

(A Charter School under Somerset Academy, Inc.)

Homestead, Florida

Financial Statements and Independent Auditors' Report June 30, 2017

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors of Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) Homestead, Florida

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) (the "School"), a charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc., as of, and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

## Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

# Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

#### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Other Matters**

As described in Note 1, the accompanying financial statements referred to above present only the financial position of Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) as of June 30, 2017, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended, and is not intended to be a complete presentation of Somerset Academy, Inc. These financial statements do not purport to and do not present fairly the financial position of Somerset Academy, Inc. as of June 30, 2017 and its changes in financial position for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 30, 2017, on our consideration of the School's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the School's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 8 and 28 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.

Coral Gables, Florida August 30, 2017 CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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# Management's Discussion and Analysis

Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead)
(A Charter school Under Somerset Academy, Inc.)
June 30, 2017

The corporate officers of Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) have prepared this narrative overview and analysis of the school's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2017.

## Financial Highlights

- 1. The net position of the School as of June 30, 2017 was \$1,192,513.
- 2. At year-end, the School had current assets on hand of \$1,044,501.
- 3. The School had an increase in net position of \$401,793 for the year ended June 30, 2017.
- 4. The unassigned fund balance at year end was \$871,361.

## Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis are intended to serve as an introduction to the School's basic financial statements. The School's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2017 are presented in accordance with GASB Codification Section 2200. The financial statements have three components: 1) government-wide financial statements, 2) fund financial statements, and 3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

# Government-Wide Financial Statements

The *government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the School's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *Statement of Net Position* presents information on all of the School's assets, net outflows of resources, liabilities, and net inflows of resources. The difference is reported as *net position*. Over time increases or decreases in net position may serve as an indicator of whether the financial position of the School is improving or deteriorating.

The Statement of Activities presents information on how the School's net position changed during the fiscal year. All changes in net position are reported when the underlying event occurs without regard to the timing of related cash flows. Accordingly, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

The government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9 - 10 of this report.

# Fund Financial Statements

A "fund" is a collection of related accounts grouped to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities, projects, or objectives. The School like other state and local governments uses fund accounting to ensure and report compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

All of the funds of the School are governmental funds. *Government Funds* are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the government-wide financial statements. Government Fund financial statements, however, focus on *near-term* inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on the balances of spendable resources which are available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be used to evaluate a government's requirements for near-term financing.

The Board of the School adopts an annual appropriated budget for its general fund. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the general fund to demonstrate compliance with the School's budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11 - 15 of this report.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

The notes to the financial statements provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements.

The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 16 - 27 of this report.

#### GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

As noted earlier, net position may serve over time as a useful indicator of a charter school's financial position. In the case of the School, assets exceeded liabilities by \$1,192,513 at the close of the fiscal year. A summary of the School's net position as of June 30, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

Cash and cash equivalents         \$ 351,398         \$ 68,065           Investments         660,000         480,000           Prepaid expenses         15,241         18,629           Due from other agencies         17,862         7,104           Capital assets, net         266,677         293,042           Deposits receivable         39,234         39,234           Total Assets         1,350,412         906,074           Deferred outflows of resources           Accounts payable         115,258         97,713           Accounts payable         42,641         17,641           Total Liabilities         157,899         115,354           Deferred inflows of resources         -         -           Net Position:         266,677         293,042           Unrestricted         925,836         497,678           Total Net Position         \$ 1,192,513         \$ 790,720			2017		2016
Prepaid expenses         15,241         18,629           Due from other agencies         17,862         7,104           Capital assets, net         266,677         293,042           Deposits receivable         39,234         39,234           Total Assets         1,350,412         906,074           Deferred outflows of resources         -         -           Salaries and wages payable         115,258         97,713           Accounts payable         42,641         17,641           Total Liabilities         157,899         115,354           Deferred inflows of resources         -         -           Net Position:         Net investment in capital assets         266,677         293,042           Unrestricted         925,836         497,678	Cash and cash equivalents	\$	351,398	\$	68,065
Due from other agencies       17,862       7,104         Capital assets, net       266,677       293,042         Deposits receivable       39,234       39,234         Total Assets       1,350,412       906,074         Deferred outflows of resources       -       -         Salaries and wages payable       115,258       97,713         Accounts payable       42,641       17,641         Total Liabilities       157,899       115,354         Deferred inflows of resources       -       -         Net Position:       Net investment in capital assets       266,677       293,042         Unrestricted       925,836       497,678	Investments		660,000		480,000
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Deposits receivable         39,234         39,234           Total Assets         1,350,412         906,074           Deferred outflows of resources         -         -           Salaries and wages payable         115,258         97,713           Accounts payable         42,641         17,641           Total Liabilities         157,899         115,354           Deferred inflows of resources         -         -           Net Position:         Net investment in capital assets         266,677         293,042           Unrestricted         925,836         497,678	Due from other agencies		17,862		7,104
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Deferred outflows of resources	Deposits receivable		39,234	_	39,234
Salaries and wages payable       115,258       97,713         Accounts payable       42,641       17,641         Total Liabilities       157,899       115,354         Net Position:         Net investment in capital assets       266,677       293,042         Unrestricted       925,836       497,678	Total Assets		1,350,412		906,074
Salaries and wages payable       115,258       97,713         Accounts payable       42,641       17,641         Total Liabilities       157,899       115,354         Net Position:         Net investment in capital assets       266,677       293,042         Unrestricted       925,836       497,678					
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Deferred inflows of resources         -         -           Net Position:         -         -           Net investment in capital assets         266,677         293,042           Unrestricted         925,836         497,678	Accounts payable		42,641		17,641
Net Position:         266,677         293,042           Unrestricted         925,836         497,678	Total Liabilities		157,899		115,354
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Unrestricted 925,836 497,678	Net Position:				
	Net investment in capital assets		266,677		293,042
Total Net Position \$ 1,192,513 \$ 790,720	Unrestricted		925,836		497,678
	Total Net Position	\$	1,192,513	\$	790,720

At the end of the year, the School is able to report positive balances in total net position.

