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Teachers' Retirement System State of Montana

Actuarial Valuation As of July 1, 2012







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Members of the Board:

In this report are submitted the results of the annual valuation of the assets and liabilities of the Teachers' Retirement System of Montana (TRS), prepared as of July 1, 2012.

The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the funded status of the System as of July 1, 2012 and to identify the annual employer contribution rate necessary to fund TRS on an actuarially sound basis in conformity with the Funding Policy adopted by the Board. While not verifying the data at source, the actuary performed tests for consistency and reasonability. On the basis of this valuation, it is recommended that employers make contributions to the Retirement System at the rate of 14.85% of payroll effective July 1, 2013. This is an increase of 4.89% over the current statutory rate.

The promised benefits of the System are included in the actuarially calculated contribution rates which are developed using the Entry Age Normal cost method. Four-year market related value of assets is used for actuarial valuation purposes. Gains and losses are reflected in the unfunded accrued liability that is being amortized by regular annual contributions as a level percentage of payroll, on the assumption that payroll will increase by 4.50% annually. The assumptions recommended by the actuary and adopted by the Board are in the aggregate reasonably related to the experience under the Fund and to reasonable expectations of anticipated experience under the Fund.

As a result of the actuarial valuation of the benefits in effect under the Montana Teachers' Retirement System as of July 1, 2012, we find the current statutory contribution is not sufficient to fund the Retirement System on an actuarially sound basis as set forth in the Board's adopted Funding and Benefits Policy. The stated objective of the policy is to amortize the unfunded liability over a closed 30 year period. The amortization period based on the current actuarial value of assets and statutory contribution rates is infinite. Measured by this standard, the System is not actuarially sound.



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This is to certify that the independent consulting actuary is a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and has experience in performing valuations for public retirement systems, that the valuation was prepared in accordance with principles of practice prescribed by the Actuarial Standards Board, and that the actuarial calculations were performed by qualified actuaries in accordance with accepted actuarial procedures, based on the current provisions of the retirement system and on actuarial assumptions that are internally consistent and reasonably based on the actual experience of the System.

Future actuarial results may differ significantly from the current results presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Since the potential impact of such factors is outside the scope of a normal annual actuarial valuation, an analysis of the range of results is not presented herein.

In our opinion, in order for the System to operate in an actuarially sound manner, contribution rates sufficient to fund TRS within the parameters defined by the Board's Funding and Benefits Policy and set forth herein are necessary for future fiscal years. Assuming that these contributions are made to the System, from year to year in the future at the rates recommended on the basis of the successive actuarial valuations, the continued sufficiency of the retirement fund to provide the benefits called for under the System may be safely anticipated.

The Table of Contents, which immediately follows, outlines the material contained in the report.

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Section I

Summary of Findings

For convenience of reference, the principal results of the valuation and a comparison with the preceding year's results are summarized below:

(Dollar amounts in thousands)

VALUATION DATE		July 1, 2012		July 1, 2011
Active members				-
Number				
Full-Time Members		12,202		12,506
Part-Time Members		6,170		5,978
Annual valuation compensation	\$	735,587	\$	746,694
Retired members and beneficiaries				
Number		13,363		12,899
Annual allowances	\$	267,851	\$	250,500
Inactive Members				
Vested Terminated Members		1,566		1,580
Non-Vested Terminated Members		11,172		10,727
Assets				
Actuarial value	\$	2,852,007	\$	2,866,483
Market value		2,932,202		2,972,419
Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)	\$	4,814,726	\$	4,658,594
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)	\$	1,962,719	\$	1,792,110
Funded Ratio		59.24%		61.53%
Market Value Rate of Return		2.21%		21.67%
STATUTORY AND ANNUAL REQUIRED CONTRIBUTI	ON E	FFECTIVE 7/	1/20	13
Total Normal Rate				9.65%
Employee Contribution Rate				<u>7.15%</u>
Employer Normal Rate				2.50%
Employer Statutory Contribution Rate				
Normal Rate				2.50%
UAAL Rate				7.46%
Total Rate				9.96%
Amortization Period (Years)				Infinite
Employer Contribution Necessary to Amortize Unfunded Liability C	Over 3	0 Years		
Normal Rate				2.50%
UAAL Rate				<u>12.35%</u>
Total Rate				14.85%
Required Increase in Statutory Contribution Rate				4.89%



As a result of this actuarial valuation of the benefits in effect under the Montana Teachers' Retirement System as of July 1, 2012, we find the current schedule of contributions (shown in the "History of Legislated Contributions" below) is not sufficient to amortize the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) of the Retirement System over 30 years. The Funded Ratio is 59.24%. A 30-year amortization period is the maximum acceptable amortization period specified in Statements No. 25 and 27 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). Therefore, when measured by that standard, the System is not actuarially sound. In addition, the current statutory contribution rates do not meet other parameters stated in the Board's Funding and Benefits Policy.

History of Legislated Contributions (as a Percent of Pay)

School District and Other Employers

				Total employee
	<u>Members</u>	Employers	General fund	& employer
Prior to July 1, 2007	7.15%	7.47%	0.11%	14.73%
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2009	7.15%	7.47%	2.39%	16.73%
July 1, 2009 and after	7.15%	7.47%	2.49%	17.11%

State and University Employers

				l otal employee
	<u>Members</u>	Employers	General fund	& employer
Prior to July 1, 2007	7.15%	7.47%	0.11%	14.73%
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2009	7.15%	9.47%	0.11%	16.73%
July 1, 2009 and after	7.15%	9.85%	0.11%	17.11%

Contribution Increases to Amortize UAAL Over 30 Years

Based on the results of the July 1, 2012 valuation, the current statutory contribution rate of 17.11% is not sufficient to amortize the UAAL over 30 years due primarily to recognition of prior years investment losses and contribution deficits. As a result, the required contribution rate determined as of July 1, 2012 indicates that the contributions to the System must be increased 4.89% of pay (17.11% to 22.00%) in order for the System to be funded in an actuarially sound manner and within the parameters defined by the TRS Board's Funding and Benefits Policy.

The required increases will meet the funding policy adopted by the Board and will amortize the UAAL over a 30 year period beginning July 1, 2013.

Calculations based on the Market Value of Assets

MCA 19-20-201 requires this report to show how market performance is affecting the actuarial funding of the Retirement System. The July 1, 2012 market value of assets is \$80.2 million more than the actuarial value of assets. This is due to the smoothing of investment gains and losses over a four year period. If the market value of assets was used, the amortization period would be 99 years, and the Funded Ratio would be 60.90%.

Based on market assets, a contribution increase of 4.34% of pay (17.11% to 21.45%) is projected to amortize the UAAL over a 30 year period beginning July 1, 2013.



Additional Details

MCA 19-20-604 states that the contribution from the State General Fund will be reduced by 0.11% when the amortization period of the System's UAAL is 10 years or less according to the System's latest actuarial valuation.

The actuarial costs are calculated using the entry age actuarial cost method. This is the method used by most public plans. It is designed to provide a stable contribution rate as a percent of member pay. This actuarial valuation measures the adequacy of the contribution rates set in Montana State Law.

Investment Experience

The market assets earned 2.21% net of investment and operating expenses. As a result of prior years unrecognized losses, the actuarial assets earned 3.21% which is 4.54% less than the actuarial assumption of 7.75%. The return on the actuarial assets differs from the return on market assets because the actuarial value of assets spreads gains and losses over four years. The following chart compares the annual returns for the past ten years.

Year	Market Return	Actuarial Return	Market Return over Assumption*	Actuarial Return over Assumption*
7/1/2002 to 6/30/2003	6.16%	1.60%	(1.84)%	(6.40)%
7/1/2003 to 6/30/2004	13.31%	2.12%	5.31%	(5.88)%
7/1/2004 to 6/30/2005	8.04%	2.71%	0.29%	(5.04)%
7/1/2005 to 6/30/2006	8.91%	8.46%	1.16%	0.71%
7/1/2006 to 6/30/2007	17.64%	10.22%	9.89%	2.47%
7/1/2007 to 6/30/2008	(4.88)%	7.18%	(12.63)%	(0.57)%
7/1/2008 to 6/30/2009	(20.80)%	(10.26)%	(28.55)%	(18.01)%
7/1/2009 to 6/30/2010	12.87%	9.78%	5.12%	2.03%
7/1/2010 to 6/30/2011	21.67%	(0.13)%	13.92%	(7.88)%
7/1/2011 to 6/30/2012	2.21%	3.21%	(5.54)%	(4.54)%

^{*} The actuarial assumption was 8.0% through 6/30/2004 and 7.75% thereafter.

Asset gains or losses result when the return on the actuarial value of assets differs from the actuarial investment return assumption of 7.75% (8.0% before July 1, 2004).

On a market value basis the System earned \$345.0 million more than anticipated by the 7.75% assumption in the year ended June 30, 2011 and \$161.8 million less than anticipated by the 7.75% assumption in the year ended June 30, 2012. The net result as of July 1, 2012 is that the market value of assets is \$80.2 million more than the actuarial value of assets. This \$80.2 million in unrecognized asset gains will cause the contributions needed to amortize the UAAL in future valuations to decrease. However, to stay financially sound in the future, the System will need either (1) additional future gains such as asset returns over the 7.75% assumption, or (2) an increase in contribution rates or some of both.



