
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
A Component Unit of the State of Alaska
For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2004



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December 16, 2004

The Honorable Frank H. Murkowski, Governor
Members of the Alaska State Legislature
Teachers' Retirement Board
Alaska State Pension Investment Board
Employers and Plan Members of the System

We are pleased to present the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) (System) for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2004.

This report is intended to provide comprehensive information on the financial operations of the System for the year. Responsibility for both the accuracy of the data, and the completeness and fairness of the presentation, including all disclosures, rests with the management of the System. To the best of our knowledge and belief, the enclosed data is accurate in all material respects and is reported in a manner designed to present fairly the financial position and results of operations of the System for the year ended June 30, 2004. All disclosures necessary to enable the reader to gain an understanding of the System's activities have been included.

For financial reporting purposes, the System utilizes Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 25, *Financial Reporting for Defined Benefit Pension Plans and Note Disclosures for Defined Contribution Plans*; GASB Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*; GASB Statement No. 37, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments: Omnibus*; and GASB Statement No. 38, *Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures*. Assets of the System are presented at fair value. The actuarial value of assets and the actuarial accrued liability are presented in the required supplementary information following the notes to the financial statements.

The FY 2004 CAFR is divided into five sections:

- **Introductory Section**, which contains this letter of transmittal, the administrative organization of the System, and a list of the members serving on the Teachers' Retirement Board;
- **Financial Section**, which contains the Independent Auditors' Report, management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), basic financial statements, required supplementary information, and additional information;
- **Investment Section**, which contains a message from the Chair of the Alaska State Pension Investment Board (ASPIB), a list of members serving on the ASPIB, a report on investment activity, investment results, and various investment schedules;
- **Actuarial Section**, which contains the Actuarial Certification letter and the results of the most current (June 30, 2003) annual actuarial valuation; and
- **Statistical Section**, which includes graphs and tables of significant data.

The Alaska TRS was established in 1955 to provide pension and postemployment healthcare benefits for teachers and other eligible participants. Normal service, survivor, and disability benefits are available to all members who attain the age and service requirements of the System.

| | TRS | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|
| | FY04 | FY03 | FY02 |
| Net Assets (millions) | \$3,911.5 | 3,602.6 | 3,689.0 |
| Participating Employers | 58 | 57 | 57 |

Reporting Entity

The System is considered a component unit of the State of Alaska for financial reporting purposes. Because of the closeness of the System's relationship to the State, it is included in the State of Alaska CAFR as a blended component unit.

The Commissioner of the Department of Administration, appointed by the Governor, is responsible for administering the System. In order to meet the statutory requirements of administering the System, the Commissioner appoints the Director of the Division of Retirement and Benefits. The Director is responsible for the daily operations of the System.

The Teachers' Retirement Board prescribes policies and regulations, hears appeals, and approves employers' contribution rates prepared by the System's independent actuary.

The ASPIB has statutory oversight of the System's investments and the authority to invest the System's monies. Actual investing is performed by external investment firms and investment officers of the Department of Revenue, Treasury Division, listed in the Investment Section of this report. The Treasury Division is responsible for carrying out investment policies established by ASPIB.

Major Initiatives

The System continues to make progress on completing several on-going projects. Most of these efforts focused on improvements in technology, improving methods for members to obtain information about the System and their benefits, and continued compliance with accounting requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) as applicable in the circumstances.

The Public Employees' and Teachers' Retirement Boards have been looking at ways to reduce costs to the employers and address the underfunded status of the Systems while also balancing the need to provide adequate benefits in order to effectively recruit and retain new members. A "Tier subcommittee" was developed to look at the possibility of adding a Tier IV in the PERS and a Tier III in the TRS. These new tiers would provide pension and postemployment healthcare benefits at levels the same as or less than current tiers. The Tier subcommittee has been meeting for almost a year and surveyed employers, employees, and benchmarked current Tiers with other states pension benefits. In order to accomplish this project, the Tier subcommittee used the services of the System's actuarial consultant to review and analyze the results of the study and determine the impact on the Systems. The Tier subcommittee did make a formal recommendation to the respective boards in November 2004.

Independent Audit

The System's annual audit was conducted by the independent accounting firm of KPMG LLP. The auditors' report on the basic financial statements is included in the Financial Section of this report.

Actuarial Valuation

An actuarial valuation of the System is performed annually. An assumption experience study is performed at least every other year. The System's actuarial firm, Mercer Human Resource Consulting, completed the actuarial reviews and valuations as of June 30, 2003, and served as technical advisor to the System. Actuarial certifications and supporting statistics are included in the Actuarial and Statistical Sections of this report.

Professional Services

Professional consultants are retained to perform professional services that are essential to the effective and efficient operation of the System. A list of consultants is provided in the Introductory Section with the exception of investment professional consultants, who are listed in the Investment Section of this report.

Certificate of Achievement

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Alaska Teachers' Retirement System for its comprehensive annual financial report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2003. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, a government must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized comprehensive annual financial report. This report must satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of one year only. We are confident that our current comprehensive annual financial report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements. Therefore, we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

Future Employer Contribution Rates

The System's consulting actuary presented the results of the June 30, 2003 actuarial valuation report to the administrator and the board. The assumptions and benefits are explained in the Actuarial Section of this report.

Based on this most recent valuation report, the System has a funding ratio (assets of the System divided by the total liabilities for pension and postemployment healthcare) of 64.3%. The unfunded portion of the System's liabilities totals approximately \$2.1 billion. The unfunded liability is amortized over a 25 year period, as established by the Board. In order to bridge the gap between assets and liabilities of the System, the employer matching contribution rate would increase over the same 25 year period from the Fiscal Year 2004 rate of 12% to approximately 48% in Fiscal Year 2028 if the System earns the assumed rate of 8.25%. The current asset allocation that the Alaska State Pension Investment Board for the System's investments is expected to provide a five year median return of 7.72%.

While investment returns in Fiscal Year 2004 of 15.09% exceeded the actuarial assumed rate of 8.25%, one good year does not make up for the three prior years of earnings less than the assumed rate. Any time the System earns less than the assumed 8.25%, the impact typically will be an increase to the employer

matching contribution rate. Since the three prior years rates were less than the assumed rate by 4.57% to 13.74%, these differences severely impacted the funding ratios, which in turn results in increased rates to the employers.

Besides the obvious impact of investments, the System also experienced significant increases in healthcare costs. In order to properly accrue (build up) assets to pay for the future "more expensive" health benefits, the System needs to charge employers a higher rate to offset those costs. The System has assumptions in place to account for healthcare costs, but if cost increases exceed what the System assumes, the impact is to increase the employer matching contribution rate.

For additional information on how a defined benefit system like TRS operates, the Division has developed a "white paper" that describes how the System is funded by revenues from plan members, employers, and investments, and where System costs are. This "white paper" is titled "Employee Benefits and Retirement System Funding" and is located at www.state.ak.us/drb/trs/trspublications.htm.

Currently, the Alaska PERS and TRS are rare in that these plans constitute two out of eight retirement systems that pre-fund and account for medical costs. The other three states that do this are Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky. The PERS and TRS systems are fortunate in that the creators and administrators of the Systems had foresight to fund the healthcare costs in advance. The remaining 120 other major governmental retirement systems only account for their current annual liability for healthcare costs. Once GASB #45 is effective in 2006/2007, all retirement systems will have to account for their future healthcare costs, similar to what our System already reports. So, current comparisons to other systems will be comparable once other systems start reporting their liabilities like PERS and TRS.

Acknowledgments

The preparation of this report is made possible by the dedicated service of the staff of the System. It is intended to provide complete and reliable information as a basis for making management decisions, as a means of determining compliance with legal provisions, and as a means of determining responsible stewardship of the funds of the system.

The report is being mailed to all employer members of the System. They form the link between the System and the membership. Their cooperation contributes significantly to the success of the System. We hope the employers and their employees find this report informative.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our gratitude to the Teachers' Retirement Board, the Alaska State Pension Investment Board, the staff, the advisors, and to the many people who have worked so diligently to assure the successful operation of the System.



Ray Matiashowski, Commissioner



Kevin Brooks, Deputy Commissioner



Kevin Worley, CPA, Defined Benefits Accounting Supervisor

Respectfully submitted,



Melanie Millhorn, Director



Anselm Staack, CPA, JD, Chief Financial Officer

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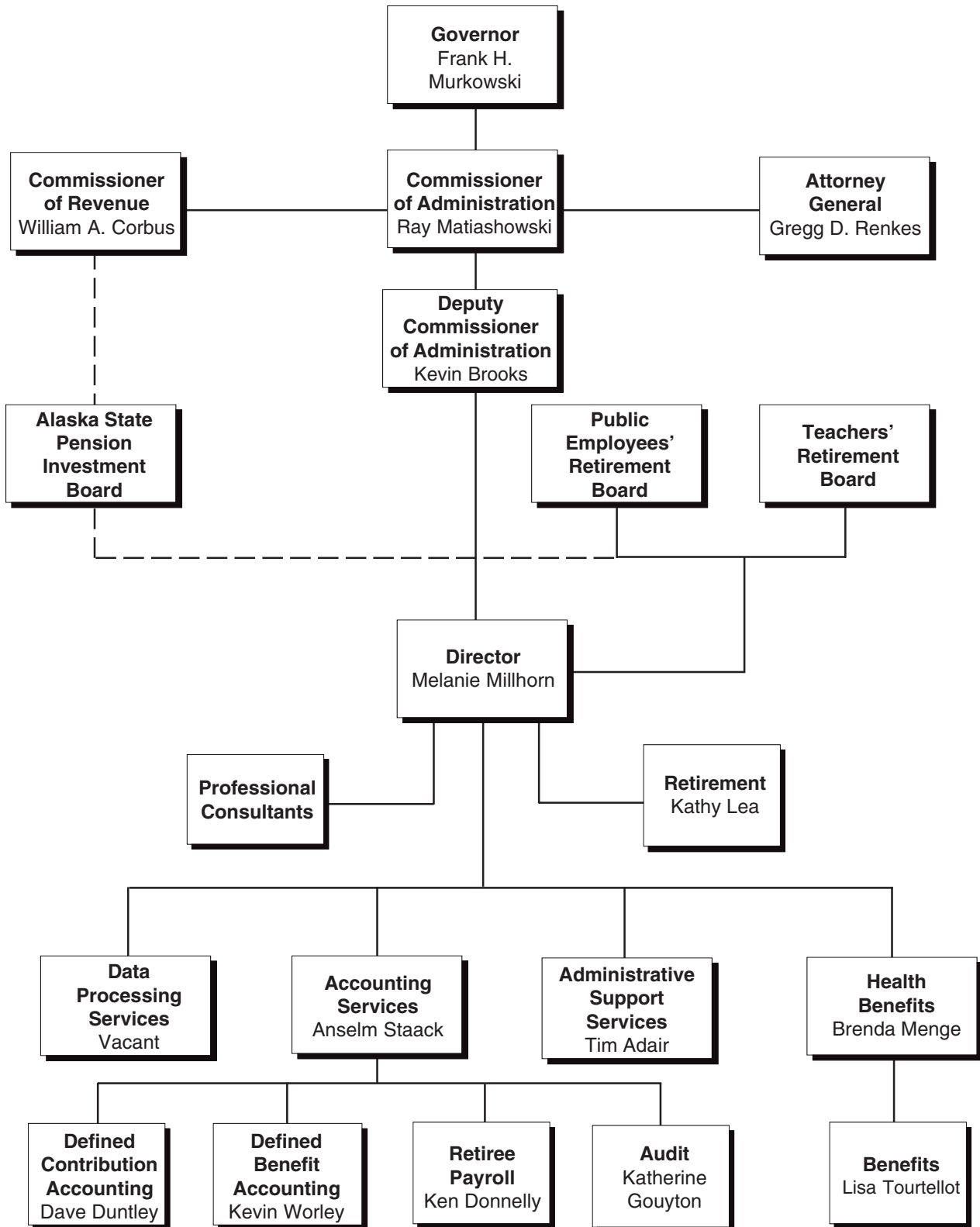
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President

Executive Director

ORGANIZATION CHART



Section Responsibilities

The **Retirement Section** is responsible for providing comprehensive retirement counseling to the participating members and employers in the plan. The section appoints members to retirement benefits and maintains benefit payment information.

The **Benefits Section** is responsible for the administration of group health, disability, and life insurance. This section provides benefits counseling and plan change information to the membership.

The **Defined Benefit Accounting Section** is responsible for maintaining the employee and employer records and accounts in each of the defined benefit plans administered by the Division, producing financial statements and reports, and assuring compliance with the Internal Revenue Service requirements for defined benefit plans.

The **Defined Contribution Accounting Section** is responsible for accounting, plan operations, and financial activities related to the defined contribution plan systems administered by the Division.

The **Data Processing Services Section** supports the information systems the Systems use. Responsibilities include planning, development, data base design, programming, and operational support of the data processing systems, including the Local Area Network.

The **Administrative Support Services Section** is responsible for budget preparation, fiscal management of appropriations, procurement of professional services, supplies, and equipment. The section manages the Systems' record center containing the members' physical records and performs other administrative functions, such as legislative tracking and personnel management.

The **Retiree Payroll Section** is responsible for issuing monthly and on demand retirement benefit payments to eligible retirees or their beneficiaries. The section maintains accurate records for reporting benefit recipient tax statements and reporting and paying withheld income taxes, garnishments, and IRS levies.

| PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS | |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Consulting Actuary Mercer Human Resource Consulting <i>Seattle, Washington</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Legal Counsel Virginia Ragle Kathleen Strasbaugh Assistant Attorney Generals <i>Juneau, Alaska</i></p> |
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| <p style="text-align: center;">Benefits Consultant Deloitte & Touche, LLP <i>Minneapolis, Minnesota</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Consulting Physicians Kim Smith, M.D. William Cole, M.D. <i>Juneau, Alaska</i></p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Third Party Health Claim Administrator Aetna Life Insurance Company <i>Walnut Creek, California</i></p> | |

A list of external money managers and consultants for the System can be found on pages 50-51, and the Schedule of Investment Management Fees on pages 57-58.

TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD

(as of June 30, 2004)



Charlie Arteaga, Chair

Term Expires: January 31, 2005

Charlie Arteaga has been an Alaskan resident for 33 years. He resides in Ketchikan. He received his Bachelor's in Education at Arizona State University and his Masters in Counseling at the University of Oregon. He was an educator with the Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District until 1996.

Mr. Arteaga was appointed to the Teachers' Retirement Board by Governor Tony Knowles. He is now employed in other sectors of public service and tourism. He intends to remain an active Alaskan citizen.



Gayle W. Harbo, Vice Chair

Term Expires: June 30, 2005

Gayle Harbo arrived in Alaska in 1957, married Sam Harbo in 1958, and lived in Cold Bay, Juneau and Nome before settling in Fairbanks in 1962. She graduated from North Carolina State University in Raleigh with a BS in Mathematics and earned a Master of Arts in Teaching at the University of Alaska-Fairbanks. She taught at Lathrop High School for most of her twenty-five years in the Fairbanks District and served as coordinator of the school's Advanced Placement Program and on the District's Curriculum Committee. She worked on committees which wrote the evaluation documents used by the district and served on several budget committees. Since retiring in 1993, she has enjoyed traveling with her husband and assisting him with several building projects for each of their four children. She loves her home and garden and the opportunity to take care of any or all of their seven grandchildren.



Richard J. Solie, Sr.

Term Expires: January 31, 2007

Richard Solie has been an Alaska resident for 33 years. He received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin, Superior, and his Ph.D. degree in Economics from the University of Tennessee. After seven years of teaching in the "Lower 48", he served as Professor of Economics, Head of the Department of Economics, and Acting Dean of the School of Management at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks during the period from 1970-1986. Following his retirement from UAF, he was self-employed in his own economic consulting firm. He and his wife, Elsie, live in Fairbanks along with their four children and ten grandchildren.



Robert G. Boko

Term Expires: June 30, 2005

Robert Boko was born and educated in Bridgeport, Connecticut. He later moved to Washington State where he received a BA in Music & Music Education from Western Washington University. After volunteering for the draft, serving in the Korean war and receiving the Bronze Star Medal with the 7th Infantry Division, he returned to the U.S. and taught instrumental music in Seattle in 1954. He later earned a Master of Arts degree from Teacher's College Columbia University in New York City. In 1956, Robert took a position in Kodiak teaching music to grades 7 through 12, then moved to Fairbanks in 1959. During his time in Fairbanks, Robert began an All-State Band, Orchestra and Choir. Today this program is one of the most successful events for students throughout the State. He has been a teacher and administrator in the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District. Upon retiring from the district, he worked as an adjunct staff member at UAF, supervising student teachers throughout the State. Robert has been a member of the Fairbanks School board and a board member for Mount Edgecumbe High School in Sitka. Over the past seven years, Robert has been working with students in festival and clinic settings in Western Alaska, South Central & the Interior. For the past six years, he has been a councilman for the City of Fairbanks. In his spare time, Robert is the music director & conductor of the Fairbanks Community Band in addition to serving on several local boards.



Dick Schulz

Term Expires: January 31, 2006

Dick Shultz moved to Alaska in 1970 from Anselmo, a small town in central Nebraska. He settled in Mentasta Lake, a remote native village southwest of Tok where he taught kindergarten through the eighth grade. Dick relocated to Northway and taught there for five years after which his career took him to Delta-Greely as a school guidance counselor. In 1978, Dick returned to rural teaching in Nabesna until 1980, when he returned to the Delta-Greely School District as the assistant superintendent.

Dick left his career in education in 1982 when he was elected to the House of Representatives for District 17. He served in the legislature for ten years, eight as a representative and two as a senator until he retired from public service in 1992. Dick and his wife live in a rustic setting near Tok, where he enjoys life as an avid outdoorsman.

Dick was appointed to serve on the Teachers' Retirement Board by Governor Murkowski and he is looking forward to serving. He says, "I have always been concerned about maintaining the integrity of the fund to insure future retirees that their system will be able to provide stable retirement benefits."

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Independent Auditors' Report

Division of Retirement and Benefits
State of Alaska Teachers' Retirement System:

We have audited the accompanying statements of plan net assets of the State of Alaska Teachers' Retirement System (Plan), a Component Unit of the State of Alaska, as of June 30, 2004 and 2003, and the related statements of changes in plan net assets for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. 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 opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the plan net assets of the State of Alaska Teachers' Retirement System, a Component Unit of the State of Alaska, as of June 30, 2004 and 2003, and the changes in plan net assets for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The accompanying required supplementary information of management's discussion and analysis on pages 13 to 19 and schedules of funding progress and employer contributions on pages 38 to 44 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. Schedules 1 and 2 on pages 45 and 46 are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. This information is the responsibility of the Plan's management, has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.



The investment, actuarial and statistical data on pages 47 through 87 are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements of the State of Alaska Teachers' Retirement System (Plan), a Component Unit of the State of Alaska. Such additional information 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.

KPMG LLP

September 24, 2004

**STATE OF ALASKA
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
(A Component Unit of the State of Alaska)**

Management's Discussion and Analysis

This section presents management's discussion and analysis (MD&A) of the Teachers' Retirement System's (Plan) financial position and performance for the years ended June 30, 2004 and 2003. This section is presented as a narrative overview and analysis. Please read the MD&A in conjunction with the financial statements, notes to the financial statements, required supplementary and additional information to better understand the financial condition and performance of the Plan during the fiscal years ended June 30, 2004 and 2003. Prior fiscal year information for 2002 is presented for comparative purposes.

Financial Highlights

The Plan's total current assets exceeded its total current liabilities by \$3,911,515,000 and \$3,602,619,000 at the close of Fiscal Years 2004 and 2003, respectively.

The Plan's "Net assets held in trust for pension and postemployment healthcare benefits" as of June 30, 2004 and 2003 increased by \$308,896,000 or 8.6% and decreased by \$86,417,000 or 2.3% over the closing balances of those assets in Fiscal Years 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Plan member and employer contributions received totaled \$126,057,000 and \$118,645,000 during Fiscal Years 2004 and 2003; an increase of \$7,412,000 and \$6,169,000 or 6.2% and 5.5% from Fiscal Years 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Net investment income (loss) increased from \$111,575,000 to \$513,964,000 during Fiscal Year 2004 and from (\$225,234,000) to \$111,575,000 during Fiscal Year 2003; reflecting increases of 360.6% and 149.5% from Fiscal Years 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Pension benefit and postemployment healthcare payments totaled \$331,010,000 and \$310,416,000 during Fiscal Years 2004 and 2003, respectively; reflecting an increase of \$20,594,000 and \$30,573,000 or 6.6% and 10.9% from Fiscal Years 2003 and 2002, respectively.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Plan's basic financial statements. The Plan's basic financial statements are comprised of three components: (1) statement of plan net assets, (2) statement of changes in plan net assets, and (3) notes to the financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

Statement of Plan Net Assets – This statement presents information regarding the Plan's assets, liabilities, and net assets. Net assets represent the total amount of assets less the total liabilities. The Statement of Plan Net Assets classifies assets, liabilities and net assets as current, non-current and restricted.

Statement of Changes in Plan Net Assets – This statement presents how the Plan's net assets changed during the fiscal year as a result of contributions, investment income (loss), operating expenses, and changes in net assets.

The above statements represent resources available for investment and the payment of benefits as of the fiscal year-end and the sources and uses of those funds during the fiscal year.

