Mount Saint Vincent University

Management Discussion and Analysis
and
Financial Statements
for the year ended
March 31, 2023

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Management Discussion and Analysis

For the Year Ended March 31, 2023

The following explanatory notes are provided in order to assist the reader in interpreting the financial statements for Mount Saint Vincent University for the year ended March 31, 2023.

General Highlights

Statement of Operations

The financial statements reflect an excess of revenue over expenditures of $234K this year compared to an excess of $1.5M in 2022. To understand the financial results, a number of factors must be considered:

- The Statement of Operations reflects operating results before inter-fund transfers. Often expenditures are incurred in one fund and paid for by another fund. A prime example of this would be endowed scholarships, bursaries, and awards that are expended out of the Operating Fund but are paid for by transfers from the Endowment Fund income. Note 15 to the financial statements provides a summary of the inter-fund transfers. This is important when looking at results for individual funds because the result can be a deficiency on the Statement of Operations that is then eliminated on the Statement of Changes in Net Assets once the transfers are made.

- The largest deficiency in the financial statements arises in the Capital Fund as a result of the difference in two non-cash items - amortization of deferred capital contributions and amortization of capital assets. Accounting rules require that we defer all external contributions towards capital assets (such as government grant contributions) and amortize them over the life of the related capital assets. Likewise, capital assets are written off or amortized over their useful life.

- Operating Fund results are shown in the Statement of Changes in Net Assets as the sub-total after inter-fund transfers. For the 2023 fiscal year, operations netted an excess of revenue over expenditures in the amount of $1M, which, in accordance with past practice, has been transferred to the Strategy Implementation Reserve.

Other Highlights

- Fiscal 2023 marked the transition out of the pandemic and return to more regularized operations, or a new "normal". After two years of strong enrolment during the pandemic, the University experienced an 8.8% reduction in undergraduate enrolment and a 4.7% reduction in international enrolment. This returned enrolment closer to pre-pandemic levels. While travel resumed, it still remained below pre-pandemic levels as did other operational expenditures. Ancillary operations continued to rebound, particularly conference activity. Research activity, which was very restrained during the pandemic, resumed.

- Interest rates rose sharply during the fiscal year as the Bank of Canada took steps to try to curb inflation. This resulted in a significant increase in interest income for the Operating fund.

The following are explanations of the key changes within the financial statements from fiscal 2023 to fiscal 2022:

Revenue

Total revenue increased by $4.8M or 6.6% over the prior year. The main areas of note are:

- The annual provincial operating funding of the University increased by $213K or 1%.

- Restricted government grant funding increased by $2.1M primarily due to increased restricted special purpose funding as research project activity strengthened after a period of hiatus during the start of the pandemic.

- Overall, student fees income remained fairly consistent with 2022, with an increase of $34K or .1%. Tuition fee rates increased by 3% as permitted under the Memorandum of Understanding with the Province and enrolment decreased by 6.3% overall. The combined impact on tuition and related fees revenue was a decrease of $621K. Residence and meal plan fee revenue from students increased $655K from the prior year as a result of occupancy in residence rising to 85%, versus 73% in the prior year.

  Undergraduate enrolment decreased 8.8% from the prior year, while BEd enrolment increased by 8.1% and graduate enrolment decreased by 1.9%. International enrolment (students who pay differential fees) decreased 4.7% over the prior year. As noted above, enrolment levels have returned to pre-pandemic levels.

- Realized investment income increased $1M or 266% over the prior year as the Bank of Canada increased prime interest rates during the year in an attempt to curb inflationary pressures.

- Other revenue increased $911K or 30% over the prior year, primarily from a recovery in ancillary revenues (+$520K) as conference activity rebounded from pandemic impacts.

Expenditures

Total expenditures increased by $6M or 8.5%. The main areas of note are:

- Salaries and benefits continue to be the largest portion of the University's expenditures, comprising 68% of total expenditures as compared to 70% in the prior year. The increase for the year was $2.8M or 5.6%, which was a combination of annual salary increases offset by savings from unexpected resignations and other turnover, increased costs as activities returned to a more normal state and changes in the special purpose funds based on project activity.

- Travel and moving increased by $757K or 176% as we moved out of the pandemic.

