 90
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		15,691	15,691		-	Locked up (1)	45
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		17,032	17,032		-	Locked up (2)	60
Single strategy hedge funds		-		-		16,532	16,532		-	Locked up (3)	90
Multi strategy hedge funds		-		-		21,314	21,314		-	Annually	90
Multi strategy hedge funds		-		-		95,249	95,249		-	Quarterly	45 to 90
Multi strategy hedge funds		-		-		1,899	1,899		-	Illiquid	N/A
Side pockets/private-like hedge funds		-		-		3,562	3,562		-	Illiquid	N/A
Equity funds without daily liquidity:										1	
Domestic equities, long only		-		-		37,287	37,287		-	Annually	45 to 90
Domestic equities, long only		-		-		33,023	33,023		-	Quarterly	60
International equities emerging markets		-		-		19,433	19,433		-	Quarterly	90
International equities emerging markets		-		-		198	198		-	Illiquid	N/A
International equities developing markets		-		-		871	871		-	Illiquid	N/A
International equities developing markets		-		-		782	782		-	Quarterly	90
International equities developing markets		-		-		24,239	24,239		-	Monthly	6 business days
International equities developing markets		-		-		48,086	48,086		-	Monthly	15 business days
Multi strategy equity funds		-		-		16,239	16,239		-	End of Month	5
Fixed Income funds without daily liquidity		-		-		594	594		-	End of Month	5
Equity method investments (Timber fund)		-		-		9,279	 9,279		-	Illiquid	N/A
Total investments	\$	408,169	\$	114,548	\$	907,567	\$ 1,430,284	\$	101,928		

(1) Quarterly liquidity after completion of lockup expiring March 31, 2014.

(3) Quarterly liquidity after completion of lockup expiring December 31, 2014.

(2) Annual liquidity after completion of lockup expiring August 31, 2014.

	2014											
	0	Opening	Reali	zed Gains	Un	realized						
	H	Balance	(L	losses)	(	Gains		Sales	<u> </u>	ırchases	End	ing Balance
Venture capital	\$	57,435	\$	(1,039)	\$	8,748	\$	(13,890)	\$	7,257	\$	58,511
Real estate		102,412		(9,325)		12,508		(30,736)		2,598		77,457
Funds held in trust		5,234		333		66		(19)		74		5,688
Other investments		742,486		43,126		66,217		(116,492)		192,055		927,392
Total	\$	907,567	\$	33,095	\$	87,539	\$	(161,137)	\$	201,984	\$	1,069,048
		2013										
	(	Opening	Reali	zed Gains	Un	realized						
	H	Balance	(L	losses)	Gains	s (Losses)		Sales	Pı	ırchases	End	ing Balance
Venture capital	\$	61,769	\$	3,241	\$	(3,672)	\$	(13,702)	\$	9,799	\$	57,435
Real estate		109,089		(7,032)		7,307		(12,230)		5,278		102,412
Funds held in trust		4,659		142		371		(3)		65		5,234
Other investments		661,055		35,166		52,374		(124,180)		118,071		742,486
Total	\$	836,572	\$	31,517	¢	56,380	\$	(150,115)	\$	133,213	¢	907,567

For fiscal years 2014 and 2013, fair value for assets in the previous table using significant unobservable inputs (Level 3) is as follows (dollars in thousands):

The University's policy is to recognize transfers among levels of the fair value hierarchy on the date of the event or change in circumstances that caused the transfer. During fiscal year 2014, certain assets were reclassified to categories determined to be more appropriate. For comparability purposes, all 2013 amounts on the consolidated balance sheets and the notes to the consolidated financial statements have been updated to reflect the 2014 investment categories. There were no transfers into or out of Level 1, Level 2, or Level 3 during fiscal years 2014 or 2013.

## 7. Property, Plant and Equipment

Plant assets include net interest expense of \$3,631,000 and \$4,297,000 capitalized for construction bond projects during fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively, and included in property, plant and equipment in the following table (dollars in thousands):

2014	2013
\$ 172,990	\$ 169,095
75,355	72,717
879,494	661,716
92,836	83,369
49,601	40,035
35,970	141,267
\$ 1,306,246	\$ 1,168,199
(369,947)	(344,589)
\$ 936,299	\$ 823,610
	\$ 172,990 75,355 879,494 92,836 49,601 35,970 \$ 1,306,246 (369,947)

The fair value of a liability for the legal obligation for asbestos and lead paint abatement associated with the retirement of long-lived assets is recognized in the period in which it is incurred, at the present value of expected future cash flows and is added to the carrying value of the associated asset to be depreciated over the asset's useful life.

