Fifty-eighth Actuarial Report for State Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2012 and System Plan Year Beginning July 1, 2010

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December 9, 2010

Public Employees Retirement Board Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems Post Office Box 94816 Lincoln, NE 68509

Re: Certification of Actuarial Valuation School Retirement System

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This report summarizes the results of the actuarial valuation of the School Retirement System as of July 1, 2010, performed by Buck Consultants, LLC.

The actuarial valuation is based on unaudited financial and member data provided to us by the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems and summarized in this report. The benefits considered are those delineated in Nebraska State Statutes, effective as amended July 1, 2010.

All costs, liabilities and other factors under the plan were determined in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and procedures. This report fully and fairly discloses the actuarial position of the plan.

Based on the results of our actuarial valuation, an additional contribution to the School Retirement System will keep it actuarially sound. The contributions paid by members, school employers, and the State defined by statute do not currently exceed the actuarially required contribution, which is equal to the sum of the annual normal cost and the annual payment necessary to amortize any unfunded liabilities over 30 years. In accordance with Nebraska State Statutes Section 79-916(b), a state contribution is required to fund the Omaha Service Annuity. For the 2011/2012 fiscal year, an additional contribution of \$18,871,705 is necessary to meet the actuarially required contribution for the Nebraska School Retirement System, and a contribution of \$967,145 is required to fund the Omaha Service Annuity.

The undersigned are Enrolled Actuaries, Associates of the Society of Actuaries and Members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinions contained in this report. This report has been prepared in accordance with all Applicable Standards of Practice. We are available to answer any questions on the material contained in the report, or to provide explanations or further details as may be appropriate.

Respectfully submitted,

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SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL REPORT FOR CONTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS AND FUNDED STATUS FOR PLAN YEAR 2010/2011

The main purposes of this report are:

- 1. To determine the actuarial soundness of the School District and member contributions defined under Nebraska State Statutes to fund the total Formula Annuity for the Nebraska School System and the Omaha Service Annuity, and whether additional contributions are required for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012;
- 2. To review the current funded status of the System; and
- 3. To compare actual and expected experience under the plan during the plan year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.

The 2010 actuarial valuation is based upon the plan provisions as of July 1, 2010, as described in Exhibit 8. The actuarial methods and assumptions are described in Exhibits 9 and 10.

Highlights from the current valuation:

- 1. Under Legislative Bill 950 passed during the 2010 Legislative session, the State Contribution to the School Purchasing Power Stabilization Fund (PPSF) was extended to fiscal year 2012/2013.
- 2. An additional State contribution of \$18,871,705 is required for the 2011/2012 fiscal year to pay the normal cost and amortize any unfunded liabilities for the Nebraska School System. A contribution of \$967,145 by the State is required to fund the Omaha Service Annuity. The present value of future Formula Annuity benefits is greater than the sum of the Actuarial Value of Assets and the present values of future member and employer contributions and State appropriations, resulting in a liability of \$856,643,666 in funding. This is an increase of \$510,764,954 over last year's liability of \$345,878,712.
- 3. The annual rate of return on Market Value was 13.6%, resulting in a Market Value of \$5,940,401,645 as of July 1, 2010. A loss was experienced on the actuarial value of assets during the 2009/2010 plan year. The rate of return on Actuarial Value of 1.1% fell short of the 8.0% assumed investment return rate by 6.9%, resulting in a decrease to the Actuarial Value by \$486,538,897, and an Actuarial Value of \$7,040,908,599 as of July 1, 2010. The funded ratio based on disclosure requirements under GASB No. 25 using the Actuarial Value of Assets and the Actuarial Accrued Liability decreased from 86.6% as of July 1, 2009 to 82.4% as of July 1, 2010 (see page 12). The reconciliation of these asset values can be found in Exhibit 1 on page 3.
- 4. The plan experienced a decremental gain over the period, primarily due to salary increases less than assumed, and the increase in the CPI for the year resulted in a smaller than expected Cost of Living increase granted to members currently in receipt. The actuarial accrued liability decreased by \$47,119,447 as a result of favorable decremental experience.
- 5. The funded status of the system as measured by the ratio of the system assets over the Pension Benefit Obligation (PBO) decreased. The PBO is calculated using the Projected Unit Credit Method, which determines the benefit by using service at the valuation date and projecting salary to assumed termination or retirement. Since the July 1, 2009 actuarial valuation, the funded percentage on Actuarial Value decreased from 93.4% to 88.9%.



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Basic Actuarial Valuation Results

The 2010 actuarial valuation results are based upon the plan provisions as of July 1, 2010 as described in Exhibit 8. The key findings of the actuarial valuation are summarized below.

1. Funding of Total Formula Annuity

The total actuarially required contribution is equal to the normal cost plus an amortization payment for unfunded liabilities. Unfunded liabilities created due to experience gains or losses, plan changes or assumption changes are amortized over 30 years.

The member contribution rate is 8.28% of pay as of September 1, 2009. The School District's funding of liabilities is equal to 101% of the employee contribution rate. The State contributes 1.0% of covered pay and an annual appropriation of \$5,639,235, as well as any additional required funding. On September 1, 2014, the member contribution rate will decrease to 7.28% and the State match will decrease to 0.7%.

The minimum total required contribution rate increased from 17.24% to 19.21% of pay from the 2009/2010 plan year to the 2010/2011 plan year. A history of required contribution rates is shown below. For fiscal years 2000/2001 through 2002/2003, this contribution rate is the rate required to cover the excess formula annuity only. For fiscal years 2003/2004 and thereafter, this contribution rate is the rate required to cover the entire formula annuity.

History of Required Contribution Rates and Additional State Funding						
Fiscal Year	Total	Additional State Contributions*				
2011/2012	19.21%	\$	18,871,705			
2010/2011	17.24%		0			
2009/2010	15.46%		0			
2008/2009	15.64%		0			
2007/2008	16.58%		0			
2006/2007	17.95%		12,847,537			
2005/2006	16.97%		15,415,949			
2004/2005	15.26%		0			
2003/2004	13.45%		0			
2002/2003	11.98%		0			
2001/2002	9.15%		0			
2000/2001	11.92%		0			

^{*}Excludes funding of Omaha Service Annuity.

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1. Funding of Total Formula Annuity (cont'd)

Based on the 2010 actuarial valuation, the net required contribution rate of 18.80% is greater than the actual contribution rate of 17.64%. Therefore, an additional State contribution is required for the 2011/2012 Fiscal Year.