- Operating supplies increased by $829K or 55.7% over the prior year as more normalized operations took place.

- Other expenditures increased by $1.5M or 22.0%, primarily as a result of increased activity for the Centre for Women in Business.

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

This statement reflects the net asset position of the University, which is $58.7M as at March 31, 2023. Other points to note:

- Net realized investment income decreased $1.0M or 37.9% over the prior year.

- The net unrealized investment loss declined by $1.2M as markets continued to improve throughout the year with expectations that inflation is coming under control and interest rates will eventually start to decline.

- The University recorded a positive mark to market adjustment (gain) of $531K on derivatives designated as cash flow hedges (interest rate swaps) in 22/23 as a result of rising interest rates.

- The inter-fund transfers are reflected in this statement and more detail is provided in Note 15. Of particular note, the Board of Governors approved the transfer to internally restricted funds of $500K to support business process improvement initiatives.

Statement of Financial Position

As at March 31, 2023, the financial statements reflect a current ratio of 2.96:1 and a total long-term liability to equity ratio (including all long-term obligations) of .79:1. The University has consistently balanced its budget and maintains minimal debt (4.9%) in comparison to the total insured value of buildings and contents of $287M. Other points of note:

- The increase in cash and short-term deposits of $3.3M or 8.5% is primarily the result of a positive variance experienced in the Operating fund for the year and the timing of payment of liabilities. The cash balance at March 31st will be used, in part, to meet our short-term liabilities of $16M and to fund expenditures for deferred contributions for restricted special purpose funds of $13.1M.

- Capital asset additions for 22/23 were $1.1M including $164K for building upgrades (mainly related to accessibility) and $827K for acquisition of science, research, computers, and other equipment. The balance was related to acquisition of library books and the purchase of a maintenance vehicle. Capital asset amortization amounted to $2.4M.

- Accounts Payable increased by $1.6M or 18.5% as a result of growth in salary accruals for retro pay related to recent collective agreement settlements, retirement incentives for faculty, international agent commissions, and other invoice accruals.

- Deferred revenue increased by $535K or 10.9% primarily as a result of an increase in student payments in advance of their studies.

- Long-term debt (including current portion) decreased $695K or 4.7%. No new debt financing was undertaken in 22/23, so the reduction is related solely to principal payments for the year.

- The liability for derivatives was decreased by a $531K gain as a result of rising interest rates and the related mark to market adjustment for the interest rate swaps utilized for debt financing.

- Deferred contributions decreased $649K or 1.9% as compared to 21/22. The decrease is primarily driven by an increase in restricted project funding in excess of restricted expenditures in the year. There was also the amortization of deferred capital contributions of $1.2M.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Governors of Mount Saint Vincent University

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Mount Saint Vincent University (the "Entity"), which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2023
- the statement of operations for the year then ended
- the statement of changes in net assets for the year then ended
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended
- and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Entity as at March 31, 2023, and its results of operations and its
cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the
"***Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements***" section of our auditors' report.

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other
ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

  The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

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- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

Halifax, Canada
June 28, 2023

MOUNT SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY
Statement of Financial Position

March 31,

	2023	2022
Assets		
Current assets		
Cash and short-term deposits	**$ 42,475,820**	$ 39,154,765
Accounts receivable -		
Students	**1,043,268**	1,110,601
Government grants	**1,667,307**	1,437,784
Other	**1,197,305**	1,009,382
Inventory and prepaids	**1,400,098**	1,267,154
	47,783,798	43,979,686
Investments (note 3)	**36,360,286**	36,680,515
Capital assets (note 4)	**37,302,974**	38,664,588
	$ 121,447,058	$ 119,324,789
Liabilities and Net Assets		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 5)	**$ 9,964,064**	$ 8,405,039
Current portion of long-term debt (note 6)	**732,179**	695,246
Deferred revenue	**5,460,934**	4,926,285
	16,157,177	14,026,570
Long-term liabilities:		
Long-term debt (note 6)	**13,364,928**	14,097,107
Derivatives (note 7)	**114,197**	645,501
Deferred contributions (note 8)	**33,104,001**	33,753,442
	46,583,126	48,496,050
Net Assets:		
Endowments (note 9)		
Externally restricted	**34,813,922**	34,485,196
Internally restricted	**1,723,896**	1,736,033
Restricted net assets	**36,537,818**	36,221,229
Investment in capital assets	**1,694,952**	1,051,559
Capital reserves (note 10)	**3,315,667**	3,320,286
Unappropriated reserves (note 10)	**6,828,850**	6,312,412
Internally restricted special purpose funds	**10,329,468**	9,896,683
Unrestricted net assets	**22,168,937**	20,580,940
	58,706,755	56,802,169
	$ 121,447,058	$ 119,324,789