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TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
(A Component Unit of the State of Alaska)
Management's Discussion and Analysis**

Notes to the Financial Statements – The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of the financial statements and provide additional detailed information and schedules to better understand the Plan's financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information – The required supplementary information consists of three schedules and related notes concerning the funded status and actuarial assumptions and methods of the Plan.

Other Supplementary Schedules – Other supplementary schedules include detailed information on administrative and investment expenses incurred by the Plan and payments to consultants for professional services.

**STATE OF ALASKA
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
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Management's Discussion and Analysis**

Condensed Financial Information

**Teachers' Retirement System
(000's omitted)**

NET ASSETS

| Description | 2004 | 2003 | Increase/Decrease | | 2002 |
|----------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------|------------------|
| | | | Amount | % | |
| Assets: | | | | | |
| Cash and receivables | \$ 6,475 | 6,849 | (374) | (5.5%) | 10,955 |
| Investments, at fair value | 3,908,306 | 3,598,476 | 309,830 | 8.6% | 3,681,951 |
| Other assets | 61 | 88 | (27) | (30.7%) | 71 |
| Total assets | 3,914,842 | 3,605,413 | 309,429 | 8.6% | 3,692,977 |
| Liabilities: | | | | | |
| Accrued expenses | 3,288 | 2,794 | 494 | 17.7% | 3,418 |
| Other liabilities | 39 | - | 39 | 100.0% | 523 |
| Total liabilities | 3,327 | 2,794 | 533 | 19.1% | 3,941 |
| Total net assets | \$ 3,911,515 | 3,602,619 | 308,896 | 8.6% | 3,689,036 |

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

| | | | | | |
|--|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
| Net assets, beginning of year | \$ 3,602,619 | 3,689,036 | (86,417) | (2.3%) | 4,086,848 |
| Additions: | | | | | |
| Contributions | 126,057 | 118,645 | 7,412 | 6.2% | 112,476 |
| Net investment income (loss) | 513,964 | 111,575 | 402,389 | 360.6% | (225,234) |
| Other additions | 77 | 14 | 63 | 450.0% | 4 |
| Total additions | 640,098 | 230,234 | 409,864 | 178.0% | (112,754) |
| Deductions: | | | | | |
| Benefits | 331,010 | 310,416 | 20,594 | 6.6% | 279,843 |
| Refunds | 4,189 | 3,840 | 349 | 9.1% | 3,120 |
| Administrative expenses | 2,203 | 2,395 | (192) | (8.0%) | 2,095 |
| Total deductions | 337,402 | 316,651 | 20,751 | 6.6% | 285,058 |
| Transfer in from Retiree Health Fund | 6,200 | - | 6,200 | 100.0% | - |
| Increase (decrease) in net assets | 308,896 | (86,417) | 395,313 | 457.4% | (397,812) |
| Net assets, end of year | \$ 3,911,515 | 3,602,619 | 308,896 | 8.6% | 3,689,036 |

**STATE OF ALASKA
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
(A Component Unit of the State of Alaska)**

Management's Discussion and Analysis

Financial Analysis of the Plan

The Statement of Plan Net Assets as of June 30, 2004 and 2003 showed total assets exceeding total liabilities by \$3,911,515,000 and \$3,602,619,000. These amounts represent the Plan "Net assets held in trust for pension and postemployment healthcare benefits". The entire amount is available to cover the Plan's obligations to pay pension and postemployment healthcare benefits to its members and their beneficiaries.

These amounts also represent an increase in "Net assets held in trust for pension and postemployment healthcare benefits" of \$308,896,000 or 8.6% and a decrease of \$86,417,000 or 2.3% from Fiscal Years 2003 and 2002. Over the long term, plan member and employer contributions, as well as investment income earned, are expected to sufficiently fund the pension benefit and postemployment healthcare costs of the Plan.

The investment of pension funds is a long-term undertaking. On an annual basis, the Alaska State Pension Investment Board (ASPIB) reviews and adopts an asset allocation strategy to ensure the asset mix will remain at an optimal risk/reward level given the Plan's constraints and objectives. During Fiscal Year 2004, ASPIB adopted an asset allocation that includes 37% in Domestic Equities, 15% in International Equities, 30% in Domestic Fixed Income, 3% in International Fixed Income, 6% in Alternatives, and 9% in Real Estate. This asset allocation is expected to provide a five year median return of 7.72%.

For Fiscal Years 2004 and 2003, the Plan's investments generated a 15.09% and 3.68% rate of return, respectively. The Plan's annualized rate of return was 4.09% over the last three years and 3.29% over the last five years.

Actuarial Valuations and Funding Progress

The overall objective of a pension fund is to accumulate sufficient funds to meet all expected future obligations to participants. The contribution requirements are determined as a percentage of eligible salaries, and reflect the cost of benefits accruing in Fiscal Year 2004 and a fixed amortization of the funding target surplus or the unfunded accrued liability. The amortization period is set by the Teachers' Retirement Board. Contribution levels are recommended by the Actuary and adopted by the Board each year. Investment losses and increasing healthcare costs continued to impact the Plan's funding ratio as of June 30, 2003 (the date of the Plan's latest actuarial valuation report). The ratio of assets to liabilities decreased from 68.2% to 64.3% during the year, using June 30, 2003 net assets as a base. The goal for the Plan is to have progress toward achieving the funding objectives of the Plan.

A summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods is presented in the Notes to Required Supplementary Information. The assumptions, when applied in combination, fairly represent past and anticipated future experience of the Plan.

| Valuation Year | (000's omitted) | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
| Valuation Assets | \$ 3,752,285 | 3,689,036 |
| Accrued Liabilities | 5,835,609 | 5,411,642 |
| Funding ratio | 64.3% | 68.2% |

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Contributions and Investment Income (Loss)

The revenues required to finance retirement benefits are accumulated through a combination of employer and plan member contributions and investment income.

| | Revenues | | | | FY02 |
|----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|
| | (000's Omitted) | | Inc/(Dec) | | |
| | FY04 | FY03 | Amt | % | |
| Plan Member | | | | | |
| Contributions | \$57,365 | 55,789 | 1,576 | 2.8% | 51,074 |
| Employer | | | | | |
| Contributions | 68,692 | 62,856 | 5,836 | 9.3% | 61,402 |
| Net Investment | | | | | |
| Income (Loss) | <u>513,964</u> | <u>111,575</u> | <u>402,389</u> | <u>360.6%</u> | <u>(225,234)</u> |
| Total | \$640,021 | 230,220 | 409,801 | 178.0% | (112,758) |

Plan member contributions increased from \$55,789,000 in Fiscal Year 2003 to \$57,365,000 during Fiscal Year 2004, an increase of \$1,576,000 or 2.8%. Employer contributions increased from \$62,856,000 during Fiscal Year 2003 to \$68,692,000 during Fiscal Year 2004, an increase of \$5,836,000 or 9.3%. The matching employer contribution rate increased from 11% in Fiscal Years 2002 and 2003 to 12% in Fiscal Year 2004.

Investment income in 2004 increased by \$402,389,000 or 360.6% from amounts recorded in Fiscal Year 2003. Investment income in 2003 increased by \$336,809,000 or 149.5% over amounts recorded in Fiscal Year 2002. The equity markets continued their strong performance during the last quarter of Fiscal Year 2003 into the first three quarters of Fiscal Year 2004. However, the last quarter of Fiscal Year 2004 proved to be flat, posting an overall investment return of -0.09%.

Benefits, Refunds, and Expenses

The primary expense of the Plan is the payment of pension benefits. These benefit payments, together with postemployment healthcare premiums paid, lump sum refunds made to former plan members, and the cost of administering the Plan comprise the costs of operation.

| | Expenses | | | | FY02 |
|----------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|
| | (000's Omitted) | | Inc/(Dec) | | |
| | FY04 | FY03 | Amt | % | |
| Pension | | | | | |
| Benefits | \$ 255,409 | 244,518 | 10,891 | 4.5% | 222,897 |
| Healthcare | | | | | |
| Benefits | 75,601 | 65,898 | 9,703 | 14.7% | 56,946 |
| Refunds of | | | | | |
| Contributions | 4,189 | 3,840 | 349 | 9.1% | 3,120 |
| Administrative | | | | | |
| Expenses | <u>2,203</u> | <u>2,395</u> | <u>(192)</u> | <u>(8.0%)</u> | <u>2,095</u> |
| Total | \$ 337,402 | 316,651 | 20,751 | 6.6% | 285,058 |

Pension benefit payments in 2004 and 2003 increased \$10,891,000 and \$21,621,000 or 4.5% and 9.7% from Fiscal Years 2003 and 2002, respectively. The majority of the increase in pension benefits was the result of a continuing increase in the number of retirees. The Plan's board did not grant a discretionary cost-of-living (ad hoc post retirement pension adjustment (ad hoc PRPA)) increase for Fiscal Year 2004.

Postemployment healthcare benefits in 2004 and 2003 increased \$9,703,000 and \$8,952,000 or 14.7% and 15.7% from Fiscal Years 2003 and 2002, respectively. Healthcare costs continue to rise in amounts exceeding 10% year over year and the increase is also directly related to the increased number of retirees in the Plan.

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Funding

Retirement benefits are financed by accumulations from employer and plan member contributions and income earned on the Plan's investments.

- Employer contributions are determined by the Plan's consulting actuaries and approved by the Plan's governing board.
- Plan member contributions are established by Alaska statute.
- ASPIB works in conjunction with the Department of Revenue, Division of Treasury, in determining the proper asset allocation strategy.

Legislation

During the Fiscal Year 2004 legislative session, one law was enacted that affected the Plan:

Senate Bill 232 – The purpose of this bill is to (1) assure that the teachers' retirement system, the public employees' retirement system, and the judicial retirement system continue to meet governmental plan qualifications set by the Internal Revenue Service so that those plans may qualify for a favorable federal tax treatment; and (2) implement changes in those retirement systems for members to take advantage of changes in federal tax laws to better plan their retirement.

Economic Conditions, Future Contribution Rates, and Status of Unfunded Liability

During the period July 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004, the Plan's investments continued to make great strides to the upside, a continuation of the Fiscal Year 2003's last quarter performance. The last

quarter of Fiscal Year 2004 proved to be flat by returning -0.09%. Overall, the Plan's investments returned 15.09% for the year. The Plan did exceed its' actuarially assumed investment return of 8.25% for the first time in over three years. Even with the real investment returns exceeding the actuarial rate of return, the Plan will most likely see an increase in employer contribution rates in Fiscal Year 2007. The employer contribution rate for Fiscal Year 2007 will be announced by May 2005.

The financial market environment continues to challenge investors. With the threat of inflation, interest rate increases by the Federal Reserve Bank, and continued turmoil in the Middle East, many forces once again pose challenges to Plan investments. ASPIB continues to diversify the portfolio of the Plan to maintain an optimal risk / reward ratio.

The impact of Fiscal Year 2001 and 2002's decline on the Plan's market value, returns less than the actuarial rate of return in Fiscal Year 2003, and the additional impacts of increasing healthcare premiums paid to the Retiree Health Fund continue to weigh on the Plan's funding ratio and the employer contribution rates. Typically, when the Plan earns less than the actuarial rate of return, the effect is an increase to the employer contribution rate. This was the case in Fiscal Year 2003, which impacts the Plan's funding status as of June 30, 2003 as well as the Fiscal Year 2005 employer contribution rate. Due to investment deficiencies, salary increases exceeding valuation assumptions, demographic experiences greater than valuation assumptions, and the contribution shortfall compared to the actuarially calculated rate, the June 30, 2003 actuarial valuation report for the Plan's reported a funding ratio of 64.3%, down from Fiscal Year 2002's funding ratio of 68.2%. Due to the decline in the funding

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ratio, an increase was recommended by the consulting actuary from the calculated employer contribution rate of 35.57% in Fiscal Year 2005 to 38.85% in Fiscal Year 2006. The TRS board adopted an employer contribution rate of 21% for Fiscal Year 2006, up 5 points from the Fiscal Year 2005 employer contribution rate of 16%. However, even with the 5 point increase to 21%, employers are paying only a little over one-half of the "Total Employer Contribution Rate" of 38.85% in Fiscal Year 2006.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Plan's finances for all those with interest in the Plan's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to the Alaska Teachers' Retirement System, Division of Retirement & Benefits, Accounting Section, P.O. Box 110203, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0203.

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Statements of Plan Net Assets

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| | 2004 | | | 2003 | | |
|---|---------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| | Pension | Post- employment Healthcare | Total | Pension | Post- employment Healthcare | Total |
| Current assets: | | | | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents (notes 3 and 4): | | | | | | |
| Short-term fixed income pool | \$ 415 | 108 | 523 | 449 | 114 | 563 |
| Receivables: | | | | | | |
| Contributions | 4,722 | 1,230 | 5,952 | 4,748 | 1,202 | 5,950 |
| Due from State of Alaska | | | | | | |
| General Fund | - | - | - | 268 | 68 | 336 |
| Total receivables | <u>4,722</u> | <u>1,230</u> | <u>5,952</u> | <u>5,016</u> | <u>1,270</u> | <u>6,286</u> |
| Investments, at fair value (notes 3 and 4): | | | | | | |
| Domestic equity pool | 1,311,697 | 263,747 | 1,575,444 | 1,194,813 | 248,928 | 1,443,741 |
| Retirement fixed income pool | 559,293 | 145,764 | 705,057 | 549,367 | 139,093 | 688,460 |
| International equity pool | 509,739 | 132,850 | 642,589 | 443,713 | 112,342 | 556,055 |
| Real estate pool | 234,721 | 61,173 | 295,894 | 200,400 | 50,739 | 251,139 |
| International fixed income pool | 112,745 | 29,384 | 142,129 | 106,615 | 26,994 | 133,609 |
| Private equity pool (note 9) | 101,990 | 26,581 | 128,571 | 83,703 | 21,193 | 104,896 |
| Emerging markets equity pool | 42,366 | 11,041 | 53,407 | 32,025 | 8,108 | 40,133 |
| External domestic fixed income pool | 286,619 | 74,699 | 361,318 | 303,580 | 76,863 | 380,443 |
| Other investment pools | 3,091 | 806 | 3,897 | - | - | - |
| Total investments | <u>3,162,261</u> | <u>746,045</u> | <u>3,908,306</u> | <u>2,914,216</u> | <u>684,260</u> | <u>3,598,476</u> |
| Loans and mortgages, at fair value, net of allowance for loan losses of \$31 in 2004 and \$60 in 2003 | 48 | 13 | 61 | 59 | 15 | 74 |
| Other current assets | - | - | - | 12 | 2 | 14 |
| Total assets | <u>3,167,446</u> | <u>747,396</u> | <u>3,914,842</u> | <u>2,919,752</u> | <u>685,661</u> | <u>3,605,413</u> |
| Current liabilities: | | | | | | |
| Accrued expenses | 2,608 | 680 | 3,288 | 2,229 | 565 | 2,794 |
| Due to State of Alaska General Fund | 31 | 8 | 39 | - | - | - |
| Total liabilities | <u>2,639</u> | <u>688</u> | <u>3,327</u> | <u>2,229</u> | <u>565</u> | <u>2,794</u> |
| Commitments and contingencies (note 9) | | | | | | |
| Net assets held in trust for pension and postemployment healthcare benefits | <u>\$ 3,164,807</u> | <u>746,708</u> | <u>3,911,515</u> | <u>2,917,523</u> | <u>685,096</u> | <u>3,602,619</u> |

(Schedules of funding progress are presented on pages 38 and 39.)

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Years ended June 30, 2004 and 2003

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| | 2004 | | | 2003 | | |
|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | Pension | Post- employment Healthcare | Total | Pension | Post- employment Healthcare | Total |
| Additions: | | | | | | |
| Contributions: | | | | | | |
| Employers | \$ 54,492 | 14,200 | 68,692 | 50,157 | 12,699 | 62,856 |
| Plan members | <u>45,505</u> | <u>11,860</u> | <u>57,365</u> | <u>44,518</u> | <u>11,271</u> | <u>55,789</u> |
| Total contributions | <u>99,997</u> | <u>26,060</u> | <u>126,057</u> | <u>94,675</u> | <u>23,970</u> | <u>118,645</u> |
| Investment income: | | | | | | |
| Net appreciation in fair value of investments (note 3) | 322,858 | 84,144 | 407,002 | 1,607 | 407 | 2,014 |
| Interest | 45,025 | 11,735 | 56,760 | 48,782 | 12,351 | 61,133 |
| Dividends | 47,238 | 12,311 | 59,549 | 45,051 | 11,406 | 56,457 |
| Net recognized mortgage loan recovery | - | - | - | 23 | 6 | 29 |
| Total investment income | <u>415,121</u> | <u>108,190</u> | <u>523,311</u> | <u>95,463</u> | <u>24,170</u> | <u>119,633</u> |
| Less investment expense | <u>7,415</u> | <u>1,932</u> | <u>9,347</u> | <u>6,430</u> | <u>1,628</u> | <u>8,058</u> |
| Net investment income | <u>407,706</u> | <u>106,258</u> | <u>513,964</u> | <u>89,033</u> | <u>22,542</u> | <u>111,575</u> |
| Other | <u>61</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>77</u> | <u>11</u> | <u>3</u> | <u>14</u> |
| Total additions | <u>507,764</u> | <u>132,334</u> | <u>640,098</u> | <u>183,719</u> | <u>46,515</u> | <u>230,234</u> |
| Deductions | | | | | | |
| Benefits | 255,409 | 75,601 | 331,010 | 244,518 | 65,898 | 310,416 |
| Refunds of contributions | 3,323 | 866 | 4,189 | 3,064 | 776 | 3,840 |
| Administrative expenses | <u>1,748</u> | <u>455</u> | <u>2,203</u> | <u>1,911</u> | <u>484</u> | <u>2,395</u> |
| Total deductions | <u>260,480</u> | <u>76,922</u> | <u>337,402</u> | <u>249,493</u> | <u>67,158</u> | <u>316,651</u> |
| Net increase (decrease) | 247,284 | 55,412 | 302,696 | (65,774) | (20,643) | (86,417) |
| Other financing sources (uses): | | | | | | |
| Transfer in from Retiree Health Fund (note 7) | - | 6,200 | 6,200 | - | - | - |
| Net increase (decrease) | 247,284 | 61,612 | 308,896 | (65,774) | (20,643) | (86,417) |
| Net assets held in trust for pension and postemployment healthcare benefits: | | | | | | |
| Balance, beginning of year | <u>2,917,523</u> | <u>685,096</u> | <u>3,602,619</u> | <u>2,983,297</u> | <u>705,739</u> | <u>3,689,036</u> |
| Balance, end of year | <u>\$3,164,807</u> | <u>746,708</u> | <u>3,911,515</u> | <u>2,917,523</u> | <u>685,096</u> | <u>3,602,619</u> |

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(1) DESCRIPTION

The following brief description of the State of Alaska Teachers' Retirement System (Plan), a Component Unit of the State of Alaska, is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for more complete information.

(a) General

The Plan is a defined benefit, cost-sharing, multiple employer public employee retirement system established and administered by the State of Alaska (State) to provide pension and postemployment healthcare benefits for teachers and other eligible participants. Benefit and contribution provisions are established by State law and may be amended only by the State Legislature. The Plan is considered a component unit of the State financial reporting entity and is included in the State's financial reports as a pension trust fund.

At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the number of participating local government employers was:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| State of Alaska | 1 | 1 |
| School districts | 53 | 53 |
| Other | <u>4</u> | <u>3</u> |
| Total employers | <u>58</u> | <u>57</u> |

Inclusion in the Plan is a condition of employment for permanent school district, University of Alaska and State Department of Education employees who meet the eligibility requirements for participation in the Plan. At June 30, 2003 and 2002, the dates of the two most recent actuarial valuations, Plan membership consisted of:

| | <u>2003</u> | <u>2002</u> |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits | 8,312 | 7,804 |
| Terminated Plan members entitled to future benefits | <u>708</u> | <u>783</u> |
| | <u>9,020</u> | <u>8,587</u> |
| Current Plan members: | | |
| Vested | 5,289 | 5,224 |
| Nonvested | <u>4,584</u> | <u>4,466</u> |
| | <u>9,873</u> | <u>9,690</u> |
| | <u>18,893</u> | <u>18,277</u> |

(b) Pension Benefits

Vested employees hired prior to July 1, 1990, are entitled to pension benefits beginning at normal retirement age, fifty-five, or early retirement age, fifty. For employees hired after June 30, 1990, the normal and early retirement ages are sixty and fifty-five, respectively. Employees may also retire at any age and receive a normal benefit when they accumulate the required credited service.

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The normal annual pension benefit is based on years of service and the average base salary. The average base salary is based upon the employee's three highest contract years' salaries.

The benefit related to all years of credited service prior to July 1, 1990 and for years of service through a total of twenty years is equal to 2% of the employee's average base salary. The benefit for each year over twenty years of service subsequent to June 30, 1990, is equal to 2-1/2% of the employee's base salary.

Minimum benefits for employees eligible for retirement are \$25 per month for each year of credited service.

Married members must receive their benefits in the form of a joint and survivor annuity unless their spouses consent to another form of benefit or benefits are payable under the 1% supplemental contributions provision.

