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# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# SOCIETY OF THE DOUGLAS STUDENTS' UNION

August 31, 2019



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of

#### Society of the Douglas Students' Union

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Society of the Douglas Students' Union (the Society), which comprise the statement of financial position as at August 31, 2019, and the statements of operations, changes in fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society as at August 31, 2019, and the results of its 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 *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Society 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 audit 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 Society'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 Society or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

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

#### Auditor's 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 auditor's 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 these 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.
- 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 Society's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.



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- 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 Society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's 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 auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Society 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.

We 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.

#### Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

As required by the British Columbia Societies Act, we report that, in our opinion, the accounting principles used in Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations have been applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Tompline Wogny LLP

Vancouver, Canada January 27, 2020

Chartered Professional Accountants

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at August 31

		2019				2018	
	General Fund	Capital Asset Fund	Clubs Fund	Student Grant Fund	Health Plan Fund	Total	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
ASSETS							
<b>Current assets</b>							
Cash [note 3]	782,355		_		_	782,355	973,749
Account receivable [note 4]	60,346			_	_	60,346	86,053
Prepaid expenses and inventory	54,046			_	_	54,046	33,213
Term deposits [note 3]	1,340,114	_	112,562	_	800,000	2,252,676	2,724,462
Total current assets	2,236,861	_	112,562	_	800,000	3,149,423	3,817,477
Term deposits [note 3]	450,391	_	_	100,000	500,000	1,050,391	1,010,250
Capital assets [note 5]	_	3,058,157	_	_	_	3,058,157	1,630,196
	2,687,252	3,058,157	112,562	100,000	1,300,000	7,257,971	6,457,923
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES							
Current liabilities							
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities [note 6]	341,626		_	_	_	341,626	181,737
Funds held in trust liability	· —		12,562			12,562	13,891
Total current liabilities	341,626	_	12,562	_	_	354,188	195,628
Fund balances							
Internally restricted	_		100,000	100,000	1,300,000	1,500,000	2,194,696
Invested in capital assets	_	3,058,157	· <u>—</u>	_	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	3,058,157	1,630,196
Unrestricted	2,345,626	<u> </u>				2,345,626	2,437,403
Total fund balances	2,345,626	3,058,157	100,000	100,000	1,300,000	6,903,783	6,262,295
	2,687,252	3,058,157	112,562	100,000	1,300,000	7,257,971	6,457,923

Commitments [note 9]

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

On behalf of the Board:

Director Director



# STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Year ended August 31

	2019				2018		
	General Fund \$	Capital Asset Fund \$	Clubs Fund \$	Student Grant Fund \$	Health Plan Fund \$	Total \$	Total \$
REVENUE	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	·	<u> </u>	·
Fees from Students	1,420,021	57,120	80,580	57,120	1,835,965	3,450,806	3,231,551
Interest	96,390	<i>57,</i> 120		57,120		96,390	103,243
Locker rentals, advertising and other	86,363		_			86,363	83,225
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EXPENSES							
Health plan premiums and other	_	_	_	_	1,469,605	1,469,605	1,362,497
Staff wages and benefits [note 12]	553,417		20,145	14,280	90,000	677,842	659,280
Amortization of capital assets - building	´—	177,544	´ —	´ —	´ <del>_</del>	177,544	142,518
- office, computer and equipment, website	_	58,633	_	_	_	58,633	32,222
Student union building operating costs - repairs and maintenance	153,394	_	_	_	_	153,394	106,965
Campus life and events	121,346	_	9,622	_	_	130,968	115,613
Board Member Remuneration [note 8]	115,919		_	_	_	115,919	107,420
Administration and Operational Costs [schedule 1]	80,987		_	_	_	80,987	77,135
Membership development and promotion	59,034		_	_	_	59,034	65,726
Campaigns, conferences, meetings and external relations	40,401		_	_	_	40,401	34,846
Handbooks	27,744		_	_		27,744	28,059
	1,152,242	236,177	29,767	14,280	1,559,605	2,992,071	2,732,281
Excess of revenue (expenses) for the year	450,532	(179,057)	50,813	42,840	276,360	641,488	685,738
Fund balances, beginning of year	2,437,403	2,324,892	100,000	100,000	1,300,000	6,262,295	5,576,557
Interfund transfer - to the general fund [note 2]	370,013	_	(50,813)	(42,840)	(276,360)		_
- purchase of capital assets	(912,322)	912,322	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	_		<u> </u>
Fund balances, end of year	2,345,626	3,058,157	100,000	100,000	1,300,000	6,903,783	6,262,295

