

**MARITIME COLLEGE OF FOREST TECHNOLOGY**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2015**

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July 27, 2015

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To The Board of Governors  
Maritime College of Forest Technology

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Maritime College of Forest Technology as at April 30, 2015 which comprise the statement of net assets and the statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended.

#### **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 to the financial statements, 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.

#### **Auditors' 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 to 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 judgment, 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, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Maritime College of Forest Technology as at April 30, 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.

Fredericton, New Brunswick

*Shannon & Buffett LLP*  
Chartered Professional Accountants

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**STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS**

**APRIL 30, 2015 WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 2014**

	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
<b><u>ASSETS</u></b>		
Current:		
Unrestricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,846	\$ 972,104
Cash and cash equivalents internally restricted for equipment replacement	239,216	125,306
Cash and cash equivalents internally restricted for prizes and donations	110,182	100,546
Cash and cash equivalents internally restricted for retiring allowance	181,920	223,560
Accounts receivable (note 2)	133,392	100,221
Prepaid expenses	<u>13,790</u>	<u>13,860</u>
	702,346	1,535,597
Capital assets (note 3)	<u>585,456</u>	<u>703,995</u>
	<b><u>\$ 1,287,802</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,239,592</u></b>
<b><u>LIABILITIES</u></b>		
Current:		
Demand loan (note 4)	\$ -	\$ 8,160
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 5)	144,152	115,065
Deferred revenue	<u>36,342</u>	<u>1,049,566</u>
	180,494	1,172,791
Employee future benefits (note 6)	<u>181,920</u>	<u>223,560</u>
	362,414	1,396,351
total liabilities	<u>362,414</u>	<u>1,396,351</u>
<b><u>NET ASSETS</u></b>		
Unrestricted net assets	(9,466)	(86,606)
Net assets invested in capital assets	585,456	703,995
Net assets internally restricted for equipment replacement	239,216	125,306
Net assets internally restricted for prizes and donations	<u>110,182</u>	<u>100,546</u>
	<u>925,388</u>	<u>843,241</u>
	<b><u>\$ 1,287,802</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 2,239,592</u></b>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Approved by the Board:

Director

Director

**Shannon & Buffett, LLP**  
Chartered Accountants

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**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**

**YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2015 WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 2014**

	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
<b>Revenues:</b>		
Government grants, operating	\$ 2,069,736	\$ 2,029,153
Government grants, restricted operating	35,565	35,565
Government grants, renovations	18,913	22,632
Student academic fees, regular	528,132	508,151
Student academic fees, continuing education	140,980	114,151
Operations	944	7,871
Miscellaneous revenues (note 8)	284,063	300,653
Ancillary enterprises	684,862	629,256
Interest income	<u>5,116</u>	<u>2,202</u>
	<u>3,768,311</u>	<u>3,649,634</u>
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Academic	1,172,191	1,240,738
Administration	655,329	697,673
Plant maintenance and operations	661,684	689,020
Bathurst School - operating	402,259	406,533
Operations	45,407	58,274
Miscellaneous	42,129	48,116
Major repairs and alterations	18,913	22,632
Employee future benefits	(41,640)	(101,030)
Ancillary enterprises	<u>611,272</u>	<u>569,874</u>
	<u>3,567,544</u>	<u>3,631,830</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses before amortization and gain on sale of capital assets	<u>200,767</u>	<u>17,804</u>
Amortization of capital assets	(127,950)	(142,544)
Gain on disposal of capital assets	<u>9,330</u>	<u>1,500</u>
	<u>(118,620)</u>	<u>(141,044)</u>
<b>Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses</b>	<b><u>\$ 82,147</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (123,240)</u></b>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS**

**YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2015 WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 2014**

	<u>Net Assets Internally Restricted for Prizes and Donations</u>	<u>Net Assets Internally Restricted for Equipment Replacement</u>	<u>Net Assets Invested in Capital Assets</u>	<u>Unrestricted Net Assets</u>	<u>2015 Total</u>	<u>2014 Total</u>
Balance, beginning of year	\$ 100,546	\$ 125,306	\$ 703,995	\$ (86,606)	\$ 843,241	\$ 966,481
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	9,636	113,910	(118,620)	77,221	82,147	(123,240)
Transfer to (from) unrestricted net assets	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>(81)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Balance, end of year	<u>\$ 110,182</u>	<u>\$ 239,216</u>	<u>\$ 585,456</u>	<u>\$ (9,466)</u>	<u>\$ 925,388</u>	<u>\$ 843,241</u>

