

**KAET-TV**  
**(A Department of Arizona State University)**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND  
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 AND 2016**

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Ms. Joanne Wamsley, Senior Associate VP of  
Finance and Deputy Treasurer  
KAET-TV (A Department of Arizona State University)  
Phoenix, Arizona

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of KAET-TV (A Department of Arizona State University) as of and for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the related notes to the financial statements which comprise the entity's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

### ***Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements***

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

### ***Auditors' Responsibility***

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

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

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

### ***Opinion***

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the business-type activities of KAET-TV as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, 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.

Ms. Joanne Wamsley, Senior Associate VP of  
Finance and Deputy Treasurer  
KAET-TV (A Department of Arizona State University)

***Emphasis of Matter***

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements of KAET-TV are intended to present the financial position, and changes in financial position of only that portion of Arizona State University, that is attributable to KAET-TV. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of Arizona State University, as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in its financial position 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 discussion and analysis on pages 3 through 10 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.

*Supplementary Information*

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of KAET-TV. The accompanying schedule of functional expense is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The schedule of functional expenses is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying supplementary information listed in the table of contents is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.



**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Phoenix, Arizona  
February 12, 2018

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**MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**  
**JUNE 30, 2017 AND 2016**

The following Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) provides an overview of the financial position and activities of KAET-TV (the "Station"), a Department of Arizona State University (the "University"), and is designed to assist in the understanding of the accompanying financial statements for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016.

This discussion has been prepared by management and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the accompanying notes, which follow this section.

**FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- ◆ KAET-TV provides listeners with community engagement projects, along with 24 hours of news, information, and acoustic jazz music. KBAQ – FM Radio, co-licensed to Arizona State University and Maricopa County Community College District, broadcasts 24 hours of classical music and arts information.
- ◆ Significant funding for KAET-TV include government sources such as the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), and Arizona State University. Private donors, fund raising events, and corporate underwriters continue to provide a majority of the funding for all services.
- ◆ Economic recovery for Arizona, as with the rest of the country, continues to be slow and steady, with a principal challenge proving to be in wage growth. Continued lack of consumer confidence, combined with the emerging refugee crisis in Europe and the Middle East, creates a challenging environment for charitable giving to the nonprofit sector here in the United States. The Stations have succeeded in generating additional membership revenue during the past year and corporate support continues its trend to provide modest improvement over the prior year.

**OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with reporting guidelines of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) and Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) principles as they apply to public colleges and universities. The financial statements consist of the following:

- ◆ The Statement of Net Position reflects the financial position of KAET-TV at June 30, 2017 and 2016. It shows the various assets owned or controlled, related liabilities and other obligations, and the various categories of net position.
- ◆ The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position reflects the results of operations and other changes for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. It shows the various revenues and expenses, both operating and non-operating, reconciling the beginning net position amount to the ending net position amount – which is shown on the Statement of Net Position, described above.
- ◆ The Statement of Cash Flows reflects the inflows and outflows of cash and cash equivalents for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. It shows various cash activities by type, reconciling the beginning cash and cash equivalents amount to the ending cash and cash equivalents amount – which is shown on the Statement of Net Position, described above. In addition, this statement reconciles cash flows from operating activities to operating income/(loss) on the Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position, described above.

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Although the primary focus of this document is on the results of activity for years ended June 30, 2017 (FY2017) and June 30, 2016 (FY2016), comparative data is presented for the previous year ended June 30, 2015 (FY2015). This Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) uses the prior year as a reference point in illustrating issues and trends for determining whether the Station's financial health may have improved or deteriorated.

The condensed financial information highlights the main categories of the Statement of Net Position. Assets and liabilities are distinguished as to their current and noncurrent natures. Current liabilities are typically those obligations intended for liquidation or payment within the next fiscal year while current assets are those resources that are available for use in meeting the ongoing operating needs of the Station, including current liabilities. Net Position is divided into two categories, net investment in capital assets and unrestricted assets. Over time, increases or decreases in net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Station is improving or deteriorating.

**Statement of Net Position**

A condensed comparison of KAET-TV's assets, liabilities, and net position at June 30, 2017, 2016 and 2015 follows:

	<u>Condensed Statements of Net Position as of June 30,</u>		
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Assets			
Current Assets	\$ 3,071,541	\$ 2,579,944	\$ 4,713,288
Non-Current Assets Other Than			
Capital Assets	611,582	475,740	510,456
Capital Assets, Net	<u>1,936,701</u>	<u>2,712,462</u>	<u>2,909,205</u>
Total Assets	<u>5,619,824</u>	<u>5,768,146</u>	<u>8,132,949</u>
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities	612,532	1,411,782	3,942,078
Non-Current Liabilities	<u>255,526</u>	<u>229,444</u>	<u>881,123</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>868,058</u>	<u>1,641,226</u>	<u>4,823,201</u>
Net Position			
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,936,701	2,068,889	1,644,423
Restricted	110,404	103,053	110,097
Unrestricted	<u>2,704,661</u>	<u>1,954,978</u>	<u>1,555,228</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$ 4,751,766</u>	<u>\$ 4,126,920</u>	<u>\$ 3,309,748</u>

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**Statement of Net Position (Continued)**

The Station's net position increased by approximately \$0.6 million, or 15.1% for 2017, primarily due to the reduction in notes payable and an increase in grant and contracts revenue.

The Station's net position increased by approximately \$0.8 million, or 24.7% for 2016, primarily due to an increase in grants, estates and other receivables of \$1.5 million, offset by a decrease in capital assets of \$0.2 million due to depreciation, an increase in unearned revenue of \$0.4 million, and a decrease in equipment loan by \$0.6 million.

During 2017, the Station's current liabilities decreased by \$0.8 million primarily due to the Station paying the note payable principal in full. Non-current liabilities remained consistent with the prior year.

