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STATE COLLEGES
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December 21, 2012

Members of the Board of Trustees
Chancellor Steven J. Rosenstone

I am pleased to submit to you the audited financial report for the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011. The consolidated financial statements are prepared by management and presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. This report includes the consolidated financial statements and disclosures necessary to accurately present the financial condition and results of operations for the two years. Within the consolidated financial statements, which were audited by the firm of CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, you will find the statements of net assets, the statements of revenue, expense, and changes in net assets and the statements of cash flows.

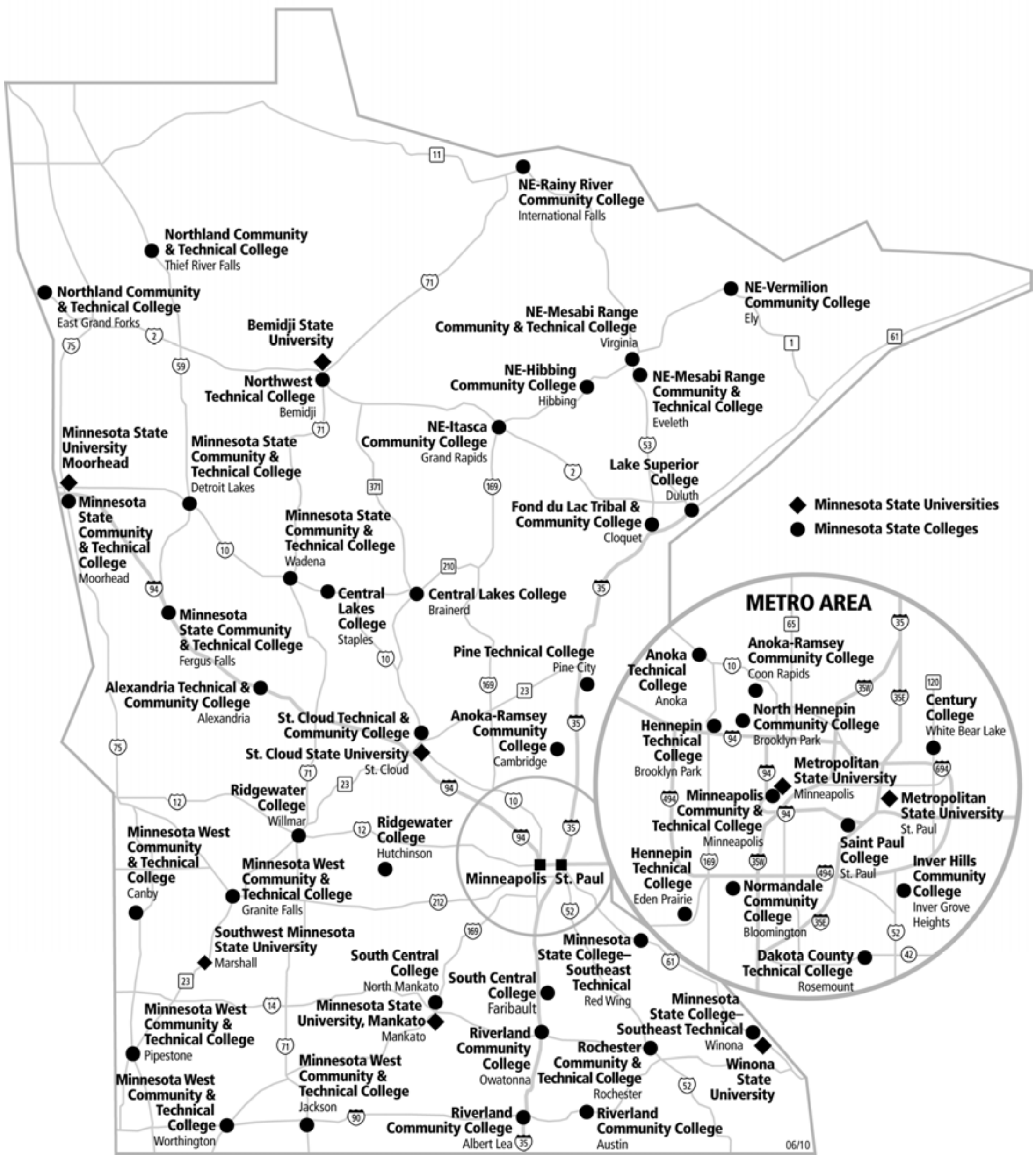
We are also providing separately audited financial statements for the Revenue Fund, all state universities and three of our two year colleges. The completion of separately audited financial statements for 13 of the 31 colleges and universities places 66 percent of the expenses of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system under separate stand alone audits. It is worth noting that the system wide audit opinion, the Revenue Fund opinion and the opinions for the 13 separate audits are each without qualification, a testimony to the efforts of each and every employee with responsibility for financial information at the 54 campuses and in the System Office.

For a summary review and explanation of the financial statements, please review the Management Discussion and Analysis section of the report. The Finance Division and the finance staff at every college and university are responsible for assuring the accuracy, reliability, fairness and completeness of the information presented in this report. We rely upon the administrative and finance staff at each college and university in provision of that assurance. Many people assisted in this effort and are deserving of our appreciation.

Sincerely,

Laura M. King
Vice Chancellor – Chief Financial Officer

Minnesota State Colleges & Universities



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Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College
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The financial activity of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is included in this report. It is comprised of 31 colleges and universities. The Revenue Fund activity is included in both this report and the separately issued Revenue Fund Annual Financial Report.

All financial activity of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is included in the Minnesota Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. A separately issued schedule of expenditures of federal awards will be available at a later date.

FINANCIAL SECTION

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Trustees
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
St. Paul, Minnesota

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, which collectively comprise MnSCU's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the management of MnSCU. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audits.

We did not audit the financial statements of Minnesota State University Mankato, Minnesota State University Moorhead, Normandale Community College, Winona State University, Hennepin Technical College, Bemidji State University, Century College, Saint Cloud State University, and Minnesota State Community and Technical College (collectively, the "Individual Colleges and Universities"), which represent 53 percent of the consolidated assets and 51 percent of the consolidated revenues of MnSCU for fiscal year 2012. These financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Individual Colleges and Universities, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We also did not audit the financial statements of Bemidji State University Foundation, Century College Foundation, Fergus Area College Foundation, Metropolitan State University Foundation, Minnesota State University, Mankato Foundation, Inc., Minnesota State University Moorhead Alumni Foundation, Inc., Southwest Minnesota State University Foundation and Winona State University Foundation which cumulatively represent 77 percent of the total assets and 80 percent of the revenues of the discretely presented component units. Those statements were also audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the discretely presented component units, is also based solely on the reports of the other auditors.

We conducted our audits in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those Standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The financial statements of the aforementioned Foundations were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, based on our audits and the reports of other auditors, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, as of June 30, 2012 and 2011 and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, thereof for the years then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated December 21, 2012 on our consideration of MnSCU's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope and our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and the Schedule of Funding Progress – Net Other Postemployment Benefit Plan as listed in the table of contents be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the respective financial statements that collectively comprise MnSCU's basic financial statements. The accompanying introductory section is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The accompanying introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Minneapolis, Minnesota
December 21, 2012

INTRODUCTION

The following discussion and analysis provide an overview of the consolidated financial position and activities of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system (the system) for the years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011. This discussion has been prepared by management and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and related notes, which follow this section.

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system, a state supported system, is the largest single provider of higher education in the state of Minnesota, and is comprised of 31 state universities, technical, community and consolidated colleges. Offering more than 2,500 educational programs, the system serves approximately 276,000 students annually in credit-based courses, as measured by unduplicated headcount enrollment. An additional 155,000 students enroll in non-credit courses each year through the system's continuing education and customized training services. The system employs about 17,962 full time and part time faculty and staff.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The system's financial position improved during fiscal year 2012 with net assets increasing by $121.5 million, or 6.5 percent, on total revenues of $1.9 billion. This follows a $146.3 million, or 8.5 percent increase in net assets during fiscal year 2011 on total revenues of $2.0 billion. The system's unrestricted net assets increased by $69.4 million, or 16.5 percent and $93.1 million, or 28.3 percent, in fiscal years 2012 and 2011 respectively.

- Income (loss) before other revenues, expenses, gains or losses, described further below as the system's net operating revenue, experienced a gain of $63.0 million in fiscal year 2012. This compares to a gain of $75.6 and $68.4 million in fiscal years 2011 and 2010, respectively.

- The state appropriation and tuition charged to students are the system's two largest revenue sources. The state appropriation decreased by $62.1 million, or 10.1 percent in fiscal year 2012 after decreasing 1.9 percent in fiscal year 2011 and decreasing 7.3 percent in fiscal year 2010. Gross tuition revenue increased $20.4 million or 2.5 percent, $48.0 million or 6.1 percent, and $85.5 million or 12.2 percent in fiscal years, 2012, 2011 and 2010, respectively. Tuition rate increases averaged 4.0 percent, 4.8 percent, and 3.0 percent in fiscal years 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively.

- Federal grants decreased by $51.0 million or 12.1 percent, and increased by $59.7 million or 16.6 percent, and increased by $144.0 million or 66 percent in fiscal years 2012, 2011, and 2010, respectively. The increases in fiscal years 2011 and 2010 of $38.1 and $39.3 million came from funds received under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009. ARRA, commonly referred to as the federal stimulus package, was enacted to create jobs and promote consumer spending in response to the most recent recession. Of this amount, $13.8 and $11.9 million respectively, was used to mitigate tuition increases. The remaining increase is related primarily to student Pell Grants.

  Total debt supporting the system's capital asset investment programs decreased in fiscal year 2012 by $12.5 million to a total of $561.5 million, a 2.2 percent decrease. This decrease was mainly due to the reduction in new bond issuance compared to prior year, resulting in current year bond payments exceeding the bond payments due to the new issuances.

- Salaries and benefits, the largest cost category in the system, decreased $46.1 million, or 3.7 percent, in fiscal year and increased $11.6 million, or 0.9 percent, in fiscal year 2011. This cost constitutes 67.5 percent of the system's fiscal year 2012 total operating expenses, compared to 66.9 percent for fiscal year 2011.

- The number of students is the primary factor driving both tuition revenue and operating expenses. The number of full year equivalent for credit students in fiscal years 2012, 2011 and 2010 totaled 153,521, 157,903, and 155,422, respectively. Enrollment in 2012 decreased 2.8 percent from 2011 and increased 1.6 percent over 2010.

USING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

This annual financial report includes five financial statements: the consolidated statements of net assets, the consolidated statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets, the consolidated statements of cash flows, the statements of fiduciary net assets held for pension benefits, and the statements of changes in fiduciary net assets held for pension benefits (the last two statements relate to the system's defined contribution retirement plan). These five financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as established by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB).

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE

The Composite Financial Index (CFI) calculation uses the four financial ratios and assigns a specific weighting to each factor in computing a measure of relative financial health. The CFI methodology used to compute the weighted values in the table below is taken from the *Strategic Financial Analysis for Higher Education* (7th Edition), jointly developed and sponsored by the firms of Prager, Sealy & Co., LLC, KPMG LLP and Attain LLC. This CFI calculation methodology is also used by the Higher Learning Commission and has been used internally by the system for a number of years. Without detailing the actual calculation methodology, financial ratio values are converted into strength factors which in turn are weighted to allow summing of the four components into a single, composite value.

The table below displays financial ratios as converted into weighted strength factor values, and sums these weighted values into a single composite score. Institutions may have differing values across the four factors but still have equivalent overall financial health as indicated by similar composite scores. This approach allows easy comparisons of relative financial health across different institutions. Looking at the CFI scores, *Strategic Financial Analysis for Higher Education* suggests a composite value of 1 is equivalent to very little financial health; in the for-profit world it could perhaps be viewed as a "going-concern" threshold value. A composite value of 3 is considered to signify relatively strong financial health, an organization with moderate capacity to deal with adversity or invest in innovation and opportunity. CFI scores greater than 3 represent increasingly stronger financial health.

FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE MEASURE

Composite Financial Index Ratios	System			Revenue Fund		
	2012	2011	2010	2012	2011	2010
Return on Net Assets	0.65	0.85	1.16	1.17	0.89	0.80
Net Operating Revenue	0.26	0.29	0.27	1.00	1.00	1.80
Primary Reserve	0.92	0.76	0.63	2.72	2.33	2.42
Viability	0.95	0.80	0.83	0.31	0.26	0.36
CFI	**2.78**	**2.70**	**2.89**	**5.20**	**4.48**	**5.38**

The comparison in the table above uses four underlying financial ratio values and a CFI calculation methodology for the past three years for the consolidated system (including all funds) and the Revenue Fund. In comparison to other public colleges and universities data, as compiled by Moody's, the system's and Revenue Fund's composite values are in the above average and very strong ranges respectively for all three years. The system's individual colleges and universities would show a similar range of composite values.