The following table summarizes the change in the asset retirement obligation for fiscal years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013 (dollars in thousands):

	 2014	2013		
Asset retirement obligations at beginning of year	\$ 15,452	\$	14,332	
Disposal of asset retirement obligations Increase (decrease) in property, plant and	(428)		(198)	
equipment, net of accumulated depreciation	(221)		23	
Current year accretion and depreciation expense	1,049		1,295	
Asset retirement obligations at end of year	\$ 15,852	\$	15,452	

## 8. Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses

The University has \$195,776,000 and \$186,616,000 reported as accounts payable and accrued expenses as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. Included in these amounts is the present value of conditional asset retirement obligations and performance on a long-term lease obligation, which are adjusted annually. Due to the use of present value calculations or the short maturity of the obligations included in accounts payable and accrued expenses, the carrying values reflected on the consolidated financial statements approximate their fair values.

## 9. Notes and Bonds Payable

Notes payable as of May 31 consist of the following (dollars in thousands):

	2	)14	2(	013
<b>Total notes payable</b> include notes due at various dates through 2021, with average interest rates of 0% as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, with \$25 and \$32 secured by equipment and property as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The University did not draw on its \$25,000 line of credit as of May				
31, 2014 or May 31, 2013	\$	305	\$	352

Bonds payable as of May 31 consist of the following (dollars in thousands):

	2014	2013
<b>1985 Refunding Series</b> ; weekly demand put bonds due 2015 with a variable interest rate of 0.05% as of May 31, 2014; secured by unrestricted receivables supported by self liquidity	\$ 19,200	\$ 19,200
<b>2003 Serial Bonds</b> ; maturing from 2013 through 2024 with fixed interest rates ranging from 4.00% to 4.60% and Term Bonds maturing in 2029 and 2033 with fixed interest rates of 4.50% and 4.75%, respectively, \$24,430 of which was refunded from escrow in 2013; secured by unrestricted		25 195
receivables <b>2007 Serial Bonds</b> ; maturing from 2013 through 2029 with fixed interest rates ranging from 4.00% to 5.25% and Term Bonds maturing in 2032 with a fixed rate of 4.30%; secured by unrestricted receivables	- 85,865	25,185 90,610
<b>2009 Serial Bonds</b> ; maturing from 2013 through 2029 with fixed interest rates ranging from 3.00% to 5.00% and Term Bonds maturing in 2032 and 2036 with fixed interest rates of 4.25% and 5.00%, respectively; secured by unrestricted receivables	137,845	141,170
<b>2010 Serial Bonds</b> ; maturing from 2014 through 2030 with fixed interest rates ranging from 3.00% to 5.00% and Term Bonds maturing in 2035 and 2041 with a fixed interest rate of 5.00%; secured by unrestricted receivables	116,330	116,330
<b>2013A Serial Bonds</b> ; maturing from 2029 through 2033 with fixed interest rates ranging from 3.25% to 5.00% and Term Bonds maturing in 2038 with a fixed interest rate of 5.00% and maturing in 2042 with fixed interest rates of 4.00% and 5.00%; secured by unrestricted receivables	99,195	99,195
<b>2013B Serial Bonds</b> ; maturing from 2013 through 2028 with fixed interest rates ranging from 0.35% to 3.62% and Term Bonds maturing in 2033 with a fixed interest rate of 4.16%; secured by unrestricted receivables	89,825	90,090
Total bonds payable prior to unamortized net premium	\$ 548,260	\$ 581,780
Unamortized net premium	25,959	27,841
Total bonds payable	\$ 574,219	\$ 609,621

On October 28, 2010, the University issued Series 2010 bonds totaling \$116,330,000. The proceeds are being used to construct the new Residential Commons and related projects and to renovate existing educational facilities and housing facilities. As of May 31, 2014, all proceeds have been expended.

On April 16, 2013, the University issued Series 2013A and Series 2013B bonds totaling \$189,285,000. The proceeds of the Series 2013A tax-exempt bonds are being used to complete the construction of the new Residential Commons and related projects, renovate existing educational facilities and housing facilities, replace the PBX system, rebuild what will be the Dr. Bob Smith Health Center, and purchase property on the east side of North Central Expressway for future University growth. The proceeds of the Series 2013B taxable bonds are being used to partially fund the building of the SMU Tennis Center, renovate Moody Coliseum, equip a distributed antenna system, refund a portion of the Series 2003 bonds, and purchase property on the east side of campus. As of May 31, 2014, \$93,299,000 of proceeds from the Series 2013A bonds are invested in cash and cash equivalents.