The Plan has two types of post-retirement pension adjustments (PRPA). The automatic PRPA is issued annually to all eligible benefit recipients when the cost of living increases in the previous calendar year. The automatic PRPA increase is paid beginning July 1 of each year. The discretionary PRPA may be granted to eligible recipients by the Plan Administrator, if the cost of living in the previous calendar year rises and the financial condition of the Plan permits. If both an automatic and discretionary PRPA are granted, and a retiree is eligible for both adjustments, the one that provides the retiree the greater increase will be paid.

(c) Postemployment Healthcare Benefits

When pension benefits begin, major medical benefits are provided without cost to (1) all employees first hired before July 1, 1990, (2) employees hired after July 1, 1990 with 25 years of membership service, and (3) employees who are disabled or age sixty or older, regardless of their initial hire dates. Employees first hired after June 30, 1990, may receive major medical benefits prior to age sixty by paying premiums.

Prior to July 1, 1997, postemployment healthcare benefits were provided by the payment of premiums to an insurance company. Beginning July 1, 1997, the Retiree Health Fund (RHF), a pension trust fund of the State, was established. The RHF is self-funded and provides major medical coverage to retirees of the Plan. Retirees of three other State retirement plans also participate in the RHF. The Plan, along with the other participating plans, retains the risk of loss of allowable claims. Each year, RHF issues a publicly available financial report which may be obtained by writing to the State of Alaska, Department of Administration, Division of Retirement and Benefits, P.O. Box 110203, Juneau, Alaska, 99811-0203 or by calling (907) 465-4460.

(d) Death Benefits

When benefits are payable under the 1% supplemental contribution provision, the Plan member's spouse is eligible for a spouse's pension if there is/are no dependent child(ren). If there is/are dependent child(ren), a survivor's allowance may be payable to the Plan member's spouse,

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or guardian of the dependent child(ren). The amount of the pension or allowance is determined by the Plan member's base salary. Plan members first hired after June 30, 1982, are not eligible to participate in this provision.

If an active Plan member dies from occupational causes, the spouse may receive a monthly pension from the Plan. When death is due to occupational causes and there is no surviving spouse, the Plan member's dependent child(ren) may receive a monthly pension until they are no longer dependents. The amount of the occupational death pension changes on the date the Plan member's normal retirement would have occurred if the Plan member had lived. The new benefit is based on the Plan member's average base salary at the time of death and the credited service that would have accrued had the Plan member lived and continued to work until normal retirement. If benefits are payable under the 1% supplemental contribution provision, benefits are not payable under this provision. If the death was from nonoccupational causes, and the Plan member was vested, the spouse may receive a monthly survivor benefit based on a 50% joint and survivor option. If the Plan member is not married or vested, a lump sum death benefit is payable to the named beneficiary(ies).

(e) Disability Benefits

If a Plan member has been in membership service for five or more years for which contributions have been made, is not eligible for normal retirement benefits and becomes permanently disabled, the Plan member is entitled to a monthly benefit. The annual disability benefit is equal to 50% of the base salary at the time of the

disability plus an additional 10% of his/her base salary for each dependent child up to a maximum of four children. At normal retirement age, a disabled Plan member receives normal retirement benefits.

(f) Contributions

Plan Member Contributions

Plan members contribute 8.65% of their base salary as required by statute. The Plan member contributions are deducted before federal tax is withheld. Eligible Plan members contribute an additional 1% of their salary under the supplemental contribution provision. Contributions are collected by employers and remitted to the Plan and may be voluntarily or, under certain circumstances, involuntarily refunded to the Plan member or a garnishing agency sixty days after termination of employment. Plan member contributions earn interest at the rate of 4.5% per annum, compounded annually.

Employer Contributions

The Plan's funding policy provides for periodic employer contributions at actuarially determined rates that, expressed as percentages of annual covered payroll, are sufficient to accumulate assets to pay both pension and postemployment healthcare benefits when due. Employer contribution rates are level percentages of payroll and are determined using the projected unit credit actuarial funding method. The Plan uses the level percentage of pay method to amortize the unfunded liability or funding surplus over a twenty-five year fixed period.

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(g) Administrative Costs

Administrative costs are financed through investment earnings.

(h) Due To/From State of Alaska General Fund

Amounts due to/from the State of Alaska General Fund represent the net difference between amounts paid by the Plan on behalf of others and amounts paid by others on behalf of the Plan.

(2) SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Accounting

The Plan's financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Contributions are recognized in the period in which they are due. Benefits and refunds are recognized when due and payable.

(b) Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles 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 the reported amounts of additions and deductions during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(c) GASB Statements No. 25 and No. 26

Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements No. 25 and No. 26 require that Plan net assets be split between pension and postemployment healthcare. To meet these requirements, Plan assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses not specifically identifiable to either plan are allocated to the pension and postemployment healthcare plans based on their proportionate share of actuarial accrued liabilities.

(d) Investments

Investments are recorded at fair value. Fair value is "the amount that a plan can reasonably expect to receive for an investment in a current sale between a willing buyer and a willing seller – that is, other than in a forced or liquidation sale." Security transactions and any resulting gains or losses are accounted for on a trade date (ownership) basis at the current fair value. Dividend income on domestic and international equity securities is accrued on the ex-dividend date. Interest in the international fixed income pool is accrued daily. Net appreciation (depreciation) is determined by calculating the change in the fair value of investments between the end of the year and the beginning of the year, less purchases of investments at cost, plus sales of investments at fair value. Investment expense consists of those administrative expenses directly related to the Plan's investment operations.

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The fair value of all other debt and equity securities is determined by the custodial agent each business day. The custodian determines fair value using pricing services or prices quoted by one or more independent brokers. Equity securities traded on a national or international exchange are valued at the last reported sales price at current exchange rates, if applicable, defaulting to current bid price if a particular security was not traded that day. Fair value of debt securities has been established as the midpoint between the bid and asked prices. The cost of debt and equity investments is determined on the average cost basis.

(e) Contributions Receivable

Contributions from Plan members and employers for service through June 30 are accrued. These contributions are considered fully collectible and, accordingly, no allowance for uncollectible receivables is reflected in the financial statements.

(f) Federal Income Tax Status

The Plan is a qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Internal Revenue Code and is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(a).

(g) GASB Statement No. 34

The Plan adopted Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments* (GASB No. 34) on July 1, 2001,

concurrent with the State of Alaska's adoption of GASB No. 34. This statement, known as the "reporting model" statement, affects the way the Plan presents financial information. GASB No. 34 requires the basic financial statements of fiduciary funds to include statements of plan net assets and statements of changes in plan net assets. Modifications made to the Plan's financial reporting model as a result of the adoption of GASB No. 34 include presentation of management's discussion and analysis (as required supplementary information) and presentation of assets and liabilities in a classified format. The adoption of GASB No. 34 had no cumulative effect on net assets.

(3) INVESTMENTS

GASB Statement No. 3 requires a disclosure regarding custodial credit risk to indicate the chance of loss in the event a financial institution or third party holding the Plan's deposits or securities fails. Deposits and those investments represented by specific, identifiable securities are classified into three categories of credit risk: Category 1 – Insured or registered, or securities held by the State or its custodian in the State's name; Category 2 – Uninsured or unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department (if a bank) or agent in the State's name; and Category 3 – Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty, or by its trust department (if a bank) or agent, but not in the State's name. Category 1 is the highest level of safekeeping security as defined by GASB.

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At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan's cash and cash equivalents and investments other than mortgage-related assets are represented by participation in investment pools rather than specific, identifiable securities. Although pooled investments represent the Plan's share of ownership in the pool rather than ownership of specific securities, all of the underlying securities in the pools in which the Plan participates

are considered to be Category 1 as defined by GASB Statement No. 3. Shares in the Emerging market equity, Private equity, Real estate equity, and Other investments pools are not transferable financial instruments and therefore cannot be categorized with regard to custodial credit risk.

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The cost and fair value of the Plan's investments at June 30, 2004 and 2003 are as follows:

| | <u>Cost</u> | <u>Fair Value</u> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2004: | | |
| Domestic equity pool | \$ 1,312,303 | 1,575,444 |
| Retirement fixed income pool | 710,921 | 705,057 |
| International equity pool | 635,851 | 642,589 |
| Real estate pool | 274,496 | 295,894 |
| International fixed income pool | 131,003 | 142,129 |
| Private equity pool | 157,949 | 128,571 |
| Emerging markets equity pool | 49,910 | 53,407 |
| External domestic fixed income pool | 361,984 | 361,318 |
| Other investments pool | <u>3,878</u> | <u>3,897</u> |
| | <u>\$ 3,638,295</u> | <u>3,908,306</u> |
| 2003: | | |
| Domestic equity pool | \$ 1,349,855 | 1,443,741 |
| Retirement fixed income pool | 661,022 | 688,460 |
| International equity pool | 663,498 | 556,055 |
| Real estate pool | 230,775 | 251,139 |
| International fixed income pool | 118,148 | 133,609 |
| Private equity pool | 143,420 | 104,896 |
| Emerging markets equity pool | 49,325 | 40,133 |
| External domestic fixed income pool | <u>371,343</u> | <u>380,443</u> |
| | <u>\$ 3,587,386</u> | <u>3,598,476</u> |

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During 2004 and 2003, the Plan's investments (including investments bought, sold, as well as held during the year) appreciated (depreciated) in value as follows:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|--|-------------------|--------------|
| Investments measured by quoted fair value in an active market: | | |
| Domestic equity pool | \$ 254,386 | (16,651) |
| Retirement fixed income pool | (31,460) | 33,296 |
| International equity pool | 154,034 | (49,916) |
| Real estate pool | 5,240 | 3,494 |
| International fixed income pool | 3,781 | 22,041 |
| Private equity pool | 19,266 | (16,519) |
| Emerging markets equity pool | 12,689 | 2,071 |
| External domestic fixed income pool | (10,953) | 24,198 |
| Other investments pool | 19 | - |
| | <u>\$ 407,002</u> | <u>2,014</u> |

Based on the Plan's percentage of ownership in each investment pool as of June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan held no individual investments that exceeded 5% of net assets held in trust for pension and postemployment healthcare benefits.

The Alaska State Pension Investment Board (ASPIB) has statutory oversight of the Plan's

investments and the authority to invest the Plan's monies. As the fiduciary, ASPIB has the statutory authority to invest the assets under the Prudent Investor Rule. Alaska Statute provides that investments shall be made with the judgment and care under circumstances then prevailing that an institutional investor of ordinary professional prudence, discretion and intelligence exercises in managing large investment portfolios. Actual investing is performed by the investment officers of the Division of Treasury of the Department of Revenue or by contracted external investment managers.

(4) POOLED INVESTMENTS

(a) Short-Term Fixed Income Pool

The Plan, along with other State funds, participates in an internally managed short-term fixed income pool, which was established March 15, 1993, with a start up and maintained share price of \$1. Each participant owns shares in the pool, the number of which fluctuates daily with contributions, withdrawals and income. The assets of the short-term fixed income pool are comprised of money market instruments, commercial paper, U.S. Treasuries, U.S. Government agency debt, mortgage and asset-backed securities, and corporate debt. Individual fixed rate securities in this pool are limited to 14 months in maturity. Floating rate securities are limited to three years in maturity. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan has a 0.03% direct ownership in the short-term fixed income pool totaling \$523 and \$563, respectively. These amounts include interest receivable of \$4 and \$4, respectively.

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(b) Domestic Equity Pool

The Plan, along with three other State retirement systems, participates in an externally managed domestic equity pool. The pool was established July 1, 1991, with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$4,086. Each manager independently determines the allocation between equities and other permissible securities. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. The net asset value per share is determined by dividing the total fair value of the net assets of the pool by the number of shares of the pool outstanding on the valuation date. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan's investment in the domestic equity pool totaled 32.09% and 32.44%, respectively, and consisted of the following:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---|--------------------|------------------|
| Domestic equity securities | \$1,559,603 | 1,428,452 |
| Convertible bonds | 251 | 996 |
| Cash and cash equivalents held in the short-term fixed income pool, other short-term debt instruments, and currency | 14,892 | 13,942 |
| Net receivables | 698 | 351 |
| | <u>\$1,575,444</u> | <u>1,443,741</u> |

(c) Retirement Fixed Income Pool

The Plan, along with three other State retirement systems, participates in an internally managed retirement fixed income pool. The pool was established March 1, 1996, with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$1,723. Treasury division staff determines the allocation between permissible securities. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. The net asset value per share is determined by dividing the total fair value of the net assets of the pool by the number of shares of the pool outstanding on the valuation date. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan's investment in the retirement fixed income pool totaled 32.39% and 32.74%, respectively, and consisted of the following:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|--|-------------------|----------------|
| Mortgage related | \$ 350,464 | 306,050 |
| Corporate | 170,064 | 193,016 |
| U.S. Treasury | 97,635 | 84,619 |
| Municipal | - | 7,708 |
| Yankees | 6,109 | 6,916 |
| Asset backed | 21,980 | 36,017 |
| U.S. government agency | 30,480 | 33,570 |
| Cash and cash equivalents held in the short-term fixed income pool | 52,904 | 94,171 |
| Net payables | (24,579) | (73,607) |
| | <u>\$ 705,057</u> | <u>688,460</u> |

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(d) International Equity Pool

The Plan, along with three other State retirement systems, participates in an externally managed international equity pool. The pool was established January 1, 1992, with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$2,312. Each manager independently determines the allocation between equities and other permissible securities. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. The net asset value per share is determined by dividing the total fair value of the net assets of the pool by the number of shares of the pool outstanding on the valuation date. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan's investment in the international equity pool totaled 31.78% and 32.31% respectively, and consisted of the following:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| International equity securities | \$ 632,658 | 547,062 |
| Cash and cash equivalents held in short-term debt instruments and foreign currency | 7,031 | 8,903 |
| Net receivables | <u>2,900</u> | <u>90</u> |
| | <u>\$ 642,589</u> | <u>556,055</u> |

(e) Real Estate Pool

The Plan, along with one other State retirement system, participates in an externally managed real estate pool. The pool was established June 27, 1997, with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$1,807. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. The net asset value per share is determined by dividing the total fair value of the net assets of the pool by the number of shares of the pool outstanding on the valuation date. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan has a 31.80% and 32.46% direct ownership in the real estate pool totaling \$295,894 and \$251,139, respectively.

(f) International Fixed Income Pool

The Plan, along with one other State retirement system, participates in an externally managed international fixed income pool. The pool was established March 3, 1997, with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$1,630. Each manager independently determines the allocation between permissible securities. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. The net asset value per share is determined by dividing the total fair value of the net assets of the pool by the number of shares of the pool outstanding on the valuation date. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per

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share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan's investment in the international fixed income pool totaled 32.17% and 32.51% respectively, and consisted of the following:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|--|-------------------|----------------|
| International fixed income securities | \$ 137,817 | 129,525 |
| Cash and cash equivalents held in short-term debt instruments and foreign currency | 1,429 | 1,471 |
| Net receivables | <u>2,883</u> | <u>2,613</u> |
| | <u>\$ 142,129</u> | <u>133,609</u> |

(g) Private Equity Pool

The Plan, along with one other State retirement system, participates in an externally managed private equity pool. The pool was established April 24, 1998, with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$1,156. Underlying assets in the pool are composed of venture capital, buyouts and special situation investments through limited partnership agreements. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan has a 32.32% and 32.68% ownership in the private equity pool totaling \$128,571 and \$104,896, respectively.

(h) Emerging Markets Equity Pool

The Plan, along with one other State retirement system, participates in an externally managed emerging markets equity pool. The pool was established May 2, 1994, with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$1,438. The pool participates in two externally managed commingled investment funds through ownership of equity shares. The commingled funds, comprised of various institutional investors, invest in the securities markets of developing countries. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. The net asset value per share is determined by dividing the total fair value of the net assets of the pool by the number of shares of the pool outstanding on the valuation date. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan has a 35.00% ownership in the emerging markets equity pool totaling \$53,407 and \$40,133, respectively.

(i) External Domestic Fixed Income Pool

The Plan, along with three other State retirement systems, participates in an externally managed domestic fixed income pool. The pool was established June 25, 1999 with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$1,448. Each manager independently determines the allocation between permissible securities. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. The net asset value per share is determined by dividing the total fair value of the

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net assets of the pool by the number of shares of the pool outstanding on the valuation date. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the Plan's investment in the external domestic fixed income pool totaled 32.14% and 32.54%, respectively, and consisted of the following:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Mortgage related | \$ 149,054 | 169,162 |
| Corporate | 67,919 | 75,743 |
| U.S. Treasury | 80,938 | 35,002 |
| U.S. government agency | 31,795 | 25,319 |
| Asset backed | 12,017 | 12,269 |
| Yankees | 6,761 | 4,230 |
| Municipal | - | 4,699 |
| Cash and cash equivalents held in short-term debt instruments | 73,179 | 124,644 |
| Net payables | <u>(60,345)</u> | <u>(70,625)</u> |
| | <u>\$ 361,318</u> | <u>380,443</u> |

(j) Other Investments Pool

The Plan, along with one other State retirement system, participates in an externally managed other investments pool. The pool was established March 18, 2004 with a start up share price of \$1,000. The share price at June 30, 2004 was \$1,006. The underlying asset in the pool is composed of a limited partnership interest in a

venture capital operating company. The venture capital operating company invests in oil, gas and other hydrocarbon properties, operations or projects as well as electric and other forms of power generation, transmission and distribution and other power-related projects or operations. Ownership in the pool is based on the number of shares held by each participant. Contributions to and withdrawals from the pool are based on the beginning of the day net asset value per share on the day of the transaction. At June 30, 2004, the Plan has a 32.32% ownership in the other investments pool totaling \$3,897.

(5) FOREIGN EXCHANGE CONTRACTS AND OFF-BALANCE SHEET RISK

The Plan, through its investments in the international equity pool and the international fixed income pool, entered into foreign currency forward contracts to buy and sell specified amounts of foreign currencies at specified rates on specified future dates for the purpose of hedging existing security positions. The maturity periods for these contracts range from forty-five to ninety-six days. The Plan had net unrealized gains (losses) with respect to such contracts, calculated using forward rates at June 30, as follows:

| | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|--|------------------------|-----------------|
| Net contract sales | \$ 2,412 | 426 |
| Less: fair value | <u>2,571</u> | <u>421</u> |
| Net unrealized gains (losses) on contracts | <u>\$ (159)</u> | <u>5</u> |

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The counterparties to the foreign currency forward contracts consist of a diversified group of financial institutions. The Plan is exposed to credit risk to the extent of non-performance by these counterparties; however, the Plan considers the risk of default to be remote. The Plan's market risk is limited to the difference between contractual rates and forward rates at the balance sheet date.

(6) SECURITIES LENDING

Alaska Statute 37.10.071 authorizes the Alaska State Pension Investment Board (the Board) to lend assets, under an agreement and for a fee, against deposited collateral of equivalent market value. In January 2001, the Board entered into an agreement with State Street Corporation (the Bank) to lend fixed income, domestic equity and international equity securities. The Bank, acting as the Board's agent under the agreement, transfers securities to broker agents or other entities for collateral in the form of cash or securities and simultaneously agrees to return the collateral for the same securities in the future.

At June 30, 2004 and 2003, the fair value of securities on loan allocable to the Plan totaled \$459,196 and \$303,478, respectively. There is no limit to the amount that can be loaned and the Board is able to sell securities on loan. International equity security loans are fully collateralized at not less than 105 percent of their fair value. All other security loans are fully collateralized at not less than 102 percent of their fair value. The Bank invests the cash collateral in a commingled investment pool; maturities of these investments generally did not match the maturi-

ties of the loaned securities because the lending agreements are terminable at will. The Bank may pledge or sell collateral upon borrower default. Since the Board does not have the ability to pledge or sell the collateral unless the borrower defaults, no assets or liabilities are recorded on the financial statements. There is limited credit risk associated with the lending transactions since the Board is indemnified by the Bank against any loss resulting from counterparty failure or default on a loaned security subject to limitation relating to war, civil unrest or revolution, or beyond the reasonable control of the Bank. The Bank and the borrower receive a fee from earnings on invested collateral.

For the year ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, there were no losses incurred as a result of securities lending transactions and there were no significant violations of legal or contractual provisions nor failures by any borrowers to return loaned securities.

(7) TRANSFER TO RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

During Fiscal Year 2004, a review was conducted of all medical reserve amounts. An analysis was conducted which considered: (1) the medical portion of net assets held in trust for benefits and other purposes, (2) prior and current year amounts incurred but not paid, (3) the amount necessary for the contingency reserve, and (4) the amount necessary for a premium stabilization reserve. The result was an excess computed amount of net assets not specifically identified to other reserves. The excess amount was then moved back to the respective retirement system. There is an earnings differential

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on invested assets between the base trust fund and the Plan. Earnings on such excess reserves should remain with the base retirement trust. Such an analysis is conducted periodically to determine that reserves are adequate, but not excessive.

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Public Employees' | |
| Retirement System | \$ 13,724,000 |
| Teachers' Retirement System | 6,200,000 |
| Judicial Retirement System | 50,000 |
| Elected Public Officials | |
| Retirement System | 26,000 |

(8) RETIREMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM

House Bill 354 (Chapter 65, SLA 96) was passed on June 18, 1996, and provided for a retirement incentive program (RIP or Program) for members of school district employers and employees of Mt. Edgecumbe and the Alaska Vocational Technical Center. The RIP encouraged eligible employees to retire up to three years earlier than they had planned as a cost savings for school districts. The incentive program could be implemented if the program produced an overall cost savings to the employer. The application and retirement deadlines were determined by the employer when they established a program. The original application period for school district employees under House Bill 354 was June 30, 1996 through December 31, 1996. During fiscal year 1997, Senate Bill 130 (Chapter 92, SLA 97) was passed which amended the original program. Senate Bill 130 allowed for additional application periods of 30-60 days, ending no later than June 30, 1999.

