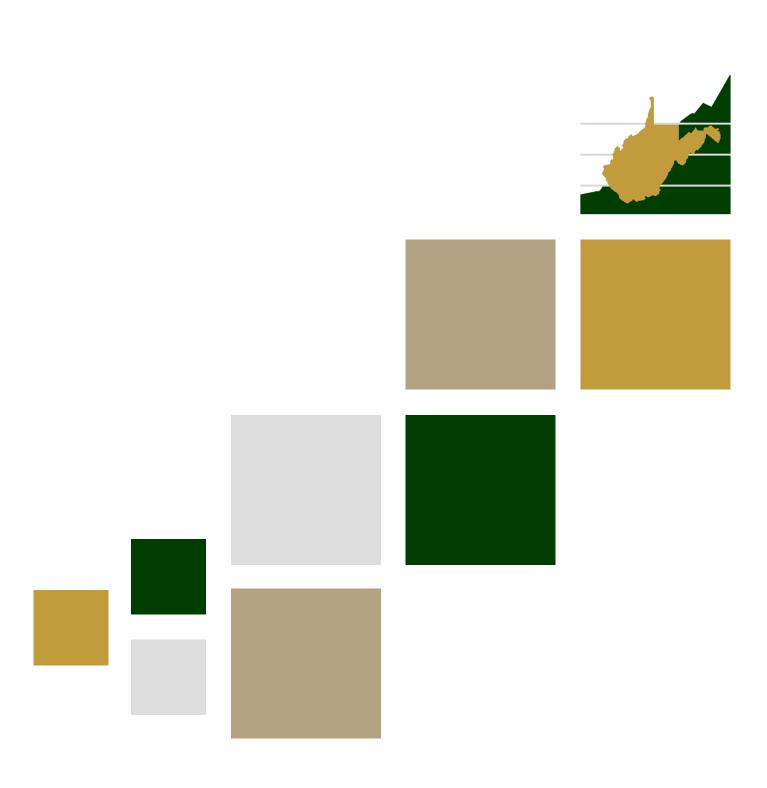
# West Virginia Investment Management Board

# **Financial Statements**

February 28, 2021



#### **Financial Statements – Unaudited**

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#### **Order of Presentation**

Portable Alpha

Large Cap Domestic Equity

Non-Large Cap Domestic Equity

International Qualified

International Nonqualified

International Equity

Short-Term Fixed Income

Total Return Fixed Income

Core Fixed Income

TIPS

Private Markets

Hedge Fund

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#### Statement of Net Position - Unaudited

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#### Assets

Investments, at fair value:		
Alternative risk premia funds		\$ 1,172,063
Commingled equity fund		2,471,789
Fixed income investments		606,564
Derivative instruments		81,784
Money market mutual fund		291,889
Advance on investments in alternative risk premia funds		50,000
Interest, dividends and other investment income receivable		 1,303
	Total assets	4,675,392
Liabilities		
Cash received from brokers for derivative contracts		90,132
Accrued expenses		 398
	Total liabilities	 90,530
	Net position	\$ 4,584,862
Unit data		
Units outstanding		104,532,155
Net position, unit price		\$ 43.86

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

### Portable Alpha Pool

#### Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month		Ionth Year To D		
Investment income					
Net increase in fair value of investments Interest, dividends, and other investment income Securities lending income	\$	124,010 463 -	\$	760,185 3,838 8	
Total investment income		124,473		764,031	
Expenses					
Investment advisor fees		(75)		(486)	
Custodian bank fees		(1)		(18)	
Management and other allocated fees		(106)		(661)	
Professional service fees - direct		(16)		(127)	
Securities lending expenses				(1)	
Total expenses		(198)		(1,293)	
Net investment income		124,275		762,738	
Unit transactions					
In-kind transfers in		-		4,005,187	
In-kind transfers out		-		(227,016)	
Proceeds from sale of units		20,803		185,066	
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(5,467)		(141,113)	
Net increase from unit transactions		15,336		3,822,124	
Increase in net position		139,611		4,584,862	
Net position, beginning of period	4	,445,251			
Net position, end of period	\$ 4	,584,862	\$	4,584,862	

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A Board of Trustees, consisting of thirteen members, governs the IMB. The Governor, the State Auditor, and the State Treasurer are ex officio members of the Board of Trustees. The Governor appoints all other Trustees for a term of six years.

The IMB operates on a fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

On July 1, 2020, the IMB created the Portable Alpha Pool (Pool). Portable alpha is an investment strategy that uses derivatives to obtain market index returns (beta), which frees up cash that is then invested in a separate investment strategy designed to provide additional return (alpha). On July 1, 2020, assets and liabilities with a fair value of \$1,841,727 were transferred in-kind from the Domestic Equity Pool. In September 2020, the IMB determined that it was beneficial for participant plans with a portable alpha allocation to maintain their entire large capitalization equity allocation in the Pool. Therefore, on October 1, 2020, assets and liabilities with a fair value of \$2,163,460 were transferred in-kind from the Large Cap Domestic Equity Pool.

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The IMB accounts for the Pool under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

The Pool's objective is to exceed, net of external investment management fees, the S&P 500 Index over three- to five-year periods. The Pool has three main components: 1) a domestic large capitalization equity beta replication manager and the related margin account, 2) a portfolio of alternative risk premia funds, and 3) a domestic large capitalization equity index manager. Russell Investments Implementation Services, LLC (Russell) is the equity beta replication manager. Russell primarily trades S&P 500 futures contracts and invests the margin account in fixed income securities and a money market mutual fund. Albourne America, LLC has been retained by the IMB to provide consulting services for the portfolio of alternative risk premia funds. The remainder of the Pool's assets are invested in the BlackRock Equity Index Fund B (BlackRock). BlackRock uses a replication indexing approach to achieve investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance, before fees and expenses, of the S&P 500 Stock Index.

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Investment Valuation** - The IMB reports its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72. Refer to Note 4 for further discussion and presentation of the reporting requirements under GASB Statement No. 72.

Fair value of the Pool's portfolio securities is determined on the last business day of each month as follows:

- Futures contracts are valued at the last settlement price established each day by the exchange on which they are traded.
- Fixed income securities are valued according to prices furnished by independent pricing services to the Pool's custodian. These services determine the security prices by a number of methods including, but not limited to, dealer quotes, live market trading levels when available, live feeds of trade execution data, spreads over U.S. Treasury securities, and other models and formulae appropriate to the specific security type.
- Open-end regulated investment companies or other commingled investment funds are valued at the net asset value of the fund as reported by the fund's administrator.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

• Investments in alternative risk premia funds are not securities for which market quotations are readily available. The IMB has concluded that the net asset value reported by the underlying funds approximates the fair value of these investments and consequently these investments are carried at net asset value as a practical expedient for fair market value. These investments are redeemable with the fund at net asset value under the original terms of the agreements and operations of the underlying fund. However, it is possible that these redemption rights may be restricted or eliminated by the funds in the future in accordance with the underlying fund agreements. Due to the nature of the investments held by the funds, changes in market conditions and the economic environment may significantly impact the net asset value of the funds and, consequently, the fair value of the IMB's interests in the funds. The IMB believes that the net asset value of such investments is a reasonable estimate of fair value as of February 28, 2021.

Investments for which the fair value cannot be determined by one of the above listed processes are valued at fair value as determined in accordance with the IMB's established procedures.

**Securities Lending** - Through November 2020, the IMB, through its lending agent, Northern Trust, lent securities of the Pool to various brokers on a temporary basis. The IMB received compensation in the form of loan premium fees and income from the investment of the cash collateral. Expenses related to the lending of securities were rebates paid by the lending agent to brokers and the lending agent's fees for its services. Securities lending income and expenses are recorded in the Statement of Changes in Net Position.

**Futures Contracts** - A futures contract is an agreement between a buyer or a seller and the clearinghouse of a futures exchange in which the parties agree to buy or sell a commodity, financial instrument or index at a specified future date and price. Upon entering into a financial futures contract, the IMB is required to pledge to the broker an amount of cash, U.S. government securities, or other assets, equal to a certain percentage of the contract amount (initial margin deposit). Cash (variation margin) is received from or paid to the broker on a daily basis for the fluctuations of the underlying securities or index.

The market risk associated with holding equity index futures results from changes in the market value of the contractual positions due to changes in the value of the underlying instruments or indices. Investment risk associated with these futures contracts arises because the value of the futures contracts may not correlate perfectly with changes in the values of the underlying instruments or indices.

Other risks associated with futures contracts are liquidity risk and credit risk. Liquidity risk arises when there is insufficient trading in a particular futures contract. Credit risk arises from the potential inability of counterparties to meet the terms of the contracts. The IMB's managers generally only utilize futures contracts that are traded on major exchanges or are executed with major dealers. The major exchanges assume the risk of a counterparty default and generally require an initial margin deposit of cash or securities.

**Investment Transactions** - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

**Use of Estimates** - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Unit Valuation and Participant Transactions** - The unit price of the Pool is calculated on the last business day of the month by dividing the net position of the Pool by the number of outstanding units. Participant accounts undergo a monthly rebalancing process to maintain their defined asset allocation. Participant transactions that occur as part of the rebalancing process are executed as a purchase or redemption on the first business day of each month using the prior month end unit price. In-kind transfers of net assets may occur between the investment pools managed by the IMB and are typically used when implementing a new pool structure as an efficient and cost-effective alternative to purchases and redemptions. In-kind transfers are executed at the prior month unit price at the time of transfer.

Distributions to Participants - The Pool does not routinely distribute dividends of net investment income.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Expenses** - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool. In addition to these direct and allocated expenses, the Pool bears certain expenses indirectly, such as fees of other investment funds in which the Pool invests that are reflected in the reported net asset value of such funds.

**Income Taxes** - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

#### NOTE 3. INVESTMENT RISK DISCLOSURES

Derivative financial instruments held in the Pool are limited to equity index futures. These futures are not designated as hedging instruments under GASB Statement No. 53; they are used to obtain S&P 500 market exposure. See Notes 1 and 2 for additional information on the Pool's purpose for entering into derivatives and for discussion on the risks associated with investing in these derivatives.

The table below presents the fair value, the fiscal year to date net increase (decrease) in fair value, and the notional amount of derivative financial instruments outstanding as of and for the period ended February 28, 2021:

		Net Increase					
	(Decrease) in Fair Value						
Derivative Type	Fa	Fair Value of Investments			Notional Value		
Futures contracts:							
Equity index futures long	\$	81,784	\$	287,913	\$	2,033,541	

#### NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GASB Statement No. 72 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value of an investment is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price).

GASB Statement No. 72 establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under GASB Statement No. 72 are:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the reporting date.
- Level 2 Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not considered active; observable inputs other than observable quoted prices for the asset or liability; or inputs derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3 Unobservable pricing inputs for assets and liabilities.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

U.S. GAAP does not require the Pool to categorize within the fair value hierarchy table investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share (NAV) as a practical expedient. The table that follows sets forth information about the level within the fair value hierarchy at which the Pool's assets and liabilities are measured at February 28, 2021. All of the Pool's investments in alternative risk premia funds were valued using the NAV. As such, they have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy.

Assets	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Certificates of deposit	\$ -	\$ 15,522	\$ -	\$ 15,522
Commercial paper	-	170,033	-	170,033
Commingled equity fund	2,471,789	-	-	2,471,789
Corporate asset backed issues	-	31,194	-	31,194
Foreign corporate bonds	-	72,058	-	72,058
Futures contracts	81,784	-	-	81,784
Money market mutual fund	291,889	-	-	291,889
U.S. corporate bonds	-	38,676	-	38,676
U.S. Treasury bonds	-	186,731	-	186,731
U.S. Treasury inflation protected securities	-	92,350	-	92,350
Total	\$ 2,845,462	\$ 606,564	\$ -	\$ 3,452,026
Alternative risk premia funds				1,172,063
Total				\$ 4,624,089

The following table presents information on investments measured at the NAV as of February 28, 2021:

				Redemption
ARP Fund Strategies	F	air Value	Redemption Frequency	Notice Period
Directional (a)	\$	88,202	Monthly	10 days
Multi-Premia (b)		1,083,861	Weekly, Semimonthly, Monthly	3 to 30 days
	\$	1,172,063		

- (a) Directional strategies employ various techniques to forecast the direction of segments of the market and then invest in either long or short positions. The segments may be geographic economies, industry sectors, currency, or asset class. The investments may be in physical securities or derivatives. The strategies may be trend-following or mean-reverting and may be specific to that segment or universally applied across them.
- (b) Multi-premia strategies combine several strategies within the same fund in order to provide diversification benefits to reduce return volatility and decrease asset-class and single-strategy risks. These funds typically add incremental returns through allocation adjustments based on market opportunities. Risk is managed through a variety of quantitative constraints including, but not limited to, active risk, liquidity risk, currency risk, manager risk, derivatives risk, and leverage risk. Investments representing approximately 14 percent of the fair value of the investments in this strategy are subject to maximum withdrawal restrictions.