During 2016, the Station's current liabilities increased by \$1.0 million. Capital equipment loan decreased by \$0.6 million, accounts payable increase by \$0.6 million, and unearned revenue increased by \$0.4 million.

**Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position**

Activities are reported as either operating or nonoperating. Operating revenues generally represent educational service grants and corporate underwriting grants. Operating expenses are incurred in the normal operations of the Station. Included in operating expenses is a provision for depreciation on property and equipment. The difference between the two generally results in an operating loss. Most University Licensee's, including KAET-TV, will normally have an operating loss since significant recurring revenues, such as University support, and donor gifts are required by the CPB and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, to be shown as non-operating revenues.

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**Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position (Continued)**

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position presents the Station's results of operations. A summarized comparison of the Station's revenues, expenses, and changes in net position for the years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015 is as follows:

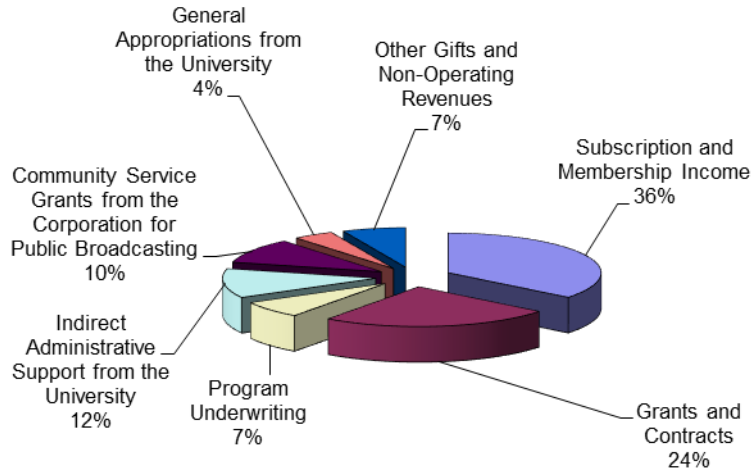
	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Operating Revenues			
Grant and Contracts	\$ 4,663,440	\$ 2,185,746	\$ 755,266
Program Underwriting	1,322,270	1,282,867	1,399,680
	<u>5,985,710</u>	<u>3,468,613</u>	<u>2,154,946</u>
Total Operating Revenues			
Operating Expenses			
Program Services			
Local Programming and Production	6,905,461	6,054,888	4,810,670
Broadcasting	1,216,075	1,639,973	1,269,712
Program Information and Promotion	3,262,290	980,561	591,614
Supporting Services			
Management and General	4,578,845	4,025,357	3,886,672
Fundraising and Membership Development	2,620,719	2,462,031	3,268,958
	<u>18,583,390</u>	<u>15,162,810</u>	<u>13,827,626</u>
Total Operating Expenses			
Operating Loss	<u>(12,597,680)</u>	<u>(11,694,197)</u>	<u>(11,672,680)</u>
Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)			
Subscription and Membership Income	6,824,039	6,739,144	6,576,724
Community Service Grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting	1,946,754	1,919,101	1,769,035
Indirect Administrative Support from the University	2,279,536	2,095,776	2,254,920
Indirect Support from Other Agencies	521,312	54,414	40,531
General Appropriation from ASU	817,190	820,072	815,656
Other Gifts and Non-Operating Revenues	821,083	887,501	1,227,514
Investment Income	19,963	2,405	975
Unrealized Investment Gain (Loss)	(7,351)	(7,044)	(1,221)
	<u>13,222,526</u>	<u>12,511,369</u>	<u>12,684,134</u>
Total Non-Operating Revenues			
Changes in Net Position	624,846	817,172	1,011,454
Net Position, Beginning of Year	<u>4,126,920</u>	<u>3,309,748</u>	<u>2,298,294</u>
Net Position, End of Year	<u>\$ 4,751,766</u>	<u>\$ 4,126,920</u>	<u>\$ 3,309,748</u>



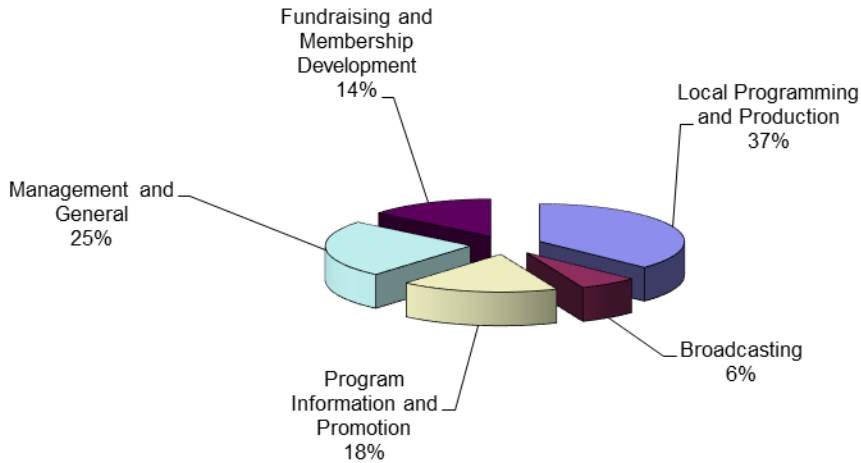
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The following graphs illustrate the operating and non-operating revenues and expenses for the year ended June 30, 2017.