Employers who participated in the RIP were required to reimburse the Plan for the actuarial equivalent of the difference between the benefits each employee received after the addition of the retirement incentive under the program and the amount the employee would have received without the incentive, less any amount the employee was indebted as a result of retiring under the program. Reimbursements from employers were due in minimum equal annual installments so that the entire balance was paid within three years after the end of the fiscal year in which each employee retired.

Employers were also required to reimburse the Plan for the estimated costs of administering the program. The Plan established a receivable for employer reimbursements and administrative costs as employees retired. There were no additions to plan net assets during fiscal year 2004 or 2003.

When employees terminated employment to participate in the program, they were indebted to the Plan for 25.95% of their annual compensation for the calendar year in which they terminated. Any outstanding indebtedness at the time an employee was appointed to retirement resulted in an actuarial adjustment of his/her benefit amount.

(9) COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

(a) Commitments

The Plan, through its investment in the private equity pool, entered into agreements through an external investment manager to provide

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capital funding for limited and general partnerships as it continues to build a private equity portfolio. At June 30, 2004, the Plan's share of these unfunded commitments totaled \$153,578 to be paid through the year 2009.

The Plan, through its investment in the other investments pool, entered into agreements through an external investment manager to provide capital funding for a limited partnership as it continues to build an other investments portfolio. At June 30, 2004, the Plan's share of these unfunded commitments totaled \$21,977 to be paid through the year 2014.

The Plan, through its investment in the real estate pool, entered into agreements through an external investment manager to provide capital funding for real estate investments as it continues to build a real estate portfolio. At June 30, 2004, the Plan's share of these unfunded commitments totaled \$31,242 to be paid through the year 2007.

(b) Contingencies

The State and/or the Plan are defendants in the following lawsuits. The Plan has not recorded an accrual related to any of the lawsuits, because an unfavorable outcome in these matters is, in management's opinion, not considered probably but rather only possible, and the potential loss, if any cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. If an unfavorable outcome occurs, the costs would be passed through to employers through the normal contribution process.

The State is a defendant in a lawsuit filed by the Alaska Civil Liberties Union and seven same-sex couples with regards to the statutes limiting employee health insurance coverage to employees and their spouses and dependents, thus excluding coverage for domestic partners of employees. An adverse ruling against the State would increase the number of persons that would be covered by insurance paid by the Plan.

The Plan is a defendant in four similar lawsuits, three of which are class action suits. The lawsuits pertain to whether recent changes to the retiree health insurance program under the Plan resulted in violations of members' constitutional rights to retirement benefits. In 2001, the Superior Court of the State of Alaska issued an order granting the plaintiffs' motion for partial summary judgment.

Approximately 50 Plan members have filed administrative challenges to the Plan administrator's refusal to include leave cash-in payments in the compensation used to calculate the members' retirement benefits. The members were all first hired by Plan employers before July 1, 1977, and claim that they have a constitutional right, based on the Plan statutes in effect before that date, to have leave cash-in payments included. The Plan board, which hears appeals from decisions of the Plan administrator, has ruled on two of the appeals, and those rulings have in turn been appealed to the Alaska Superior Court. The remaining appeals have been stayed by the Plan board. In addition, a class action lawsuit, raising the same issues, has been filed in the

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superior court, but has been put on hold until final resolution of the members' claim. The administrator intends to vigorously contest all of these claims.

The State is a defendant in a class action lawsuit involving a constitutional challenge to PERS and TRS statutes that provide a 10 percent cost of living adjustment (COLA) to retirees and

other benefit recipients who reside in the state of Alaska. The plaintiffs claim that these statutes violate the right to travel of non-resident benefit recipients, and therefore, the 10 percent COLA should be paid to all benefit recipients, regardless of residence. The class action lawsuit will be submitted to the Alaska Supreme Court to consider the constitutionality of the COLA statutes and how they are applied.

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Pension Benefits**

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| <u>Actuarial valuation year ended June 30</u> | <u>Actuarial value of plan assets</u> | <u>Actuarial accrued liabilities (AAL)</u> | <u>Funding Excess (FE)/ (Unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities) (UAAL)</u> | <u>Funded ratio</u> | <u>Covered payroll</u> | <u>FE/(UAAL) as a percentage of covered payroll</u> |
|---|---|--|---|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 1998 | \$2,825,528 | 2,893,325 | (67,797) | 97.7% | \$469,433 | (14.4%) |
| 1999 | 3,120,951 | 3,043,509 | 77,442 | 102.5% | 466,414 | 16.6% |
| 2000 | 3,338,700 | 3,350,552 | (11,852) | 99.6% | 482,571 | (2.5%) |
| 2001 | 3,468,310 | 3,651,488 | (183,178) | 95.0% | 496,188 | (36.9%) |
| 2002 | 2,699,445 | 3,959,958 | (1,260,513) | 68.2% | 509,437 | (247.4%) |
| 2003 | 2,694,785 | 4,190,970 | (1,496,185) | 64.3% | 532,630 | (280.9%) |

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Postemployment Healthcare Benefits**

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| <u>Actuarial valuation year ended June 30</u> | <u>Actuarial value of plan assets</u> | <u>Actuarial accrued liabilities (AAL)</u> | <u>Funding Excess (FE)/ (Unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities) (UAAL)</u> | <u>Funded ratio</u> | <u>Covered payroll</u> | <u>FE/(UAAL) as a percentage of covered payroll</u> |
|---|---|--|---|-------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 1998 | \$620,542 | 635,432 | (14,890) | 97.7% | \$469,433 | (3.2%) |
| 1999 | 694,682 | 677,445 | 17,237 | 102.5% | 466,414 | 3.7% |
| 2000 | 845,315 | 848,316 | (3,001) | 99.6% | 482,571 | (0.6%) |
| 2001 | 903,919 | 951,659 | (47,740) | 95.0% | 496,188 | (9.6%) |
| 2002 | 989,591 | 1,451,684 | (462,093) | 68.2% | 509,437 | (90.7%) |
| 2003 | 1,057,500 | 1,644,639 | (587,139) | 64.3% | 532,630 | (110.2%) |

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Pension and Postemployment Healthcare Benefits**

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| Year ended June 30 | Pension annual required contribution | Postemployment healthcare annual required contribution | Total annual required contribution | Pension percentage contributed (note 3) | Postemployment healthcare percentage contributed (note 3) | Total percentage contributed (note 3) |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| 1999 | \$44,142 | 9,759 | 53,901 | 114% | 114% | 114% |
| 2000 | 55,448 | 12,426 | 67,874 | 92% | 92% | 92% |
| 2001 | 46,067 | 10,324 | 56,391 | 114% | 114% | 114% |
| 2002 | 32,331 | 7,245 | 39,576 | 155% | 155% | 155% |
| 2003 | 37,800 | 9,570 | 47,370 | 133% | 133% | 133% |
| 2004 | 65,571 | 17,089 | 82,660 | 83% | 83% | 83% |

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**(1) DESCRIPTION OF SCHEDULE OF FUNDING
PROGRESS**

Each time a new benefit is added which applies to service already rendered, an "unfunded actuarial accrued liability" is created. Laws governing the Plan require that these additional liabilities be financed systematically over a period of future years. Also, if actual financial experiences are less favorable than assumed financial experiences, the difference is added to the unfunded actuarial accrued liability.

In an inflationary economy, the value of the dollar is decreasing. This environment results in employee pay increasing in dollar amounts resulting in unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities increasing in dollar amounts, all at a time when the actual value of these items, in real terms, may be decreasing.

(2) ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

The actuarial valuation is prepared by Mercer Human Resource Consulting. The significant actuarial assumptions used in the valuation as of June 30, 2003 are as follows:

- (a) Actuarial cost method – projected unit credit, unfunded actuarial accrued liability or funding excess amortized over a twenty-five year fixed period level percentage of pay.
- (b) Mortality – 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Basic Table for males and females, 1994 base year. All deaths are assumed to result from non-occupational causes.

- (c) Retirement – retirement rates based on the 1997-1999 actual experience.

- (d) Investment return – 8.25% per year, compounded annually, net of expenses.

- (e) Health cost trend –

| Fiscal Year | |
|--------------------|-------|
| 04-05 | 12.0% |
| 06 | 11.5% |
| 07 | 11.0% |
| 08 | 10.5% |
| 09 | 10.0% |
| 10 | 9.5% |
| 11 | 9.0% |
| 12 | 8.5% |
| 13 | 8.0% |
| 14 | 7.5% |
| 15 | 7.0% |
| 16 | 6.0% |
| FY17 and later | 5.0% |

- (f) Salary scale – inflation 3.5% per year, productivity 0.5% per year, merit (first five years of employment) 1.5% per year.

- (g) Total inflation – total inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index for urban and clerical workers for Anchorage is assumed to increase 3.5% annually.

- (h) Cost of living allowance (domicile in Alaska) – 65% of those benefit recipients who are eligible for the allowance are assumed to remain in Alaska and receive the allowance.

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- (i) Contribution refunds – 100% of those terminating after age thirty-five who are vested will leave their contributions in the Plan and thereby retain their deferred vested benefit. All others who terminate are assumed to have their contributions refunded.
- (j) Total turnover – select and ultimate rates based upon the 1997-1999 actual withdrawal experience.
- (k) Disability – incidence rates based upon the 1991-1995 actual experience. Post-disability mortality in accordance with rates published by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation to reflect mortality of those receiving disability benefits under Social Security.
- (l) Asset valuation method – recognize 20% of the investment gains and losses in each of the current and preceding four years and phased in over the next five years. All assets are valued at market value. Valuation assets cannot be outside a range of 80% to 120% of the market value of assets.
- (m) Valuation of medical benefits for retirees – a pre-age sixty-five cost and lower post-age sixty-five cost (due to Medicare) are assumed such that the total rate for all retirees equals the present premium rate assumption. These medical premiums are then increased with the health cost inflation assumption. The actuarial cost method used for funding retirement benefits is also used to fund health benefits.
- (n) Spouse's age – wives are assumed to be four years younger than husbands.
- (o) Dependent children – benefits to dependent children have been valued assuming members who are not single have one dependent child.
- (p) New entrants – growth projections are made for active TRS population under three scenarios:

| | |
|--------------|-------------|
| Pessimistic: | 0% per year |
| Median: | 1% per year |
| Optimistic: | 2% per year |
- (q) Sick leave – 4.7 days of unused sick leave for each year of service will be available to be credited once the member is retired.
- (r) Post-retirement pension adjustment – 50% and 75% of assumed inflation is valued for the automatic Post-Retirement Pension Adjustment (PRPA) as specified in the statute.
- (s) Part-time status – part-time employees are assumed to earn 0.550 years of credited service per year.
- (t) Expenses – expenses are covered in the investment return assumption.

The assumptions and methods, when applied in combination, fairly represent past and anticipated future experience of the Plan. The foregoing actuarial assumptions are based on the presumption that the Plan will continue. Were

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the Plan to terminate, different actuarial assumptions and other factors might be applicable in determining the actuarial present value of accumulated benefits.

All significant accounting policies, benefit provisions and actuarial assumptions are the same for the required supplementary information and the financial statements except as follows:

- Effective June 30, 2000, the following changes were made:
 - There was a change in the economic actuarial assumption. The total inflation assumption was changed from 4% to 3.5% annually. This affected the economic assumptions, including salary scale and health cost trend.
 - The retirement assumptions were revised based on actual experience in 1997-1999.
 - The turnover assumptions were revised based on actual withdrawal experience in 1997-1999.
 - The cost of living allowance was increased from 62% to 65% participation.
 - For the June 30, 2000 actuarial valuation, data as of June 30, 1999 was

projected one year using standard actuarial techniques. The active population count was assumed to increase by 1.81% (quadratic extrapolation over the most recent 3 valuation dates). Actual CPI data was used to estimate new PRPA benefits for participants retired as of June 30, 1999.

- The mortality basis was changed from the 1984 Unisex Pension Mortality Table to the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Basic Table for males and females, 1994 base year.
- The health cost trend assumptions were changed from an ultimate rate of 5.5% per annum to the following:

| Fiscal Year | |
|--------------------|------|
| 01 | 7.5% |
| 02 | 6.5% |
| 03 | 5.5% |
| 04-08 | 5.0% |
| 09-13 | 4.5% |
| Thereafter | 4.0% |

- Effective June 30, 2002, the following changes were made:
 - The actuarial cost method was changed from a rolling twenty-five year period to a twenty-five year fixed period level percentage of pay.

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- Part-time employees are assumed to earn 0.550 years of credited service per year.
- The health cost trend assumptions were changed for fiscal years 2003 and later from an ultimate rate of 12.0% for fiscal years 2003-2005 decreasing in yearly 0.5% increments to 5.0% beginning in 2017 and all subsequent fiscal years.

The asset valuation method was changed to recognize 20% of the investment gains and losses in each of the current and preceding four years and will be phased in over the next five years.

Effective June 30, 2003, the following changes were made:

- Members currently under age 50 who have already attained 21 years of service are assumed to retire one year following the valuation date.

(3) ENHANCED ACTUARIAL PROJECTION SYSTEM

The Plan's actuary, at the request of the Teachers' Retirement Board, uses an enhanced actuarial projection system to determine annual employer contribution rates. Although the same actuarial cost method is used by the Plan's actuary, the enhanced system projects population growth patterns and their associated liabilities twenty-five years into the future.

The purpose of the enhanced actuarial projection system is to level out contribution rates in order to provide employers with a more stable long-term contribution pattern.

The Plan's utilization of the enhanced actuarial projection system resulted in 1998 and 2000 employer contributions being less than the annual required contribution and 1999 and 2001-2003 employer contributions being more than the annual required contribution.

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Schedule of Administrative and Investment Expenses
Year ended June 30, 2004
with comparative totals for 2003
(000's omitted)

| | <u>Administrative</u> <u>expenses</u> | <u>Investment</u> <u>expenses</u> | <u>Totals</u> | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
| Personal services: | | | | |
| Wages | \$ 917 | 382 | 1,299 | 1,330 |
| Benefits | <u>365</u> | <u>138</u> | <u>503</u> | <u>603</u> |
| Total personal services | <u>1,282</u> | <u>520</u> | <u>1,802</u> | <u>1,933</u> |
| Travel: | | | | |
| Transportation | 25 | 23 | 48 | 59 |
| Per diem | 21 | 19 | 40 | 56 |
| Moving | - | - | - | 3 |
| Honorarium | <u>11</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>26</u> | <u>31</u> |
| Total travel | <u>57</u> | <u>57</u> | <u>114</u> | <u>149</u> |
| Contractual services: | | | | |
| Management and consulting | 217 | 8,102 | 8,319 | 6,889 |
| Accounting and auditing | 22 | 389 | 411 | 474 |
| Other professional services | 130 | 30 | 160 | 225 |
| Advertising and printing | 49 | 115 | 164 | 137 |
| Data processing | 124 | 14 | 138 | 143 |
| Communications | 130 | 32 | 162 | 120 |
| Rentals/leases | 87 | 24 | 111 | 155 |
| Legal | 65 | 36 | 101 | 33 |
| Medical specialists | 1 | - | 1 | 5 |
| Repairs and maintenance | 5 | 1 | 6 | 3 |
| Transportation | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Other services | <u>5</u> | <u>8</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>35</u> |
| Total contractual services | <u>836</u> | <u>8,752</u> | <u>9,588</u> | <u>8,221</u> |
| Other: | | | | |
| Equipment | - | 6 | 6 | 114 |
| Supplies | <u>28</u> | <u>12</u> | <u>40</u> | <u>36</u> |
| Total other | <u>28</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>46</u> | <u>150</u> |
| Total administrative and investment expenses | <u>\$ 2,203</u> | <u>9,347</u> | <u>11,550</u> | <u>10,453</u> |

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**Schedule of Payments to Consultants
Other than Investment Advisors**

**Years ended June 30, 2004 and 2003
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| <u>Firm</u> | <u>Services</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| State Street Corporation | Custodian banking services | \$ 460 | 422 |
| Systems Central Services Inc. | Data processing consultants | 124 | 114 |
| Mercer Human Resource Consulting | Actuarial services | 185 | 160 |
| Milliman USA | Actuarial auditing services | - | 27 |
| KPMG LLP | Auditing services | 22 | 14 |
| State of Alaska, Department of Law | Legal services | 59 | 53 |
| Wohlforth, Vassar, Johnson and Brecht | TRS Board legal services | 6 | 8 |
| | | <u>\$ 856</u> | <u>798</u> |

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March 19, 2004

State of Alaska
Teachers' Retirement Board
Department of Administration
Division of Retirement & Benefits
P.O. Box 110203
Juneau, AK 99811-0203

Dear Members of the Board:

Actuarial Certification

The annual actuarial valuation required for the State of Alaska Teachers' Retirement System has been prepared as of June 30, 2003 by Mercer Human Resource Consulting. The purposes of the report include:

- (1) a review of experience under the Plan for the year ended June 30, 2003;
- (2) a determination of the appropriate contribution rate for all employers in the System which will be applied for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006; and
- (3) the provision of reporting and disclosure information for financial statements, governmental agencies, and other interested parties.

The following schedules that we have prepared are included in this report:

- (1) Summary of actuarial assumptions and methods
- (2) Schedule of active member valuation data
- (3) Schedule of benefit recipients added to and removed from rolls
- (4) Solvency test
- (5) Analysis of financial experience

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In preparing this valuation, we have employed generally accepted actuarial methods and assumptions, in conjunction with employee data provided to us by the Division of Retirement and Benefits and financial information provided by the audited report from KPMG LLP, to determine a sound value for the System liability. This data has not been audited, but it has been reviewed and found to be consistent, both internally and with prior years' data. The actuarial assumptions are based on the results of an experience study presented to the Board in October 2000 and adopted in December 2000. Actuarial methods, medical cost trend, and assumed blended medical premiums were reviewed and revised in January 2003.

The contribution requirements are determined as a percentage of payroll, and reflect the cost of benefits accruing in FY04 and a fixed 25-year amortization as a level percentage of pay of the initial unfunded accrued liability and subsequent gains/losses. The amortization period is set by the Board. Contribution levels are recommended by the Actuary and adopted by the Board each year. The ratio of assets to liabilities decreased from 68.2% to 64.3% during the year primarily due to lower than expected equity market returns. Over the years, progress has been made toward achieving the funding objectives of the System.

A summary of the actuarial assumptions and methods is presented in Section 2.3 of this report. The assumptions, when applied in combination, fairly represent past and anticipated future experience of the System.

Future contribution requirements may differ from those determined in the valuation because of:

- (1) differences between actual experience and anticipated experience based on the assumptions;
- (2) changes in actuarial assumptions or methods;
- (3) changes in statutory provisions; or
- (4) differences between the contribution rates determined by the valuation and those adopted by the Board.

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The undersigned are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and the Society of Actuaries and are fully qualified to provide actuarial services to the State of Alaska.

We believe that the assumptions and methods used for funding purposes and for the disclosures presented in this report satisfy the parameter requirements set forth in the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement Nos. 25 and 27.

We believe that this report conforms with the requirements of the Alaska statutes, and where applicable, other federal and accounting laws, regulations and rules, as well as generally accepted actuarial principles and practices.

Sincerely,



Robert M. Reynolds, ASA, MAAA



Marcia L. Chapman, FSA, EA, MAAA

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| Teachers' Retirement System Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Methods |
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The demographic and economic assumptions used in this valuation were recommended by Mercer Human Resource Consulting at the Fall 2000 TRS Board Meeting and adopted by the Board in December 2000. These assumptions were the result of an experience study performed in the Fall of 2000. The funding method used in this valuation was adopted June 30, 1985 and last reviewed by the Board in January 2003. The asset smoothing method used to determine valuation assets was changed effective June 30, 2002.

A. Valuation of Liabilities

Liabilities and contributions shown in the report are computed using the Projected Unit Credit method of funding. The initial unfunded accrued liability and future gains/losses are amortized over a 25 year fixed period level percentage of pay. However, in keeping with GASB requirements, the net amortization period for all gains and losses will not exceed 30 years.

The objective under this method is to fund each participant's benefits under the plan as they accrue. Thus, each participant's total pension projected to retirement with salary scale is broken down into units, each associated with a year of past or future service. The principle underlying the method is that each unit is funded in the year for which it is credited. Typically, when the method is introduced there will be an initial liability for benefits credited for service prior to the date, and to the extent that this liability is not covered by assets of the plan there is an unfunded liability to be funded over a chosen period in accordance with an amortization schedule.

An Accrued Liability is calculated at the valuation date as the present value of benefits credited with respect to service to that date.

The Unfunded Liability at the valuation date is the excess of the accrued liability over the assets of the plan. The annual payment to be made over a stipulated number of years to amortize the unfunded liability is the Past Service Cost.

The Normal Cost is the present value of those benefits which are expected to be credited with respect to service during the year beginning on the valuation date.

Under this method, differences between the actual experience and that assumed in the determination of costs and liabilities will emerge as adjustments in the Unfunded Liability, subject to amortization.