Commitments and Contingencies (note 11)

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Approved by the Board of Governors

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MOUNT SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY

Statement of Operations

Year ended March 31,

	Operating	Unappropriated Reserves	Capital	Restricted Special Purpose	Internally Restricted Special Purpose	Internally Restricted Endowments	**2023 Total**	2022 Total
REVENUE:								
Government grants -								
Operating	$ 21,506,978	$ -	$ 259,000	$ -	$ -	$ -	**$ 21,765,978**	$ 21,552,600
Restricted	3,416,252	-	144,122	9,490,448	17,619	-	**13,068,441**	10,929,171
Student fees	34,967,352	-	282,393	-	-	-	**35,249,745**	35,215,618
Realized investment income	1,172,817	-	10,000	20,675	206,413	86,830	**1,496,735**	408,458
Unrealized investment loss	-	-	-	-	-	(51,002)	**(51,002)**	(94,189)
Donations and other grants	-	-	-	961,562	72,903	-	**1,034,465**	635,988
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	-	-	1,220,265	-	-	-	**1,220,265**	1,223,698
Other revenue (note 12)	2,901,429	-	15,000	145,902	919,512	-	**3,981,843**	3,070,949
Total Revenue	63,964,828	-	1,930,780	10,618,587	1,216,447	35,828	**77,766,470**	72,942,293
EXPENDITURES:								
Salaries and employee benefits	47,156,970	-	2,112	5,183,356	558,943	-	**52,901,381**	50,102,817
Cost of sales (note 13)	1,944,725	-	-	-	12,892	-	**1,957,617**	1,868,504
Travel and moving	696,157	-	-	469,319	20,473	-	**1,185,949**	429,354
Operating supplies	1,055,503	-	41,380	916,965	305,949	-	**2,319,797**	1,490,312
Repairs and maintenance	1,399,339	-	417,215	126,282	-	-	**1,942,836**	1,690,423
Amortization of capital assets	-	-	2,424,564	-	-	-	**2,424,564**	2,435,065
Utilities	2,465,603	-	-	-	-	-	**2,465,603**	2,079,153
Interest	731,720	-	-	-	-	-	**731,720**	768,345
Scholarship, awards and bursaries	2,789,439	-	-	367,943	-	-	**3,157,382**	3,644,386
Other expenditures (note 14)	4,381,067	-	201,878	3,447,628	414,706	-	**8,445,279**	6,924,344
Total Expenditures	62,620,523	-	3,087,149	10,511,493	1,312,963	-	**77,532,128**	71,432,703
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	$ 1,344,305	$ -	$ (1,156,369)	$ 107,094	$ (96,516)	$ 35,828	**$ 234,342**	$ 1,509,590

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

MOUNT SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY
Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year ended March 31,

	Operating	Unappropriated Reserves	Investment in Capital Assets	Capital Reserves	Restricted Special Purpose	Internally Restricted Special Purpose	Internally Restricted Endowments	Externally Restricted Endowments	**2023 Total**	2022 Total
Balance, beginning of year	$ -	$ 6,312,412	$ 1,051,559	$ 3,320,286	$ -	$ 9,896,683	$ 1,736,033	$ 34,485,196	**$ 56,802,169**	$ 53,513,136
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenditures	1,344,305	-	(1,156,369)	-	107,094	(96,516)	35,828	-	**234,342**	1,509,590
Endowment contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	391,373	**391,373**	419,863
Net realized investment income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,723,889	**1,723,889**	2,774,367
Net unrealized investment loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(976,322)	**(976,322)**	(2,215,597)
Gain on derivatives	-	-	531,304	-	-	-	-	-	**531,304**	800,810
Inter-fund transfers (note 15)	(327,867)	(500,000)	1,263,839	-	(107,094)	529,301	(47,965)	(810,214)	**-**	-
Sub-total	1,016,438	(500,000)	638,774	-	-	432,785	(12,137)	328,726	**1,904,586**	3,289,033
Appropriations	(1,016,438)	1,016,438	4,619	(4,619)	-	-	-	-	**-**	-
Balance, end of year	$ -	$ 6,828,850	$ 1,694,952	$ 3,315,667	$ -	$ 10,329,468	$ 1,723,896	$ 34,813,922	**$ 58,706,755**	$ 56,802,169