Bond issuance costs of \$4,187,000 and \$4,992,000 as of May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively, are capitalized. All bond issuance costs are amortized using the straight-line method over the lives of the bonds.

As required by bond indenture agreements, the University has cash and securities that have fair values totaling \$6,251,000 on deposit with the trustee bank as of May 31, 2014 relating to the \$19,200,000 bonds payable due in 2015. These assets are restricted for the payment of principal and interest on the related indebtedness. In addition, the University has cash and securities in escrow with the trustee bank as of May 31, 2014, with a fair value totaling \$2,231,000 that relates to a donor gift that will be applied to bond principal of \$2,035,000 on the Series 2007 bonds.

Interest expense on notes and bonds payable was \$18,417,000 and \$13,173,000 for the fiscal years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. As of May 31, 2014, scheduled principal maturities are \$15,752,000, \$35,517,000, \$18,432,000, \$18,979,000 and \$19,765,000 for the years ending May 31, 2015 through 2019, respectively, and \$440,120,000 for 2020 and thereafter.

Included in long-term debt is \$19,200,000 of general obligation demand bonds maturing in fiscal year 2016. In the event that the University's agents are unable to remarket the bonds, the bonds become demand notes and will be funded through self-liquidity.

#### **10. Related Party Transactions**

In the ordinary course of business, the University may have business transactions with entities in which University board members or employees have an interest. Although generally such transactions are immaterial, the University does engage in such business transactions that may be material. The University has invested funds totaling \$6,885,000 and \$3,142,000 in fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively, with investment firms with which board members are affiliated.

#### **11. Postemployment Benefits**

The University accrues obligations for certain other future postemployment benefits payable to former or inactive employees, if they are determinable. The University has post-employment benefit obligations of \$732,000 in fiscal year 2014 and \$911,000 in fiscal year 2013.

#### **12.** Postretirement Healthcare Benefits

The University provides postretirement healthcare benefits for employees who meet minimum age and service requirements and retire from the University. These benefits are provided by an insured Medicare supplement product with no lifetime maximum. The funding for the premium of this product is shared between the University and plan participants.

The University accrues the expected cost of providing postretirement benefits, other than pensions, during the years that employees render services. The accumulated postretirement benefit obligation (APBO) initially recognized in fiscal year 1994 was amortized over twenty years.

Actuarial assumptions used to determine the value of the APBO and the benefit costs included discount rates of 4.16% and 4.12% per annum for fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively. Health care cost trends are graded from 9.0% in 2015 to 5.0% in 2023.

ASC 715, *Compensation - Retirement Benefits*, requires the funded status of the postretirement benefit plan to be reported as an asset (for overfunded plans) or a liability (for underfunded plans). ASC 715 also requires disclosure of the incremental effect of adopting the standard on certain individual line items of the consolidated balance sheet.

The components of the net periodic benefit cost for the years ended May 31 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	2014		2013		
Service cost	\$	908	\$	1,096	
Interest cost		1,681		1,644	
Amortization:					
Transition obligation		4		307	
Prior service cost		132		132	
Unrecognized loss		982		1,776	
Net periodic benefit cost	\$	3,707	\$	4,955	

The prior service cost and unrecognized loss for the defined benefit postretirement plan that will be amortized from unrestricted net assets into net periodic benefit cost over the next fiscal year are \$132,000 and \$933,000, respectively. The transition obligation has been completely amortized.

Net periodic benefit cost and other changes in plan assets and benefit obligations recognized in unrestricted net assets in 2014 and 2013 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	 2014	 2013
Net periodic benefit cost recognized	\$ 3,707	\$ 4,955
Other changes in plan assets and benefit		
obligations recognized in unrestricted		
net assets:		
Net actuarial gain	(518)	(6,220)
Prior service cost	(132)	(132)
Transition obligation	 (4)	 (307)
Total recognized in unrestricted		
net assets	 (654)	 (6,659)
Total recognized in net periodic benefit cost		
and unrestricted net assets	\$ 3,053	\$ (1,704)

The accrued postretirement benefit obligations recognized in the University's consolidated balance sheets as of May 31 pursuant to the recognition provisions of ASC 715 are as follows (dollars in thousands):

	2014			2013
Benefit obligation, beginning of year	\$	41,692	\$	45,216
Service cost		908		1,096
Interest cost		1,681		1,644
Plan participants' contribution		1,060		1,061
Benefit payments		(2,600)		(2,881)
Actuarial (gain) loss		464		(4,444)
Benefit obligation, end of year	\$	43,205	\$	41,692

The accumulated postretirement benefit includes a current liability of \$2,023,000 for the claims and expenses that are expected to be paid out in the coming year and \$41,182,000 of noncurrent postretirement benefit liabilities.