The two current operating measures, return on net assets and net operating revenue, demonstrate the level of return on net assets and the extent to which operating revenues do or do not cover operating expenses, respectively. While the net operating revenue ratio has been stable through all three years, the return on net assets ratio has been decreasing, mirroring the decrease in capital appropriation revenue. Although fiscal year 2012 saw a 10.1 percent reduction in state appropriation compared to fiscal year 2011, the system was able to keep the operational results consistent with prior years, by reducing costs to match the state appropriation revenue reduction.

The primary reserve and viability ratios measure an organization's liquid net assets that are available directly, or through additional borrowing, to cover emergency expenditures or invest in innovation. Representing available liquidity or borrowing capacity, these measures are not dependent on current operating results in the short-term, however are good indicators of financial health, and combined, are weighted 70 percent in the CFI calculation. The system had a small but steady increase in its primary reserve ratio in each of the three years presented, due to modest profit margins in all three years. The viability ratio, although stable across the three years, decreased slightly in 2011, mainly due to the $85 million of new revenue bonds issued in that year.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS

The consolidated statements of net assets present the financial position of the system at the end of the fiscal year, including all assets and liabilities. Net assets, the result of total assets minus total liabilities, is one indicator of the current financial condition of the system. Assets and liabilities are generally measured using current values. One notable exception is capital assets which are stated at historical cost, less an allowance for depreciation.

Condensed statements of net assets for fiscal years 2012, 2011, and 2010 follow (in thousands):

ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

	2012	2011	2010
Current assets	$ 956,393	$ 922,356	$ 799,657
Current restricted assets	97,607	149,906	109,994
Noncurrent restricted assets	65,328	29,847	36,313
Noncurrent student loans, net	25,737	26,405	27,069
Noncurrent capital assets, net	1,809,959	1,754,840	1,651,294
Total assets	2,955,024	2,883,354	2,624,327
Current liabilities	263,174	299,404	300,181
Noncurrent liabilities	700,240	713,843	600,380
Total liabilities	963,414	1,013,247	900,561
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,355,857	1,322,661	1,280,955
Restricted	144,948	126,058	114,495
Unrestricted	490,805	421,388	328,316
Total net assets	$ 1,991,610	$ 1,870,107	$ 1,723,766

The primary component of current assets is cash and cash equivalents (unrestricted), which increased by $38.9 million to a total of $809.7 million at June 30, 2012. This $809.7 million of cash and cash equivalents plus investments of $26.4 million represent approximately 5.9 months of fiscal year 2012 operating expenses (excluding depreciation), an increase of 0.5 months from fiscal year 2011. This is a measure of liquid asset availability to cover operating expenses in the event of a temporary interruption to or decrease in the system's revenues.

Current liabilities consist primarily of salaries and benefits payable and accounts payable. Salaries and benefits payable at June 30, 2012 decreased from the prior year by $41.1 million or 32.1 percent to a total of $87.1 million; this was due to one less pay period being accrued. Accounts payable, including payables from restricted assets, increased $4.3 million due to normal timing differences. Consistent with prior years, the salaries and benefits payable accrual included about two months of earned salary for faculty who elected to receive salaries over twelve months on a September 1 through August 31 year.

The noncurrent liabilities decreased by $13.6 million or 1.9 percent in fiscal year 2012 compared to fiscal year 2011. This was due to a decrease in the noncurrent portion of long-term debt of $15.6 million with an offset of $2.4 million increase in noncurrent other compensation benefits which consisted primarily of $114.0 million for compensated absences, vacation and sick leave balances earned by employees, as well as other benefits.

Net assets represent the system's residual interest in total assets after deducting total liabilities. Invested in capital assets, net of related debt, represents by far the largest portion of net assets. Capital assets are carried at historical cost, not replacement cost. Restricted net assets have constraints placed on their use by external creditors, grantors, contributors, laws or regulations and consist primarily of those assets restricted for debt service of $46.8 million, and restrictions imposed by bond covenants of $72.6 million, a $6.3 million increase from fiscal year 2011, primarily due to an increase in unspent revenue fund net assets.

CAPITAL AND DEBT ACTIVITIES

With over 27 million managed square feet, the quality of the system's academic and residential life programs is closely linked to the development and renewal of its capital assets. The system continues to update and implement a long range plan to modernize its complement of older facilities, balanced with new construction. Detail on commitments for construction projects is provided in Note 16 to the financial statements.

Fiscal year 2012 capital outlays totaled $197.2 million, including $175.7 million of new construction in progress, and fiscal year 2011 capital outlays totaled $194.5 million, including $140.6 million of new construction in progress. Investments in capital assets consist largely of replacement and renovation of academic facilities, student housing and investments in equipment.

Capital assets are primarily financed by long-term debt through issuance of general obligation and revenue bonds. As more fully described in Notes 1 and 8, the system is responsible for paying one third of the debt service for certain general obligation bonds sold by the state of Minnesota for capital asset projects. The system recognizes as capital appropriation revenue any portion of general obligation bonds sold for which the system has no debt service responsibility. In addition $5.9 million is included in state appropriation for asset repairs and improvements that are not capitalized. General obligation bonds payable totaled $230.7 million at June 30, 2012, a net decrease of $10.3 million during the fiscal year. Revenue bonds payable at June 30, 2012 totaled $267.1 million, a net increase of $4.3 million from June 30, 2011.

The percentage of total revenue expended to cover debt service (principal and interest payments on bonds, capital leases and notes payable) has increased from 2.8 percent or $31.6 million in fiscal year 2007, to 2.9 percent, or $55.2 million in fiscal year 2011.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

The consolidated statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets present the system's results of operations and the overall increase in net assets for the fiscal year. It is the difference between the year's revenue and expense activities that results in an overall increase or decrease to net assets; see the discussion of net assets under the consolidated statements of net assets above. The state appropriation and federal and state grants are required under GASB Statement No. 34 to be considered nonoperating revenues.

Summarized revenues, expenses and changes in net assets for fiscal years 2012, 2011, and 2010 follow (in thousands):

REVENUES, EXPENSES AND NET ASSETS

	2012	2011	2010
Operating revenue:			
Tuition, fees and sales, net	$ 724,284	$ 731,890	$ 724,282
Restricted student payments, net	107,255	103,368	96,797
Other income	17,002	16,496	14,813
Total operating revenue	848,541	851,754	835,892
Nonoperating and other revenue:			
State appropriation	551,293	613,382	625,485
Capital appropriation	56,361	65,480	108,458
Grants	474,307	508,588	468,757
Miscellaneous nonoperating and other revenue	7,765	11,122	9,041
Total nonoperating and other revenue	1,089,726	1,198,572	1,211,741
Total revenues	1,938,267	2,050,326	2,047,633
Operating expense:			
Salaries and benefits	1,203,159	1,249,299	1,237,709
Other operating expenses	579,352	618,137	597,390
Total operating expense	1,782,511	1,867,436	1,835,099
Interest and other nonoperating expense	34,253	36,549	32,893
Total expenses	1,816,764	1,903,985	1,867,992
Increase in net assets	121,503	146,341	179,641
Net assets, beginning of year	1,870,107	1,723,766	1,544,125
Net assets, end of year	$ 1,991,610	$ 1,870,107	$ 1,723,766

Fiscal year 2012 total revenues decreased by 5.3 percent due to the decrease in state appropriation and federal grants.

Compensation is the system's single largest expense component. Salaries and benefits expense decreased $46.1 million, or 3.7 percent, in fiscal year 2012 and represented 67.5 percent of total operating expense. The fiscal year 2011 increase of $11.6 million, or 0.9 percent, represented 66.9 percent of total operating expense. Total compensation expense included fringe benefit costs of $287.9 million and $297.0 million in fiscal years 2012 and 2011, respectively.

All other operating expenses for fiscal year 2012 decreased by 6.3 percent compared to an increase of 3.5 percent in 2011. The most significant decreases by percentage from fiscal year 2011 to 2012 was $22.0 million or 38.6 percent in financial aid due to more aid being applied to tuition and fees versus paid out to students and $15.2 million or 9.3 percent in supplies expense due to purposeful reductions in expenditures for supplies.

INVESTMENTS

All balances related to tuition revenues and most fees are held in the state treasury. These funds are invested as part of the state's investment pool by the State Board of Investment. Under state statute, the system's share of earnings on the state's investment pool is allocated to schools by the System Office. Note 2 provides additional information on cash and investments, including steps taken to control interest and credit related risks. Revenue Fund cash balances are held in part by the state treasury and in part by U.S. Bank, N.A. as trustee, and are invested separately under contracts for investment management services.

FOUNDATIONS

The system's annual financial report for the years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 includes financial statements for the foundations of nine colleges and universities, including the foundations for all seven state universities, based on an assessment of the Foundations' significance to the system's financial statements. The accompanying financial report includes the Foundations' statements of financial position, analogous to the system's statements of net assets, and the Foundations' statements of activities, analogous to the systems' statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets. It should be noted that the Foundations' financial statements are not consolidated with the system's financial statements. The relationships between the Foundations and the related colleges and universities are described in Note 18.

ECONOMIC FACTORS THAT WILL AFFECT THE FUTURE

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system maintained a relatively strong financial position in fiscal year 2012 despite receiving a $62.1 million state appropriation reduction. The system continues to rely heavily on state appropriation for operating support to implement new programs tailored to the needs of the state's workforce, to maintain ongoing operations, and to devise the innovative strategies necessary to successfully manage the future challenges presented by a weak economy and a constantly evolving higher education marketplace.

The state, national and global economies have experienced the impacts of the significant recession that began in fiscal year 2009. As on the occasion of past increases in the general unemployment rate, the system experienced a corresponding 8.0 percent increase in enrollment in fiscal year 2010. Since then, the state unemployment rate has been steadily recovering. Overall enrollment levels at the two-year colleges and the universities increased 1.6 percent in fiscal year 2011 and decreased 2.8 percent in fiscal year 2012. Enrollment forecasts in 2013 and 2014 are stable or slightly declining compared to 2012. It is expected that enrollment will once again moderate as the state's unemployment rate declines. The current 2012 enrollment forecast for fiscal year 2013 represent a 12.3 percent increase over 2006. The system's colleges and universities have aggressively managed class sizes, course offerings, and hours of operations in order to serve as many students as possible.

State appropriation revenue was reduced in the fiscal years 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 although reductions were somewhat offset with one-time federal stimulus funds totaling $79.2 million in fiscal 2010 and 2011. System leadership has worked tirelessly to minimize tuition increases and the detrimental impact of cost cutting on the system's approximately 2,500 educational programs; both efforts are aimed squarely at limiting the negative impacts of state reductions on students.

The changes in the federal financial aid program, in concert with the state and national economic conditions, has resulted in a substantial increase in federal financial aid participation by the system's students over the past three years. Reliance on state and federal financial assistance by current and future students is a state and national concern as affordability competes with the withdrawal of state support for public higher education. Further, the increased personal debt burden of today's students threatens participation and completion rates.

The continuing success of the system depends in part on a partnership with the state of Minnesota and its citizens. Preservation of the high quality, broadly accessible system of colleges and universities now available across the state will require continuing support from the state. The system leadership is committed to a statewide partnership with government, industry and the community to add to the prosperity of Minnesota. The system will also continue its aggressive management of costs and services to ensure efficient, effective operations on behalf of current and future students. The partnership enables the provision of accessible, high value, affordable higher education in accord with the economic and intellectual needs of the state. The state's continued support is critical to maintaining both affordability and access for students.

REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' finances for all those with an interest in the system's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Financial Reporting System Director
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
30 7th St. E., Suite 350
St Paul, MN 55101-7804

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MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS
AS OF JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011
(IN THOUSANDS)

Assets	2012	2011
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 809,730	$ 770,820
Investments	26,442	27,725
Grants receivable	12,434	16,420
Accounts receivable, net	59,194	60,500
Prepaid expense	27,578	27,913
Inventory	14,562	12,626
Student loans, net	4,058	4,080
Other assets	2,395	2,272
Total current assets	956,393	922,356
Current Restricted Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	97,607	149,906
Total current restricted assets	97,607	149,906
Noncurrent Restricted Assets		
Other assets	62	69
Construction in progress	65,266	29,778
Total noncurrent restricted assets	65,328	29,847
Total restricted assets	162,935	179,753
Noncurrent Assets		
Student loans, net	25,737	26,405
Capital assets, net	1,809,959	1,754,840
Total noncurrent assets	1,835,696	1,781,245
Total Assets	2,955,024	2,883,354
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Salaries and benefits payable	87,066	128,189
Accounts payable	40,428	41,510
Unearned revenue	40,417	41,188
Payable from restricted assets	26,800	21,435
Interest payable	2,925	3,089
Funds held for others	10,160	9,735
Current portion of long-term debt	35,244	32,118
Other compensation benefits	19,289	21,931
Other liabilities	845	209
Total current liabilities	263,174	299,404
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Noncurrent portion of long-term debt	526,243	541,863
Other compensation benefits	144,168	141,811
Capital contributions payable	29,829	30,169
Total noncurrent liabilities	700,240	713,843
Total Liabilities	963,414	1,013,247
Net Assets		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,355,857	1,322,661
Restricted expendable, bond covenants	72,625	66,364
Restricted expendable, other	72,323	59,694
Unrestricted	490,805	421,388
Total Net Assets	$ 1,991,610	$ 1,870,107

The notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES FOUNDATIONS
STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS OF JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011
(IN THOUSANDS)

	2012	2011
Assets		
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	$ 7,690	$ 9,516
Investments	65,023	62,047
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	1,102	1,379
Pledges and contributions receivable, net	4,975	4,560
Other receivables and Other assets	399	780
Annuities/Remainder interests/Trusts	179	1,742
Finance lease receivable	805	750
Total current assets	80,173	80,774
Noncurrent Assets		
Annuities/Remainder interests/Trusts	424	399
Long-term pledges receivable	11,628	6,057
Finance lease receivable, net	8,393	9,808
Investments	59,433	12,206
Investment property	5	738
Restricted investments	2,881	50,752
Assets held for endowment	2,736	55
Buildings, property and equipment, net	20,662	21,103
Other assets	1,269	1,230
Total noncurrent assets	107,431	102,348
Total Assets	$ 187,604	$ 183,122
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	$ 1,015	$ 653
Interest payable	100	152
Unearned revenue	392	603
Annuities payable	385	163
Notes payable	1,660	323
Bonds payable	1,920	1,674
Scholarships payable and Other liabilities	178	146
Total current liabilities	5,650	3,714
Noncurrent Liabilities		
Annuities payable and Unitrust liabilities	2,123	1,837
Notes payable	13,126	8,188
Bonds payable	18,792	20,848
Total noncurrent liabilities	34,041	30,873
Total Liabilities	39,691	34,587
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	10,913	15,518
Temporarily restricted	40,819	42,179
Permanently restricted	96,181	90,838
Total Net Assets	147,913	148,535
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	$ 187,604	$ 183,122

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MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011
(IN THOUSANDS)

	2012	2011
Operating Revenues		
Tuition, net	$ 538,547	$ 539,018
Fees, net	67,692	71,784
Sales and room and board, net	118,045	121,088
Restricted student payments, net	107,255	103,368
Other income	17,002	16,496
Total operating revenues	848,541	851,754
Operating Expenses		
Salaries and benefits	1,203,159	1,249,299
Purchased services	210,875	218,838
Supplies	149,088	164,292
Repairs and maintenance	33,299	34,606
Depreciation	104,102	97,297
Financial aid, net	34,931	56,887
Other expense	47,057	46,217
Total operating expenses	1,782,511	1,867,436
Operating Loss	(933,970)	(1,015,682)
Nonoperating Revenues (Expenses)		
Appropriations	551,293	613,382
Federal grants	369,139	420,175
State grants	74,346	65,481
Private grants	30,338	22,377
Interest income	5,463	6,418
Interest expense	(22,526)	(20,862)
Grants to other organizations	(11,231)	(15,687)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	996,822	1,091,284
Income Before Other Revenues, Expenses, Gains, or Losses	62,852	75,602
Capital appropriations	56,361	65,480
Capital grants	484	555
Donated assets and supplies	2,302	1,515
Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets	(496)	3,189
Change in net assets	121,503	146,341
Total Net Assets, Beginning of Year	1,870,107	1,723,766
Total Net Assets, End of Year	$ 1,991,610	$ 1,870,107

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MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES FOUNDATIONS
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2012
(IN THOUSANDS)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	2012 Total
Support and Revenue				
Contributions	$ 8,039	$ 11,244	$ 3,843	$ 23,126
Endowment gifts	-	-	867	867
In-kind contributions	3,723	617	-	4,340
Investment income	1,431	1,182	4	2,617
Realized gains (losses)	(1,309)	245	9	(1,055)
Unrealized gains (losses)	(578)	(671)	58	(1,191)
Program income	1,219	1,233	-	2,452
Special events	18	-	-	18
Fundraising income	64	139	-	203
Other income	862	97	-	959
Reclassification of net assets	385	(1,214)	829	-
Net assets released from restrictions	14,499	(14,232)	(267)	-
Total support and revenue	28,353	(1,360)	5,343	32,336
Expenses				
Program services				
Program services	3,499	-	-	3,499
Scholarships	17,283	-	-	17,283
Institutional activities	3,227	-	-	3,227
Special projects	1,491	-	-	1,491
Total program services	25,500	-	-	25,500
Supporting services				
Interest expense	807	-	-	807
Management and general	2,840	-	-	2,840
Fundraising	3,611	-	-	3,611
Depreciation and amortization	135	-	-	135
Other expense	65	-	-	65
Total supporting services	7,458	-	-	7,458
Total expenses	32,958	-	-	32,958
Change in Net Assets	(4,605)	(1,360)	5,343	(622)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	15,518	42,179	90,838	148,535
Net Assets, End of Year	$ 10,913	$ 40,819	$ 96,181	$ 147,913

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MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES FOUNDATIONS
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011
(IN THOUSANDS)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	2011 Total
Support and Revenue				
Contributions	$ 4,042	$ 9,648	$ 3,294	$ 16,984
Endowment gifts	-	-	1,115	1,115
In-kind contributions	4,093	932	12	5,037
Investment income	2,402	3,269	3	5,674
Realized gains	6,029	816	43	6,888
Unrealized gains	1,502	5,996	363	7,861
Program income	1,976	848	-	2,824
Special events	35	-	-	35
Fundraising income	62	152	-	214
Other income	132	147	-	279
Reclassification of net assets	28	72	(100)	-
Net assets released from restrictions	12,061	(13,057)	996	-
Total support and revenue	32,362	8,823	5,726	46,911
Expenses				
Program services				
Program services	3,205	-	-	3,205
Scholarships	7,765	-	-	7,765
Institutional activities	2,719	-	-	2,719
Special projects	2,253	-	-	2,253
Total program services	15,942	-	-	15,942
Supporting services				
Interest expense	821	-	-	821
Management and general	2,580	-	-	2,580
Fundraising	3,752	-	-	3,752
Depreciation and amortization	161	-	-	161
Other expense	60	-	-	60
Total supporting services	7,374	-	-	7,374
Total expenses	23,316	-	-	23,316
Change in Net Assets	9,046	8,823	5,726	23,595
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	6,472	33,356	85,112	124,940
Net Assets, End of Year	$ 15,518	$ 42,179	$ 90,838	$ 148,535

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MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011
(IN THOUSANDS)

	2012	2011
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Cash received from customers	$ 850,437	$ 841,237
Cash repayment of program loans	3,908	3,803
Cash paid to suppliers for goods or services	(443,775)	(457,514)
Cash payments for employees	(1,243,191)	(1,240,782)
Financial aid disbursements	(35,384)	(57,246)
Cash payments for program loans	(3,828)	(3,935)
Net cash flows used in operating activities	(871,833)	(914,437)
Cash Flows from Noncapital and Related Financing Activities		
Appropriations	551,293	613,382
Federal grants	369,996	422,482
State grants	74,346	65,481
Private grants	30,338	22,377
Agency activity	421	342
Grants to other organizations	(11,231)	(15,687)
Net cash flows provided by noncapital and related financing activities	1,015,163	1,108,377
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities		
Investment in capital assets	(189,420)	(159,430)
Capital appropriation	58,125	43,074
Capital grants	484	555
Proceeds from sale of capital assets and insurance proceeds	2,996	4,905
Proceeds from borrowing	20,106	107,304
Proceeds from bond premiums	1,549	9,403
Interest paid	(22,569)	(20,151)
Repayment of lease principal	(5,858)	(4,977)
Repayment of note principal	(931)	(826)
Repayment of bond principal	(25,871)	(26,340)
Net cash flows used in capital and related financing activities	(161,389)	(46,483)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Proceeds from sales and maturities of investments	12,533	7,543
Purchase of investments	(11,313)	(4,396)
Investment earnings	3,450	4,748
Net cash flows provided by investing activities	4,670	7,895
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(13,389)	155,352
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	920,726	765,374
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	$ 907,337	$ 920,726

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MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011
(IN THOUSANDS)

	2012	2011
Operating Loss	$ (933,970)	$ (1,015,682)
Adjustment to Reconcile Operating Loss to		
Net Cash Flows used in Operating Activities		
Depreciation	104,102	97,297
Provision for loan defaults	198	35
Loan principal repayments	3,908	3,803
Loans issued	(3,828)	(3,935)
Forgiven loans	413	568
Donated and lease equipment not capitalized	1,874	944
Change in assets and liabilities		
Inventory	(1,936)	785
Accounts receivable	(458)	(9,868)
Accounts payable	(2,197)	7,000
Salaries and benefits payable	(41,123)	5,269
Other compensation benefits	(285)	2,855
Capital contributions payable	(340)	(358)
Unearned revenues	2,354	(649)
Other	(545)	(2,501)
Net reconciling items to adjust operating loss	62,137	101,245
Net cash flow used in operating activities	$ (871,833)	$ (914,437)
Non-Cash Investing, Capital, and Financing Activities:		
Capital projects on account	$ 29,642	$ 23,197
Amortization of bond premium	2,082	1,962
Capital projects financed with a capital lease	-	32,406
Capital projects financed with a note payable	-	1,700

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS HELD FOR PENSION BENEFITS
MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT FUND
AS OF JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011
(IN THOUSANDS)

	2012	2011
Assets		
Mutual Funds	$ 1,150,606	$ 1,093,691
Total Assets	1,150,606	1,093,691
Liabilities		
Total Liabilities	-	-
Net Assets Held in Trust for Pension Benefits	$ 1,150,606	$ 1,093,691

The notes are an integral part of the consolidated financial statements.

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS HELD FOR PENSION BENEFITS
MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT FUND
FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2012 AND 2011
(IN THOUSANDS)

	2012	2011
Additions:		
Contributions		
Employer	$ 41,500	$ 41,307
Member	34,926	34,853
Contributions from roll overs and other sources	1,576	1,900
Total Contributions	78,002	78,060
Net Investment Gain	28,905	178,092
Total Additions	106,907	256,152
Deductions:		
Benefits and refunds paid to plan members	49,762	48,536
Administrative fees	230	324
Total Deductions	49,992	48,860
Net Increase	56,915	207,292
Net Assets Held in Trust for Pension Benefits, Beginning of Year	1,093,691	886,399
Net Assets Held in Trust for Pension Benefits, End of Year	$ 1,150,606	$ 1,093,691

The notes are an integral part of the concolidated financial statements.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation — The reporting policies of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The statements of net assets; statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets; and statements of cash flows represent the financial activities of each institution and the System's activity in total.

Financial Reporting Entity — Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is an agency of the state of Minnesota and receives appropriations from the state legislature, substantially all of which are used to fund general operations. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' financial statements include 31 member colleges and universities, the System Office, and System wide activity. The operations of most student organizations are included in the reporting entity because the Board of Trustees has certain fiduciary responsibilities for these resources.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities may finance the construction, renovation and acquisition of facilities for student residences and student unions through the sale of revenue bonds. These activities are accounted for and reported in the Revenue Fund, a legally separate entity are also included here. Details on the Revenue Fund bonds are available in the separately audited and issued Revenue Fund Financial Report. Copies are available from the financial reporting director at the address listed at the end of the Management's Discussion and Analysis section.

Discretely presented component units are legally separate organizations that raise and hold economic resources for the direct benefit of a college or university in accordance with GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations are Component Units*. Foundations considered significant to a college or university are included as discretely presented component units and are separately identified in Note 18. For GASB consolidated financial statement purposes, most college foundations are not considered significant to the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities System and, therefore, are not included as discretely presented component units.

Complete financial statements of the foundations may be obtained from their respective administrative offices as follows:

Bemidji State University Foundation
1500 Birchmont Dr. NE #17
Bemidji, MN 56601-2699

Century College Foundation
3300 Century Avenue North
White Bear Lake, MN 55110-1842

Fergus Area College Foundation
Minnesota State Community & Technical College
1414 College Way
Fergus Falls, MN 56537

Metropolitan State University Foundation
700 East Seventh Street
St. Paul, MN 55106

MN State University, Mankato Foundation, Inc.
224 Alumni Foundation Center
Mankato, MN 56001

MN State University Moorhead Alumni Foundation, Inc.
1104 Seventh Ave. S.
Moorhead, MN 56563

St. Cloud State University Foundation
Alumni and Foundation Center
720 Fourth Ave. South
St. Cloud, MN 56301-4498

Southwest Minnesota State University Foundation
1501 State Street
Marshall, MN 56258

Winona State University Foundation
P.O. Box 5838
Winona, MN 55987-5838

Fiduciary funds are omitted from inclusion in the net assets of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. Separate statements are included for the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Defined Contribution Retirement Fund.