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

MOUNT SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY
Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended March 31,

	2023	2022
Cash provided by (used for):		
Operating activities:		
Excess of revenue over expenditures for the year	$ 234,342	$ 1,509,590
Items not involving cash:		
Amortization of capital assets	2,424,564	2,435,065
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	(1,220,265)	(1,223,698)
Unrealized investment loss	51,002	94,189
Change in non-cash working capital	1,610,617	(2,295,199)
	3,100,260	519,947
Financing and investing activities:		
Additions to investments	(3,586,495)	(3,982,119)
Proceeds on disposal of investments	2,879,400	787,296
Capital assets acquired	(1,062,950)	(1,100,471)
Principal payments on long-term debt	(695,246)	(666,963)
Contributions received in the year	11,189,411	12,273,745
Contributions reported in revenue – Special Purpose Fund	(10,618,587)	(8,424,065)
Endowment net investment income	1,723,889	2,774,367
Endowment contributions	391,373	419,863
	220,795	2,081,653
Increase in cash and short-term deposits	3,321,055	2,601,600
Cash and short-term deposits, beginning of year	39,154,765	36,553,165
Cash and short-term deposits, end of year	$ 42,475,820	$ 39,154,765

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

MOUNT SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY
Notes to Financial Statements

Year ended March 31, 2023

1. Purpose:

Mount Saint Vincent University ("the University") is an organization operating under the authority of the *University Act of Nova Scotia.* Mount Saint Vincent University is marking its 150th anniversary in 2023. Since 1873, MSVU has been challenging the status quo, and prioritizing access and impact. As a leader in online and experiential learning, and based on a strong tradition of social responsibility, MSVU takes a personalized approach to education to nurture socially responsible global citizens. The University has been nationally recognized for its small class sizes that connect students with peers and professors, for providing students early access to valuable research opportunities, for its legacy in the advancement of women, and for facilitating critical advancements in food security, healthy aging, literacy, childhood development and much more. MSVU is located in Mi'kma'ki, the unceded and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq People.

The University is known for its distinctive programs, access to high-quality faculty members and opportunities to be involved in research and community service. The University offers undergraduate degrees in liberal arts and sciences, education, and an array of professional programs including Applied Human Nutrition, Business Administration, Child and Youth Study, Family Studies and Gerontology, Public Relations and Tourism and Hospitality Management. In addition, co-operative education is offered in three of these professional programs and graduate programs build on and enhance undergraduate program strengths. The academic governance of the University is vested in the Senate. The University is a not-for-profit entity governed by a Board of Governors. The University is a registered charity under the *Income Tax Act* and accordingly is exempt from income taxes, provided certain requirements of the *Income Tax Act* are met.

2. Significant Accounting Policies:

These financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Part III of the CPA Canada Handbook, which sets out generally accepted accounting principles for not-for-profit organizations in Canada and includes the significant accounting policies set out below:

a) Fund accounting:

The University follows the deferral method with the multi-column format for the Statement of Operations and the Statement of Changes in Net Assets.

Revenue and expenditures related to daily operations and administrative activities of the University are reported in the Operating Fund.

The Capital Asset Fund, which includes Capital Reserves, reports the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenditures related to the University's capital assets.

The Unappropriated Reserves are used for specific initiatives as approved by the Board of Governors or through spending policies established by the Board of Governors.

Revenues and expenditures related to fund-raising and research activities are reported in the Internally Restricted Special Purpose and the Restricted Special Purpose Funds.