Healthcare cost trend assumptions have a significant impact on the amounts reported. A one percentage point increase in the assumed healthcare cost trend rate would result in a \$185,000 increase in the net periodic postretirement benefit cost recognized in fiscal year 2014 and a \$2,874,000 increase in the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation for healthcare benefits as of May 31, 2014. A one percentage point decrease in the assumed healthcare cost trend rate would result in a \$172,000 decrease in the net periodic postretirement benefit cost recognized in fiscal year 2014, and a \$2,688,000 decrease in the accumulated postretirement benefit cost recognized in fiscal year 2014, and a \$2,688,000 decrease in the accumulated postretirement benefit cost recognized in fiscal year 2014, and a \$2,688,000 decrease in the accumulated postretirement benefit obligation for healthcare benefits as of May 31, 2014.

As of May 31, 2014, the University has expected benefit payments through fiscal year 2024 of \$26,446,000. Of these commitments, \$2,023,000, \$2,081,000, \$2,217,000,

\$2,361,000 and \$2,515,000 are the expected payments in the fiscal years ending 2015 through 2019 and \$15,249,000 in the fiscal years ending 2020 through 2024.

The University also has a defined contribution retiree medical plan intended to replace the University's defined benefit retiree medical plan. Under this program, both the University and employees contribute monthly to the employees' retiree medical accounts. The University contributed \$1,203,000 and \$1,125,000 to this program in fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively. The current defined benefit retiree medical plan will be phased out concurrently with funding of this defined contribution plan.

#### 13. Retirement Plan

Full-time and part-time benefits-eligible employees are eligible for the 403(b) Retirement Plan at age 21. Full-time employees are required to enroll if age 36 or older. Retirement benefit expenses under this plan were approximately \$15,997,000 and \$15,575,000 in fiscal years 2014 and 2013, respectively.

#### 14. Net Assets Released from Restrictions

The sources of net assets released from temporary restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes or by occurrence of events specified by donors were as follows (dollars in thousands):

	2014	2013
Acquisition of buildings and equipment	\$ 39,261	\$ 2,763
Instruction, research, departmental		
support, scholarships and other	68,655	54,750
	\$ 107,916	\$ 57,513

## 15. Restrictions and Limitations on Net Asset Balances

Temporarily and permanently restricted net assets as of May 31 consist of the following (dollars in thousands):

	2014				2013		
	1 2		Per	rmanently	Temporarily	Permanently	
			estricted	Restricted	Restricted		
Donor-restricted endowment	\$	485,937	\$	580,793	\$ 469,776	\$ 538,702	
Annuity trust and unitrust		633		5,594	208	5,381	
Student loan funds		-		20,420	-	20,279	
Gifts and other unexpended revenues and							
gains available for:							
Acquisition of building and equipment		70,320		-	73,670	-	
Instruction, research, departmental							
support, scholarships and other		53,484		_	68,581		
	\$	610,374	\$	606,807	\$ 612,235	\$ 564,362	

## **16.** Commitments and Contingencies

The University is contractually obligated for approximately \$52,013,000 as of May 31, 2014 for construction projects with scheduled completion dates through fiscal year 2016.

The University incurred \$787,000 and \$863,000 in operating lease expenses for facilities and equipment in the fiscal years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. As of May 31, 2014, the University has lease commitments for future periods totaling approximately \$1,862,000. Of these commitments, \$780,000, \$631,000, \$186,000, \$110,000, and \$18,000 are due in the fiscal years ending 2015 through 2019, respectively, and \$137,000 is due in the fiscal year 2020 and thereafter.

The University also has rights to revenues from long-term leases it holds related to independent operations. The University received \$3,367,000 and \$3,401,000 in rental revenue from these leases in the fiscal years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013, respectively. As of May 31, 2014, the total of the future rental revenues due from these leases is approximately \$13,906,000. Of these commitments, \$2,977,000, \$2,242,000, \$2,053,000, \$1,867,000, and \$1,428,000 are due in the fiscal years ending 2015 through 2019, respectively, and \$3,339,000 is due in the fiscal year 2020 and thereafter.