B. Actuarial Assumptions

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| 1. | Investment Return | 8.25% per year, compounded annually, net of expenses. |
| 2. | Salary Scale | Inflation - 3.5% per year Merit (first 5 years of employment) - 1.5% per year Productivity - 0.5% per year |
| 3. | Total Inflation | Total inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index for urban and clerical workers for Anchorage is assumed to increase 3.5% annually. |

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| Teachers' Retirement System Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Methods |
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|--------------------------|--|---|--------------|-------------|---------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 4. Health Cost Trend | FY04 - 12.0% FY05 - 12.0% FY06 - 11.5% FY07 - 11.0% FY08 - 10.5% FY09 - 10.0% FY10 - 9.5% | FY11 - 9.0% FY12 - 8.5% FY13 - 8.0% FY14 - 7.5% FY15 - 7.0% FY16 - 6.0% FY17 and later 5.0% | | | | | | |
| 5. Mortality | 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Basic Table for males and females, 1994 Base Year. All deaths are assumed to result from non-occupational causes. | | | | | | | |
| 6. Total Turnover | Select and ultimate rates based upon the 1997-99 actual withdrawal experience (See Table 1.) | | | | | | | |
| 7. Disability | Incidence rates based upon the 1991-95 actual experience, in accordance with Table 2. Post-disability mortality in accordance with rates published by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation to reflect mortality of those receiving disability benefits under Social Security. | | | | | | | |
| 8. Retirement | Retirement rates based upon the 1997-99 actual experience in accordance with Table 3. | | | | | | | |
| 9. Spouse's Age | Wives are assumed to be four years younger than husbands. | | | | | | | |
| 10. Dependent Children | Benefits to dependent children have been valued assuming members who are not single have one dependent child. | | | | | | | |
| 11. Contribution Refunds | 100% of those terminating after age 35 who are vested will leave their contributions in the fund and thereby retain their deferred vested benefit. All others who terminate are assumed to have their contributions refunded. | | | | | | | |
| 12. C.O.L.A. | Of those benefit recipients who are eligible for the C.O.L.A., 65% are assumed to remain in Alaska and receive the C.O.L.A. | | | | | | | |
| 13. New Entrants | Growth projections are made for the active TRS population under three scenarios: <table style="margin-left: 40px; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 10px;">Pessimistic:</td> <td>0% per year</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Median:</td> <td>1% per year</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Optimistic:</td> <td>2% per year</td> </tr> </table> | | Pessimistic: | 0% per year | Median: | 1% per year | Optimistic: | 2% per year |
| Pessimistic: | 0% per year | | | | | | | |
| Median: | 1% per year | | | | | | | |
| Optimistic: | 2% per year | | | | | | | |
| 14. Sick Leave | 4.7 days of unused sick leave for each year of service are assumed to be available to be credited once the member is retired. | | | | | | | |

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| Teachers' Retirement System Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Methods |
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|--|---|
| 15. Post-Retirement Pension Adjustment | 50% and 75% of assumed inflation is valued for the automatic Post-Retirement Pension Adjustment (PRPA) as specified in the statute. |
| 16. Expenses | Expenses are covered in the investment return assumption. |
| 17. Part-Time Status | Part-time employees are assumed to earn 0.550 years of credited service per year. |

C. Valuation of Assets

Effective June 30, 2002, the asset valuation method recognizes 20% of the investment gain or loss in each of the current and preceding four years. This method will be phased in over the next five years. All assets are valued at market value. Assets are accounted for on an accrued basis and are taken directly from audited financial statements provided by KPMG LLP. Valuation assets cannot be outside a range of 80% to 120% of the market value of assets.

D. Valuation of Medical Benefits

Medical benefits for retirees are provided by the payment of premiums from the fund. A pre-65 cost and lower post-65 cost (due to Medicare) are assumed such that the total rate for all retirees equals the present premium rate assumption. These medical premiums are then increased with the health inflation assumption. The actuarial cost method used for funding retirement benefits is also used to fund health benefits.

For FY04, the pre-65 monthly premium is \$1,016.04 and the post-65 premium is \$387.06, based on an assumed total blended premium of \$777.28. The assumed total blended premium for FY04 is the average of the 2003 and 2004 calendar year actual blended premiums. For the time period January 1, 2004 to December 31, 2004, the actual blended premium as provided by the State of Alaska, Division of Retirement and Benefits, is \$806.00.

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Summary of Actuarial Assumptions and Methods**

**Table 1
Total Turnover Assumptions**

| Select Rates of Turnover During the First 8 Years of Employment | | Ultimate Rates of Turnover After the First 8 Years of Employment | |
|---|------|--|------|
| Year of Employment | Rate | Ages | Rate |
| 1 | .10 | 20+ | .04 |
| 2 | .10 | | |
| 3 | .09 | | |
| 4 | .09 | | |
| 5 | .08 | | |
| 6 | .07 | | |
| 7 | .06 | | |
| 8 | .05 | | |

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**Table 2
Disability Rates
Annual Rates Per 1,000 Employees**

| Age | Rate |
|------------|-------------|
| 20 | .28 |
| 21 | .28 |
| 22 | .29 |
| 23 | .29 |
| 24 | .30 |
| 25 | .30 |
| 26 | .30 |
| 27 | .31 |
| 28 | .32 |
| 29 | .33 |
| 30 | .34 |
| 31 | .34 |
| 32 | .35 |
| 33 | .36 |
| 34 | .37 |
| 35 | .38 |
| 36 | .40 |
| 37 | .41 |
| 38 | .43 |
| 39 | .44 |
| 40 | .46 |
| 41 | .48 |
| 42 | .51 |
| 43 | .54 |
| 44 | .59 |
| 45 | .65 |
| 46 | .70 |
| 47 | .76 |
| 48 | .83 |
| 49 | .89 |
| 50 | .96 |
| 51 | 1.04 |
| 52 | 1.14 |
| 53 | 1.27 |
| 54 | 1.42 |
| 55 | 1.60 |
| 56 | 1.84 |
| 57 | 2.14 |
| 58 | 2.44 |
| 59 | 2.88 |
| 60 | 3.37 |
| 61 | 3.90 |
| 62 | 4.52 |
| 63 | 5.22 |
| 64 | 5.96 |

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**Table 3
Retirement Rates**

| Age at Retirement | Retirement Rate |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| 50 | .05 |
| 51 | .05 |
| 52 | .05 |
| 53 | .05 |
| 54 | .05 |
| 55 | .15 |
| 56 | .13 |
| 57 | .10 |
| 58 | .10 |
| 59 | .10 |
| 60 | .10 |
| 61 | .10 |
| 62 | .10 |
| 63 | .17 |
| 64 | .17 |
| 65 | .50 |
| 66 & up | 1.00 |

Teachers retiring at ages under 50 are assumed to retire immediately upon attaining 21 years of service.

Members currently under age 50 who have already attained 21 years of service are assumed to retire 1 year following the valuation date.

| Teachers' Retirement System Schedule of Active Member Valuation Data | | | | | |
|---|--------|-----------------------|--------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Valuation Date | Number | Annual Payroll (000s) | Annual Average Pay | Average Increase/ (Decrease) In Average Pay | Number of Participating Employers |
| June 30, 2003 | 9,873 | \$532,630 | \$53,948 | 2.7% | 57 |
| June 30, 2002 | 9,690 | 509,064 | 52,535 | 3.9% | 57 |
| June 30, 2001 | 9,815 | 496,188 | 50,544 | 1.8% | 60 |
| June 30, 1999 | 9,396 | 466,414 | 49,640 | (2.1)% | 61 |
| June 30, 1998 | 9,262 | 469,433 | 50,684 | (0.4)% | 61 |
| June 30, 1997 | 9,164 | 466,455 | 50,901 | 1.3% | 61 |
| June 30, 1996 | 9,259 | 465,182 | 50,241 | (0.5)% | 61 |
| June 30, 1995 | 9,452 | 477,205 | 50,487 | 0.6% | 61 |
| June 30, 1994 | 9,489 | 476,098 | 50,174 | 3.2% | 61 |
| June 30, 1993 | 9,459 | 459,746 | 48,604 | 0.2% | 61 |

| Teachers' Retirement System Schedule of Benefit Recipients Added to and Removed from Rolls | | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Year Ended | Added to Rolls | | Removed from Rolls | | Rolls - End of Year | | Percent Increase in Annual Allowances | Average Annual Allowance |
| | No.* | Annual Allowances* | No.* | Annual Allowances* | No. | Annual Allowances | | |
| June 30, 2003 | 599 | \$21,475,421 | 91 | \$3,377,352 | 8,312 | \$255,192,614 | 7.63% | \$30,702 |
| June 30, 2002 | 589 | 24,789,896 | 118 | 4,966,397 | 7,804 | 237,094,545 | 9.12% | 30,381 |
| June 30, 2001 | 1,057 | 39,213,327 | 210 | 7,790,727 | 7,333 | 217,271,046 | 16.91% | 29,629 |
| June 30, 1999 | 598 | 19,014,567 | 91 | 2,893,521 | 6,486 | 185,848,446 | 9.50% | 28,654 |
| June 30, 1998 | 674 | 24,479,595 | 38 | 1,380,155 | 5,979 | 169,727,400 | 15.75% | 28,387 |
| June 30, 1997 | 583 | 29,988,351 ⁽¹⁾ | 43 | 2,211,834 ⁽¹⁾ | 5,343 | 146,627,960 | 23.37% | 27,443 |
| June 30, 1996 | 376 | 8,410,895 | 32 | 441,353 | 4,803 | 118,851,443 | 7.19% | 24,745 |
| June 30, 1995 | 368 | 10,386,432 | 43 | 94,443 | 4,459 | 110,881,901 | 10.23% | 24,867 |
| June 30, 1994 | 280 | 8,923,551 | 37 | 616,360 | 4,134 | 100,589,912 | 9.00% | 24,332 |
| June 30, 1993 | 344 | 6,874,777 | 55 | 1,044,709 | 3,891 | 92,282,721 | 6.74% | 23,717 |

* Numbers are estimated, and include other internal transfers.

¹Includes additional benefits to current retirees from a one time retroactive ad hoc Post-Retirement Pension Adjustments.

| Teachers' Retirement System Solvency Test | | | | | | | |
|---|--|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|--|-------|--------|
| Valuation Date | Aggregate Accrued Liability For: | | | Valuation Assets (000s) | Portion of Accrued Liabilities Covered by Assets | | |
| | (1) Active Member Contributions (000s) | (2) Inactive Members (000s) | (3) Active Members (Employer-Financed Portion) (000s) | | (1) | (2) | (3) |
| June 30, 2003 | \$548,947 | \$4,105,445 | \$1,181,217 | \$3,752,285 | 100% | 78.0% | 0.0% |
| June 30, 2002 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ | 523,142 | 3,755,882 | 1,132,618 | 3,689,036 | 100% | 84.3% | 0.0% |
| June 30, 2001 | 533,752 | 3,213,431 | 855,964 | 4,372,229 | 100% | 100% | 73.0% |
| June 30, 2000 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾ | 490,176 | 2,872,250 | 836,442 | 4,184,015 | 100% | 100% | 98.2% |
| June 30, 1999 | 469,068 | 2,571,345 | 680,541 | 3,815,633 | 100% | 100% | 100.0% |
| June 30, 1998 | 449,383 | 2,344,263 | 735,111 | 3,446,070 | 100% | 100% | 88.8% |
| June 30, 1997 | 483,735 | 2,095,843 | 780,491 | 3,120,044 | 100% | 100% | 69.2% |
| June 30, 1996 ⁽²⁾ | 451,249 | 1,689,636 | 799,552 | 2,858,756 | 100% | 100% | 89.8% |
| June 30, 1995 | 437,089 | 1,531,406 | 944,972 | 2,647,392 | 100% | 100% | 71.8% |
| June 30, 1994 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ | 398,990 | 1,419,506 | 942,913 | 2,472,957 | 100% | 100% | 69.4% |

(1) Change in Asset Valuation Method. (2) Change of Assumptions (3) Change in Methods.

| Teachers' Retirement System Analysis of Financial Experience | | | | | |
|--|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Change in Employer Contribution Rate Due to Gains and Losses in Accrued Liabilities During the Last Five Fiscal Years Resulting From Differences Between Assumed Experience and Actual Experience | | | | | |
| Type of Gain or Loss | Change in Employer Contribution Rate During Fiscal Year | | | | |
| | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 |
| Health Experience | - | 3.85% | - | - | - |
| Salary Experience | 0.10% | (0.11)% | (1.68)% | - | (0.64)% |
| Investment Experience | 0.43% | 15.03% | 1.35% | (3.35)% | (3.73)% |
| Demographic Experience | 1.35% | 4.21% | 2.66% | (0.91)% | 0.80% |
| Contribution Shortfall | 1.40% | - | - | - | - |
| (Gain) or Loss During Year from Experience | 3.28% | 22.98% | 2.33% | (4.26)% | (3.57)% |
| Non-recurring changes | | | | | |
| Asset Valuation Method | - | 0.03% | - | (1.38)% | - |
| Past Service Amortization Change | - | (9.08)% | - | - | - |
| Assumption Changes | - | 6.84% | - | 6.68% | - |
| System Benefit Changes | - | - | 0.17% | - | - |
| Administrative System Changes | - | - | 3.49% | - | - |
| Ad hoc PRPA | - | 0.36% | 0.16% | 0.16% | 0.11% |
| Composite (Gain) or Loss During Year | 3.28% | 21.13% | 6.15% | 1.20% | (3.46)% |
| Beginning Total Employer Contribution Rate | 35.57% | 14.44% | 8.29% | 7.09% | 10.55% |
| Ending Total Employer Contribution Rate | 38.85% | 35.57% | 14.44% | 8.29% | 7.09% |
| Board Adopted Employer Contribution Rate | 21.00% | 16.00% | 12.00% | 11.00% | 11.00% |
| Fiscal Year above rate is applied | FY06 | FY05 | FY04 | FY03 | FY02 |

STATE OF ALASKA TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

Summary of Plan Provisions

(1) Effective Date

July 1, 1955, with amendments through July 1, 2003. Chapter 97, 1990 Session Laws of Alaska, created a two-tier retirement system. Members who were first hired under the TRS before July 1, 1990, are eligible for different benefits than members hired after June 30, 1990.

(2) Administration of Plan

The Commissioner of Administration is responsible for administering the system. The Teachers' Retirement Board prescribes policies, adopts regulations and performs other activities necessary to carry out the provisions of the system. The Alaska State Pension Investment Board, Department of Revenue, Treasury Division is responsible for investing TRS funds. The Attorney General represents the system in legal proceedings.

(3) Employers Included

Currently, there are 57 employers participating in the TRS, including the State of Alaska and 56 school districts and other eligible organizations.

(4) Membership

Membership in the Alaska TRS is mandatory for the following employees:

- certificated full-time and part-time elementary and secondary teachers, certificated school nurses, and certificated employees in positions requiring teaching certificates;
- positions requiring a teaching certificate as a condition of employment in the Department of Education and Early Development and the Department of Labor and Workforce Development;

- University of Alaska full-time and part-time teachers, and full-time administrative employees in positions requiring academic standing if approved by the TRS administrator;
- certain full-time or part-time teachers of Alaska Native language or culture who have elected to be covered under the TRS;
- members on approved sabbatical leave under AS 14.20.310;
- certain State legislators who have elected to be covered under the TRS; and
- a teacher who has filed for worker's compensation benefits due to an on the job assault and who, as a result of the physical injury, is placed on leave without pay.

Employees participating in the University of Alaska's Optional Retirement Plan or other retirement plans funded by the State are not covered by the TRS.

Employees who work half-time in the TRS and Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) simultaneously are eligible for half-time TRS and PERS credit.

(5) Credited Service

TRS members receive a year of membership credit if they work a minimum of 172 days during the school year (July 1 through June 30 of the following year). Fractional credit is determined based on the number of days worked. Part-time members receive membership credit for each day in proportion to full-time service. Credit is granted for all Alaskan public school service.

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Members may claim other types of service, including:

- Outside teaching service in out-of-state schools or Alaska private schools (not more than ten years may be claimed);
- Military service (not more than five years of military service or ten years of combined outside and military service may be claimed);
- Alaska Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) service;
- Retroactive Alaskan service that was not creditable at the time it occurred, but later became creditable because of legislative change;
- Unused sick leave credit after members retire; and
- Leave of absence without pay.

Except for retroactive Alaska service that occurred before July 1, 1955, and unused sick leave, contributions are required for all claimed service.

Members receiving TRS disability benefits continue to earn TRS credit while disabled.

(6) Employer Contributions

TRS employers contribute the amounts required, in addition to employees' contributions, to fund the benefits of the system.

The consolidated rate is a uniform rate for all participating employers, amortized to include future service liabilities (less the value of members' contributions) for the members' future service.

The past service rate is determined separately for each employer to amortize their unfunded past service liability with payments that are level as a percentage of pay over fixed 25-year periods. Effective June 30, 1996, funding surpluses are amortized over 25 years.

(7) Member Contributions

Mandatory Contributions: Members are required to contribute 8.65% of their base salaries. Members' contributions are deducted from gross salaries before federal income taxes are withheld.

Contributions for Claimed Service: Member contributions are also required for most of the claimed service described in (4) above.

1% Supplemental Contributions: Members who joined the system before July 1, 1982, and elected to participate in the supplemental contributions provision, are required to contribute an additional 1% of their salaries. Supplemental contributions are deducted from gross salaries before federal income taxes are withheld. Under the supplemental provision, an eligible spouse or dependent child will receive a survivor's allowance or spouse's pension if the member dies (see (11) below).

Interest: Members' contributions earn 4.5% interest, compounded annually on June 30.

Refund of Contributions: Terminated members may receive refunds of their member contribution accounts, which includes their mandatory contributions, indebtedness payments, and interest earned. Terminated members' accounts may be attached to satisfy claims under Alaska Statute 09.38.065, federal income tax levies, and valid Qualified Domestic Relations Orders.

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Reinstatement of Contributions: Refunded accounts and the corresponding TRS service may be reinstated upon reemployment in the TRS. Accounts attached to satisfy claims under Alaska Statute 09.38.065 or a federal tax levy may be reinstated at any time. Interest accrues on refunds until paid in full or members retire.

(8) Retirement Benefits

Eligibility:

(a) Members, including deferred vested members, are eligible for normal retirement at age 60¹, or early retirement at age 55, if they have at least:

- (i) eight years of paid-up membership service;
- (ii) 15 years of paid-up creditable service, the last five years of which are membership service, and they were first hired under the TRS before July 1, 1975;
- (iii) five years of paid-up membership service and three years of paid-up Alaska Bureau of Indian Affairs service;
- (iv) 12 years of combined part-time and full-time paid-up membership service;
- (v) two years of paid-up membership service if they are vested in the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS); or
- (vi) one year of paid-up membership service if they are retired from the PERS.

(b) Members may retire at any age when they have:

- (i) 25 years of paid-up creditable service, the last five years of which are membership service;

¹ Members participating before July 1, 1990 are eligible for normal retirement at age 55 or early retirement at age 50.

- (ii) 20 years of paid-up membership service;
- (iii) 20 years of combined paid-up membership and Alaska Bureau of Indian Affairs service, the last five years of which are membership service; or
- (iv) 20 years of combined paid-up part-time and full-time membership service.

Benefit Type: Lifetime benefits are paid to members. Eligible members may receive normal, unreduced benefits when they (1) reach normal retirement age and complete the service required; or (2) satisfy the minimum service requirements to retire at any age under (b) above. Members may receive early, actuarially reduced benefits when they reach early retirement age and complete the service required.

Members may select joint and survivor options. Under those options and early retirement, benefits are actuarially adjusted so that members receive the actuarial equivalents of their normal benefit amounts.

Benefit Calculation: Retirement benefits are calculated by multiplying the average base salary (ABS) times the total TRS service times the percentage multiplier. The ABS is determined by averaging the salaries earned during the three highest school years. Members must earn at least 115 days of credit in a school year to include it in the ABS calculation. The TRS pays a minimum benefit of \$25.00 per month for each year of service when the calculated benefit is less.

The percentage multipliers are 2% for the first 20 years and 2.5% for all remaining service. Service before July 1, 1990, is calculated at 2%.

Indebtedness: Members who terminate and refund their TRS contributions are not eligible to retire unless they return to TRS employment and pay

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back their refunds, plus interest, or accrue additional service which qualifies them for retirement. TRS refunds must be paid in full if the corresponding service is to count toward the minimum service requirements for retirement. Refunded TRS service is included in total service for the purpose of calculating retirement benefits. However, when refunds are not completely paid before retirement, benefits are actuarially reduced for life.

(9) Reemployment of Retired Members

Retirees who return to work in a permanent full-time or part-time TRS position after a Normal Retirement have two options available, the Standard Option or the Waiver Option.

Under the Standard Option, retirement benefits are suspended while retired members are reemployed under the TRS. During reemployment, members earn additional TRS service and contributions are withheld from their wages.

If an Alaska school district has established that there is a shortage of teachers in a particular discipline or specialty and has passed a resolution to that effect, a retiree returning to work in a permanent full-time or part-time TRS position with that school district may exercise the Waiver Option. The Waiver Option allows a retiree who retired under a Normal Retirement to reemploy with a TRS employer and continue to receive a retirement benefit by signing a waiver of participation in the TRS. The Waiver Option became effective July 1, 2001 and applies to reemployment periods after that date.