Joint Ventures and Jointly Governed Organizations — A joint venture is a legal entity or other organization that results from a contractual arrangement and that is owned, operated, or governed by two or more participants as a separate and specific activity subject to joint control, in which participants retain an ongoing financial interest or an ongoing financial responsibility. During fiscal year 2012, joint ventures received revenues of $7,815,323 and incurred expenses of $6,594,723. In fiscal year 2011 the amounts for revenues and expenses were $6,712,830 and $7,595,060, respectively.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities jointly governs the Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College. The governing boards are the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees and the Tribal College Board of Directors. The Tribal College reimburses the Community College for certain expenses. The financial position and results of operations of the Tribal College are reported in the financial statements of the Fond du Lac Reservation. Revenues and expenses related to operations of the Community College are included in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities financial statements.

Basis of Accounting — The basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenses are recognized and reported in the financial statements. The accompanying financial statements have been prepared as a special purpose government entity engaged in business type activities. Business type activities are those that are financed in whole or in part by fees charged to external parties for goods or services. Accordingly, these financial statements have been presented using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized as they are incurred. Eliminations have been made to minimize the double counting of internal activities. Inter-fund receivables and payables have been eliminated in the statements of net assets.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities applies all applicable Financial Accounting Standards Board statements issued prior to November 30, 1989, and GASB statements issued since that date.

Budgetary Accounting — Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' budgetary accounting, which is the basis for annual budgets and allocation of the state appropriation, differs from GAAP. Budgetary accounting includes all receipts and expenses up to the close of the books in August for the budget fiscal year. Revenues not yet received by the close of the books are not included. The criterion for recognizing expenses is the actual disbursement, and not when the goods or services are received.

The state of Minnesota operates on a two year (biennial) budget cycle ending on June 30 of odd numbered years. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is governed by a 15 member Board of Trustees appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the state senate. The Board approves the individual colleges and universities biennial budget requests and allocations as part of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' total budget.

Budgetary control is maintained at the college and university level. Presidents have the authority and responsibility to administer the budget and can transfer money between programs within each college and university without Board approval. The budget of a college or university can be legally amended by the authority of the Vice Chancellor or Chief Financial Officer of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

State appropriations do not lapse at fiscal yearend. Any unexpended appropriation from the first fiscal year of a biennium is available for the second fiscal year. Any unexpended balance may also carry over into future bienniums. State appropriation included $5.9 and 7.9 million in fiscal years 2012 and 2011 respectively, for asset repairs and improvements that are not capitalized.

Capital Appropriation Revenue — Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is responsible for paying one third of the debt service for certain general obligation bonds sold for capital projects, as specified in the authorizing legislation. The portion of general obligation bond debt service that is payable by the state of Minnesota is recognized by Minnesota State Colleges and Universities as capital appropriation revenue when the related expenses are incurred. Individual colleges and universities are allocated cash, capital appropriation revenue, and debt based on capital project expenses that are capitalized.

Cash and Cash Equivalents — The cash balance represents cash in the state treasury and demand deposits in local bank accounts as well as cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments having original maturities (remaining time to maturity at acquisition) of three months or less. Cash and cash equivalents include amounts in demand deposits, savings accounts, cash management pools, repurchase agreements, and money market funds.

Restricted cash is cash held for capital projects and cash in the Revenue Fund for capital projects and debt service. The Revenue Fund is used to account for the revenues, expenses, and net assets of revenue producing facilities, which are supported through usage. It has the authority to sell revenue bonds for the construction and maintenance of revenue producing facilities.

All balances related to the state appropriation, tuition revenues, and most fees are in the state treasury. Each campus has at least one account in a local bank. The activities handled through the local bank include financial aid, student payroll, auxiliary, and student activities.

Investments — The Minnesota State Board of Investment invests Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' balances in the state treasury, except for the Revenue Fund, as part of a state investment pool. This asset is reported as a cash equivalent. Cash in the Revenue Fund is invested separately. The Revenue Fund contracts with the Minnesota State Board of Investment and U.S. Bank, N.A. for investment management services. Investments are reported at fair value using quoted market prices. Restricted investments are investments held in the Revenue Fund for capital projects and debt service.

Receivables — Receivables are shown net of an allowance for uncollectible accounts.

Inventories — Inventories are valued at cost using the actual cost, first in first out, retail cost, and weighted average cost methods.

Prepaid Expense — Prepaid expense consists primarily of deposits in the state of Minnesota Debt Service Fund for future general obligation bond payments.

Capital Assets — Capital assets are recorded at cost or, for donated assets, at fair value at the date of acquisition. Estimated historical cost has been used when actual cost is not available. Such assets are depreciated or amortized on a straight line basis over the useful life of the assets.

Estimated useful lives are as follows:

Asset Type	Useful Life
Buildings	30-40 years
Building improvement	15-20 years
Equipment	3-20 years
Internally developed software	7 years
Library collections	7 years

Equipment includes all items with an original cost of $10,000 and over for items purchased since July 1, 2008; $5,000 and over for items purchased between July 1, 2003 and June 30, 2008; and $2,000 and over for items purchased prior to July 1, 2003. Buildings, building improvements, and internally developed software include all projects with a cost of $250,000 and over for projects started since July 1, 2008, and $100,000 and over for projects started prior to July 1, 2008. All land and library collection purchases are capitalized regardless of amount spent.

Funds Held for Others — Funds held for others are assets held primarily for student organizations, faculty and staff health reimbursement accounts, and retirement contributions.

Unearned Revenue — Unearned revenue consists primarily of tuition received, but not yet earned for summer session and fall term. It also includes amounts received for unspent bond proceeds, dorm room deposits, and from grants which have not yet been earned under the terms of the agreement.

Long Term Liabilities — The state of Minnesota appropriates for and sells general obligation bonds to support construction and renovation of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' facilities as approved through the state's capital budget process. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is responsible for a portion of the debt service on the bonds sold for some college and university projects. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities may sell revenue bonds and may also enter into capital lease agreements for certain capital assets. Other long term liabilities include compensated absences, early retirement benefits, net other postemployment benefits, workers' compensation claims, notes payable, and capital contributions associated with Perkins Loan agreements with the United States Department of Education.

Operating Activities — Operating activities as reported in the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets are those that generally result from exchange transactions such as payments received for providing services and payments made for services or goods received. Nearly all of the expenses are from exchange transactions. Certain significant revenue streams relied upon for operations are recorded as nonoperating revenues, including state appropriations, federal, state and private grants, and investment income.

Tuition, Fees, and Sales, Net — Tuition, fees, and sales are reported net of scholarship allowance. See Note 12 for additional information.

Restricted Student Payments — Restricted student payments consist of room, board, sales, and fee revenue restricted for payment of revenue bonds, and are net of scholarship allowance. See Note 12 for additional information.

Federal Grants —The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities participates in several federal grant programs. The largest programs include Pell, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant, Federal Work Study, and TRIO. Federal Grant revenue is recognized as nonoperating revenue in accordance with GASB Statement No. 33, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.* During fiscal years 2012 and 2011, $4,259,787 and $38,128,866 of federal aid was recognized as revenue related to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, respectively. The decrease of federal grant revenue between fiscal years 2012 and 2011 is largely explained by the expiration of federal stimulus funding. Expenditures under government contracts are subject to review by the granting authority. To the extent, if any, that such a review reduces expenditures allowable under these contracts, the system will record such disallowance at the time the determination is made.

Capital Grants — The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities receives federal, state, and private grants which are restricted for the acquisition or construction of capital assets.

Use of Estimates — To prepare the basic financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles, management must make estimates and assumptions. These estimates and assumptions may affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The most significant areas that require the use of management's estimates relate to compensated absences, workers' compensation claims, allowances for uncollectible accounts, and scholarship allowances.

Net Assets — The difference between assets and liabilities is net assets. Net assets are further classified for accounting and reporting purposes into the following categories:

- *Invested in capital assets, net of related debt:* capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and outstanding principal balances of debt and other borrowings attributable to the acquisition, construction or improvement of those assets.

- *Restricted expendable:* net assets subject to externally imposed stipulations. Net asset restrictions for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities are as follows:

  Restricted for bond covenants — revenue bond restrictions.

  Restricted for other — includes restrictions for the following:

  Capital projects — restricted for completion of capital projects.
  Debt service — legally restricted debt repayment.
  Donations — restricted per donor requests.
  Faculty contract obligations — for faculty development and travel as required.
  Loans — college and university capital contribution for Perkins Loans.

Net Assets Restricted for Other
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
Capital projects	$ 9,320	$ 1,979
Debt service	46,844	42,271
Donations	5,258	5,020
Faculty contract obligations	6,760	6,511
Loans	4,141	3,913
Total	$ 72,323	$ 59,694

- *Unrestricted:* net assets that are not subject to externally imposed stipulations. Unrestricted net assets may be designated for specific purposes by action of management, the System Office, or the Board of Trustees.

New Accounting Pronouncements — In December 2010, the GASB issued Statement No. 60, *Accounting and Reporting for Service Concession Arrangements*. The objective of this statement is to improve financial reporting by establishing recognition, measurement, and disclosure requirements for Service Concession Arrangements (SCA's) for both transferors and governmental operators, and by requiring governments to account for and report SCAs in the same manner, which improves the comparability of financial statements. In addition, it is designed to alleviate the confusion that can arise when determining what guidance should be applied in complex circumstances not previously specifically addressed in GASB literature. The requirements of this statement are effective for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities for the year ended June 30, 2013. The effect GASB Statement No. 60 will have on the fiscal year 2013 basic financial statements has not been determined.

2. CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and Cash Equivalents — All balances related to the state appropriation, tuition revenues, and most fees are held in the state treasury. In addition, each campus has at least one local bank account. The activities handled through local banks include financial aid, student payroll, auxiliary, and student activities.

Minnesota Statutes, Section 118A.03, requires that deposits be secured by depository insurance or a combination of depository insurance and collateral securities held in the state's name by an agent of the state. The statutes further require that such insurance and collateral shall be at least ten percent greater than the amount on deposit.

Cash and cash equivalents are categorized to give an indication of the level of custodial credit risk. Category 1 includes cash and cash equivalents insured or collateralized with securities held by the state or its agent in Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' name. All cash and cash equivalents are included in Category 1.

At June 30, 2012 and 2011, the local bank balances were $94,010,800 and $84,975,669, respectively. These balances were adjusted by items in transit to arrive at the cash in bank balance.

The following table summarizes cash and cash equivalents, including amounts reported as restricted cash.

Year Ended June 30 (In Thousands)		
Carrying Amount	2012	2011
Cash, in bank	$ 56,362	$ 60,809
Money markets	8,832	5,573
Repurchase agreements	17,317	13,501
Restricted local cash	454	434
Cash, trustee account (US Bank)	31,242	86,255
Total local cash and cash equivalents	114,207	166,572
Total treasury cash accounts	793,130	754,154
Grand Total	$ 907,337	$ 920,726

The balance in the state treasury, except for the Revenue Fund, is invested by the Minnesota State Board of Investment as part of the state investment pool. This asset is reported as a cash equivalent. The Revenue Fund contracts with the Minnesota State Board of Investment and U.S. Bank, N.A. for investment management services of Revenue Fund cash.

The cash accounts are invested in short term, liquid, high quality debt securities.

Foreign Currency Risk — Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment or a deposit. St. Cloud State University has a foreign checking account, denominated in both the European Euro and the British Pound. For fiscal year 2012 the fair value is $92,271 in U.S. dollars, all of which is represented in British Pounds. The fair value of this account for fiscal year 2011 was $120,000 in U.S. dollars, of which $13,345 is represented in Euros and $106,655 is represented in British Pounds.

Investments — The Minnesota State Board of Investment manages the majority of the state's investments. All investments managed by the State Board of Investment are governed by Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 11A and 356A. Minnesota Statutes, Section 11A.24, broadly restricts investments to obligations and stocks of U.S. and Canadian governments, their agencies and registered corporations, other international securities, short term obligations of specified high quality, restricted participation as a limited partner in venture capital, real estate or resource equity investments, and the restricted participation in registered mutual funds. Generally, when applicable, the statutes limit investments to those rated within the top four quality rating categories of a nationally recognized rating agency. The statutes further prescribe the maximum percentage of fund assets that may be invested in various asset classes and contain specific restrictions to ensure the quality of the investments.

Within statutory parameters, the State Board of Investment has established investment guidelines and benchmarks for all funds under its management. These investment guidelines and benchmarks are tailored to the particular needs of each fund and specify investment objectives, risk tolerance, asset allocation, investment management structure, and specific performance standards.