**Operating and Non-Operating Revenues**  
**2017**



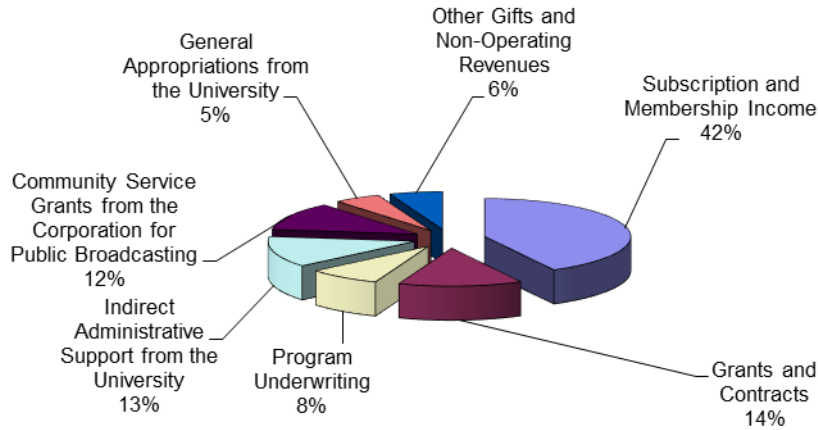
**Operating and Non-Operating Expenses**  
**2017**



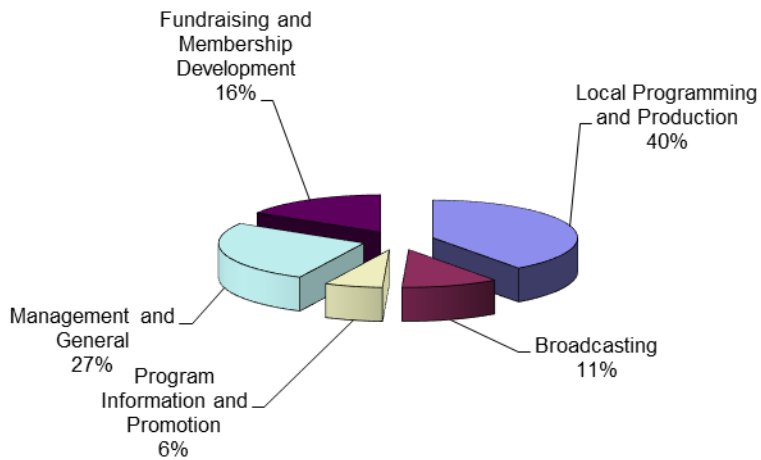
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The following graphs illustrate the operating and non-operating revenues and expenses for the year ended June 30, 2016.

**Operating and Non-Operating Revenues**  
**2016**



**Operating and Non-Operating Expenses**  
**2016**



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**Operating revenues and expenses**

KAET-TV's operating revenues increased by \$2.5 million, or 72.6%, in fiscal year 2017. The increase is primarily due to a \$2.4 million increase in grants and contracts revenue with new funding received through First Things First grant.

KAET-TV's operating revenues increased by \$1.3 million, or 61.0%, in fiscal year 2016. The increase is comprised of a \$1.4 million increase in grants and contracts revenue, offset by \$0.1 million decrease in program underwriting revenue.

Operating expenses increased by \$3.4 million, or 22.6%, in fiscal year 2017. The Station increased programmatic expenditures by \$2.7 million, increased management and general expenses by \$0.6 million and increased fund raising and membership development expenses by \$0.1 million

Operating expenses increased by \$1.3 million, or 9.7%, in fiscal year 2016. The Station increased programmatic expenditures by \$2.0 million, increased management and general expenses by \$0.1 and decreased fund raising and membership development expenses by \$0.8 million

**Non-operating revenues and expenses**

Non-operating revenues for the Station increased by \$0.7 million, or 5.7%, in fiscal 2017 over fiscal year 2016. The increase in fiscal year 2017 non-operating revenues was primarily due to an increase in indirect administrative support from the University and other agencies.

Non-operating revenues for the Station decreased by \$0.2 million, or 1%, in fiscal 2016 over fiscal year 2015. Fiscal year 2016 subscription and membership income increased by \$0.2 million, indirect administrative support from the University decreased by \$0.2 million, and community service grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting increased by \$0.2 million, which was offset by a decrease in other gifts and non-operating revenues of \$0.4 million.

**Statement of Cash Flows**

The Statement of Cash Flows provides information about the Station's financial results by reporting the major sources and uses of cash. A summarized comparison of KAET-TV cash flows for the years ended June 30, 2017, 2016, and 2015 follows:

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>
Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	\$ (9,376,513)	\$ (9,335,243)	\$ (8,857,370)
Non-Capital Financing Activities	10,152,279	10,393,500	10,388,929
Capital Financing Activities	(643,573)	(1,234,649)	(599,623)
Investing Activities	<u>19,963</u>	<u>2,405</u>	<u>975</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	152,156	(173,987)	932,911
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	<u>1,127,151</u>	<u>1,301,138</u>	<u>368,227</u>
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	<u>\$ 1,279,307</u>	<u>\$ 1,127,151</u>	<u>\$ 1,301,138</u>

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**Statement of Cash Flows (Continued)**

In fiscal year 2017, the Station's cash increased by \$0.2 million, primarily due to the increase in the 2017 grants and contracts revenue.

In fiscal year 2016, the Station's cash decreased by \$0.2 million, primarily due to the decrease in the 2016 other gifts and non-operating revenues.

Non-capital financing activities consist of general appropriations from Arizona State University, grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and general gifts from viewers.

**Capital and Debt Analysis**

As of June 30, 2017, KAET-TV had \$1.9 million in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. The decrease of \$0.8 million or 28.6% in 2017, consisted primarily of depreciation expense.

As of June 30, 2016, KAET-TV had \$2.7 million in capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation. The decrease of \$0.2 million or 6.8% in 2016, consisted primarily of depreciation expense and an increase of \$0.6 million in on-air production workflow capital assets.