The Waiver Option is not available to members who retired early or under the Retirement Incentive Program (RIP).

Members retired under the RIP who return to employment under the TRS, Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), Judicial Retirement System

(JRS) or the University of Alaska's Optional Retirement Plan will:

- (a) forfeit the three years of incentive credits that they received;
- (b) owe the TRS 110% of the benefits that they received under the RIP, which may include costs for health insurance, excluding amounts that they paid to participate; and
- (c) be charged 7% interest from the date that they are reemployed until their indebtedness is paid in full or they retire again. If the indebtedness is not completely paid, future benefits will be actuarially reduced for life.

(10) Postemployment Healthcare Benefits

When pension benefits begin, major medical benefits are provided by the TRS to (1) all employees first hired before July 1, 1990, and (2) members who have twenty-five years of membership service, are disabled or age sixty or older, regardless of their initial hire dates. Employees first hired after June 30, 1990, may receive major medical benefits prior to age sixty by paying premiums.

(11) Disability Benefits

Monthly disability benefits are paid to permanently disabled members until they die, recover or become eligible for normal retirement. To be eligible, members must have at least five years of paid-up membership service.

Disability benefits are equal to 50% of the member's base salary at the time of disability. The benefit is increased by 10% of the base salary for each minor child, up to a maximum of 40%. Members continue to earn TRS service until eligible for normal retirement.

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Members are appointed to normal retirement on the first of the month after they become eligible.

(12) Death Benefits

Monthly death benefits may be paid to a spouse or dependent children upon the death of a member. If monthly benefits are not payable under the supplemental contributions provision or occupational and nonoccupational death provisions, the designated beneficiary receives the lump sum benefit described below.

Occupational Death: When an active member dies from occupational causes, a monthly survivor's pension may be paid to the spouse, unless benefits are payable under the supplemental contributions provision (below). The pension equals 40% of the member's base salary on the date of death or disability, if earlier. If there is no spouse, the pension may be paid to the member's dependent children. On the member's normal retirement date, the benefit converts to a normal retirement benefit. The normal benefit is based on the member's average base salary on the date of death and service, including service accumulated from the date of the member's death to the normal retirement date.

Nonoccupational Death: When a vested member dies from nonoccupational causes, the surviving spouse may elect to receive a monthly 50% joint and survivor benefit or a lump sum benefit, unless benefits are payable under the supplemental contributions provision (below). The monthly benefit is calculated on the member's average base salary and TRS service accrued at the time of death.

Lump Sum Benefit: Upon the death of an active member who has less than one year of service or an inactive member who is not vested, the designated beneficiary receives the member's contribution account, which includes mandatory contributions, indebtedness payments, and interest earned. Any

supplemental contributions will also be refunded. If the member has more than one year of TRS service, the beneficiary also receives \$1,000 and \$100 for each year of TRS service, up to a maximum of \$3,000. An additional \$500 may be payable if the member is survived by dependent children.

Supplemental Contributions Provision: Members are eligible for supplemental coverage if they joined the TRS before July 1, 1982, elected to participate in the supplemental provision, and made the required contributions. A survivor's allowance or spouse's pension (below) may be payable if the member made supplemental contributions for at least one year and dies while in membership service or while disabled under the TRS. In addition, the allowance and pension may be payable if the member dies while retired or in deferred vested status if supplemental contributions were made for at least five years.

Survivor's Allowance: If the member is survived by dependent children, the surviving spouse and dependent children are entitled to a survivor's allowance. The allowance for the spouse is equal to 35% of the member's base salary at the time of death or disability, plus 10% for each dependent child up to a maximum of 40%. The allowance terminates and a spouse's pension becomes payable when there is no longer an eligible dependent child.

Spouse's Pension: The spouse's pension is equal to 50% of the retirement benefit that the deceased member was receiving or would have received if retired at the time of death. The spouse's pension begins on the first of the month after the member's death or termination of the survivor's allowance.

Death After Retirement: If a joint and survivor option was selected at retirement, the eligible spouse receives continuing, lifetime monthly benefits after the member dies. A survivor's allowance or spouse's pension may be payable if the member participated

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in the supplemental contributions provision. If a joint and survivor option was not selected and benefits are not payable under the supplemental contributions provision, the designated beneficiary receives the member's contribution account, less any benefits already paid and the member's last benefit check.

(13) Post Retirement Pension Adjustments

Post retirement pension adjustments (PRPAs) are granted annually to eligible benefit recipients when the consumer price index (CPI) increases during the preceding calendar year. PRPAs are calculated by multiplying the recipient's base benefit, including past PRPAs, times:

- (a) 75% of the CPI increase in the preceding calendar year or 9%, whichever is less, if the recipient is at least age 65 or on TRS disability; or
- (b) 50% of the CPI increase in the preceding calendar year or 6%, whichever is less, if the recipient is at least age 60, or under age 60 if the recipient has been receiving benefits for at least eight years.

Ad hoc PRPAs, up to a maximum of 4%, may be granted to eligible recipients who were first hired before July 1, 1990, if the CPI increases and the financial condition of the fund will permit an increase.

In a year where an Ad Hoc PRPA is granted, eligible recipients will receive the higher of the two calculations.

(14) Alaska Cost of Living Allowance

Eligible benefit recipients who reside in Alaska receive an Alaska cost of living allowance (COLA) equal to 10% of their base benefits. The following benefit recipients are eligible:

- (a) members who were first hired under the TRS before July 1, 1990, and their survivors;
- (b) members who were first hired under the TRS after June 30, 1990, and their survivors if they are at least age 65; and
- (c) all disabled members.

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Message from the Chair

I am pleased to present the 2004 Annual Report of Investments for the period ending June 30, 2004 to you, the participants and beneficiaries of the TRS retirement trust fund.

The Alaska State Pension Investment Board is responsible for the investment of the money paid into the state public employees', teachers', judicial, and military retirement systems. In addition, ASPIB selects the investment managers for the Supplemental Benefit System and Deferred Compensation.

Trustees of ASPIB owe a fiduciary duty to the participants in the retirement systems and by law all investment decisions made by ASPIB must comply with the prudent investor rule. ASPIB consists of two elected members from the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), two elected members from the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS), three members appointed by the Governor, and the Commissioner of the Department of Revenue (DOR).

The trustees work hard to achieve an asset mix that provides the highest expected return for a given level of risk. Working closely with our dedicated staff in the Department of Revenue and our investment advisors and consultants, we established an investment mix that we believe will provide enhanced returns while maintaining a prudent level of risk. This asset allocation is reviewed annually and is designed to provide competitive returns at a reasonable level of risk. It is critical to remember that the System's assets are invested for the long-term. Our objective is to produce a very competitive long-term return that meets the System's funding requirements at an acceptable risk level. Therefore, we are encouraged to observe that the 12 ¼ year cumulative annualized return (the longest period available) of 8.73% compares favorably to the System's actuarial earnings assumption of 8.25%.

The Investment Report on the following pages provides more detail regarding the investment results of each asset category, as well as an economic overview of the market conditions existing during the past fiscal year.

ASPIB represents over 60,000 participants and beneficiaries. The trustees strongly believe that members should be kept well informed about the performance of the retirement funds and about what we as fiduciaries are doing on their behalf. To this end, we are proud of the ASPIB web site, which can be accessed at www.revenue.state.ak.us/treasury/aspib/index.htm. We continue to encourage member participation at our meetings, and welcome letters and comments.

On behalf of all the trustees, thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve as fiduciaries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gail Schubert".

Gail Schubert, Chair

ALASKA STATE PENSION INVESTMENT BOARD (as of June 30, 2004)



Gail R. Schubert, Chair

Appointed by the Governor

Gail R. Schubert, Chair, was first appointed to the board by Governor Hickel, then reappointed by Governor Knowles and Governor Murkowski. She is currently Executive Vice President and General Counsel to Bering Straits Native Corporation, President of its two 8(a) subsidiaries, and of counsel to the law firm of Foster, Pepper Rubini & Reeves LLC in Anchorage. From 2002 to 2003, Mrs. Schubert was General Counsel to Southcentral Foundation, and from 1995 to 2002, she was a member of Foster Pepper. From 1992 to 1995, Mrs. Schubert practiced law at Birch, Horton, Bittner & Cherot, and from 1982 to 1992, Mrs. Schubert practiced law in New York City at the firms of Rogers & Wells; Fried and Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson; and at the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. Mrs. Schubert attended the School of Law at Cornell University; the Johnson School of Management (MBA) at Cornell; and Stanford University. She serves as Chair of the Boards of the Alaska Native Heritage Center and Akeela Treatment Services, Inc., and on the boards of the Bering Straits Native Corporation, the Alaska Federation of Natives, Khoanic Broadcast Corporation, the Alaska Native Justice Center, and is a member of the Anchorage Downtown Rotary. Mrs. Schubert's term expires December 31, 2007.



Wilson L. Condon, Vice Chair

PERS Representative

Wilson L. Condon, Vice Chair, was elected by the Public Employees' Retirement System. He is currently Chief of the Oil, Gas & Mining Section at the Department of Law. Previously, Mr. Condon was Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Revenue from 1995-2002. Prior to serving as commissioner, he was a partner in a private law firm from 1983-1995 and acted as lead counsel for the state in a series of oil and gas royalty and tax cases. He served as Attorney General from 1980 - 1982 and as Deputy Attorney General from 1975 - 1980. He holds an A.B. Political Science degree and a J.D. degree from Stanford University. Mr. Condon's term expires December 31, 2006.



James "Pat" Wellington

PERS Representative

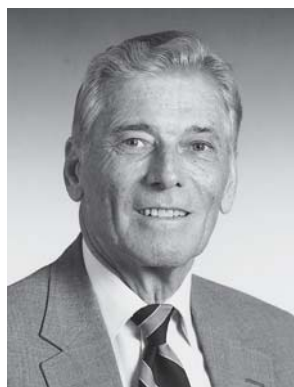
James "Pat" Wellington, Secretary, was elected by the Public Employees' Retirement System. Mr. Wellington was born in Ketchikan, Alaska and graduated from Douglas High School. He served two years in the U.S. Army and started his law enforcement career with the Seward Police Department in late 1955. He served as Deputy U.S. Marshal, Alaska State Troopers, Chief of Police of Juneau, Deputy Commissioner and Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety, and retired in 1977 as Director of the Alaska State Troopers. Mr. Wellington is also the Chairman of the Public Employees' Retirement Board. He resides in Anchorage. Mr. Wellington's term expires December 31, 2004.



William Corbus

Statutory Representative

William Corbus was appointed Commissioner of the Department of Revenue in December 2002. He oversees an agency that has very diverse responsibilities, including tax collection, investing state funds, child support enforcement and distributing permanent fund dividends. Bill Corbus is the retired president of Alaska Electric Light and Power, the electric company that serves the Juneau area, where he has lived since 1970. He served as a Lt. J.G. in the U.S. Naval Reserve, including one year as an advisor to the Vietnamese Navy in 1962-63. Mr. Corbus then worked for Stone & Webster in New York City providing public utility security analysis, financial planning, and accounting. The Commissioner sits on nine boards, including the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation. Mr. Corbus holds a B.S. in industrial engineering from Stanford University and an MBA from the Amos Tuck Graduate School of Business Administration at Dartmouth College.



Merritt C. Olson, Secretary

TRS Representative

Merritt C. Olson was elected in 1992 to serve as a trustee on the newly-created ASPIB and reelected for three more terms. Mr. Olson served previously as a trustee for the Teachers' Retirement Systems Board. He also served as president of NEA-Alaska/Retired and sat on the national NEA-Retired Advisory Council for six years. He earned the doctoral degree in psychology from Rutgers University and was a Fulbright scholar and lecturer at the University of Ibadan in Nigeria. Dr. Olson taught mathematics in Anchorage secondary schools and served as an adjunct professor of psychology at the University of Alaska Anchorage and at Alaska Methodist University. His term expires December 31, 2007.

Martin Pihl

Appointed by the Governor



Martin Pihl was appointed to the board in 2003 by Governor Murkowski. Mr. Pihl came to Alaska in 1962 to work for Ketchikan Pulp Company, becoming President and General Manager in 1987 until his retirement in 1994. He then served as Acting Executive Director for the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation in 1994-1995. Mr. Pihl serves as a director of National Bank of Alaska and on Wells Fargo Bank's Alaska Statewide Advisory Board, as Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Alaska Timber Insurance Exchange, and as a regent for Pacific Lutheran University. He is also a member of several advisory boards including Holland America-Westmark-Ketchikan Advisory Board, Ketchikan Ports and Harbors Advisory Board, and Alaska Airlines Southeast Alaska Community Advisory Board. Mr. Pihl holds a BA in Accounting from the University of Washington and has been a CPA since 1958. His term expires December 31, 2006.

Jeffrey E. Sinz

Appointed by the Governor



Jeffrey E. Sinz was appointed to the board in 1998 by Governor Knowles. Mr. Sinz is currently employed as Chief Fiscal Officer for the Municipality of Anchorage. He has over twenty years experience in public sector financial management and analysis, including fourteen years with the Municipality of Anchorage. Prior to accepting his current position in Anchorage, he served as Director of Finance for the Kenai Peninsula Borough. Mr. Sinz has also held positions with the Alaska Railroad Corporation and prior to moving to Alaska in 1981, with a Wisconsin public school district. He also serves as vice president of the Alaska Municipal League Investment Pool Board of Directors and is on the Board of Directors for the Anchorage Parking Authority. He has an MBA in Management from the University of Alaska Anchorage and a BBA in Finance from the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire. His term expires December 31, 2004.

Dorothy Wells

TRS Representative



Dorothy Wells was elected by the Teachers' Retirement System. A resident of Alaska for 37 years, Ms. Wells is a retired teacher who taught business education at Eielson Air Force Base, and business classes for the University of Alaska night school program at Eielson. She obtained her B.S. degree from the University of Minnesota/Minneapolis and did graduate work both there and at the University of Alaska/Fairbanks. Mrs. Wells served on the Teachers' Retirement Board for 20 years, and is active with NEA-Alaska/Retired. Her term expires December 31, 2005.

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Heitman Capital Management

Chicago, IL

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New York, NY

Sentinel Real Estate Corporation

New York, NY

UBS Realty Investors, LLC

Hartford, CT

Real Estate—Core Separate Accounts

Cornerstone Real Estate Advisors, Inc.

Hartford, CT

LaSalle Investment Management

Chicago, IL

Sentinel Real Estate Corporation

New York, NY

UBS Realty Investors, LLC

San Francisco, CA

Real Estate—Value Added Separate Accounts

Invesco Realty Advisors

Dallas, TX

Lowe Enterprises Investment Management Inc.

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Barclays Global Investors

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Teachers' Retirement System Investment Report

The Investment Report was prepared by the State of Alaska, Department of Revenue, Treasury Division.

The basis of presentation for the data reported in the investment section is in accordance with the Association for Investment Management and Research (AIMR) Performance Presentation Standards.

INVESTMENTS

The State of Alaska Teachers' Retirement System's investment goals are the long term return and sustainability of the pension funds under management. Near-term market fluctuations are integrated into the overall outlook of the fund guidelines. Annually, the Alaska State Pension Investment Board (ASPIB) sets its asset allocation strategy in order to reflect changes in the marketplace while still retaining an optimal risk/return level within the set constraints and objectives of the Investment Board.

During the 2004 Fiscal Year¹, ASPIB's asset allocation was composed of 40.4% domestic equities, 17.8% international equities, 27.2% domestic fixed income, 3.6% international fixed income, 7.7% real estate and 3.3% alternative investments.

For the 2004 Fiscal Year, TRS investments generated a 15.09% rate of return. The TRS annualized rate of return was a positive 3.29% over the last five years. The annualized rate of return over the last twelve and three-quarter years has been 8.73%.

INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

The diversification of the TRS investment portfolio continued to protect the overall returns from the bear markets which began in the spring of 2000. For the Fiscal Year, the U.S. equity portfolio gained 20.06% and the international equity portfolio gained

31.7% (as compared to the 2003 Fiscal Year losses of -0.97% and -5.83% respectively). The U.S fixed-income market generated a 0.61% return down from 10.69% the previous year.

ASPIB continued the systematic increase of TRS investments in real estate and private equity. The real estate portfolio earned 11.57% for the 2004 Fiscal Year versus 8.97% in Fiscal Year 2003. The TRS investments in private equities gained 21.42%, as compared to a 14.75% loss in 2003. Over the past five years, TRS real estate investments have earned an average of 9.26% per year.

DOMESTIC ECONOMY

The economy grew at a healthy pace throughout Fiscal 2004. Growth was strongest in the first half of the year and then moderated in the June quarter. Initial estimates of GDP growth in the June quarter came in at 3.0%, down significantly from the unsustainable 7.4% pace of the September 2003 quarter. Nonetheless, many expect full calendar 2004 growth to approximate 4.5%. This is up from the 3.1% pace observed in calendar 2003.

The economy's continued recovery has raised concerns regarding the possible re-emergence of inflation. After remaining at very low levels for many quarters, inflation, as measured by the CPI, accelerated in the June quarter to a 3.3% year over year pace. Commodities, particularly oil prices, figured importantly in this rise. The Producers Price Index (PPI) experienced a year over year change of 6.6% in the June quarter.

As widely anticipated, the Federal Reserve raised short-term rates to 1.5% during the last half of the fiscal year. By any standard however, most observers agree that short-term rates remain at very low levels and are likely to increase further over the next 6 to 18 months. Importantly, they believe that modest additional rate hikes will not halt economic growth.

¹ July 1st, 2003 – June 30th, 2004

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Despite uncertainty regarding the implications of the upcoming elections, the outlook for energy prices and the challenges of Iraq, the economy continues to post solid gains. Employment growth, while slower than many had anticipated, has been solid. Manufacturing capacity utilization has improved from 72.6% last year to 77.2% in the June quarter. Historically, capital spending has tended to accelerate when the utilization rate exceeds 80%. Such spending is a key ingredient to the economy's continued growth.

Investors are sensitive to short-term news developments and financial markets will be affected accordingly. Fortunately, underlying economic fundamentals point toward continued growth in employment and corporate profits. Interest rates, while higher than a year ago, remain low and there appears to be ample liquidity to fund continuation of the economic expansion.

EQUITIES

The Total Domestic Equity Pool is diversified across large cap value, large cap growth, core, small cap value and small cap growth equity styles so as to gain broad market exposure. For the 2004 Fiscal Year, the fund posted a net return of 20.06%. This was less than the target return of 21.43%. The annualized domestic equity return for the five year period improved to a negative 0.85% from a negative 1.43% in the 2003 Fiscal Year.

Within the International Equity pool the Non-U.S. Equity Style managers invest their assets only in non-U.S. equity securities. This style group excludes regional and index funds. The International Equity pool net return was 31.70% which was less than the target return of 32.37%. The international equity return for the five year period improved to 2.81% from 0.06% in Fiscal Year 2003.

FIXED INCOME MARKET

The domestic fixed-income portfolio represented approximately 27.26% of the total assets of TRS as of June 30, 2004. The fixed-income portfolio uses a core-oriented strategy investing in U.S. Treasury securities, U.S. government agency securities, investment-grade corporate bonds, and mortgage-backed securities. The benchmark for the TRS bond portfolio is the Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index.

Over the 2004 Fiscal Year, the TRS domestic bond portfolio gained 0.61%, down from 10.69% the year before. The Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index returned 0.32%, versus 10.40% during 2003 Fiscal Year.

The international fixed-income portfolio, which represented about 3.63% of the total assets of TRS, returned 7.52% over the 2004 Fiscal Year, nearly equivalent to the 7.60% posted by the Salomon Brothers Non U.S. Government Index.

REAL ESTATE

At the end of the 2004 Fiscal Year, TRS had 7.68% of its portfolio invested in real estate. At fiscal year end, the real estate portfolio totaled \$300 million. The total return for real estate, net of fees, was 11.57% compared to 8.97% for the 2003 Fiscal Year. The five year total return was 9.26%.

ASPIB's real estate portfolio is made up of 31% apartment, 34% office, 24% industrial, 11% retail and 1% hotel.

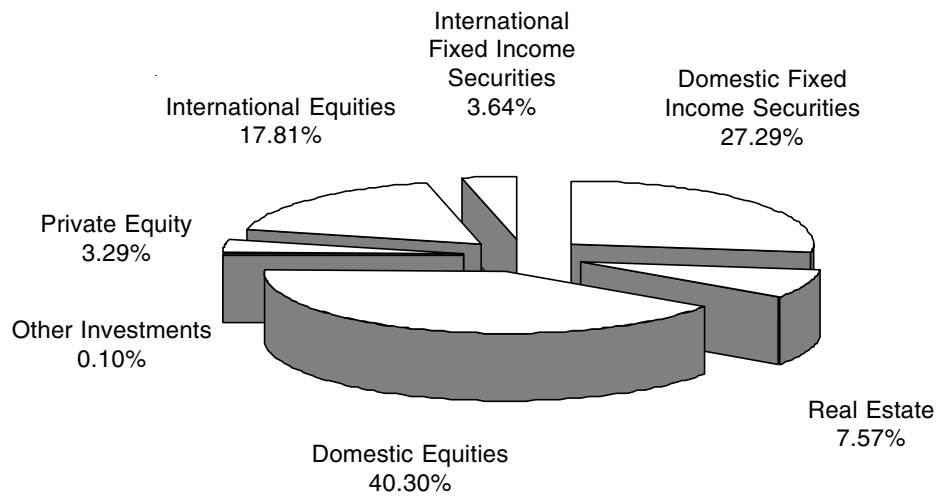
PRIVATE EQUITY

During the 2004 Fiscal Year the Private Equity component of the TRS portfolio showed a net return of 21.42% with a five year annualized return of 5.30%.