2. Asset Values

The total assets of the system as of the current and prior valuation date at both market value and actuarial value, and the rate of return during the period is as follows:

	July 1, 2009	July 1, 2010	Annual Rate of Return
(a) Market value	\$ 5,265,649,707	\$ 5,940,401,645	13.6%
(b) Actuarial value, an adjusted value intended to reduce the effect of market fluctuations (Exhibit 1B)	\$ 7,007,581,825	\$ 7,040,908,599	1.1%

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3. Actuarial Liability/(Reserve)

The actuarial liability of the total Formula Annuity benefits is the excess of the total benefit obligation (present value of future benefits) over the projected financial resources (sum of (i) the actuarial value of assets and (ii) the present value of future member, employer, State contributions and PPSF Appropriations). If the projected financial resources exceed the total benefit obligation, the system has a Reserve. The actuarial position of the system as of the current and prior valuation dates are as follows:

		July 1, 2009	July 1, 2010
(a)	Present value of future benefits	\$ 9,532,266,447	\$ 10,042,768,975
(b)	Net actuarial value of assets	7,007,581,825	7,040,908,599
(c)	Present value of future member contributions	1,013,744,024	1,006,601,685
(d)	Present value of future employer contributions	1,023,881,464	1,016,667,702
(e)	Present value of future State contributions	131,124,173	107,414,467
(f)	Present value of future PPSF contributions	 10,056,249	 14,532,856
(g)	Actuarial Liability/(Reserve) [(a) - (b) - (c) - (d) - (e) - (f)]	\$ 345,878,712	\$ 856,643,666

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4. Pension Benefit Obligation (PBO)

The Pension Benefit Obligation represents a standardized disclosure measure of the present value of pension benefits payable in the future, which incorporates the effects of projected salary increases, based on service earned at the valuation date. The measure is intended to provide information regarding the Plan's funded status on an ongoing-concern basis, progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due, and comparability to other plans.

Funded Status	July 1, 2009	July 1, 2010
(a) Pension Benefit Obligation i) retirees, disabled members and beneficiaries receiving benefits and deferred vested members not yet receiving benefits ii) active members iii) total pension benefit obligation	\$ 3,655,733,047	\$ 3,961,410,868 <u>3,962,057,337</u> \$ 7,923,468,205
(b) Net assets available for benefits (actuarial value)	7,007,581,825	7,040,908,599
(c) Unfunded Pension Benefit Obligation/(Reserve)	\$ 492,364,743	\$ 882,559,606
(d) Funded percentage on actuarial value of assets [(b) ÷ (a)(iii)]	93.4%	88.9%

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5. Benefit Accrual Cost

The cost of benefits accruing over an active member's working career can be expressed as a level percentage of compensation or a level dollar amount. This cost represents the true cost of accruing benefits since it is not adjusted for any overfunding or underfunding which may exist on the valuation date. It is determined using the Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method and is also called the Normal Cost. The level benefit accrual cost determined during the current and prior valuation dates are as follows:

Formula Annuity Benefit		July 1, 2009			July 1, 2010		
(a)	Benefit accrual cost amount	\$	174,720,880	\$	181,308,721		
(b)	Annual compensation before assumed normal retirement age	\$	1,562,019,021	\$	1,626,871,154		
(c)	Benefit accrual cost rate as a level percentage of compensation [(a) ÷ (b)]		11.186%		11.145%		

Ser	Service Annuity Benefit		luly 1, 2009	J	uly 1, 2010
(a)	Annual Actuarial Contribution Amount Allocated to the Service Annuity				
	(i) NPERS members	\$	0	\$	0
	(ii) Omaha members		884 <u>,106</u>		967,14 <u>5</u>
	(iii) Total	\$	884,106	\$	967,145
(b)	Number of active members before assumed retirement age				
	(i) NPERS members		38,720		39,227
	(ii) Omaha members		7,240		7,35 <u>4</u>
	(iii) Total		45,960		46,581
(c)	Benefit accrual cost per active member as a level dollar amount				
	(i) NPERS members	\$	63.53	\$	63.50
	(ii) Omaha members	\$	72.23	\$	72.36
	(iii) Total	\$	64.90	\$	64.90

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6. Forecast of Disbursements

A forecast of the annual benefit disbursements expected over the next thirty years is presented in Exhibit 7. This forecast is based on the same actuarial assumptions with respect to salary increases and decrement rates used to determine the funding requirements. The forecast should be a useful guide in discussing the cash-flow needs of the system with investment managers and in projecting the future financing needs of the system.

7. Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

The required contributions developed in this report are estimates of the amounts necessary to provide ongoing benefits to plan members assuming the system is funded in a systematic manner. These estimates are based upon the actuarial method defined under State Statutes to allocate the total cost of the plan to various years and actuarial assumptions regarding the return on investments, salary rates, employee termination rates, mortality rates and other risk factors.

The actuarial method used to determine the actuarial contribution requirement necessary to fund current and future benefits is the Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method. A description of this method can be found in Exhibit 9.

The actuarial assumptions represent the expected long-term experience of the system on an explicit basis for each risk area considered. The experience is reviewed periodically. Where necessary, changes are recommended by the actuary and adopted by the Public Employees Retirement Board. Summaries of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in the current valuation are presented in Exhibits 9 and 10, respectively.

8. Changes Since the Last Actuarial Valuation

There have been no changes in the plan provisions, actuarial cost method, or actuarial assumptions since the last actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2009.

The following changes were reflected as of July 1, 2010:

• LB 950 passed during the 2010 Legislative session extended the State Contribution to the School PPSF to fiscal year 2012/2013.



SYSTEM ASSETS

Α.	Summary of Assets	Market Value as of June 30, 2009	Market Value as of June 30, 2010
1.	Cash and Equivalents	\$ 2,399,605	\$ 4,719,289
2.	Investments	5,347,243,342	5,926,977,688
3.	Capital Assets	4,320,513	2,503,973
4.	Receivables and Prepaids	221,290,409	247,232,258
5.	Accounts Payable	(309,604,162)	(241,031,563)
6.	Net Assets Considered [1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5]	\$ 5,265,649,707	\$ 5,940,401,645

В.	Development of Actuarial Value of Assets	Amount
1.	Actuarial Value of Assets as of July 1, 2009	\$ 7,007,581,825
2.	Unrecognized Return as of July 1, 2009	\$ (1,741,932,118)
3.	Contributions	
	(a) Member (includes purchased service)	\$ 130,054,861
	(b) Employer	128,845,427
	(c) State appropriations*	 21,380,352
	(d) Total $[(a) + (b) + (c)]$	\$ 280,280,640
4.	Benefit Payments (including transfers to Omaha)	\$ 320,509,700
5.	Expected Return at 8% on:	
	(a) Item 1	\$ 560,606,547
	(b) Item 2	(139,354,569)
	(c) Item 3(d)	10,995,545
	(d) Item 4	 (11,507,360)
	(e) Total $[(a) + (b) + (c) + (d)]$	\$ 420,740,163
6.	Actual Return on Market Value for 2009/2010 Plan Year,	
	net of expenses	\$ 714,980,998
7.	Return to be Spread for 2009/2010 Plan Year [6 - 5(e)]	\$ 294,240,835

^{*} Net of Omaha transfers.

