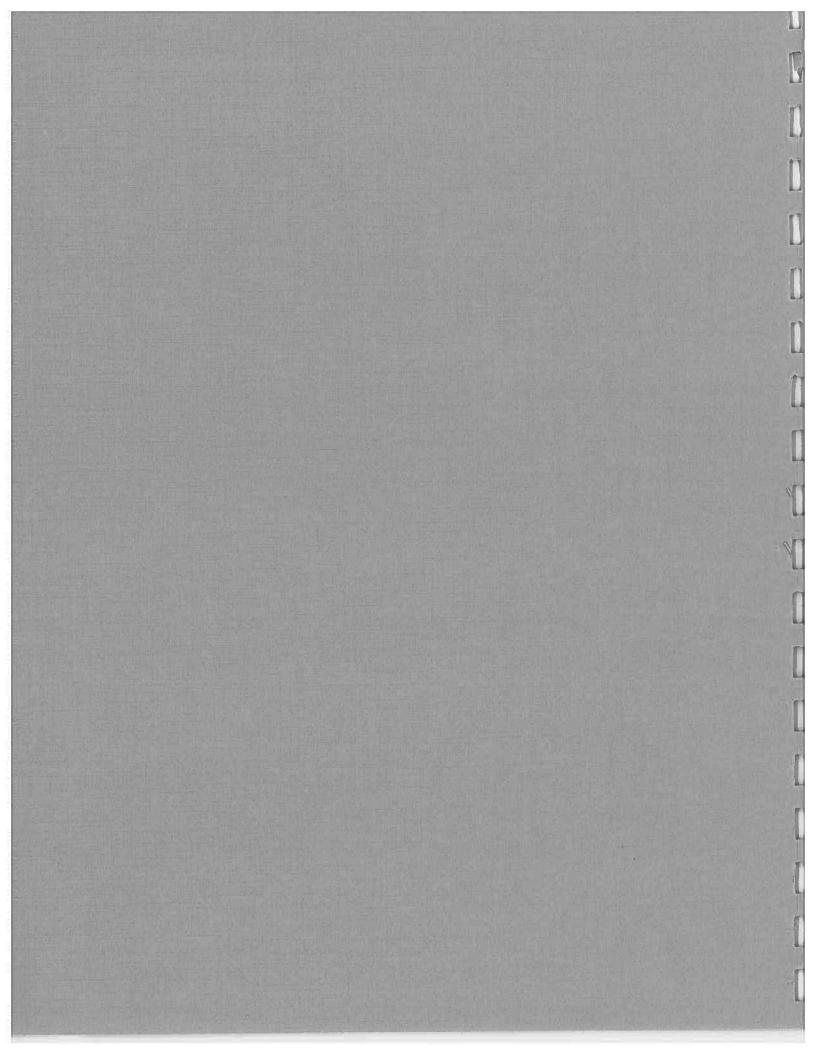
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REPORT ON EXAMINATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATIONS

YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982

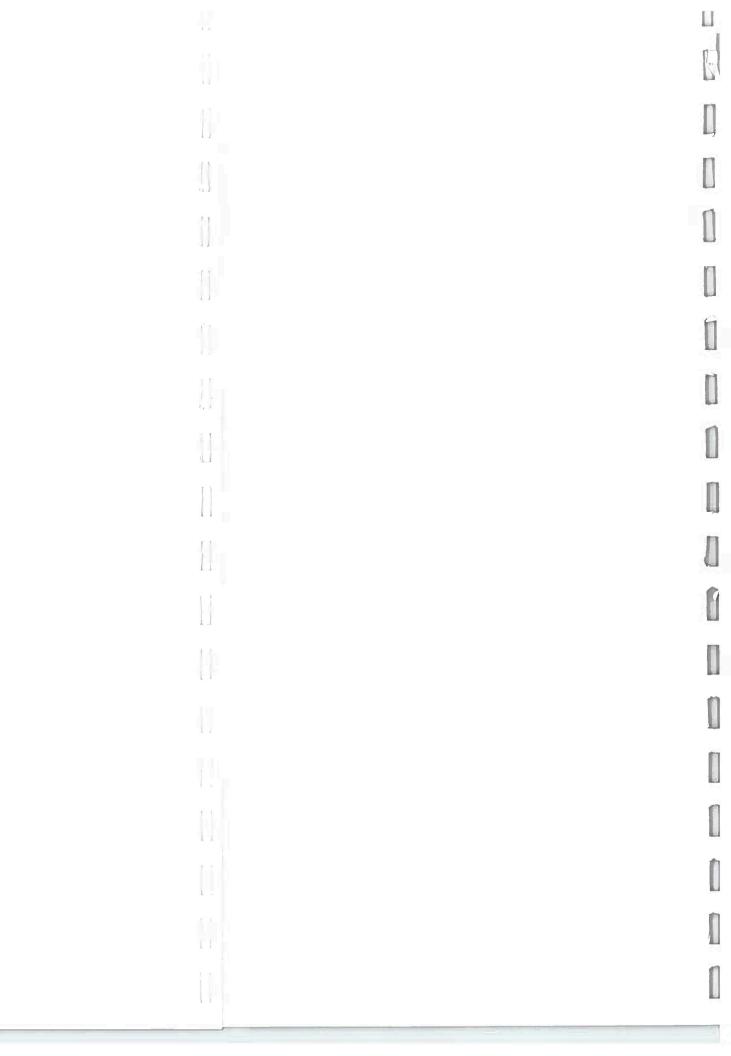


#### METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

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YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982