#### NOTE 5. ADVANCE ON INVESTMENTS IN ALTERNATIVE RISK PREMIA FUNDS

The subscription terms of alternative risk premia funds often require contributions to be received in advance of the subscription day. Prior to February 28. 2021, the IMB funded \$50,000 to alternative risk premia funds that had a subscription date of March 1, 2021. As of February 28. 2021, these amounts have been recorded as an advance on investments in alternative risk premia funds.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 6. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Acco	ount Value
Teachers' Retirement System	\$	2,024,751
Public Employees' Retirement System		1,822,365
West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund		326,704
State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund		171,268
Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System		65,351
State Police Retirement System		62,877
Judges' Retirement System		57,875
Emergency Medical Services Retirement System		24,884
Wildlife Endowment Fund		15,847
Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System		5,039
Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System		4,608
Berkeley County Development Authority		1,742
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds		1,551
Total	\$	4,584,862

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Assets
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Investment in commingled equity fund at fair value	\$	359,731
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		22
Ne	et position	359,709
Unit data		
Units outstanding Net position, unit price	\$	8,275,856 43.46

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

#### Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month		Yea	ar To Date
Investment income				
Net increase in fair value of investments	\$	9,668	\$	227,828
Expenses				
Investment advisor fees		(2)		(56)
Custodian bank fees		-		(1)
Management and other allocated fees		(8)		(217)
Total expenses		(10)		(274)
Net investment income		9,658		227,554
Unit transactions				
In-kind transfers in		-		2,304,599
In-kind transfers out		-		(2,163,460)
Proceeds from sale of units		200		123,148
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(4,186)		(132,132)
Net increase (decrease) from unit transactions		(3,986)		132,155
Increase in net position		5,672		359,709
Net position, beginning of period		354,037		-
Net position, end of period	\$	359,709	\$	359,709

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**Investment Transactions** - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

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Distributions to Participants - The Pool does not routinely distribute dividends of net investment income.

**Expenses** - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool. In addition to these direct and allocated expenses, the Pool bears certain expenses indirectly, such as fees of other investment funds in which the Pool invests that are reflected in the reported net asset value of such funds.

**Income Taxes** - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

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The table below summarizes the valuation of the investment securities in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72 fair value hierarchy levels as of February 28, 2021:

Assets			evel 2	Level 3			Total	
Commingled equity fund	\$	359,731	\$	-	\$	_	\$	359,731

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 4. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Acc	ount Value
Workers' Compensation Old Fund	\$	146,963
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund - Part B		57,229
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Agency		42,857
Public Employees Insurance Agency		34,396
Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund		33,563
Board of Risk and Insurance Management		25,867
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool		7,580
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool		5,288
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Trust		3,224
Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund		2,232
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds		510
Total	\$	359,709

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#### Assets

Investments, at fair value:		
Equity investments		\$ 939,812
Money market mutual fund		10,386
Securities lending collateral		47,724
Receivables:		
Investments sold		30,203
Dividends and other investment income		 844
	Total assets	1,028,969
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		130
Payable for investments purchased		9,882
Payable upon return of securities loaned		 47,724
	Total liabilities	 57,736
	Net position	\$ 971,233
Unit data		
Units outstanding		19,506,892
Net position, unit price		\$ 49.79

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

#### Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month		Yea	Year To Date	
Investment income					
Net increase in fair value of investments	\$	65,920	\$	297,610	
Interest, dividends, and other investment income		1,210		9,084	
Securities lending income		20		186	
Total investment income		67,150		306,880	
Expenses					
Investment advisor fees		(39)		(611)	
Custodian bank fees		(4)		(35)	
Management and other allocated fees		(21)		(167)	
Securities lending expenses		(3)		(24)	
Total expenses		(67)		(837)	
Net investment income		67,083		306,043	
Unit transactions					
In-kind transfers		-		790,270	
Proceeds from sale of units		-		2,840	
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(50,864)		(127,920)	
Net increase (decrease) from unit transactions		(50,864)		665,190	
Increase in net position		16,219		971,233	
Net position, beginning of period		955,014			
Net position, end of period	\$	971,233	\$	971,233	

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The IMB operates on a fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

On July 1, 2020, the IMB created the Non-Large Cap Domestic Equity Pool (Pool) to invest in U.S. equities of small- and mid-cap growth and value stocks. On July 1, 2020, assets and liabilities with a fair value of \$790,270 were transferred in-kind from the Domestic Equity Pool.

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The Pool's objective is to exceed, net of external investment management fees, the Russell 2500 Index over three- to five-year periods. Assets are managed by Russell Implementation Services, inception date December 1, 2020, and Westfield Capital Management. AJO managed assets through November 30, 2020.

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Securities Lending** - The IMB, through its lending agent, Northern Trust (NT), loans securities of the Pool to various brokers on a temporary basis. Each transaction for U.S. securities is secured by collateral based on the market value of the securities loaned. The required collateral percentage varies based on the type of collateral received. The required percentage for cash collateral and non-cash collateral consisting of debt obligations and securities issued by the United States Government or its agencies or instrumentalities is at least 102 percent of the market value of the securities loaned. The required percentage of non-cash collateral consisting of equity securities is at least 107 percent of the market value of the securities loaned.

Cash collateral received is invested in the West Virginia Custom Account (Cash Collateral Account). The Cash Collateral Account's investment objective is to maximize current income to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital and maintenance of liquidity. The Cash Collateral Account seeks to maintain a constant net asset value of \$1.00 per share by following strict credit quality, maturity, liquidity, and diversification requirements. Except for underlying repurchase agreement transactions, the Pool is liable for investment losses in the Cash Collateral Account. The lending agent contractually indemnifies the IMB for any repurchase agreement investment losses.

Investments made with cash are reported at fair value on the Statement of Net Position. Securities loaned remain on the Statement of Net Position. The IMB has the right under the lending agreement to recover the securities from the borrower on demand. The IMB receives compensation in the form of loan premium fees and income from the investment of the cash collateral. Expenses related to the lending of securities are rebates paid by the lending agent to brokers and the lending agent's fees for its services. Securities lending income and expenses are recorded in the Statement of Changes in Net Position. The IMB also continues to receive interest or dividends on the securities loaned. Gains or losses in the fair value of the securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loans are reflected in the Statement of Changes in Net Position as a net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments.

**Investment Transactions** - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

**Use of Estimates** - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Unit Valuation and Participant Transactions** - The unit price of the Pool is calculated on the last business day of the month by dividing the net position of the Pool by the number of outstanding units. Participant accounts undergo a monthly rebalancing process to maintain their defined asset allocation. Participant transactions that occur as part of the rebalancing process are executed as a purchase or redemption on the first business day of each month using the prior month end unit price. In-kind transfers of net assets may occur between the investment pools managed by the IMB and are typically used when implementing a new pool structure as an efficient and cost-effective alternative to purchases and redemptions. In-kind transfers are executed at the prior month unit price at the time of transfer.

Distributions to Participants - The Pool does not routinely distribute dividends of net investment income.

**Expenses** - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool. In addition to these direct and allocated expenses, the Pool bears certain expenses indirectly, such as fees of other investment funds in which the Pool invests that are reflected in the reported net asset value of such funds.

**Income Taxes** - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

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The table below summarizes the valuation of the investment securities in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72 fair value hierarchy levels as of February 28, 2021:

Assets	]	Level 1	Lev	el 2	Lev	el 3	 Total
Common stock	\$	939,812	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 939,812
Money market mutual fund		10,386		-		-	10,386
Securities lending collateral		47,724		-		-	47,724
Total	\$	997,922	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 997,922

#### NOTE 4. SECURITIES LENDING

The following table presents the amounts of various accounts related to securities lending at February 28, 2021:

	Fa	Fair Value		
Securities on loan	\$	\$ 154,748		
Collateral received:				
Cash	\$	47,724		
Non-cash		113,034		
Total collateral received	\$	160,758		

NT, as agent for the IMB, loans the IMB's securities to various counterparties. These transactions are executed under the SLAA which permits NT under certain circumstances, such as defaults, to offset amounts payable to the same counterparty against amounts to be received and thus create one single net payment due to or from the counterparty. The amounts listed in the above table represent all securities loaned which are subject to the SLAA on a net payment basis. The IMB has elected not to offset the fair value of the securities on loan against the liability for the return of the collateral on the Statement of Net Position.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 5. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Account Value
Teachers' Retirement System	\$ 401,029
Public Employees' Retirement System	356,829
West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund	61,161
State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund	34,464
Workers' Compensation Old Fund	30,107
Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System	12,536
State Police Retirement System	11,743
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund - Part B	11,310
Judges' Retirement System	11,257
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Agency	8,402
Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund	6,790
Public Employees Insurance Agency	6,484
Board of Risk and Insurance Management	5,103
Emergency Medical Services Retirement System	4,677
Wildlife Endowment Fund	3,148
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool	1,527
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool	1,055
Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System	975
Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System	829
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Trust	632
Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund	438
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds	401
Berkeley County Development Authority	336
Total	\$ 971,233

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Investment in commingled equity fund at fair value	\$	1,351,533
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		60
1	Net position	1,351,473
Unit data		
Units outstanding Net position, unit price	\$	15,974,997 84.60

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month		Year To Date	
Investment income				
Net increase in fair value of investments	\$	54,562	\$	276,249
Expenses				
Investment advisor fees		(578)		(4,084)
Management and other allocated fees		(30)		(230)
Total expenses		(608)		(4,314)
Net investment income		53,954		271,935
Unit transactions				
Proceeds from sale of units		33		51,748
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(4)		(1,534)
Net increase from unit transactions		29		50,214
Increase in net position		53,983		322,149
Net position, beginning of period		1,297,490		1,029,324
Net position, end of period	\$	1,351,473	\$	1,351,473

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The Pool invests in The Silchester International Investors International Value Equity Group Trust (Silchester). The Pool's objective is to produce investment returns that exceed the Morgan Stanley Capital International's Europe Australasia Far East Index by 200 basis points on an annualized basis over three- to five-year periods, net of external investment management fees. Only "qualified participants" (as defined by the *Internal Revenue Code*) may invest in the Pool. Silchester invests in a diversified developed country, non-U.S. equity, bottom-up value oriented portfolio of securities with limited exposure to emerging markets and no unreasonable concentration exposure to any single issuer or country. Redemptions from Silchester can be made monthly with ten days advance written notice. Redemptions will generally be made within seven business days following month-end.