A summary and analysis of the School's revenues and expenses for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

	2017	2016
REVENUES		
Program Revenues		
Operating Grants and Contributions	\$ 34,355	\$ 41,134
Capital Outlay Funding	212,585	75,358
Lunch Program	225,052	175,797
General Revenues		
Local Sources (FTE non specific)	2,764,867	2,294,277
Change for services and othe revenues	24,435	2,470
Total Revenues	\$ 3,261,294	\$ 2,589,036
EXPENSES		3-,
Instruction	\$ 1,310,343	\$ 1,093,130
Instructional staff training	5,751	
Board	8,290	7,735
School administration	409,901	45,350 291,899
Facilities acquisition	12,633	947
Fiscal services	66,000	56,025
Food services	172,594	217,051
Central services	105,684	72,859
Operation of plant	714,257	615,467
Maintenance of plant	54,048	26,365
Total Expenses	2,859,501	2,426,828
Increase in Net Position	401,793	162,208
Net Position at Beginning of Year	790,720	628,512
Net Position at End of Year	\$ 1,192,513	\$ 790,720

The School's revenue and expenses increased by \$672,258 and \$432,673 as a result of an increase in enrollment. The School had an increase in its net position of \$401,793 for the year.

## School Location and Lease of Facility

The School leases a facility located at 305 NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Road, Homestead, FL 33030.

# **Capital Improvement Requirements**

The School maintains a continuous capital improvements program to enhance facilities and update fixtures and equipment as required.

## **School Enrollment**

The School had approximately 440 students enrolled in grades sixth through eighth.

## Accomplishments

In 2017, Somerset Academy Middle School South Homestead (Somerset Middle SoHo) completed its 8th year of operation, enrolling 440 students. The school made significant academic improvements, and brought its grade up to a "B."

As a member of the Somerset Academy network of high quality charter schools, Somerset High SoHo is fully accredited by AdvancED under the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS-CASI) division. It is one of only a few public middle schools in Miami-Dade County to be fully accredited by AdvancEd. As with all the schools within the network, Somerset Middle SoHo places high expectations for student learning and offers multiple opportunities for all students to acquire requisite knowledge, skills, and attitudes in a safe and enriching environment. Key to achieving successful learning for all students is the school's implementation of research—based instructional strategies by a highly qualified instructional staff, and the use of innovative resources in a technology-rich setting.

In addition, Somerset High SoHo offers a high quality extra-curricular program of activities and is a member of the Early Learning Coalition, the National Honor Society, and the National Junior Honor Society.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S FUND

As noted earlier, the School uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

#### Governmental Funds

The focus of the School's *governmental funds* is to provide information on near-term inflows, outflows, and balances of *spendable* resources. Such information is useful in assessing the School's financing requirements. In particular, the *unassigned fund balance* may serve as a useful measure of a government's net resources available for spending at the end of the fiscal year.

Most of the School's operations are funded in the General Fund. The majority of the General Fund revenues are distributed to the School by the District through the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP), which uses formulas to distribute state funds and an amount of local property taxes (i.e., required local effort) established each year by the Florida Legislature.

At the end of the fiscal year, the School's governmental general fund reported ending fund balance of \$886,602. The fund balance unassigned and available for spending at the School's discretion is \$871,361. These funds will be available for the School's future ongoing operations.

#### Capital Assets

The School's investment in capital assets as of June 30, 2017 amounts to \$266,677 (net of accumulated depreciation). This investment in capital assets includes improvements, furniture, fixtures and computer equipment. As of June 30, 2017, the School had no long term debt relating to capital assets.

# Governmental Fund Budget Analysis and Highlights

Prior to the start of the School's fiscal year, the Board of the Charter School adopted an annual budget. A budgetary comparison statement has been provided for the governmental funds to demonstrate compliance with the School's budget.

		Governmental Fund	d
	Original		
	Budget	Final Budget	Actual
REVENUES			
Program Revenues			
State capital outlay funding	\$ 154,800	\$ 214,000	\$ 212,585
Federal sources	211,500	230,000	230,135
Lunch program fees	29,216	29,216	29,272
General Revenues			4550 1 ° 5 € • \$10, \$10,000 5 608
FTE nonspecific revenues	2,756,250	2,721,800	2,764,867
Other revenue	11,267	11,216	24,435
Total Revenues	\$ 3,163,033	\$ 3,206,232	\$ 3,261,294
CURRENT EXPENDITURES			
Instruction	\$ 1,309,288	\$ 1,322,989	\$ 1,244,117
Instructional staff training	=	10,000	5,751
Board	5,000	10,000	8,290
School administration	400,000	394,556	409,901
Fiscal services	67,500	66,850	66,000
Food services	202,500	177,830	159,934
Central services	84,500	108,449	105,684
Operation of plant	751,294	754,310	712,349
Maintenance of plant	40,000	55,000	54,048
Total Current Expenditures	\$ 2,860,082	\$ 2,899,984	\$ 2,766,074

Most variances occurred as a result of the Budget adopted being more conservative than actual results for the year.