Accounts payable and accrued expenses include \$44,618,000 reflecting the fair value of a ground lease contribution to The George W. Bush Foundation for the location, construction and operation of the George W. Bush Presidential Library Center facilities at the University as of May 31, 2014. This balance is being accreted over the 249 years of the lease, including extensions.

The University has committed to capital draws totaling \$614,257,000 for venture capital, real estate funds and other investments, of which \$468,088,000 had been drawn as of May 31, 2014. The University has committed to pay draws as required for the remaining \$146,169,000 through fiscal year 2026.

The University participates in the federal Title IV student financial aid programs and must fulfill federal requirements to qualify for these programs. Management is of the opinion that the University is in compliance with the federal requirements.

The University enters into contracts with vendors, some of which may have penalties for early termination. It is the University's practice when entering into such contracts to not cancel the contracts prior to the end of their term. If, from a business standpoint, including consideration of the cancellation penalty, the University does cancel any such contract, it does not believe there would be any material adverse effect on the University's consolidated financial statements.

The University is a defendant in several legal actions. The outcomes of these actions cannot be determined at this time, but management is of the opinion that liability, if any, from these actions will not have a material effect on the University's financial position.

The University has entered into three agreements with banks to guarantee the construction loan debt for sorority houses built on University land. Under these agreements if the debtors default on their obligations, the University may be required to satisfy all or part of the remaining obligation.

As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, the total guarantees are approximately \$6,144,000 and \$3,182,000, respectively. As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, the guarantee for Pi Beta Phi debt is approximately \$768,000 and \$891,000, respectively, and is in place until 2017 unless the debt is retired earlier. As of May 31, 2014 and 2013, the guarantee for Tri-Delta debt is \$3,062,000 and \$2,291,000, respectively. The guarantee will remain in place on the construction indebtedness until 2027, unless the debt is retired earlier. As of May 31, 2014. The guarantee will remain in place on the construction indebtedness until 2027, unless the debt is retired earlier. As of May 31, 2014, the guarantee for Chi Omega debt is approximately \$2,314,000. The University has committed to guarantee Chi Omega debt

up to \$4,000,000 through 2028 unless the debt is retired earlier. A liability for guarantees of Pi Beta Phi, Tri-Delta and Chi Omega debt have been recorded as accounts payable and accrued expenses with an offsetting amount recorded as other assets.

#### 17. Tax Status

The University has received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service indicating it is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3). Peruna Properties, Inc., Pony Properties, Inc., the Southern Methodist University Foundation for Research, Peruna Holdings Corporation, Mustang Mockingbird Corporation, Mustang Mockingbird Properties, Mustang Airline Corporation, The Stadium Club, Inc., SMU Corp., and Peruna East Corporation are controlled corporations included in the University's consolidated financial statements and exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, as organizations described in Sections 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(7). The University, Peruna Properties, Inc., Pony Properties, Inc., the Southern Methodist University Foundation for Research, Peruna Holdings Corporation, Mustang Mockingbird Corporation, Mustang Mockingbird Properties, Mustang Airline Corporation, and SMU Corp, and Peruna East Corporation have been classified as organizations that are not private foundations under Sections 509(a)(1) and 509(a)(3), and as such, contributions to these entities qualify for deduction as charitable contributions. SMU Golf Foundation, another controlled corporation, is intended to be a tax-exempt supporting organization, under Sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(3) of the Code, but has not yet filed an application for determination with the Internal Revenue Service. The University and its controlled corporations are exempt from federal income taxes except to the extent they have unrelated business income.

The University complies with the requirements of ASC 740, *Income Taxes*, which prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement requirements for financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. In addition, ASC 740 provides guidance on recognition, classification, and accounting in interim periods and disclosure requirements for uncertain tax provisions. The University and its controlled corporations do not have any uncertain tax positions and, therefore, have recorded no liability or benefit for such positions for the years ended May 31, 2014 and 2013.

#### 18. Accounting Pronouncements or Laws Affecting Current Year Financial Statements

In May 2014, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2014-09, *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* (Topic 606), which requires an entity to recognize the amount of revenue to which it expects to be entitled for the transfer of promised goods or services to customers. The ASU will replace most existing revenue recognition guidance in U.S. GAAP when it becomes effective. The new standard is effective for the University on June 1, 2018. The standard permits the use of either the retrospective or cumulative effect transition method. The University is evaluating the effect that ASU No. 2014-09 will have on its consolidated financial statements and related disclosures.

#### **19.** Subsequent Events

The University has evaluated subsequent events from the balance sheet date through September 4, 2014, the issue date of the financial statements, and determined that there are no other items to disclose.