There are both internally and externally restricted endowments. Internally Restricted Endowments are generally established through a motion of the Board of Governors. For all externally restricted endowments, the principal of the fund is preserved and spending levels are determined through the use of a Board approved Endowment Policy.

2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

b) Revenue recognition:

The University follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, which includes donations and government grants.

The University receives grants and donations from a number of different sources to cover operating, research and capital expenditures. The operating portions of the grants are recorded as revenue in the period to which they relate. The capital portions of grants are recorded as a deferred contribution and amortized into revenue at a rate corresponding with the amortization rate for the related capital assets. When a portion of a grant relates to a future period, it is deferred and recognized in the subsequent period.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Externally restricted contributions other than endowment contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are recognized.

Endowment contributions and re-capitalized investment income are recognized as direct increases in endowment net assets.

Investment income includes dividend and interest income and realized and unrealized investment gains and losses. Unrealized gains and losses on held for trading financial assets are included in investment income and recognized as revenue in the Statement of Operations, deferred or reported directly in the fund balances, depending on the nature of any external restrictions imposed on the investment income.

Revenues from tuition fees, residence fees, contracts and sales are recognized when the services are provided or the goods are sold.

c) Contributed services:

Volunteers contribute an undeterminable number of hours each year. Because of the difficulty in determining the fair value, contributed services are not recognized in these financial statements.

d) Cash and short-term deposits:

Cash and short-term deposits include petty cash, cash on deposit, and short-term bank indebtedness with financial institutions, and deposits in money market instruments with maturities of three months or less.

e) Investments:

Pooled funds are valued based on reported unit values derived from quoted market values in an actively traded market. Transaction costs are expensed as incurred.

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2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

f) Capital assets:

Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of acquisition. Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to expense. Betterments, which extend the estimated life of an asset, are capitalized.

Capital assets are amortized using the following rates. A full year's amortization is taken in the year of acquisition and no amortization in the year of disposal.

Campus infrastructure	5% declining balance
Buildings	5% declining balance
Furniture and equipment	10 years straight line
Computer equipment	3 years straight line
Vehicles	5 years straight line
Assets under capital lease	Matched to lease term
Art collection	Nil
Library collection	10 years straight line

Capital assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Recoverability of an asset to be held and used is measured by a comparison of the carrying amount of an asset to the estimated undiscounted future cash flows expected to be generated by the asset. If the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its estimated future cash flows, an impairment charge is recognized by the amount by which the carrying amount of the asset exceeds the fair value of the asset.

g) Retirement Plan costs and obligations:

The University's obligations for pension benefits arising from service prior to March 31, 2023 are estimated to be $ 84,160,062 (2022 - $87,952,738) for the defined contribution plan. The value of assets is the market value as at March 31, 2023, which is $ 84,160,062 (2022 - $87,952,738).

Pension expense for the year ended March 31, 2023 totalled $ 2,443,600 (2022 - $2,344,433).

h) Derivative financial instruments:

The University enters into interest rate swaps in order to reduce the impact of fluctuating interest rates on portions of its long-term debt. It is not the University's policy to utilize derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes. These swap agreements require the periodic exchange of payments without the exchange of the notional principal amount on which the payments are based. Interest expense on the debt is adjusted to include the payments made or received under the interest rate swaps.

The University documents all relationships between hedging instruments and hedged items, as well as its risk management objective and strategy for undertaking various hedge transactions. This process includes linking all derivatives to specific portions of long-term debt on the statement

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2. Significant Accounting Policies (continued):

of financial position. The University also formally assesses, both at the hedge's inception and on an ongoing basis, whether the derivatives that are used in hedging transactions are highly effective in offsetting changes in cash flows of hedged items.

The University designates each interest swap agreement as a cash flow hedge of a specifically identified debt instrument. The swap agreements are effective hedges, both at maturity and over the term of the agreement, since the term to maturity, the notional principal amount, and the interest rate of the swap agreements all match the terms of the debt instruments being hedged. The swap agreements involve periodic exchange of payments and are recorded as an adjustment of the interest expense on the hedged debt instrument.