## Requests for Information

This financial report is intended to provide a general overview of the finances of the Charter School. Requests for additional information may be addressed to Ms. Ana Martinez at Academica Dade, LLC, 6340 Sunset Drive, Miami, Florida 33143.

Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017

Assets	vernmental Activites
Current assets: Cash and cash equivalents Investments Due from other agencies Prepaid expenses	\$ 351,398 660,000 17,862 15,241 1,044,501
Deposits receivable	39,234
Capital assets, depreciable Less: accumulated depreciation	 835,292 (568,615) 266,677
Total Assets	1,350,412
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	 -
Liabilities	
Current liabilities: Salaries and wages payable Accounts payable Total Liabilities	 115,258 42,641 157,899
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	 
Net Position Net investment in capital assets Unrestricted Total Net Position	\$ 266,677 925,836 1,192,513

Statement of Activities
For the year ended June 30, 2017

# **Program Revenues**

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FUNCTIONS	Expenses	Charges for Services		Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Position
Governmental activities:	3 <del></del>				
Instruction	\$ 1,310,343	\$ -	\$ 34,355	\$ -	\$ (1,275,988)
Instructional staff training	5,751		-	-	(5,751)
Board	8,290	=	-	-	(8,290)
School administration	409,901	-	=	-	(409,901)
Facilities acquisition	12,633	=	≅.	<b></b> 2	(12,633)
Fiscal services	66,000	1	=	<b></b>	(66,000)
Food services	172,594	29,272	195,780	-	52,458
Central services	105,684	<b>5</b> //	¥. <del></del>	=	(105,684)
Operation of plant	714,257	-		212,585	(501,672)
Maintenance of plant	54,048	-	XE	-	(54,048)
Total governmental activities	2,859,501	29,272	230,135	212,585	(2,387,509)
	General reven	ues:			
	FTE nonspeci	fic revenues			2,764,867
	Interest and of	ther revenue			24,435
	Change in net	position			401,793
	Net position, b				790,720
	Net position, e	ending			\$ 1,192,513

Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds June 30, 2017

	General Fund	Non-major	Total	
		Government	Governmental Funds	
		Fund		
Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 351,398	\$ -	\$ 351,398	
Investments	660,000	=	660,000	
Due from other agencies	-	17,862	17,862	
Due from fund	17,862	-	17,862	
Prepaid expenses	15,241		15,241	
Total Assets	1,044,501	17,862	1,062,363	
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>		-		
Liabilities				
Salaries and wages payable	115,258	r <u>u</u>	115,258	
Due to fund		17,862	17,862	
Accounts payable	42,641		42,641	
Total Liabilities	157,899	17,862	175,761	
<u>Deferred Inflows of Resources</u>	_			
Fund balance				
Nonspendable, not in spendable form	15,241	-	15,241	
Unassigned	871,361		871,361	
	886,602		886,602	
Total Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of				
Resources and Fund Balance	\$ 1,044,501	\$ 17,862	\$ 1,062,363	

Reconciliation of the Governmental Fund Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position June 30, 2017

Total Fund Balance - Governmental Funds

\$ 886,602

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:

Capital assets of \$835,292 net of accumulated depreciation of \$568,615 used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the fund.

266,677

Deposit receivable of \$39,234 is considered long term and not a financial resources and therefore not reported in the governmental funds.

39,234

Total Net Position - Governmental Activities

\$ 1,192,513

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds For the year ended 
June 30, 2017

	General Fund	Non-major	Total
		Government	Governmental
		Fund	Funds
Revenues:	95.8		
State capital outlay funding	\$ -	\$ 212,585	\$ 212,585
State passed through local	2,764,867	=:	2,764,867
Federal sources	=	230,135	230,135
Lunch program fees		29,272	29,272
Other revenue	24,435		24,435
Total Revenues	2,789,302	471,992	3,261,294
Expenditures:			
Current			
Instruction	1,206,027	38,090	1,244,117
Board	8,290	-	8,290
Instructional staff training	5,751	-	5,751
School administration	409,901	Ę.	409,901
Fiscal services	66,000	-	66,000
Food services	: <del>-</del> :	159,934	159,934
Central services	105,684	7 =	105,684
Operation of plant	499,764	212,585	712,349
Maintenance of plant	54,048	o <del></del>	54,048
Capital Outlay:			
Other capital outlay	67,062	_	67,062
Total Expenditures	2,422,527	410,609	2,833,136
Excess (deficit) of revenues over expenditures	366,775	61,383	428,158
Other financing sources (uses)			
Transfers in (out)	61,383	(61,383)	
Net change in fund balance	428,158	-	428,158
Fund Balance at beginning of year	458,444	1 <u>1</u>	458,444
Fund Balance at end of year	\$ 886,602	\$ -	\$ 886,602

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures an Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

For the year ended June 30, 2017

Net Change in Fund Balance - Governmental Funds

\$ 428,158

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays of \$67,062 differed from depreciation expense of \$93,427.