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В.	Development of Actuarial Value of Assets (cont'd)	Amount
8.	Total Market Value of Assets as of July 1, 2010	\$ 5,940,401,645

9. Return to be Spread

Plan Year	Return to be Spread	Unrecognized Percent	Unrecognized Return
2009/2010	\$ 294,240,835	80%	\$ 235,392,668
2008/2009	(1,778,316,770)	60%	(1,066,990,062)
2007/2008	(963,448,268)	40%	(385,379,307)
2006/2007	582,348,736	20%	116,469,747
Total			\$(1,100,506,954)

10. Total Actuarial Value of Assets at July 1, 2010 [8-9]

\$7,040,908,599

11. Asset Ratios

(a) Actuarial Value to Market Value [10 \div 8]

118.5%

(b) Market Value to Actuarial Value [8 ÷ 10]

84.4%

System Assets

C. Change in Asset Values During 2009/2010	Actuarial Value	Market Value
1. Total asset value as of July 1, 2009 (a) Reported last year (b) Adjustment (c) Reported this year [(a) + (b)]	\$ 7,007,581,825 N/A \$ 7,007,581,825	\$ 5,265,649,707 1 \$ 5,265,649,708
2. Contributions for 2009/2010 (a) Member contributions paid during the year (b) Employer contributions paid during the year (c) State appropriations for the year* (d) Contributions for 2009/2010 [(a) + (b) + (c)]	\$ 130,054,861 128,845,427 25,231,356 \$ 284,131,644	\$ 130,054,861 128,845,427 25,231,356 \$ 284,131,644
3. Disbursements for 2009/2010 (a) Benefit payments** (b) Expenses and fees (c) Transferred Omaha appropriation (d) Disbursements for 2009/2010 [(a) + (b) + (c)]	\$ 320,509,700 22,425,720 3,851,004 \$ 346,786,424	\$ 320,509,700 22,425,720 3,851,004 \$ 346,786,424
4. Investment return for 2009/2010 (a) Investment income (b) Securities lending income (c) Securities lending expense (d) Net appreciation/(depreciation) in fair value of investments (e) Other	\$ 108,746,263 2,681,344 (1,025,570) 626,979,460 25,220	\$ 108,746,263 2,681,344 (1,025,570) 626,979,460 25,220
(f) Unrecognized return including adjustment (g) Investment return for 2009/2010 [(a) + (b) + (c) + (d) + (e) + (f)]	(641,425,163) \$ 95,981,554	N/A \$ 737,406,717
5. Total asset value as of July 1, 2010 [1(c) + 2(d) - 3(d) + 4(g)]	\$ 7,040,908,599	\$ 5,940,401,645
Approximate rate of investment return, net of expenses	1.1%	13.6%

^{*} Includes Omaha appropriation.

^{**} Includes transfers to Omaha for service annuities.

ACTUARIAL CONTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT

	July 1, 2010			
A. Development of Actuarially Required Funding Rate	Nebraska School System Formula Annuity	Omaha Service Annuity	Total	
Actuarial present value of benefits (a) Active members (b) Inactive members (c) Retired members, disabilities and beneficiaries (d) Total	\$ 6,064,241,589 375,061,729 3,585,655,502 \$ 10,024,958,820	\$ 17,116,518 693,637 0 \$ 17,810,155	\$ 6,081,358,107 375,755,366 3,585,655,502 \$ 10,042,768,975	
2. Present Value of Future Normal Costs	1,498,210,381	2,439,594	<u>1,500,649,975</u>	
3. Total Actuarial Accrued Liability [1(d) - 2]	\$ 8,526,748,439	\$ 15,370,561	\$ 8,542,119,000	
4. Actuarial Value of Assets	7,030,521,679	10,386,920	7,040,908,599	
5. Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability [3 - 4]	\$ 1,496,226,760	\$ 4,983,641	\$ 1,501,210,401	
6. Annual Contribution to Amortize Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability Bases (see page 6) (a) Amount (b) Amount as % of Pay	\$ 130,717,233 8.05%	\$ 434,994 0.02%	\$ 131,152,227 8.07%	
7. Annual Normal Cost (a) Amount (b) Amount as % of Pay	\$ 180,776,570 11.11%	\$ 532,151 0.03%	\$ 181,308,721 11.14%	
8. Total Annual Actuarially Required Contribution (a) Amount [6(a) + 7(a)] (b) Amount as % of Pay	\$ 311,493,803 19.16%	\$ 967,145 0.05%	\$ 312,460,948 19.21%	

ACTUARIAL CONTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT

В.	Development of Additional State Contributions for Nebraska School System Fiscal Year 2011/2012	Annual Amount as a % of Pay	
1.	Actuarially Required Contribution a. Amount b. State PPSF appropriation c. Omaha Service Annuity Required Contribution d. Net amount [(a) - (b) - (c)] e. Net Amount as % of Pay	\$	312,460,948 5,639,235 967,145 305,854,568 18.80%
2.	Statutory Contribution Rates a. Employee Contribution Rate b. Employer Contribution Rate c. State Contribution Rate d. Total Contribution Rate [(a) + (b) + (c)] e. State Contribution Amount [2(c) x \$1,626,871,154]		8.28% 8.36%* 1.00% 17.64% 16,268,712
3.	Additional Required State Contribution a. Additional Required State Contribution Rate [1(e) - 2(d), not less than 0%] b. Additional Required State Contribution Amount	\$	1.16% 18,871,705
4.	Total State Contributions $[1(b) + 1(c) + 2(e) + 3(b)]$ **	\$	41,746,797

^{* 101%} of employee contribution.

^{**} Excludes PPSF and 1% of pay appropriations which are transferred to Omaha.

ACTUARIAL CONTRIBUTION REQUIREMENT

C. Schedule of Amortization Bases	Original Amount	July 1, 2010 Remaining Payments	Date of Last Payment	Outstanding Balance as of July 1, 2010	Annual Contribution
2006 Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability Base	\$ 845,226,412	26	07/01/2036	\$ 811,605,498	\$ 72,245,083
2007 Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability Base	\$(163,793,512)	27	07/01/2037	\$ (159,099,620)	\$ (14,000,125)
2008 Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability Base	\$ 54,258,200	28	07/01/2038	\$ 53,261,961	\$ 4,637,678
2009 Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability Base	\$ 370,759,908	29	07/01/2039	\$ 367,487,050	\$ 31,690,420
2010 Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability Base	\$ 427,955,512	30	07/01/2040	\$ 427,955,512	\$ 36,579,171
Total				\$1,501,210,401	\$ 131,152,227

ACTUARIAL (GAIN)/LOSS

A.	Change in Actuarial Accrued Liability			
1.	Actual Actuarial Accrued Liability as of July 1, 2009		\$	8,092,339,318
2.	Benefits accrued during the 2009/2010 plan year			174,720,880
3.	Benefit payments during the 2009/2010 plan year*			320,509,700
4.	Interest at 8%		-	642,734,171
5.	Expected Actuarial Accrued Liability as of July 1, 2010 $[1 + 2 - 3 + 4]$		\$	8,589,284,669
6.	Decremental (Gain)/Loss by Source (a) Retirement (b) Termination (c) Disability (d) Pre-retirement mortality (e) Post-retirement mortality (f) Salary (g) New entrants / Rehires (h) Data changes/COLA/miscellaneous (i) Total decremental (gain)/loss	\$ 14,244,249 41,531,501 2,044,884 (1,100,604) 6,498,100 (48,265,072) 15,115,829 (77,234,556)	\$	(47,165,669)
7.	Change in Valuation Procedures			0
8.	Actual Actuarial Accrued Liability as of July 1, 2010 [5 + 6(i) + 7]		\$	8,542,119,000

^{*} Net of transfer to Omaha.