The federally mandated Telecommunications Act of 1996 required all public television stations be able to broadcast on digital television channels by May 2003. KAET-TV successfully met the mandate early and began broadcasting its digital signal in April 2002. KAET-TV also met early the federal mandate for discontinuing Analog Broadcast in April 2009. Currently, the station broadcasts PBS and locally produced programs on Eight HD - Digital 8.1, broadcasts travel and how-to programs on Eight Life – Digital 8.2, and broadcasts documentary and non-fiction programs on Eight World – Digital 8.3. Selected programming includes Descriptive Video Service for the visually impaired on secondary audio channels. KAET-TV broadcasts an additional service as Digital 8.4, which includes still images of Arizona, KBAQ-FM Classical music, and Sun Sounds reading service for the visually impaired. The digital conversion of KAET-TV's production facilities and main transmitter on South Mountain has been completed. Six of our seven translators throughout Arizona have been converted from analog to digital operation. The next phase will include the conversion of locally produced archived content to digital formats and the conversion of the final translator to digital.

**Long-Term Debt**

There was no new long-term debt in the fiscal year 2017 and principal payments totaled \$0.6 million in fiscal 2017.

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The repayment terms are as follows: 8 years; 3.6% interest rate, first payment was due on June 20, 2010 and every June 30, thereafter; principal and interest payments for all years; no penalty for early, full or partial payment. The note was fully amortized and paid in full as of June 30, 2017.

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**Economic Outlook**

KAET-TV management believes the Station is continuing to better position itself to advance its mission of serving the people of Arizona through the development and operation of public telecommunications systems and services for instructional, educational, informational, and cultural purposes.

KAET-TV-Arizona PBS is in the business of fostering an educated, informed, cultured and civil society to advance the greatest democracy in the world. KAET-TV is the public media enterprise of Arizona State University with over 1 million viewers each week and consistently ranks among the most-viewed public television stations per capita in the country.

Gift revenue continues to be the major source of funding for the Station supplemented by grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) along with grants from First Things First with Arizona Department of Education. CPB grants are expected to remain stable over at least the next two years via advance federal appropriations. First Things First grants are expected to grow the next two years as the programs continue to grow. In addition, with a variety of strategic fund-raising initiatives, donor contributions are expected to begin to grow again relative to the two years prior to 2017.

Arizona PBS, with more than 1 million viewers each week, is now a part of the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication (Cronkite), continuing to provide quality PBS programming while serving as a national hub for news innovation and reinvention. Eight is the largest media organization operated by a journalism school in the world. The station had been part of ASU's Office of Public Affairs. Under Cronkite, Arizona PBS also will serve as a journalistic "teaching hospital," tapping into the talents of advanced students in journalism and other disciplines who work under the guidance of top professionals from the ASU faculty and Eight staff to provide rich, new and innovative broadcast and digital content. Eight will now enjoy greater University support and integration.

Since moving into its new digital media center on the Downtown Phoenix Campus of Arizona State University seven years ago, KAET-TV has not only enjoyed closer proximity to government and community leaders, but the location has allowed KAET-TV to fulfill a strategic vision as a community convener, hosting (and renting) its centrally located facilities for a variety of community events in Studio A. With the relocation, KAET-TV has moved most of the day-to-day productions (e.g. Horizon, Check Please) to Studio B, thus allowing KAET-TV to utilize Studio A for other local productions (e.g. Arizona Spelling Bee, Academic Bowl), which allows the Station to realize two new revenue streams by renting out Studio A to clients or partnering with other community service organizations to conduct "town hall"-type events, which are occurring at an increasing rate.

Management is well aware of the challenging current economic environment and funding demands and continues to work diligently and innovatively to provide quality public media and educational services to the Arizona community.

This financial narrative is designed to provide a general overview of the Station's finances and to show accountability for the contributions received by the Station. If there are any questions about this report or a need for additional financial information, contact the Station at:

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555 North Central Avenue, Suite 500  
Phoenix, Arizona 85004-1252

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<b>ASSETS</b>	<b><u>2017</u></b>	<b><u>2016</u></b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 1,279,307	\$ 1,127,151
Grants Receivable, Net	1,488,357	1,256,755
Estate Receivable	113,734	140
Other Receivables	190,143	195,898
Total Current Assets	3,071,541	2,579,944
<b>INVESTMENTS</b>	110,404	103,053
<b>SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS</b>	501,178	372,687
<b>CAPITAL ASSETS, Net</b>	1,936,701	2,712,462
Total Assets	\$ 5,619,824	\$ 5,768,146
<b>LIABILITIES AND NET POSITION</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	\$ 480,095	\$ 667,772
Note Payable	-	643,573
Unearned Revenue	132,437	100,437
Total Current Liabilities	612,532	1,411,782
<b>LONG-TERM LIABILITIES</b>		
Present Value of Annuity Payments	255,526	229,444
Total Long-Term Liabilities	255,526	229,444
Total Liabilities	868,058	1,641,226
<b>NET POSITION</b>		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	1,936,701	2,068,889
Restricted	110,404	103,053
Unrestricted	2,704,661	1,954,978
Total Net Position	4,751,766	4,126,920
Total Liabilities and Net Position	\$ 5,619,824	\$ 5,768,146

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	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>OPERATING REVENUES</b>		
Grants and Contracts	\$ 4,663,440	\$ 2,185,746
Program Underwriting	<u>1,322,270</u>	<u>1,282,867</u>
Total Operating Revenues	5,985,710	3,468,613
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>		
Programmatic Expenditures	11,383,826	8,675,422
Management and General	4,578,845	4,025,357
Fundraising and Membership Development	<u>2,620,719</u>	<u>2,462,031</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>18,583,390</u>	<u>15,162,810</u>
<b>OPERATING LOSS</b>	(12,597,680)	(11,694,197)
<b>NONOPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>		
Subscription and Membership Income	6,824,039	6,739,144
Community Service Grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting	1,946,754	1,919,101
Indirect Administrative Support from the University	2,279,536	2,095,776
Indirect Support from Other Agencies	521,312	54,414
General Appropriations from the University	817,190	820,072
Other Gifts and Non-Operating Revenues	821,083	887,501
Investment Income	19,963	2,405
Unrealized Investment Gain (Loss)	<u>(7,351)</u>	<u>(7,044)</u>
Total Non-Operating Revenues	<u>13,222,526</u>	<u>12,511,369</u>
<b>CHANGES IN NET POSITION</b>	624,846	817,172
Net Position - Beginning of Year	<u>4,126,920</u>	<u>3,309,748</u>
<b>NET POSITION - END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 4,751,766</u>	<u>\$ 4,126,920</u>

