FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014



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Management's Discussion and Analysis

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015

The following is a discussion and analysis of the NC Board of Architecture's (the "Board") financial performance for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. Please read it in conjunction with the financial statements which follow this section.

Financial Highlights

The operating revenues of the Board increased by \$19,689 due primarily to an increase in late fees collected for individual and corporate renewals along with an increase in corporate renewals and individual reinstatement fees. The operating expenses of the Board increased by \$6,737, due primarily to increases in salaries, legal fees and computer services. Non-operating revenues decreased by \$6,203 primarily due to greater unrealized losses on investments and a decrease in interest and dividend income.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is an introduction to the Board's basic financial statements, which are comprised of two components: (1) financial statements, and (2) notes to financial statements. This report also contains required supplementary information in addition to the basic financial statements.

Basic Financial Statements

The financial statements of the Board report information about the Board using accounting methods similar to those used by private sector companies.

The Statements of Net Position (page 5) present assets and liabilities separately.

The Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position (page 6) present information on how the Board's assets changed as a result of the years' operations.

The Statements of Cash Flows (page 7) present information on how the Board's cash changed as a result of the years' activity.

The following presents condensed financial information on the operations of the Board:

	As of and for the fiscal year ended		As of and for the fiscal year ended		As of and for the fiscal year ended	
		June 30, 2015		ne 30, 2014		ine 30, 2013
Current assets	\$	1,878,663	\$	1,788,849	\$	1,660,626
Capital assets, net of depreciation		41,690		7,110		12,449
Total assets		1,920,353		1,795,959		1,673,075
Current liabilities		377,903		338,994		299,240
Non-current liabilities		21,938		21,266		16,200
Total liabilities		399,841		360,260		315,440
Invested in capital assets		41,690		7,110		12,449
Unrestricted		1,478,822		1,428,589		1,345,186
Total net position	\$	1,520,512	\$	1,435,699	\$	1,357,635
Operating revenues	\$	551,638	\$	531,949	\$	544,496
Operating expenses		474,952		468,215		462,133
Operating income		76,686		63,734		82,363
Non-operating revenues		8,127		14,330		966
Changes in net position	\$	84,813	\$	78,064	\$	83,329

Events Affecting Future Operations

The Board began a software project during the fiscal year to update the Board's database system and anticipate completion of the system during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016.

In order to develop and maintain its information technology and develop programs that will enhance the Board's ability to carry out its statutory charges, a fee ceiling increase should be considered.

Contacting the Board's Management

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Board's finances and to demonstrate the Board's accountability for the money it receives and expends. If you have any questions about this report or need additional information, contact: NC Board of Architecture, 127 W. Hargett Street, Suite 304, Raleigh, NC 27601.



Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors NC Board of Architecture Raleigh, North Carolina

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the NC Board of Architecture (the "Board"), an enterprise fund of the State of North Carolina, which comprise the statements of net position as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Board's basic financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

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

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these basic 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 audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the basic financial statements are free from material misstatement.

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

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the basic financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the NC Board of Architecture as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements presented are only for the NC Board of Architecture; and do not purport to, and do not present fairly the financial position of the State of North Carolina as of June 30, 2015 and 2014, or the changes in its financial position and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the Management's Discussion and Analysis, on pages 1 – 2, be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Bernard Robinson & Company, S.S.P.

Raleigh, North Carolina September 2, 2015

Statements of Net Position June 30, 2015 and 2014

ASSETS:	2015	2014
Current assets:		
Cash	\$ 825,474	\$ 750,129
Prepaid services	6,500	\$ 750,129
Investments	1,046,689	1,038,720
Total current assets	1,878,663	1,788,849
Capital assets:		
Furniture and equipment, net of depreciation	41,690	7,110
Total assets	1,920,353	1,795,959
LIABILITIES:		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable	8,803	20,894
Due to the State Treasurer	64,500	24,650
Unearned revenues	304,600	293,450
Total current liabilities	377,903	338,994
Noncurrent liabilities:		
Lease obligation	4,451	4,451
Accrued vacation pay	17,487	16,815
Total noncurrent liabilities	21,938	21,266
Total liabilities	399,841	360,260
NET POSITION:		
Invested in capital assets	41,690	7,110
Unrestricted	1,478,822	1,428,589
Total net position	\$ 1,520,512	\$ 1,435,699