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**

**YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2015 WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR 2014**

	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
<b>CASH GENERATED FROM (USED IN):</b>		
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	\$ 82,147	\$ (123,240)
Items not requiring a cash outlay:		
Amortization	127,950	142,544
Gain on disposal of capital assets	(9,330)	(1,500)
Employee future benefits	<u>(41,640)</u>	<u>(101,030)</u>
	159,127	(83,226)
Net change in current assets and liabilities other than cash:		
Accounts receivable	(33,171)	14,005
Prepaid expenses	70	63,723
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	29,087	11,800
Deferred revenue	(1,013,224)	1,011,396
Demand loan	<u>(8,160)</u>	<u>8,160</u>
	<u>(866,271)</u>	<u>1,025,858</u>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Acquisition of capital assets, net of capital grants	(13,096)	(9,363)
Proceeds from disposal of capital assets	<u>13,015</u>	<u>1,500</u>
	<u>(81)</u>	<u>(7,863)</u>
<b>INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH, in the year</b>	(866,352)	1,017,995
<b>CASH, beginning of year</b>	<u>1,421,516</u>	<u>403,521</u>
<b>CASH, end of year</b>	\$ <u><u>555,164</u></u>	\$ <u><u>1,421,516</u></u>
<b>CASH CONSISTS OF:</b>		
Unrestricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,846	\$ 972,104
Cash and cash equivalents internally restricted for equipment replacement	239,216	125,306
Cash and cash equivalents internally restricted for prizes and donations	110,182	100,546
Cash and cash equivalents internally restricted for retiring allowance	<u>181,920</u>	<u>223,560</u>
	\$ <u><u>555,164</u></u>	\$ <u><u>1,421,516</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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## **NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2015**

### **General:**

The Maritime College of Forest Technology, recognized internationally, provides training in technical, vocational and continuing education in Forestry. The College provides a residential environment and maximizes opportunities to teach in the forest. The College is a registered charity organization as described in paragraph 149 (1)(f) of the Income Tax Act and, as such, is not subject to income tax.

### **1. Significant accounting policies:**

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and include the following significant accounting policies:

#### **(a) Internally restricted funds – prizes and donations -**

The College receives gifts and donations from outside organizations and individuals for the purpose of awarding prizes to students. The Board of Governors has required that these funds, together with interest earned thereon be segregated and that all prizes be deemed to come from such segregated funds.

#### **(b) Internally restricted funds – equipment replacement -**

The Board of Governors has segregated funds for the purpose of replacing equipment and other capital assets approved by the Board. Interest earned on the funds is segregated and a portion of student academic fees is also accumulated for this purpose. Withdrawal from such funds is made when equipment and other capital assets, as approved by the Board, are acquired from general operating funds.

#### **(c) Internally restricted funds – retiring allowances -**

The Board of Governors has segregated funds for the purpose of paying allowances for employees who retire or go on long-term disability. Interest earned on the funds is segregated and is also accumulated for this purpose.

#### **(d) Revenue recognition -**

The deferral method of accounting for contributions is followed. Contributions for capital assets are capitalized when received and amortized using the same rates of amortization as the assets to which they relate. Externally restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable, if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Pledged amounts are not recorded until received.



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**1. Significant accounting policies (continued):**

**(e) Cash and cash equivalents -**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, balances with banks and temporary money market instruments.

**(f) Capital assets -**

All significant additions are recorded at cost. Donated assets are recorded at the cost amount to the donor where this is reasonably determinable or otherwise at the estimated fair market value at the time the gift is made.

Amortization is calculated on the straight line basis at the following annual rates:

Leasehold improvements	-	5%
Furniture and equipment	-	10%
Vehicles and rolling stock	-	20%
Computers and GPS equipment	-	25%

Capital grants received to finance capital asset acquisitions are netted against the cost of the related asset and amortization is calculated on a net basis.