ACTUARIAL (GAIN)/LOSS

В.	Change in Net Actuarial Value of Assets		Amount
1.	Total Actuarial Value of Assets as of July 1, 2009	\$	7,007,581,825
2.	Contributions (a) Member (b) Employer (c) State appropriation* (d) Total	\$ \$	130,054,861 128,845,427 21,380,352 280,280,640
3.	Benefit Payments*	\$	320,509,700
4.	Expected Return at 8% on: (a) Item 1 (b) Item 2(d) (c) Item 3 (d) Total [(a) + (b) - (c)]	\$	560,606,546 10,995,545 11,507,360 560,094,731
5.	Expected Total Actuarial Value of Assets at June 30, 2010 [1 + 2(d) - 3 + 4(d)]	\$	7,527,447,496
6.	Actual Total Actuarial Value of Assets at June 30, 2010		7,040,908,599
7.	Actuarial (Gain)/Loss on Asset Sources [5 – 6]	\$	486,538,897
8.	Total Actuarial (Gain)/Loss for the 2009/2010 plan year [A(6)(i) + B(7)]	\$	439,373,228

^{*} Net of transfers to Omaha.

ACTUARIAL BALANCE SHEET

A.	Financial Resources	July 1, 2010
1.	Total Actuarial Value of Assets	\$ 7,040,908,599
2.	Present Value of Future Contributions (a) Member \$ 1,006,601,685 (b) Employer \$ 1,016,667,702 (c) State \$ 107,414,467 (d) State PPSF Appropriations \$ 14,532,856 (e) Total	2,145,216,710
3.	Actuarial Liability/(Reserve)	<u>856,643,666</u>
4.	Total Assets [1 + 2(e) + 3]	\$ 10,042,768,975

B.	Benefit Obligations	-	July 1, 2010
1.	Present Value of Future Benefits (a) Active members (b) Inactive members (c) Retirees, disabilities and beneficiaries (d) Omaha (i) active (ii) deferred vested (iii) retired (e) Total	\$6,064,241,589 375,061,729 3,585,655,502 17,116,518 693,637 0	\$10,024,958,820 <u>\$ 17,810,155</u> \$10,042,768,975

ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

A. Pension Benefit Obligation under the Projected Unit Credit Cost Method

	July 1, 2009	July 1, 2010
Pension Benefit Obligation (PBO)		
Vested PBO		
(a) members currently receiving payments (b) other members	\$ 3,265,413,786	\$ 3,585,655,502
(i) accumulated member contributions	1,595,578,946	1,611,665,624
(ii) employer financed vested	<u>2,518,091,126</u>	<u>2,597,102,802</u>
Total Vested PBO	\$ 7,379,083,858	\$ 7,794,423,928
Nonvested PBO	120,862,710	129,044,277
Total PBO	\$ 7,499,946,568	\$ 7,923,468,205
Total Actuarial Value of Assets	7,007,581,825	7,040,908,599
Unfunded Pension Benefit Obligation (Reserve)	\$ 492,364,743	\$ 882,559,606
Funded Percentage		
(a) on vested PBO	95.0%	90.3%
(b) on total PBO	93.4%	88.9%

B. Change in Pension Benefit Obligation from July 1, 2009 to July 1, 2010

Pension Benefit Obligation at July 1, 2009	\$ 7,499,946,568
Increase/(Decrease) during Period Valuation Procedure Changes Benefits Accumulated Benefits Paid* Interest Cost Plan Experience Total Change	\$ (46,104) 211,687,209 (320,509,700) 605,423,343 (73,033,111) 423,521,637
Pension Benefit Obligation at July 1, 2010	\$ 7,923,468,205

^{*} Excludes transfer of Omaha appropriations.

Exhibits 9 and 10 provide a more detailed summary of the underlying actuarial methods and assumptions used in the calculations of the Pension Benefit Obligation. The benefits valued are those in effect on July 1, 2010 and 2009, respectively, as outlined in Exhibit 8. The determination of the Pension Benefit Obligation has been made in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices.



ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

C. Schedule of Contributions from Employers and other Contributing Entities - Disclosure Requirements under GASB No. 25

	Annual Required Contributions*					
Plan Year Ending	School		State		Total	Percentage Contributed
June 30, 2010	\$ 128,845,427	\$	21,380,352	\$	150,225,779	100%
June 30, 2009	110,028,942		20,620,548		130,649,490	100%
June 30, 2008	105,977,554		15,832,941		121,810,495	100%
June 30, 2007	107,573,519		15,219,871		122,793,390	100%
June 30, 2006	102,089,105		28,056,703		130,145,808	100%
June 30, 2005	90,147,174		29,816,737		119,963,911	90%

^{*} Includes funding for the Excess Formula Annuity, the Service Annuity, and supplemental funds. Excludes Omaha appropriations.

D. Actuarial Assumptions, Method and Additional Information under GASB No. 25

Valuation Date	June 30, 2010
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age
Amortization Method	Level dollar amount, closed
Equivalent Single Amortization Period	28 years
Asset Valuation Method	5 year smoothed market
Actuarial Assumptions: Investment rate of return* Projected salary increases*	8.0% 4.5% - 7.46%
*Includes inflation at	3.5%
Cost-of-living adjustment	2.5% with a floor benefit equal to 75% purchasing power of original benefit

ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

E. Schedule of Funding Progress under GASB No. 25

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) (b)	Unfunded Accrued Liabilities (UAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a/b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAL as a % of Covered Payroll [(b-a)/c]
June 30, 2010	\$ 7,040,908,599	\$ 8,542,119,000	\$ 1,501,210,401	82.4%	\$ 1,543,930,532	97.2%
June 30, 2009	7,007,581,825	8,092,339,318	1,084,757,493	86.6%	1,481,568,432	73.2%
June 30, 2008	6,932,918,638	7,654,536,359	721,617,721	90.6%	1,389,124,819	51.9%
June 30, 2007	6,396,336,863	7,070,308,583	673,971,720	90.5%	1,325,616,322	50.8%
June 30, 2006	5,739,048,994	6,584,275,406	845,226,412	87.2%	1,247,684,378	67.7%
June 30, 2005	5,335,197,409	6,234,657,830	899,460,421	85.6%	1,214,227,197	74.1%