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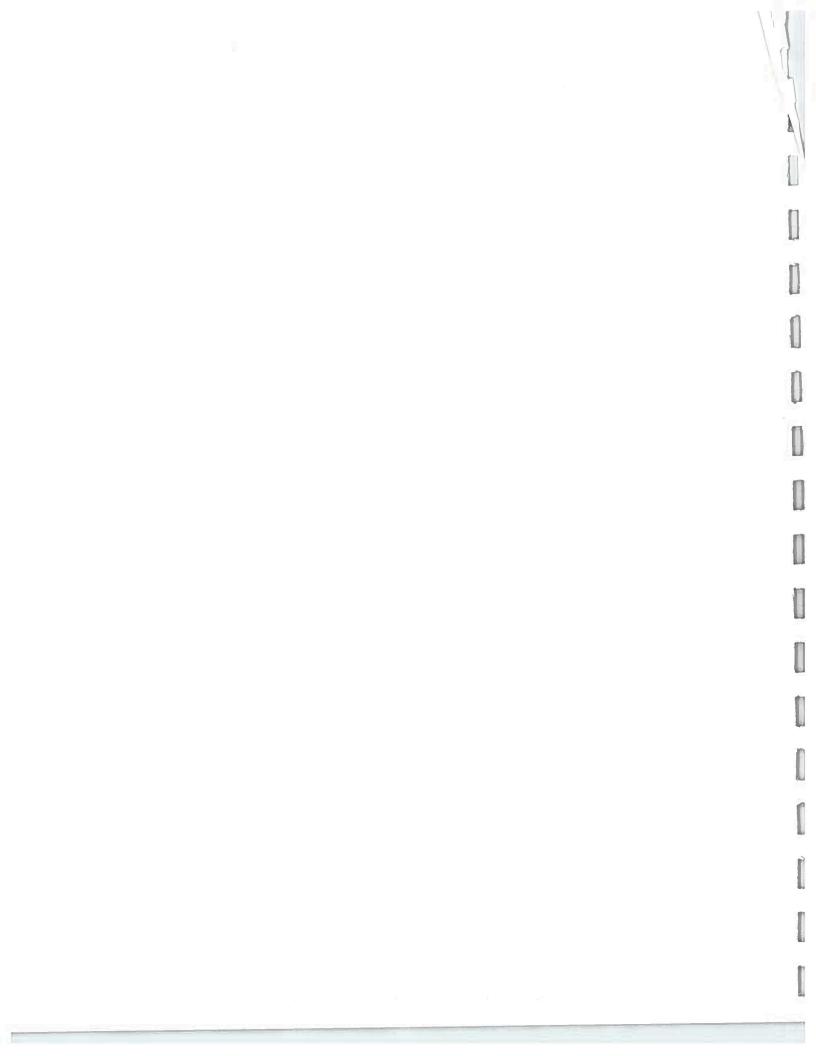
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We have examined the balance sheets of Metropolitan State College as of June 30, 1983 and 1982, and the related statements of changes in fund balances and current fund revenues, expenditures and other changes for the years then ended. Our examinations were made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of Metropolitan State College at June 30, 1983 and 1982, and the changes in its fund balances and its current fund revenues, expenditures and other changes for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles consistently applied during the period except for the change, with which we concur, in the method of accounting for annual and sick leave as described in Note E to the financial statements.

Touch Ross & Co.

Certified Public Accountants



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# METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

# BALANCE SHEETS

# ASSETS

	JUNE	
	1983	1982
CURRENT FUNDS: Unrestricted:		
Cash and certificates of deposit Cash on deposit with State Treasurer Amounts to be provided by State	\$ 482,099 1,686,701	\$ 441,030 1,304,082
General Fund Accounts receivable, less allowances of \$1,061,010 and \$1,133,035 for	418,174	370,957
doubtful accounts Due from Auraria Higher Education	224,833	471,282
Center	610,104	
Interest receivable	2,513	8,505
Inventories and supplies (Note G) Deposits and prepaid expenses	1,166	1,296,693 11,077
Deposition and prepara empended		
Total unrestricted	3,425,590	3,903,626
Restricted:		
Cash on deposit with State Treasurer Amounts to be provided by State	1,590	337
General Fund	26,263	27,616
Accounts receivable	145,328	93,287
Total restricted	173,181	121,240

TOTAL	CURRENT	FUNDS	\$3,5
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# LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

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		JUNE 1983	30	), 1982
CURRENT FUNDS: Unrestricted:				
Accounts payable	\$	123,736	\$	•
Accrued expenses		23,411		41,710
Due to other funds				162,809
Due to other state agencies and		272 102		105 100
funds Due to Consortium of State		373,123		105,103
Colleges		356,853		296,712
Notes payable to State Treasurer				757,008
Deferrea revenue	1	,640,136	]	L,533,725
Compensated absence liability				
(Note D)		519,540		
Fund balances (deficits):				
Auxiliary enterprise - Auraria Book				
Center (Note G)				(223,745)
Allocated for compensated absence liability		(519, 540)		
Unallocated		908,331		797,388
Total fund balances		388,791		573,643
		3007732	-	3737013
Total unrestricted	3	,425,590		3,903,626
Restricted:				
Accounts payable		86,344		14,592
Accrued expenses		45,905		55,989
Due to State Treasurer		25,313		23,933
Fund balance		15,619		26,726
Total restricted		173,181		121,240
TOTAL CURRENT FUNDS	<u>\$3</u>	,598,771	5	4,024,866

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### METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