**(g) Deferred revenue -**

The balance consists of regular and continuing education student fees received during the year but applicable to future periods.

**(h) Accounting estimates -**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations required management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements and the accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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**1. Significant accounting policies (continued):**

**(i) Financial instruments -**

**(i) Measurement of financial instruments**

The College initially measures its financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value adjusted by, in the case of a financial instrument that will not be measured subsequently at fair value, the amount of transaction costs.

The College subsequently measures all of its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost. Changes in fair value are recognized in the statement of operations in the period incurred.

**(ii) Impairment**

At the end of each reporting period the College assesses whether there are any indications that the financial asset measured at amortized cost may be impaired.

When there is an indication of impairment, the College determines whether a significant adverse change has occurred during the period in the expected timing or amount of future in cash flows from the financial asset. Where there is a significant adverse change, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced and the impairment loss is recognized in the statement of operations.

**(iii) Transaction costs**

Transaction costs are recognized in the statement of operations in the period incurred, except for the financial instruments that will be subsequently measured at amortized costs.

**2. Accounts receivable:**

Accounts receivable are comprised of the following as at April 30:

	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
Students	\$ 4,144	\$ 1,417
Accrued interest	4,291	1,468
Other amounts	129,211	101,790
Allowance for doubtful accounts	<u>(4,254)</u>	<u>(4,454)</u>
	<b><u>\$ 133,392</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 100,221</u></b>

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### **YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2015**

#### **3. Capital assets:**

	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Accumulated Amortization</b>	<b>2015 Net Book Value</b>	<b>2014 Net Book Value</b>
Leasehold improvements	\$ 687,568	\$ 295,312	\$ 392,256	\$ 427,146
Furniture and equipment	1,125,795	1,052,684	73,111	82,125
Vehicles and rolling stock	481,038	454,045	26,993	64,163
Computer and GPS equipment	<u>165,706</u>	<u>72,610</u>	<u>93,096</u>	<u>130,561</u>
	<u>\$ 2,460,107</u>	<u>\$ 1,874,651</u>	<u>\$ 585,456</u>	<u>\$ 703,995</u>

Capital assets are located on both the Fredericton and Bathurst campuses.

Leasehold improvements relate to buildings on the Fredericton campus including the academic building, student residences (2), workshop/vehicle maintenance building, staff houses, field training building and training sawmill, as well as some start-up furniture and equipment. These buildings are owned by the Maritime Forestry Complex Corporation. In return for the College's initial contribution of funds to the construction of these capital assets, the Corporation agreed to lease the premises to the College until August 6, 2084 for an initial consideration of \$1. The College is responsible annually for its proportionate share of operating expenses paid by the Corporation.

#### **4. Demand loan:**

The demand loan bears interest at bank prime plus 2%. The loan was repaid in 2015.

#### **5. Accounts payable and accrued liabilities:**

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are comprised of the following as at April 30:

	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
Accounts payable	\$ 66,359	\$ 70,788
Accrued liabilities	72,835	40,731
Net HST	<u>4,958</u>	<u>3,546</u>
	<u>\$ 144,152</u>	<u>\$ 115,065</u>



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**6. Employee future benefits:**

The College is in the practice of paying an allowance to full-time employees with five or more years of service who retire or go on permanent long-term disability. The allowance is calculated as the present value of five day's pay for each full year of service to a maximum of 125 days. Present value of the future benefit is calculated using a discount factor (2015 – 2%, 2014 – 2%) which approximates the expected return on excess cash and cash equivalents. The allowance is only payable when employees retire or go on permanent long-term disability and payment is contingent on the practice being maintained and in force at the time.

The College amended its practice effective May 1, 2014. Employees will no longer earn additional days pay for future year's service. Any allowances owing to employee's at the time of discontinuance will be paid out upon retirement from the College at their rate of pay at that time.