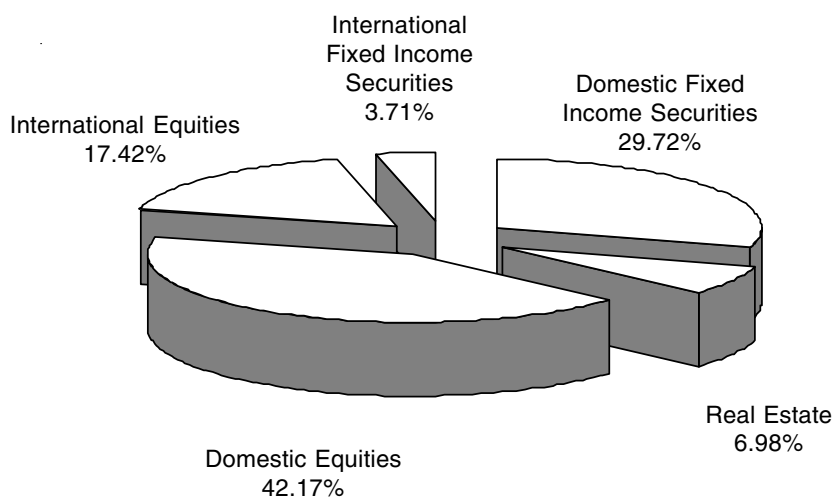
| Teachers' Retirement System Schedule of Investment Results Fiscal Years Ended June 30 | | | | | | | |
|--|---------|----------|----------|---------|--------|------------|---------|
| | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | Annualized | |
| | | | | | | 3 Year | 5 Year |
| Total Fund | | | | | | | |
| TRS | 10.15% | (5.35%) | (5.49%) | 3.68% | 15.09% | 4.09% | 3.29% |
| <i>Actuarial Earnings Rate</i> | 8.25% | 8.25% | 8.25% | 8.25% | 8.25% | 8.25% | 8.25% |
| U.S. Common Stock Returns | | | | | | | |
| TRS Domestic Equities | 10.41% | (12.20%) | (16.85%) | (0.97%) | 20.06% | (0.38%) | (0.85%) |
| <i>S&P 500</i> | 7.24% | (14.83%) | (17.99%) | 0.25% | 19.11% | (0.70%) | (2.20%) |
| International Stock Returns | | | | | | | |
| TRS International Equities | 20.59% | (16.92%) | (8.24%) | (5.11%) | 31.70% | 4.67% | 2.81% |
| <i>Morgan Stanley Capital International EAFE</i> | 18.11% | (23.83%) | (9.49%) | (6.46%) | 32.37% | 3.87% | 0.06% |
| Domestic Fixed Income | | | | | | | |
| TRS | 4.56% | 11.93% | 8.16% | 10.70% | 0.61% | 6.40% | 7.11% |
| <i>Lehman Brothers Aggregate Index*</i> | 1.69% | 11.22% | 8.63% | 10.40% | 0.32% | 6.36% | 6.96% |
| International Fixed Income | | | | | | | |
| TRS | (3.27%) | (5.68%) | 22.56% | 24.48% | 7.52% | 17.93% | 8.40% |
| <i>Salomon Non-U.S. Government</i> | 2.42% | (7.43%) | 15.73% | 17.90% | 7.60% | 13.66% | 6.84% |
| Real Estate Equity | | | | | | | |
| TRS | 8.43% | 11.37% | 5.24% | 8.97% | 11.55% | 8.61% | 9.29% |
| <i>NCREIF</i> | 11.61% | 11.15% | 5.60% | 7.64% | 10.83% | 7.97% | 9.40% |
| <p>S&P 500 = Standard & Poor's Domestic Equity Stock Index EAFE = Europe, Australia, and Far East Stock Index NCREIF = National Council of Real Estate Investment Fiduciaries Index</p> <p>The calculation of investment results were prepared using a time-weighted rate of return based on the market rate of return in accordance with the Association for Investment Management and Research (AIMR) Performance Presentation Standards.</p> <p>*Lehman Brothers Government/Corporate Index prior to 3/31/2000.</p> | | | | | | | |

**Teachers' Retirement System Trust Fund
Actual Asset Allocation**

June 30, 2004



June 30, 2003



**Alaska State Pension Investment Board
Top Ten Holdings by Asset Type
June 30, 2004**

Invested assets under the fiduciary responsibility of the Alaska State Pension Investment Board (ASPIB) have been commingled in various investment pools to minimize costs and maximize returns. Treasury Division has created nine different mutual fund-like pools to accomplish the investment asset allocation policies of the ASPIB. Using investment pools increases investment efficiency in three ways. First, combining individual funds' cash inflows and outflows to offset each other reduces the amount of cash on hand needed to support daily operations. Treasury can thus increase the return on funds not needed for daily cash operations. Second, pooling investments significantly reduces accounting, budgeting and administrative costs. Finally, the ASPIB can achieve economies of scale by making available investment options that could not otherwise be practically provided for smaller retirement funds. Following are the ten largest bond holdings and the ten largest equity holdings by market value.

| | Rank | Fair Value | Par Values/ Shares | Security | Coupon | Due | Credit Rating |
|-----------------|------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--------|------------|------------------|
| Bonds | 1 | \$199,205,372 | 199,300,000 | Federal National Mtg. Assn. | 0.000% | 7/14/2004 | A-1+ |
| | 2 | 97,305,155 | 97,275,000 | Federal National Mtg. Assn. | 5.000% | 2/1/2018 | AAA |
| | 3 | 94,428,924 | 94,745,000 | U.S. Treasury Note | 2.500% | 5/31/2006 | AAA |
| | 4 | 82,453,997 | 81,600,000 | U.S. Treasury Note | 4.800% | 5/15/2014 | AAA |
| | 5 | 81,897,299 | 84,503,863 | Federal National Mtg. Assn. | 5.000% | 3/1/2031 | AAA |
| | 6 | 57,212,500 | 57,500,000 | Federal National Mtg. Assn. | 5.500% | 3/1/2033 | AAA |
| | 7 | 48,507,152 | 39,348,000 | U.S. Treasury Bond | 7.500% | 11/15/2016 | AAA |
| | 8 | 40,249,475 | 39,854,872 | Master Alternative Loans Trust | 6.000% | 2/25/2034 | AAA |
| | 9 | 33,135,178 | 34,101,991 | Government National Mtg. Assn. | 5.000% | 9/15/2033 | AAA |
| | 10 | 31,987,747 | 32,205,000 | U.S. Treasury Note | 2.300% | 4/30/2006 | AAA |
| Equities | 1 | \$118,438,200 | 3,655,500 | General Electric Co. | | | |
| | 2 | 114,187,571 | 3,331,026 | Pfizer Inc. | | | |
| | 3 | 94,662,691 | 3,314,520 | Microsoft Corporation | | | |
| | 4 | 87,518,288 | 1,658,800 | Wal Mart Stores, Inc. | | | |
| | 5 | 83,396,460 | 1,169,984 | American International Group, Inc. | | | |
| | 6 | 82,822,785 | 1,864,958 | Exxon Mobil Corporation | | | |
| | 7 | 80,469,787 | 1,355,852 | Emerging Markets Growth Fund | | | |
| | 8 | 78,488,931 | 1,687,934 | Citigroup, Inc. | | | |
| | 9 | 72,114,465 | 5,463,217 | Mgt Emerging Markets Equity Fund | | | |
| | 10 | 71,065,925 | 124,760 | Wells Fargo Company | | | |

Additional investment information on the various pools and investments may be obtained from the Department of Revenue, Treasury Division, P.O. Box 110405, Juneau, Alaska 99811-0405.

**Teachers' Retirement System
Schedule of Investment Management Fees
Year Ended June 30, 2004**

| | Fair Value of Pooled Assets Under Management of all Retirement Funds in Pool as of June 30, 2004 | Fees |
|---|---|-------------------|
| External Management Fees | | |
| Domestic Fixed Income | | |
| BlackRock Financial Management, Inc. | <u>\$1,124,342,920</u> | <u>\$ 499,482</u> |
| International Fixed Income | | |
| Delaware International Advisers, Ltd. | <u>441,865,513</u> | <u>212,105</u> |
| Domestic Equity | | |
| Capital Guardian Trust Co. | 911,606,330 | 723,093 |
| John McStay Investment Counsel | - | 205,306 |
| TCW Asset Management Company | 276,694,373 | 598,693 |
| State Street Global Advisors S&P 500 Index Fund | 1,245,933,802 | 85,354 |
| Invesco Capital Management, Inc. | 629,918,856 | 271,527 |
| Lazard Freres Asset Management | 472,547,872 | 499,029 |
| McKinley Capital Management, Inc. | 258,953,686 | 291,164 |
| Dresdner RCM Global Investors | 445,419,327 | 413,270 |
| Tukman Capital Management, Inc. | 424,492,784 | 693,537 |
| Turner Investment Partners | <u>243,518,901</u> | <u>193,031</u> |
| Total Domestic Equity | <u>4,909,085,931</u> | <u>3,974,004</u> |
| Private Equity | | |
| Pathway Capital Management, LLC | 44,018,420 | 147,040 |
| Abbott Capital Management, L.P. | <u>353,785,528</u> | <u>327,783</u> |
| Total Private Equity | <u>397,803,948</u> | <u>474,823</u> |
| International Equity | | |
| Bank of Ireland Asset Management Ltd. | 376,911,016 | 423,374 |
| Brandes Investment Partners, L.P. | 760,967,591 | 865,483 |
| Lazard Freres Asset Management | 511,118,692 | 537,355 |
| Capital Guardian Trust Co. | <u>373,227,201</u> | <u>538,245</u> |
| Total International Equity | <u>2,022,224,500</u> | <u>2,364,457</u> |
| Emerging Markets Equity | | |
| J.P. Morgan Fleming Asset Management | 72,114,465 | 203,921 |
| Capital Guardian Trust Co. | <u>80,469,787</u> | <u>169,096</u> |
| Total Emerging Markets Equity | <u>152,584,252</u> | <u>373,017</u> |
| Total External Management Fees | <u>\$9,047,907,064</u> | <u>7,897,888</u> |

**Teachers' Retirement System
Schedule of Investment Management Fees (con't)
Year Ended June 30, 2004**

| | Fair Value of Pooled Assets Under Management of all Retirement Funds in Pool as of June 30, 2004 (con't) | Fees (con't) |
|---|---|---------------------|
| External Management Fees (con't) | | |
| Other Management Fees | | |
| Custodian | | |
| State Street Corporation | | <u>375,809</u> |
| Investment Advisory | | |
| Callan Associates Inc. | | 25,127 |
| The Townsend Group | | <u>48,736</u> |
| Total | | <u>73,863</u> |
| Investment Performance Measurement | | |
| Callan Associates Inc. | | <u>64,675</u> |
| Total Other Management Fees | | <u>514,347</u> |
| Total Management Fees | | <u>\$ 8,412,235</u> |

| Teachers' Retirement System Investment Summary Schedule June 30, 2004 | | | | | |
|--|--|---------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Teachers' Asset Allocation Policy | Range | Market Value | % of Asset Class | % of Total Assets |
| Participation in Pools Owning Fixed Income Securities | | | | | |
| Domestic | | | | | |
| Short-Term Fixed Income Pool | | | \$ 522,580 | 0.05% | 0.01% |
| Retirement Fixed Income Pool | | | 705,056,898 | 66.08% | 18.04% |
| External Domestic Fixed Income Pool | | | <u>361,318,017</u> | <u>33.87%</u> | <u>9.24%</u> |
| Total Domestic Fixed Income | 30% | 27-33% | 1,066,897,495 | <u>100.00%</u> | 27.29% |
| International | | | | | |
| International Fixed Income Pool | <u>3%</u> | <u>1-5%</u> | <u>142,128,648</u> | <u>100.00%</u> | <u>3.64%</u> |
| Total Fixed Income Securities | <u>33%</u> | <u>28-38%</u> | <u>1,209,026,143</u> | | <u>30.93%</u> |
| Participation in Pools Owning Domestic Equities | | | | | |
| Small cap⁽¹⁾ and Alternative Investments | | | | | |
| Domestic Equity Pool | | | <u>309,543,397</u> | <u>19.65%</u> | <u>7.92%</u> |
| Total Small Cap Domestic Equities and Alternative Investments | 6% | 4-8% | <u>309,543,397</u> | <u>19.65%</u> | <u>7.92%</u> |
| Large cap and Alternative Investments | | | | | |
| Domestic Equity Pool-active | | | 663,894,248 | 42.14% | 16.98% |
| Domestic Equity Pool-passive | | | <u>602,006,319</u> | <u>38.21%</u> | <u>15.40%</u> |
| Total Large Cap Domestic Equities and Alternative Investments | <u>31%</u> | <u>28-34%</u> | <u>1,265,900,567</u> | <u>80.35%</u> | <u>32.38%</u> |
| Total Domestic Equities | <u>37%</u> | <u>32-42%</u> | <u>1,575,443,964</u> | <u>100.00%</u> | <u>40.30%</u> |
| Participation in Pools Owning International Equities | | | | | |
| International Equity Pool | | | 642,588,831 | 92.33% | 16.44% |
| Emerging Markets Equity Pool | | | <u>53,407,169</u> | <u>7.67%</u> | <u>1.37%</u> |
| Total International Equities | <u>15%</u> | <u>12-18%</u> | <u>695,996,000</u> | <u>100.00%</u> | <u>17.81%</u> |
| Participation in Pools Owning Alternative Investments | | | | | |
| Private Equity Pools | 6% | 3-9% | 128,570,997 | 97.05% | 3.29% |
| Other Investment Pools | | | <u>3,896,845</u> | <u>2.95%</u> | <u>0.10%</u> |
| Total Alternative Investments | <u>6%</u> | <u>3-9%</u> | <u>132,467,842</u> | <u>100.00%</u> | <u>3.39%</u> |
| Participation in Real Estate | | | | | |
| Mortgages, net of allowances | | | 60,808 | 0.02% | 0.00% |
| Real Estate Pool | | | <u>295,894,158</u> | <u>99.98%</u> | <u>7.57%</u> |
| Total Real Estate | <u>9%</u> | <u>6-12%</u> | <u>295,954,966</u> | <u>100.00%</u> | <u>7.57%</u> |
| Total Invested Assets | <u>100%</u> | | <u>\$ 3,908,888,915</u> | | <u>100.00%</u> |

⁽¹⁾ Includes only securities held by those managers with small cap mandates. Does not include small cap holdings which may be held in other managers' portfolios.

**Teachers' Retirement System
Credit Risk of Investments
Pension Trust Funds
(Expressed in Thousands)
June 30, 2004**

| | Category | | | Fair Value |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|-------------------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | |
| Marketable debt securities | | | | |
| Domestic fixed income | \$ 1,066,375 | | | 1,066,375 |
| International fixed income | 142,129 | | | 142,129 |
| Equity securities | | | | |
| Domestic equities | 1,575,444 | | | 1,575,444 |
| International equities | 642,589 | — | — | 642,589 |
| | <u>\$ 3,426,537</u> | <u>—</u> | <u>—</u> | <u>3,426,537</u> |
| Not Categorized | | | | |
| Emerging market equities | | | | 53,407 |
| Private equities | | | | 128,571 |
| Real estate equities | | | | 295,955 |
| Other investments | | | | <u>3,897</u> |
| Total investments not categorized | | | | <u>481,830</u> |
| Total investments | | | | <u><u>3,908,367</u></u> |

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 3 requires disclosure regarding custodial credit risk to indicate the chance of loss in the event a financial institution or third party holding the System's securities fails. Those investments represented by specific, identifiable securities are classified into three categories of credit risk: Category 1 — Insured or registered, or securities held by the State or its custodian in the State's name; Category 2 — Uninsured or unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty's trust department (if a bank) or agent in the State's name; and Category 3 — Uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterparty, or by its trust department (if a bank) or agent, but not in the State's name. Category 1 is the highest level of safekeeping securities as defined by GASB.

The System's investments other than mortgage-related assets are represented by participation in investment pools rather than specific, identifiable securities. Although pooled investments represent the System's share of ownership in the pool rather than ownership of specific securities, all of the underlying securities in the pools are considered to be Category 1 as defined by GASB Statement No. 3. Shares in the Emerging market equity, Private equity, Real estate equity, and Other investments pools are not transferable financial instruments and therefore cannot be categorized with regard to custodial credit risk.

**Alaska State Pension Investment Board
Recaptured Commission Fees Received in FY 2004**

| | <u>Domestic Equity</u> | <u>International Equity</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|----------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| PERS | \$ 483,304 | 209,986 | 693,290 |
| TRS | 232,767 | 100,155 | 332,922 |
| Judicial | 4,452 | 2,044 | 6,496 |
| Military | <u>639</u> | <u>249</u> | <u>888</u> |
| Total | <u>\$ 721,162</u> | <u>312,434</u> | <u>1,033,596</u> |

The Alaska State Pension Investment Board (ASPIB) entered into a commission recapture program in late June 1995 with three large block brokerage firms. A commission recapture program is a form of directed brokerage that allows the plan sponsor to “recapture” a portion of commission dollars paid to broker-dealer firms for executing trades. In June 1995, the large capitalization domestic equity managers were asked to participate in the program targeting 20% of their trading value. The equity managers were asked to consider best execution first and foremost, but encouraged to participate in the commission recapture program when possible. In July 1996, ASPIB raised the level of elective participation for the large capitalization domestic equity managers from 20% to 30% of total trading activity. At that time ASPIB also requested that small capitalization managers participate in the commission recapture program when the opportunity was available to them.

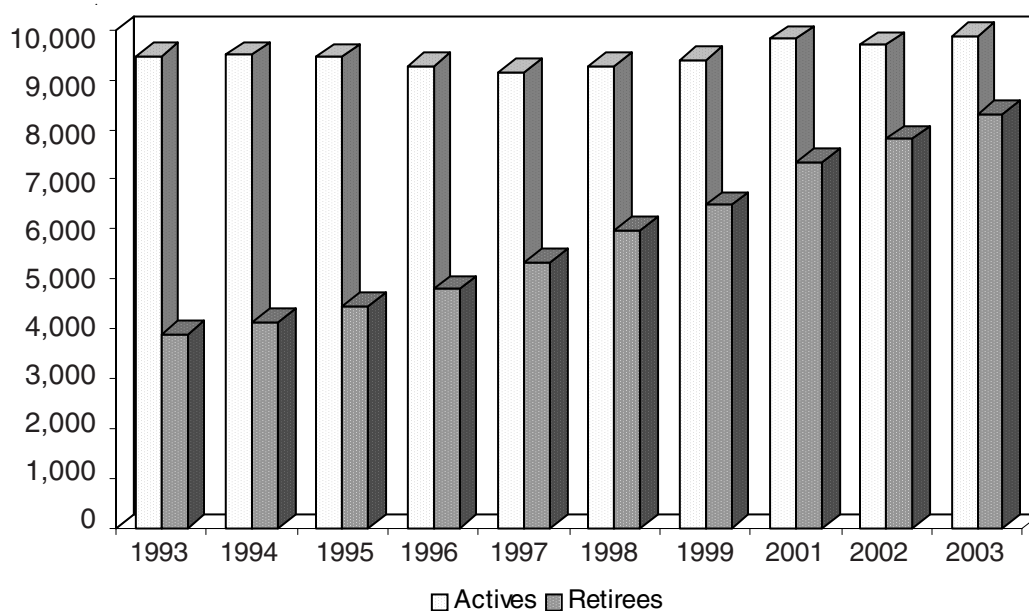
In January 1998, the ASPIB augmented its commission recapture program to include external managers that conduct international equity trades. As a result, a portion of the commission recapture payments received since January have resulted from international equity trades.