(26,365)

Change in Net Position of Governmental Activities

\$ 401,793

Statement of Net Position - Fiduciary Funds June 30, 2017

## **Assets**

Cash	\$ 23,336
Total Assets	23,336
<u>Deferred Outflows of Resources</u>	
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Due to students and clubs	23,336
Total Liabilities	23,336
Deferred Inflows of Resources	_
Net Position	\$ -

(A charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.) Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2017

# Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## Reporting Entity

Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) (the "School"), is a charter school sponsored by the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida (the "District"). The School's charter is held by Somerset Academy, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, the Florida Not-For-Profit Corporation Act. The governing body of the School is the board of directors of Somerset Academy, Inc., which is composed of eight members and also governs other charter schools. The board of directors has determined that no component units exists that would require inclusion in the School's financial statements.

The general operating authority of the School is contained in Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes. The School operates under a charter granted by the sponsoring district, the School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The current charter expires on June 30, 2018 and it can be renewed in accordance with law. A charter can also be terminated before its date of expiration for reasons set forth in the charter and Section 1002.33 of the Florida Statutes.

The School is located in Homestead, Florida for students from sixth through eighth grades and is funded by the District. These financial statements are for the year ended June 30, 2017, when approximately 440 students were enrolled for the school year.

#### Basis of Presentation

The School's accounting policies conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States as applicable to state and local governments. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB") is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

#### <u>Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources</u>

In addition to assets, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The School does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

(A charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.)

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2017

# Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## Deferred Outflows/Inflows of Resources (continued)

In addition to liabilities, the statement of net position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time. The School does not have any items that qualify for reporting in this category.

## Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

#### Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements include the statement of net position and the statement of activities. These statements report information about the School as a whole. Any internal interfund activity has been eliminated from these financial statements. Both statements report only governmental activities as the School does not engage in any business type activities. These statements do not include fiduciary funds.

The statement of activities reports the expenses of a given function offset by program revenues directly connected with the functional program. A function is an assembly of similar activities and may include portions of a fund or summarize more than one fund to capture the expenses and program revenues associated with a distinct functional activity. Program revenues include: (1) charges for services, such as food service and student activity fees; (2) operating grants such as the National School Lunch Program, Federal grants, and other state allocations; and (3) capital grants specific to capital outlay. Other revenue sources not included with program revenues are reported as general revenues.

#### Fund Financial Statements

Fund financial statements are provided for governmental funds and fiduciary funds. The operations of the funds are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, deferred inflows of resources, equity, revenues and expenditures. The School reports the following major governmental funds with all non-major funds aggregated in a single column:

General Fund - is the School's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the school, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Additionally, the School reports separately the following fiduciary fund types:

Agency Fund – School's internal funds accounts for resources of the school's Internal Fund which is used to administer monies collected at the schools in connection with school, student activities, class, and club activities.

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the School are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The School's reporting entity applies all relevant Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Codification of Accounting and Financial Reporting Guidance.

(A charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.) Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2017

## Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The government-wide statements report using the economic resources measurement focus and the full accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Revenues from non-exchange transactions are reported according to GASB Codification Section 1600.111 and Section N450 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Non-Exchange Transactions*. On the accrual basis, revenues from grants and donations are recognized in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

The School recognizes assets of non-exchange transactions in the period when the underlying transaction occurs, when an enforceable legal claim has arisen, or when all eligibility requirements are met. Revenues are recognized, on the modified accrual basis, when they are measurable and available. Non-exchange transactions occur when the school provides (or receives) value to (from) another party without receiving (or giving) equal or nearly equal value in return. Most donations are examples of non-exchange transactions. Revenues from grants and donations are recognized on the accrual basis, in the fiscal year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements report using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when they are both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined. Available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The School considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the fiscal year. Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) revenues are recognized when received. A one-year availability period is used for revenue recognition for all other governmental fund revenues. Charges for services and fees are recognized when cash is collected as amounts are not measurable. When grant terms provide that the expenditure of funds is the prime factor for determining eligibility for federal, state, and other grant funds, revenue is recognized at the time the expenditure is made. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for long-term debt principal and interest which are reported as expenditures in the year due.

Agency fund assets and liabilities are accounted for on the accrual basis of accounting.

#### Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, non-marketable time deposits with maturities of three months or less when purchased, and money market/savings accounts. The School has not adopted a formal deposit and investment policy that limits the School's allowable deposits or investments and address specific types of risk; however the School invests excess deposit funds in a government money market mutual fund. The School has adopted GASB Codification Section 3100 Fair Value Measurement and Application (Note 2).

(A charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.) Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2017

# Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Inter-fund Transfers

Outstanding balances between funds are reported as "due to/from" other funds. Inter-fund transfers are made to move any excess or shortage of National School Lunch Program funds from the Non-major Government Fund to the General Fund.

# Due from Other Governments or Agencies

Amounts due to the School by other governments or agencies are for grants or programs under which the services have been provided by the School.