Realized and unrealized gains or losses associated with derivative instruments, which have been terminated or cease to be effective prior to maturity that were deferred under other current, or non-current assets or liabilities on the statement of financial position, would be recognized in income in the period in which the underlying hedged transaction is recognized. In the event a designated hedged item is sold, extinguished or matures prior to the termination of the related derivative instrument, any realized or unrealized gain or loss of such derivative instrument is recognized in income.

i) Use of estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of assets and liabilities, related amounts of revenue and expenses, and disclosure of contingent liabilities at the date of the statement of financial position. Actual results could differ from those estimates. The areas that are most subject to estimation and judgement include the amortization periods for capital assets and the accounts receivable allowance for doubtful accounts.

3. Investments:

	2023	2022
Pooled equity funds	$ 33,498,387	$ 33,176,603
Pooled fixed income funds	2,861,899	3,503,912
	$ 36,360,286	$ 36,680,515

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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3. Investments (continued):

Details of significant terms and considerations, exposures to interest rate and credit risks on investments are as follows:

(i) The quality of fixed income fund units is supported by federal, provincial and municipal government guarantees or high quality corporate bonds.

(ii) The fair value of equity securities within the pooled funds are exposed to normal market fluctuations. The University mitigates this risk by holding units of a diversified global balanced fund.

(iii) The income earned on the securities is used to pay scholarships, fund endowed chairs and provide income for operations or other purposes specified by the terms of the endowment. Expenditure levels on these activities are determined based on the Endowment Policy approved by the Board of Governors.

4. Capital Assets:

			2023	2022
	Cost	Accumulated amortization	Net book value	Net book value
Land	$ 1,471,134	$ -	$ 1,471,134	$ 1,471,134
Campus infrastructure	1,261,065	(774,644)	486,421	512,021
Buildings	83,610,862	(51,159,003)	32,451,859	33,996,182
Furniture and equipment	14,773,096	(12,480,254)	2,292,842	2,118,112
Computer equipment	1,147,908	(938,231)	209,677	177,598
Vehicles	215,375	(177,825)	37,550	9,326
Art collection	159,100	-	159,100	159,100
Library collection	3,728,254	(3,533,863)	194,391	221,115
	$ 106,366,794	$ (69,063,820)	$ 37,302,974	$ 38,664,588

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5. Government Remittances Payable:

Included in accounts payable and accrued liabilities are government remittances payable of $ 754,019 (2022 - $657,986).

6. Long-Term Debt:

(a) The details of the long-term debt are as follows:

	2023	2022
Birches Residence - Non-revolving term facility loan by way of banker's acceptance at the BA discount rate plus 0.38%, renewable quarterly in declining principal amounts which range from $9,000 to $32,000, due February, 2031	$ 852,000	$ 936,000
Research House - 2.29% first mortgage, due 2026, payable in blended monthly payments of $721	60,149	67,331
Westwood Residence - 7.25% term loan, due 2034, payable in blended monthly payments of $45,763	4,174,958	4,412,022
Evaristus Science Labs/EMF Roof - Non-revolving term facility loan by way of banker's acceptance at the BA discount rate plus 0.38%, renewable quarterly in declining principal amounts which range from $8,000 to $28,000, due October, 2033	880,000	947,000
47 College Rd/Seton Roof - Non-revolving term facility loan by way of banker's acceptance at the BA discount rate plus .47%, renewable quarterly in declining principal amounts which range from $15,000 to $47,000, due March, 2034	1,603,000	1,716,000

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6. Long-Term Debt (continued):

	2023	2022
Margaret Norrie McCain Centre - Non-revolving term facility loan by way of banker's acceptance at the BA discount rate plus 0.33%, renewable monthly in declining principal amounts which range from $12,000 to $36,000, due July, 2046	6,527,000	6,714,000
	14,097,107	14,792,353
Less current portion of long-term debt	(732,179)	(695,246)
	$ 13,364,928	$14,097,107

The mortgage is secured by the related building on which the mortgage is placed. The remaining debt is secured by a guarantee from the University.