Investments are categorized to give an indication of the level of custodial credit risk. Category 1 includes securities insured, registered, or held by Minnesota State Colleges and Universities or its agent in Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' name. All investments are in Category 1.

Custodial Credit Risk — Custodial credit risk for investments is the risk that in the event of a failure of the counterparty, the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities will not be able to recover the value of the investments that are in the possession of an outside party. Board procedure 7.5.1 requires compliance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 118A.03, and further excludes the use of FDIC insurance when meeting collateral requirements.

Credit Risk — Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligations. The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' policy for reducing its exposure to credit risk is to comply with Minnesota Statutes, Section 118A.03. The statutes limit investments to the top quality rating categories of a nationally recognized rating agency.

Concentration of Credit Risk — Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of a government's investment in a single issuer. The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' policy for reducing this risk of loss is to comply with Board procedure 7.5.1 which recommends investments be diversified by type and issuer.

Interest Rate Risk — Interest rate risk is the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities complies with Board procedure 7.5.1 that recommends considering fluctuating interest rates and cash flow needs when purchasing short term and long term debt investments. As of June 30, 2012 and 2011, the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities had the following investments and maturities:

Year Ended June 30
(In Thousands)

Investment Type	2012 Fair Value	Weighted Maturity (Years)	2011 Fair Value	Weighted Maturity (Years)
Corporate/municipal bonds	$ 7,842	3.30	$ 1,730	3.53
U.S. agencies	6,342	12.26	12,155	12.48
Asset backed security	13	1.24	9	1.16
State investment pool cash equivalents	563	-	484	0.24
U.S. treasuries	25	0.30	-	
Total	14,785		14,378	
Portfolio weighted average maturity		7.01		10.98
Certificates of deposit	8,969		9,867	
Money market mutual funds	8		472	
Mutual stock funds	1,030		1,189	
Stock	1,650		1,819	
Total	$ 26,442		$ 27,725	

3. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

The accounts receivable balances are made up primarily of receivables from individuals not paid as of June 30, 2012 and 2011.

At June 30, 2012 and 2011, the total accounts receivable balances were $87,408,697 and $86,079,980, respectively, less an allowance for uncollectible receivables of $28,214,816 and $25,580,468, respectively.

Summary of Accounts Receivable at June 30
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
Tuition	$ 42,744	$ 47,907
Fees	10,055	10,410
Sales and service	9,708	9,673
Room and board	3,685	3,614
Third party obligations	4,889	6,209
Capital projects	759	2,523
Other	15,569	5,744
Total accounts receivable	87,409	86,080
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(28,215)	(25,580)
Net accounts receivable	$ 59,194	$ 60,500

The allowance for uncollectible accounts has been computed based on the following aging schedule:

Age	Allowance Percentage
Less than 1 year	10-25
1 to 3 years	45-80
3 to 5 years	70-100
Over 5 years	95-100

4. PREPAID EXPENSE

Prepaid expense consists primarily of funds which have been deposited in the state's Debt Service Fund for future general obligation bond payments in the amounts of $26,205,879 and $25,783,579 for fiscal years 2012 and 2011, respectively. Minnesota Statutes, Section 16A.641, requires all state agencies to have on hand December 1 of each fiscal year an amount sufficient to pay all general obligations bond principal and interest due and to become due, through July 1 of the second fiscal year. Also, included in prepaid expenses for fiscal years 2012 and 2011 were $1,372,004 and $2,129,779, respectively, stemming from prepaid maintenance agreements and prepaid contractual support.

5. LOANS RECEIVABLE

Loans receivable balance is made up primarily of loans under the Federal Perkins Loan Program. The federal government provides the funding for the loans with amounts collected used for new loan advances. The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' loans collection unit and the colleges and universities are responsible for loans collection.

As of June 30, 2012 and 2011, the loans receivable for this program totaled $32,556,700 and $33,049,983, respectively, less an allowance for uncollectible loans of $2,761,668 and $2,564,012, respectively.

6. CAPITAL ASSETS

Summaries of changes in capital assets for fiscal years 2012 and 2011 follow:

Year Ended June 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Completed Construction	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not depreciated:					
Land	$ 83,022	$ 300	$ -	$ -	$ 83,322
Construction in progress	94,810	175,676	-	(90,404)	180,082
Total capital assets, not depreciated	177,832	175,976	-	(90,404)	263,404
Capital assets, depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	2,666,774	117	5,394	90,404	2,751,901
Equipment	230,830	13,787	15,368	-	229,249
Internally developed software	13,197	1,315	736	-	13,776
Library collections	47,167	5,970	7,013	-	46,124
Total capital assets, depreciated	2,957,968	21,189	28,511	90,404	3,041,050
Less accumulated depreciation:					
Buildings and improvements	1,146,801	81,215	3,497	-	1,224,519
Equipment	170,839	14,428	14,809	-	170,458
Internally developed software	5,912	1,870	736	-	7,046
Library collections	27,630	6,589	7,013	-	27,206
Total accumulated depreciation	1,351,182	104,102	26,055	-	1,429,229
Total capital assets depreciated, net	1,606,786	(82,913)	2,456	90,404	1,611,821
Total capital assets, net	$ 1,784,618	$ 93,063	$ 2,456	$ -	$ 1,875,225

Year Ended June 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Completed Construction	Ending Balance
Capital assets, not depreciated:					
Land	$ 82,139	$ 1,346	$ 463	$ -	$ 83,022
Construction in progress	166,261	140,563	-	(212,014)	94,810
Total capital assets, not depreciated	248,400	141,909	463	(212,014)	177,832
Capital assets, depreciated:					
Buildings and improvements	2,423,019	31,926	185	212,014	2,666,774
Equipment	233,695	12,565	15,430	-	230,830
Internally developed software	12,395	2,109	1,307	-	13,197
Library collections	48,078	6,034	6,945	-	47,167
Total capital assets, depreciated	2,717,187	52,634	23,867	212,014	2,957,968
Less accumulated depreciation:					
Buildings and improvements	1,073,570	73,827	596	-	1,146,801
Equipment	171,093	15,041	15,295	-	170,839
Internally developed software	5,551	1,666	1,305	-	5,912
Library collections	27,837	6,763	6,970	-	27,630
Total accumulated depreciation	1,278,051	97,297	24,166	-	1,351,182
Total capital assets, depreciated, net	1,439,136	(44,663)	(299)	212,014	1,606,786
Total capital assets, net	$ 1,687,536	$ 97,246	$ 164	$ -	$ 1,784,618

7. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accounts payable represent amounts due for goods and services received prior to the end of the fiscal year.

Summary of Accounts Payable at June 30
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
Purchased services	$ 12,733	$ 13,591
Other payables	5,021	7,988
Supplies	7,194	8,215
Repairs and maintenance	5,711	4,019
Capital projects	2,842	1,761
Employee benefits	3,807	2,430
Financial aid	19	134
Grants to others	2,192	1,588
Inventory	805	1,714
Equipment	104	70
Total	$ 40,428	$ 41,510

In addition, as of June 30, 2012 and 2011, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities had payable from restricted assets in the amounts of $26,799,770 and $21,435,803, respectively, which were related to capital projects financed by general obligation bonds and revenue bonds.

8. LONG TERM OBLIGATIONS

Summaries of amounts due within one year are reported in the current liability section of the statements of net assets.

The changes in long-term debt for fiscal years 2012 and 2011 follow:

Year Ended June 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Liabilities for:					
Bond premium	$ 19,622	$ 1,549	$ 2,082	$ 19,089	$ -
Capital leases	45,418	-	5,858	39,560	4,599
General obligation bonds	241,027	8,106	18,416	230,717	18,164
Notes payable	5,101	845	931	5,015	731
Revenue bonds	262,813	12,000	7,707	267,106	11,750
Total long-term debt	$ 573,981	$ 22,500	$ 34,994	$ 561,487	$ 35,244

Year Ended June 30, 2011 (In Thousands)					
	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Liabilities for:					
Bond premium	$ 12,181	$ 9,403	$ 1,962	$ 19,622	$ -
Capital leases	17,989	32,406	4,977	45,418	5,248
General obligation bonds	237,018	21,504	17,495	241,027	18,583
Notes payable	4,227	1,700	826	5,101	577
Revenue bonds	184,938	85,800	7,925	262,813	7,710
Total long-term debt	$ 456,353	$ 150,813	$ 33,185	$ 573,981	$ 32,118

The changes in other compensation benefits for fiscal years 2012 and 2011 follow:

Year Ended June 30, 2012 (In Thousands)					
	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Liabilities for:					
Compensated absences	$ 129,908	$ 13,693	$ 15,346	$ 128,255	$ 14,235
Early termination benefits	6,326	1,891	4,338	3,879	1,932
Net other postemployment benefits	19,791	11,541	6,946	24,386	-
Workers' compensation	7,717	3,477	4,257	6,937	3,122
Total other compensation benefits	$ 163,742	$ 30,602	$ 30,887	$ 163,457	$ 19,289

Year Ended June 30, 2011 (In Thousands)					
	Beginning Balance	Increases	Decreases	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Liabilities for:					
Compensated absences	$ 133,218	$ 10,115	$ 13,425	$ 129,908	$ 14,290
Early termination benefits	6,819	3,838	4,331	6,326	4,245
Net other postemployment benefits	14,331	10,921	5,461	19,791	-
Workers' compensation	6,518	4,961	3,762	7,717	3,396
Total other compensation benefits	$ 160,886	$ 29,835	$ 26,979	$ 163,742	$ 21,931

Bond Premium — Bonds were issued in fiscal years 2012 and 2011, resulting in net premiums of $1,548,271 and $9,402,540, respectively. Amortization is calculated using the straight line method and amortized over the average remaining life of the bonds.

Capital Leases — Liabilities for capital leases include those leases that are generally defined as one that transfers benefits and risk of ownership to the lessee. See Note 11 for additional information.

General Obligation Bonds — The state of Minnesota sells general obligation bonds to finance most of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' capital projects. The interest rate on these bonds ranges from 2.0 to 5.5 percent. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is responsible for paying one third of the debt service for certain general obligation bonds sold for capital projects, as specified in the authorizing legislation. This debt obligation is allocated to the colleges and universities based upon the specific projects funded.

Notes Payable — Notes payable consist of State Energy Efficiency Program loans granted by energy companies in order to improve energy efficiency in college and university buildings, and financing agreements on computers and equipment that are under the equipment capitalization threshold. All projects completed under Minnesota Statutes, section 16B.32, the State Retrofit Program and the State/Minnegasco Program are interest free loans. Projects completed under Minnesota Statutes, Section 16C.14, have an interest component. The interest rate for the energy loans is tied to the prime interest rate at the time of the project. The interest rate for the financing agreements ranges from 4 percent to 9.9 percent.

Revenue Bonds — The Revenue Fund is authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 136F.98, to issue revenue bonds whose aggregate principal shall not exceed $300,000,000 at any time. The proceeds of these bonds are used to finance the acquisition, construction and remodeling of buildings for dormitory, residence hall, parking ramps, student union, and food service purposes at state universities. Revenue bonds currently outstanding have interest rates of 1 percent to 6.5 percent.

The revenue bonds are payable solely from and collateralized by, an irrevocable pledge of revenues to be derived from the operation of the financed buildings and from student fees. These revenue bonds are payable through fiscal year 2033. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require less than 20.94 percent of net revenues. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is $383,458,277. Principal and interest paid for the current year and total customer net revenues were $19,434,394 and $111,171,271, respectively.

In addition, Itasca Community College issued revenue bonds through the Itasca County Housing Redevelopment Authority that are payable through 2025. These bonds are payable solely from, and collateralized by, an irrevocable pledge of revenues to be derived from the operation of the financed buildings. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require less than 48.17 percent of net revenues. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is $3,035,661. For the current year, principal and interest paid and total customer net revenues were $206,606 and $430,630, respectively. These revenue bonds have a variable interest rate of 2.5 percent to 5.75 percent.

In addition, Vermilion Community College issued revenue bonds through the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority that are payable through 2013. These bonds financing modular housing are payable solely from, and collateralized by, an irrevocable pledge of revenues to be derived from the operation of the financed buildings and guaranteed by the City of Ely. Annual principal and interest payments on the bonds are expected to require less than 32.7 percent of net revenues. The total principal and interest remaining to be paid on the bonds is $84,800. For the current year, principal and interest paid and total customer net revenues were $82,050 and $259,238, respectively. These revenue bonds have a fixed interest rate of 6 percent.

Compensated Absences — Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' employees accrue vacation, sick, and compensatory leave at various rates within limits specified in the collective bargaining agreements. The liability for compensated absences is payable as severance pay under specific conditions. This leave is liquidated only at the time of termination from state employment.