SUMMARY OF MEMBER DATA

A.	Active Members		July 1, 2009		July 1, 2010
1.	Number of Active Members (a) Before assumed retirement age (b) Beyond assumed retirement age (c) Total		38,720 511 39,231		39,227 <u>537</u> 39,764
2.	Annual Considered Compensation* (a) Before assumed retirement age (b) Beyond assumed retirement age (c) Total	\$	1,562,019,021 9,666,818 1,571,685,839	\$ \$	1,626,871,154 10,821,529 1,637,692,683
3.	Accumulated Contributions	\$	1,413,848,324	\$	1,432,712,186
4.	Active Member Averages (a) Age (b) Service (c) Compensation (d) Accumulated Contributions	\$ \$	46.1 11.7 40,062 36,039	\$ \$	46.1 11.7 41,185 36,030
В.	Inactive Members				
1.	Number of inactive members (including Omaha)		19,413		19,762
2.	Accumulated member contributions	\$	181,730,622	\$	178,953,438
3.	Inactive member averages (excluding Omaha) (a) Age (vesteds only) (b) Accumulated member contributions	\$	52.3 9,616	\$	52.6 9,316
C.	Retired Members and Beneficiaries				
1.	Number of members (a) System retirees (b) Omaha retirees		15,949 0		16,912 0
2.	Annual benefits - regular (a) System retirees (b) Omaha retirees (c) Total	\$	251,644,896 0 251,644,896	\$	277,828,150 0 277,828,150
3.	Annual benefits-supplemental (a) System retirees (b) Omaha retirees (c) Total	\$	38,931,397 0 38,931,397	\$ \$	42,036,958 0 42,036,958

^{*} Annualized prior year pay is increased by the salary scale for each member. Total annualized prior year compensation for 2009 and 2010 was 1,481,568,432 and 1,543,930,532, respectively.

SUMMARY OF MEMBER DATA

D. Distribution of Retired Members and Beneficiaries as of July 1, 2010

Age Range	Number	Annual Benefit		Ave	rage Annual Benefit
59 & Under	1,293	\$	35,472,364	\$	27,434
60-64	3,231		86,710,271		26,837
65-69	3,778		77,773,587		20,586
70-74	3,055		52,685,403		17,246
75-79	2,354		33,324,429		14,157
80-84	1,657		20,636,642		12,454
85-89	942		9,430,470		10,011
90 & Over	602		3,831,942		6,365
Total	16,912	\$	319,865,108	\$	18,913

E. Member Data Reconciliation

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	Active Members	With Deferred Benefits	Terminated with Balance	Retired Members and Beneficiaries	Total
As of July 1, 2009	39,231	6,199	13,214	15,949	74,593
Changes in status a) Normal & early retirements b) Became payable c) Deaths d) Nonvested terminations e) Vested terminations f) Contribution refunds g) Beneficiaries in receipt h) Disability retirements i) Return to active service j) Expired benefits k) Data corrections	(1,001) 0 (48) (1,245) (512) (559) 0 (8) 526 0 (46)	0 (228) (23) 0 512 (206) 0 (6) (177) 0 37*	0 (4) (23) 1,245 0 (718) 0 0 (349) 0 (24)	1,001 232 (398) 0 0 0 146 14 0 (46) 0	0 (492) 0 0 (1,483) 146 0 0 (46) (33)
Total changes in status New entrants	(2,893)	(91)	127	פדפ	(1,908)
a) Without prior service b) With prior service Total new members	3,146 <u>280</u> 3,426	9 0 9	261 <u>43</u> 304	0 <u>14</u> 14	3,416 <u>337</u> 3,753
Net change	533	(82)	431	963	1,845
As of July 1, 2010	39,764	6,117**	13,6 4 5	16,912	76, 4 38

^{*} Includes increase of 38 Omaha deferred vested members.

^{**} Includes 553 Omaha deferred vested members eligible for a service annuity benefit.

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SUMMARY OF MEMBER DATA

F. Age and Service Distribution of Active Members as of July 1, 2010

Age Last Birthday		0-4	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	Over 34	Total
15-19	Number	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	57
	Total Salary	\$ 561,880	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 561,880
	Average Salary	\$ 9,858	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 9,858
20-24	Number	1,206	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,217
	Total Salary	\$ 27,179,184	\$ 250,882	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 27,430,066
	Average Salary	\$ 22,537	\$ 22,807	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 22,539
25-29	Number	2,861	884	3	0	0	0	0	0	3,748
	Total Salary	\$ 92,688,431	\$ 36,612,103	\$ 113,057	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 129,413,591
	Average Salary	\$ 32,397	\$ 41,416	\$ 37,686	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 34,529
30-34	Number	1,439	1,705	611	2	0	0	0	0	3,757
	Total Salary	\$ 40,557,027	\$ 75,403,887	\$ 30,757,421	\$ 61,793	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 146,780,128
	Average Salary	\$ 28,184	\$ 44,225	\$ 50,339	\$ 30,896	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 39,068
35-39	Number	1,397	898	1,478	401	0	0	0	0	4,174
	Total Salary	\$ 32,516,510	\$ 35,468,219	\$ 75,963,132	\$ 23,170,944	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 167,118,805
	Average Salary	\$ 23,276	\$ 39,497	\$ 51,396	\$ 57,783	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 40,038
40-44	Number	1,513	907	778	1,048	407	1	0	0	4,654
	Total Salary	\$ 32,978,126	\$ 31,954,945	\$ 36,148,463	\$ 59,948,036	\$ 23,752,885	\$ 43,776	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 184,826,231
	Average Salary	\$ 21,797	\$ 35,231	\$ 46,463	\$ 57,202	\$ 58,361	\$ 43,776	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 39,713
45-49	Number	1,407	1,160	859	664	932	452	4	0	5,478
	Total Salary	\$ 30,062,226	\$ 34,143,865	\$ 32,319,776	\$ 33,889,734	\$ 54,512,932	\$ 27,018,683	\$ 150,225	\$ 0	\$ 212,097,441
	Average Salary	\$ 21,366	\$ 29,434	\$ 37,625	\$ 51,039	\$ 58,490	\$ 59,776	\$ 37,556	\$ 0	\$ 38,718
50-54	Number	1,063	949	1,011	733	635	945	651	1	5,988
	Total Salary	\$ 22,454,421	\$ 27,249,484	\$ 34,829,650	\$ 31,620,687	\$ 33,214,252	\$ 56,020,758	\$ 41,094,201	\$ 54,574	\$ 246,538,027
	Average Salary	\$ 21,124	\$ 28,714	\$ 34,451	\$ 43,139	\$ 52,306	\$ 59,281	\$ 63,125	\$ 54,574	\$ 41,172
55-59	Number	879	706	741	771	811	604	827	389	5,728
	Total Salary	\$ 19,934,393	\$ 20,591,832	\$ 25,613,154	\$ 31,621,427	\$ 38,224,512	\$ 33,473,981	\$ 51,658,438	\$ 25,067,856	\$ 246,185,593
	Average Salary	\$ 22,678	\$ 29,167	\$ 34,566	\$ 41,014	\$ 47,133	\$ 55,421	\$ 62,465	\$ 64,442	\$ 42,979
60-64	Number	666	447	384	446	545	363	263	386	3,500
	Total Salary	\$ 15,863,078	\$ 13,948,695	\$ 12,973,494	\$ 17,872,859	\$ 25,140,489	\$ 18,391,422	\$ 14,984,357	\$ 25,970,987	\$ 145,145,381
	Average Salary	\$ 23,818	\$ 31,205	\$ 33,785	\$ 40,074	\$ 46,129	\$ 50,665	\$ 56,975	\$ 67,282	\$ 41,470
65-69	Number	468	295	196	122	144	92	79	67	1,463
	Total Salary	\$ 7,233,560	\$ 5,558,062	\$ 4,807,511	\$ 3,818,361	\$ 5,094,436	\$ 3,753,866	\$ 3,367,130	\$ 4,200,463	\$ 37,833,389
	Average Salary	\$ 15,456	\$ 18,841	\$ 24,528	\$ 31,298	\$ 35,378	\$ 40,803	\$ 42,622	\$ 62,693	\$ 25,860
TOTAL	Number	12,956	7,962	6,061	4,187	3,474	2,457	1,824	843	39,764
	Total Salary	\$ 322,028,836	\$ 281,181,974	\$ 253,525,658	\$ 202,003,841	\$ 179,939,506	\$ 138,702,486	\$ 111,254,351	\$ 55,293,880	\$ 1,543,930,532
	Average Salary	\$ 24,856	\$ 35,316	\$ 41,829	\$ 48,245	\$ 51,796	\$ 56,452	\$ 60,995	\$ 65,592	\$ 38,827