Recent Contribution Increases

As shown in the "History of Legislated Contributions" at the beginning of this section, the employer contributions from the General Fund have increased to 2.49% of pay as of July 1, 2009. The supplemental contribution to ensure university member benefits are funded by university employers supplemental contribution rate was increased from 4.04% to 4.72% of Optional Retirement Plan (ORP) member pay at July 1, 2007. These additional contributions helped bring the amortization period of the System's UAAL under 30 years at July 1, 2007. The valuation that determined the 4.72% contribution rate of ORP member pay was based on the valuation completed as of July 1, 2006. Based on the recent ORP valuation completed as of July 1, 2010, the supplemental contribution needs to be increased to 8.54% to maintain actuarial soundness and an amortization period within 30 years. Unfortunately, cumulative poor asset performance for the three years ended June 30, 2010 resulted in the increase in contributions.

Amortization Period Changes

The July 1, 2011 actuarial valuation calculated an amortization period of 71 years for the UAAL. The experience loss (primarily asset losses) increased the amortization period. The resulting amortization period at July 1, 2012 is infinite.

Funding and Benefits Policy

The Teachers' Retirement System has adopted a Funding and Benefits Policy to provide general guidelines to help ensure decisions are made based on sound, consistent, and thoroughly examined criteria. The Funding and Benefits Policy includes guidance on the following topics:

1) Additional Funding

a) The Funding and Benefits Policy states: "The Board will recommend to the Governor and the Legislature that funding of the Retirement System be increased and/or liabilities of the Retirement System be reduced, whenever the most recent actuarial valuation shows the amortization period or the unfunded liabilities 1) exceeds 30 years, and the Board cannot reasonably anticipate that the amortization period will decline or the funded ratio will improve without an increase in funding sources and/or a reduction in liabilities, or 2) is less than 30 years, but has increased over prior valuations and is projected to continue to grow."

The Funding and Benefits Policy also states: "The Board may determine that surplus funds are available and recommend contribution reductions and/or benefit modifications only when the retirement system has no unfunded actuarial accrued liability, a stabilization reserve fund equal to at least 10% of the actuarial accrued liability is established, and the Board determines that sufficient additional reserves are retained to reasonably allow for adverse experience. The Board will not make a recommendation to reduce contribution rates or increase benefits which would result in contribution rates being less than the rate required to meet the normal cost plus 1.0%"

b) Analysis: The amortization period at July 1, 2012 is infinite based on actuarial assets and 99 years based on market assets. Assuming experience follows the actuarial assumptions, the amortization period is projected to remain above 30 years based on both measures for some time to come. Therefore, the guidance in the Board's Funding and Benefits Policy indicates the Board should "recommend to the legislature that funding be increased and/or liabilities be reduced."



2) Ultimate Goal

- a) It is the desire of the Board to fully fund TRS. However, until the System becomes fully funded, any unfunded liability will be amortized over a closed period of no more than 30 years and funded as a level percent of pay. At such time as the System becomes fully funded and has a stabilization reserve of at least 10% of the actuarial accrued liability, the allowed amortization period for any subsequent unfunded liability will be reduced to a closed period of not greater than 20 years.
- b) Analysis: This goal is currently a long way off. This is represented by a 99 year and infinite amortization periods on a market value of assets and an actuarial value of assets basis respectively. Discipline will be required by all parties concerned to reach this goal and will have to include contribution increases to achieve and maintain the amortization period within 30 years.

3) Benefit Enhancements

a) The Funding and Benefits Policy states: "Pursuant to 19-20-102, MCA, benefit enhancements should provide equitable retirement benefits to members of the Teachers' Retirement System based on each member's normal service and salary, limit the effect on the Retirement System of isolated salary increases received by a member, including, but not limited to end-of-career promotions or one-time salary enhancements during the member's last years of employment, and be equitably allocated among active members and retirees with consideration for intergenerational equity. Any recommendation for a benefit enhancement must include recommendations for necessary additional funding or other benefit reductions to cover any increase in normal cost arising from the recommended enhancements and to amortize any increase in the unfunded actuarial accrued liabilities arising from the recommended enhancements over a period not to exceed 25 years.

The Board will determine its position with respect to supporting or opposing legislation, on a case-by-case basis, and will apply this policy, actuarial standards, actuarial funding standards, and other industry-standard information and resources it finds persuasive, as decision guides. The Board may not support legislation to enhance benefits if the funded ratio is less than 85%, and the amortization period is greater than 20 years."

b) Analysis: Since the funded ratio at July 1, 2012 of 59.24% is below 85% the Board's Funding and Benefits policy does not currently support enhanced benefits, even if funding of increased UAAL over 25 years is included.

Sensitivity to Future Experience

The valuation results are projections based on the actuarial assumptions. Actual experience will differ from these assumptions, either increasing or decreasing the ultimate cost. The following illustrations provide simple analyses on how the costs are sensitive to changes in the assumed rate of return. We have amortized changes in the UAAL over 30 years for the purpose of these illustrations.



<u>Investment Return</u> – The investment return assumption generally has the largest impact on the funding of the System.

Impact of Assuming 0.5% Lo	ower Investment Return
Current Assumption 7.75% Lower Assumption 7.25% Change	<u>Funded Ratio</u> 59.24% <u>56.13%</u> (3.11)%
Normal Cost Rate 30 year amortization of UAAL Increase	Implied Contribution Increase / (Decrease) 1.15% 1.72% 2.87%
Impact of Assuming 1.0% Lo	ower Investment Return
Current Assumption 7.75% Lower Assumption 6.75% Change	Funded Ratio 59.24% 53.09% (6.15)%
Normal Cost Rate 30 year amortization of UAAL Increase	Implied Contribution Increase / (Decrease) 2.48% 3.38% 5.86%



Impact of Assuming 1.5% L	ower Investment Return
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	<u>Funded Ratio</u>
Current Assumption 7.75%	59.24%
Lower Assumption 6.25%	50.13%
Change	(9.11)%
	Implied Contribution
	Increase / (Decrease)
Normal Cost Rate	4.02%
30 year amortization of UAAL	<u>4.99%</u>
Increase	9.01%

The future funding status of the System will be determined by the System's experience. The System's actual asset returns and retirement rates, as well as member longevity, salary increases, withdrawal rates, disability rates and future legislation will all impact the funding status of the System. The entry age normal cost method and four year smoothing of asset gains and losses will help to provide a more orderly funding of the System's liabilities, but will not change the actual experience. The amortization period of the UAAL is not likely to decrease by the expected 1.0 year with each passing actuarial valuation. Instead, the amortization period is expected to decrease more or less than 1.0 years each year, reflecting gains and losses due to experience different than the actuarial assumptions.

Assumption Changes

There have been no assumption changes since the previous valuation.

Benefit Changes

There have been no benefit changes since the previous valuation.

Contribution Changes

There have been no contribution rate changes since the ones documented at the beginning of this summary.

Method Changes

Since the previous valuation, there have been no methodology changes.



Impact of Changes

The following table summarizes how experience has changed the UAAL since the July 1, 2011 Actuarial Valuation. Further detail can be found in Table 12.

Changes in the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL) (In millions)

July 1, 2011 Valuation UAAL	\$ 1,792.1
Expected Increase	58.7
Expected July 1, 2012 UAAL	\$ 1,850.8
Experience Gain on Actuarial Liabilities	\$ (16.0)
Experience Loss on Actuarial Assets	\$128.0
Assumption and Method Changes	0.0
Total Loss	\$ 112.0
July 1, 2012 Valuation UAAL	\$ 1,962.7



Summary

- * The System's actuarial value investment return of 3.21% for the year ended June 30, 2012 is 4.54% less than the actuarial assumption of 7.75%. This represents an asset loss of \$128.0 million due to investment return less than anticipated. The actuarial value of assets is not allowed to be greater than 120% or less than 80% of the market value of assets. As of July 1, 2012, the market value of assets was \$2,932.2 million. As of July 1, 2012 the preliminary actuarial value of assets was \$2,852.0 million. Since the preliminary actuarial value is within the corridor no adjustment is required to the preliminary actuarial value of assets. The July 1, 2012 market value of assets is \$80.2 million more than the actuarial value of assets. This \$80.2 million gain will be recognized in future actuarial valuations unless it is offset by returns less than the 7.75% assumption.
- * The amortization period of the UAAL is infinite. The guidance in the Board's Funding and Benefits Policy indicates the Board should "recommend to the legislature that funding be increased and/or liabilities be reduced." The Policy's ultimate goal is to increase the current net funded ratio of 59.24% above 110% to encourage stable contribution rates.
- * The funding of the retirement system will be impacted by future experience which will sometimes be more favorable than the actuarial assumptions and sometimes less favorable. In particular, investment returns larger and smaller than the 7.75% assumption are expected to have significant impacts on the System's funding progress. In the long term, the favorable experience is needed to offset the less favorable experience. This is the reason for using an actuarial value of assets that smoothes gains and losses over four years.



Section 2

Assets

In many respects, an actuarial valuation can be regarded as an inventory process. The inventory is taken as of the actuarial valuation date, which for this valuation is July 1, 2012. On that date, the assets available for the payment of benefits are appraised. These assets are compared with the actuarial liabilities. The actuarial process thus leads to a method of determining what contributions by members and their employers are needed to strike a balance.

The asset valuation method being used is a four-year smoothing method. The expected return is determined each year based on the beginning of year market value and actual cash flows during the year. Any difference between the expected market value return and the actual market value return is recognized evenly over a period of four years. The actuarial value of assets is not allowed to be greater than 120% or less than 80% of the market value of assets.

Table 1 lists the assets held and their market value for the past two years. Table 2 summarizes the fund's activity during the past two years. Table 3 summarizes the determination of the actuarial value of assets. Table 4 summarizes historical asset returns for the last 15 years including the amount recognized by the actuarial asset valuation method which was greater or lesser than the actuarial investment return assumption.