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(Amounts in thousands)

## NOTE 4. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Ac	count Value
Teachers' Retirement System	\$	649,960
Public Employees' Retirement System		577,250
State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund		55,929
Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System		20,320
State Police Retirement System		18,869
Judges' Retirement System		18,175
Emergency Medical Services Retirement System		7,550
Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System		1,577
Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System		1,193
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds		650
Total	\$	1,351,473

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## Statement of Net Position - Unaudited

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Assets
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Investment in commingled equity fund at fair value	\$	5 204,242
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		9
I	Net position	5 204,233
Unit data		
Units outstanding Net position, unit price		2,646,767 5 77.16

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

### Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands, except unit data)

	Month		Year To Date	
Investment income				
Net increase in fair value of investments	\$	8,252	\$	41,826
Expenses				
Investment advisor fees		(99)		(719)
Management and other allocated fees		(6)		(36)
Total expenses		(105)		(755)
Net investment income		8,147		41,071
Unit transactions				
Proceeds from sale of units		448		920
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(443)		(887)
Net increase from unit transactions		5		33
Increase in net position		8,152		41,104
Net position, beginning of period		196,081		163,129
Net position, end of period	\$	204,233	\$	204,233

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The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

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West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund	\$	92,703
Workers' Compensation Old Fund		43,774
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund - Part B		18,016
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Agency		12,109
Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund		10,355
Public Employees Insurance Agency		9,000
Board of Risk and Insurance Management		7,445
Wildlife Endowment Fund		4,906
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool		2,290
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool		1,553
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Trust		950
Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund		632
Berkeley County Development Authority		500
Total	\$	204,233

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### Assets

Investments, at fair value:	
Equity investments	\$ 3,747,791
Money market mutual fund	50,524
Securities lending collateral	47,740
Cash	19,921
Receivables:	
Investments sold	55,947
Dividends and other investment income	 15,791
Total assets	3,937,714
Liabilities	
Accrued expenses	3,186
Payable for investments purchased	27,159
Payable upon return of securities loaned	 47,740
Total liabilities	 78,085
Net position	\$ 3,859,629
Unit data	
Units outstanding	92,602,770
Net position, unit price	\$ 41.68

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

### Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month	Year To Date
Investment income		
Net increase in fair value of investments Interest, dividends, and other investment income Securities lending income	\$ 86,099 5,095 104	\$ 1,098,792 48,993 595
Total investment income	91,298	1,148,380
Expenses		
Investment advisor fees	(1,429)	(11,018)
Custodian bank fees	(94)	(614)
Management and other allocated fees	(89)	(717)
Securities lending expenses	(13)	(76)
Total expenses	(1,625)	(12,425)
Net investment income	89,673	1,135,955
Unit transactions		
Proceeds from sale of units	-	59,589
Amount paid for repurchase of units	(103,237)	(784,771)
Net decrease from unit transactions	(103,237)	(725,182)
Increase (decrease) in net position	(13,564)	410,773
Net position, beginning of period	3,873,193	3,448,856
Net position, end of period	\$ 3,859,629	\$ 3,859,629

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- Equity securities that trade in non-U.S. markets are valued in U.S. dollars using period end spot market exchange rates as supplied by the Pool's custodian.

Investments for which the fair value cannot be determined by one of the above listed processes are valued at fair value as determined in accordance with the IMB's established procedures.

**Foreign Currency** - Amounts denominated in or expected to settle in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at exchange rates reported by the Pool's custodian on the following basis:

- Market value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities at the closing rate of exchange at the valuation date.
- Purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses at the rate of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Securities Lending** - The IMB, through its lending agent, Northern Trust (NT), loans securities of the Pool to various brokers on a temporary basis. Each transaction for international securities is secured by collateral based on the market value of the securities loaned. The required collateral percentage varies based on the type of collateral received. The required percentage for cash collateral and non-cash collateral consisting of debt obligations and securities issued by the United States Government or its agencies or instrumentalities is 105 percent unless the foreign securities loaned are denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars, then the collateral shall be at least 102 percent of the market value of the securities loaned. The required percentage of non-cash collateral consisting of equity securities is at least 107 percent of the market value of the securities loaned.

Cash collateral received is invested in the West Virginia Custom Account (Cash Collateral Account). The Cash Collateral Account's investment objective is to maximize current income to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital and maintenance of liquidity. The Cash Collateral Account seeks to maintain a constant net asset value of \$1.00 per share by following strict credit quality, maturity, liquidity, and diversification requirements. Except for underlying repurchase agreement transactions, the Pool is liable for investment losses in the Cash Collateral Account. The lending agent contractually indemnifies the IMB for any repurchase agreement investment losses.

Investments made with cash are reported at fair value on the Statement of Net Position. Securities loaned remain on the Statement of Net Position. The IMB has the right under the lending agreement to recover the securities from the borrower on demand. The IMB receives compensation in the form of loan premium fees and income from the investment of the cash collateral. Expenses related to the lending of securities are rebates paid by the lending agent to brokers and the lending agent's fees for its services. Securities lending income and expenses are recorded in the Statement of Changes in Net Position. The IMB also continues to receive interest or dividends on the securities loaned. Gains or losses in the fair value of the securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loans are reflected in the Statement of Changes in Net Position as a net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments.

**Foreign Currency Spot Contracts** - A foreign currency contract is an agreement between two parties to exchange different currencies at a specified exchange rate at an agreed upon future date. The managers, as listed in Note 1, enter into such contracts to correspond to investment transactions trading in foreign currencies. Risks associated with such contracts include movement in the value of the foreign currency relative to the U.S. dollar and the ability of the counterparty to perform. These contracts have relatively short durations and are valued at the prevailing market exchange rates at month end.

**Investment Transactions** - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

**Use of Estimates** - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Unit Valuation and Participant Transactions** - The unit price of the Pool is calculated on the last business day of the month by dividing the net position of the Pool by the number of outstanding units. Participant accounts undergo a monthly rebalancing process to maintain their defined asset allocation. Participant transactions that occur as part of the rebalancing process are executed as a purchase or redemption on the first business day of each month using the prior month end unit price.

Distributions to Participants - The Pool does not routinely distribute dividends of net investment income.

**Expenses** - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool. In addition to these direct and allocated expenses, the Pool bears certain expenses indirectly, such as fees of other investment funds in which the Pool invests that are reflected in the reported net asset value of such funds.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Income Taxes** - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for U.S. federal or state income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

In certain foreign countries, the Pool's dividend income and capital gains may be taxable. Taxes on dividend income are generally withheld from the payments and as a result there is no provision recorded for these taxes. In certain cases there may be a full or partial reclaim available for the withheld taxes. Capital gains taxes, if any, on sales of securities may be assessed and paid concurrent with the sale or upon the filing of a return with the taxing authority. In countries where the IMB is liable for capital gains taxes, the IMB will estimate and accrue a capital gains taxes, when applicable, are reported on the Statement of Net Position. Dividend income is reported net of non-reclaimable taxes withheld on the Statement of Changes in Net Position. The net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments is reported net of capital gains taxes on the Statement of Changes in Net Position.

#### NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GASB Statement No. 72 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value of an investment is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price).

GASB Statement No. 72 establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under GASB Statement No. 72 are:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the reporting date.
- Level 2 Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not considered active; observable inputs other than observable quoted prices for the asset or liability; or inputs derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data.

Level 3 Unobservable pricing inputs for assets and liabilities.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the investment.

U.S. GAAP does not require the Pool to categorize within the fair value hierarchy table investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share as the practical expedient. The table that follows sets forth information about the level within the fair value hierarchy at which the Pool's assets and liabilities are measured at February 28, 2021. The Pool's investment in a commingled equity fund was valued using the net asset value per share, as such they have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

Assets		Level 1	Lev	vel 2	Lev	vel 3	Total
Common stock		\$ 3,154,097	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 3,154,097
Money market mutual fund		50,524		-		-	50,524
Preferred stock		34,106		-		-	34,106
Securities lending collateral		47,740		-		-	47,740
	Total	\$ 3,286,467	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 3,286,467
Commingled equity fund							559,588
	Total						\$ 3,846,055

The Pool's commingled equity fund investment was measured at the NAV as of February 28, 2021. The fund invests primarily in Chinese A-Share publicly listed equity securities. The IMB defines the investment style as growth at a reasonable price with limited concentration to any single issuer or sector. Redemptions can be made daily with five international business days advance written notice of the withdrawal date, subject to maximum withdrawal restrictions. The fund will pay withdrawal proceeds within thirty days following the withdrawal date.

## NOTE 4. SECURITIES LENDING

The following table presents the amounts of various accounts related to securities lending at February 28, 2021.

	Fair Value			
Securities on loan	\$	132,464		
Collateral received:				
Cash	\$	47,740		
Non-cash		92,509		
Total collateral received	\$	140,249		

NT, as agent for the IMB, loans the IMB's securities to various counterparties. These transactions are executed under the SLAA which permits NT under certain circumstances, such as defaults, to offset amounts payable to the same counterparty against amounts to be received and thus create one single net payment due to or from the counterparty. The amounts listed in the above table represent all securities loaned which are subject to the SLAA on a net payment basis. The IMB has elected not to offset the fair value of the securities on loan against the liability for the return of the collateral on the Statement of Net Position.

(Amounts in thousands)

## NOTE 5. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Teachers' Retirement System\$ 1,576,837Public Employees' Retirement System1,412,908West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund260,246State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund135,183Workers' Compensation Old Fund116,391Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System50,403State Police Retirement System48,310Judges' Retirement System45,061Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund - Part B45,054West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Agency28,803Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund26,612Board of Risk and Insurance Management21,334Emergency Medical Services Retirement System18,998Wildlife Endowment Fund12,559Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool4,369Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System3,701West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Trust2,616Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool4,369Natural Resources Police Officers and Firefighters' Retirement System3,701West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Trust2,616Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund1,846Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds1,602Berkeley County Development Authority1,394	Participant	Account Value
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· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds	1,602
Total \$ 3,859,629	Berkeley County Development Authority	1,394
	Total	\$ 3,859,629

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## Statement of Net Position - Unaudited February 28, 2021

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Assets

Investments, at amortized cost: U.S. Treasury and government agency bonds Repurchase agreement Money market mutual funds Receivable for interest and dividends		\$ 99,992 49,430 128,539 14
	Total assets	277,975
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		 22
	Net position	\$ 277,953
Unit data		
Units outstanding Net position, unit price		\$ 277,953,233 1.00

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	N	Ionth	Year To Date			
Investment income	\$	22	\$	256		
Expenses						
Investment advisor fees Custodian bank fees Management and other allocated fees		(4) (1) (6)		(106) (2) (78)		
Total expenses		(11)		(186)		
Net investment income		11		70		
Distributions to unitholders		(11)		(70)		
Unit transactions						
Proceeds from sale of units Reinvestment of distributions Amount paid for repurchase of units		158,847 11 (118,175)		959,462 70 (1,298,120)		
Net increase (decrease) from unit transactions		40,683		(338,588)		
Increase (decrease) in net position		40,683		(338,588)		
Net position, beginning of period		237,270		616,541		
Net position, end of period	\$	277,953	\$	277,953		

\*The WVIMB operates on a fiscal year beginning on July 1. The "year to date" information is for the period July 1 through the month listed. See accompanying notes to financial statements.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY

The West Virginia Investment Management Board (IMB) was organized on April 25, 1997, as a public body corporate created by West Virginia Code §12-6-1 to provide prudent fiscal administration and investment management services to designated state pension funds, the state's Workers' Compensation and Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis funds, and certain other state government funds.

A Board of Trustees, consisting of thirteen members, governs the IMB. The Governor, the State Auditor, and the State Treasurer are ex officio members of the Board of Trustees. The Governor appoints all other Trustees for a term of six years.

The IMB operates on a fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

The accompanying financial statements reflect only the investments and investment related operations of the IMB's Short-Term Fixed Income Pool (Pool). They do not reflect activity of the other investment pools under the control of the IMB or the Administrative Fund of the IMB, or any other assets or liabilities, or restrictions thereon, or the various investment pool participants. Accordingly, these financial statements are not intended to and do not present the comprehensive financial position and operations of the IMB or any of the investment pool participants.

The IMB accounts for the Pool under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

The main objective of the Pool is to maintain sufficient liquidity to meet the daily disbursements requested by participants and to invest any contributions until the time the money is transferred to other IMB operated investment pools without sustaining capital losses while earning a small return above inflation. The Pool's benchmark, net of external investment management fees, is the FTSE 3 Month US T-Bill Index. JP Morgan Investment Advisors, Inc. manages the Pool.

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Investment Valuation - The IMB reports its investments at amortized cost provided such amounts approximate fair value in accordance with GASB Statements No. 72 and No. 79. The basic premise underlying the use of the amortized cost method of valuation is that high-quality, short-term debt securities held until maturity will eventually return to their amortized cost value, regardless of any current disparity between the amortized cost value and market value, and would not ordinarily be expected to fluctuate significantly in value. The Pool values its securities at amortized cost so long as the deviation between the amortized cost and current market value remains minimal and results in the computation of a share price that represents fairly the stable net position value per share of \$1. Refer to Note 3 for further discussion and presentation of the reporting requirements under GASB Statement No. 72.

**Repurchase Agreements** - In connection with transactions in repurchase agreements, it is the IMB's policy that its designated custodian or mutual third party take possession of the underlying collateral securities, the fair value of which exceeds the principal amount of the repurchase transaction at all times. If the seller defaults, and the fair value of the collateral declines, realization of the collateral by the IMB may be delayed or limited.