Statements of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position Years Ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
Operating revenues:		
Individual renewals	\$ 270,600	\$ 269,725
Corporate renewals	149,850	142,550
Reciprocity	32,400	32,700
Individual reinstatement fees	16,000	11,500
Individual late fees	47,900	42,775
New firm registrations	10,875	10,950
Firm late fees	14,550	11,150
Application fees	6,150	5,300
Certification fees	2,750	3,000
Miscellaneous	563	2,299
Total operating revenues	551,638	531,949
Operating expenses:		
Salaries and wages	185,185	178,034
Employee benefits	27,687	30,116
Payroll taxes	13,955	13,389
Legal fees	73,918	48,086
Equipment - maintenance and rental	3,368	3,980
Travel and subsistence	21,541	21,299
Rent	47,194	53,342
Board member per diem	10,323	10,311
Contractual services	1,333	629
Advertising	-	455
Postage and supplies	4,793	3,391
Registration and dues	12,390	12,394
Printing	2,881	539
Audit	6,700	6,500
Payroll service fees	3,374	3,033
Insurance	5,244	5,611
Telephone	3,852	3,180
Computer services	35,959	55,125
Miscellaneous	13,171	11,398
Depreciation	2,084	7,403
Total operating expenses	474,952	468,215
Operating income	76,686	63,734
Non-operating revenues (expenses):		
Interest and dividend income	16,240	19,916
Unrealized loss on investments	(8,113)	(5,586)
Total non-operating revenues	8,127	14,330
Changes in net position	84,813	78,064
Net position - beginning of year	1,435,699	1,357,635
Net position - end of year	\$ 1,520,512	\$ 1,435,699
Notes to Financial Statements		

Statements of Cash Flows

Years Ended June 30, 2015 and 2014

		2015	2014
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash received from fees	\$	562,788	\$ 545,999
Cash payments to employees for services		(184,513)	(177,419)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services		(203,755)	(190,440)
Cash payments for other expenses		(62,669)	(61,012)
Net cash provided by operating activities		111,851	 117,128
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Investment income		16,240	19,916
Purchase of investments		(16,082)	 (19,684)
Net cash provided by investing activities		158	232
Cash flows from capital and related financing activities:			
Acquisition of capital assets		(36,664)	(2,063)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities		(36,664)	 (2,063)
Net increase in cash		75,345	115,297
Cash - beginning of year		750,129	 634,832
Cash - end of year	\$	825,474	\$ 750,129
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash			
provided by operating activities:			
Operating income	\$	76,686	\$ 63,734
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash			
provided by operating activities:		0.004	7.402
Depreciation Changes in a section of the little and the little an		2,084	7,403
Changes in assets and liabilities:		((, 500)	1 171
Prepaid expenses		(6,500)	1,171
Accounts payable		(12,091)	3,554
Due to the State Treasurer		39,850	22,150
Unearned revenues		11,150	14,050
Lease obligation		-	4,451
Accrued vacation pay	ф.	672	 615
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$	111,851	\$ 117,128

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Description of Organization

The NC Board of Architecture (the "Board") is an independent State agency. It is an occupational licensing board authorized by Chapter 93B of the *North Carolina General Statutes*, and established under Chapter 83A of the *North Carolina General Statutes* to maintain minimum standards for services provided by architects. The Board formally consists of seven members appointed by the Governor. The Board's operations are funded primarily through license renewal fees.