Total salary is reported annualized prior year pay.

SUMMARY OF MEMBER DATA

H. Reconciliation of Data Submitted By NPERS and Valuation Data

	Active Members	Inactive Members	Retired Members, Beneficiaries, and Disabled	Total
Number of Data Records Submitted By NPERS	40,246	18,993	16,820	76,059
Additions a) 2010 Active b) 2009 Balance Only c) 2009 Deferred Vested d) 2009 Retired e) 2009 Death with Beneficiary f) Omaha	8 0 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 <u>553</u>	84 0 0 0 8 <u>0</u>	92 0 0 0 8 <u>553</u>
Total	8	553	92	653
Subtractions a) Also Listed as Deaths b) Also Listed as Inactives	(8)	0	0	(8)
or Retirees c) Also Listed as Contribution Refunds d) Benefits Expired e) Not a member f) Also Listed as Active g) Assumed Terminated	(231) 0 0 (4) 0	(2) 0 0 (21) (8)	0 0 0 0	(233) 0 0 (25) (8)
based on Date of Last Contribution	(247)		_0	_0
Total	(490)	216	0	(274)
Net change	(482)	769	92	379
Number of Members Included in the Valuation as of July 1, 2010	39,764	19,762	16,912	76,438

FORECAST OF EXPECTED DISBURSEMENTS

		Retired and Disabled	
Plan Year Ending June 30	Active Employees	Members and Beneficiaries	Total
2011	\$ 28,130,147	\$ 318,098,244	\$ 346,228,391
2011	60,702,696	321,445,272	382,147,968
2013	95,471,145	324,232,285	419,703,430
2014	131,891,770	326,000,822	457,892,592
2015	170,162,483	327,609,938	497,772,421
2016	209,540,126	328,704,251	538,244,377
2017	249,673,896	329,121,757	578,795,653
2018	290,968,253	328,930,352	619,898,605
2019	333,442,007	328,153,233	661,595,240
2020	376,689,075	326,608,000	703,297,075
2021	420,694,925	324,189,921	744,884,846
2022	465,658,275	321,012,275	786,670,550
2023	511,330,394	316,735,054	828,065,448
2024	557,688,191	311,644,081	869,332,272
2025	604,043,707	305,524,893	909,568,600
2026	651,169,985	299,043,268	950,213,253
2027	698,721,226	291,989,861	990,711,087
2028	746,126,326	283,986,575	1,030,112,901
2029	794,218, 44 6	275,076,831	1,069,295,277
2030	843,500,747	265,202,370	1,108,703,117
2031	892,647,908	254,417,476	1,147,065,384
2032	942,055,136	242,738,392	1,184,793,528
2033	991,760,733	230,267,682	1,222,028,415
2034	1,038,920,089	217,016,687	1,255,936,776
2035	1,083,370,575	203,155,672	1,286,526,247
2036	1,126,775,242	188,733,396	1,315,508,638
2037	1,169,771,856	174,108,609	1,343,880,465
2038	1,210,376,162	159,370,330	1,369,746,492
2039	1,248,378,216	144,508,292	1,392,886,508
2040	1,282,939,648	129,942,416	1,412,882,064

Note: These amounts exclude distributions for vested inactive members eligible to receive future benefit payments. Benefit amounts for these members have not yet been determined.

SUMMARY OF PLAN PROVISIONS

Member Any person employed by a public school 15 or more hours per

week shall be a member of the system. Employees at the date of establishment could have elected not to participate, and those covered under another system do not participate.

Participation Date Date of becoming a member.

Definitions

Final average earnings

The average of the highest three fiscal years after July 1, 1968

of pensionable pay during the period ending on the earlier of the participant's termination date or retirement date. For employees who become a member on or after July 1, 1996, earnings will be capped at the maximum earnings defined in

Code 401(a)(17).

Fiscal year Twelve month period ending June 30.

Member contributions Members contribute 8.28% of pay. The School Districts

contribute at a rate equal to 101% of the members' rate. Such contributions are credited with interest in accordance with State Statutes. Effective September 1, 2014, the member

contribution rate will decrease to 7.28%.

Monthly pension benefit The greater of (1) or (2).

(1) Amount: A monthly benefit equal to the sum of:

- (a) A savings annuity which is the actuarial equivalent of the member's accumulated contributions, and
- (b) A service annuity equal to \$3.50 per year of service.

SUMMARY OF PLAN PROVISIONS

(2) Amount: Members employed by a class I, II, III, IV, or VI School District may receive a formula annuity. The formula annuity is a monthly amount equal to the product of 2.00% of final average earnings times total years of service for those members who are employed on or after July 1, 2001.

To receive this benefit, retirement must occur after meeting the Rule of 85 requirements (minimum age 55) or attaining age 65.

An automatic annual cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) equal to the CPI-W index, with a maximum increase of 2.5% in any one year is provided for current and future retirees. Also provided is a minimum floor benefit equal to 75% of the purchasing power of the original benefit.

Normal Retirement Date (NRD)

First of month coinciding with or next following the attainment

of age 65 and one-half year of service.

Service

Length of service includes all service as a school employee for which contributions have been made. This service only includes years for which the member was employed on at least a half-time basis, and includes declared emergency service in the armed forces, provided certain conditions are met. Special provisions allow credit for service prior to 1945 and for up to ten years of service in another State upon payment of the actuarial cost of the additional benefit granted.

Pensionable pay

Gross earnings subject to contributions.

Eligibility for Benefits

Deferred vested Termination for reasons other than death or disability

retirement after completing five years of service.

Disability retirement Retirement by reason of disability.

Early retirement Retirement before NRD and on or after both attaining age 60

and completing five years of service, or attaining 35 years of service regardless of age, or attaining age 55 and age plus

service equals at least 85 (Rule of 85).

Normal retirement Retire on NRD.

SUMMARY OF PLAN PROVISIONS

Postponed retirement Retire after NRD.