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**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2017 AND 2016**

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Grants and Contract Receipts	\$ 4,463,838	\$ 1,058,638
Program Underwriting Receipts	1,328,025	1,229,062
Payments to Employees and Others	<u>(15,168,376)</u>	<u>(11,622,943)</u>
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	(9,376,513)	(9,335,243)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM NON-CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Subscription and Membership Income	6,824,039	6,739,144
Corporation for Public Broadcasting Grants	1,946,754	1,919,101
General Appropriations from the University	817,190	820,072
Other Gifts and Non-Operating Revenues Received	<u>564,296</u>	<u>915,183</u>
Net Cash Provided by Non-Capital and Related Financing Activities	10,152,279	10,393,500
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchases of Capital Assets	-	(613,440)
Payments on Note Payable	<u>(643,573)</u>	<u>(621,209)</u>
Net Cash Used by Capital Financing Activities	(643,573)	(1,234,649)
<b>CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Investment Income	<u>19,963</u>	<u>2,405</u>
Net Cash Used by Capital Financing Activities	<u>19,963</u>	<u>2,405</u>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	152,156	(173,987)
Cash and Cash Equivalents - Beginning of Year	<u>1,127,151</u>	<u>1,301,138</u>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 1,279,307</u>	<u>\$ 1,127,151</u>

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	<u>2017</u>	<u>2016</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF LOSS FROM OPERATIONS TO NET CASH USED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Loss from Operations	\$ (12,597,680)	\$ (11,694,197)
Adjustment to Reconcile Loss from Operations to Net Cash Used by Operating Activities:		
Depreciation	775,761	810,183
Provision for Doubtful Accounts	(30,544)	-
Indirect Administrative Support from the University	2,279,536	2,150,190
Indirect Support from Other Agencies	521,312	-
Changes in Assets and Liabilities:		
Grants Receivable	(231,602)	(1,490,245)
Other Receivables	36,299	(53,805)
Accounts Payable	(187,677)	587,600
Unearned Revenue	32,000	363,137
Present Value of Annuity Payments	26,082	(8,106)
Net Cash Used by Operating Activities	<u>\$ (9,376,513)</u>	<u>\$ (9,335,243)</u>
 <b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF NON-CASH ITEMS</b>		
Unrealized Investment Gain (Loss)	<u>\$ (7,351)</u>	<u>\$ (7,044)</u>
 Indirect Administrative Support from the University	<u>\$ 2,279,536</u>	<u>\$ 2,095,776</u>
 Indirect Support from Other Agencies	<u>\$ 521,312</u>	<u>\$ 54,414</u>
 Charitable Gift Annuities Contributed	<u>\$ 110,503</u>	<u>\$ 19,747</u>

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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Station Operations**

KAET-TV (the Station) is a department of and is operated by Arizona State University (the University) under a license granted by the Federal Communication Commission to the Arizona Board of Regents. The University provides facilities and other financial support to the Station. The University also acts as a collection and disbursement agent on behalf of the Station.

The financial statements of the Station include the financial activities of Arizona School Services through Educational Technology (ASSET). ASSET functions as a sub-unit of the Station. The Station and the University serve as fiscal agents for ASSET.

These financial statements present only a selected portion of the telecommunication activities of the University. As such they are not intended to and do not present either the financial position, results of operations, or changes in net position of the University as a whole.

**Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation**

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to governmental units and the Financial Reporting Guidelines published by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), unless those pronouncements conflict with the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) pronouncements. The GASB is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

The financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Contributions are recognized as revenue when made.

**Operating Revenues and Expenses**

The Station distinguishes operating revenues and expenses from nonoperating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from exchange or exchange-like transactions in connection with the Station's principal ongoing operations. Other revenues such as University appropriations and gifts, are not considered generated from operations and are reported as nonoperating revenues and expenses.

**Revenue Recognition**

Federal grants, contracts and appropriations, and nongovernmental grants and contracts are accounted for as exchange transactions and are recorded as operating revenue when earned. Advances in excess of costs incurred under grants and contracts are deferred and recognized as revenue when the related expense is incurred. Revenue related to program underwriting is recognized as unrestricted operating revenue in the period the agreement is executed.

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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Use of Estimates in the Preparation of Financial Statements**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make a number of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Such estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. On an ongoing basis, the Station evaluates its estimates and assumptions based upon historical experience and various other factors and circumstances. Management believes that its estimates and assumptions are reasonable in the circumstances; however, actual results may differ from these estimates under different future conditions.

**Statutory and Board of Regents' Policies**

Arizona Revised Statutes (Statutes) require that deposits of the University not covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, be secured through participation in State of Arizona Collateral Pool administered by the State Treasurer's office which holds pledged collateral of at least 102% of uninsured deposits in eligible depositories. Further policy regarding deposits is provided by the Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR).

The Statutes do not specifically address investment policy of the universities, rather ABOR policy governs in this area. ABOR policy requires that each university arrange for the safekeeping of securities by a bank or other financial institutions approved by ABOR. The ABOR and University investment policies applicable to University investments are consistent with the scope of the Arizona State Treasurer's authorizing statutes and investment policy.

ABOR policy addresses requirements for concentration of credit risk and interest rate risk, but neither ABOR policy nor the Statutes include any specific requirements on foreign currency risk for investments of the universities.