Table 1
Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets

		TOTAL TRS 2012	TOTAL TRS 2011
ASSETS			
Cash/Cash Equivalents-Short Term			
Investment Pool	\$	34,990,630 \$	\$ 49,573,673
Receivables:			
Accounts Receivable		18,239,103	18,726,665
Interest Receivable		3,943,728	4,462,165
Total Receivables	\$_	22,182,831	\$ 23,188,830
Investments, at fair value:			
Investment Pools		2,875,013,588	2,899,968,475
Other Investments		452,251	-
Securities Lending Collateral		130,643,155	146,389,177
Total Investments	\$	3,006,108,994	\$ 3,046,357,652
Assets Used in Plan Operations:			
Land and Buildings	\$	193,844	\$ 193,844
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(150,545)	(150,545)
Equipment		142,697	142,697
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		(91,521)	(70,489)
Prepaid Expenses		-	6,401
Intangible Assets, net of amortization		13,603	28,443
Total Other Assets	\$	108,078	\$ 150,351
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	3,063,390,533	\$ 3,119,270,506
LIABILITIES			
Accounts Payable	\$	126,636	\$ 86,396
Securities Lending Liability	·	130,643,155	146,389,177
Compensated Absences		178,869	180,541
OPEB Implicit Rate Subsidy		239,397	195,172
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$	131,188,057	\$ 146,851,286
NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST			
FOR PENSION BENEFITS	\$	2,932,202,476	\$ 2,972,419,220



Table 2
Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets

TOTAL TOTAL			
	TRS 2012	TRS 2011	
ADDITIONS		1110 2011	
Contributions:			
Employer	\$ 72,422,404	\$ 72,879,950	
Plan Member	62,745,441	62,993,192	
Other	16,843,766	17,437,366	
Total Contributions	\$ 152,011,611	\$ 153,310,508	
Misc Income	\$ 9,689	\$ 16,539	
Investment Income:			
Net Appreciation/(Depreciation)			
in Fair Value of Investments	\$ (8,013,031)	\$ 455,020,967	
Investment Earnings	89,331,577	99,119,730	
Security Lending Income	1,177,164	1,200,925	
Investment Income/(Loss)	\$ 82,495,710	\$ 555,341,622	
Less: Investment Expense	15,891,193	15,978,901	
Less: Security Lending Expense	263,225	334,365	
Net Investment Income/(Loss)	\$ 66,341,292	\$ 539,028,356	
Total Additions	\$ 218,362,592	\$ 692,355,403	
DEDUCTIONS			
Benefit Payments	\$ 251,410,455	\$ 235,122,805	
Withdrawals	5,294,856	4,364,713	
Administrative Expense	1,829,800	1,843,368	
OPEB Expenses	46,055	51,017	
Total Deductions	\$ 258,581,166	\$ 241,381,903	
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)			
IN PLAN NET ASSETS	\$ (40,218,574)	\$ 450,973,500	
NET ASSETS HELD IN TRUST			
FOR PENSION BENEFITS			
BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 2,972,419,220	\$ 2,521,445,720	
ADJUSTMENT	\$ 1,830	\$ -	
END OF YEAR	\$ 2,932,202,476	\$ 2,972,419,220	



Determination of Actuarial Value of Assets

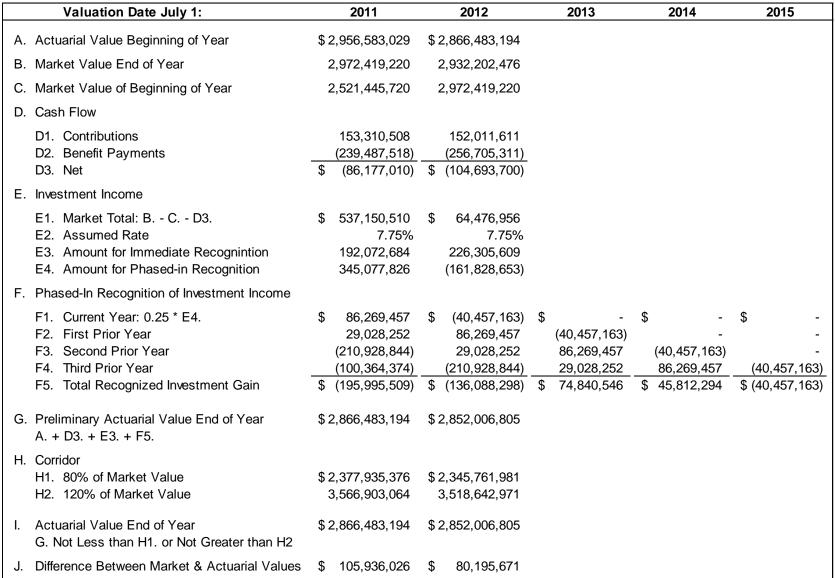






Table 4
Historical Investment Returns*

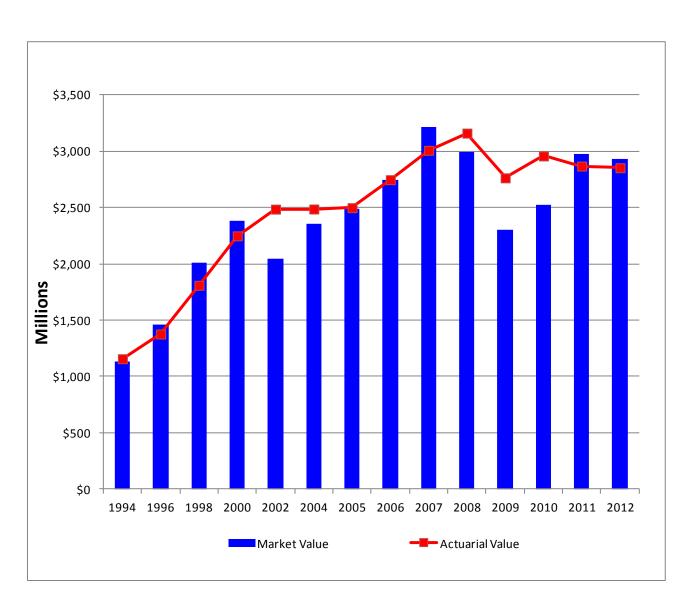
Fiscal Year			Actuarial Return
Ending	Market Returns	Actuarial Returns	Over 8.00% Assumption
June 30, 1998	16.6%	16.0%	8.0%
June 30, 1999	11.9%	12.3%	4.3%
June 30, 2000	7.8%	12.8%	4.8%
June 30, 2001	(5.1)%	9.2%	1.2%
June 30, 2002	(7.3)%	3.8%	(4.2)%
June 30, 2003	6.2%	1.6%	(6.4)%
June 30, 2004	13.3%	2.1%	(5.9)%
Fiscal Year			Actuarial Return
Ending	Market Returns	Actuarial Returns	Over 7.75% Assumption
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June 30, 2005	8.0%	2.7%	(5.0)%
luna 20, 2006	8.9%	8.5%	0.7%
June 30, 2006	0.070		
June 30, 2007	17.6%	10.2%	2.5%
•	0.070	10.2% 7.2%	2.5% (0.6)%
June 30, 2007	17.6%		
June 30, 2007 June 30, 2008	17.6% (4.9)%	7.2%	(0.6)%
June 30, 2007 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2009	17.6% (4.9)% (20.8)%	7.2% (10.3)%	(0.6)% (18.0)%
June 30, 2007 June 30, 2008 June 30, 2009 June 30, 2010	17.6% (4.9)% (20.8)% 12.9%	7.2% (10.3)% 9.8%	(0.6)% (18.0)% 2.0%

^{*} Returns reflect all investment returns, including investment income and realized and unrealized investment gains and losses, and are net of investment expenses and administrative expenses paid by the System.



Table 5

Market Value of Assets vs. Actuarial Value of Assets





Section 3

Actuarial Present Value of Future Benefits

In the previous section, an actuarial valuation was related to an inventory process, and an analysis was given of the inventory of assets of the System as of the valuation date. In this section, the discussion will focus on the commitments of the System, which will be referred to as its actuarial liabilities.

Table 6 contains an analysis of the actuarial present value of all future benefits for contributing members, for former contributing members, and for beneficiaries. The analysis is given by type of benefit.

The actuarial liabilities summarized in Table 6 include the actuarial present value of all future benefits expected to be paid with respect to each member covered as of the valuation date. For an active member, this value includes a measure of both benefits already earned and future benefits to be earned. Thus, for all members, active and retired, the value extends over benefits earnable and payable for the rest of their lives and, if an optional benefit is chosen, for the lives of their surviving beneficiaries.

The actuarial valuation does not recognize liabilities for employees who become members and participate in the System after the valuation date.



Table 6

Actuarial Present Value of Future Benefits for Contributing Members, Former Contributing Members, and Beneficiaries

(All amounts are actuarial present values in millions)

	Jul	ly 1, 2012 Total	Ju	ly 1, 2011 Total
A. Active Members				
Service Retirement	\$	2,303.9	\$	2,332.0
Disability Retirement		13.7		13.8
Survivors' Benefits		52.9		53.5
Vested Retirement		30.6		30.1
Refund of Member Contributions		29.5		29.8
Total	\$	2,430.6	\$	2,459.2
B. Inactive Members and Annuitants				
Service Retirement	\$	2,710.8	\$	2,545.2
Disability Retirement		21.7		20.8
Beneficiaries*		166.5		155.4
Vested Terminated Members		54.5		55.0
Refund of Member Contributions		18.2		16.5
Total	\$	2,971.7	\$	2,792.9
C. Grand Total	\$	5,402.3	\$	5,252.1

^{*} Includes survivors of active and retired members and children's benefits



Section 4

Employer Contributions

In the previous two sections, attention has been focused on the assets and the present value of all future benefits of the System. A comparison of Tables 3 and 6 indicates that there is a shortfall in current actuarial assets to meet the present value of all future benefits for current members and beneficiaries.