Early Termination Benefits — Early termination benefits are benefits received for discontinuing service earlier than planned. See Note 9 for details.

Net Other Postemployment Benefits — Net other postemployment benefits are health insurance benefits for certain retired employees under a single employer fully insured plan. Under the health benefits program, retirees are required to pay 100 percent of the total premium cost. Since the premium is a blended rate determined on the entire active and retiree population, the retirees are receiving an implicit rate subsidy. See Note 10 for further details.

Workers' Compensation — The state of Minnesota Department of Management and Budget manages the self-insured workers' compensation claims activities. The reported liability for workers' compensation of $6,937,294 and $7,716,824 at June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively, is based on claims filed for injuries to state employees occurring prior to the fiscal year end and is an undiscounted estimate of future payments.

Capital Contributions — The liabilities of $29,829,473 and $30,167,541 at June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively, represent the amount Minnesota State Colleges and Universities would owe the federal government if it were to discontinue the Perkins loan program. The net decrease was $338,068 and $357,719 for fiscal years 2012 and 2011, respectively.

Principal and interest payment schedules are provided in the following table for notes payable, general obligation bonds, revenue bonds and capital leases.

There are no payment schedules for bond premium, compensated absences, early termination benefits, net other postemployment benefits, workers' compensation, and capital contributions.

Long-Term Debt Repayment Schedule
(In Thousands)

	General Obligation Bonds		Revenue Bonds	
Fiscal Years	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2013	$ 18,164	$ 10,820	$ 11,750	$ 11,432
2014	18,064	9,945	12,485	10,987
2015	17,632	9,068	12,970	10,511
2016	17,158	8,212	13,420	9,996
2017	16,539	7,371	13,295	9,468
2018-2022	76,182	25,192	73,275	38,368
2023-2027	51,793	9,131	76,675	22,107
2028-2032	15,185	1,028	50,155	6,530
2033-2037	-	-	3,125	74
Less: Issuance costs	-	-	(44)	-
Total	$ 230,717	$ 80,767	$ 267,106	$ 119,473

Long-Term Debt Repayment Schedule
(In Thousands)

	Capital Leases		Notes Payable	
Fiscal Years	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2013	$ 4,599	$ 874	$ 731	$ 213
2014	4,563	1,001	735	180
2015	4,467	1,099	429	157
2016	4,297	1,201	410	141
2017	4,275	1,159	366	452
2018-2022	15,396	5,950	1,630	132
2023-2027	922	403	714	-
2028-2032	1,041	128	-	-
Total	$ 39,560	$ 11,815	$ 5,015	$ 1,275

9. EARLY TERMINATION BENEFITS

Early termination benefits are defined as benefits received for discontinuing services earlier than planned.

Minnesota Statutes section 136F.481 authorized the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Board of Trustees to implement an early separation incentive program (BESI) in fiscal year 2011. Additionally, certain bargaining unit contracts, Minnesota State College Faculty (MSCF), Inter Faculty Organization (IFO), and Minnesota State University Association of Administrative Service Faculty (MSUAASF), provide for this benefit. The following is a description of the different benefit arrangements for each contract, including number of retired faculty receiving the benefit, and the amount of future liability as of the end of fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

MnSCU Board Early Separation Incentive Program — Employees of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities accepted incentives in the form of contributions to a health care savings plan and cash payments in return for voluntarily separating from employment by the System.

The number of employees who received this benefit and the amount of future liability for those employees as of June 30, 2012 and 2011 follow:

Fiscal Year	Number of Employees	Future Liability (In Thousands)
2012	-	$ -
2011	19	913

Minnesota State College Faculty (MSCF) contract — The MSCF contract allows former Minnesota Community College Faculty Association (MCCFA) faculty members who meet certain eligibility and a combination of age and years of service requirements to receive an early retirement incentive cash payment based on base salary, and health insurance paid for one year after separation. The cash incentive can be paid either in one or two payments.

The number of retired faculty who received this benefit and the amount of future liability as of the end of fiscal years 2012 and 2011 follow:

Fiscal Year	Number of Faculty	Future Liability (In Thousands)
2012	26	$ 704
2011	30	1,004

The MSCF contract allows former United Technical College Educators (UTCE) faculty members who meet certain eligibility and a combination of age and years of service requirements, to receive either an early retirement incentive cash payment, the right to continue, at the employer's expense, health insurance benefits up to age 65; or a combination of both,. The cash incentive can be paid either in one or more payments.

The number of retired faculty who received this benefit and the amount of future liability as of the end of fiscal years 2012 and 2011 follow:

Fiscal Year	Number of Faculty	Future Liability (In Thousands)
2012	101	$ 2,901
2011	131	3,111

Inter Faculty Organization (IFO) contract — The IFO contract allows faculty members who meet certain eligibility and combination of age and years of service requirements to receive an early retirement incentive cash payment based on base salary at time of separation, as well as an amount equal to the employer's contribution for one year of health insurance premiums deposited in his/her health care savings plan at time of separation. The cash incentive can be paid either in one or two payments.

The number of retired faculty who received this benefit and the amount of future liability for faculty as of the end of fiscal years 2012 and 2011 follow:

Fiscal Year	Number of Faculty	Future Liability (In Thousands)
2012	20	$ 242
2011	55	1,154

Minnesota State University Association of Administrative Service Faculty (MSUAASF) contract —
The MSUAASF contract allows faculty members who meet certain eligibility and combination of age and years of service requirements to receive an early retirement incentive cash payment based on base salary at time of separation, as well as an amount equal to the employer's contribution for one year's health insurance premiums deposited in his/her health care savings plan at time of separation. The cash incentive can be paid either in one or two payments.

The number of retired faculty who received this benefit and the amount of future liability for faculty as of the end of fiscal years 2012 and 2011 follow:

Fiscal Year	Number of Faculty	Future Liability (In Thousands)
2012	2	$ 32
2011	7	144

10. NET OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities provides health insurance benefits for certain retired employees under a single employer fully insured plan**,** as required by Minnesota Statute, 471.61, Subdivision 2B. Active employees who retire when eligible to receive a retirement benefit from a Minnesota public pension plan and do not participate in any other health benefits program providing coverage similar to that herein described, will be eligible to continue coverage with respect to both themselves and their eligible dependent(s) under the health benefits program. Retirees are required to pay 100 percent of the total premium cost. Since the premium is a blended rate determined on the entire active and retiree population, the retirees are receiving an implicit rate subsidy. As of July 1, 2010 there were approximately 667 retirees receiving health benefits from the health plan.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation — The annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost (expense) is calculated based on the annual required contribution (ARC) of the employer, an amount actuarially determined in accordance with the parameters of GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions*.. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed 30 years.

The following table shows the components of the annual OPEB cost for fiscal years 2012 and 2011, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the net OPEB obligation:

Components of the Annual OPEB Cost
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
Annual required contribution (ARC)	$ 11,368	$ 10,794
Interest on net OPEB obligation	938	681
Adjustment to ARC	(765)	(554)
Annual OPEB cost	11,541	10,921
Contributions during the year	(6,946)	(5,461)
Increase in net OPEB obligation	4,595	5,460
Net OPEB obligation, beginning of year	19,791	14,331
Net OPEB obligation, end of year	$ 24,386	$ 19,791

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan and the net OPEB obligation for fiscal years 2012 and 2011 were as follows:

Year Ended June 30
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
Beginning of year net OPEB obligation	$ 19,791	$ 14,331
Annual OPEB cost	11,541	10,921
Employer contribution	(6,946)	(5,461)
End of year net OPEB obligation	$ 24,386	$ 19,791
Percentage contributed	60.19%	50.00%

Funding Status — There are currently no assets that have been irrevocably deposited in a trust for future health benefits. Therefore, the actuarial value of assets is zero.

Schedule of Funding Progress
(In Thousands)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (b)	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b-a)/c)
July 1, 2010	$ -	$ 108,409	$ 108,409	0%	$ 978,480	11.08%

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions — Actuarial valuations involve estimates of the value of reported amounts and assumptions about the probability of occurrence of events far into the future. Examples include assumptions about future employment, mortality, and healthcare cost trends. Amounts determined regarding the funded status of the plan and the annual required contributions of the employer are subject to continual revision as actual results are compared with past expectations and new estimates are made about the future.

Projections of benefits for financial reporting purposes are based on the substantive plan (as understood by the employer and the plan members) and include the types of benefits provided at the time of each valuation. The actuarial methods and assumptions used include techniques that are designed to reduce the effects of short term volatility in actuarial accrued liabilities, consistent with the long term perspective of the calculations.

In the July 1, 2010 actuarial valuation, the entry age normal actuarial cost method was used. The actuarial assumptions included a 4.75 percent discount rate, which is based on the estimated long term investment yield on the general assets, using an underlying long term inflation assumption of 3 percent. The annual healthcare cost trend rate is 8.97 percent initially, reduced incrementally to an ultimate rate of 5 percent after twenty years. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level dollar amount over an open 30 year period.

11. LEASE AGREEMENTS

Operating Leases — Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is committed under various leases primarily for building space. These leases are considered for accounting purposes to be operating leases. Lease expenses for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, totaled $15,257,523 and $15,066,859, respectively, and are included in purchased services expense on the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets.

In March 2005, an operating lease agreement between Zeller-World Trade, L.L.C. and the state of Minnesota on behalf of the System Office was executed for existing and additional expansion leased space in the amount of $11,025,612. The lease was effective beginning August 1, 2005. Future minimum payments under the operating lease include the System Office's current share of real estate taxes and other operating expenses.

Future minimum operating lease payments for existing lease agreements are as follows:

Year Ended June 30 (In Thousands)		
Fiscal Year		Amount
2013	$	14,835
2014		8,907
2015		5,553
2016		3,991
2017		3,364
2018-2022		12,225
2023-2027		4,996
2028-2032		1,175
Total	$	55,046

Capital Leases — Minnesota State Colleges and Universities has entered into several capital lease agreements. Current and noncurrent portions of the capital leases are reported separately.

- In fiscal year 2002, Winona State University leased a generator in the amount of $2,240,835, with a final payment occurring in fiscal year 2012.

- In fiscal year 2003, Minnesota State University Moorhead entered into a 30 year lease agreement with Minnesota State University Moorhead Alumni Foundation Inc. for $3,940,000 for John Neumaier Hall Apartments. Also, in fiscal year 2003, the Foundation constructed the Hendrix Health Center on land owned by the University, while entering into a ten year capital lease for $525,000.

- In fiscal year 2005, the Minnesota State University, Mankato entered into a 15 year, $3,281,428 (principal and interest) capital lease for an emergency generator.

- In fiscal year 2010, Rochester Community & Technical College entered into a capital lease with Rochester Community and Technical College Foundation. The Foundation installed a fabric bubble over the artificial turf field of the Regional Stadium and will lease back the facilities to the College for operation. The lease is for five years with lease payments totaling $759,202 with a bargain purchase option at the end of the lease.

- In fiscal year 2011, St. Cloud State University entered into lease agreements with Wedum St. Cloud Housing LLLC for the Coborn Plaza residence hall and Welcome Center space for a term of ten years with two successive options for five year extensions. The annual rent ranges from $3,579,960 to $4,165,032. In fiscal year 2004, the University entered into a lease agreement with the St. Cloud State University Foundation for Atwood Memorial Center in the amount of $3,924,434 for construction costs. In fiscal year 2005, an additional $779,910 was added to the lease agreement. Also in 2005, a second lease agreement was signed for a newly completed stadium and recreation center in the amount of $10,084,954.

Income Leases — Minnesota State Colleges and Universities has entered into several income lease agreements, primarily for building space. Lease income for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 totaled $1,138,341 and $3,044,339, respectively, and are included in other income in the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets.