The State of Arizona Board of Investment provides oversight for the State of Arizona Treasurer's pools. The fair value of a participant's portion in the pool approximates the value of that participant's pool shares and the participant's shares are not identified with specific investments.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**

The Station considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. The University holds excess cash collected over cash disbursed for the Station on demand and, accordingly, is considered cash and cash equivalents for purposes of reporting cash flows. Cash and cash equivalents on deposit (deficit) with the University totaled \$(511,862) and \$(772,382) at June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Cash and Cash Equivalents (Continued)**

The Arizona State University Foundation (the ASU Foundation) collects and holds cash for the Station. These amounts are due on demand and, accordingly, are considered cash and cash equivalents for purposes of reporting cash flows. Cash and cash equivalents held by the ASU Foundation totaled \$1,791,169 and \$1,899,533 at June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

**Investments**

Investments for the Station are held by the ASU Foundation as endowments in a pooled investment fund (Pool). The Station's investments are maintained separately on the financial system of the ASU Foundation and receive a proportional share of the Pool activity. As such, the ASU Foundation owns the assets of the Pool; the Department has an interest in the Pool, which is considered an external investment pool to the University. The Pool invests in a variety of asset classes, including common stocks, fixed-income, foreign investments, private equity and hedge funds. The fair value of the Department's position in the Pool is based on the Department's proportionate share of the Pool, which is marked-to-market monthly. Amounts held by the ASU Foundation recorded at fair value totaled \$110,404 and \$103,053 at June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively, and are a restricted component of net position.

**Unearned Revenue**

Operating funds restricted by the grantor or other outside party for particular operating purposes are deemed to be earned and reported as revenues when the Station has incurred expenditures in compliance with the specific restrictions. Unearned revenue also includes amounts received for underwriting of which acknowledgment of the underwriter on air has not been completed. Such amounts received but not yet earned are reported as unearned revenue.

**Subscription and Membership Income**

Subscription and membership income is recognized as income when it is received.

**Capital Assets**

Purchased capital assets are initially recorded at cost and donated capital assets are recorded at acquisition value on the date of donation. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method over the assets' estimated useful lives. Capital assets of furniture, vehicles, and equipment are defined as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 and estimated useful lives ranging from 5 to 15 years. The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized.

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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**In-Kind Contributions and Indirect Administrative Support**

In-kind contributions and indirect administrative support from the University are recorded at estimated fair values based upon methodology developed by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting as revenue and expense in the accompanying statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position. Administrative support from the University consists of allocated institutional and physical plant expense incurred by the University in support of the Station.

**Pledges and Estate Receivables**

Legally enforceable pledges and estates are recorded as receivables, net of an allowance for uncollectible pledges and estates based on past collection experience. Unless designated for use in future periods, unrestricted pledges and estates are recorded as revenue in the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position when made.

**Receivables**

Receivables are stated at the amount management expects to collect. Management provides for probable uncollectible accounts through a charge to operations and an increase to a valuation allowance account based on its assessment of the current status of individual balances. Balances that are still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a decrease to the valuation allowance account and a reduction to the receivables. Management considers receivables at June 30, 2017 and 2016, to be fully collectible and, accordingly, an allowance for doubtful accounts is not deemed necessary.

**Program Rights**

Program rights purchased by the Station are expensed when purchased.

**Expenses**

When an expense is incurred that can be paid from either restricted or unrestricted resources, KAET-TV's follows the University's policy which is to allow the department incurring the expense to determine the appropriate funding source. Factors used by departments to determine which resources to use include relative priorities of the department in accordance with the University's strategic initiatives, externally imposed matching requirements of certain restricted funds, and any pertinent lapsing provisions of the available restricted or unrestricted funding resources. Major capital purchases are many times split funded from multiple restricted and unrestricted funding sources.

**Income Taxes**

The University has received approval for tax-exempt status from the Internal Revenue Service and is also exempt from state income taxes. As a department of the University, the Station is not subject to corporate income taxes.

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**NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**Economic Dependence**

The Station is dependent upon funding from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the University, underwriters, and contributors.

**Reclassifications**

Certain amounts in the 2016 financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2017 basic financial statement presentation with no effect on previously reported 2016 net position or changes in net position.

**NOTE 2 DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS**

At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Station's deposits totaling \$1,279,307 and \$1,127,151, respectively, were held by both the University and ASU Foundation. At June 30, 2017 and 2016, the Station's investments totaling \$110,404 and \$103,053, respectively, were pooled with ASU Foundation investments. The ASU Foundation invests in U.S. Treasury, U.S. Agencies, commercial paper, corporate bonds, and equities. A summary of the University's risk policies for deposits and investments follows:

**Concentrations of Credit Risk**

Other than United States Treasury securities and other federal agency securities, which can represent greater than five percent of total investments, University policy limits investment in a single issuer to five percent or less of the fair value of the total investment portfolio. Cash balances are deposited with the University and ASU Foundation. Some balances are pooled with other ASU Foundation funds and commonly invested. Financial instruments that potentially subject the Station to concentrations of credit risk consist of cash deposits in bank and other financial institutions held by the University and ASU Foundation on behalf of the Station. Deposits in excess of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) insurance coverage limit of \$250,000 and the Securities Investors Protection Corporation (SIPC) of \$100,000 are exposed to loss in the event of nonperformance by the financial institution. At June 30, 2017 and 2016, and at times during the years then ended, those cash deposits were in excess of FDIC and SIPC insurance coverage. The University's cash on deposit in excess of insurance coverage is secured through participation in the State of Arizona Collateral Pool.

**Interest Rate Risk**

ABOR and University policies do not limit the overall maturity of the investments held by the operating fund; however, the operating fund investment policy includes guidelines addressing diversification and liquidity.

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**NOTE 2 DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

**Credit Risk**

With regard to credit risk, ABOR policy requires that negotiable certificates of deposit, corporate bonds, debentures and notes, bankers acceptances and State of Arizona bonds carry a minimum BBB or better rating from Standard and Poor's Rating Service or Baa or better rating from Moody's Investors Service; and that commercial paper be rated by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSROs) and be of the two highest rating categories for short-term obligations of at least two of the NRSROs.