See accompanying notes to the financial statement



# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Year ended August 31

		2019				2018	
	General Fund \$	Capital Asset Fund \$	Clubs Fund \$	Student Grant Fund \$	Health Plan Fund \$	Total \$	Total \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES							
Excess of revenues (expenses) for the year	450,532	(179,057)	50,813	42,840	276,360	641,488	685,738
Item not involving cash							
Amortization of capital assets	_	236,177	_	_		236,177	174,740
Changes in non-cash working capital balances							
Accounts receivable	25,707	_	_	_		25,707	(43,591)
Prepaid expenses	(20,833)	_	_	_		(20,833)	(340)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	159,889	_	(1,329)	_	_	158,560	33,037
Other membership fees payable	_	_	_	_		_	(204,962)
Cash provided by operating activities	615,295	57,120	49,484	42,840	276,360	1,041,099	644,622
FINANCING ACTIVITIES							
Interfund to (from) transfer	370,013	_	(50,813)	(42,840)	(276,360)	_	_
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	370,013	_	(50,813)	(42,840)	(276,360)	_	_
INVESTING ACTIVITIES							
Redemption (purchase) of term deposits (net)	142,549	694,696	(112,562)	_	(293,038)	431,645	(236,556)
Purchase of capital assets	(912,322)	(751,816)	_	_	_	(1,664,138)	(150,739)
Cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(769,773)	(57,120)	(112,562)	_	(293,038)	(1,232,493)	(387,295)
Increase (decrease) in cash during year	215,535	_	(113,891)	_	(293,038)	(191,394)	257,327
Cash, beginning of year	566,820	_	113,891	_	293,038	973,749	716,422
Cash, end of year	782,355		_	_	_	782,355	973,749

See accompanying notes to the financial statements

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# 1. NATURE OF THE ORGANIZATION

The Society of the Douglas Students' Union (the "Students' Union") is incorporated under the Society Act of British Columbia and is exempt from income taxes. Its main purposes are to organize students on a democratic co-operative basis for advancing students' interests and the interests of the students' community. The Union is local 18 of the Canadian Federation of Students.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

#### **Use of Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the amounts of revenues and expenditures during the year. Significant areas requiring the use of management estimates relate to the determination of net recoverable value of assets, in particular as it relates to useful lives of capital assets, accrued liabilities, and health plan and student grant fund administration allocations. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

The Students' Union follows fund accounting using the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Membership fees are recognized as revenue of the General Fund in the period for which the fees are assessed.

Interest revenue is recognized when earned.

Revenue from lockers rentals and advertising is recognized in the general fund when the rental or contract period has occurred, the amount of revenue is measurable, collection is reasonably assured, and evidence of an arrangement exists.

Revenue from all other sources is recognized in the general fund when the service is provided or when the respective goods are sold to the customer.

Volunteers contribute their time to assist the Students' Union in carrying out its activities. Due to the difficulty in determining the fair value of such services, the value of the contributed services is not recognized in these financial statements.



# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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# 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

## **Fund Accounting**

The operations of the Students' Union are reported in the following funds:

#### General Fund

Revenues and expenses related to program delivery, administrative activities, and other operations are reported in the general fund. This fund represents unrestricted resources.

# Student Grant Fund (formerly known as the Performing Arts Fund)

The Student Grant Fund was established by the Students' Union's membership to help fund members' engaged in student initiatives at Douglas College. The expenditures are funded by a dedicated fee applied in addition to the Students' Union's general per the Students' Union's bylaws.

The student grant fund allocates 25% [2018 - 25%] of annual membership fees to the Students' Union as administrative costs.

The Students' Union internally restricts any excess revenues for future expenses relating to the performing arts.

The student grant fund balance has a maximum limit of \$100,000 with any surplus returning to general revenues.

#### Clubs Fund

The Club Fund was established by the Students' Union's membership to help fund clubs, course unions and other student groups recognized by the Students' Union. The expenditures are funded by a dedicated fee applied in addition to the Students' Union's general per the Students' Union's bylaws.

The clubs fund allocates 25% of annual membership fees to the Students' Union as administrative costs.

The club fund balance has a maximum limit of \$100,000 with any surplus returning to general revenues.

## Capital Asset Fund

The fund reports the assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses related to the Students' Union's capital assets.



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#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

#### Health Plan Fund

The Health and Dental Fund was established to provide a health and dental plan for members and their families. The expenditures are funded by a dedicated fee applied in addition to the Students' Union's general per the Students' Union's bylaws.

The Health and Dental Plan is brokered by the firm Gallivan and Associates (a wholly owned entity of the publicly traded company People Corporation) and the benefits are provided by the carrier Green Shield Canada. Premiums are paid monthly and are adjusted annually to account for actual claims experienced. Current rates are fixed through to August 31, 2019. The Students' Union's contract with Gallivan and Associates expires August 31, 2020.

The Students' Union internally restricts any excess revenues for future expenses relating to the management, promotion and maintenance of the health plan.

The health and dental fund allocates \$90,000 of annual membership fees to the Students' Union as administrative costs.