In an active system, there will always be a difference between the assets and the present value of all future benefits. An actuarial valuation sets a schedule of future contributions that will deal with this funding in an orderly fashion.

The method used to determine the incidence of the contributions in various years is called the actuarial cost method. For this valuation, the entry age actuarial cost method has been used. A description of the entry age actuarial cost method is provided in Appendix A. Under this method, or essentially any actuarial cost method, the contributions required to meet the difference between current assets and the present value of all future benefits are allocated each year between two elements:

A normal cost amount, which ideally is relatively stable as a percentage of salary over the years;

and an amount which is used to amortize the UAAL.

The two items described above, normal cost and UAAL, are the keys to understanding the actuarial cost method. Let us first discuss the normal cost.

The normal cost is the theoretical contribution rate, which will meet the ongoing costs of a group of average new employees. Suppose that a group of new employees were covered under a separate fund from which all benefits and to which all contributions and associated investment return were to be paid. Under the entry age actuarial cost method, the normal cost contribution rate is that level percentage of pay which would be exactly right to maintain this fund on a stable basis. If experience were to follow the actuarial assumptions exactly, the fund would be completely liquidated with the last payment to the last survivor of the group.

We have determined the normal cost rates separately by type of benefit under the System. These are summarized in Table 7. In Table 7 we also provide a summary of the member and employer statutory contributions based upon the Board's adopted funding policy.

The term "fully funded" is often applied to a system where contributions for everyone at the normal cost rate will fully pay for the benefits of existing as well as new employees. Often, systems are not fully funded, either because of benefit improvements in the past that have not been completely paid for or actuarial deficiencies that have occurred because experience has not been as anticipated. Under these circumstances, a UAAL exists.



Table 8 shows how the UAAL was derived for the System. Lines A and B show, respectively, the total present value of future benefits and the portion of the future liability that is expected to be paid from future normal cost contributions, both employer and employee. Line C shows the actuarial accrued liability. Line E shows the amount of assets available for benefits. Line F shows the UAAL.

The amortization of the UAAL assumes university supplemental contributions are made as a percent of pay for members of the Optional Retirement Plan (ORP) until June 30, 2033. Under Section 19-20-621, periodic separate valuations are to be performed to measure the liabilities of benefits to be paid under the Teachers' Retirement System (TRS) for Montana University System (MUS) members. The MUS valuations calculate contribution rates that finance the university member benefits with university contributions and reflect actual experience including investment returns. Therefore the university supplemental contribution rate has varied from time to time. Recently it has varied as follows:

Supplemental University Contribution Rate	Fiscal Years Ending
2.81%	June 30, 1998
3.12%	June 30, 1999
3.42%	June 30, 2000
3.73%	June 30, 2001
4.04%	June 30, 2002 to June 30, 2007
4.72%	June 30, 2008 to June 30, 2033

The supplemental contribution to ensure university member benefits are funded by university employers was increased from 4.04% to 4.72% of ORP member pay effective July 1, 2007. The valuation that determined the 4.72% contribution rate of ORP member pay was based on the valuation completed as of July 1, 2006. Based on the recent ORP valuation completed as of July 1, 2010, the supplemental contribution needs to be increased to 8.54% of member pay to maintain actuarial soundness and an amortization period within 30 years. Loss of asset value based on poor market performance for the three years ended June 30, 2010 resulted in the recommended increase in contributions.

The value of future supplemental university contributions included in the July 1, 2012 TRS valuation is \$152.4 million based on a 4.72% contribution rate until July 1, 2033.

The UAAL at any date after establishment of a system is affected by any actuarial gains or losses arising when the actual experience of the system varies from the experience anticipated by the actuarial assumptions used in the valuations. To the extent actual experience as it develops differs from the assumptions used, so also will the actual emerging costs differ from the estimated costs. The impact of these differences in actual experience from the assumptions is included in Section 1, the Summary of Findings.



Table 7

Normal Cost Contribution Rates As Percentages of Salary

	July 1, 2012 Total	July 1, 2011 Total
Service retirement	7.73%	7.72%
Disability retirement	0.08%	0.08%
Survivors' benefits	0.26%	0.26%
Vested retirement	0.43%	0.42%
Refund of member contributions	1.15%	1.16%
Total Normal Rate	9.65%	9.64%
Employee Normal Rate	7.15%	7.15%
Employer Normal Rate	2.50%	2.49%



Table 8

Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (Dollar amounts in millions)

	J	July 1, 2012		ly 1, 2011
A. Actuarial present value of all future benefits for present and former members and their survivors (Table 6)	\$	5,402.3	\$	5,252.1
B. Less actuarial present value of total future normal costs for present members		587.6		593.5
C. Actuarial accrued liability	\$	4,814.7	\$	4,658.6
D. Less assets available for benefits		2,852.0		2,866.5
E. Unfunded actuarial accrued liability	\$	1,962.7	\$	1,792.1



Section 5

Cash Flows

The fundamental equation for funding a retirement system is that benefits and administrative expenses must be provided for by contributions (past and future) and investment income. When a retirement system matures, benefits and administrative expenses often exceed contributions. In this case we say the system has a "negative cash flow." Mature systems are characterized by negative cash flows and large pools of assets. This is natural. Actuarial funding is designed to accumulate large pools of assets which will in turn provide investment income and finance negative cash flows when systems mature. If the fund is looked at as a whole, investment income is usually larger than the difference between contributions and benefit payments. The retirement system's investment strategy should maximize potential returns at a prudent level of risk while providing for needed cash flows.

Table 9 shows the System had a negative cash flow for the year ended June 30, 2012. The System's total cash flow including benefits payments, administrative expenses and investment earnings was (\$40.2) million. Of the (\$40.2) million, \$66.3 million was due to investment returns.

Table 10 shows that at the current statutory contribution rate and if the System's assets earn the assumed investment rate of return of 7.75%, the System has a positive cash flow that is trending to become negative after reflecting benefit payments, contributions and investment earnings. This is due to the fact that the current statutory contribution is no longer adequate to fund the System in an actuarial sound manner.

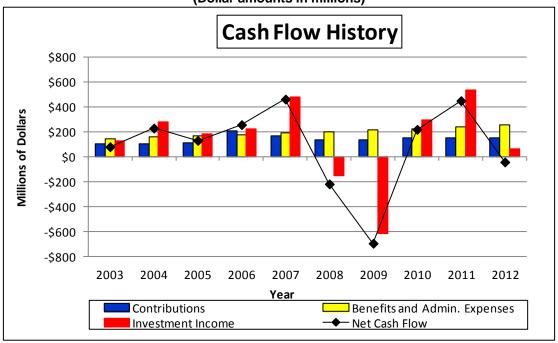
Table 11 shows that if the contributions are contributed to the System as recommended by the Actuary and the System's assets earn the assumed rate of 7.75%, the System is projected to have a positive cash flow in all future years.

As long as the System had a positive cash flow, there was no need to plan where the funds would come from to pay benefits since benefits could be paid by incoming contributions. A negative cash flow, as defined above, requires planning what funds will be used to pay the difference between benefits and contributions. We are providing these projections to aid in developing the investment strategy for the System's assets.



Table 9

Cash Flow History (Dollar amounts in millions)



	Historical Cash Flows								
Year				Ber	nefits &				
Ended				Admi	nistrative	l	nvestment	Ne	t Cash
<u>June 30</u>	Co	ontributio	<u>ons</u>	Exp	<u>oenses</u>		<u>Income</u>	Ţ	Flow
2003	\$	104.3		\$	148.6	\$	126.2	\$	81.9
2004		107.9			158.5		281.8		231.2
2005		110.7			167.1		188.7		132.3
2006		212.3	*		178.4		224.8		258.7
2007		169.2	**		190.4		484.5		463.3
2008		141.0			203.6		(153.3)		(215.9)
2009		138.3			217.0		(612.8)		(691.5)
2010		152.3			226.3		295.0		221.0
2011		153.3			241.4		539.0		450.9
2012		152.0			258.6		66.3		(40.2)

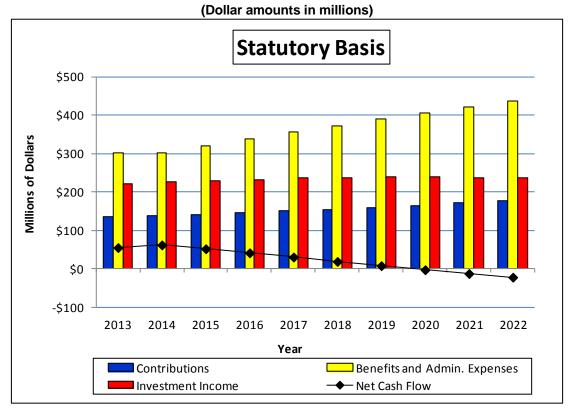
^{*} Reflects \$100 million transfer to TRS

