

Oklahoma Municipal Retirement Fund

*The Auditors' Communication with
Those Charged with Governance*

June 30, 2019





December 19, 2019

To the Board of Trustees of
the Oklahoma Municipal Retirement Fund

We have audited the financial statements the Oklahoma Municipal Retirement Fund (the “Fund”) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2019, and have issued our report thereon dated December 19, 2019. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under auditing standards generally accepted in the United States and *Government Auditing Standards*, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our engagement letter to you dated March 6, 2019. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Fund are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. The Fund adopted new accounting guidance during the year ended June 30, 2019, as noted below. We noted no transactions entered into by the Fund during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

In November 2016, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 83, *Certain Asset Retirement Obligations* (GASB 83). GASB 83 provides accounting and reporting requirements for certain asset retirement obligations (ARO’s) that arise from legally enforceable liabilities associated with the retirement of certain tangible capital assets. ARO’s require an internal and external obligating event and the costs to be reasonably estimable for the incurrence of such a liability. The Fund adopted GASB 83 effective July 1, 2018, for the June 30, 2019, reporting year. The adoption had no significant impact on the financial statements.

Significant Audit Matters, Continued

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices, Continued

In January 2017, GASB issued Statement No. 84, *Fiduciary Activities* (GASB 84). GASB 84 improves guidance regarding the recognition and reporting of fiduciary activities. GASB 84 identifies four types of reportable fiduciary fund types, including 1) pension (and other employee benefit) trust funds, 2) investment trust funds, 3) private-purpose trust funds, and 4) custodial funds. GASB 84 outlines the accounting and disclosure requirements for operating structures that qualify as a fiduciary activity. The Fund will adopt GASB 84 effective July 1, 2019, for the June 30, 2020, reporting year. The Fund has not determined the impact of GASB 84 on the financial statements.

In June 2017, GASB issued Statement No. 87, *Leases* (GASB 87). GASB 87 defines a lease as a contract that conveys control of the right to use another entity's nonfinancial asset (the underlying asset) as specified in the contract for a period of time in an exchange or exchange-like transaction. GASB 87 improves accounting and financial reporting for leases by governments by requiring recognition of certain lease assets and liabilities for leases that previously were classified as operating leases and recognized as inflows of resources or outflows of resources based on the payment provisions of the contract. It establishes a single model for lease accounting based on the foundational principle that leases are financings of the right to use an underlying asset. Under GASB 87, a lessee is required to recognize a lease liability and an intangible right-to-use lease asset, and a lessor is required to recognize a lease receivable and a deferred inflow of resources, thereby enhancing the relevance and consistency of information about governments' leasing activities. The Fund will adopt GASB 87 on July 1, 2020, for the June 30, 2021, reporting year. The Fund has not determined the impact of GASB 87 on the financial statements.

In March 2018, GASB issued Statement No. 88, *Certain Disclosures Related to Debt, including Direct Borrowings and Direct Placements* (GASB 88). GASB 88 provides certain clarifications regarding debt as a liability and identifies additional required disclosures related to debt, including direct borrowings and direct placements of debt. The Fund will adopt GASB 88 on July 1, 2019, for the June 30, 2020, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 88 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

In June 2018, GASB issued Statement No. 89, *Accounting for Interest Cost Incurred before the End of a Construction Period* (GASB 89). GASB 89 directs that interest costs incurred during the construction period of an asset be expensed in the period incurred. GASB 89 changes previous guidance regarding capitalized construction costs where such costs were typically included in the capitalized cost of the asset constructed and depreciated over time. The Fund will adopt GASB 89 on July 1, 2020, for the June 30, 2021, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 89 to significantly impact the financial statements.

Significant Audit Matters, Continued

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices, Continued

In August 2018, the GASB issued Statement No. 90, *Majority Equity Interest* (GASB 90), an amendment of GASB Statements No. 14 and No. 61. GASB 90 seeks to improve the consistency and comparability of financial reporting for majority equity interests or situations where an entity would hold a majority share of equity or have a measurable right to resources of a legally separate entity. Under GASB 90 specific guidance is also provided for governments engaged in fiduciary activities when reporting equity interests. The Fund will adopt GASB 90 on July 1, 2019, for the June 30, 2020, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 90 to significantly impact the financial statements.

In May 2019, GASB issued Statement No. 91, *Conduit Debt Obligations* (GASB 91). The objective of GASB 91 is to provide a single method of reporting conduit debt obligations by issuers and eliminates diversity in practice associated with (1) commitments extended by issuers, (2) arrangements associated with conduit debt obligation, and (3) related note disclosures. The Fund will adopt GASB 91 on July 1, 2021, for the June 30, 2022, reporting year. The Fund does not expect GASB 91 to have a significant impact on the financial statements.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate affecting the financial statements was:

Management's estimates of the fair value of investments are based on the investment custodian. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimates of the fair value of investments and determined that they are reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Significant Audit Matters, Continued

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all known and likely misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. In addition, none of the misstatements detected as a result of the audit procedures and corrected by management were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditors' report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated December 19, 2019.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Fund's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditors' opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Matters or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Fund's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

Other Matters

We applied certain limited procedures to management's discussion and analysis and the schedule of investment returns, which are required supplementary information (RSI) that supplements the basic financial statements. Our procedures consisted of inquiries of management regarding the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We did not audit the RSI and do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

We were engaged to report on the analysis of fund ownership for defined contribution plans, which accompanies the financial statements but is not RSI. With respect to this supplementary information, we made certain inquiries of management and evaluated the form, content, and methods of preparing the information to determine that the information complies with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We compared and reconciled the supplementary information to the underlying accounting records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Other Required Communications

We as independent auditors are required to:

- a. Communicate significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control to the audit committee or its equivalent.
- b. Report directly to the audit committee (or equivalent) any fraud that causes a material misstatement of the financial statements and any fraud involving senior management. Fraud perpetrated by lower-level employees is also to be reported if it resulted in an individually significant misstatement.
- c. Report illegal acts that come to our attention (except those that are clearly inconsequential).

We have nothing to report.

Other Procedures

In conducting our audit, we selected 524 individual participant accounts for testing. The following is a summary of the testwork performed, with comparative totals for 2018:

	<u>2019</u>	<u>2018</u>
Tax withholding testwork	25	25
Positive confirmations of distributions to participants	361	330
Positive confirmations of loans to participants	25	25
General file documentation (see below)	50	53
Distribution check endorsement	28	25
Benefit recalculations	<u>35</u>	<u>35</u>
	<u>524</u>	<u>493</u>

Of the 361 participant account distribution confirmations, 273 were received without exception. For those not received, general file testwork or benefit recalculations were performed. In addition to the individual participant accounts, we also sent positive confirmations to 151 towns/cities that participated in the Fund during the year.

No material discrepancies were noted.

Restriction on Use

This information is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Trustees and management of the Fund and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

Finley + Cook, PLLC