

ATHABASCA UNIVERSITY GRADUATE STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 2015

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MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL REPORTING

The financial statements of Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association have been prepared in accordance with Accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. When alternative accounting methods exist, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances. These statements include certain amounts based on management's estimates and judgments. Management has determined such amounts based on a reasonable basis in order to ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly in all material respects.


The integrity and reliability of Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association 's reporting systems are achieved through the use of formal policies and procedures, the careful selection of employees and an appropriate division of responsibilities. These systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is reliable and accurate.

The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibility for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements. The Board carries out this responsibility principally through its Audit Committee. The Audit Committee is appointed by the Board and meets periodically with management and the shareholders' auditors to review significant accounting, reporting and internal control matters. Following its review of the financial statements and discussions with the auditors, the Audit Committee reports to the Board of Directors prior to its approval of the financial statements. The Committee also considers, for review by the Board and approval by the shareholders, the engagement or re-appointment of the external auditors.

The financial statements have been audited on behalf of the members by Chatha Professional Corporation, in accordance with Accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.



Ms. Teagan Gahler, President



Mr. Ross Tyson, Executive Director

Edmonton, Alberta
June 14, 2016

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association, which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2015 and the statement of operations, statement of changes in net assets and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

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

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association as at December 31, 2015 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.

Edmonton, Alberta

Chatha Professional Corporation
CERTIFIED GENERAL ACCOUNTANTS

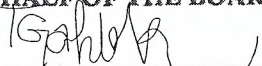
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Statement of Financial Position

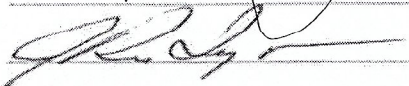
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	<i>December 31</i> 2015	<i>December 31</i> 2014
ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Cash	\$ 109,643	\$ 34,061
Term deposit (Note 3)	50,408	50,000
Accounts receivable	68,135	74,566
Prepaid expenses	7,996	5,590
	<u>\$ 236,182</u>	<u>\$ 164,217</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
CURRENT		
Accounts payable & accrued expenses	\$ 13,768	\$ 11,576
NET ASSETS		
General fund	<u>222,414</u>	<u>152,641</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	<u>\$ 236,182</u>	<u>\$ 164,217</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD



Director



Director

See notes to financial statements

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Statement of Operations

Year Ended December 31, 2015

	2015	2014
REVENUE	\$ 405,030	\$ 388,832
EXPENSES	193,927	175,352
Salaries and wages	25,051	12,435
Meetings and conventions	24,220	54,005
Travel expenses	23,542	29,625
Council Honorariums	13,652	3,969
Insurance	13,618	12,008
Office expenses	10,518	9,581
Memberships fees	8,400	8,400
Accounting Fees	6,322	8,755
Training and staff development	4,904	8,274
Meals and entertainment	4,851	3,945
Telephone	3,250	1,325
Grant and Awards	3,167	4,902
Consulting fees	200	0
Advertising and promotion	34	3,605
Legal fees	9	54
Interest ,bank and service charges	0	2
Miscellaneous		
	335,665	336,237
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	69,365	52,595
OTHER INCOME	408	10
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ 69,773	\$ 52,605

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Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended December 31, 2015

	2015	2014
NET ASSETS - BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$ 152,641	\$ 100,036
Excess of revenue over expenses	<u>69,773</u>	<u>52,605</u>
NET ASSETS - END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 222,414</u>	<u>\$ 152,641</u>

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Statement of Cash Flows

Year Ended December 31, 2015

	2015	2014
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess of revenue over expenses	\$ 69,773	\$ 52,605
Changes in non-cash working capital:		
Accounts receivable	6,431	(30,131)
Accounts payable & accrued liabilities	2,192	(13,167)
Deferred income	0	(32,667)
Prepaid expenses	(2,406)	2,738
	6,217	(73,227)
Cash flow from (used by) operating activities	75,990	(20,622)
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of term deposit	-	(50,000)
Interest on term deposit reinvested	(408)	0
Cash flow used by investing activities	(408)	(50,000)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH FLOW	75,582	(70,622)
Cash - beginning of year	34,061	104,683
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 109,643	\$ 34,061

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1. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

Athabasca University Graduate Students' Association is incorporated under the Provincial Society Act as a not-for-profit organization that fosters a cohesive graduate student community, acts as an advocate for graduate students, and builds a positive relationship with the University. The Association qualifies for the tax-exempt status under paragraph 149(1)(l) under the Income Tax Act.

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

The association follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions.

Fund accounting

Revenues and expenses related to the program delivery and administrative activities are reported in the General Fund.

Capital assets

Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost. Contributed capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of contribution. Equipment purchased with value of \$2,500 or lower is expensed in the year it is purchased.

Revenue recognition

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the General Fund in the year received or receivable if the amount to be recorded can be reasonably assumed. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue with the matching concept of expenditure in the period in which the expenditure for the specified fund is made as per the instructions of the fund grantor.

Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for private enterprises requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amount of assets and liabilities, disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. Such estimates are periodically reviewed and any adjustments necessary are reported in earnings in the period in which they become known. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Inventory

Inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realizable value with the cost being determined on a first-in, first-out basis.

Contributed services

There is an insignificant amount of time by volunteers and donated materials contributed to the association. The fair value of donated materials and services cannot be reasonably determined and are therefore not reflected in these financial statements.

3. TERM DEPOSIT

Term deposit earns interest at a rate of 0.65% per annum and matures on January 21, 2016.

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4. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the Association is not exposed to significant credit risks arising from its financial instruments. The fair value of the instruments approximates their carrying values, unless otherwise noted.

Credit risk

The Association is exposed to credit risk with respect to its financial assets as reported on the statement of financial position. Credit risk is not considered significant because the Association's cash and cash equivalents are held in deposit with Canadian financial institutions in insured accounts; grants receivable are due from Athabasca University with no history of default.