(b) The aggregate amount of principal payments required in each of the next five years is as follows:

Year ending March 31,

2024	732,179
2025	774,454
2026	853,756
2027	854,543
2028	900,270

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7. Derivatives:

The fair value of the interest rate swap contracts are:

	2023	2022
Margaret Norrie McCain Centre	$ (27,942)	$ 342,477
Birches Residence	42,161	87,707
Evaristus Science Labs/EMF Roof	84,638	141,266
47 College Rd/Seton Roof	15,340	74,051
	$ 114,197	$ 645,501

Interest rate swaps have been recorded at fair value as a component of derivatives. The swaps entitle the University to receive interest at a 90 day BA rate and pay interest at an effective fixed rate of 3.70% for the McCain Centre, 5.13% for the Birches Residence, 5.82% for the Evaristus Science Labs/EMF Roof and 4.59% for 47 College Rd/Seton Roof.

At March 31, 2023, the notional value of interest rate swaps was equal to the respective loans to which they are associated. The McCain Centre interest rate swap ends on July 6, 2045, the Birches Residence interest rate swap ends on February 3, 2031, the Evaristus Science Labs/EMF Roof interest rate swap ends on October 4, 2032 and the 47 College Rd/Seton Roof interest rate swap ends on March 31, 2034.

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8. Deferred Contributions:

Deferred contributions related to expenses of future periods for the Restricted Special Purpose Fund represent unspent externally restricted grants and donations for research, special projects and development programs. Deferred capital contributions related to capital assets represent the unamortized amount and unspent amount of donations and grants received for the purchase of capital assets. The amortization of deferred capital contributions is recorded as revenue in the Statement of Operations.

The balance of unamortized deferred contributions consists of the following:

	Restricted Special Purpose	Capital	2023	2022
Balance, beginning of year	$ 13,098,919	$ 20,654,523	$ 33,753,442	$ 31,127,460
Contributions received in the year	10,587,972	601,439	11,189,411	12,273,745
	23,686,891	21,255,962	44,942,853	43,401,205
Reported in revenue	(10,618,587)	(1,220,265)	(11,838,852)	(9,647,763)
Balance, end of year	$ 13,068,304	$ 20,035,697	$ 33,104,001	$ 33,753,442

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9. Endowments:

Details of year-end balances are as follows:

	2023	2022
Externally Restricted		
Scholarships and Bursaries	$ 19,589,638	$ 19,308,526
The Nancy's Chair in Women's Studies	4,365,854	4,461,774
Lena Isabel Jodrey Fund in Gerontology	911,229	927,826
Gail and Stephen Jarislowsky Chair in Learning Disabilities	3,248,189	3,307,416
Capital Endowment	3,838,076	3,907,970
Other Endowments	2,860,936	2,571,684
	34,813,922	34,485,196
Internally Restricted		
Rosaria Student Centre	1,217,924	1,240,119
Development Operations	188,275	184,044
MSVU Indigenous Student Fund	256,618	250,000
Other Endowments	61,079	61,870
	1,723,896	1,736,033
	$ 36,537,818	$ 36,221,229

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10. Capital Reserves and Unappropriated Reserves:

Details of year-end balances are as follows:

	2023	2022
Capital Reserves		
Facilities Renewal	$ 688,510	$ 744,336
Other Capital Projects	2,627,157	2,575,950
	$ 3,315,667	$ 3,320,286
Unappropriated Reserves		
Strategy Implementation Reserve	$ 6,828,850	$ 6,312,412

The Facilities Renewal Reserve is used to fund capital projects, as approved by the Board of Governors or the President, based on specific approval limits.

The Other Capital Projects Reserve includes carry-forward funds from prior approved capital budgets that will be used for ongoing or new capital initiatives.

The Strategy Implementation Reserve was established to fund specific strategic initiatives that are not part of regular operations and approval from the Board of Governors or the President, based on specified approval limits, is required for use of the funds.

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11. Commitments and Contingencies:

Insurance Contingency - Reciprocal Exchange of Insurance Risks:

The University participates in a reciprocal exchange of insurance risks in association with fifty-six other Canadian universities through the Canadian Universities Reciprocal Insurance Exchange (CURIE). This self-insurance cooperative involves a contractual agreement to share the insurance property and liability risks of member universities for a term of not less than five years.