#### Capital Assets

The School's property, plant and equipment with useful lives of more than one year are stated at historical cost and comprehensively reported in the statement of net position in the government-wide financial statements. Donated capital assets are recorded at their estimated fair market value on the date donated. The School generally capitalizes assets with a cost of \$500 or more. Building improvements, additions and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the asset value or materially extend useful lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are depreciated using the straight-line method. When capital assets are disposed, the cost and applicable accumulated depreciation are removed from the respective accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is recorded in operations. Estimated useful lives, in years, for depreciable assets are as follows:

Improvements	5-20Years
Furniture and Equipment	5 Years
Textbooks and Software	3 Years

#### Compensated Absences

The School grants a specific number of sick days. Full time instructional employees are eligible to receive one day per month up to ten days of active work during the ten-month period (a "benefit year"). In the event that available time is not used by the end of the benefit year, employees may "rollover" all unused days for use in future benefit years. Employees may "cash out" unused sick days, however, employees may only cash out if they have used three days or less of their sick leave in that benefit year. Employees may not cash out more than ten days per school year and are required to maintain a minimum of twenty-one unused days in order to cash out. The cash out value is eighty percent of their current daily rate. There is no termination payment for accumulated unused sick days.

GASB Codification Section C60, Accounting for Compensated Absences, provides that compensated absences that are contingent on a specific event that is outside the control of the employer and employee should be accounted for in the period those events take place. Accordingly, these financial statements do not include an accrual for compensated absences available to be used in future benefits years.

(A charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.) Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2017

## Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

The School also provides certain days to be used for specific personal matters such as family death and jury duty. Because the use of such days is contingent upon those events taking place and such events are out of the control of both the employer and the employee, there is no accrual for such days.

#### **Budgets and Budgetary Accounting**

In compliance with Florida Statutes, the Board of Directors adopts an annual budget using the modified accrual basis of accounting. During the fiscal year, expenditures were controlled at the object level (e.g. salaries and benefits, purchased services, materials and supplies and capital outlay) within each activity (e.g. instruction, pupil personnel services and school administration). Revisions to the annual budget are approved by the Board.

#### Revenue Sources

Revenues for current operations are received primarily from the state through the District pursuant to the funding provisions included in the School's charter. In accordance with the funding provisions of the charter and Section 1002.33, Florida Statutes, the School reports the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the District. Under the provisions of Section 1011.62, Florida Statutes, the District reports the number of the full-time equivalent (FTE) students and related data to the Florida Department of Education (FDOE) for funding through the FEFP. Funding for the School is adjusted during the year to reflect the revised calculations by the FDOE under the FEFP and the actual weighted full-time equivalent students reported by the School during the designated full-time equivalent student survey periods. After review and verification of FTE reports and supporting documentation, the FDOE may adjust subsequent fiscal period allocations of FEFP funding for prior year errors disclosed by its review as well as to prevent statewide allocations from exceeding the amount authorized by the Legislature. Normally, such adjustments are treated as reductions of revenue in the year the adjustment is made.

In addition, the School receives state funds through the District under charter school capital outlay funding pursuant to Section 1013.62, Florida Statutes. Funds are based on a capital outlay plan submitted to the District and are to be used for lease of school facilities.

Finally, the School also receives Federal awards for the enhancement of various educational programs. Federal awards are generally received based on applications submitted to and approved by various granting agencies. For Federal awards in which a claim to these grant proceeds is based on incurring eligible expenditures, revenue is recognized to the extent that eligible expenditures have been incurred. Any excess amounts are recorded as deferred revenues until expended. Additionally, other revenues may be derived from various fundraising activities and certain other programs.

(A charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.) Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2017

# Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## Net Position and Fund Balance Classifications

Government-wide financial statements

Equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a) Net investment in capital assets consists of capital assets net of accumulated depreciation reduced by the outstanding balances of any borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition or improvement of those assets.
- b) Restricted net position consists of balances with constraints placed on their use either by external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors or laws or regulations of other governments.
- c) <u>Unrestricted net position</u> all other balances that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets and long term debt."

#### Fund financial statements

GASB Codification Section 1800.142, *Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions*, defines the different types of fund balances that a governmental entity must use for financial reporting purposes. GASB requires the fund balance amounts to be properly reported within one of the fund balance categories listed below:

- a) Nonspendable includes amounts that cannot be spent because they are either not in spendable form or legally or contractually required to be maintained intact. Consists of fund balance associated with inventories, prepaid expenses, long-term loans and notes receivable, and property held for resale (unless the proceeds are restricted, committed, or assigned).
- b) Restricted this classification includes fund balance category amounts that can be spent only for the specific purposes stipulated by constitution, external resource providers, or through enabling legislation. There are no restricted fund balances at year end.
- c) <u>Committed</u> fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by a formal action of the School's Board of Directors. There are no committed fund balances at year end.
- d) <u>Assigned</u> fund balance classification that is intended to be used by the School's management for specific purposes but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. There are no assigned fund balances at year end.
- e) <u>Unassigned</u> portion of the fund balance that has not been restricted, committed or assigned for a specific purpose. This is the residual classification for the School's general fund.

(A charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.) Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2017

# Note 1 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

## Order of Fund Balance Spending Policy

The School's policy is to apply expenditures against non-spendable fund balance, restricted fund balance, committed fund balance, assigned fund balance, and unassigned fund balance at the end of the fiscal year by adjusting journal entries. First Non-spendable fund balances are determined. Then restricted fund balances for specific purposes are determined (not including non-spendable amounts). Then any remaining fund balance amounts for the non-general funds are classified as restricted fund balance. It is possible for the non-general funds to have negative unassigned fund balance when non-spendable amounts plus the restricted fund balances for specific purposes amounts exceed the positive fund balance for the non-general fund.