Pre-retirement spouse benefit Death prior to retirement.

Monthly Benefits Paid Upon the Following Events

Normal retirement Monthly pension benefit determined as of NRD.

Early retirement Monthly pension benefit determined as of early retirement

date, reduced by 3% for each year that commencement of payment precedes age 65 (member must be age 60 with five years of service). Unreduced benefits are available to members who have attained age 55 and whose age plus service is greater than or equal to 85. Benefits payable upon retirement prior to age 60 (based on the 35 year service rule) are actuarially reduced from age 65. The service annuity is a life annuity actuarially reduced before age 65 using 8% interest and the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, 25% male, 75%

female.

Postponed retirement Monthly pension benefit determined as of actual retirement

date.

Termination with deferred vested

benefit

Monthly pension benefit determined as of termination date, reduced by 3% for each year that commencement of payment precedes age 65 (Early Commencement requires attainment of

age 60).

Disability retirement Monthly pension benefit determined as of disability retirement

date.

Death with pre-retirement benefits

Survivor portion of 100% Joint and Survivor Annuity paid to spouse assuming retirement by member at death if the member is age 65 or has 20 years of service at death. If the member has met the 5-year vesting service requirement, has less than 20 years of service and is under age 65, the spouse may choose between the following two options:

- (1) a lump sum equal to the member's contributions with interest plus 101% of the member's contributions with interest, and
- (2) an annuity which equals the survivor portion of the 100% Joint and Survivor value of the member's accrued benefit, payable immediately, reduced for commencement before age 65 and the 100% joint and survivor form of payment.

SUMMARY OF PLAN PROVISIONS

Forms of payment

Pre-retirement death benefits are payable only as described above.

Monthly pension benefits are paid under the form of payment elected by the retiree at retirement. Payment forms include: life annuity, five year certain and life annuity, 100% joint and survivor annuity (spouse only), 10-year certain and life annuity, 15-year certain and life annuity, or a modified cash refund annuity. The normal form of payment for the formula annuity is a 5-year certain and life annuity.

Funding Arrangement

Pursuant to LB 407 enacted in 2002, the School Retirement Fund is created. Balances existing on June 30, 2002 in the School Employers Deposit Account, the School Employees Savings Account, the Service Annuity Account, the Annuity Reserve Account, and the School Employees Retirement System Reserve Fund (RSRF) shall be combined and transferred into the School Retirement Fund.

There are four funds established in the State Treasury, which receive monies and pay the expenses and benefits of the retirement system, as follows:

- School Retirement Fund receives required deposits of the employers, the State, and employees. Upon retirement, the fund pays all savings annuities, service annuities, and formula annuities.
- 2. <u>Contingent Account</u> receives all interest, dividends, and miscellaneous income, pays all regular interest allocated to the other accounts or funds, and meets any deficiencies occurring in the other accounts or funds.
- 3. <u>Expense Fund</u> pays all expenses connected with the operation and administration of the system, and receives annual contributions to cover anticipated expenses.
- 4. Omaha Service Annuity Fund pays service annuity benefits to Omaha members.



SUMMARY OF PLAN PROVISIONS

State Appropriation

LB 700, passed in 1996, established a separate fund to provide for cost-of-living benefit adjustments to members ceasing employment on or after April 10, 1996. The COLA increases are 0.3% per year, beginning six years after retirement. This benefit is funded by State contributions. Beginning with the 1996/1997 fiscal year, the funding shall be 81.7873% of \$6,895,000 or \$5,639,235 annually, for each year through the 2010/2011 fiscal year. LB 950, passed in 2010, extended this contribution through the 2012/2013 fiscal year.

Benefits Reflected in Valuation

All benefits were valued, including future cost-of-living increases as provided for by LB 674 and LB 711.

Plan Provisions Effective after July 1, 2010

No future changes in plan provisions were recognized in determining the GASB 25 funded status and in determining the actuarial soundness of statutory contribution levels.

Changes in Plan Provisions Since the Prior Year

There have been no changes in plan provisions since the last actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2009. LB 950 passed during the 2010 Legislative session extended the State Contribution to the School PPSF to fiscal year 2012/2013.



Summary of Actuarial Methods and Procedures as of July 1, 2010

A. ACTUARIAL METHODS

 Calculation of Normal Cost and Actuarial Accrued Liability: The method used to determine the normal cost and actuarial accrued liability was the Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method described below.

Entry Age Actuarial Cost Method

Projected pension and preretirement spouse's death benefits were determined for all active members under age 70. Cost factors designed to produce annual costs as a constant percentage of each member's expected compensation in each year from the assumed entry age to the assumed retirement age were applied to the projected benefits to determine the normal cost (the portion of the total cost of the plan allocated to the current year under the method). The normal cost is determined by summing intermediate results for active members under age 70 and determining an average normal cost rate which is then related to the total payroll of active members under age 70. The actuarial assumptions shown in Exhibit 10 were used in determining the projected benefits and cost factors. The actuarial accrued liability for active members (the portion of the total cost of the plan allocated to prior years under the method) was determined as the excess of the actuarial present value of projected benefits over the actuarial present value of future normal costs.

The actuarial accrued liability for retired members and their beneficiaries currently receiving benefits, active members age 70 and over, terminated vested members and disabled members not yet receiving benefits was determined as the actuarial present value of the benefits expected to be paid. No future normal costs are payable for these members.

The actuarial accrued liability under this method at any point in time is the theoretical amount of the fund that would have been accumulated had annual contributions equal to the normal cost been made in prior years (it does not represent the liability for benefits accrued to the valuation date). The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is the excess of the actuarial accrued liability over the actuarial value of plan assets measured on the valuation date. The initial unfunded actuarial accrued liability established July 1, 2004, is amortized with a level dollar payment amount over 25 years. At subsequent valuation dates, amortization bases equal to changes in the unfunded actuarial accrued liability are established and amortized with a level dollar payment over a 25-year period. Beginning July 1, 2006, the unfunded liability was reinitialized as of July 1, 2006 and amortized over a 30-year period. At subsequent valuation dates, amortization bases equal to changes in the unfunded actuarial accrued liability are established and amortized over a level dollar payment over a 30-year period. If the unfunded actuarial accrued liability is \$0 or less on the valuation date, all previous amortization bases are considered fully amortized.

Under this method, experience gains or losses, i.e., decreases or increases in accrued liabilities attributable to deviations in experience from the actuarial assumptions, adjust the unfunded actuarial accrued liability.



SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL METHODS AND PROCEDURES AS OF JULY 1, 2010

- **2.** Calculation of the Actuarial Value of Assets: The actuarial value of assets is based on a five-year smoothing method and is determined by spreading the effect of each year's investment return in excess of or below the expected return. The Market Value of assets at the valuation date is reduced by the sum of the following:
 - (i) 80% of the return to be spread during the first year preceding the valuation date,
 - (ii) 60% of the return to be spread during the second year preceding the valuation date,
 - (iii) 40% of the return to be spread during the third year preceding the valuation date, and
 - (iv) 20% of the return to be spread during the fourth year preceding the valuation date.