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| Teachers' Retirement System System Membership by Status | | | | | |
|--|--------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--|--------|
| Year ended June 30 | Active | Retirees & Beneficiaries | Vested Terminations | Nonvested Terminations w/Balance | Total |
| 1993 | 9,459 | 3,891 | 823 | 1,013 | 15,186 |
| 1994 | 9,489 | 4,134 | 930 | 1,090 | 15,643 |
| 1995 | 9,452 | 4,459 | 859 | 1,140 | 15,910 |
| 1996 | 9,259 | 4,803 | 1,116 | 1,195 | 16,373 |
| 1997 | 9,164 | 5,343 | 1,279 | 1,310 | 17,096 |
| 1998 | 9,262 | 5,979 | 1,064 | 1,285 | 17,590 |
| 1999 | 9,396 | 6,486 | 1,150 | 1,297 | 18,329 |
| 2001 | 9,815 | 7,333 | 767 | 2,207 | 20,122 |
| 2002 | 9,690 | 7,804 | 783 | 2,447 | 20,724 |
| 2003 | 9,873 | 8,312 | 708 | 2,327 | 21,220 |

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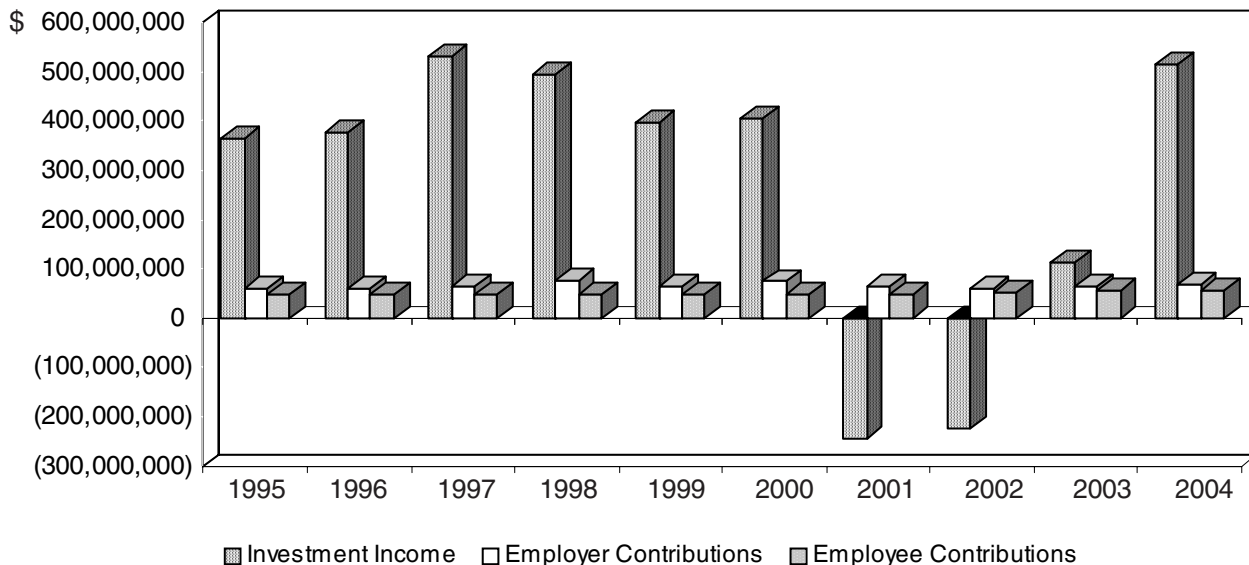
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM 10-YEAR COMPARISON OF ACTIVE AND RETIRED MEMBERS



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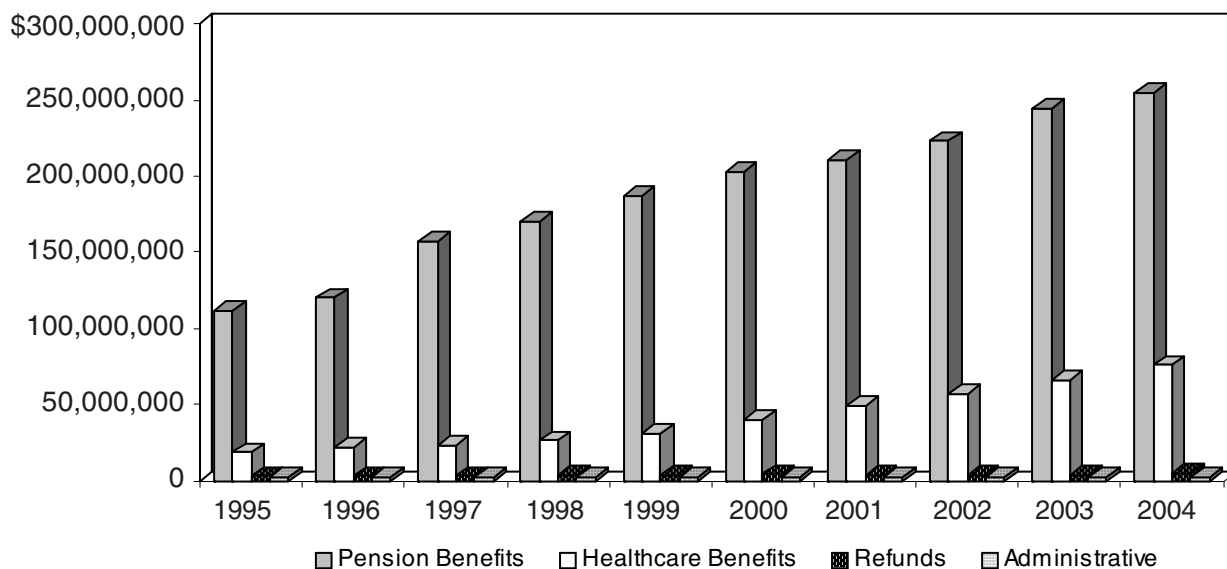
| Teachers' Retirement System Revenues by Source (000's omitted) | | | | | |
|---|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------|------------|
| Year ended June 30 | Plan Member Contributions | Employer Contributions | Investment Income (Loss) | Other | Total |
| 1995 | \$ 47,477 | \$ 60,018 | \$ 363,645 | \$ (6) | \$ 471,134 |
| 1996 | 47,980 | 61,162 | 379,312 | 27 | 488,481 |
| 1997 | 49,581 | 66,347 | 530,568 | - | 646,496 |
| 1998 | 50,056 | 77,782 | 496,990 | 10 | 624,838 |
| 1999 | 48,302 | 66,266 | 397,499 | 1 | 512,068 |
| 2000 | 48,505 | 74,714 | 406,609 | - | 529,828 |
| 2001 | 48,725 | 64,141 | (245,363) | (4) | (132,501) |
| 2002 | 51,074 | 61,402 | (225,234) | 4 | (112,754) |
| 2003 | 55,789 | 62,856 | 111,575 | 14 | 230,234 |
| 2004 | 57,365 | 68,692 | 513,964 | 77 | 640,098 |

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
10-YEAR COMPARISON OF REVENUES BY SOURCE**

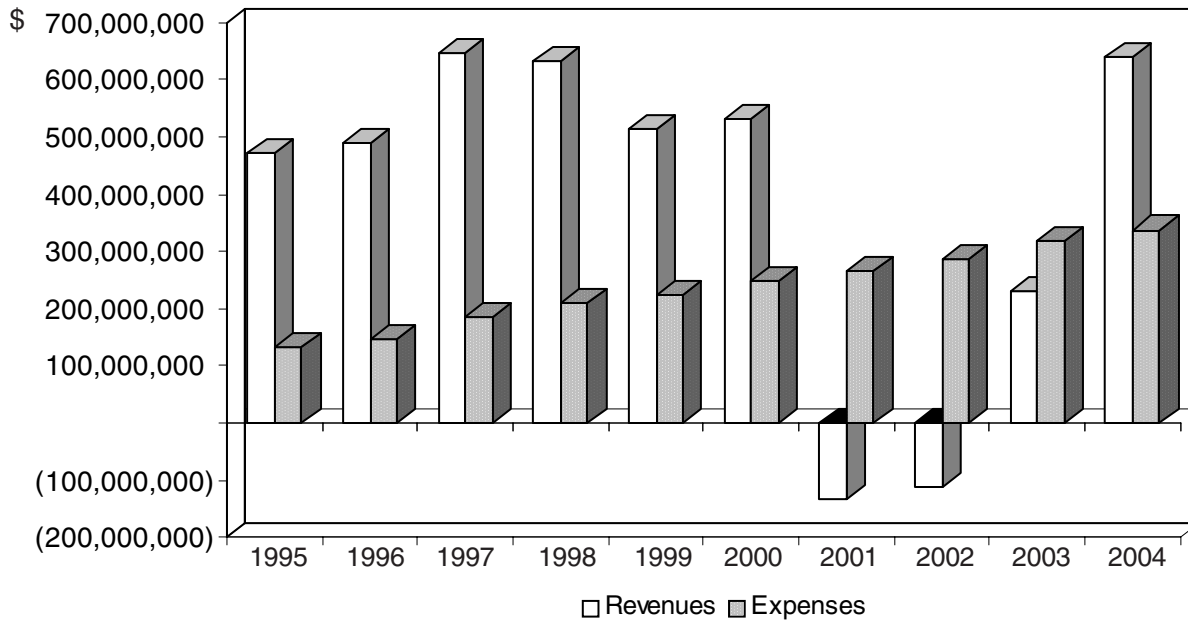


| Teachers' Retirement System Expenses by Type (000's omitted) | | | | | |
|---|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------|
| Year ended June 30 | Pension Benefits | Healthcare Benefits | Refunds of Contributions | Administrative Expenses | Total |
| 1995 | \$111,498 | \$18,264 | \$ 2,819 | \$ 1,821 | \$134,402 |
| 1996 | 119,949 | 21,655 | 2,629 | 2,055 | 146,288 |
| 1997 | 157,567 | 22,653 | 2,626 | 2,223 | 185,069 |
| 1998 | 169,831 | 26,123 | 3,489 | 2,231 | 201,674 |
| 1999 | 187,085 | 30,987 | 3,490 | 1,722 | 223,284 |
| 2000 | 202,927 | 40,183 | 4,118 | 1,717 | 248,945 |
| 2001 | 210,945 | 48,928 | 3,742 | 1,938 | 265,553 |
| 2002 | 222,897 | 56,946 | 3,120 | 2,095 | 285,058 |
| 2003 | 244,518 | 65,898 | 3,840 | 2,395 | 316,651 |
| 2004 | 255,409 | 75,601 | 4,189 | 2,203 | 337,402 |

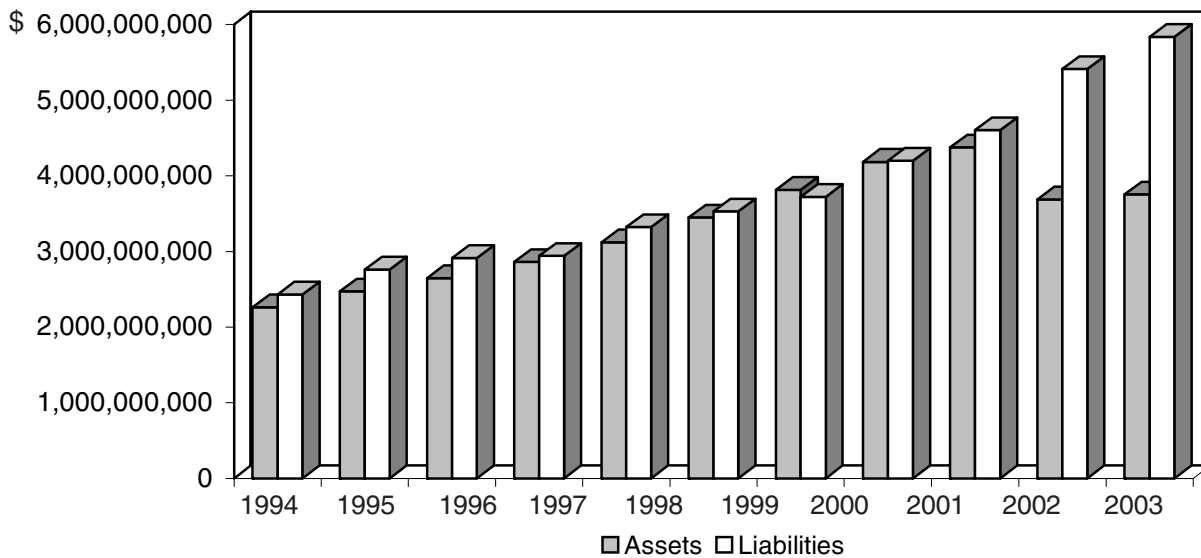
**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
10-YEAR COMPARISON OF EXPENSES BY TYPE**



TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM 10-YEAR COMPARISON OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES



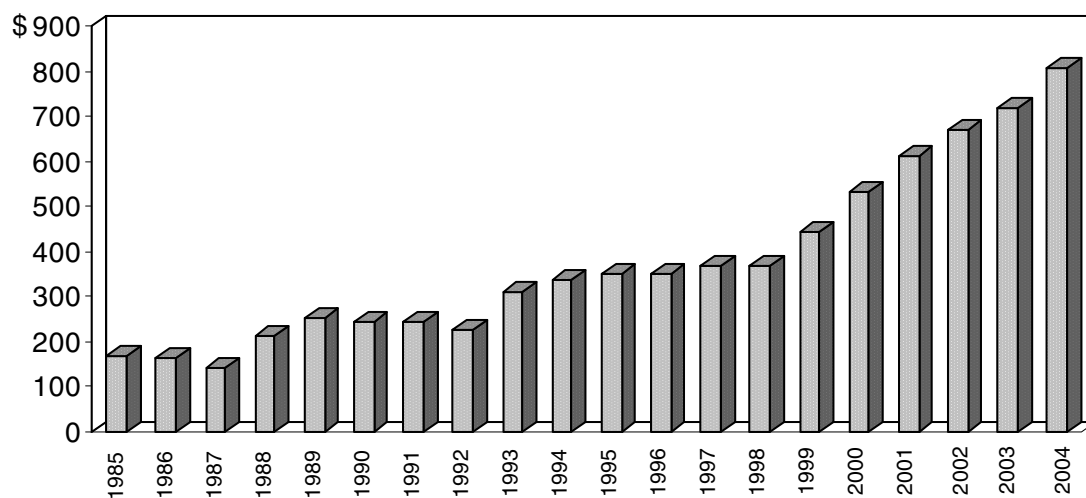
TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM 10-YEAR COMPARISON OF VALUATION ASSETS AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES



| Teachers' Retirement System Schedule of Benefit Expenses by Type (000's omitted) | | | | | | | | |
|---|-----------|------------|----------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| Year Ended June 30 | Service | Disability | Survivor | Dependent ⁽¹⁾ | COLA ⁽²⁾ | PRPA ⁽³⁾ | Healthcare | Total |
| 1995 | \$ 85,933 | \$2,546 | \$2,513 | \$ - | \$5,642 | \$14,864 | \$18,264 | \$129,762 |
| 1996 | 93,089 | 2,798 | 2,618 | - | 6,082 | 15,362 | 21,655 | 141,604 |
| 1997 ⁽¹⁾ | 147,259 | 3,943 | 6,322 | 43 | - | - | 22,653 | 180,220 |
| 1998 | 160,409 | 3,693 | 5,691 | 38 | - | - | 26,123 | 195,954 |
| 1999 | 176,830 | 3,775 | 6,384 | 96 | - | - | 30,987 | 218,072 |
| 2000 | 191,138 | 4,601 | 7,059 | 129 | - | - | 40,183 | 243,110 |
| 2001 | 201,338 | 3,410 | 5,784 | 413 | - | - | 48,928 | 259,873 |
| 2002 | 213,106 | 2,979 | 6,320 | 492 | - | - | 56,946 | 279,843 |
| 2003 | 234,253 | 2,872 | 6,901 | 492 | - | - | 65,898 | 310,416 |
| 2004 | 245,122 | 2,483 | 7,345 | 459 | - | - | 75,601 | 331,010 |

(1) Due to the implementation of a new computer system, COLA and PRPAs can now be combined with the appropriate base benefit and dependent benefits can be separated from survivor and disability benefits.
 (2) Cost-of-Living in Alaska (COLA)
 (3) Post-Retirement Pension Adjustment (PRPA)

**TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
 20-YEAR COMPARISON OF RETIREE MONTHLY HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS**



| Teachers' Retirement System Schedule of Benefit Recipients by Type of Benefit and Option Selected June 30, 2003 | | | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|------------|
| Amount of Monthly Benefit | Number of Recipients | Type of Benefit | | | Option Selected | | | |
| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| \$ 1 - \$ 300 | 105 | 82 | 23 | 0 | 58 | 20 | 21 | 6 |
| 301 - 600 | 270 | 211 | 59 | 0 | 151 | 50 | 57 | 12 |
| 601 - 900 | 466 | 371 | 95 | 0 | 266 | 93 | 82 | 25 |
| 901 - 1200 | 478 | 380 | 98 | 0 | 293 | 99 | 77 | 9 |
| 1201 - 1500 | 510 | 432 | 78 | 0 | 305 | 92 | 97 | 16 |
| 1501 - 1800 | 518 | 434 | 80 | 4 | 330 | 71 | 105 | 12 |
| 1801 - 2100 | 668 | 609 | 51 | 8 | 402 | 119 | 134 | 13 |
| 2101 - 2400 | 814 | 766 | 27 | 21 | 480 | 136 | 180 | 18 |
| 2401 - 2700 | 868 | 832 | 15 | 21 | 516 | 149 | 184 | 19 |
| 2701 - 3000 | 784 | 764 | 11 | 9 | 480 | 105 | 183 | 16 |
| 3001 - 3300 | 741 | 728 | 6 | 7 | 469 | 81 | 176 | 15 |
| 3301 - 3600 | 566 | 555 | 3 | 8 | 350 | 70 | 139 | 7 |
| 3601 - 3900 | 453 | 446 | 3 | 4 | 268 | 47 | 131 | 7 |
| 3901 - 4200 | 308 | 308 | 0 | 0 | 187 | 37 | 79 | 5 |
| over 4200 | 763 | 762 | 1 | 0 | 437 | 84 | 223 | 19 |
| Totals | 8,312 | 7,680 | 550 | 82 | 4,992 | 1,253 | 1,868 | 199 |

Type of Benefit
 1 - Normal retirement Option 1 - Whole Life Annuity
 2 - Survivor payment Option 2 - 75% Joint and Contingent Annuity
 3 - Disability Option 3 - 50% Joint and Contingent Annuity
 Option 4 - 66 2/3% Joint and Survivor Annuity

| Teachers' Retirement System Schedule of Average Benefit Payments New Benefit Recipients | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Years of Credited Service | | | | | | |
| | 0 - 4 | 5 - 9 | 10 - 14 | 15 - 19 | 20 - 24 | 25 - 29 | 30+ |
| Period 7/1/96 - 6/30/97: | | | | | | | |
| Average Monthly Benefit | \$ 996 | \$ 828 | \$1,042 | \$1,692 | \$2,493 | \$3,353 | \$3,812 |
| Number of Recipients | 19 | 42 | 71 | 77 | 151 | 153 | 52 |
| Period 7/1/97 - 6/30/98: | | | | | | | |
| Average Monthly Benefit | \$1,051 | \$ 850 | \$1,095 | \$1,842 | \$2,590 | \$3,443 | \$4,280 |
| Number of Recipients | 26 | 51 | 80 | 105 | 240 | 154 | 57 |
| Period 7/1/98 - 6/30/99: | | | | | | | |
| Average Monthly Benefit | \$1,230 | \$ 820 | \$1,152 | \$1,691 | \$2,510 | \$3,285 | \$3,756 |
| Number of Recipients | 23 | 43 | 67 | 81 | 176 | 153 | 55 |
| Period 7/1/99 - 6/30/01: | | | | | | | |
| Average Monthly Benefit | \$1,514 | \$1,021 | \$1,488 | \$1,935 | \$2,435 | \$2,551 | \$2,864 |
| Number of Recipients | 2 | 33 | 101 | 237 | 374 | 201 | 109 |
| Period 7/1/01 - 6/30/02: | | | | | | | |
| Average Monthly Benefit | \$ 532 | \$ 795 | \$1,168 | \$1,706 | \$2,455 | \$3,126 | \$3,915 |
| Number of Recipients | 4 | 36 | 62 | 78 | 180 | 137 | 92 |
| Period 7/1/02 - 6/30/03: | | | | | | | |
| Average Monthly Benefit | \$ 236 | \$ 899 | \$1,153 | \$2,350 | \$2,835 | \$3,969 | \$5,133 |
| Number of Recipients | 16 | 40 | 69 | 91 | 264 | 87 | 32 |

"Average Monthly Benefit" includes post-retirement pension adjustments and cost-of-living increases.

**Teachers' Retirement System
Participating Employers**

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| Alaska Department of Education | Lake and Peninsula Borough School District |
| Alaska Gateway School District | Lower Kuskokwim School District |
| Alaska, University of | Lower Yukon School District |
| Alaska State Legislature | |
| Aleutian Region School District | Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District |
| Aleutians East Borough School District | |
| Anchorage School District | Nenana City School District |
| Annette Island School District | Nome City School District |
| | North Slope Borough School District |
| Bering Strait School District | Northwest Arctic Borough School District |
| Bristol Bay Borough School District | |
| | Pelican City School District |
| Chatham School District | Petersburg City School District |
| Chugach School District | Pribilof School District |
| Copper River School District | |
| Cordova City School District | Saint Mary's School District |
| Craig City School District | Sitka Borough School District |
| | Skagway City School District |
| Delta-Greely School District | Southeast Island School District |
| Denali Borough School District | Southeast Regional Resource Center |
| Dillingham City School District | Southwest Region School District |
| | Special Education Service Agency |
| Fairbanks North Star Borough School District | |
| | Tanana School District |
| Galena City School District | |
| | Unalaska City School District |
| Haines Borough School District | |
| Hoonah City School District | Valdez City School District |
| Hydaburg City School District | |
| | Wrangell Public School District |
| Iditarod Area School District | |
| | Yakutat School District |
| Juneau School District, City and Borough of | Yukon Flats School District |
| | Yukon-Koyukuk School District |
| Kake City School District | Yupiit School District |
| Kashunamiut School District | |
| Kenai Peninsula Borough School District | |
| Ketchikan Gateway Borough School District | |
| Klawock City School District | |
| Kodiak Island Borough School District | |
| Kuspuk School District | |

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