# BALANCE SHEETS

# ASSETS

	JUNE	<u> </u>
LOAN FUNDS:	<del></del>	
Cash on deposit with State Treasurer Due from U. S. government Loans receivable, less allowances of \$741,031 and \$721,662 for doubtful	\$ 18,370 	\$ 12,344 9,223
loans	3,067,784	3,094,323
TOTAL LOAN FUNDS	\$3,086,154	\$3,115,890
PLANT FUND: Leasehold improvements (Note G) Equipment Land and buildings		\$ 54,316 2,796,826 59,900
TOTAL PLANT FUND	<u>\$2,879,271</u>	<u>\$2,911,042</u>
AGENCY FUNDS: Cash on deposit with State Treasurer Due from other funds	\$ 163,127	\$    5,105 162,809
TOTAL AGENCY FUNDS	<u>\$ 163,127</u>	<u>\$ 167,914</u>

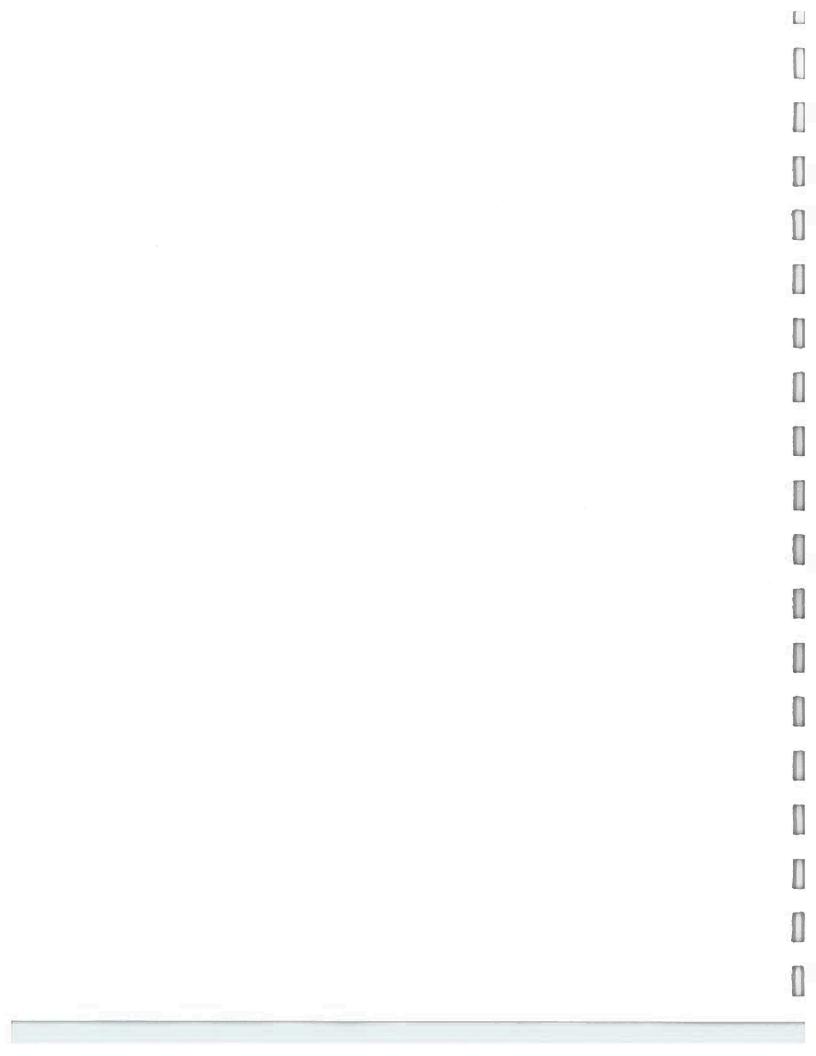
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# LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

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	JUNE 1983	30, 1982
LOAN FUNDS: Due to State Treasurer Fund balances: U. S. government grants refundable Other loan funds Total fund balances	<del></del>	
TOTAL LOAN FUNDS	\$3,086,154	\$3,115,890
PLANT FUND: Investment in plant	<u>\$2,879,271</u>	<u>\$2,911,042</u>
AGENCY FUNDS: Deposits held in custody for others	<u>\$ 163,127</u>	<u>\$ 167,914</u>