#### Use of Estimates

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

#### Income Taxes

Somerset Academy, Inc. qualifies as a tax-exempt organization under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3), and is, therefore, exempt from income tax. Accordingly, no tax provision has been made in the accompanying financial statements.

#### Subsequent Events

In accordance with GASB Codification Section 2250.106, the School has evaluated subsequent events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through August 30, 2017, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

## Note 2 – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments

## Deposits

The School maintains its cash and cash equivalents in two financial institutions. As of June 30, 2017, the School's deposits consisted of cash balances of \$213,029.

Deposits at FDIC-insured institutions are insured up to \$250,000 per depositor, per financial institution. The School is a charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc., which also operates various other charter schools. All bank accounts are opened under the account ownership of Somerset Academy, Inc., therefore, bank balances at times may potentially be in excess of FDIC coverage. As of June 30, 2017, bank balances in potential excess of FDIC coverage was approximately \$301,753; including fiduciary account bank balances.

(A charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.) Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2017

## Note 2 – Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments (continued)

#### Investments

The School categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by GASB Codification Section 3100 *Fair Value Measurement and Application*. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in markets for identical assets: Level 2 inputs are significant other observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar investments, interest rates, credit risk, etc.); Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs.

At June 30, 2017, the School has the following recurring fair value measurements:

Government money market mutual fund of \$660,000 valued using Level 2 inputs.

The government money market mutual fund values its portfolio securities at amortized cost which approximates fair value. The government money market mutual fund primarily invests in cash, high quality, short-term U.S. government securities and/or repurchase agreements that are collateralized fully by government securities that have been valued by the fund as Level 2. As of July 31, 2017, maturities of the fund's portfolio holdings are approximately 79% within 30 days.

#### Credit Risk

Concentration of credit risk is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of investments in a single issuer. The School manages its exposure to credit risk by limiting investments to highly rated government money market mutual funds. The fund is rated Aaa-mf by Moody's.

Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a failure of a depository financial institution or counterparty that is in possession of investment or collateral securities, the School will not be able to recover deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. For an investment, custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of the failure of the counterparty to a transaction, the School will not be able to recover the value of investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. At June 30, 2017, all of the School's investments in government money market mutual funds were held in a separate account and designated as assets of the School.

*Interest rate risk* is the risk that changes in interest rate will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The School manages its exposure to declines in fair values by limiting all investments to government money market mutual funds that can be redeemed daily.

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## Note 3 - Capital Assets

The following schedule provides a summary of changes in capital assets, acquired substantially with public funds, for the period ended June 30, 2017:

Balance			Balance
07/01/16	Additions	Retirements	06/30/17
\$ 44,546	\$ 9,768	\$ -	\$ 54,314
723,685	57,294	75 <b>-</b>	780,979
\$ 768,231	\$ 67,062	\$ -	\$ 835,293
(22,413)	(1,779)	-	(24,192)
(452,776)	(91,648)	<u> </u>	(544,424)
(475,189)	(93,427)	-	(568,616)
\$ 293,042	\$ (26,365)	\$ -	\$ 266,677
	\$ 44,546 723,685 \$ 768,231 (22,413) (452,776) (475,189)	07/01/16       Additions         \$ 44,546       \$ 9,768         723,685       57,294         \$ 768,231       \$ 67,062         (22,413)       (1,779)         (452,776)       (91,648)         (475,189)       (93,427)	07/01/16       Additions       Retirements         \$ 44,546       \$ 9,768       \$ -         723,685       57,294       -         \$ 768,231       \$ 67,062       \$ -         (22,413)       (1,779)       -         (452,776)       (91,648)       -         (475,189)       (93,427)       -

For the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017, depreciation expense is allocated in the Statement of Activities by function as follows:

Instruction	\$ 66,226
Facilities acquisition	12,633
Food services	12,660
Operation of plant	1,908
Total Depreciation Expense	\$ 93,427

# Note 4 -Education Service and Support Provider

Academica Dade, LLC, an education service and support provider, offers administrative services to the School including, but not limited to, facility design, staffing recommendations, human resource coordination, regulatory compliance, legal and corporate upkeep, maintenance of the books and records, bookkeeping, budgeting and financial reporting and virtual education services. The agreement calls for a fee on a per student basis. The agreement is with Somerset Academy, Inc. for a period of five years, through June 30, 2021, and unless terminated by the board shall be renewed along with any renewals to the charter agreement. During the year ended June 30, 2017, the School incurred approximately \$198,000, in fees.

Academica Dade, LLC is located at 6340 Sunset Drive, Miami, Florida 33143.

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# Note 5 - Transactions With Other Divisions of Somerset Academy, Inc.

The School's facility is shared with Somerset Academy High School (South Homestead) (a charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.). Management allocates a proportionate share of leases, salaries, lunch receipts, food and supplies and other expenses to each school individually based on student enrollment and usage of facilities and staff. Also, revenues and expenses related to the lunch program have been allocated based on FTE equivalent for purposes of presentation in the financial statements.

Somerset Academy, Inc. charges all its affiliated schools an assessment for shared corporate and accreditation expenses. Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) paid Somerset Academy, Inc. approximately \$44,000 in connection with these charges during the year.