Investment Transactions - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Interest income, including the accretion of discounts and amortization of premiums, is accrued daily as earned. Dividend income is recognized on the exdividend date.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Unit Valuation and Participant Transactions** – The unit price of the Pool is calculated daily by dividing the net position of the Pool by the number of outstanding units. Managements' policy is for the Pool to maintain a stable unit price of \$1 per unit. If the calculated unit price rounds to \$1, then participant transactions are executed at this price.

**Distributions to Participants** – Daily net investment income is declared as a dividend and distributed to the participants of the Pool on the last day of the month. Distributions are paid in the form of reinvestments in the Pool and have been included in distributions to unitholders and reinvestment of distributions as presented on the Statement of Changes in Net Position.

**Expenses** - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool.

**Income Taxes** - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

### NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GASB Statement No. 72 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value of an investment is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price).

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- Level 3 Unobservable pricing inputs for assets and liabilities.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the investment.

The table below summarizes the valuation of the investments in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72 fair value hierarchy levels as of February 28, 2021:

Assets		I	evel 1		Level 2	Le	evel 3	 Total
Money market mutual funds		\$	128,539	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 128,539
Repurchase agreement			-		49,430		-	49,430
U.S. Treasury bonds		_	-	_	99,992		-	 99,992
	Total	\$	128,539	\$	149,422	\$	-	\$ 277,961

(Amounts in thousands)

## NOTE 4. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Account Value
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund	125,009
West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund	50,001
Workers' Compensation Old Fund	44,127
Public Employees' Retirement System	15,537
Teachers' Retirement System	12,995
Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund	10,622
Board of Risk and Insurance Management	9,213
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool	2,397
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool	1,837
Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund	1,621
State Police Retirement System	1,202
Emergency Medical Services Retirement System	750
State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund	724
Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System	655
Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System	490
Wildlife Endowment Fund	264
Judges' Retirement System	218
Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System	170
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds	121
Total	\$ 277,953

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#### Assets

Investments, at fair value:			
Fixed income investments		\$	2,562,012
Derivative instruments			51,580
Equity investments			12,285
Money market mutual fund			217,387
Securities lending collateral			23,111
Cash			17,136
Receivables:			
Interest, dividends, and other investment income			15,260
Investments sold			111,788
	Total assets		3,010,559
Liabilities			
Investments in derivative instruments at fair value			23,472
Securities sold short at fair value			822
Cash received from brokers for derivative contracts			769
Accrued expenses			1,111
Payable for investments purchased			234,827
Payable upon return of securities loaned			23,111
	Total liabilities		284,112
	Net position	\$	2,726,447
Unit data			
Units outstanding			156,153,070
Net position, unit price		\$	17.46
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

## Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month		Ye	Year To Date		
Investment income (loss)						
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	\$	(26,748)	\$	58,610		
Interest, dividends, and other investment income		5,888		50,899		
Securities lending income		24		128		
Total investment income (loss)		(20,836)		109,637		
Expenses						
Investment advisor fees		(489)		(3,614)		
Custodian bank fees		(11)		(88)		
Management and other allocated fees		(63)		(494)		
Securities lending expenses		(3)		(17)		
Total expenses		(566)		(4,213)		
Net investment income (loss)		(21,402)		105,424		
Unit transactions						
Proceeds from sale of units		103,628		649,938		
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(179)		(139,060)		
Net increase from unit transactions		103,449		510,878		
Increase in net position		82,047		616,302		
Net position, beginning of period		2,644,400		2,110,145		
Net position, end of period	\$	2,726,447	\$	2,726,447		

\*The WVIMB operates on a fiscal year beginning on July 1. The "year to date" information is for the period July 1 through the month listed. See accompanying notes to financial statements.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY

The West Virginia Investment Management Board (IMB) was organized on April 25, 1997, as a public body corporate created by *West Virginia Code §12-6-1* to provide prudent fiscal administration and investment management services to designated state pension funds, the state's Workers' Compensation and Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis funds, and certain other state government funds.

A Board of Trustees, consisting of thirteen members, governs the IMB. The Governor, the State Auditor, and the State Treasurer are ex officio members of the Board of Trustees. The Governor appoints all other Trustees for a term of six years.

The IMB operates on a fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

The accompanying financial statements reflect only the investments and investment related operations of the IMB's Total Return Fixed Income Pool (Pool). They do not reflect activity of the other investment pools under the control of the IMB or the Administrative Fund of the IMB, or any other assets or liabilities, or restrictions thereon, or the various investment pool participants. Accordingly, these financial statements are not intended to and do not present the comprehensive financial position and operations of the IMB or any of the investment pool participants.

The IMB accounts for the Pool under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

The main objective of the Pool is to generate investment income, provide stability, and enhance diversification but not at the expense of total return. The Pool's investment objective is to outperform the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Universal Bond Index over three- to five-year periods, net of external investment management fees. Dodge & Cox, Franklin Templeton Investments, and Western Asset Management Company manage the Pool.

## NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Investment Valuation** - The IMB reports its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72. Refer to Note 4 for further discussion and presentation of the reporting requirements under GASB Statement No. 72.

Fair value of the Pool's portfolio securities is determined on the last business day of each month as follows:

- Fixed income securities are valued according to prices furnished by independent pricing services to the Pool's custodian. These services determine the security prices by a number of methods including, but not limited to, dealer quotes, live market trading levels when available, live feeds of trade execution data, spreads over U.S. Treasury securities, and other models and formulae appropriate to the specific security type.
- Open-end regulated investment companies, commingled debt funds, and other commingled investment funds are valued at the net asset value of the fund as reported by the fund's administrator.
- Futures and option contracts are valued at the last settlement price established each day by the exchange on which they are traded.
- Credit default and interest rate swaps are valued at the last settlement price established each day by the exchange on which they are traded, are based on market values received from third parties, or are determined by valuation models.
- Foreign currency forward contracts are valued at the prevailing market exchange rates at month-end.
- Repurchase agreements are valued at cost, provided such amount approximates fair value.
- Equity securities are valued at the last sale price or official closing price reported in the market in which they are primarily traded.

Investments for which the fair value cannot be determined by one of the above listed processes are valued at fair value as determined in accordance with the IMB's established procedures.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Foreign Currency** - Amounts denominated in or expected to settle in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at exchange rates reported by the Pool's custodian on the following basis:

- Market value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities at the closing rate of exchange at the valuation date.
- Purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses at the rate of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions.

**Option Contracts** - The IMB may purchase or write bond, currency, or index option contracts that have recognized liquidity and are actively traded on major exchanges or are executed with major dealers. These option contracts give the purchaser (seller) of the contract the right to buy (call) or sell (put) the security, or settle cash for an index option, underlying the contract at an agreed upon price (strike price) during, or at the conclusion of, a specified period of time.

Written option contracts are used to enhance investment returns and reduce portfolio convexity when implied volatility is high. Purchased option contracts are used to increase portfolio convexity when implied volatility is low, to implement certain yield curve strategies, or to hedge sector exposure.

When writing put options, there is risk that a loss may be incurred if the market price of the underlying instrument decreases and the option is exercised. This loss is determined by market conditions and cannot be specifically limited. The risk associated with writing call options is the loss of potential profit if the market price of the security increases and the option is exercised. Purchased put or call options bear the risk of loss of the premium paid if market conditions are not favorable to exercise the option. There may also be risk that the value of the option contract does not correlate perfectly with movements of the underlying instrument due to certain market distortions.

The IMB limits its exposure to credit risk by only buying or selling options traded on major exchanges, or executed with major dealers. There is a risk of the inability to enter into a closing transaction if a liquid secondary market does not exist. The IMB maintains sufficient levels of cash or cash equivalents to meet cash flow obligations.

**Securities Lending** - The IMB, through its lending agent, Northern Trust (NT), loans securities of the Pool to various brokers on a temporary basis. Each transaction for international and domestic securities is secured by collateral based on the market value of the securities loaned. The required collateral percentage varies based on the type of collateral received and the type of security loaned. For U.S. securities, the required percentage of cash collateral and non-cash collateral consisting of debt obligations and securities issued by the United States Government or its agencies or instrumentalities is at least 102 percent of the market value of the securities loaned plus accrued income. For international securities, the required collateral is at least 105 percent of the market value of the securities on loan unless the foreign securities loaned are denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars, then the collateral shall be at least 102 percent of the market value of the securities loaned.

Cash collateral received is invested in the West Virginia Custom Account (Cash Collateral Account). The Cash Collateral Account's investment objective is to maximize current income to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital and maintenance of liquidity. The Cash Collateral Account seeks to maintain a constant net asset value of \$1.00 per share by following strict credit quality, maturity, liquidity, and diversification requirements. Except for underlying repurchase agreement transactions, the Pool is liable for investment losses in the Cash Collateral Account. The lending agent contractually indemnifies the IMB for any repurchase agreement investment losses.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Investments made with cash are reported at fair value on the Statement of Net Position. Securities loaned remain on the Statement of Net Position. The IMB has the right under the lending agreement to recover the securities from the borrower on demand. The IMB receives compensation in the form of loan premium fees and income from the investment of the cash collateral. Expenses related to the lending of securities are rebates paid by the lending agent to brokers and the lending agent's fees for its services. Securities lending income and expenses are recorded in the Statement of Changes in Net Position. The IMB also continues to receive interest or dividends on the securities loaned. Gains or losses in the fair value of the securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loans are reflected in the Statement of Changes in Net Position as a net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments.

**Futures Contracts** - A futures contract is an agreement between a buyer or a seller and the clearinghouse of a futures exchange in which the parties agree to buy or sell a commodity, financial instrument or index at a specified future date and price. Upon entering into a financial futures contract, the IMB is required to pledge to the broker an amount of cash, U.S. government securities, or other assets, equal to a certain percentage of the contract amount (initial margin deposit). Cash (variation margin) is received from or paid to the broker on a daily basis for the fluctuations of the underlying securities or index.

Interest rate futures may be used to enhance portfolio yields, manage portfolio duration, or as an alternative investment of cash.

The market risk associated with holding interest rate futures results from changes in the market value of the contractual positions due to changes in the value of the underlying instruments or indices. Investment risk associated with these futures contracts arises because the value of the futures contracts may not correlate perfectly with changes in the values of the underlying instruments or indices.

Other risks associated with futures contracts are liquidity risk and credit risk. Liquidity risk arises when there is insufficient trading in a particular futures contract. Credit risk arises from the potential inability of counterparties to meet the terms of the contracts. The IMB's managers generally only utilize futures contracts that are traded on major exchanges or are executed with major dealers. The major exchanges assume the risk of a counterparty default and generally require an initial margin deposit of cash or securities.

**Foreign Currency Forward Contracts** - A foreign currency forward contract is an agreement between two parties to exchange different currencies at a specified exchange rate at an agreed upon future date. The IMB enters into such contracts to take advantage of the relative changes in currency exchange rates. Risks associated with such contracts include movement in the value of the foreign currency relative to the U.S. dollar and the ability of the counterparty to perform.

**Credit Default Swaps -** Credit default swaps are agreements between counterparties to transfer the credit risk of referenced debt securities. The buyer of the credit default swap gains protection against a negative credit event such as a default or credit rating downgrade and the seller assumes the credit risk and is obligated to pay upon the occurrence of such an event. Credit default swap agreements are marked-to-market daily. Upfront payments received or made by the Pool on credit default swap agreements are capitalized. Periodic payments received or paid are recorded as interest income. Payments received or made as a result of a credit event or termination of the contract are recognized, net of a proportional amount of the upfront payment, in net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments.