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			STATEMENTS	OF CHANGES I	STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES	SI				
			YEARS ENI	0E 300 030'	YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982					
			CURRENT FUNDS	FUNDS		1982				
	STATE APPROPRIATION FUNDED	AUXILIARY AND SELF- FUNDED	TOTAL	RESTRICTED	TOTAL	TOTAL	LOAN FUNDS 1983 1982	11	PLAN'T FUND INVESTMENT IN PLANT 1983 1982	FUND IN PLANT 1982
D OTHER ADDITIONS: ted Current Fund		-				C00 010 010	ŧ			;
revenues Foderal grants and	216'860'12\$	\$1,310,300	\$17'NT6'N7\$	<b>h</b>	717'NT5'07¢					
contracis, restricted State grants and contracts.	!	-	1	2,842,414	2,842,414	2,839,111	;	1	!	1
restricted and out of the	ł	ţ	ł	1,516,732	1,516,732	1,114,911	20,220	20,334	1	I
FLIVALE GILLS, GLAILS ANU Contracts, restricted 11. S. government advances -	1	1	ļ	63,103	63,103	22,291	4,299	5,142	1	ł
National Defense Education	ł	1	1	;	1	ł	189,616	183,004	:	ł
Interest income	1	!	!	1	ł	1	62,453	65,094		:
Donated property Expended for plant facilities	1 1 1 1	11	11			::		: :	243,242	198,151
Proceeds from transfer of bookstore to Auraria Higher Foundation Center (Note G)	; ,	223.745	223.745	ł	223.745	;	1	1	1	;
Total revenues and other additions	27,093,912	1,540,105	28,634,017	4,422,249	33,056,266	34,907,205	276,588	273,574	246,619	198,151
EXPENDITURES AND OTHER										
DEDUCTIONS: Education and general	900 cct tc	992 901 L	123 015 55	870 8CC W	06 556 630	080 FID FC	:	:	;	ł
expenditures Auxiliarv enterprise	21,122,800	CO/ 'CAT'T	1/C'916'77	4,230,000	cca'acc'az	600 1CTC 1C7		}	ł	
expenditures expenditures Campus shared costs (Note B) Indirect costs recovered	) 5,572,476	111	5,572,476	128  68,218	128 5,572,476 68,218	5,420,837 4,617,250 70,519		111	111	
Cancellation of loan principal and interest	:	;	1	:	ł	1	223,706	187,988	;	1
Administrative costs reimbursed	ł	1	I	32,913	32,913	37,415	27,015	24,160	1	ł
Collection costs	;;	: :		;;	: :	11	16,722	18,898	109,845	98,625
Transfer of bookstore										
200		9,652	 149,213	94,029	243,242	198,151	11	11	168,545	11
Transfer to Consortium of State Colleges	356,853	;	356,853	1	356,853	296,712	:	:	ł	ł
Repayment to federal government	1	;	;	•	:	:	16,814		1	:
Total expenditures and other deductions	27,191,696	1,205,417	28, 397, 113	4,433,356	32,830,469	34, 553, 973	284,257	231,046	278,390	98,625
Net increase (decrease) for year	(97,784)	334,688	236,904	(11,107)	225,797	353,232	(7,669)	42,528	(177,16)	99,526
Cumulative effect of recognizing compensated absence liability for prior years (Note D)	(421,756)	-	(421,756)	1	(421,756)		1	:	ľ	:
Net increase (decreáse) after recognizing cumulative effect of compensated absence liability for prior years	(519,540)	334,688	(184,852)	(11,107)	(195,959)	353, 232	(1,669)	42,528	(31,771)	99,526
Fund balances at beginning of year	-	573,643	573, 643	26,726	600,369	247,137	3,093,823	3,051,295	2,911,042	2,811,516
Fund balances at end of year	\$ (519,540)	\$ 908,333	191.281.791	\$ 15,619	\$ 404.410	<u>\$ 600,369</u>	\$3,086,154	\$3,093,823	\$2,879,271	\$2,911,042
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### METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

# STATEMENTS OF CURRENT FUND REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND OTHER CHANGES

# YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982

	UNRESTRICTED 1983			1982	RESTR	ICTED	TOTAL		
	STATE APPROPRIATION FUNDED	AUXILIARY AND SELF- FUNDED	TOTAL	TOTAL	1983	1982	1983	1982	
S AND OTHER ADDITIONS: on appropriations al grants and contracts (Note F) grants and contracts te gifts, grants and contracts sources and services of auxiliary rprises (Note G) al revenues	\$ 9,702,884 17,311,493 68,218  11,317 	\$ 748,831  69,272 18,155 299,357 180,745 	<pre>\$ 9,702,884 748,831 17,311,493 137,490 18,155 299,357 192,062 28,410,272</pre>	\$ 7,953,593 694,575 16,085,327 141,188 17,408 366,234 188,209 5,484,358 30,930,892	\$ 2,781,545 1,541,944 41,649  4,365,138	\$ 2,767,740 1,089,699 30,003  3,887,442	\$ 9,702,884 748,831 17,311,493 2,919,035 1,560,099 341,006 192,062	\$ 7,953,593 694,575 16,085,327 2,908,928 1,107,107 396,237 188,209 5,484,358 34,818,334	
TURES, AND MANDATORY TRANSFERS D): tion and general: truction earch lic service idemic support ident services stitution support .lding renovations lorships and grants 'otal educations and general ions to equipment Is shared costs (Note B) .iary enterprise (Note G) ifer to Consortium of ce Colleges	14,419,257 101,795 1,831,059 1,724,518 2,999,295 46,882 	123,468  102,424 27,807 842,108 99,958  1,195,765 9,652 	14,542,725 204,219 1,858,866 2,566,626 3,099,253 46,882 22,318,571 149,213 5,572,476  356,853	13,314,565 135,684 1,607,730 2,260,683 2,735,660 12,978 	991,424 7,196 250,504 27,599 382,555 127,840  2,483,863 4,270,981 94,029  128	943,898 19,873 233,983 5,273 388,163 54,696  2,237,317 3,883,203 4,239 	15,534,149 7,196 454,723 1,886,465 2,949,181 3,227,093 46,882 2,483,863 26,589,552 243,242 5,572,476 128 356,853	14,258,463 19,873 369,667 1,613,003 2,648,846 2,790,356 12,978 2,237,317 23,950,503 198,152 4,617,250 5,420,837 296,712	
al expenditures and mandatory cansfers	27,191,696	1,205,417	28,397,113	30,596,012	4,365,138	3,887,442	32,762,251	34,483,454	

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#### METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982

#### A. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

The financial statements of the College are presented in accordance with fund accounting guidelines in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' guide, <u>Audits of</u> <u>Colleges and Universities</u>, as modified in 1975 by the National Association of Colleges and University Business Officers' publication, <u>College and University Business</u> Administration.