The return to be spread is the difference between (1) the actual investment return on Market Value and (2) the expected return on Actuarial Value. The Actuarial Value is determined using the total assets of the System, and is then allocated on a pro-rata basis to each reserve fund and account using Market Value. Effective July 1, 2000, the expected return on Actuarial Value includes interest on the previous year's unrecognized return.

3. Calculation of Pension Benefit Obligation: The method used to determine the Pension Benefit Obligation was the Projected Unit Credit Actuarial Cost Method without service proration. Under this method, the benefit is based on salary projected to assumed termination or retirement and service as of the valuation date.



Summary of Actuarial Methods and Procedures as of July 1, 2010

B. VALUATION PROCEDURES

No actuarial liability is included for participants who terminated without being vested prior to the valuation date, except those due a refund of contributions.

The compensation amounts used in the projection of benefits and liabilities for active members were determined from the prior plan year compensation increased one year with the salary scale. Compensation for new members with under a year of service were annualized by dividing reported salary by the portion of year worked. Actual historical compensation is not included in our calculations.

In computing accrued benefits, average compensation was determined by applying the salary scale assumption to most recent compensation to construct any salary history.

Projected benefits were not limited by the dollar limitation required by the Internal Revenue Code Section 415 as it applies to governmental plans. Compensation was limited by Section 401(a)(17).

Future monthly benefit amounts are not calculated or available for deferred vested members. The benefit liability for deferred vested members was calculated by loading the accumulated member contribution balances for deferred vested members by 126% to estimate the value of deferred benefit payments.

Changes in Methods and Procedures Since the Prior Year

There have been no changes in the actuarial methods or procedures since the last actuarial valuation as of July 1, 2009.



Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems SCHOOL SYSTEM

SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AS OF JULY 1, 2010

ECONOMIC ASSUMPTIONS

1. Investment Return 8% per annum, compounded annually, net of expenses.

2. Inflation 3.5% per annum, compounded annually.

3. Salary Increases Rates vary by service. Sample rates are as follows:

Rates by Service					
Years	Rate				
<1	7.46%				
1	7.27				
5	6.76				
10	6.18				
15	5.71				
20	5.45				
25	5.24				
30	5.07				
35	4.82				
40+	4.55				

4. Interest on Employee Contributions 5.5% per annum, compounded annually.

6. Increase on Compensation 3.5% per annum on the 401(a)(17) compensation limit

DEMOGRAPHIC ASSUMPTIONS

1. Mortality

a. Healthy lives – Active members 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, projected to 2010 using scale AA (65% of male rates for males,

50% of female rates for females)

b. Healthy lives - Retired members 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, projected to and beneficiaries 2010 using scale AA (sex distinct)

c. Disabled lives 1983 Railroad Retirement Board Disabled Annuitants

Mortality (unisex)

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d. Healthy mortality rates and life expectancies are shown below at sample ages:

	Pre-retirement Mortality					
	Mortal	ity Rate	Life Expecta	ncy (Years)		
Sample Age	Males	Females	Males	Females		
20	0.02%	0.01%	65.6	71.7		
30	0.05	0.02	55.8	61.8		
40	0.06	0.03	46.1	51.9		
50	0.13	0.05	36.4	42.1		
60	0.40	0.20	27.1	32.5		
70	1.21	0.63	18.7	23.5		

	Post-retirement Mortality			
	Mortality Rate		Life Expecta	ncy (Years)
Sample Age	Males	Females	Males	Females
50	0.19%	0.11%	32.4	35.7
60	0.62	0.41	23.3	26.3
70	1.86	1.27	15.4	17.9
80	5.28	3.52	8.9	10.7
90	14.34	11.08	4.6	5.5

e. Disabled mortality rates and life expectancies are shown below at sample ages:

	Disabled Mortality		
Sample Age	Mortality Rate	Life Expectancy (Years)	
30	1.06%	30.5	
40	1.35	23.6	
50	3.16	17.7	
60	4.25	13.6	
70	6.75	9.6	
80	10.77	6.3	

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2. Retirement

Rates vary by age and eligibility for benefits. Rates are as follows:

Retirement Rates When Eligible for Unreduced Benefits			
Age	Male	Female	
55	25%	25%	
56	20	20	
57	20	20	
58	20	20	
59	20	20	
60	25	25	
61	25	25	
62	30	30	
63	25	25	
64	25	25	
65	30	30	
66	25	25	
67	20	20	
68	20	20	
69	20	20	
70	100	100	

Retirement Rates When Eligible for Reduced Benefits			
Age	Male	Female	
60	10%	10%	
61	12	12	
62	15	15	
63	15	15	
64	18	18	

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3. Termination

Rates vary by service. Sample rates are as follows:

Rates by Service			
Years	Male	Female	
<1	27.5%	31.7%	
1	18.7	20.3	
5	7.3	8.4	
10	4.7	5.6	
15	2.8	3.7	
20	1.8	2.9	
25	2.0	4.0	
30	5.5	5.5	
35+	10.0	6.5	

4. Disability

Rates vary by age. Sample rates are as follows:

Age	Rate
25	.00%
30	.00
35	.03
40	.03
45	.06
50	.09
55	.13
60	.18

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OTHER ASSUMPTIONS

1. Form of Payment Service annuity - Life annuity

Formula annuity - Five year certain and life

annuity.

2. Marital Status

a. Percent married 85% married

b. Spouse's age Females assumed to be three years younger

than males.

3. Administrative Expense Investment return is assumed to be net of

expenses.

4. Commencement age for deferred

vested benefit

Age 62.

5. Cost of Living Adjustment Service annuity – none

Formula annuity – 2.5% per annum,

compounded annually, and 3.5% per annum, compounded annually, after reaching 75%

purchasing power floor benefit.

Changes in Assumptions Since the Prior Year

No changes were made to the actuarial assumptions since the last actuarial valuation performed July 1, 2009.



GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Actuarial Accrued Liability Total accumulated cost to fund pension benefits arising

from service in all prior years.

Actuarial Cost Method Technique used to assign or allocate, in a systematic and

consistent manner, the expected cost of a pension plan for a group of participants to the years of service that give rise

to that cost.

Actuarial Present Value

of Future Benefits

Amount which, together with future interest, is expected to

be sufficient to pay all future benefits.

Actuarial Valuation Study of probable amounts of future pension benefits and

the necessary amount of contributions to fund those

benefits.

Actuary Person who performs mathematical calculations pertaining

to pension and insurance benefits based on specific

procedures and assumptions.

Annual Required Contribution Disclosure measure of annual pension cost.

GASB 25 and GASB 27 Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement

numbers 25 and 27 which specify how the Net Pension Obligation and Annual Required Contribution are to be

calculated.

Normal Cost That portion of the actuarial present value of benefits

assigned to a particular year in respect to an individual

participant or the plan as a whole.

Unfunded Actuarial

Accrued Liability

The portion of the actuarial accrued liability not offset by

plan assets.

Vested Benefits Benefits which are unconditionally guaranteed regardless

of employment status.