^{**} Reflects \$50 million transfer to TRS



Table 10

Cash Flow Projections

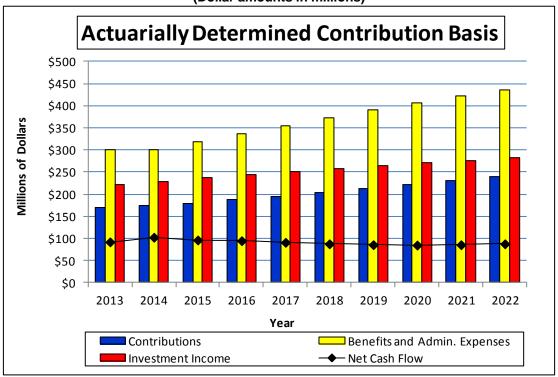


	Projected Cash Flows							
Year				nefits &		Assumed		
Ended	5	Statutory	Administrative		Investment		t Net Cash	
<u>June 30</u>	Co	ntributions	Exp	<u>oenses</u>	<u>Income</u>		<u>Flow</u>	
2013	\$	134.8	\$	300.7	\$	220.8	\$	54.9
2014		137.9		301.2		225.2		61.9
2015		141.6		319.1		229.4		51.9
2016		145.5		337.1		232.9		41.3
2017		149.8		355.1		235.6		30.3
2018		154.4		373.0		237.4		18.8
2019		159.4		390.0		238.4		7.8
2020		164.8		406.2		238.6		(2.8)
2021		170.7		421.4		238.0		(12.7)
2022		177.0		435.9		236.7		(22.2)



Table 11

Cash Flow Projections
(Dollar amounts in millions)



	Projected Cash Flows							
Year	Annual	Benefits &	Assumed					
Ended	Required	Administrative	Administrative Investment Net C					
<u>June 30</u>	Contributions	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Expenses</u> <u>Income</u>					
2013	\$ 170.5	\$ 300.7	\$ 222.2	\$ 92.0				
2014	174.2	301.2	229.5	102.5				
2015	178.5	319.1	236.9	96.3				
2016	187.8	337.1	244.0	94.7				
2017	195.2	355.1	250.9	91.0				
2018	203.1	373.0	257.6	87.7				
2019	211.6	390.0	264.1	85.7				
2020	220.6	406.2	270.4	84.8				
2021	230.2	421.4	276.8	85.6				
2022	240.4	435.9	283.2	87.7				



Section 6

Actuarial Gains or Losses

An analysis of actuarial gains or losses is performed in conjunction with all regularly scheduled valuations.

The results of our analysis of the financial experience of the System in the three most recent regular actuarial valuations are presented in Table 12. Each gain or loss shown represents our estimate of how much the given type of experience caused the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability or Funding Reserve to change in the period since the previous actuarial valuation.

Gains and losses shown due to demographic sources are approximate. Demographic experience is analyzed in greater detail in our periodic assumption studies.

Non-recurring gains and losses result from changes in the actuarial assumptions and benefit improvements.



Table 12

Analysis of Actuarial Gains or Losses*

(Dollar amounts in millions)

,	UAAL (Gain)/Loss				
	June 30, 2012	Jun	e 30, 2011	June	30, 2010
Investment Income Investment income was (greater) less than expected based on actuarial value of assets.	\$ 128.0	\$	229.8	\$	(55.2)
Pay Increases Pay increases were (less) greater than expected.	(58.2)		(36.7)		(22.0)
Age & Service Retirements Members retired at (older) younger ages or with (less) greater final average pay than expected	19.8		19.0		13.0
Disability Retirements Disability claims were (less) greater than expected	0.4		0.2		0.5
Death-in-Service Benefits Survivor claims were (less) greater than expected	(0.1)		(0.5)		(0.4)
Withdrawal From Employment (More) less reserves were released by withdrawals than expected	6.7		5.4		6.6
Death After Retirement Retirees (died younger) lived longer than expected	4.6		2.6		(3.5)
Data Adjustments and Benefit Payment Timing Service purchases, data corrections, etc.	10.2		(10.9)		-
Other Miscellaneous (gains) and losses	 0.5		5.8		24.4
Total (Gain) or Loss During Period From Financial Experience	\$ 111.9	\$	214.7	\$	(36.6)
Non-Recurring Items.					
Changes in actuarial assumptions and methods	-		-		156.6
Changes in benefits caused a (gain) loss	 	-	(6.7)		-
Composite (Gain) Loss During Period	\$ 111.9	\$	208.0	\$	120.0

Effects related to gains are shown in parentheses. Numerical results are expressed as a (decrease) increase in the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL). Gains decrease the UAAL and losses increase the UAAL.



Appendix A

Actuarial Procedures and Assumptions

Retirement, disablement and termination of employment assumptions reflect the five-year experience study for the period ending 2009 adopted by the Board on May 13, 2010.

The current asset valuation method was adopted for the July 1, 2007 valuation.

Tables A-3 through A-6 give rates of decrement for service retirement, disablement, mortality, and other terminations of employment.

Actuarial Cost Method

The actuarial valuation was prepared using the entry age actuarial cost method. Under this method, the actuarial present value of the projected benefits of each individual included in the valuation is allocated as a level percentage of the individual's projected compensation between entry age and assumed exit. The portion of this actuarial present value allocated to a valuation year is called the normal cost. The normal cost was first calculated for each individual member. The normal cost rate is defined to equal the total of the individual normal costs, divided by the total pay rate.

The portion of this actuarial present value not provided for at a valuation date by the sum of (a) the actuarial value of the assets and (b) the actuarial present value of future normal costs is called the UAAL. The UAAL is amortized as a level percentage of the projected salaries of present and future members of the System.

Records and Data

The data used in the valuation consist of financial information; records of age, sex, service, salary, contribution rates, and account balances of contributing members; and records of age, sex, and amount of benefit for retired members and beneficiaries. All of the data were supplied by the System and are accepted for valuation purposes without audit.



Replacement of Terminated Members

The ages at entry and distribution by sex of future members are assumed to average the same as those of the present members they replace. If the number of active members should increase, it is further assumed that the average entry age of the larger group will be the same, from an actuarial standpoint, as that of the present group. Under these assumptions, the normal cost rates for active members will not vary with the termination of present members.

Employer Contributions

At the time of this valuation, the total employer contribution rate for normal costs and amortization of the UAAL was 9.96% of members' salaries. In accordance with MCA 19-20-604, the employer contribution rate will be reduced by 0.11% when the amortization period of the System's UAAL is 10 years or less according to the System's latest actuarial valuation.

Administrative and Investment Expenses

The administrative and investment expenses of the System are assumed to be funded by investment earnings in excess of 7.75% per year.

Valuation of Assets - Actuarial Basis

The actuarial asset valuation method spreads asset gains and losses over four years. The expected return is determined each year based on the beginning of year market value and actual cash flows during the year. Any difference between the expected market value return and the actual market value return is recognized evenly over a period of four years. The gains and losses are measured starting with the year ended June 30, 2007. The actuarial value of assets is not allowed to be greater than 120% or less than 80% of the market assets. (Adopted effective July 1, 2007.)

Investment Earnings

The annual rate of investment earnings of the assets of the System is assumed to be 7.75% per year, compounded annually. (Adopted effective July 1, 2004)

Interest on Member Contributions

Interest on member contributions is assumed to accrue at a rate of 5% per annum, compounded annually. This assumption was set as of July 1, 2004.

Postretirement Benefit Increases

On January 1 of each year, the retirement allowance payable must be increased by 1.5% if the retiree has received benefits for at least 36 months prior to January 1 of the year in which the adjustment is to be made.



Future Salaries

The rates of annual salary increase assumed for the purpose of the valuation are illustrated in Table A-2. In addition to increases in salary due to merit and longevity, this scale includes an assumed 4.5% annual rate of increase in the general wage level of the membership. The merit and longevity increases for the MUS members did not show a pattern of increasing or decreasing with service at the time of our most recent study. Therefore, the MUS members have a flat 1% merit and longevity assumption. The general wage increase assumption was adopted July 1, 2004 and the merit and longevity scales were adopted July 1, 2002.

Montana University System (MUS) members are assumed to have a 0.63% higher average final compensation to account for the larger than average annual compensation increases observed in the years immediately preceding retirement.

Service Retirement

Table A-3 shows the annual assumed rates of retirement among members eligible for service retirement. Separate rates are used when a member is eligible for reduced benefits, for the first year a member is eligible for full benefits, and for the years following the first year a member is eligible for full benefits. The rates for General Members were adopted May 13, 2010. The rates for University Members were adopted May 13, 2010.

Disablement

The rates of disablement used in this valuation are illustrated in Table A-4. These rates were adopted May 13, 2010.

Mortality

The mortality rates used in this valuation are illustrated in Table A-5. A written description of each table used is included in Table A-1. These rates were adopted July 1, 2006.

Other Terminations of Employment

The rates of assumed future withdrawal from active service for reasons other than death, disability or retirement are shown for representative ages in Table A-6. These rates were adopted May 13, 2010.

Benefits for Terminating Members

Members terminating with less than five years of service are assumed to request an immediate withdrawal of their contributions with interest. Table A-7 shows the assumed probability of retaining membership in the System among members terminating with five or more years of service. These rates were adopted July 1, 2002.

We estimated the present value of future benefits for terminated vested members based on the greater of the present value of their deferred benefit at age 60 or their available contribution account.



Part-Time Employees

The valuation data for active members identify part-time members. Part-time members earning less than \$1,000 during the last year were valued at their current member contribution balance.

Optional Retirement Program

ORP payroll as of June 30, 2012 was \$188,904,351.

Effective for fiscal years after June 30, 2007 until June 30, 2033, the Optional Retirement Program contribution rate is 4.72%, pursuant to MCA 19-20-621.

Buybacks, Purchase of Service, and Military Service

The active liabilities and normal cost (excluding liabilities and normal cost in respect of Return of Employee Contributions) were increased to 100.5% of their original value to fund this additional service based on a study of the System's experience for the five calendar years 1995 through 1999. Effective July 1, 2008.

Probability of Marriage

If death occurs in active status, all members are assumed to have an eligible surviving spouse and two children. The spouse is assumed to be the same age as the member.