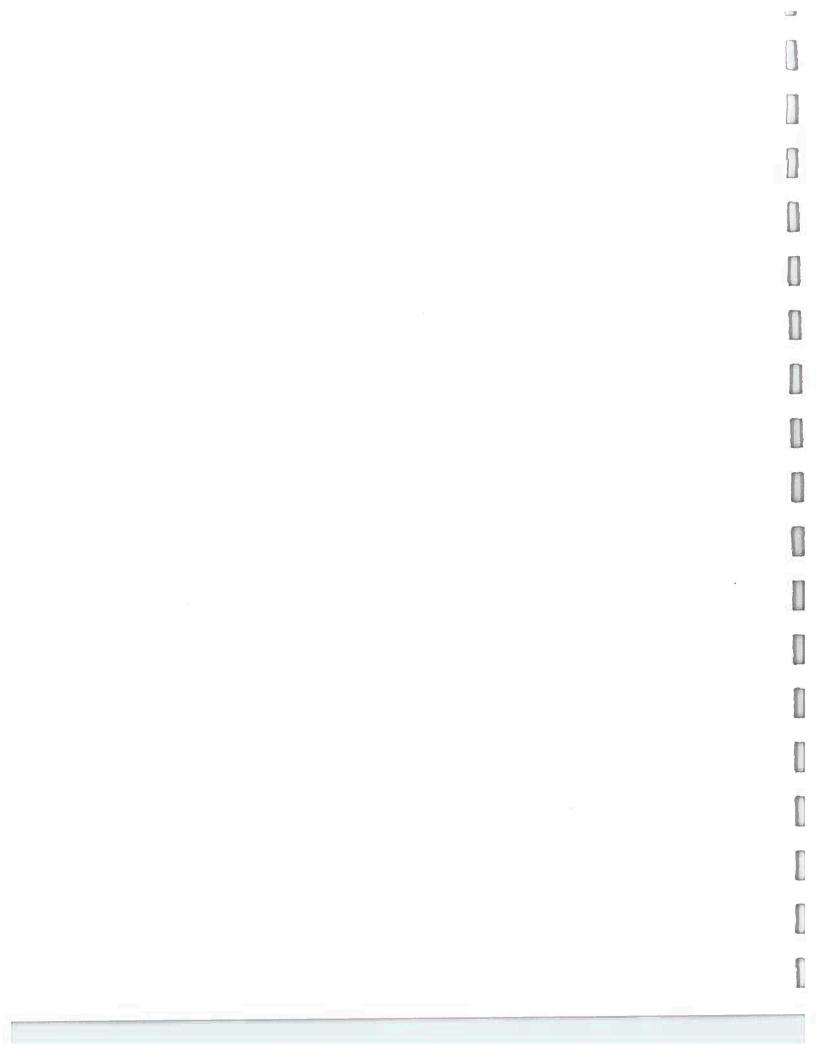
The College is an agency of the State of Colorado. Its operations and activities are funded primarily through state appropriations. Earned revenues in excess of related appropriated amounts are transferred to the Consortium of State Colleges.

Summer session tuition and expenditures are deferred to the subsequent year's operations.

Revenues from sponsored programs are recognized to the extent of expenditures incurred. Amounts received in excess of expenditures are included as additions to fund balances during the year and may be subject to repayment if additional program expenditures are not made. Funds relating to sponsored programs restricted by the State of Colorado and its agencies have been classified as Current Restricted Funds.

Interest on loans to students is recognized as income when received.

Plant Fund assets are recorded at acquisition cost or fair value at date of acquisition. Depreciation on these assets is not recorded. When Current Funds are used to finance additions and normal replacement of movable equipment in Plant Fund assets, the acquisition costs are accounted for as expenditures in Current Funds.



#### METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982

#### B. Campus Shared Costs:

Details of the College's portion of Campus Shared Costs for the fiscal years ended June 30, 1983 and 1982, respectively, are as follows:

	YEAR ENDED	JUNE 30,
	1983	1982
Administration of Auraria Higher Education Center and operation and maintenance of plant Library and Media Center Computer services	\$3,217,836 1,760,843 593,797	\$2,516,750 1,545,549 554,951
	\$5,572,476	\$4,617,250

#### C. Retirement Program Costs:

All qualifying employees of the College are enrolled in the Colorado Public Employees Retirement Association (PERA) as a condition of employment. Costs of this program were \$1,971,704 and \$1,873,448 for the years ended June 30, 1983 and 1982, respectively.

#### D. Compensated Absences for Annual and Sick Leave:

Prior to June 30, 1982, the College followed the common practice of accounting for the costs of employees' annual and sick leave in the period when paid. Effective July 1, 1982, the College changed from the cash to the accrual basis of accounting for such leave, to comply with Financial Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 43.

Recording the liability for compensated absences results in fund balance deficits which will be funded by state appropriations, federal funds, or other fund sources available in future years when the liability is to be paid. Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 1983 include \$97,784 representing the increase in the estimated compensated absence liability.

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#### METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982

#### D. Compensated Absences for Annual and Sick Leave (Continued):

College employees may accrue annual and sick leave based on length of service but subject to certain limitations on the amount which will be paid upon termination. The estimated cost of compensated absences for which employees are vested is as follows:

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30,	ANNUAL LEAVE	SICK LEAVE	COMBINED
1983	\$512,577	\$6,963	\$519,540
1982	\$415,922	\$5,834	\$421,756

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### E. Metropolitan State College Foundation, Incorporated:

Metropolitan State College Foundation, Incorporated (the Foundation) is a not-for-profit corporation formed to promote the welfare, development, growth and well-being of Metropolitan State College. The Foundation engages in activities that may be beyond the scope of the Trustees of the Consortium of State Colleges in Colorado.

The Foundation is a separate entity from Metropolitan State College and no public funds are allocated directly for budgetary support. Affairs and management of the Foundation are controlled by a Board of Directors and an executive committee. Accounting records of the Foundation are maintained by the College's accounting personnel.

The accompanying financial statements do not include the accounts of the Foundation, whose accumulated total assets were approximately \$141,000 and \$115,000 at June 30, 1983 and 1982, respectively.

### F. Contingent Liabilities:

Amounts expended under the terms of certain federal grants are subject to audit and possible adjustment by agencies of the federal government. C. 

### METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982

### G. Auraria Book Center:

The Auraria Book Center was transferred to the Auraria Higher Education Center as of July 1, 1982. Accordingly, these financial statements do not include the financial position of the Auraria Book Center at June 30, 1983, nor the results of its operations for the year then ended.

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#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Our examination was made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements of Metropolitan State College for the year ended June 30, 1983, taken as a whole. The information on the following pages is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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Certified Public Accountants

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# STATE OF COLORADO

# METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

# RECONCILIATION OF ALLOCATED APPROPRIATION FUNDING SOURCES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENT REVENUES

# YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1983

	GENERAL FUND	CASH FUND	TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	SPONSORED PROGRAMS AND OTHER RESTRICTED FUNDS	TOTAL
Allocated appropriation funding	\$16,952,569	\$ 9,391,498	\$26,344,067	\$	\$26,344,067
Sponsored-program allocation from Consortium of State Colleges General Fund and augmenting revenue suplemental	10,561		10,561		10,561
appropriations	348,363	368,000	716,363		716,363
State grants and contracts		18,155	18,155	1,541,944	1,560,099
Federal contracts and grants		69,272	69,272	2,781,545	2,850,817
Over-realized augmenting revenue	600 000	22,921	22,921	1990 Mills	22,921
Student fees		748,831	748,831		748,831
Other student activity sources		180,745	180,745		180,745
Private gifts, grants and contracts		299,357	299,357	41,649	341,006
Financial statement revenues	<u>\$17,311,493</u>	<u>\$11,098,779</u>	<u>\$28,410,272</u>	<u>\$4,365,138</u>	<u>\$32,775,410</u>

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# METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

# SCHEDULE OF ALLOCATED APPROPRIATIONS, EXPENDITURES AND TRANSFERS

# YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 1983

	ALLOCATED APPROPRIATION	SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS	TOTAL APPROPRIATION	EXPENDITURES
Professional staff Support staff Other current expenses Travel Administration Student services	\$13,953,745 1,488,536 686,077 58,568 1,741,441 1,822,919	\$679,535  3,000 (3,000) (40,000) 60,000	\$14,633,280 1,488,536 689,077 55,568 1,701,441 1,882,919	\$14,556,904 1,488,051 681,369 52,668 1,701,119 1,885,817
ADP operations Public services Consortium programs Capital outlay Campus shared costs	639,404 104,128 225,329 5,623,920	(20,000) 10,561 	619,404 104,128 10,561 225,329 5,660,748	599,458 101,795 8,743 186,443 5,572,476
Total allocated appropriations	\$26,344,067	<u>\$726,924</u>	<u>\$27,070,991</u>	
Total appropriated expenditures				26,834,843
Non-appropriated expenditures: Student activities Sponsored programs Transfers to Consortium of State Colleges				791,084 414,333 356,853
Total expenditures and tranfers Current Unrestricted Fund	-			<u>\$28,397,113</u>

Touche Ross & Co.

October 31, 1983

Legislative Audit Committee State Capitol Denver, Colorado

#### Re: Metropolitan State College

We have examined the financial statements of Metropolitan State College for the year ended June 30, 1983, and have issued our report thereon dated October 31, 1983. As part of our examination, we made a study and evaluation of the College's system of internal accounting control to the extent we considered necessary to evaluate the system as required by generally accepted auditing standards. The purpose of our study and evaluation was to determine the nature, timing and extent of the auditing procedures necessary for expressing an opinion on the College's financial statements. Our study and evaluation was more limited than would be necessary to express an opinion on the system of internal accounting control taken as a whole.

The management of Metropolitan State College is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of internal accounting control. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of control procedures. The objective of a system is to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Because of inherent limitations in any system of internal accounting control, errors or irregularities may nevertheless occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of the system to future periods is subject to the risk that procedures may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the procedures may deteriorate.

Our study and evaluation made for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph would not necessarily disclose all material weaknesses in the system. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the system of internal accounting control of Metropolitan State College taken as a whole. Our study and evaluation disclosed no material weaknesses.

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Certified Public Accountants

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#### CURRENT-YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS

### Finding (1):

The tuition receivable subsidiary ledger included University of Colorado receivables.

#### Recommendation (1):

The tuition receivable data processing program should be changed to eliminate University of Colorado students.

#### College's Response(1):

To be implemented February 23, 1984.

### Finding (2):

The Computer Services Department has received approval to acquire an in-house computer and convert application processing from GGCC to in-house operations. The current system of internal controls over data processing operations includes several key controls implemented at GGCC such as back-up and recovery processing, transfer of programs from test to production status, operator instructions and equipment maintenance.

#### Recommendation (2):

- A. A detailed action plan should be prepared for management's use to monitor the progress of the conversion. This plan should include activities to be completed, estimated completion dates and assignment of responsibilities. Major activities should include:
  - Hiring personnel.
  - Training new personnel and retraining current personnel.
  - Developing operating procedures and controls.
  - Conversion of each application.
  - Vendor equipment contract negotiation and approval.
  - Preparing the facility.
  - Installing and testing equipment.

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#### CURRENT-YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS

#### (Continued)

- B. User department managers should participate in planning for the conversion by performing the following procedures:
  - Review and approval of back-up and recovery procedures to be implemented.
  - Management and control of data file conversions.
  - Testing the converted applications on the new equipment.

#### College's Response(2):

Recommendation A to be implemented April 1, 1984. Recommendation B to be implemented April 1, 1985.

### Finding (3):

The Computer Services Department's customer coordinator prepares a monthly report for the Director, listing each processing failure which occurs and the corrective action taken. Our review of this report revealed that GGCC operators occasionally correct job control language errors and reprocess the program without consulting the Department. This action, while serving to expedite processing, has not been authorized by the College and may result in processing errors.