Credit default swaps are instruments which allow for the full or partial transfer of third party credit risk, with respect to a particular entity or entities, from one counterparty to the other. A seller of credit default swaps is selling credit protection or assuming credit risk with respect to the underlying entity or entities. If a credit event occurs, as defined under the terms of the swap agreement, the seller of protection will either (i) pay to the buyer of protection an amount equal to the notional amount of the swap and take delivery of the referenced obligation or underlying securities comprising the referenced index or (ii) pay a net settlement amount in the form of cash or securities equal to the notional amount of the swap less the recovery value of the referenced obligation or underlying securities comprising the referenced index. The Notional Principal reflects the maximum potential amount the seller of protection could be required to pay if a credit event occurs. The seller of protection receives periodic premium payments from the counterparty and may also receive or pay an upfront premium adjustment to the stated periodic premium.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Interest Rate Swaps** - Interest rate swaps are agreements between counterparties to exchange cash flows based on the difference between a fixed and floating interest rate, applied to a notional principal amount for a specified period. A basis swap is a type of interest rate swap that exchanges one floating rate for another. Upfront payments received or made by the Pool on interest rate swap agreements are capitalized. Interest is paid or received periodically.

Asset-Backed Securities - The Pool invests in various asset-backed securities, mortgage-backed securities, and structured corporate debt. The Pool invests in these securities to enhance yields on investments. Changes in market interest rates affect the cash flows of these securities and may result in changes in fair value. The overall return or yield on these securities depends on the changes in the interest and principal payment pattern and market value of the underlying assets.

**Investment Transactions** - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

**Use of Estimates** - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Unit Valuation and Participant Transactions** - The unit price of the Pool is calculated on the last business day of the month by dividing the net position of the Pool by the number of outstanding units. Participant accounts undergo a monthly rebalancing process to maintain their defined asset allocation. Participant transactions that occur as part of the rebalancing process are executed as a purchase or redemption on the first business day of each month using the prior month end unit price.

Distributions to Participants - The Pool does not routinely distribute dividends of net investment income.

**Expenses** - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool. In addition to these direct and allocated expenses, the Pool bears certain expenses indirectly, such as fees of other investment funds in which the Pool invests that are reflected in the reported net asset value of such funds.

**Income Taxes** - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for U.S. federal or state income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

In certain foreign countries, the Pool's interest income and capital gains may be taxable. Taxes on interest income are generally withheld from the payments and as a result there is no provision recorded for these taxes. In certain cases, there may be a full or partial reclaim available for the withheld taxes. Capital gains taxes, if any, on sales of securities may be assessed and paid concurrent with the sale or upon the filing of a return with the taxing authority. In countries where the IMB is liable for capital gains taxes, the IMB will estimate and accrue a capital gains taxes are reported on the Statement of Net Position. Interest income is reported net of non-reclaimable taxes withheld on the Statement of Changes in Net Position. The net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments is reported net of capital gains taxes on the Statement of Changes in Net Position.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 3. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Derivative financial instruments held in the Pool include foreign exchange contracts, futures, options, credit default swaps, interest rate swaps, and basis swaps. None of these derivative financial instruments are designated as hedging instruments under GASB Statement No. 53; they are used to implement portfolio strategy, capture valuation opportunities, and to exploit market inefficiencies. The primary risks managed by using these derivative financial instruments include interest rate, foreign exchange rate, and market price risks. See Note 2 for additional information on the Pool's purpose for entering into derivatives and for discussion on the risks associated with investing in these derivatives.

The Pool, through its investment managers, is a party to International Swap and Derivative Association, Inc. (ISDA) Master Agreements (MA) that may allow the netting of counterparty's obligations against those of the Pool in the event of a default by the counterparty. The Pool is required to disclose the positions held at period-end that were entered into pursuant to agreements that allow for such netting.

The table below presents the fair value and the fiscal year to date net increase (decrease) in fair value of derivative financial instruments outstanding as of and for the period ended February 28, 2021:

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•	Credit default swaps protection seller		666		2,992
Total \$ 28,108 \$ 33,138	Interest rate swaps		25,419		32,145
	Total	\$	28,108	\$	33,138

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 3. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

#### **Credit Risk**

For financial reporting purposes, the Pool does not offset derivative assets and derivative liabilities that are subject to netting arrangements in the Statement of Net Position. The following table presents the Pool's derivative assets net of amounts available for offset under a netting provision and net of related collateral received by the Pool as of February 28, 2021:

Derivative Type		Asse	rivative ts Subject a MA	Ava	rivatives ailable for Offset	Col	n-Cash llateral ceived	 Collateral ceived	Net E	xposure
Foreign currency										
forwards		\$	144	\$	(6)	\$	-	\$ (70)	\$	68
Swaptions			745		(82)		-	-		663
Swaps			2,736		(2,621)		(23)	 (92)		-
	Total	\$	3,625	\$	(2,709)	\$	(23)	\$ (162)	\$	731

Foreign currency forward contracts, certain swaps, and swaptions are exposed to counterparty credit risk. The IMB reviews available ratings from Standard & Poor's, Moody's, and Fitch and reports the rating indicative of the greatest degree of risk.

The following table provides the credit ratings for the Pool's derivative investments that are subject to counterparty credit risk as of February 28, 2021:

Derivative Type	Counterparty Rating	Fai	r Value
Foreign currency forward contracts	А	\$	36
Foreign currency forward contracts	BBB		2,041
Interest rate swaptions purchased	BBB		745
Credit default swaps protection seller	А		121

#### **Interest Rate Risk**

The following table provides the time to maturity for investment derivatives that are subject to interest rate risk as of February 28, 2021:

	Investment Maturities (in years)									
Derivative Type		Fair Value		Under-1		1-5		6-10		10+
Futures contracts:										
Fixed income futures long	\$	(4,153)	\$	(3,802)	\$	(351)	\$	-	\$	-
Fixed income futures short		11,405		11,405		-		-		-
Options contracts:										
Fixed income options purchased		741		519		222		-		-
Fixed income options written		(7,216)		(7,081)		(135)		-		-
Interest rate swaptions purchased		745		745		-		-		-
Interest rate swaptions written		(340)		(340)		-		-		-
Swaps:										
Interest rate swaps		25,419				(1,435)		6,208		20,646
Total	\$	26,601	\$	1,446	\$	(1,699)	\$	6,208	\$	20,646

Interest rate swaps are highly sensitive to changes in interest rates. The following tables provide detailed information on derivative financial instruments that are highly sensitive to interest rate changes.

(Amounts in thousands)

## NOTE 3. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

At February 28, 2021, the open positions in interest rate swaps denominated in U.S. dollars were as follows:

Maturity Date	Reference Rate	N	otional	Fai	ir Value	
11/30/2024	Receive Fixed 0.10%, Pay Floating Fed Funds	\$	\$	(394)		
6/15/2022	Receive Fixed 0.19%, Pay Floating 3-Month Libor		171,933		(13)	
8/31/2024	Receive Fixed 0.38%, Pay Floating 3-Month Libor		27,492		(153)	
11/27/2025	Receive Fixed 0.84%, Pay Floating 3-Month Libor		58,052		(482)	
12/18/2025	Receive Fixed 1.10%, Pay Floating 3-Month Libor		66,899		(394)	
5/15/2027	Receive Floating 3-Month Libor, Pay Fixed 0.45%		28,768	1,143		
11/15/2045	Receive Floating 3-Month Libor, Pay Fixed 0.80%	64,707		7 14,978		
3/17/2050	Receive Floating 3-Month Libor, Pay Fixed 0.90%	2,067		498		
2/15/2047	Receive Floating 3-Month Libor, Pay Fixed 1.20%		13,692		2,134	
10/7/2050	Receive Floating 3-Month Libor, Pay Fixed 1.20%		3,807		659	
2/15/2047	Receive Floating 3-Month Libor, Pay Fixed 1.23%		6,697		1,008	
2/15/2047	Receive Floating 3-Month Libor, Pay Fixed 1.60%		3,010		215	
2/15/2047	Receive Floating 3-Month Libor, Pay Fixed 2.00%	8,639			(79)	
5/15/2027	Receive Floating Fed Funds, Pay Fixed 0.26%	37,177		1,484		
7/20/2045	Receive Floating SOFR, Pay Fixed 0.56%	15,810		3,575		
		\$	539,455	\$	24,179	

At February 28, 2021, the open positions in interest rate swaps denominated in foreign currencies were as follows:

Maturity Date	Reference Rate	Notic	onal (USD)	Fai	r Value
1/4/2027	Receive Fixed 7.02%, Pay Floating Brazil CDI	\$	6,213	\$	91
1/4/2027	Receive Fixed 7.04%, Pay Floating Brazil CDI		1,489		23
7/20/2029	Receive Fixed 7.44%, Pay Floating MXN TIIE		19,117		1,761
7/18/2029	Receive Fixed 7.45%, Pay Floating MXN TIIE		18,366		1,705
4/19/2047	Receive Floating 6-Month JPY Libor, Pay Fixed 0.79%		44,142		(2,340)
		\$	89,327	\$	1,240

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 3. DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (continued)

#### **Foreign Currency Risk**

The Pool has foreign currency forward contracts, futures contracts, and swap contracts that are denominated in foreign currencies and exposed to foreign currency risks. The amounts at fair value (in U.S. dollars) of derivative investments in foreign currencies as of February 28, 2021, are as follows:

	Fo	reign						
	Cur	rency						
	For	ward	Fu	tures		Swap		
Currency	Con	tracts	Con	tracts	Co	ntracts	,	Fotal
Australian Dollar	\$	6	\$	-	\$	-	\$	6
Brazil Real		5		-		114		119
British Pound		(645)		355		-		(290)
Euro Currency Unit		102		644		(35)		711
Japanese Yen		1,518		-		(2,340)		(822)
Mexican Peso		402		-		3,466		3,868
Russian Ruble		(73)		-				(73)
Total foreign denominated derivatives		1,315		999		1,205		3,519
U.S. Dollar		-		6,253		24,406		30,659
Total	\$	1,315	\$	7,252	\$	25,611	\$	34,178

### NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GASB Statement No. 72 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value of an investment is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price).

GASB Statement No. 72 establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under GASB Statement No. 72 are:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the reporting date.
- Level 2 Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not considered active; observable inputs other than observable quoted prices for the asset or liability; or inputs derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data.
- Level 3 Unobservable pricing inputs for assets and liabilities.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

U.S. GAAP does not require the Pool to categorize within the fair value hierarchy table investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share (NAV) as a practical expedient. The table that follows sets forth information about the level within the fair value hierarchy at which the Pool's assets and liabilities are measured at February 28, 2021. The Pool's investments in commingled debt funds were valued using the net asset value per share, as such they have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy.

Assets	 Level 1	 Level 2	 Level 3		Total
Corporate ABS residual	\$ -	\$ 1,834	\$	-	\$ 1,834
Corporate asset backed issues	-	75,625		-	75,625
Corporate CMO	-	65,648		-	65,648
Corporate CMO interest-only	-	51		-	51
Corporate preferred securities	10,451	-		-	10,451
Foreign asset backed issues	-	37,162		-	37,162
Foreign corporate bonds	-	281,230		-	281,230
Foreign currency forward contracts	-	2,077		-	2,077
Foreign government bonds	-	282,757		-	282,757
Futures contracts	11,903	-		-	11,903
Money market mutual fund	217,387	-		-	217,387
Municipal bonds	-	28,536		-	28,536
Options contracts purchased	741	745		-	1,486
Securities lending collateral	23,111	-		-	23,111
Swaps	-	36,114		-	36,114
U.S. corporate bonds	-	396,119		-	396,119
U.S. Government agency bonds	-	7,450		-	7,450
U.S. Government agency CMO	-	67,624		-	67,624
U.S. Government agency CMO interest-only	-	6,335		-	6,335
U.S. Government agency MBS	-	342,507		-	342,507
U.S. Government agency TBAs	-	85,717		-	85,717
U.S. Treasury bonds	-	505,932		-	505,932
Total	\$ 263,593	\$ 2,223,463	\$		\$ 2,487,056
Commingled debt funds				_	379,319
Total				_	\$ 2,866,375
				_	
Liabilities	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		Total
Foreign currency forward contracts	\$ -	\$ (762)	\$		\$ (762)
Futures contracts	(4,651)	-		-	(4,651)
Options contracts written	(7,216)	(340)		-	(7,556)
Securities sold short	-	(822)		-	(822)
Swaps	-	(10,503)		-	(10,503)
Total	\$ (11,867)	\$ (12,427)	\$		\$ (24,294)

The Pool's investments in commingled debt funds were measured at the NAV as of February 28, 2021. These commingled debt funds invest in certain niche sectors, particularly those that are not a significant percentage to the Pool, to provide economies of scale and efficiencies in establishing and managing a diversified portfolio that would be otherwise difficult to achieve. These funds offer daily liquidity.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 5. SECURITIES LENDING

The following table presents the amounts of various accounts related to securities lending at February 28, 2021:

	Fa	air Value
Securities on loan	\$	268,722
Collateral received: Cash Non-cash	\$	23,111 250,531
Total collateral received	\$	273,642

NT, as agent for the IMB, loans the IMB's securities to various counterparties. These transactions are executed under the SLAA which permits NT under certain circumstances, such as defaults, to offset amounts payable to the same counterparty against amounts to be received and thus create one single net payment due to or from the counterparty. The amounts listed in the above table represent all securities loaned which are subject to the SLAA on a net payment basis. The IMB has elected not to offset the fair value of the securities on loan against the liability for the return of the collateral on the Statement of Net Position.

