Audit Committee
CCSNH BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Meeting of November 28, 2018

Present: Trustee Allen Damren, Trustee Jack Calhoun, Trustee Steven Hattamer (teleconference), Ann-Marie Hartshorn (CCSNH)

Not Present: Trustee Darrin Daniels, Trustee John Stevens

Others Attending: John Harrington, Rob Smalley (BerryDunn), Katy Balukas (BerryDunn), Renee Bishop (BerryDunn)

Mr. Damren called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm in the Chancellor’s Office Conference Room at NHTI in Concord, NH.

BerryDunn Audit
Mr. Smalley, Ms. Balukas, and Ms. Bishop presented the FY18 Financial and Uniform Guidance Audits and Required Communication Letter prepared by CCSNH’s audit firm, BerryDunn. CCSNH received an unmodified opinion, no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, and two advisory comments related to the approval process for budget transfers and the reconciliation of CCSNH bank clearing accounts.

This year, the new Government Accounting Standard Board requirement (GASB 75) – to implement a new accounting standard related to our health care and life insurance benefits for retirees—required CCSNH to record its share of the liability for the State plan and the NHRS plan. That liability, provided by the State as determined by their actuary, was $144.6 million at the beginning of the year 2018 and $116 million at the end of 2018. This new requirement significantly impacts our liabilities and our net position. The BerryDunn auditors will present the audit reports to the full board at the meeting in December, at which point they will be available to further discuss the impact of this new standard to any trustees who would like more information or clarification.

VOTE: The Committee, on motion of Mr. Damren and seconded by Mr. Calhoun, voted unanimously to approve the CCSNH FY 2018 Financial and Uniform Guidance Audit as presented, pending information to be provided from the state.

Running Start Vouchers
Ms. Hartshorn presented to the committee the new reconciliation process for Running Start vouchers.
CCSNH Audit Task Force

The Audit Task Force met on October 29, 2018 to review outstanding issues, mostly financial items still to be resolved. Ms. Hartshorn is working closely with Mr. Ansell and Ms. Herrick to resolve these items. CCSNH presidents will present the audit matrix to their respective colleges at the beginning of next year and report back to the audit task force with any questions and issues that are brought forward.

The Committee thanked Ann-Marie for her leadership and look forward to presenting the completed matrix to the system, legislature, and state.

No further business was stated. The meeting was adjourned at 3:41 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Meghan Eckner
Executive Assistant to the Chancellor and Board of Trustees