Records with no Birth Date

New records with no birth date are assumed to be 25 years old. Records that are not new and have no birth date used the same birth date as the prior year's valuation.



Table A-1

Summary of Valuation Assumptions

I.	Ecc	onomic assumptions	
	A.	General wage increases* (Adopted July 1, 2004)	4.50%
	B.	Investment return (Adopted July 1, 2004)	7.75%
	C.	Price Inflation Assumption (Adopted July 1, 2004)	3.50%
	D.	Growth in membership	0.00%
	E.	Postretirement benefit increases (Starting three years after retirement)	1.50%
	F.	Interest on member accounts (Adopted July 1, 2004)	5.00%
II.	Der	mographic assumptions	
	A.	Individual salary increase due to promotion and longevity (General Member assumptions adopted July 1, 2002) (University Member assumptions adopted July 1, 2000)	Table A-2
	В.	Retirement (adopted May 13, 2010)	Table A-3
	C.	Disablement (adopted May 13, 2010)	Table A-4
	D.	Mortality among contributing members, service retired members, and beneficiaries	Table A-5
		For Males: RP 2000 Combined Mortality Table for Males, set back three years, with mortality improvements projected by Scale AA to 2008 (adopted July 1, 2006).	
		For Females: RP 2000 Combined Mortality Table for Females, set back two years, with mortality improvements projected by Scale AA to 2008 (adopted July 1, 2006).	
	E.	Mortality among disabled members	Table A-5
		For Males: RP 2000 Disabled Mortality Table for Males, set back three years, with mortality improvements projected by Scale AA to 2008 (adopted July 1, 2006).	
		For Females: RP 2000 Disabled Mortality Table for Females, set forward three years, with mortality improvements projected by Scale AA to 2008 (adopted July 1, 2006).	
	F.	Other terminations of employment (adopted May 13, 2010)	Table A-6
	G.	Probability of retaining membership in the System upon vested termination (adopted July 1, 2002)	Table A-7

Montana University System (MUS) members are assumed to have a 0.63% higher average final compensation to account for the larger than average annual compensation increases observed in the years immediately preceding retirement.



Table A-2
Future Salaries

		General Members			University Members		
Years of Service	Individual Merit & Longevity	General Wage Increase	Total Salary Increase	Individual Merit & Longevity	General Wage Increase	Total Salary Increase	
1	4.51%	4.50%	9.01%	1.00%	4.50%	5.50%	
2	4.09	4.50	8.59	1.00 %	4.50	5.50	
3	3.46	4.50	7.96	1.00	4.50	5.50	
4	2.94	4.50	7.44	1.00	4.50	5.50	
5	2.52	4.50	7.02	1.00	4.50	5.50	
6	2.21	4.50	6.71	1.00	4.50	5.50	
7	1.89	4.50	6.39	1.00	4.50	5.50	
8	1.68	4.50	6.18 5.97	1.00	4.50	5.50	
9	1.47	4.50		1.00	4.50	5.50	
10	1.31	4.50	5.81	1.00	4.50	5.50	
11	1.16	4.50	5.66	1.00	4.50	5.50	
12	1.00	4.50	5.50	1.00	4.50	5.50	
13	0.84	4.50	5.34	1.00	4.50	5.50	
14	0.68	4.50	5.18	1.00	4.50	5.50	
15	0.58	4.50	5.08	1.00	4.50	5.50	
16	0.47	4.50	4.97	1.00	4.50	5.50	
17	0.37	4.50	4.87	1.00	4.50	5.50	
18	0.26	4.50	4.76	1.00	4.50	5.50	
19	0.21	4.50	4.71	1.00	4.50	5.50	
20	0.16	4.50	4.66	1.00	4.50	5.50	
21	0.11	4.50	4.61	1.00	4.50	5.50	
22 & Up	0.00	4.50	4.50	1.00	4.50	5.50	



Table A-3

Retirement **Annual Rates**

		General Membe	rs	l	Jniversity Members	ers
Age	Eligible for Reduced Benefits	First Year Eligible for Full Benefits	Thereafter	Eligible for Reduced Benefits	First Year Eligible for Full Benefits	Thereafter
45		8.0%	5.5%		17.0%	8.0%
46		8.0	5.5		17.0	8.0
47		8.0	5.5		17.0	8.0
48		8.0	5.5		17.0	8.0
49	*	8.0	5.5	*	17.0	8.0
50	5.0%	8.0	5.5	7.0%	17.0	8.0
51	5.0	8.0	6.3	7.0	17.0	8.0
52	5.0	8.0	8.0	7.0	17.0	8.0
53	5.0	9.0	7.3	7.0	17.0	8.0
54	5.0	9.0	8.2	7.0	17.0	8.0
55	7.0	9.0	9.8	7.0	15.0	8.0
56	7.0	12.0	11.3	7.0	15.0	8.0
57	7.0	11.8	12.5	7.0	15.0	8.0
58	7.0	14.8	13.1	7.0	15.0	8.0
59	7.0	17.4	14.8	7.0	15.0	8.0
60	*	14.6	17.0	*	15.0	8.5
61		21.3	25.0		14.0	14.5
62		23.8	25.0		20.0	19.0
63		11.4	25.0		14.0	14.5
64		19.0	25.0		20.0	18.0
65		40.0	35.0		28.0	26.0
66		8.0	20.0		21.0	21.0
67		30.0	20.0		21.0	24.5
68		6.0	20.0		21.0	19.5
69		6.0	20.0		21.0	30.0
70		**	**		**	**

^{*} All benefits are unreduced after attaining age 60. Reduced benefits are not available before age 50.
** Immediate retirement is assumed at age 70 or over.



Table A-4

Disablement Annual Rates

Age	All Members
25	.005%
30	.005
35	.008
40	.028
45	.044
50	.063
55	.084
60	.100



Table A-5

Mortality Annual Rates

	•	embers, Service and Beneficiaries	Disabled Members				
Age	Men	Women	Men	Women			
25	.03%	.02%	1.97%	.68%			
30	.04	.02	2.17	.69			
35	.05	.04	2.17	.67			
40	.09	.05	2.17	.66			
45	.11	.08	2.08	.85			
50	.15	.12	2.23	1.31			
55	.23	.20	2.69	1.89			
60	.41	.38	3.32	2.43			
65	.78	.73	3.99	3.19			
70	1.45	1.29	4.90	4.33			
75	2.42	2.17	6.15	6.01			
80	4.22	3.55	8.30	8.30			
85	7.55	5.91	11.43	11.86			



Table A-6

Other Terminations of Employment Among Members Not Eligible to Retire Annual Rates

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Years of Service	All Members
0011100	711111101110010
1	36.5%
2	20.5
3	14.6
2 3 4	10.5
5	8.5
6	7.0
7	6.4
8	5.8
9	5.4
10	5.0
11	4.3
12	3.9
13	3.5
14	3.2
15	2.9
16	2.6
17	2.3
18	2.0
19	1.9
20	1.8
20	1.0
21	1.7
22	1.6
23	1.5
24	1.5



Table A-7

Probability of Retaining Membership in the System Upon Vested Termination

Age	Probability of Retaining Membership
	Retaining Wembership
25	54%
30	54
35	58
40	58
45	60
50	70
55	75



Appendix B

Summary of Benefit Provisions

Effective Date September 1, 1937.

Vesting Period Five years. No benefits are payable unless the member has a

vested right, except the return of employee contributions with

interest.

Final Compensation Average of highest three consecutive years of earned

compensation.

no event will the member receive less than the amount of

employee contributions with interest.

Normal Retirement Benefits

Eligibility: 25 years of service or age 60 and five years of service.

Benefit: The retirement benefit is equal to 1/60 of final compensation

for each year of service.

Early Retirement Benefits

Eligibility: Five years of service and age 50.

Benefit: The retirement benefit is calculated in the same manner as

described for normal retirement, but the benefit is actuarially reduced by the lesser of the number of years equal to the age of the participant at the early retirement subtracted from age 60 or the number of years of service at early retirement

subtracted from 25 years of service.



Death Benefit

Eligibility: Five years of service.

Benefit: The death benefit is equal to 1/60 of final compensation for

each year of service accrued at date of death, with an actuarial adjustment based on the relation of the member's age at death to the beneficiary's age. A monthly benefit of \$200 is paid to each child until age 18. In addition, a lump-sum benefit of \$500 is paid upon the death of an active or retired member.

Disability Benefit

Eligibility: Five years of service.

Benefit: The disability benefit is equal to 1/60 of final compensation for

each year of service accrued at date of disability. The

minimum benefit is 1/4 of the final compensation.

Withdrawal Benefits With less than five years of service, the accumulated

employee contributions with interest are returned. With more than five years, the member may elect a refund of contributions with interest or leave the contributions and interest in the System and retain a vested right to retirement

benefits.

Contributions Member: 7.15% of compensation.

Employer: 9.96% of compensation.

MCA 19-20-604 specifies that the employer contribution rate will be reduced by 0.11% when the amortization period of the System's UAAL is 10 years or less according to the System's

latest actuarial valuation.

Interest on Member

contributions

Effective July 1, 2010, the interest credited on member

contributions is reduce from 1.0% to 0.25% per annum.

Cost-of-Living Adjustments On January 1 of each year, the retirement allowance payable

must be increased by 1.5% if the retiree has received benefits for at least 36 months prior to January 1 of the year in which

the adjustment is to be made.



Appendix C

Valuation Data

This valuation is based upon the membership of the System as of July 1, 2012. Membership data were supplied by the System and accepted for valuation purposes without audit. However, tests were performed to ensure that the data are sufficiently accurate for valuation purposes.