### NOTE 6. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Acc	ount Value
Teachers' Retirement System	\$	836,406
Public Employees' Retirement System		753,183
Workers' Compensation Old Fund		293,506
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund - Part B		203,359
West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund		141,819
Public Employees Insurance Agency		78,713
State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund		70,479
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Agency		62,550
Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund		57,884
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund		57,657
Board of Risk and Insurance Management		44,027
Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System		27,195
State Police Retirement System		26,168
Judges' Retirement System		24,186
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool		13,062
Emergency Medical Services Retirement System		10,260
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool		9,080
Wildlife Endowment Fund		6,711
Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund		3,249
Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System		1,973
Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System		1,920
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds		1,226
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Trust		1,090
Berkeley County Development Authority		744
Total	\$	2,726,447

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# Statement of Net Position - Unaudited

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#### Assets

Investments, at fair value:		
Fixed income investments		\$ 1,100,542
Equity investments		1,194
Money market mutual fund		102,039
Securities lending collateral		17,737
Receivables:		
Interest, dividends, and other investment income		5,190
Investments sold		 19,947
	Total assets	1,246,649
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		342
Payable for investments purchased		62,202
Payable upon return of securities loaned		 17,737
	Total liabilities	 80,281
	Net position	\$ 1,166,368
Unit data		
Units outstanding		91,389,312
Net position, unit price		\$ 12.76
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

### Statement of Change in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month	Year To Date		
Investment income (loss)				
Net decrease in fair value of investments Interest, dividends, and other investment income Securities lending income	\$ (15,581) 2,517 13	\$ (16,613) 19,673 86		
Total investment income (loss)	(13,051)	3,146		
Expenses				
Investment advisor fees	(151)	(977)		
Custodian bank fees	(4)	(26)		
Management and other allocated fees	(27)	(212)		
Securities lending expenses	(1)	(11)		
Total expenses	(183)	(1,226)		
Net investment income (loss)	(13,234)	1,920		
Unit transactions				
Proceeds from sale of units	44,413	254,003		
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(15,804)		
Net increase from unit transactions	44,413	238,199		
Increase in net position	31,179	240,119		
Net position, beginning of period	1,135,189	926,249		
Net position, end of period	\$ 1,166,368	\$ 1,166,368		

\*The WVIMB operates on a fiscal year beginning on July 1. The "year to date" information is for the period July 1 through the month listed. See accompanying notes to financial statements.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY

The West Virginia Investment Management Board (IMB) was organized on April 25, 1997, as a public body corporate created by *West Virginia Code §12-6-1* to provide prudent fiscal administration and investment management services to designated state pension funds, the state's Workers' Compensation and Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis funds, and certain other state government funds.

A Board of Trustees, consisting of thirteen members, governs the IMB. The Governor, the State Auditor, and the State Treasurer are ex officio members of the Board of Trustees. The Governor appoints all other Trustees for a term of six years.

The IMB operates on a fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

The accompanying financial statements reflect only the investments and investment related operations of the IMB's Core Fixed Income Pool (Pool). They do not reflect activity of the other investment pools under the control of the IMB or the Administrative Fund of the IMB, or any other assets or liabilities, or restrictions thereon, or the various investment pool participants. Accordingly, these financial statements are not intended to and do not present the comprehensive financial position and operations of the IMB or any of the investment pool participants.

The IMB accounts for the Pool under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

The main objective of the Pool is to generate investment income, provide stability, and enhance diversification but not at the expense of total return. The Pool's investment objective is to outperform the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index over three- to five-year periods, net of external investment management fees. JP Morgan Investment Advisors, Inc. manages this Pool.

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Investment Valuation** - The IMB reports its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72. Refer to Note 3 for further discussion and presentation of the reporting requirements under GASB Statement No. 72.

Fair value of the Pool's portfolio securities is determined on the last business day of each month as follows:

- Fixed income securities are valued according to prices furnished by independent pricing services to the Pool's custodian. These services determine the security prices by a number of methods including, but not limited to, dealer quotes, live market trading levels when available, live feeds of trade execution data, spreads over U.S. Treasury securities, and other models and formulae appropriate to the specific security type.
- Open-end regulated investment companies or other commingled investment funds are valued at the net asset value of the fund as reported by the fund's administrator.
- Equity securities are valued at the last sale price or official closing price reported in the market in which they are primarily traded.

Investments for which the fair value cannot be determined by one of the above listed processes are valued at fair value as determined in accordance with the IMB's established procedures.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Securities Lending - The IMB, through its lending agent, Northern Trust (NT), loans securities of the Pool to various brokers on a temporary basis. Each transaction for international and domestic securities is secured by collateral based on the market value of the securities loaned. The required collateral percentage varies based on the type of collateral received and the type of security loaned. For U.S. securities and foreign securities denominated in U.S. Dollars, the required percentage of cash collateral and non-cash collateral consisting of debt obligations and securities issued by the United States Government or its agencies or instrumentalities is at least 102 percent of the market value of the securities loaned plus accrued income.

Cash collateral received is invested in the West Virginia Custom Account (Cash Collateral Account). The Cash Collateral Account's investment objective is to maximize current income to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital and maintenance of liquidity. The Cash Collateral Account seeks to maintain a constant net asset value of \$1.00 per share by following strict credit quality, maturity, liquidity, and diversification requirements. Except for underlying repurchase agreement transactions, the Pool is liable for investment losses in the Cash Collateral Account. The lending agent contractually indemnifies the IMB for any repurchase agreement investment losses.

Investments made with cash are reported at fair value on the Statement of Net Position. Securities loaned remain on the Statement of Net Position. The IMB has the right under the lending agreement to recover the securities from the borrower on demand. The IMB receives compensation in the form of loan premium fees and income from the investment of the cash collateral. Expenses related to the lending of securities are rebates paid by the lending agent to brokers and the lending agent's fees for its services. Securities lending income and expenses are recorded in the Statement of Changes in Net Position. The IMB also continues to receive interest or dividends on the securities loaned. Gains or losses in the fair value of the securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loans are reflected in the Statement of Changes in Net Position as a net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments.

Asset-Backed Securities - The Pool invests in various asset-backed securities, mortgage-backed securities, and structured corporate debt. The Pool invests in these securities to enhance yields on investments. Changes in market interest rates affect the cash flows of these securities and may result in changes in fair value. The overall return or yield on these securities depends on the changes in the interest and principal payment pattern and market value of the underlying assets.

Investment Transactions - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Unit Valuation and Participant Transactions - The unit price of the Pool is calculated on the last business day of the month by dividing the net position of the Pool by the number of outstanding units. Participant accounts undergo a monthly rebalancing process to maintain their defined asset allocation. Participant transactions that occur as part of the rebalancing process are executed as a purchase or redemption on the first business day of each month using the prior month end unit price.

**Distributions to Participants** – The Pool does not routinely distribute dividends of net investment income.

Expenses - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool.

Income Taxes - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GASB Statement No. 72 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value of an investment is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price).

GASB Statement No. 72 establishes a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under GASB Statement No. 72 are:

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The table below summarizes the valuation of the investment securities in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72 fair value hierarchy levels as of February 28, 2021:

Assets		I	Level 1	 Level 2	 Level 3	_	Total
Corporate asset backed issues		\$	-	\$ 110,855	\$ -	\$	110,855
Corporate CMO			-	60,119	-		60,119
Corporate CMO interest-only			-	214	-		214
Corporate CMO principal-only			-	58	-		58
Corporate preferred securities			1,194	-	-		1,194
Foreign asset backed issues			-	1,703	-		1,703
Foreign corporate bonds			-	99,816	-		99,816
Foreign government bonds			-	6,430	-		6,430
Money market mutual fund			102,039	-	-		102,039
Municipal bonds			-	11,837	-		11,837
Securities lending collateral			17,737	-	-		17,737
U.S. corporate bonds			-	256,709	-		256,709
U.S. Government agency CMO			-	93,524	-		93,524
U.S. Government agency CMO interest-only			-	3,696	-		3,696
U.S. Government agency CMO principal-only			-	3,574	-		3,574
U.S. Government agency MBS			-	181,280	-		181,280
U.S. Government agency TBAs			-	36,688	-		36,688
U.S. Treasury bonds			-	233,568	-		233,568
U.S. Treasury inflation protected securities				471	 -		471
	Total	\$	120,970	\$ 1,100,542	\$ -	\$	1,221,512

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 4. SECURITIES LENDING

The following table presents the amounts of various accounts related to securities lending at February 28, 2021:

	Fa	air Value
Securities on loan	\$	141,204
Collateral received:		
Cash	\$	17,737
Non-cash		126,636
Total collateral received	\$	144,373

NT, as agent for the IMB, loans the IMB's securities to various counterparties. These transactions are executed under the SLAA which permits NT under certain circumstances, such as defaults, to offset amounts payable to the same counterparty against amounts to be received and thus create one single net payment due to or from the counterparty. The amounts listed in the above table represent all securities loaned which are subject to the SLAA on a net payment basis. The IMB has elected not to offset the fair value of the securities on loan against the liability for the return of the collateral on the Statement of Net Position.

### NOTE 5. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Account Value
Teachers' Retirement System	\$ 358,694
Public Employees' Retirement System	325,025
Workers' Compensation Old Fund	124,501
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund - Part B	86,194
West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund	60,411
Public Employees Insurance Agency	33,377
State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund	29,986
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Agency	26,511
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund	24,579
Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund	24,501
Board of Risk and Insurance Management	18,656
Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System	11,565
State Police Retirement System	11,094
Judges' Retirement System	10,303
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool	5,534
Emergency Medical Services Retirement System	4,371
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool	3,846
Wildlife Endowment Fund	2,850
Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund	1,378
Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System	851
Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System	841
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds	522
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Trust	462
Berkeley County Development Authority	316
Total	\$ 1,166,368

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Assets Investment in commingled bond fund at fair value	\$	394,777
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		30
Net position	n <u>\$</u>	394,747
Unit data		
Units outstanding	<b>^</b>	29,428,278
Net position, unit price	\$	13.41

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

### Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	]	Month	Year To Date		
Investment income (loss)					
Net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments	\$	(6,487)	\$	10,732	
Expenses					
Investment advisor fees Custodian bank fees		(6)		(40) (1)	
Management and other allocated fees		(9)		(69)	
Total expenses		(15)		(110)	
Net investment income (loss)		(6,502)		10,622	
Unit transactions					
Proceeds from sale of units Amount paid for repurchase of units		25		97,868 (4,377)	
Net increase from unit transactions		25		93,491	
Increase (decrease) in net position		(6,477)		104,113	
Net position, beginning of period		401,224		290,634	
Net position, end of period	\$	394,747	\$	394,747	

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### NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE ENTITY

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A Board of Trustees, consisting of thirteen members, governs the IMB. The Governor, the State Auditor, and the State Treasurer are ex officio members of the Board of Trustees. The Governor appoints all other Trustees for a term of six years.

The IMB operates on a fiscal year beginning July 1 and ending June 30.

The accompanying financial statements reflect only the investments and investment related operations of the IMB's TIPS Pool (Pool). They do not reflect activity of the other investment pools under the control of the IMB or the Administrative Fund of the IMB, or any other assets or liabilities, or restrictions thereon, or the various investment pool participants. Accordingly, these financial statements are not intended to and do not present the comprehensive financial position and operations of the IMB or any of the investment pool participants.