## Note 6 - Commitments, Contingencies and Concentrations

On December 31, 2014, the School entered into a lease and security agreement with Soho School Development, LLC for its 58,572 square feet building including all ancillary facilities, outdoor areas and other improvements. The agreement continues through July 31, 2035, with an option to renew for three additional periods of five-year term. The Landlord is an affiliate of the School's educational service and support provider (See Note 4).

This facility is shared with Somerset Academy Charter High School (a charter school under Somerset Academy, Inc.). Initial fixed annual payments under this agreement (based on \$19.35 per square foot) or approximately \$1,133,368 adjusted annually based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus additional property costs including repairs, maintenance and insurance, the Landlord granted an enrollment period discounts through July 31, 2018 to be netted against fixed rent. Under the agreement, the School must meet certain covenants and requirements, including a "Lease Payment Coverage Ratio" of not less than 1.10 to 1.00 and maintaining a reserve for property expenses such as repairs, maintenance, taxes or insurance.

Lease payments are allocated between the two schools based on enrollment and usage of facility. The allocation used for 2017, was approximately 64% for the School and 36% for Somerset Academy Charter High School (South Homestead). For 2017, rent expense related to the facility lease including common area maintenance charges totaled \$577,821.

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# Note 6 – Commitments, Contingencies and Concentrations (continued)

Future minimum payments for the full lease, net of enrollment period discounts, to be shared with Somerset Academy Charter High School (South Homestead) are as follows:

Year		
2018	\$ 1,144,766	
2019	\$ 1,144,766	
2020	\$ 1,144,766	
2021	\$ 1,144,766	
2022	\$ 1,144,766	
2023-2027	\$ 5,723,832	(total for five-year period)
2028-2032	\$ 5,723,832	(total for five-year period)
2033-2035	\$ 3,434,298	(total thereafter)

#### Contingencies and Concentrations

The School receives substantially all of its funding from the District under the Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP), which is based in part on a computation of the number of full-time equivalent (FTE) students attending different instructional programs. The accuracy of FTE student data submitted by individual schools and used in the FEFP computations is subject to audit by the state and, if found to be in error, could result in refunds to the state or in decreases to future funding allocations. Additionally, the School receives various forms of federal, state and local funding which are subject to financial and compliance audits. It is the opinion of management that the amount of funding, if any, which may be remitted back to the state due to errors in the FTE student data or the amount of grant expenditures which may be disallowed by grantor agencies would not be material to the financial position of the School.

Pursuant to the Charter School contract with the School District, the District withholds an administrative fee of up to 5% of the qualifying revenues of the School. For the year ended June 30, 2017, administrative fees withheld by the School District totaled \$75,913.

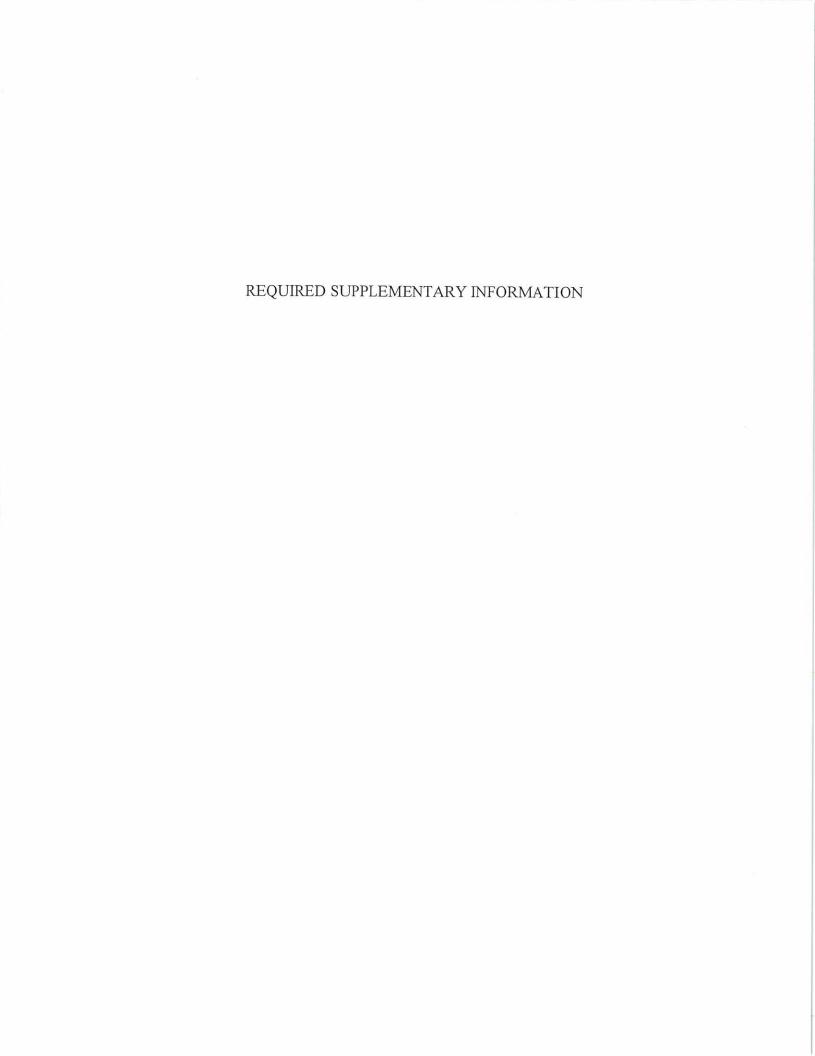
# Note 7 – Risk Management

The School is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, thefts of, damage to and destruction of assets, errors and omissions and natural disasters for which the School carries commercial insurance. Settlement amounts have not exceeded insurance coverage for the past years. In addition, there were no reductions in insurance coverage from those in the prior year.