**Custodial Credit Risk – Deposits**

In the case of deposits, this is the risk that in the event of bank failure, the Station's deposits may not be returned to it. University policy for its operating funds requires collateralization for all certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements. Beyond this requirement and those established by Statute or the Board, the University does not have a policy that specifically addresses custodial credit risk. As of June 30, 2017, \$1,791,169 of the Station's bank balances with the ASU Foundation was exposed to custodial credit risk because the amounts were not insured or collateralized. As of June 30, 2016, \$1,899,533 of the Station's bank balances with the ASU Foundation was exposed to custodial credit risk because the amounts were not insured or collateralized.

**Custodial Credit Risk – Investments**

For an investment, this is the risk that in the event of failure of the counterparty, the Station will not be able to recover the value of its investments or collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. University policy for its operating funds requires collateralization for all certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements. Beyond this requirement and those established by Statute or ABOR, the University does not have a policy that specifically addresses custodial credit risk. The Station's investments are pooled with the ASU Foundation's investments. As of June 30, 2017 and 2016, \$110,404 and \$103,053, respectively, of the Station's investments are exposed to custodial credit risk in that separate pertinent identifying information has not been obtained from the ASU Foundation.

**Foreign Currency Risk**

Operating funds may not be invested in foreign-denominated securities.

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**NOTE 3 CAPITAL ASSETS**

Capital assets consist of the following:

Year ended June 30, 2017:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Depreciable Assets:				
Transmission Antenna and Tower Studio and Other Broadcast	\$ 3,274,391	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,274,391
Equipment and Furniture and Fixtures	12,080,431	-	-	12,080,431
Building Improvements	1,012,778	-	-	1,012,778
Total Depreciable Assets	<u>16,367,600</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,367,600</u>
Accumulated Depreciation:				
Equipment	(12,643,229)	(774,892)	-	(13,418,121)
Building Improvements	(1,011,909)	(869)	-	(1,012,778)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(13,655,138)</u>	<u>(775,761)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(14,430,899)</u>
Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 2,712,462</u>	<u>\$ (775,761)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 1,936,701</u>

Year ended June 30, 2016:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Transmission Antenna and Tower Studio and Other Broadcast	\$ 3,274,391	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,274,391
Equipment and Furniture and Fixtures	11,466,991	613,440	-	12,080,431
Building Improvements	1,012,778	-	-	1,012,778
Total	<u>15,754,160</u>	<u>613,440</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,367,600</u>
Less Accumulated Depreciation:				
Equipment	(11,835,733)	(807,496)	-	(12,643,229)
Building Improvements	(1,009,222)	(2,687)	-	(1,011,909)
Total Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(12,844,955)</u>	<u>(810,183)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(13,655,138)</u>
Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 2,909,205</u>	<u>\$ (196,743)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,712,462</u>

Depreciation expense was \$775,761 and \$810,183 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.



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**NOTE 4 LONG-TERM DEBT**

During fiscal year 2010, the University loaned KAET-TV \$4,644,785 to partially cover the cost of equipment needed for KAET-TV's move to the Downtown Phoenix Campus.

The repayment terms are as follows: annual payments of \$666,742, 8-year term; 3.6% interest rate, first payment due June 30, 2010 and every June 30, thereafter; principal and interest payments for all years; no penalty for early, full or partial repayment.

The note payable activity for the year ended June 30, 2017 is as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Note Payable	<u>\$ 643,573</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (643,573)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>

The note payable activity for the year ended June 30, 2016 is as follows:

	<u>Beginning Balance</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Retirements</u>	<u>Ending Balance</u>
Note Payable	<u>\$ 1,264,782</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (621,209)</u>	<u>\$ 643,573</u>

**NOTE 5 OPERATING LEASE**

The Station subleases transmission facilities for a monthly rental charge subject to increases by positive percentage increases of the National All Items, All Urban Consumer Price Index calculated by the United States Government Bureau of Labor Statistics. The operating lease was renewed in fiscal 2012 for a term of five years and expired on June 30, 2017. The lease renewal terms are in negotiation. The lease is currently month-to-month until the agreements are finalized.

Rental expense totaled \$97,847 and \$76,267 for the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively. In the normal course of business, operating leases are generally renewed or replaced by other leases.

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**NOTE 6 SPLIT INTEREST AGREEMENTS**

The Station is the beneficiary of seven charitable remainder trusts directed to the ASU Foundation. The charitable remainder trusts provide for the payment of distributions to the grantor or other designated beneficiaries over the trust's term (usually the designated beneficiary's lifetime). At the end of the trust's term, the remaining assets are available for the Station's use. The portion of the trust attributable to the present value of the future benefits to be received by the Station is recorded as a contribution in the period the trust is established. Investments held in the charitable remainder trusts are reported at fair value. On an annual basis, the Station revalues the liability to make distributions to the designated beneficiaries based on actuarial assumptions. Adjustments to reflect the valuation of the present value of the estimated annuity payments and changes in actuarial assumptions are recognized in the statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position as other gifts and nonoperating revenue. The present value of the estimated annuity payments is calculated using discount rates of 2.4% and 1.8% as of June 30, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

**NOTE 7 TRANSACTIONS WITH AFFILIATED ENTITIES**

The Station received indirect support from the University of \$2,279,536 in 2017 and \$2,095,776 in 2016 based upon the methodology developed by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. The Station also received state appropriations for operating, personal services and employee-related reimbursements from the University of \$817,190 and \$820,072 in 2017 and 2016, respectively, all of which are reported as an increase in unrestricted net position. The Station operates out of a building owned by ASU and does not pay rent.