The IMB accounts for the Pool under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

The Pool was established to offer an additional level of diversification over and above nominal fixed income securities in an attempt to mitigate the risk of inflation. The main objective for the Pool is to generate a return that exceeds the rate of inflation over a market cycle, to provide investment income and stability of principal, and to diversify interest rate exposure. The Pool's performance is measured against the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Treasury Inflation Protection Index on an annualized basis over rolling three- to five-year periods, gross of fees. The Pool invests in the BlackRock U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities Fund B (BlackRock). BlackRock invests primarily in a portfolio of debt securities with the objective of closely approximating the total rate of return for all outstanding U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities with a maturity of one year or greater.

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Investment Valuation** - The IMB reports its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72. Refer to Note 3 for further discussion and presentation of the reporting requirements under. GASB Statement No. 72.

Open-end regulated investment companies or other commingled investment funds are valued at the net asset value of the fund as reported by the fund's administrator. Investments for which the fair value cannot be determined are valued at fair value as determined in accordance with the IMB's established procedures.

**Investment Transactions** - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

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Distributions to Participants - The Pool does not routinely distribute dividends of net investment income.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

**Expenses** - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool. In addition to these direct and allocated expenses, the Pool bears certain expenses indirectly, such as fees of other investment funds in which the Pool invests that are reflected in the reported net asset value of such funds.

**Income Taxes** - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

### NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

GASB Statement No. 72 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value of an investment is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price).

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In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment.

The table below summarizes the valuation of the investment securities in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72 fair value hierarchy levels as of February 28, 2021:

Assets	 Level 1	Lev	rel 2	Lev	vel 3	 Total
Commingled bond fund	\$ 394,777	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 394,777

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(Amounts in thousands)

## NOTE 4. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Acc	ount Value
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund - Part B	\$	116,907
Workers' Compensation Old Fund		103,361
Revenue Shortfall Reserve Fund		82,044
Public Employees Insurance Agency		41,208
Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund		23,303
Board of Risk and Insurance Management		17,550
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool		5,239
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool		3,627
Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund		1,508
Total	\$	394,747

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### Assets

Investments, at fair value:		
Alternative investments		\$ 4,619,424
Equity investments		153,096
Fixed income investments		8,367
Money market mutual fund		183,712
Securities lending collateral		2,872
Cash		41
Receivables:		
Investments sold		979
Interest, dividends, and other investment income		 322
	Total assets	4,968,813
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		712
Payable for investments purchased		2,223
Payable upon return of securities loaned		 2,872
	Total liabilities	 5,807
	Net position	\$ 4,963,006
Unit data		
Units outstanding		223,137,067
Net position, unit price		\$ 22.24

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# **Private Markets Pool**

## Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month		Year To Date		
Investment income					
Net increase in fair value of investments	\$	37,962	\$	278,892	
Income from partnerships and funds		7,440		71,227	
Interest, dividends, and other investment income		284		3,379	
Fund closing interest		393		1,088	
Securities lending income		3		42	
Total investment income		46,082		354,628	
Expenses					
Investment advisor fees		(127)		(626)	
Custodian bank fees		(5)		(26)	
Management and other allocated fees		(114)		(960)	
Professional service fees - direct		(111)		(905)	
Management fees - external		(382)		(3,757)	
Fund closing costs		-		(1,248)	
Securities lending expenses		-		(5)	
Total expenses		(739)		(7,527)	
Net investment income		45,343		347,101	
Unit transactions					
Proceeds from sale of units		6,455		45,379	
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(73,530)		(237,019)	
Net decrease from unit transactions		(67,075)		(191,640)	
Increase (decrease) in net position		(21,732)		155,461	
Net position, beginning of period		4,984,738		4,807,545	
Net position, end of period	\$	4,963,006	\$	4,963,006	

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(Amounts in thousands)

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The IMB accounts for the Pool under U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) for governments as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting.

The objective of the Pool is to enhance the diversification and stability of the portfolio, while generating a higher level of income than generally available in the public fixed income markets and to provide for long-term growth of participants' assets and risk-reduction through diversification. The Pool primarily holds the IMB's investments in private credit & income funds, private equity funds, real estate investment trusts (REITs), and real estate limited partnerships and funds. The selection of investments in the Pool are approved by the Board of Trustees or by its established committees.

## NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Investment Valuation** - The IMB reports its investments at fair value in accordance with GASB Statement No. 72. Refer to Note 3 for further discussion and presentation of the reporting requirements under GASB Statement No. 72.

Fair value of the Pool's portfolio securities is determined on the last business day of each month as follows:

- Investments in private equity partnerships, real estate limited partnerships and funds, private credit & income funds, and other private funds are not securities for which market quotations are readily available. The IMB has concluded that the net asset value reported by the general partners or fund administrators approximates the fair value of these investments and consequently these investments are carried at net asset value as a practical expedient for fair market value. Due to the nature of the investments held by the funds, changes in market conditions and the economic environment may significantly impact the net asset value of the funds and, consequently, the fair value of the IMB's interests in the funds. Although a secondary market exists for these investments, it is not active and individual transactions are typically not observable. When transactions do occur in this limited secondary market, they may occur at discounts to the reported net asset value. It is therefore reasonably possible that if the IMB were to sell these investments in the secondary market a buyer may require a discount to the reported net asset value, and the discount could be significant. The IMB believes that the net asset value of such investments is a reasonable estimate of fair value as of February 28, 2021.
- Equity securities are valued at the last sale price or official closing price reported in the market in which they are primarily traded.
- Equity securities that trade in non-U.S. markets are valued in U.S. Dollars using period end spot market exchange rates as supplied by the Pool's custodian.

(Amounts in thousands)

### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- Fixed income securities are valued according to prices furnished by independent pricing services to the Pool's custodian. These services determine the security prices by a number of methods including, but not limited to, dealer quotes, live market trading levels when available, live feeds of trade execution data, spreads over U.S. Treasury securities, and other models and formulae appropriate to the specific security type.
- Open-end regulated investment companies, and other commingled investment funds are valued at the net asset value of the fund as reported by the fund's administrator.

Investments for which the fair value cannot be determined by one of the above listed processes are valued at fair value as determined in accordance with the IMB's established procedures.

**Securities Lending -** The IMB, through its lending agent, Northern Trust (NT), loans securities of the Pool to various brokers on a temporary basis. Each transaction for international and domestic securities is secured by collateral based on the market value of the securities loaned. The required collateral percentage varies based on the type of collateral received and the type of security loaned. For U.S. securities, the required percentage of cash collateral and non-cash collateral consisting of debt obligations and securities issued by the United States Government or its agencies or instrumentalities is at least 102 percent of the market value of the securities loaned plus accrued income, if applicable. For international securities, the required percentage is 105 percent unless the foreign securities loaned are denominated and payable in U.S. Dollars, then the collateral shall be at least 102 percent of the market value of the securities loaned. Loans of equity securities may also be collateralized by equity securities and the required percentage of non-cash collateral consisting of equity securities is at least 107 percent of the market value of the securities loaned.

Cash collateral received is invested in the West Virginia Custom Account (Cash Collateral Account). The Cash Collateral Account's investment objective is to maximize current income to the extent consistent with the preservation of capital and maintenance of liquidity. The Cash Collateral Account seeks to maintain a constant net asset value of \$1.00 per share by following strict credit quality, maturity, liquidity, and diversification requirements. Except for underlying repurchase agreement transactions, the Pool is liable for investment losses in the Cash Collateral Account. The lending agent contractually indemnifies the IMB for any repurchase agreement investment losses.

Investments made with cash are reported at fair value on the Statement of Net Position. Securities loaned remain on the Statement of Net Position. The IMB has the right under the lending agreement to recover the securities from the borrower on demand. The IMB receives compensation in the form of loan premium fees and income from the investment of the cash collateral. Expenses related to the lending of securities are rebates paid by the lending agent to brokers and the lending agent's fees for its services. Securities lending income and expenses are recorded in the Statement of Changes in Net Position. The IMB also continues to receive interest or dividends on the securities loaned. Gains or losses in the fair value of the securities loaned that may occur during the term of the loans are reflected in the Statement of Changes in Net Position as a net increase (decrease) in fair value of investments.

**Foreign Currency** - Amounts denominated in or expected to settle in foreign currencies are translated into U.S. dollars at exchange rates reported by the Pool's custodian on the following basis:

- Market value of investment securities, other assets and liabilities at the closing rate of exchange at the valuation date.
- Purchases and sales of investment securities, income and expenses at the rate of exchange prevailing on the respective dates of such transactions.

**Foreign Currency Spot Contracts** - A foreign currency contract is an agreement between two parties to exchange different currencies at a specified exchange rate at an agreed upon future date. These contracts, when entered into, correspond to investment transactions trading in foreign currencies. Risks associated with such contracts include movement in the value of the foreign currency relative to the U.S. dollar and the ability of the counterparty to perform. These contracts have relatively short durations and are valued at the prevailing market exchange rates at month end.

(Amounts in thousands)

### **NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

Investment Transactions - Investment transactions are accounted for on a trade date basis. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. Dividend income is recognized on the ex-dividend date.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Income from Partnerships - Income from private equity partnerships, real estate partnerships, private credit & income funds, and other private funds are recognized when distributed to the partners.

Unit Valuation and Participant Transactions - The unit price of the Pool is calculated on the last business day of the month by dividing the net position of the Pool by the number of outstanding units. Participant accounts undergo a monthly rebalancing process to maintain their defined asset allocation. Participant transactions that occur as part of the rebalancing process are executed as a purchase or redemption on the first business day of each month using the prior month end unit price.

Distributions to Participants - The Pool does not routinely distribute dividends of net investment income.

Expenses - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. Direct investment-related costs include fees charged by external managers that are outside of their respective partnership or fund, the custodian bank, legal counsel, and the consultant. Other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size.

The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool. In addition to these direct and allocated expenses, the Pool bears certain expenses indirectly, such as fees of other investment funds in which the Pool invests that are reflected in the reported net asset value of such funds.

Income Taxes - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for U.S. federal and state income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

In certain foreign countries the Pool's dividend income and capital gains may be taxable. Such taxes are generally withheld from the payments of these types of income and as a result there is no provision recorded for these taxes. In certain cases there may be a full or partial reclaim available for the withheld taxes. The outstanding reclaims are reported on the Statement of Net Position. Dividend income is reported net of non-reclaimable taxes withheld on the Statement of Changes in Net Position.

### **NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

GASB Statement No. 72 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. Fair value of an investment is the amount that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date (i.e., the exit price).

GASB Statement No. 72 established a hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical financial instruments (Level 1 measurements) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under GASB Statement No. 72 are:

Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the reporting date.

Level 2 Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not considered active; observable inputs other than observable quoted prices for the asset or liability; or inputs derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data.

(Amounts in thousands)

# NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

Level 3 Unobservable pricing inputs for assets and liabilities with redemption terms that are not short term.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment, and considers factors specific to the investment.

U.S. GAAP does not require the Pool to categorize within the fair value hierarchy table investments for which fair value is measured using the net asset value per share (NAV) as a practical expedient. The table that follows sets forth information about the level within the fair value hierarchy at which the Pool's assets and liabilities are measured at February 28, 2021. All of the Pool's investments in private credit & income funds, private equity partnerships, real estate limited partnerships and funds, and other private funds were valued using the NAV. As such, they have not been categorized in the fair value hierarchy table.