#### Recommendation (3):

- A. The Director of the Computer Service Department should review the circumstances in which GGCC operators take these unauthorized actions and establish a policy which permits this action only in circumstances the Department determines to be acceptable.
- B. A formal agreement should be established with GGCC to reflect the policy of the College.

College's Response (3):

Recommendations to be implemented March 1, 1984.

# Finding (4):

The College has indicated that systems development efforts are more difficult and take longer to complete than they should because the roles and responsibilities of the developers are not clearly defined. The College has a standard for systems development and documentation but it does not include a description of how systems development efforts should be managed on a day-to-day basis.

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#### CURRENT-YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS

#### (Continued)

#### Recommendation (4):

The College should consider adopting a standard methodology for managing the systems development process which includes a project team organization. For example, each system development effort is a project. Each project should have a project team, a project director and a project work plan. Members of the team should be assigned to the project during a project's life and, for project responsibilities, should report to the project director. The project director should have authority for defining the responsibilities of the team members and directing their day-today project activities, for developing the project work plan and for managing the project to completion.

#### College's Response (4):

Recommendation to be implemented March 1, 1984.

### Finding (5):

The user department managers do not have contingency plans for recovery processing in the event of an interruption in service or an unexpected failure requiring reprocessing. During the last year an undetected computer program error made it necessary to reload an historical file and reprocess transaction batches to recover. The recovery was delayed and was more expensive to complete than it should have been because neither the user nor the assigned systems analyst knew what archival files were available, and plans for reprocessing had not been made in advance.

#### Recommendation (5):

- A. User departments and their assigned systems analysts should develop written contingency plans for each application. The plans should identify the back-up computer files available for recovery processing, the transactions to be reprocessed and their location, and the control procedures to be used to ensure the accuracy and completeness of reprocessing.
- B. The contingency plans should be tested at least once each year to ensure that changes in manual or data processing operations have not made them unworkable.

College's Response (5):

Recommendations to be implemented September 1, 1984.

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### PRIOR-YEAR RECOMMENDATIONS AND DISPOSITIONS

Disposition of recommendations made by Touche Ross & Co. following its examination of the financial statements for the year ended June 30, 1982 has been as follows:

	RECOMMENDATION	DISPOSITION
1.	Written contingency plans should be prepared.	Implemented. Computer Services has developed a written agreement with CCD to provide a back-up processing facility.
2.	Contingency plans should include user procedures.	Not implemented. See current- year recommendation, finding number 5.
3.	Contingency plans should be reviewed and approved by users.	Partially implemented. The arrangement for an alternative processing facility was presented to users but was not formally approved.
4.	Contingency plans should be tested annually.	Partially implemented. The Director of Computer Services says the alternative processing facility will be tested annually. User procedures have not been defined; see 2 above.
5.	The back-up site should be tested annually.	Implemented.

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#### STATE OF COLORADO

#### METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE

#### YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 1983 AND 1982

### ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS

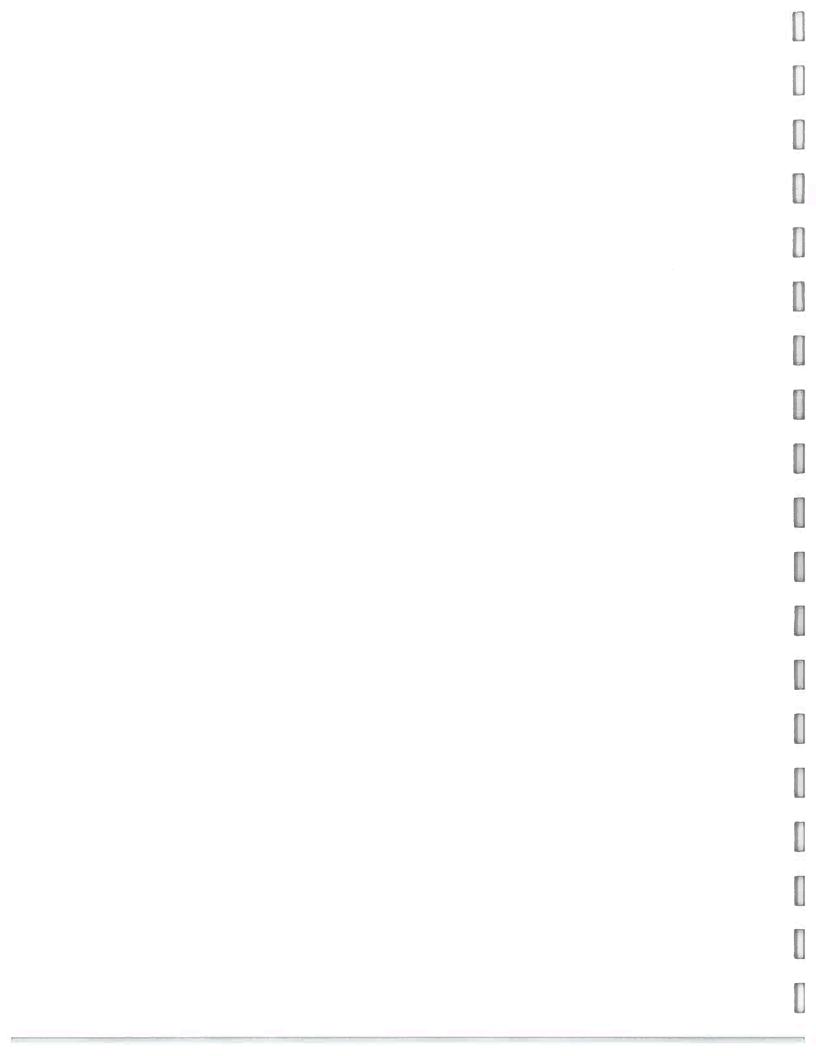
#### ROLE AND MISSION OF THE COLLEGE

Colorado Revised Statutes 1963, Section 23, Article 54, paragraphs 1-5, provide for the creation of Metropolitan State College (MSC) as part of the State's college system. The Statutes clearly define MSC as a four-year, undergraduate institution offering degree programs in a variety of arts and sciences and professional and semi-professional areas. They also stipulate that the institution is "to serve the needs for higher education in the Denver metropolitan area, as well as the State of Colorado generally."