**7. Other matters:**

In addition to unrestricted operating assistance received from the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission (MPHEC) each year, the College is allotted restricted operating assistance for non-space and alterations and renovations. The College must provide eligible receipts to be reimbursed for this funding. As at April 30, 2015, the MPHEC has allotted, in favour of the College, an uncommitted balance of \$18,791 for future non-space expenditures and \$34,552 for alteration and renovations expenditures as follows:

	<u>Non Space</u>	<u>Alterations &amp; Renovations</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance May 1, 2014	\$ 29,366	\$ 35,703	\$ 65,069
Add: Allotment for 2015	43,375	53,014	96,389
Less: Amounts claimed during the year	<u>(53,950)</u>	<u>(54,165)</u>	<u>(108,115)</u>
Balance April 30, 2015	<u>\$ 18,791</u>	<u>\$ 34,552</u>	<u>\$ 53,343</u>

The receivable from MPHEC is comprised of the following:

Receivable May 1, 2014	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Add: Claimed and accrued for 2015	53,950	54,165	108,115
Less: Amounts received during the year	<u>(53,950)</u>	<u>(54,165)</u>	<u>(108,115)</u>
Receivable April 30, 2015	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>



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**8. Miscellaneous revenues:**

	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
Facilities rental	\$ 61,841	\$ 67,720
Equipment rental	4,853	6,315
Other student fees	176,733	192,502
Donations	14,457	9,181
Other	<u>26,179</u>	<u>24,935</u>
	<b><u>\$ 284,063</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 300,653</u></b>

**9. Financial instruments:**

The College is exposed to the following various risks through its financial instruments:

**Credit risk -**

Credit risk is the risk that a party may default on their financial obligations to the College, or if there is a concentration of transactions carried out with the same party or a concentration of financial obligations which have similar economic characteristics that could be similarly affected by changes in economic conditions, such that the College could incur a financial loss.

The maximum exposure that the College has to credit risk as at April 30, 2015 is as follows:

	<b><u>2015</u></b>	<b><u>2014</u></b>
Unrestricted cash and cash equivalents	\$ 23,846	\$ 972,104
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	531,318	449,412
Accounts receivable	<u>133,392</u>	<u>100,221</u>
	<b><u>\$ 688,556</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,521,737</u></b>

Credit risk in cash, and restricted cash and term deposits is minimized by depositing cash in major Canadian financial institutions. Management minimizes credit risks in accounts receivable by dealing with selected known customers and affiliates of the College and close monitoring of accounts receivable balances. Accounts receivable includes \$73,408 due from a single federal government agency. The College expects collection will be delayed, but will be fully collected. Management believes that overall credit risk is minimal.

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**9. Financial instruments (continued):**

**Liquidity risk -**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the College will not be able to meet a demand for cash or fund its obligations as they come due.

The College meets its liquidity requirements by preparing an annual budget for operations, anticipating investing and financing activities and holding assets that can be readily converted into cash. The College holds significant cash reserves and investments throughout the year resulting from its semi-annual advances of the operating grant from the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission.

**Market risk -**

Market risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk is comprised of currency risk, interest rate risk and other price risk.

**Currency risk -**

Currency risk refers to the risk that the fair value of financial instruments or future cash flows associated with the instruments will fluctuate relative to the Canadian dollar due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The College does not normally transact a significant portion of its business in non-Canadian dollars and is not exposed to any significant currency risks.

**Interest rate risk -**

Interest rate risk refers to the risk that the fair value of financial instruments or future cash flows associated with instruments will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates.

The exposure of the College to interest rate risk arises from its interest bearing assets.

The College's cash includes amounts on deposit with financial institutions that earn interest at market rates. The College manages its exposure to the interest rate risk on its cash by maximizing the interest income earned on excess funds while maintaining the liquidity necessary to conduct operations on a day to day basis. Fluctuations in market rates of interest on cash do not presently have a significant impact on the College's results of operations.

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**9. Financial instruments (continued):**

**Other price risk -**

Other price risk refers to the risk that the fair value of financial instruments of future cash flows associated with the instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from currency risks or interest risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual instrument or its issuer or factors affecting similar instruments traded in the market.

The College is not presently exposed to any significant price risks on its financial instruments.

**Changes in risk -**

There have been no changes in the College's risk exposures from the prior year.