Future expected income receipts for existing lease agreements are as follows:

Year Ended June 30
(In Thousands)

Fiscal Year	Amount
2013	$ 1,581
2014	1,010
2015	770
2016	534
2017	357
2018-2022	211
Total	$ 4,463

12. TUITION, FEES, SALES AND ROOM AND BOARD

The following table provides information related to tuition, fees, and sales revenue:

Year Ended June 30
(In Thousands)

	2012			2011		
	Gross	Scholarship Allowance	Net	Gross	Scholarship Allowance	Net
Tuition	$ 853,040	$ (314,493)	$ 538,547	$ 832,637	$ (293,619)	$ 539,018
Fees	89,724	(22,032)	67,692	95,052	(23,268)	71,784
Sales and room and board	133,301	(15,256)	118,045	135,871	(14,783)	121,088
Restricted student payments	109,698	(2,443)	107,255	106,308	(2,940)	103,368
Total	$ 1,185,763	$ (354,224)	$ 831,539	$ 1,169,868	$ (334,610)	$ 835,258

13. OPERATING EXPENSES BY FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

The following tables provide information related to operating expenses by functional classification:

Year Ended June 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

Description	Salaries	Benefits	Other	Interest	Total
Academic support	$ 127,253	$ 40,666	$ 73,055	$ 2,046	$ 243,020
Institutional support	114,454	34,649	81,769	1,821	232,693
Instruction	486,895	154,681	143,234	8,236	793,046
Public service	8,633	2,588	9,984	142	21,347
Research	4,694	1,201	3,970	480	10,345
Student services	133,981	40,397	76,359	2,194	252,931
Auxiliary enterprises	39,298	13,769	156,050	7,607	216,724
Scholarships & fellowships	-	-	34,931	-	34,931
Less interest expense	-	-	-	(22,526)	(22,526)
Total operating expenses	$ 915,208	$ 287,951	$ 579,352	$ -	$ 1,782,511

Year Ended June 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

Description	Salaries	Benefits	Other	Interest	Total
Academic support	$ 125,179	$ 40,553	$ 88,194	$ 1,375	$ 255,301
Institutional support	118,019	41,773	68,669	2,060	230,521
Instruction	520,678	155,492	144,087	6,471	826,728
Public service	9,954	2,866	10,071	146	23,037
Research	5,471	1,226	5,662	46	12,405
Student services	133,522	40,996	75,922	1,653	252,093
Auxiliary enterprises	39,479	14,091	168,645	9,111	231,326
Scholarships & fellowships	-	-	56,887	-	56,887
Less interest expense	-	-	-	(20,862)	(20,862)
Total operating expenses	$ 952,302	$ 296,997	$ 618,137	$ -	$ 1,867,436

14. EMPLOYEE PENSION PLANS

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities participates in four retirement plans: the State Employees Retirement Fund, administered by the Minnesota State Retirement System; the Teachers Retirement Fund, administered by the Teachers Retirement Association; the General Employees Retirement Fund, administered by the Public Employees Retirement Association; and the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Defined Contribution Retirement Plan.

State Employees Retirement Fund (SERF)

Pension fund information is provided by the Minnesota State Retirement System, which prepares and publishes its own stand alone comprehensive annual financial report, including financial statements and required supplementary information. Copies of the report may be obtained directly from the Minnesota State Retirement System at 60 Empire Drive, Suite 300, St. Paul, Minnesota 55103-3000. The SERF is a cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plan. All classified employees are covered by this plan. A classified employee is one who serves in a civil service position. Normal retirement age is 65. The annuity formula is the greater of a step rate with a flat rate reduction for each month of early retirement or a level rate (the higher step rate) with an actuarial reduction for early retirement. The applicable rates for each year of allowable service are 1.2 percent and 1.7 percent of the members' average salary which is defined as the highest salary paid in five successive years of service. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, as an employer for some participants, is liable for a portion of any unfunded accrued liability of this fund.

The statutory authority for SERF is Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 352. For fiscal year 2010 the funding requirement for both employer and employee was 4.75 percent. For fiscal year 2011 and fiscal year 2012 the funding requirement was 5 percent for both employer and employee. Actual contributions were 100 percent of required contributions.

Required contributions for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities were:

(In Thousands)	
Fiscal Year	Amount
2012	$ 10,856
2011	11,156
2010	9,792

Teachers Retirement Fund (TRF)

Pension fund information is provided by the Minnesota Teachers Retirement Association, which prepares and publishes its own stand alone comprehensive annual financial report including financial statements and required supplementary information. Copies of the report may be obtained directly from the Teachers Retirement Association at 60 Empire Drive, Suite 400, St. Paul, Minnesota 55103-3000.

The Teachers Retirement Fund is a cost sharing, multiple employers, defined benefit plan. Teachers and other related professionals may participate in TRF. Normal retirement age is 65. Coordinated membership includes participants who are covered by the Social Security Act. The annuity formula is the greater of a step rate with a flat reduction for each month of early retirement, or a level rate (the higher step rate) with an actuarially based reduction for early retirement.

The applicable rates for coordinated members range from 1.2 percent and 1.7 percent for service rendered before July 1, 2006, and 1.4 percent and 1.9 percent for service rendered on or after July 1, 2006. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, as an employer for some participants, is liable for a portion of any unfunded accrued liability of this fund.

The statutory authority for TRF is Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 354. For fiscal years 2010 and 2011 the funding requirement was 5.5 percent for both employer and employee coordinated members. For fiscal year 2012 the funding requirement was 6 percent for both employer and employee coordinated members. Thereafter, a contribution rate increases will be phased in with a 0.5 percent increase, occurring every July 1 over three years, until it reaches a contribution rate of 7.5 percent on July 1, 2014. Actual contributions were 100 percent of required contributions.

Required contributions for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities were:

(In Thousands)	
Fiscal Year	Amount
2012	$ 9,844
2011	9,691
2010	10,235

General Employees Retirement Fund (GERF)

Pension fund information is provided by the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota, which prepares and publishes its own stand alone comprehensive annual financial report, including financial statements and required supplementary information. Copies of the report may be obtained directly from the Public Employees Retirement Association of Minnesota at 60 Empire Drive, Suite 200, St. Paul, Minnesota 55103.

GERF is a cost sharing, multiple employer defined benefit plan. Former employees of various governmental subdivisions including counties, cities, school districts, and related organizations participate in the plan. Normal retirement age is 65. The annuity formula is the greater of a step rate with a flat reduction for each month of early retirement or a level rate (the higher step rate) with an actuarially based reduction for early retirement. The applicable rates for members are 1.2 percent and 1.7 percent. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, as an employer for some participants, is liable for a portion of any unfunded accrued liability of this fund.

The statutory authority for GERF is Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 353. GERF establishes the employer and employee contribution rates on a calendar year basis rather than on a fiscal year basis. For the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009, employee and employer contribution rates were 6 percent and 6.75 percent, respectively. For the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010, employee and employer contribution rates were 6 percent and 7 percent, respectively. Effective January 1, 2011 and thereafter, employee and employer contribution rates were 6.25 percent and 7.25 percent, respectively. Actual contributions were 100 percent of required contributions.

Required contributions for the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities were:

(In Thousands)		
Fiscal Year	Employer	Employee
2012	$ 1,229	$ 1,037
2011	1,322	1,128
2010	1,277	1,086

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Defined Contribution Retirement Fund

General Information — The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Defined Contribution Retirement Fund include two plans: an Individual Retirement Account Plan and a Supplemental Retirement Plan. Both plans are mandatory, tax deferred, single employer, defined contribution plans authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 354B and 354C. The plans are designed to provide retirement benefits to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities unclassified employees. An unclassified employee is one who belongs to Minnesota State Colleges and Universities specific bargaining units. The plans cover unclassified teachers, librarians, administrators, and certain other staff. The plans are mandatory for qualified employees and vesting occurs immediately.

The administrative agent of the two plans is Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association College Retirement Equities Fund (TIAA-CREF). Separately issued financial statements can be obtained from TIAA-CREF, Normandale Lake Office Park, 8000 Norman Center Drive, Suite 1100, Bloomington, MN 55437.

Individual Retirement Account Plan (IRAP)

Participation — Every employee who is in unclassified service is required to participate in TRF or IRAP upon achieving eligibility. An unclassified employee is one who serves in a position deemed unclassified according to Minnesota Statutes. This includes presidents, vice presidents, deans, administrative or service faculty, teachers and other managers, and professionals in academic and academic support programs. Eligibility begins with the employment contract for the first year of unclassified service in which the employee is hired for more than 25 percent of a full academic year, excluding summer session. An employee remains a participant of the plan even if employed for less than 25 percent of a full academic year in subsequent years.

Contributions — There are two member groups participating in the IRAP, a faculty group and an administrators group. For both faculty and administrators, the employer and employee statutory contribution rates are 6 percent and 4.5 percent, respectively. The contributions are made under the authority of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 354B.

Required contributions for the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities were:

(In Thousands)		
Fiscal Year	Employer	Employee
2012	$ 26,291	$ 19,685
2011	26,804	20,062
2010	26,072	19,505

Supplemental Retirement Plan (SRP)

Participation — Every unclassified employee who has completed two full time years of unclassified service with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities must participate upon achieving eligibility. The eligible employee is enrolled on the first day of the fiscal year following completion of two full time years. Vesting occurs immediately and normal retirement age is 55.

Contributions — Participants contribute 5 percent of eligible compensation up to a defined maximum annual contribution as specified in the following table.

Member Group	Eligible Compensation	Maximum Annual Contributions
Administrators	$ 6,000 to 60,000	$ 2,700
Inter Faculty Organization	6,000 to 51,000	2,250
Middle Management Association Unclassified	6,000 to 40,000	1,700
Minnesota Association of Professional Employees Unclassified	6,000 to 40,000	1,700
Minnesota State College and Faculty Association	6,000 to 56,000	2,500
Minnesota State University Association of Administrative & Service Faculty	6,000 to 50,000	2,200
Other Unclassified Members	6,000 to 40,000	1,700

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities matches amounts equal to the contributions made by participants. The contributions are made under the authority of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 354C.

Required contributions for Minnesota State Colleges and Universities were:

(In Thousands)	
Fiscal Year	Amount
2012	$ 14,645
2011	15,139
2010	14,974

15. SEGMENT INFORMATION

A segment is an identifiable activity reported as a stand alone entity for which one or more revenue bonds are outstanding. A segment has a specific identifiable revenue stream pledged in support of revenue bonds and has related expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities that are required by an external party to be accounted for separately.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Revenue fund issues revenue bonds to finance university dormitories and student unions. The Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority sold bonds to finance Vermilion Community College dormitories and modular housing. The Itasca County Housing Redevelopment Authority sold bonds to finance Itasca Community College's dormitory. Also see Note 8, Long Term Obligations, for additional information on the pledging of the revenues.

Summary financial information for Revenue Fund for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011 follows.

Summary Information for Revenue Fund
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS		
Assets		
Current assets	$ 80,419	$ 75,206
Restricted assets	149,568	162,963
Noncurrent assets	1,200	1,800
Capital assets, net	277,628	240,629
Total assets	508,815	480,598
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	33,979	27,972
Noncurrent liabilities	263,186	263,120
Total liabilities	297,165	291,092
Net Assets		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	109,444	105,825
Restricted	102,206	83,681
Total net assets	$ 211,650	$ 189,506
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS		
Operating revenues	$ 111,168	$ 108,102
Depreciation expense	(13,925)	(12,424)
Other operating expenses	(74,432)	(72,391)
Net operating income	22,811	23,287
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)		
Interest income	741	650
Interest expense	(10,412)	(8,881)
Private grants	9,082	1,260
Scholarships	-	(873)
Gain (loss) on disposal of capital assets	(78)	41
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(667)	(7,803)
Change in net assets	22,144	15,484
Net assets, beginning of year	189,506	174,022
Net assets, end of year	$ 211,650	$ 189,506
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS		
Net cash provided by (used in)		
Operating activities	$ 37,192	$ 34,756
Noncapital and related financing activities	9,082	387
Capital and related financing activities	(89,898)	35,771
Investing activities	595	561
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(43,029)	71,475
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	203,093	131,618
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	$ 160,064	$ 203,093

Summary financial information for Vermilion Community College's Modular Housing (which is reported within the Northeast Higher Education District) for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively, follows.

Vermilion Community College Financial Summary
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS		
Assets		
Current assets	$ 116	$ 85
Restricted assets	143	142
Capital assets, net	760	794
Total assets	1,019	1,021
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	90	92
Noncurrent liabilities	-	80
Total liabilities	90	172
Net Assets		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	760	714
Restricted	61	62
Unrestricted	108	73
Total net assets	$ 929	$ 849
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS		
Operating revenues	$ 259	$ 253
Depreciation expense	(34)	(36)
Other operating expenses	(138)	(139)
Net operating income	87	78
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)		
Interest expense	(7)	(11)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(7)	(11)
Change in net assets	80	67
Net assets, beginning of year	849	782
Net assets, end of year	$ 929	$ 849
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS		
Net cash provided by (used in)		
Operating activities	$ 110	$ 127
Capital and related financing activities	(84)	(83)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	26	44
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	203	159
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	$ 229	$ 203

Summary financial information for Itasca Community College's Residence Halls (which is reported within the Northeast Higher Education District) for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, respectively, follows.