The health and dental fund balance has a maximum limit of \$1,300,000 with any surplus returning to general revenues.

#### **Measurement of Financial Instruments**

The Students' Union initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. The Students' Union subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost include cash, term deposits and accounts receivable. Financial liabilities measured at amortized cost includes accounts payable and accrued liabilities.

Financial assets measured at amortized cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. The amount of the write-down is recognized in net income. The previously recognized impairment loss may be reversed to the extent of the improvement, directly or by adjusting the allowance account, provided it is no greater than the amount that would have been reported at the date of the reversal had the impairment not been recognized previously. The amount of the reversal is recognized in net income.

#### Cash

Cash is defined as cash on hand, cash on deposit, and net of cheques issued and outstanding at the yearend.



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# 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT'D)

# **Capital Assets**

Capital assets are recorded at cost, less accumulated amortization. Amortization is calculated using the following methods and rates:

Office equipment
Computer equipment
Website
Student Union Building
Leasehold improvements
3 - 5 years straight line
3 years straight line
15 - 18 years straight line

#### 3. CASH AND TERM DEPOSITS

	2019 \$	2018 \$
Cash - current	782,355	973,749
Term deposits - short term	2,252,676	2,724,462
Term deposits - long term	1,050,391	1,010,250
	4,085,422	4,708,461

The term deposits have interest rates ranging from 2.05% to 2.80%. The Students' Union's investment strategy is to invest in a range of GICs of varying lengths (from 6 months to 3 years) to both protect the principle and realize a reasonable return on investment.

## 4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	2019	2018	
	\$	\$	
General Fund			
Due from Douglas College	464	460	
Accrued interest	54,929	55,743	
Over payment of government remittances - Payroll taxes	93	_	
Operations	4,860	29,850	
	60,346	86,053	
Allowance for doubtful accounts	<del></del>		
	60,346	86,053	



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# 5. CAPITAL ASSETS

	Cost	Accumulated Amortization	Net Book Value
-	\$	\$	\$
2019			
Office equipment	536,867	392,544	144,323
Computer equipment	298,645	252,506	46,139
Website	21,995	10,998	10,997
	857,507	656,048	201,459
Students' Union building, leasehold interest	5,534,787	2,678,089	2,856,698
	6,392,294	3,334,137	3,058,157
2018			
Office equipment	406,449	354,289	52,160
Computer equipment	274,784	239,460	35,324
Website	21,995	3,666	18,329
	703,228	597,415	105,813
Students' Union building, leasehold interest	4,024,928	2,500,545	1,524,383
	4,728,156	3,097,960	1,630,196

The Students' Union building is leased to the Union by Douglas College pursuant to a long-term renewable lease with a nominal annual rent.

During the year \$1,533,720 [2018 - \$150,739] in capital purchases were made.

# 6. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

	2019	2018	
	\$	\$	
General Fund			
Due to Douglas College	2,540	68	
Wages and vacation payable	108,860	112,221	
Government remittances - Payroll taxes	<del>_</del>	154	
- WorkSafeBC	718	687	
Operations	219,858	58,957	
Accrued liabilities	9,650	9,650	
	341,626	181,737	



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#### 7. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The Students' Union is exposed to various risks through its financial instruments. The following analysis presents the Students' Union's exposures to significant risk as at August 31, 2019:

#### Credit and Market Risk

The Students' Union is exposed to credit risk with respect to its cash, term deposits and accounts receivable. The Students' Union assesses, on a continuous basis, accounts receivable on the basis of amounts it is virtually certain to receive based on their net realizable value. Cash and cash equivalents are held by a Canadian chartered bank. Term deposits are held with a Canadian Credit Union.

# **Liquidity Risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk of being unable to meet cash requirements or fund obligations as they become due. It stems from the possibility of a delay in realizing the fair value of financial instruments.

The Students' Union manages its liquidity risk by constantly monitoring forecasted and actual cash flows and financial liability maturities, and by holding assets that can be readily converted into cash.

#### **Interest Rate Risk Exposure**

All of the Students' Union's financial instruments are non-interest bearing except for cash that earns interest at variable market rates. Term deposits are invested with fixed interest rates.

There has been no change in the Students' Union risk exposure in the above noted risks since the previous year.

### 8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

For the year ending August 31, 2019, the Students' Union paid stipends to board members and other elected personnel in the amount of \$115,919 [2018 - \$107,420].