The projected cost of claims will be funded through members' premiums based on actuarial projections. As of December 31, 2022, CURIE had an accumulated excess of income over expenses of $97 million, of which the University's pro rata share is approximately 0.50% on an ongoing basis. In addition, the reciprocal has obtained $1.24 billion (2022 - $1.24 billion) of re-insurance with commercial insurers to cover major property claims in excess of $10 million (2022 - $10 million) per occurrence. In respect of general liability, the limit is $5 million per occurrence. Re-insurance for general liability coverage in the amount of $45 million in excess of $5 million per occurrence is in place.

In the event premiums are not sufficient to cover claim settlements, the member universities would be subject to an assessment in proportion to their participation.

Legal Contingencies:

From time to time, the University is involved in litigation or proceedings relating to claims arising out of its operations in the ordinary course of business. It is the opinion of management that the aggregate amount of any potential liability is not expected to have a material adverse effect on the University's financial position or results.

12. Other Revenue:

Other revenue includes revenue from bookstore sales, conference operations, parking fees, child study centre fees, athletic membership fees, non-government project funding, and a variety of expenditure recoveries.

13. Cost of Sales:

The amount of inventory expensed during the year was $ 637,941 (2022 - $744,178).

14. Other Expenditures:

Other expenditures includes expenditures for non-capitalized library acquisitions, equipment rentals, equipment purchases (non-capital), professional fees, advertising, bank charges, memberships, insurance, property taxes, software and other miscellaneous expenditures.

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15. Inter-fund Transfers:

All inter-fund transfers are accumulated on one line to eliminate duplicate recording. Inter-fund transfers are necessary when revenues are received or expenditures are incurred in one fund but are directly related to another.

Year Ended March 31, 2023	(Funded By) On Behalf Of						
	Operating	Unappropriated Reserves	Investment in Capital Assets	Restricted Special Purpose	Internally Restricted Special Purpose	Internally Restricted Endowments	Externally Restricted Endowments
Capital expenditures	$ (100,489)	$ -	$ 336,298	$ (121,290)	$ (114,518)	$ -	$ -
Endowment spending	691,840	-	143,995	389,491	-	(47,965)	(1,177,361)
Endowed assistantships	(13,000)	-	-	-	19,900	-	(6,900)
Debt servicing	(695,246)	-	695,246	-	-	-	-
New Scholars funding	(40,000)	-	-	-	40,000	-	-
Reallocations of Donations	-	-	-	(374,047)	-	-	374,047
NSERC Science Chair	(90,000)	-	-	90,000	-	-	-
Business Process Review Initiatives	-	(500,000)	-	-	500,000	-	-
Other Financial Aid Funding	218,103	-	-	(209,190)	(8,913)	-	-
Other	(299,075)	-	88,300	117,942	92,832	-	-
	$ (327,867)	$ (500,000)	$ 1,263,839	$ (107,094)	$ 529,301	$ (47,965)	$ (810,214)

16. Financial Instruments:

Financial Risk

Financial risk refers to the impact on the University's cash flows as a result of fluctuations in interest rates and the credit quality of student receivables. The University manages its financial risk as follows:

(a) Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is minimized as financing utilizes fixed interest rates or interest rate swaps are entered into to fix interest rates on variable rate mortgages.

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16. Financial Instruments (continued):

(b) Credit Risk

The University is exposed to credit-related losses in the event of non-performance by counterparties to financial instruments. Credit exposure is minimized by dealing mostly with creditworthy counterparties such as highly rated financial institutions.

To reduce credit risk with student accounts, the University places restrictions on registering for courses and the issuance of grades and degrees, until payment on account is made. The University also uses third party agencies to collect outstanding receivables.

(c) Currency Risk

The University receives a small portion of its revenue in foreign currencies and is thus exposed to foreign exchange fluctuations. This risk is minimized, where possible, by timing the conversion of such revenue to Canadian dollars based on market conditions.

(d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the University will be unable to fulfill its obligations on a timely basis or at a reasonable cost. The University manages its liquidity risk by monitoring its operating requirements. The University prepares budget and cash forecasts to ensure it has sufficient funds to fulfill its obligations.

(e) Fair Value

The fair value of cash and short-term deposits, accounts receivable, and accounts payable and accrued liabilities is approximately equal to their carrying values as a result of their short-term maturity. Investments are recorded at fair value as described in notes 2(e) and 3.

There has been no significant change to any of the above risk exposures during the year.