Active Members	Number	 al Salaries Millions
Full-Time Members	12,202	\$ 622.1
Part-Time Members*	5,534	 73.8
Total Contributing Members*	17,736	\$ 695.9
Active Members with Annual Compensation less than \$1,000	636	
Total Active Members	18,372	

^{*} Excludes part-time members with annual compensation less than \$1,000.

Table C-1 contains summaries of the data for contributing members. For full-time members, values shown in the tables are the numbers of members and their total and average annual salaries. For part-time members, only the numbers of members are shown.

Table C-2 presents distributions of the following:

- Members receiving service retirement benefits.
- Members receiving disability retirement benefits.
- Survivors of deceased retired members receiving benefits.
- Survivors of deceased active members.
- Child beneficiaries.
- Terminated vested members.

Table C-3 is a reconciliation of membership data from July 1, 2011 to July 1, 2012.



The following is a summary of retired members and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits:

Type of Annuitant	Number	Annual Benefits Number in Thousands			Average Annual Benefits		
Service Retirement	11,675	\$	247,480	\$	21,197		
Survivors of Deceased Retired Members	1,028		13,955		13,575		
Total Service Retirement (including survivors	12,703	\$	261,435	\$	20,581		
Disability Retirement	203		2,160		10,642		
Survivors of Deceased Active Members	423		4,174		9,869		
Child Beneficiaries	34		82		2,400		
Total Annuitants	13,363	\$	267,851	\$	20,044		

Terminated Members with	
Contributions Not Withdrawn	Number
Vested Terminated Members	1,566
Non-Vested Terminated Members	<u>11,172</u>
Total Terminated Members	12,738



Table C-1

Active Members Distribution of Full-Time Employees and Salaries as of July 1, 2012

Number of Employees

					<u>Cc</u>	ompleted Year	s of Service						
Age	0	1	2	3 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40+	Totals
<25	17	107	38	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	164
25 to 29	35	194	251	339	234	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,054
30 to 34	9	84	112	239	767	164	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,375
35 to 39	7	57	75	169	459	565	111	-	-	-	-	-	1,443
40 to 44	5	39	38	119	318	393	539	126	-	-	-	-	1,577
45 to 49	9	28	31	88	216	263	339	461	114	1	-	-	1,550
50 to 54	4	23	15	78	212	252	281	335	440	139	-	-	1,779
55 to 59	4	25	26	40	142	206	265	311	324	376	112	-	1,831
60 to 64	2	11	12	14	74	105	121	196	193	197	196	41	1,162
65 to 69	-	2	1	8	15	22	26	32	31	24	23	30	214
70 and up	1			4	7	3	4	5	7		5	17	53
Totals	93	570	599	1.100	2.444	1.974	1.686	1.466	1.109	737	336	88	12.202



Table C-1

Active Members Distribution of Full-Time Employees and Salaries

as of July 1, 2012

Annual Salaries in Thousands

Completed Years of Service

Age	0	1	2	3 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40+	Totals
05	405	0.040	4 000	70									4.070
<25	435	3,249	1,223	70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,978
25 to 29	899	6,319	8,413	11,939	9,008	41	-	-	-	-	-	-	36,619
30 to 34	203	2,988	4,097	8,994	32,453	7,719	-	-	-	-	-	-	56,454
35 to 39	280	2,197	2,854	6,866	20,654	28,816	6,123	-	-	-	-	-	67,790
40 to 44	143	1,506	1,454	4,968	14,416	20,090	30,741	7,579	-	-	-	-	80,896
45 to 49	270	1,138	1,343	3,597	9,513	13,572	19,362	27,934	6,919	67	-	-	83,715
50 to 54	114	968	825	3,402	9,552	12,581	15,708	20,034	26,846	8,650	-	-	98,681
55 to 59	126	1,058	1,218	1,802	6,709	10,435	14,908	18,514	19,966	23,938	7,223	-	105,896
60 to 64	86	485	571	845	3,368	5,454	6,570	11,360	12,044	12,692	12,780	2,797	69,052
65 to 69	-	121	37	623	782	1,257	1,395	2,066	2,365	1,766	2,097	2,272	14,781
70 and up	12			159	307	158	248	227	489		405	1,274	3,278
Totals	2,568	20,030	22,035	43,264	106,762	100,122	95,054	87,714	68,630	47,113	22,505	6,342	622,140



Table C-1

Active Members Distribution of Full-Time Employees and Salaries as of July 1, 2012

Average Annual Salary

Completed Years of Service

Age	0	1	2	3 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40+	Totals
<25	25,608	30,368	32,194	35,029	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30,354
25 to 29	25,688	32,573	33,516	35,219	38,495	40,758	-	-	-	-	-	-	34,743
30 to 34	22,580	35,574	36,582	37,632	42,311	47,064	-	-	-	-	-	-	41,058
35 to 39	40,008	38,548	38,054	40,625	44,999	51,001	55,159	-	-	-	-	-	46,978
40 to 44	28,567	38,628	38,256	41,744	45,334	51,119	57,033	60,153	-	-	-	-	51,298
45 to 49	29,989	40,637	43,324	40,876	44,042	51,606	57,116	60,594	60,696	66,600	-	-	54,010
50 to 54	28,561	42,074	55,016	43,615	45,056	49,925	55,900	59,804	61,014	62,229	-	-	55,470
55 to 59	31,527	42,319	46,849	45,040	47,245	50,654	56,258	59,529	61,624	63,665	64,490	-	57,835
60 to 64	42,868	44,053	47,561	60,352	45,520	51,947	54,296	57,960	62,405	64,425	65,206	68,216	59,425
65 to 69	-	60,686	36,950	77,862	52,126	57,138	53,655	64,558	76,294	73,599	91,156	75,730	69,070
70 and up	11,885			39,655	43,834	52,607	61,914	45,360	69,890		81,028	74,923	61,843
Totals	27,618	35,140	36,786	39,330	43,683	11,401	56,379	59,832	61,885	63,925	66,979	72,073	50,987



Table C-1

Active Members Distribution of Part-Time Employees as of July 1, 2012

Number of Employees

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Age	0	1	2	3 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 to 39	40+	Totals
<25	150	72	15	11	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	250
25 to 29	253	132	73	90	42	7	-	-	1	-	-	-	598
30 to 34	113	102	50	74	80	33	8	2	1	1	=	-	464
35 to 39	87	92	62	90	94	48	25	9	3	-	2	1	513
40 to 44	98	101	68	114	138	49	24	11	8	2	3	1	617
45 to 49	55	66	58	106	199	105	45	15	8	9	3	9	678
50 to 54	52	74	52	91	199	181	91	50	16	7	6	7	826
55 to 59	52	52	33	89	188	141	104	42	22	10	7	16	756
60 to 64	43	28	32	48	111	93	73	54	22	20	1	10	535
65 to 69	13	15	17	26	55	30	24	19	6	2	1	1	209
70 and up	7	7	3	16	20	14	10	5	2	2		2	88
Totals	923	741	463	755	1,127	702	404	207	89	53	23	47	5,534



Table C-2
Distribution of Inactive Lives

Members Receiving Service Retirement Benefits as of July 1, 2012

Age	Number of Persons	ual Benefits Γhousands	age Annual Benefits
<50	14	\$ 366	\$ 26,171
50 to 54	217	4,898	22,571
55 to 59	858	20,089	23,414
60 to 64	2,566	59,480	23,180
65 to 69	2,857	64,984	22,745
70 to 74	2,014	44,289	21,990
75 to 79	1,360	27,210	20,007
80 to 84	896	15,069	16,818
85 to 89	508	7,163	14,100
90 and up	385	3,932	10,213
Totals	11,675	\$ 247,480	\$ 21,197

Members Receiving Disability Retirement Benefits as of July 1, 2012

	Number of	Annu	ual Benefits	Avera	age Annual
Age	Persons	in T	housands	B	Benefits
			_		_
<50	14	\$	177	\$	12,612
50 to 54	13		145		11,178
55 to 59	29		348		11,985
60 to 64	50		514		10,272
65 to 69	40		453		11,325
70 to 74	21		204		9,707
75 to 79	16		144		9,025
80 to 84	12		119		9,932
85 to 89	3		16		5,349
90 and up	5		41		8,169
Totals	203	\$	2,160	\$	10,642



Table C-2

Distribution of Inactive Lives

Survivors of Deceased Retired Members as of July 1, 2012

Age	Number of Persons	ual Benefits Thousands	age Annual Benefits
<50	50	\$ 403	\$ 8,056
50 to 54	19	206	10,854
55 to 59	42	503	11,981
60 to 64	77	1,064	13,822
65 to 69	142	2,179	15,346
70 to 74	147	2,381	16,199
75 to 79	162	2,507	15,477
80 to 84	146	2,112	14,468
85 to 89	143	1,643	11,491
90 and up	100	955	9,550
Totals	1,028	\$ 13,955	\$ 13,575

Survivors of Deceased Active Members as of July 1, 2012

	Number of	Annual Benefits		Average Annual		
Age	Persons	<u>in T</u>	housands	B	Benefits	
<50	74	\$	522	\$	7,058	
50 to 54	39		244		6,259	
55 to 59	48		488		10,158	
60 to 64	58		705		12,150	
65 to 69	66		720		10,910	
70 to 74	41		552		13,457	
75 to 79	32		282		8,813	
80 to 84	37		424		11,450	
85 to 89	16		189		11,787	
90 and up	12		50		4,143	
Totals	423	\$	4,174	\$	9,869	



Table C-2

Distribution of Inactive Lives

Terminated Vested Members as of July 1, 2012 Number of Persons

Age	Number
<25	-
25 to 29	4
30 to 34	89
35 to 39	150
40 to 44	189
45 to 49	245
50 to 54	316
55 to 59	394
60 to 64	146
65 to 69	27
70 and above	6
Total	1,566

Child Beneficiaries as of July 1, 2012 Number of Persons

Age	Number
<5	1
5 to 6	-
7 to 8	1
9 to 10	2
11 to 12	6
13 to 14	7
15 to 16	14
17 to 18	3
Total	34



Table C-3

Data Reconciliation

	Active Contributing Members*	Terminated Vested Members	Service Retired Members	Disabled Members	Survivors and Beneficiaries
July 1, 2011 Valuation	17,906	1,580	11,250	207	1,442
Refunds and Non-Vested Terminations	(1,085)	(66)			
Change to Annual Pay Under \$1,000	4	7			
Vested Terminations	(208)	208	72		
Service Retirements	(595)	(72)	595		
Disability Retirements	(11)	(1)		12	
Deaths with Beneficiary	(14)	(1)	(67)	(7)	89
Deaths without Beneficiary			(172)	(9)	(51)
New Entrants	1,312				
Rehires	418	(85)	(7)		
Other	9	(4)	4		5
July 1, 2012 Valuation	17,736	1,566	11,675	203	1,485

^{*} Excludes active members with annual compensation less than \$1,000



Appendix D

Comparative Schedules

This section contains tables that summarize the experience of the System shown in present and past valuation reports.