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#### Note 8 - Defined Contribution Retirement Plan

The School's personnel, who are leased through ADP TotalSource Group, Inc., are eligible to participate in a defined contribution 401(k) plan sponsored by the leasing company, covering employees who meet certain age and tenure requirements. Under the ADP TotalSource Retirement Savings Plan (the "Plan"), the School approved a match of 100% of the employee's contribution up to 4% of employee compensation. The School contributed to the Plan \$16,010 for the year ended June 30, 2017. The School does not exercise any control or fiduciary responsibility over the Plans' assets, which are administered by Voya.



Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance For the year ended June 30, 2017

	Gene			eneral Fund		
	Original Budget		Fi	Final Budget		Actual
REVENUES						
State passed through local	\$	2,756,250	\$	2,721,800	\$	2,764,867
Other revenue		11,267	-	11,216		24,435
Total Revenues	3	2,767,517		2,733,016		2,789,302
EXPENDITURES						
Current:						
Instruction		1,271,072		1,284,469		1,206,027
Board		5,000		10,000		8,290
Instructional staff training		84		10,000		5,751
School administration		400,000		394,556		409,901
Facilities acquisition		u <del>.</del>		10 12 <b>7</b> 3		( <del>=</del> )
Fiscal services		67,500		66,850		66,000
Food Services		-				_
Central Services		84,500		108,449		105,684
Operation of Plant		596,494		540,310		499,764
Maintenance of Plant		40,000		55,000		54,048
Total Current Expenditures		2,464,566		2,469,634		2,355,465
Excess of Revenues			-			
Over Current Expenditures		302,951		263,382		433,837
Capital Outlay		536,000		80,000		67,062
Total Expenditures		3,000,566		2,549,634		2,422,527
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures		(233,049)		183,382		366,775
Other financing sources (uses): Transfers in (out) Payment of long term deposit	. Martin Const.	<b>-</b> 3		42,866		61,383
Net change in fund balance		(233,049)		226,248		428,158
Fund Balance at beginning of year	·	458,444	<u> </u>	458,444		458,444
Fund Balance at end of year	\$	225,395	\$	684,692	\$	886,602

#### Notes to Budgetary Comparison Schedule

An annual budget is adopted on the modified accrual basis of accounting, consistent with generally accepted accounting principles. Amendments to the budget can only be made with the approval of the Board of Directors.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S 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 Directors of Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) Homestead, Florida

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) (the "School") as of, and for the year ended June 30, 2017, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the School's basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated August 30, 2017.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the School's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the School's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

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

We issued a separate management letter dated August 30, 2017 pursuant to Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

## Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Coral Gables, Florida August 30, 2017



#### MANAGEMENT LETTER

Board of Directors of Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) Homestead, Florida

## Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the financial statements Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) as of and for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017 and have issued our report thereon dated August 30, 2017.

## Auditor's Responsibility

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, and Chapter 10.850, Rules of the Auditor General.

#### Other Reports and Schedules

We have issued our Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of the Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards. Disclosure in those reports and schedules, which are dated August 30, 2017, should be considered in conjunction with this management letter.

#### **Prior Audit Findings**

Section 10.854(1)(e)1., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we determine whether or not corrective actions have been taken to address findings and recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report. There were no such findings or recommendations made in the preceding annual financial audit report.

#### Official Title

Section 10.854.(1)(e)5., Rules of the Auditor General, requires the name or official title of the entity. The official title of the entity is Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead).

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#### **Financial Condition**

Section 10.854(1)(e)2, Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we report the results of our determination as to whether or not Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) has met one or more of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes, and identification of the specific condition(s) met. In connection with our audit, we determined that Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) did not meet any of the conditions described in Section 218.503(1), Florida Statutes.

Sections 10.854(1)(e)6.a and 10.855(12), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we apply financial condition assessment procedures for Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead). It is management's responsibility to monitor Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) financial condition, and our financial condition assessment was based in part on representations made by management and the review of financial information provided by same. We have applied such procedures as of the fiscal year end and no deteriorating financial condition has been noted.

## Transparency

Sections 10.854(1)(e)7 and 10.855(13), Rules of the Auditor General, require that we apply appropriate procedures to determine whether Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) maintains on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes. In connection with our audit, we determined that Somerset Academy Charter Middle School (South Homestead) maintained on its Web site the information specified in Section 1002.33(9)(p), Florida Statutes.

#### Other Matters

Section 10.854(1)(e)3., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address in the management letter any recommendations to improve financial management. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such recommendations.

Section 10.854(1)(e)4., Rules of the Auditor General, requires that we address noncompliance with provisions of contracts or grant agreements, or abuse, that have occurred, or are likely to have occurred, that have an effect on the financial statements that is less than material but which warrants the attention of those charged with governance. In connection with our audit, we did not have any such findings.

# Purpose of this Letter

Our management letter is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Auditing Committee, members of the Florida Senate and Florida House of Representatives, the Florida Auditor General, School Board of Dade County, Federal and other granting agencies, the Board of Directors, and applicable management and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Coral Gables, Florida August 30, 2017