Financial Reporting Entity

The concept underlying the definition of the financial reporting entity is that elected officials are accountable to their constituents for their actions. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP"), the financial reporting entity includes both the primary government and all of its component units. An organization other than a primary government serves as a nucleus for a reporting entity when it issues separate financial statements. The accompanying financial statements present only the funds and activities for which the Board is responsible.

For financial reporting purposes, the Board is a nonmajor enterprise fund of the primary government of the State of North Carolina and is reported as such in the State's *Comprehensive Annual Financial Report* (CAFR). These financial statements for the Board are separate and apart from those of the State of North Carolina and do not present the financial position of the State or changes in the State's financial position and cash flows.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with GAAP as prescribed by Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB").

All activities of the Board are accounted for within a single proprietary (enterprise) fund. Proprietary funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of the governing body is that the cost of providing goods or services to the general public on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

Basis of Accounting

The basic financial statements of the Board are prepared using the economic resource measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The economic measurement focus measures al assets that are available to the entity, not only cash or soon to be cash assets. Both long-term assets and long-term liabilities are measured, and depreciation is record as a cost of operations. Under the accrual basis, revenues are recognized when earned, and expenses are recorded when a liability has been incurred, regardless of the timing of the cash flows.

The Board classifies its revenues and expenses as operating and non-operating in the accompanying statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net position. Operating revenues include activities that have characteristics of exchange transactions and consist primarily of license renewal fees. Non-operating revenues and expenses include activities that have characteristics of non-exchange transactions and consist primarily of investing type activities.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Cash

For purposes of the statements of cash flows, the Board considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash.

Investments

The Board reports investments at fair value, which is based on readily available published values. The Board's investments consist of various mutual funds. Money market funds invested through brokerage accounts are considered investments.

Capital Assets

Furniture and equipment purchases of \$500 or more with an expected useful life greater than one year are considered capital assets. Capital assets are recorded at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Furniture and equipment are depreciated over a 5-year period. When an asset is disposed of, the cost of the asset and the related accumulated depreciation are removed from the books. Any gain or loss on disposition is reflected as a non-operating activity.

Unearned Revenues

The Board's fees for individual license renewals are assessed and collected on a fiscal year basis, which corresponds with the accounting period. Individual licenses are renewed for a period of one fiscal year. Individual license renewal fees received prior to the end of the fiscal year are deferred and recognized as revenue in the period to which they relate. Annual corporate renewals are assessed and collected on a calendar year basis. Unearned revenue is recorded at June 30 to report the renewal fees not earned as of the Board's fiscal year-end.

Lease Obligation

The Board's lease for office space provides for annual increases and 3 months of free rent. These amounts are recognized on a straight-line basis over the 7-year lease period. The difference between rent expense recognized and rental payments, per the lease, is reflected as lease obligation in the financial statements.

Accrued Vacation Pay

The vacation policy of the Board provides for the accumulation of up to 30 days earned vacation leave with such leave being fully vested when earned.

The Board's sick leave policy provides for an unlimited accumulation of earned sick leave. There is no liability for unpaid accumulated sick leave because the Board has no obligation to pay sick leave upon employee termination or retirement.

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Net Position

The Board's net position is classified as follows:

Invested in Capital Assets - This represents the Board's total investment in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation.

Unrestricted - This represents assets with no external restriction as to use or purpose. This equity can be employed for any purpose designated by the governing board.

Designations of net position represent management's estimates based on perceived operating conditions and situations.

The Board designated amounts up to \$1,500,000 as of June 30, 2015, as follows:

Litigation	\$ 1,000,000
Operating expenses	400,000
Technology updates	100,000
Total reserved balances	\$ 1,500,000

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amount of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates and assumptions, resulting in adjustments in future periods.

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

The Board has a formal investment policy to establish investment objectives, standards of prudence, eligible investments, and safekeeping and custodial procedures necessary for the prudent management of the private funds maintained by the Board. The Board maintains cash deposits within a single, private financial institution. The Board maintains investments in two separate accounts managed by the same broker, and both accounts contain limited-term government securities mutual funds. The investment accounts are uninsured, and the mutual funds have no ratings.