Table D-1 shows a summary of the active members covered as of the various valuation dates.

Table D-2 shows a summary of the retired and inactive members as of the various valuation dates.

Table D-3 summarizes the contribution rates determined by each annual actuarial valuation.



Table D-1

Active Membership Data

Active Members

					7 TOLIVE IVICITIDE 13				
Valuation Date (July 1)	Full-Time Members	Part-Time Members**	Total Contributing Members**	Part-Time Members Annual Compensation less than \$1,000	Annual Full-Time Salaries in Thousands	Average Full-Time Annual Salary	Average Age**	Average Years of Service**	Average Hire Age**
1987	13,105	1,955	15,060	*	\$340,481	\$25,981	*	*	*
1989	12,546	2,541	15,087	*	339,866	27,090	*	*	*
1992	13,502	3,141	16,643	*	401,092	29,706	42.4	11.6	30.8
1994	14,938	2,637	17,575	377	416,968	27,914	42.5	11.0	31.5
1996	13,251	5,444	18,695	1,295	424,085	32,004	43.3	11.6	31.7
1998	13,545	4,647	18,192	776	459,191	33,901	44.0	12.1	31.9
2000	13,289	4,245	17,534	886	477,160	35,906	44.5	12.2	32.3
2002	12,796	4,650	17,446	723	486,204	37,997	45.0	12.2	32.8
2004	12,601	5,013	17,614	637	510,808	40,537	45.6	12.2	33.4
2005	12,523	5,019	17,542	697	523,909	41,836	45.8	12.4	33.4
2006	12,715	4,840	17,555	544	549,268	43,198	46.0	12.5	33.5
2007	12,634	4,994	17,628	548	568,351	44,986	46.2	12.5	33.7
2008	12,694	5,077	17,771	521	592,514	46,677	46.1	12.3	33.8
2009	12,673	5,270	17,943	513	613,077	48,377	46.2	12.4	33.8
2010	12,711	5,642	18,353	600	630,444	49,598	45.9	12.2	33.8
2011	12,506	5,400	17,906	578	633,005	50,616	46.2	12.4	33.8
2012	12,202	5,534	17,736	636	622,140	50,987	46.0	12.4	33.6

Not available.

^{**} Excludes part-time active members with annual compensation less than \$1,000.



Table D-2

Retired and Inactive Membership Data

			Terminated	Terminated Members				
Valuation Date (July 1)	Number	Annual Benefits in Thousands	Average Annual Benefit	Average Current Age	Average Age at Retirement	Average Service at Retirement	Number Vested Terminated	Number Non-Vested Terminated
1987	6,036	\$ 43,236	\$ 7,163	*	*	*	*	*
1989	6,330	49,546	7,827	*	*	*	*	*
1992	6,927	63,483	9,165	*	*	*	*	*
1994	7,530	78,183	10,383	*	*	*	1,105	5,722
1996	7,896	87,351	11,063	*	*	*	1,152	6,479
1998	8,362	99,040	11,844	69.6	57.3	*	1,190	8,158
2000	9,021	117,227	12,995	69.3	57.0	*	1,256	9,308
2002	9,768	139,131	14,244	69.1	56.8	*	1,485	8,231
2004	10,375	159,776	15,400	69.1	56.7	*	1,620	7,861
2005	10,664	170,129	15,954	69.3	56.7	*	1,649	8,569
2006	11,019	181,114	16,436	69.3	56.5	*	1,684	8,542
2007	11,356	195,237	17,192	69.3	56.6	*	1,671	8,963
2008	11,788	208,985	17,729	69.4	56.7	*	1,649	9,574
2009	12,036	219,267	18,218	69.7	57.5	25.5	1,640	9,868
2010	12,440	234,048	18,814	69.9	57.6	25.5	1,553	10,304
2011	12,899	250,500	19,420	70.0	57.8	25.5	1,580	10,727
2012	13,363	267,851	20,044	70.2	57.9	25.5	1,566	11,172

^{*} Not available.



Table D-3

Contribution Rates

Valuation Date		Contribution Rates		Normal	UAAL
(July 1)	Employee	Employer	Total	Cost Rate	Rate*
1992	7.044%	7.459%	14.503%	9.876%	4.627%
1994	7.044	7.470	14.514	9.494	5.020
1996	7.044	7.470	14.514	9.328	5.186
1998	7.044	7.470	14.514	8.880	5.634
2000	7.15	7.58**	14.73	9.71	5.02
2002	7.15	7.58	14.73	10.33	4.40
2004	7.15	7.58	14.73	10.34	4.39
2005	7.15	7.58	14.73	10.35	4.38
2006	7.15	7.58	14.73	10.37	4.36
2007	7.15	9.58	16.73	10.40	6.33
2008	7.15	9.58	16.73	10.87	5.86
2009	7.15	9.96	17.11	10.69	6.42
2010	7.15	9.96	17.11	9.74	7.37
2011	7.15	9.96	17.11	9.64	7.47
2012	7.15	9.96	17.11	9.64	7.47

The UAAL rate is the amount available to amortize the UAAL. It is equal to the total contribution rate, minus the normal cost rate.
 The 1999 Legislation which passed the 1.5% GABA, also added a 0.11% state general fund contribution.



Appendix E

Glossary

The following definitions are largely excerpts from a list adopted in 1981 by the major actuarial organizations in the United States. In some cases the definitions have been modified for specific applicability to the Montana Teachers' Retirement System. Defined terms are capitalized throughout this Appendix.

Accrued Benefit

The amount of an individual's benefit (whether or not vested) as of a specific date, determined in accordance with the terms of a pension plan and based on compensation and service to that date.

Actuarial Accrued Liability

That portion, as determined by a particular Actuarial Cost Method, of the Actuarial Present Value of pension plan benefits and expenses which is not provided for by future Normal Costs.

Actuarial Assumptions

Assumptions as to the occurrence of future events affecting pension costs, such as: mortality, withdrawal, disablement, and retirement; changes in compensation, rates of investment earnings, and asset appreciation or depreciation; procedures used to determine the Actuarial Value of Assets; and other relevant items.

Actuarial Cost Method

A procedure for determining the Actuarial Present Value of pension plan benefits and expenses and for developing an actuarially equivalent allocation of such value to time periods, usually in the form of a Normal Cost and an Actuarial Accrued Liability.

Actuarial Gain (Loss)

A measure of the difference between actual experience and that expected based upon a set of Actuarial Assumptions during the period between two Actuarial Valuation dates, as determined in accordance with a particular Actuarial Cost Method.

Appendix E (continued)



Actuarial Present Value

The value of an amount or series of amounts payable or receivable at various times, determined as of a given date by the application of a particular set of Actuarial Assumptions.

Actuarial Valuation

The determination, as of a valuation date, of the Normal Cost, Actuarial Accrued Liability, Actuarial Value of Assets, and related Actuarial Present Values for a pension plan.

Actuarial Value of Assets

The value of cash, investments and other property belonging to a pension plan, as used by the actuary for the purpose of an Actuarial Valuation.

Actuarially Equivalent

Of equal Actuarial Present Value, determined as of a given date with each value based on the same set of Actuarial Assumptions.

Amortization Payment

That portion of the pension plan contribution which is designed to pay interest on and to amortize the Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability.

Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method

A method under which the Actuarial Present Value of the Projected Benefits of each individual included in an Actuarial Valuation is allocated on a level basis over the earnings of the individual between entry age and assumed exit ages. The portion of this Actuarial Present Value allocated to a valuation year is called the Normal Cost. The portion of this Actuarial Present Value not provided for at a valuation date by the Actuarial Present Value of future Normal Costs is called the Actuarial Accrued Liability.

Market Value of Assets

The fair value of cash, investments and other property belonging to a pension plan that could be acquired by exchanging them on the open market.

Normal Cost

That portion of the Actuarial Present Value of pension plan benefits and expenses which is allocated to a valuation year by the Actuarial Cost Method.

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Appendix E (continued)

Projected Benefits

Those pension plan benefit amounts which are expected to be paid at various future times under a particular set of Actuarial Assumptions, taking into account such items as the effect of advancement in age and past and anticipated future compensation and service credits.

Unaccrued Benefit

The excess of an individual's Projected Benefits over the Accrued Benefits as of a specified date.

Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability

The excess of the Actuarial Accrued Liability over the Actuarial Value of Assets.