**NOTE 8 COMMITMENTS**

In 1992, the Station entered into a joint use agreement with Maricopa Community Colleges to operate a classical FM radio station, KBAQ, which commenced operations in 1993. For the years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016, KBAQ recognized \$83,889 and \$79,300, respectively, in revenue, which is recorded as grants and contracts. In addition, the Station contributed \$420,359 in 2017 and \$362,807 in 2016 to fund KBAQ operations for the years then ended. These funds are recorded in programmatic expenditures.

**NOTE 9 RETIREMENT PLAN**

Full-time, permanent employees of the University are, in general, required to be members of an authorized retirement program. The programs are funded through payroll deductions from covered employees' gross earnings and amounts contributed by the University. In general, employees' rights vest after five years of service under all plans. University contributions of, and interest forfeited by, employees who leave employment before five years of service are used to reduce the University's future period contribution requirements.

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**NOTE 9 RETIREMENT PLAN (CONTINUED)**

Benefit eligible employees of the University are covered by the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS), a defined benefit retirement plan. The ASRS is a multiple-employer, cost-sharing pension plan providing death and retirement benefits based on a combination of years of service and average monthly earnings, as defined. The ASRS issues a publicly available financial report that includes its financial statements and required supplementary information.

The actuarially determined contributions rate as required by statute for both employees and employers was 11.48% of compensation for fiscal year 2017, comprised of 11.34% for retirement and 0.14% for long-term disability. The actuarially determined contributions rates, as required by statute for both employees and employers was 11.47% of compensation for fiscal year 2016, comprised of 11.35% for retirement and 0.12% for long-term disability. The Station's retirement plan expense for this plan was \$242,110 in 2017, \$221,595 in 2016, and \$248,163 in 2015.

The University also offers pension benefits for eligible faculty, academic professionals, certain university staff, and administrative staff via a defined contribution plan. The benefits of the defined contribution plan depend solely on amounts contributed to the plan plus investment earnings. State statute requires that both the employee and the University contribute an amount equal to 7% of the employee's base salary. The Station's retirement plan expense for this plan was \$79,427 in 2017, \$60,990 in 2016, and \$68,128 in 2015.

**NOTE 10 GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD STATEMENT NO. 68**

Compliant with the requirements of Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 68, *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Pensions*, the Arizona State University (the University) has implemented the standard for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2015. The AZ PBS – KAET-TV (the Department), as part of the primary government of the Arizona State University, is a contributing employer to a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS). Overall, total pension liability exceeds Plan net position resulting in a net pension liability. The University has determined the University's share of the net pension liability to be a liability of the University as a whole, rather than any agency or department of the University and will not be reported in the department or agency level financial statements of the University. All required disclosures will be presented in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the Arizona State University. Information concerning the net pension liability, pension expense, and pension-related deferred inflows and outflows of resources of the primary government will be contained in the CAFR and will be available, when issued, from the Office of the Auditor General, 2910 North 44th Street, Suite 410, Phoenix, AZ 85018.

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**NOTE 11 CONTINGENCY**

The Station had a positive change in net position for both years ended June 30, 2017 and 2016. By statute, the Station is not allowed to execute debt agreements with outside third parties. In the event the Station has a shortfall covering its operating expenses, it is anticipated that the University would work with the Station to develop a repayment plan to cover the deficit.

**NOTE 12 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Management evaluated subsequent events through February 12, 2018, the date the financial statements were available to be issued. Events or transactions occurring after June 30, 2017, but prior to February 12, 2018, that provided additional evidence about conditions that existed at June 30, 2017, have been recognized in the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2017. Events or transactions that provided evidence about conditions that did not exist at June 30, 2017, but arose before the financial statements were available to be issued have not been recognized in the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2017.

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**SCHEDULE OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES**  
**YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017**  
**(with June 30, 2016 Comparative Totals)**  
**(SEE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT)**

	Program Services			Support Services			2017 Total	2016 Total
	Local Programming and Production	Broadcasting	Program Information and Promotion	Total Program Services	Management and General	Fund-Raising and Membership Development		
Salaries, Payroll Taxes and Employee Benefits	\$ 2,911,695	\$ 897,442	\$ 503,220	\$ 4,312,357	\$ 981,420	\$ 1,337,000	\$ 6,630,777	\$ 5,684,343
Administrative Service Charge	27,749	-	-	27,749	93,316	-	121,065	25,000
Building - Interest	13,014	-	-	13,014	23,169	-	36,183	45,532
Conferences and Meetings	-	-	-	-	5,595	-	5,595	41,346
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	775,761	-	775,761	810,183
Indirect Administrative Support	-	-	-	-	2,279,536	-	2,279,536	2,095,776
Other Operations	156,739	48,584	164	205,487	264,292	100,309	570,088	583,308
Non-Capital Equipment	23,805	20,841	1,307	45,953	4,261	5,915	56,129	207,422
Educational Outreach - Tuition	-	-	2,550,397	2,550,397	-	-	2,550,397	-
Postage	421	14	3,139	3,574	316	145,687	149,577	200,979
Professional Fees and Services	810,805	97,017	203,177	1,110,999	131,222	542,846	1,785,067	1,932,392
Program Licenses and Dues	2,643,992	-	-	2,643,992	-	-	2,643,992	2,546,940
Rentals	15,076	81,004	-	96,080	1,345	422	97,847	76,267
Supplies	63,015	63,424	765	127,204	7,165	475,547	609,916	749,064
Telephone	19,615	3,366	121	23,102	-	29	23,131	67,714
Travel	219,535	4,383	-	223,918	11,447	12,964	248,329	96,544
<b>Total Functional Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 6,905,461</b>	<b>\$ 1,216,075</b>	<b>\$ 3,262,290</b>	<b>\$ 11,383,826</b>	<b>\$ 4,578,845</b>	<b>\$ 2,620,719</b>	<b>\$ 18,583,390</b>	<b>\$ 15,162,810</b>