Itasca Community College Financial Summary
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS		
Assets		
Current assets	$ 12	$ (3)
Restricted assets	397	383
Capital assets, net	3,308	3,427
Total assets	3,717	3,807
Liabilities		
Current liabilities	116	108
Noncurrent liabilities	1,946	2,038
Total liabilities	2,062	2,146
Net Assets		
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	1,267	1,299
Restricted	312	292
Unrestricted	76	70
Total net assets	$ 1,655	$ 1,661
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS		
Operating revenues	$ 431	$ 414
Depreciation expense	(119)	(119)
Other operating expenses	(209)	(209)
Net operating income	103	86
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)		
Interest income	8	8
Interest expense	(117)	(120)
Total nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(109)	(112)
Change in net assets	(6)	(26)
Net assets, beginning of year	1,661	1,687
Net assets, end of year	$ 1,655	$ 1,661
CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS		
Net cash provided by (used in)		
Operating activities	$ 245	$ 218
Capital and related financing activities	(207)	(205)
Investing activities	8	8
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	46	21
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	264	243
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	$ 310	$ 264

16. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Involvement in Ongoing Projects 2012
(In Thousands)

Institution Name*	Project	Total Cost	Spent to Date	Balance	Completion Date
Anoka Ramsey	Wellness Center	$ 9,893	$ 7,330	$ 2,563	Sept 2012
Lake Superior	Health & Science Center	12,898	11,374	1,524	Aug 2012
Mesabi	Shop Space Addition	5,477	4,567	910	Aug 2012
MSU, Mankato	Preska Residence Hall	29,956	22,928	7,028	Sept 2012
MSU Moorhead	Dahl Hall Renovation	8,615	6,959	1,656	Nov 2012
Normandale	Parking Ramp	9,900	7,430	2,470	Nov 2012
North Hennepin	Center for Business & Technology	16,904	13,241	3,663	Jan 2013
North Hennepin	Bioscience & Health Careers Addition	27,139	1	27,138	Aug 2014
Ridgewater	Willmar Technical Instruction Lab	14,051	89	13,962	Oct 2014
SCSU	Nat'l Hockey Center Renovation	23,098	2,859	20,239	Oct 2014
St. Cloud College	Allied Health Center Renovation	5,421	4,899	522	Aug 2012
South Central	Classroom Renovation and Addition	13,775	1	13,774	Aug 2014

* Anoka-Ramsey Community College; Lake Superior College; Mesabi Range Community & Technical College; Minnesota State University, Mankato; Minnesota State University Moorhead; Normandale Community College; North Hennepin Community College; Ridgewater College; St. Cloud State University; St. Cloud Technical & Community College; and South Central College.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is in negotiations with the faculty bargaining units for the 2011-2013 contract periods. Further, the legislative sub-committee on employee relations rejected the settlements reached by the State with MAPE and AFSCME for the same period. As a result, these contracts have not been implemented. It is possible that the full legislature will consider and approve the settlements, during the regular legislative session. Whether there will be retroactive pay owed to state employees as a result of negotiated settlements, and the impact of such settlement may have on the fiscal year 2012 financials, remains unknown. Therefore, no provision for related expense or liability, if any, has been reflected in these financial statements

17. RISK MANAGEMENT

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities is exposed to various risks of loss related to tort; theft of, damage to, or destruction of assets; error or omissions; and employer obligations. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities manages these risks through state of Minnesota insurance plans including the state of Minnesota Risk Management Fund, a self-insurance fund, and through purchased insurance coverage.

Automobile liability coverage is required by the state and is provided by the Minnesota Risk Management Fund. Some colleges and universities also purchase optional physical damage coverage for their newest or most expensive vehicles.

While property and casualty coverage is required by Minnesota State Colleges and Universities' policy, colleges and universities may select optional coverage such as international accident, international liability, and professional liability for employed physicians and student health services professional liability.

The Minnesota Risk Management Fund provides the following coverage for fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

Coverage Type	Amount
Institution deductible	$2,500 to $250,000
Fund responsibility	$1,000,000
Primary re-insurer coverage	$1,000,001 to $25,000,000
Multiple re-insurers' coverage	$25,000,001 to $1,000,000,000
Bodily injury and property damage per person	$500,000
Bodily injury and property damage per occurrence	$1,500,000
Annual maximum paid by fund, excess by reinsurer	$2,000,000
Maintenance deductible for additional claims	$25,000

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities retains the risk of loss. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities did not have any settlements in excess of coverage in the last three years.

The Minnesota Risk Management Fund purchases other insurance on the open market for some campuses. These generally include student intern professional liability, dental clinics professional liability, aviation insurance, and a variety of bonds.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities participates in the State Employee Group Insurance Plan, which provides life insurance and hospital, medical, and dental benefits coverage through provider organizations.

Workers' compensation is covered through state participation in the Workers' Compensation Reinsurance Association, which pays for catastrophic workers' compensation claims. Other workers' compensation risks are covered through self insurance for which Minnesota State Colleges and Universities pays the cost of claims through the state Workers' Compensation Fund. A Minnesota State Colleges and Universities workers' compensation payment pool helps institutions manage the volatility of such claims. Annual premiums are assessed by the pool based on salary dollars and claims history. From this pool, all workers' compensation claims are paid to the state Workers' Compensation Fund.

The following table presents changes in the balances of workers' compensation claims liability during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2012 and 2010.

(In Thousands)

	Beginning Liability	Additions	Payments & Other Reductions	Ending Liability
Fiscal Year Ended 6/30/12	$ 7,717	$ 3,477	$ 4,257	$ 6,937
Fiscal Year Ended 6/30/11	6,518	4,961	3,762	7,717

18. COMPONENT UNITS

The following legally separate tax exempt foundations affiliated with Minnesota State Colleges and Universities are included as a major component unit of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. The Bemidji State University Foundation, Minnesota State University, Mankato Foundation, Inc., Minnesota State University Moorhead Alumni Foundation, Inc., St. Cloud State University Foundation, Winona State University Foundation, Southwest Minnesota State University Foundation, Metropolitan State University Foundation, Century College Foundation, and Fergus Area College Foundation are formed for the purpose of obtaining and disbursing funds for the sole benefit of their college or university.

In accordance with GASB Statement No. 39, *Determining Whether Certain Organizations Are Component Units*, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities presents the combined statement of financial position and the combined statement of activities of the foundations on separate pages of the financial statements.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities received $13,265,343 and $11,176,478 in fiscal years 2012 and 2011, respectively, from the foundations for scholarships and other educational program support. Information about lease agreements between Minnesota State Colleges and Universities and the foundations can be found in Note 11. In addition to lease agreements, Southwest Minnesota State University and Winona State University have entered into agreements to manage student housing facilities owned by the foundations.

The seven state universities and two colleges do not appoint any members of their respective boards and the resources held by the foundations can only be used by, or for the benefit of, the associated university or college. Each foundation's relationship with their institution is such that exclusion of the foundation's financial statements would cause the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The foundations are considered a component unit of their university or college and their statements are discretely presented in the universities' and colleges' financial statements.

The foundations financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 958-205, *Presentation of Financial Statements*.

Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor imposed restrictions and reported as follows:

- *Unrestricted*: those assets that are not subject to donor imposed stipulations.
- *Temporarily restricted*: those assets subject to donor imposed restrictions as to the use of those donated assets.
- *Permanently restricted*: those assets subject to donor imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by each foundation. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the foundation to use all or part of the income earned on any related investments for general or specific purposes

Investments — The foundations' investments are presented in accordance with FASB ASC 958-320, *Investments-Debt and Equity Securities*. Under ASC 958-320, investments in marketable securities with readily determinable fair values and all investments in debt securities are reported at their fair values in the statement of financial position.

Schedule of Investments at June 30
(In Thousands)

Investments	2012	2011
Balanced mutual funds	$ 17,916	$ 29,626
Equity based mutual funds	49,288	47,532
Equity securities	18,669	16,870
Fixed income/Bonds/U.S. treasuries	29,220	18,178
Money market/Certificate of deposit	8,825	8,309
Other investments	4,327	2,721
Real estate (held for investment)	1,833	2,562
Total	$ 130,078	$ 125,798

Capital Asset — Summaries of the foundations' capital assets for fiscal years 2012 and 2011 follow:

Schedule of Capital Assets at June 30
(In Thousands)

	2012	2011
Capital assets, not depreciated		
Land	$ 2,421	$ 2,421
Total capital assets, not depreciated	2,421	2,421
Capital assets, depreciated:		
Buildings and improvements	23,864	24,095
Equipment	975	900
Total capital assets, depreciated	24,839	24,995
Total accumulated depreciation	(6,598)	(6,313)
Total capital assets depreciated, net	18,241	18,682
Total capital assets, net	$ 20,662	$ 21,103

Long-Term Obligations— Payment schedule of the foundations' long-term obligations follow. Excluded from the table below is St. Cloud State University's unamortized bond premium of $1,066,581, which is amortized over the life of the bonds.

Year Ended June 30
(In Thousands)

Fiscal Year	Amount
2013	$ 3,580
2014	4,265
2015	3,047
2016	3,092
2017	2,626
Thereafter	17,821
Total	$ 34,431

In May 2012, the St. Cloud State University Foundation issued $10,220,000 in refunding bonds (Series 2012) to refund $11,345,000 of revenue. The refunding resulted in $1,586,535 gross debt service savings over the next 11 years, and an economic gain of $1,372,639.

Endowment Funds— The Foundations' endowment includes both donor-restricted funds and funds designated by the Foundation Board of Trustees to function as endowments. As required by generally accepted accounting principles, 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.

Changes in endowment net assets as of June 30, 2012 are as follows:

Schedule of Endowment Net Assets
As of June 30, 2012
(In Thousands)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total Endowment Net Assets
Net assets, beginning of year	$ 464	$ 11,951	$ 90,649	$ 103,064
Change in value of trusts	(2)	(191)	9	(184)
Contributions	837	734	4,739	6,310
Investment income	57	1,242	(284)	1,015
Amounts appropriated for expenditures	(210)	(2,232)	(26)	(2,468)
Other transfers	(55)	170	920	1,035
Net Assets, End of Year	$ 1,091	$ 11,674	$ 96,007	$ 108,772

Changes in endowment net assets as of June 30, 2011 are as follows:

Schedule of Endowment Net Assets
As of June 30, 2011
(In Thousands)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Permanently Restricted	Total Endowment Net Assets
Net assets, beginning of year	$ (308)	$ 5,364	$ 84,813	$ 89,869
Change in value of trusts	703	4,291	441	5,435
Contributions	49	285	4,500	4,834
Investment income	148	3,943	695	4,786
Amounts appropriated for expenditures	(145)	(1,878)	264	(1,759)
Other transfers	17	(54)	(64)	(101)
Net Assets, End of Year	$ 464	$ 11,951	$ 90,649	$ 103,064

19. ACTIVITIES WITH THE STATE OF MINNESOTA

Lending Activity — The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities general operating fund is a part of the state's general treasury account. During fiscal year 2012 and 2011 the state of Minnesota borrowed $570 million and $470 million respectively from Minnesota State Colleges and Universities general fund for cash flow purposes resulting from changes in the timing of the state tax revenue. The state of Minnesota repaid this with interest in full during fiscal years 2012 and 2011.

General Obligation Bond Issuances — In August 2012 $119 million in general obligation state bonds were issued at a true interest rate of 2.05 percent. Minnesota State Colleges and Universities pays one third of the debt service on $55.9 million of the August issue, over the life of the bonds. The first debt service payment on these bonds was in November 2012.

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION SECTION

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MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS FOR NET OTHER POSTEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS

Schedule of Funding Progress
(In Thousands)

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (b)	Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (b - a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll ((b - a)/c)
July 1, 2006	$ —	$ 94,235	$ 94,235	0.00%	$ 876,585	10.75%
July 1, 2008	—	92,551	92,551	0.00	894,035	10.35
July 1, 2010	—	108,409	108,409	0.00	978,480	11.08

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SUPPLEMENTARY SECTION

REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

Board of Trustees
Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
St. Paul, Minnesota

We have audited the financial statements of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2012, and have issued our report thereon dated December 21, 2012. We did not audit the financial statements of Minnesota State University Mankato, Minnesota State University Moorhead, Normandale Community College, Winona State University, Hennepin Technical College, Bemidji State University, Century College, Saint Could State University, and Minnesota State Community and Technical College (collectively, the "Individual Colleges and Universities"), which represent 53 percent of the consolidated assets and 51 percent of the consolidated revenues of MnSCU for fiscal year 2012. These financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Individual Colleges and Universities, is based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We also did not audit the financial statements of Bemidji State University Foundation, Century College Foundation, Fergus Area College Foundation, Metropolitan State University Foundation, Minnesota State University, Mankato Foundation, Inc., Minnesota State University Moorhead Alumni Foundation, Inc., Southwest Minnesota State University Foundation and Winona State University Foundation which cumulatively represent 77 percent of the total assets and 80 percent of the revenues of the total discretely presented component units. Those statements were also audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the discretely presented component units, is also based solely on the reports of the other auditors. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The financial statements of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Foundations were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered MnSCU's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of MnSCU's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of MnSCU's internal control over financial reporting.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting (Continued)

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

Compliance and Other Matters

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

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees and management of MnSCU and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Minneapolis, Minnesota
December 21, 2012

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