



Agenda

Scope of Engagement and Audit Results

Required Communications to Governance

Questions?

Appendix

- Upcoming GASB Standards
- Higher Education Industry Topics

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Scope of Engagements

Financial Statement Audit

Single Audit

Student Financial Aid



Financial Statement Audit Results

Opinion – unmodified

Three items noted; see Single Audit discussion

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Financial Statements - Net Pension Liability

GASB 68 Year 4

Decrease in planwide NPL Net pension liability decreased from \$17M to \$15.7M

Financial Statements – Total/Net OPEB Asset/Liability

GASB 75

3 Plans – RHIA, RHIPA, PEBB OPEB Asset (RHIA): \$55,000

OPEB Liability (PEBB, RHIPA): \$1.5M

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Financial Statements

Termination of Perkins Revolving Loan Program

Liability to Department of Education of \$1.7 million

No new loans to students after June 30, 2018



Single Audit Results

Current year Status of Prior Year **Findings**

Financial Reporting

Major Federal Programs

Banner User capabilities

Verification process

1. IT controls

2. Payroll items

3. OMIC revenue recognition

1. Return of Title IV

2. Cash management

Repeat for current year

Resolved

Required Communications to Governance

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

- Accounting Estimates
- Financial Statement Disclosures
- Implementation of GASB Statements Nos. 75, 81, and 89

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit – None

Uncorrected Misstatements – See schedule

Corrected Misstatements – None



Required Communications to Governance

Disagreements with Management

None

Management Representations

Management Consultations with other Independent Accountants

None

Significant Issues Discussed with Management Prior to Engagement

None

Audits of Group Financial Statements

No concerns about component auditors' work



Questions?





Appendix

Upcoming GASB Standard for Fiscal Year 2019

GASB 83 – Certain Asset Retirement Obligations

Defines ARO and when liability is to be recorded.

Potential material liability? University currently assessing impact.

Upcoming GASB Standards for Fiscal Year 2020 and Beyond

GASB Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities* (FY2020)

 Impacts accounting of custodial funds (student groups, etc.)

GASB Statement No. 86, *Leases* (FY2021) All leases will be required to recognize a right-to-use asset and related liability

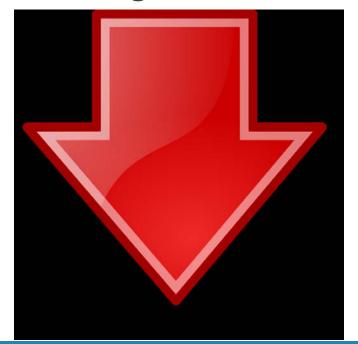


Industry Trends: Higher Education



Moody's Outlook for Higher Education

Outlook remains negative for 2nd straight year



Moody's Negative Outlook

Increasing expenses outpacing constrained revenue for most institutions.

Private faring better that publics for 2019, with 60% projecting revenue growth of 3%.

Constrained revenue growth = tuition.

- Improving economy
- Falling birth rates/declines in high school graduates
- Perceived "value"



Federal Tax Reform Update

Impact on Higher Education

- Employee Transportation Fringe Benefits
 - •Notice 2018-99 released December 2018
 - •IRS and Treasury Dept. to provide guidance; employers expected to utilize interim guidance in meantime
- UBIT "Basketing"
 - •Notice 2018-67 released August 2018
 - Draft 990-T with instructions released
- Excise Tax on Executive Compensation
 - Notice 2019-09 released January 2019
 - Information related to applicability for governmental units (public universities)

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Graham-Leach-Bliley Act (GLBA)

Information security measures

- Expected to be incorporated into audit process in 2019 or beyond
- Draft audit procedures have since been withdrawn

Rules related to:

- Risk identification related to integrity of student information
- Controls over safeguarding of information

Information

- www.claconnect. com/events/2018/co mplying-with-glbastudent-financial-aid-11-8-18
- CLA VirtualConference: February21, 2019





Other Trends

Alumni giving down

Reaching Generation Z – marketing

Politically charged campus environments

Online programming "mainstream"

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