Since its original chartering, MSC has become a large-scale, comprehensive, urban undergraduate college that offers, in addition to its traditional programs in the arts, sciences and professional fields, an opportunity for the non-traditional student to further his or her education. Together with the Community College of Denver-Auraria, Metropolitan State College continues to develop levels so these students may be able to overcome their particular learning disabilities and to perform at college level.

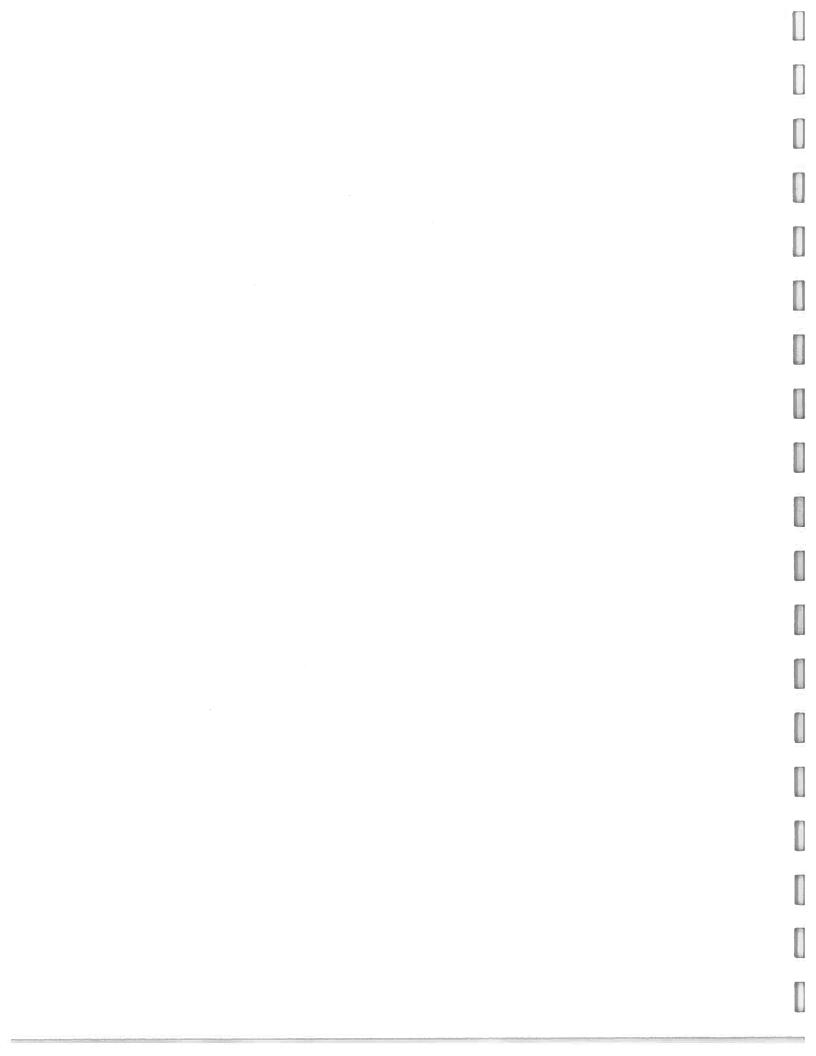
It is the College's role and mission to provide a variety of academic opportunities to the urban student, and to offer both enrichment and special courses as a member of both the Consortium of State Colleges - the governing Board of the College, and the Auraria Higher Education Center. Further, the College is called upon to provide resident instruction throughout the four counties that comprise metropolitan Denver.

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15	28.	User department manager's should participate in planning for the conversion by performing the following procedures:	See comment on page 15			April 1, 1985		
		- Review and approval of back-up and recovery procedures to be implemented.		8				
		- Management and control of data file conversions.						
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<b>12</b>	ЗА.	The Director of the Computer Service Department should review the circumstances in which GGCC operators take these un- authorized actions and establish a policy which permits this action only in circumstances the Department determines to be acceptable.				March 1, 1984		
	38.	A formal agreement should be established with GGCC to reflect the policy of the College.				March 1, 1984		
	4	The College should consider adopting a standard methodology for managing the systems development process which includes a project team organization. For example, each system development effort is a pro- ject. Each project should have a project team, a project director and a project work plan. Members of the team should be assigned to the project during a project's life and, for project responsibilities,	See comment on page 16			March 1, 1984	•	
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16	4.	should report to the project director. The project director should have authority for defining the responsibili- ties of the team members and directing their day-to-day project activities, for developing the project work plan and for managing the project to completion.	See comment on page 16		8			
16	5A.	User departments and their assigned systems analysts should develop written contingency plans for each application. The plans should identify the back-up computer files available for recovery processing, the transactions to be re- processed and their location, and the control procedures to be used to ensure the accuracy and completeness of re- processing.	1			September 1, 1984		
16	58.	The contingency plans should be tested at least once each year to ensure that changes in manual or data processing operations have not made them unworkable.				September 1, 1984		
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