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## 8. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (CONT'D)

The amount above includes stipends made to the following elected executives during the year:

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Director of Finance	16,399	16,895
Director of College Relations	11,917	14,058
Director of External Relations	11,211	13,752
Director of Campus Life	18,888	17,510
Director of Membership Development	3,877	_
Coquitlam Campus Director	4,320	7,660
2 Campus Representatives - Coquitlam	3,519	_
4 Campus Representative - New Westminster	6,107	_
Women Students' Representative	8,453	8,381
Indigenous Students Representative	6,535	2,396
Accessibility Representative	5,620	4,849
Pride Representative	6,959	6,656
4 Director at Large positions	12,114	15,263
	115,919	107,420

The above amounts are in the normal course of business and are measured at the exchange amounts, which are the amounts of consideration established and agreed to by the related parties.

#### 9. COMMITMENTS

## **Athletic Services Fee**

The Students' Union is committed to collecting an athletics service fee to fund athletic and intramural activities for the students of Douglas College. These fees collected directly by Douglas College and send directly to the Centre for Campus Life. The fees are \$35.10 [2018 - \$35.10] per student, totaled \$1,188,486 [2018 - \$1,124,396], and are not reflected as revenues and expenses of the Students' Union.

Subsequent to the year-end the collection agreement was not renewed. As of September 1, 2019 Douglas College will continue to assess and collect the athletic service fee independent of the Students' Union. The Union will no longer have any operational control or role in collecting this fee.

## **Operating Costs**

The Students' Union is required to pay operating costs to Douglas College for maintenance of the student Students' Union building. These costs totaled \$119,203 [2018 - \$104,546].



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#### 10. OTHER MEMBERSHIP FEES

In 2019, members of the Students' Union are concurrently members of the British Columbia Federation of Students ("BCFS") while for the majority of the 2018 fiscal year, members of the Students' Union were concurrently members of both the Canadian Federation of Students/Canadian Federation of Students-Services (collectively "CFS") and the BCFS. BCFS is independently incorporated as a society under the Societies Act of BC and also acts as the BC Component of CFS in relation to CFS' operations in British Columbia.

On June 9, 2018, all BCFS member local unions were summarily expelled from the CFS, and this included the Douglas Students' Union. As of June 10, 2018 the Douglas Students' Union ceased being a member of CFS, and BCFS ceased being the BC Component of CFS.

#### CFS Fees

Prior to 2015 fees for both CFS and BCFS were collected and submitted jointly to CFS, who then paid out the portions owing to BCFS. In 2015 the Students' Union began remitting fees for BCFS and CFS separately. In the fiscal year ended August 31, 2019, fees collected on behalf of CFS were \$Nil [2018 - \$115,861]. Following the Students' Union expulsion from CFS, CFS Fees collected in the 2016 and 2017 years, along with CFS fees collected between September 1, 2017 and June 9, 2018, were remitted to BCFS during the year, in the amount of \$297,628.

Following the Students' Union's expulsion from CFS, the Students' Union Board resolved to cease collection of CFS fees and instructed Douglas College accordingly. Due to the operational requirements of the College's fee collection system, CFS fees continued to be collected between June 10 and August 31, 2018. These post expulsion CFS fees totalled \$60,647 and were recorded as other revenue for the fiscal year ended August 31, 2019 [2018 - \$22,887].

#### **BCFS** Fees

Under its fee collection agreement with BCFS, the Students' Union is responsible for annually directing Douglas College to collect and remit BCFS fees. Fees collected and remitted for BCFS in the fiscal year ended August 31, 2019 were \$311,706 [2018 - \$115,861].

#### 11. ECONOMIC DEPENDENCE

The Students' Union's primary source of revenue is membership fees collected from students by Douglas College pursuant to the provisions of the College and Institute Act (British Columbia). This collection activity can be terminated if the Students' Union fails to fulfill its requirements under the Act. The Students' Union's ability to continue viable operations is dependent upon maintaining its right to have these fees collected. As at the date of these financial statements the Students' Union believes that it is in compliance with the Act.



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#### 12. DISCLOSURE OF REMUNERATION

Pursuant to the British Columbia Societies Act, the Students' Union is required to disclose wages and benefits (including health and dental and retirement contributions) paid to employees and fees paid to contractors in the amount of \$75,000 or more during the fiscal year.

During the year staff wages and benefits expense includes total remuneration paid to six [2018 - five] employees for a total amount of \$554,665 [ 2018 - \$461,027].

Students' Union building, leasehold interest addition includes \$98,448 for services provided by one contractors during the year.

# 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENT

Subsequent to the year-end the collection agreement for the Athletic Service Fee [note 9] was not renewed. As of September 1, 2019 Douglas College will continue to assess and collect the fee independent of the Students' Union. The Union will no longer have any operational control or role in collecting this fee.



# SCHEDULE OF ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS

Year ended August 31

	2019	2018
	\$	\$
Office and other	31,996	25,807
Insurance	18,479	19,231
IT support and photocopier	6,809	12,999
Professional fees	13,882	11,779
Telephone and utilities	8,230	6,495
Interest and bank charges	1,591	824
	80,987	77,135

See accompanying notes to the financial statements