Assets	 Level 1 Level 2		Lev	Level 3		Total	
Foreign common stock	\$ 42,534	\$	-	\$	-	\$	42,534
Money market mutual fund	183,712		-		-		183,712
Securities lending collateral	2,872		-		-		2,872
U.S. common stock	96,220		-		-		96,220
U.S. corporate bonds	-		8,367		-		8,367
U.S. preferred stock	 14,342		-				14,342
Total	\$ 339,680	\$	8,367	\$	-	\$	348,047
Private credit & income funds	 						640,710
Private equity partnerships							2,130,850
Real estate limited partnerships and funds							1,847,864
Total						\$	4,967,471

The following table presents information on investments measured at the NAV as of February 28, 2021:

	Unfunded		Contractual Termination	Redemption Notice			
Strategies	F	Fair Value	Commitments		Date Range (a)	Redemption Frequency	Period
Private credit & income funds:							
Middle Market Loan Funds (b)	\$	292,816	\$	175,990	2026	N/A	N/A
Real Estate Income Funds (c)		347,894		139,661	2022 to 2031	Quarterly	45 days
Private equity partnerships:							
Corporate Finance - Buyout (d)		1,352,625		649,857	2021 to 2035	N/A	N/A
Corporate Finance - Distressed Debt (e)		54,365		14,724	2021	N/A	N/A
Corporate Finance - Growth Equity (f)		89,641		76,875	2021 to 2030	N/A	N/A
Corporate Finance - Hard Assets (g)		84,142		41,722	2021 to 2028	N/A	N/A
Corporate Finance - Mezzanine (h)		70,429		40,470	2021 to 2028	N/A	N/A
Corporate Finance - Turnaround (i)		87,875		87,759	2021 to 2032	N/A	N/A
Venture Capital (j)		391,773		78,428	2023 to 2034	N/A	N/A
Real estate limited partnerships and funds	:						
Core Funds (k)		1,007,345		54,087	2022	Quarterly	30-60 days
Opportunistic Funds (l)		311,886		174,949	2021 to 2029	N/A	N/A
Value Funds (m)		528,633		430,739	2021 to 2031	N/A	N/A
Total	\$	4,619,424	\$	1,965,261			

(Amounts in thousands)

# NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

- (a) Investments without standard redemption frequencies cannot be redeemed until termination of the partnership.
- (b) Middle Market Loan Funds seek to generate current income while preserving capital primarily through investments in senior secured loans to middle market companies domiciled in North America.
- (c) Real Estate Income Funds invest in U.S. commercial real estate mortgage and debt investments.
- (d) Corporate Finance Buyout funds acquire controlling or influential interests in companies.
- (e) Corporate Finance Distressed Debt funds acquire the debt of companies experiencing operational or financial distress usually converting the debt to equity and exercising control of the business.
- (f) Corporate Finance Growth Equity funds invest in companies to expand or restructure operations, enter new markets, or finance an acquisition.
- (g) Corporate Finance Hard Assets funds acquire controlling or influential interests in companies operating in natural resources or infrastructure.
- (h) Corporate Finance Mezzanine funds acquire or issue subordinated debentures frequently in businesses controlled by the General Partner, but in another fund.
- (i) Corporate Finance Turnaround funds acquire the debt and or equity of companies experiencing operational or financial distress in order to radically reorganize and improve the business.
- (j) Venture Capital funds make investments in early stage through late stage companies, frequently start-ups in technology or healthcare.
- (k) Core Funds are more conservative real estate investments that use a very modest level of financing to acquire and hold high-quality, stable properties typically located in major markets. These assets tend to have high occupancy rates, higher credit tenants, and staggered lease terms, with a number of long-term leases expiring in five-to-ten years.
- (1) Opportunistic Funds have higher risk/return profiles and have broad strategies to achieve these types of returns. Common strategies are properties that need significant rehabilitation or a total redevelopment to transition to a different type of property (for example, converting an office building to condominiums). It may also include new development, distressed debt strategies, and more complex transactions, as well as a more traditional value-add strategy that is financed with a higher amount of leverage.
- (m) Value Funds typically use more leverage than core funds and target higher return opportunities by acquiring properties that the manager believes they can add value through capital renovations to the physical facility or enhanced leasing and management activities. Most of these properties have in-place cash flow, which is expected to increase as the business plans are implemented. This could include making physical improvements to the asset that will allow it to command higher rents, increasing efforts to lease vacant space at the property to quality tenants, or improving the management of the property and thereby increasing customer satisfaction or lowering operating expenses where possible.

# NOTE 4. SECURITIES LENDING

The following table presents the amounts of various accounts related to securities lending at February 28, 2021:

	Fa	ir Value
Securities on loan	\$	14,835
Collateral received:		
Cash	\$	2,872
Non-cash		12,607
Total collateral received	\$	15,479

NT, as agent for the IMB, loans the IMB's securities to various counterparties. These transactions are executed under the SLAA which permits NT under certain circumstances, such as defaults, to offset amounts payable to the same counterparty against amounts to be received and thus create one single net payment due to or from the counterparty. The amounts listed in the above table represent all securities loaned which are subject to the SLAA on a net payment basis. The IMB has elected not to offset the fair value of the securities on loan against the liability for the return of the collateral on the Statement of Net Position.

(Amounts in thousands)

# NOTE 5. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Aco	count Value
Teachers' Retirement System	\$	2,223,406
Public Employees' Retirement System		1,972,822
West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund		324,441
State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund		192,828
Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System		68,342
State Police Retirement System		63,052
Judges' Retirement System		61,807
Emergency Medical Services Retirement System		25,242
Wildlife Endowment Fund		17,730
Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System		5,449
Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System		4,450
Berkeley County Development Authority		1,822
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds		1,615
Total	\$	4,963,006

# **Financial Statements - Unaudited**

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# Statement of Net Position - Unaudited

February 28, 2021

(Amounts in thousands, except unit data)

#### Assets

Investments, at fair value: Hedge funds Money market mutual fund Receivables:		\$ 2,301,948 609
Investment funds redeemed		3,252
Interest and dividends		153
	Total assets	2,305,962
Liabilities		
Accrued expenses		170
	Net position	\$ 2,305,792
Unit data		
Units outstanding Net position, unit price		131,625,994 \$ 17.52

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# Hedge Fund Pool

# Statement of Changes in Net Position - Unaudited

Period Ended February 28, 2021\*

(Amounts in thousands)

	Month		Year To Date		
Investment income					
Net increase in fair value of investments Interest, dividends, and other investment income	\$	78,218	\$	292,731 10	
Total investment income		78,218		292,741	
Expenses					
Professional service fees - direct		(34)		(267)	
Management and other allocated fees		(52)		(421)	
Total expenses		(86)		(688)	
Net investment income		78,132		292,053	
Unit transactions					
Proceeds from sale of units		597		53,483	
Amount paid for repurchase of units		(801)		(73,832)	
Net decrease from unit transactions		(204)		(20,349)	
Increase in net position		77,928		271,704	
Net position, beginning of period		2,227,864		2,034,088	
Net position, end of period	\$	2,305,792	\$	2,305,792	

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The Pool was established to hold the IMB's investments in hedge funds. The objective of the Pool is to reduce risk through diversification of participants' assets. The primary performance benchmark is the Hedge Funds Research, Inc. Fund of Funds Composite Index plus 100 Basis points. The secondary benchmark is the FTSE 3 Month US T-Bill Index plus 500 basis points. Albourne America, LLC has been retained by the IMB to provide consulting services for this investment strategy.

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- Open-end regulated investment companies or other commingled investment funds are valued at the net asset value of the fund as reported by the fund's administrator.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Investments for which the fair value cannot be determined by one of the above listed processes are valued at fair value as determined in accordance with the IMB's established procedures.

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Expenses - The IMB's Trustees adopt an annual budget and fee schedule for services to be provided to all of the investment pools under its management. Each investment pool is charged for its direct investment-related cost and for its allocated share of other expenses. These other expenses are allocated to the individual pools based on asset size. The IMB pays all expenses on behalf of the Pool. In addition to these direct and allocated expenses, the Pool bears certain expenses indirectly, such as fees of other investment funds in which the Pool invests that are reflected in the reported net asset value of such funds.

Income Taxes - The IMB is a public corporation organized under laws of the State of West Virginia and exempt from U.S. federal and state taxation. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes is required as of February 28, 2021.

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Level 1 Unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the reporting date.

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Level 3 Unobservable pricing inputs for assets and liabilities with redemption terms that are not short term.

In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement. The assessment of the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment.

(Amounts in thousands)

# NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

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Assets	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3		Total	
Money market mutual fund	\$	609	\$	-	\$	-	\$	609
Hedge funds								2,301,948
Total							\$	2,302,557

The following table presents information on investments measured at the NAV as of February 28, 2021:

				Redeniption
Hedge Fund Strategies	es Fair Value		Redemption Frequency	Notice Period
Directional (a)	\$	226,191	Monthly, Quarterly	5 to 30 days
Equity long/short (b)		398,887	Monthly, Quarterly	60 to 90 days
Event-driven (c)		70,087	Quarterly	180 days
Long-biased (d)		76,735	Monthly	90 days
Multi-strategy (e)		1,183,936	Monthly, Quarterly, Semiannually, Annually	30 to 95 days
Relative-value (f)		330,344	Weekly, Quarterly	5 to 60 days
	\$	2,286,180		
In liquidation (g)		15,768		
Total	\$	2,301,948		

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- (a) Directional strategies employ various techniques to forecast the direction of segments of the market and then invest in either long or short positions. The segments may be geographic economies, industry sectors, currency, or asset class. The investments may be in physical securities or derivatives. The strategies may be trend-following or mean-reverting and may be specific to that segment or universally applied across them.
- (b) An equity long/short strategy involves taking long positions in stocks that are expected to increase in value and short positions in stocks that are expected to decrease in value. Investments representing approximately 66 percent of the fair value of the investments in this strategy are subject to maximum withdrawal restrictions.
- (c) Event-driven funds maintain positions in companies currently or prospectively involved in various corporate transactions including, but not limited to, mergers, restructurings, financial distress, tender offers, shareholder buybacks, debt exchanges, security issuance or other capital structure adjustments. Security types can range from most senior in the capital structure to most junior or subordinated, and frequently involve additional derivative securities. Event-driven exposure includes a combination of sensitivities to equity markets, credit markets and company-specific developments. The sole fund in this investment strategy is subject to maximum withdrawal restrictions.
- (d) Long-biased strategies employ analytical techniques in which the investment thesis is predicated on assessment of the valuation characteristics on the underlying companies with the goal of identifying undervalued companies. Long-biased strategies may vary the investment level or the level of long exposure over market cycles, but the primary distinguishing characteristic is that the manager maintains consistent long exposure.
- (e) Multi-strategy funds combine several strategies within the same fund in order to provide diversification benefits to reduce return volatility and decrease asset-class and single-strategy risks. These funds typically add incremental returns through active allocation adjustments based on market opportunities. Risk is managed through a combination of quantitative and qualitative constraints including, but not limited to, active risk, liquidity risk, currency risk, manager risk, derivatives risk, and leverage risk. Investments representing approximately 79 percent of the fair value of the investments in this strategy are subject to maximum withdrawal restrictions.

(Amounts in thousands)

#### NOTE 3. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

- (f) Relative-value funds maintain positions in which the investment thesis is predicated on the realization of a valuation discrepancy in the relationship between multiple securities. Managers employ a variety of fundamental and quantitative techniques to establish investment insights, and security types range broadly across equity, fixed income, derivative or other security types. Fixed income strategies are typically quantitatively driven to measure the existing relationship between instruments and, in some cases, identify attractive positions in which the risk-adjusted spread between these instruments represents an attractive opportunity. Investments representing approximately 42 percent of the fair value of the investments in this strategy are subject to maximum withdrawal restrictions.
- (g) Funds currently in liquidation are no longer managed to a defined strategy. As the remaining underlying assets of these funds are monetized, their proceeds are distributed to shareholders. The timing of these future distributions is unknown.

# NOTE 4. SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION

The following schedule provides the value of participants' accounts in the Pool at February 28, 2021:

Participant	Account Valu	e
Teachers' Retirement System	\$ 858,81	13
Public Employees' Retirement System	760,00	)7
Workers' Compensation Old Fund	166,90	)9
West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund	131,60	)8
State Police Death, Disability and Retirement Fund	74,76	53
Public Employees Insurance Agency	58,07	74
Coal Workers' Pneumoconiosis Fund	50,30	)7
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Agency	45,37	71
Board of Risk and Insurance Management	37,33	34
Deputy Sheriff's Retirement System	26,95	51
State Police Retirement System	24,85	53
Judges' Retirement System	24,33	32
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Security Risk Pool	11,30	)0
Emergency Medical Services Retirement System	9,94	<del>1</del> 6
Workers' Compensation Self-Insured Employer Guaranty Risk Pool	7,71	17
Wildlife Endowment Fund	6,83	31
Workers' Compensation Uninsured Employers' Fund	3,18	32
West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection Trust	2,14	45
Natural Resources Police Officer Retirement System	2,07	76
Municipal Police Officers' and Firefighters' Retirement System	1,88	36
Berkeley County Development Authority	72	20
Municipal Policemen's or Firemen's Pension and Relief Funds	66	57
Total	\$ 2,305,79	92