At June 30, 2015, the Board had cash deposits that exceeded the Federal Depository Insurance Corporation's limits of \$250,000 by \$1,372,482. The Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC) is a nonprofit membership corporation funded by its member securities broker-dealers. The SIPC insures against the loss or theft of securities as well as the failure or insolvency of the brokerage firm. Also, at June 30, 2015, the Board owned investments that exceeded the SIPC limit of \$500,000 by \$546,689.

Notes to Financial Statements

NOTE 2 - DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The Board is subject to the following risks:

Custodial credit risk: Custodial credit risk is the risk that in the event of a bank failure, the Board's deposits may not be returned to it. The Board does not have a formal deposit policy for custodial credit risk. The Board's deposits with each commercial bank are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") up to \$250,000.

Interest rate risk: Interest rate risk is the risk that the Board may face should interest rate variances affect the fair value of investments.

Credit risk: Credit risk is the risk that an issuer or other counterparty to an investment will not fulfill its obligation. The Board's current investments are limited to mutual funds.

Investments consist of a mutual fund comprised of short-term government and agency bonds. The Fund may invest up to 20% in non-U.S. government securities, which carry greater risk.

Investments are presented at fair value based on the market prices at June 30, 2015 and 2014.

			Unrealized
	Cost	Market	Gain (Loss)
June 30, 2015	\$1,135,043	\$ 1,046,689	\$ (88,354)
June 30, 2014	\$ 1,118,961	\$ 1,038,720	\$ (80,241)

NOTE 3 - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets were comprised of the following:

	Cost 6/30/2014	Additions	Disposals	Cost 6/30/2015	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Amount
Furniture/ equipment	\$144,746	\$ 36,664	\$ -	\$ 181,410	\$ 139,720	\$ 41,690
	Cost 6/30/2013	Additions	Disposals	Cost 6/30/2014	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Amount
Furniture/ equipment	\$142,683	\$ 2,063	\$ -	\$ 144,746	\$ 137,636	\$ 7,110

NOTE 4 - ACCRUED VACATION

Changes to accrued vacation are as follows:

2015		2014	
\$	16,815	\$ 16,200	
	14,437	12,840	
	(13,765)	(12,225)	
\$	17,487	\$ 16,815	
	\$	\$ 16,815 14,437 (13,765)	

NOTE 5 - OPERATING LEASE

The Board's new lease was negotiated in November 2013 to replace the prior lease. The new lease term is for seven years beginning December 1, 2013 and ending on November 30, 2020. Rent expense for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, totaled \$47,194 and \$48,891, respectively. Under the current lease, future minimum rent payments are as follows:

Years Ending June 30	
2016	\$ 41,034
2017	45,895
2018	46,927
2019	47,983
	\$ 181,839

NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT PLAN

The Board has a simplified employee pension plan covering all employees who have performed services for the Board in at least one of the immediately preceding five calendar years. Participants may elect to contribute one percent to fifteen percent of their compensation to the plan each year and are fully vested in all contributions. The Board contributes 6% of compensation for all eligible employees. Total participant contributions in any calendar year are subject to limitations set by the Internal Revenue Code. For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, the Board contributed \$11,071 and \$10,481, respectively, on behalf of its employees. For the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014, the employees contributed \$10,900 and \$10,481, respectively.

NOTE 7 - RISK MANAGEMENT

The Board is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and the destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These exposures to loss are managed using a combination of the purchase of commercial insurance and various State coverages. Tort claims of board members are self-insured by the State, under the authority of the State Tort Claims Act. Additional coverage is provided to the Board under the State's public officers' and employees' liability insurance contract.

NOTE 8 - SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management of the Board evaluated subsequent events through September 2, 2015, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Management discovered no subsequent events that should be disclosed.

The Board's audit was conducted in approximately 85 hours at a total cost of \$6,900.