

**Dakota Ojibway Community
Futures Development
Corporation**

**Financial Statements
For the year ended March 31, 2014**

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation

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Independent Auditor's Report

**To the Members of
Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2014, and the statements of operations, fund balances and cash flows 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.

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 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 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 qualified audit opinion.



Basis for Qualified Opinion

Accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations require the disclosure of fair value for loans receivable and repayable interest funds. The fair value of these amounts has not been disclosed on the financial statements.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the limitations described in the above paragraph, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation as at March 31, 2014, 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "BDO Canada" with a stylized flourish at the end.

Chartered Accountants
Brandon, Manitoba
June 9, 2014

**Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Financial Position**

March 31

| | GENERAL | NON REPAYABLE | REPAYABLE | 2014 TOTAL | 2013 TOTAL |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Assets | | | | | |
| Current Assets | | | | | |
| Cash | \$ 30,545 | \$ 174,928 | \$ - | \$ 205,473 | \$ 57,653 |
| Restricted cash | - | - | 144,003 | 144,003 | 182,737 |
| Accounts receivable | 5,853 | - | - | 5,853 | 17,783 |
| Prepaid expenses | 2,375 | - | - | 2,375 | 2,332 |
| Loans receivable (Note 2) | - | 159,672 | 367,997 | 527,669 | 612,542 |
| | <u>\$ 38,773</u> | <u>\$ 334,600</u> | <u>\$ 512,000</u> | <u>\$ 885,373</u> | <u>\$ 873,047</u> |

Liabilities and Fund Balances

| | | | | | |
|--|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Current Liabilities | | | | | |
| Accounts payable (Note 3) | \$ 6,975 | \$ - | \$ - | \$ 6,975 | \$ 16,764 |
| Deferred revenue (Note 4) | 25,207 | - | - | 25,207 | 26,016 |
| | <u>32,182</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>32,182</u> | <u>42,780</u> |
| Repayable investment funds (Note 5) | | | | | |
| | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>144,003</u> | <u>144,003</u> | <u>44,082</u> |
| | <u>32,182</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>144,003</u> | <u>176,185</u> | <u>86,862</u> |
| Fund Balances | | | | | |
| | <u>6,591</u> | <u>334,600</u> | <u>367,997</u> | <u>709,188</u> | <u>786,185</u> |
| | <u>\$ 38,773</u> | <u>\$ 334,600</u> | <u>\$ 512,000</u> | <u>\$ 885,373</u> | <u>\$ 873,047</u> |

Director _____

Director _____

**Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Operations and Fund Balances**

For the year ended March 31, 2014

| | REVENUE | EXPENDITURES | SURPLUS (DEFICIT) | FUND BALANCE BEGINNING OF YEAR | FUND BALANCE END OF YEAR |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| GENERAL FUND | | | | | |
| Operations | \$ 309,685 | \$ 310,341 | \$ (656) | \$ 7,247 | \$ 6,591 |
| Special Projects | 119,223 | 119,223 | - | - | - |
| | <u>428,908</u> | <u>429,564</u> | <u>(656)</u> | <u>7,247</u> | <u>6,591</u> |
| NON-REPAYABLE LOAN FUND | | | | | |
| | <u>7,108</u> | <u>20</u> | <u>7,088</u> | <u>327,512</u> | <u>334,600</u> |
| REPAYABLE LOAN FUND | | | | | |
| Repayable Investment Fund | (29,424) | (38) | (29,386) | 113,894 | 84,508 |
| Youth Entrepreneur Fund | - | - | - | 130,817 | 130,817 |
| Disabled Entrepreneur Fund | (51,933) | 2,110 | (54,043) | 206,715 | 152,672 |
| | <u>(81,357)</u> | <u>2,072</u> | <u>(83,429)</u> | <u>451,426</u> | <u>367,997</u> |
| | <u>\$ 354,659</u> | <u>\$ 431,656</u> | <u>\$ (76,997)</u> | <u>\$ 786,185</u> | <u>\$ 709,188</u> |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Cash Flows

| <u>For the year ended March 31</u> | <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Cash Flows from Operating Activities | | |
| Surplus (deficit) for the year | \$ (76,997) | \$ 191,401 |
| Changes in non-cash working capital balances | | |
| Accounts receivable | 11,930 | 34,177 |
| Prepaid expenses | (43) | (1,582) |
| Accounts payable | (9,789) | (32,832) |
| Deferred revenue | (809) | 26,016 |
| | <u>1,289</u> | <u>25,779</u> |
| | <u>(75,708)</u> | <u>217,180</u> |
| Cash Flows from Investing Activities | | |
| Loans issued in year | <u>84,873</u> | <u>(217,734)</u> |
| Cash Flows from Financing Activities | | |
| Repayable investment funds | <u>99,921</u> | <u>(169,309)</u> |
| Increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents during the year | 109,086 | (169,863) |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year | <u>240,390</u> | <u>410,253</u> |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of year | <u>\$ 349,476</u> | <u>\$ 240,390</u> |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation

Notes to Financial Statements

March 31, 2014

1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

| | |
|------------------------------|--|
| Nature of Operations | Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation is an economic development corporation that invests in First Nations' entrepreneurs. The company was incorporated with no authorized share capital, to be carried on without gain to its members, with any profits to be used in furthering its undertaking. Upon the liquidation of the corporation, the net assets of the corporation shall be distributed to a corporation of similar undertaking. Any surplus it generates are non-taxable. |
| Basis of Accounting | These financial statements have been prepared using Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. |
| Financial Instruments | Financial instruments are recorded at fair value when acquired or issued. In subsequent periods, equities traded in an active market are reported at fair value, with any unrealized gains and losses reported in operations. All other financial instruments are reported at cost or amortized cost less impairment, if applicable. Financial assets are tested for impairment when changes in circumstances indicate the asset could be impaired. Transaction costs on the acquisition, sale or issue of financial instruments are expensed for those items remeasured at fair value at each statement of financial position date and charged to the financial instrument for those measured at amortized cost. |
| Fund Accounting | <p>In order to ensure observance of limitations and restrictions placed on use of resources available to the not-for-profit organization, the accounts are maintained on a fund accounting basis. Accordingly, resources are classified for accounting and reporting purposes into funds. These funds are held in accordance with the objectives specified by the contributors or in accordance with the directives issued by the Board of Directors.</p> <p>Three funds are maintained - unrestricted fund, restricted investment fund and invested in capital assets fund.</p> <p>The unrestricted fund accounts for the organization's program delivery and administrative activities. This fund reports unrestricted resources and restricted operating grants.</p> <p>The restricted investment fund accounts for the investment activities to promote new business or the expansion of existing businesses. Investment funds are segregated into repayable and non-repayable funds. These amounts are externally restricted by Western Economic Diversification.</p> |

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation

Notes to Financial Statements

March 31, 2014

1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Revenue Recognition

The organization follows the restricted fund method of accounting for restricted contributions. Restricted contributions related to general operations are recognized as revenue of the General Fund in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Funds received but not yet expended or funds expended but not yet received are included in the financial statements as incomplete projects.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the General Fund in the year received or receivable if the amount can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Investment income earned on the non-repayable portion of the Investment Fund is recognized as revenue in the Investment Fund when earned.

Repayable Investment Funds are recognized as liabilities when received.

Loans Receivable

Loans receivable are stated net of an allowance for loan impairment and net of any unearned interest.

Interest income is recorded on an accrual basis unless the loan is classified as an impaired loan. Loans receivable are considered to be impaired when, in management's opinion, there is a reasonable doubt as to the ultimate collectability of some portion of the principal or interest. When a loan is classified as impaired, recognition of interest in accordance with the original loan agreement ceases.

Impaired loans are recorded at their estimated realizable amounts.

Allowance For Impairment

The allowance for loan impairment is maintained in an amount considered adequate to absorb anticipated credit losses. This account is increased by the provision for impaired loans charged to income in the case of non-repayable investment fund loans or to the liability in the case of repayable investment fund loans, and reduced by write-offs, net of recoveries.

Specific provisions are established on a loan by loan basis to absorb losses on all doubtful accounts that have been identified as a result of the corporation's regular review of its loan portfolio.

Write-offs are recorded after all restructuring or collection activities have taken place and the possibility of further recovery is considered to be remote.

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Notes to Financial Statements

March 31, 2014

1. Nature of Operations and Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

Capital Assets Capital assets are not reflected on the statement of financial position but are expensed against the related funding. Accordingly, no amortization is charged. Capital assets purchased in the year totalled \$8,786 (2013 - \$nil).

Use of Estimates The preparation of financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from management's best estimates as additional information becomes available in the future.

Estimates are made by management regarding the allowance for doubtful loans.

Measurement Uncertainty The organization provides loans to small businesses. As the valuation of the underlying security cannot be ascertained with any degree of accuracy, measurement uncertainty exists in the valuation of loans and the allowance for loan impairment.

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March 31, 2014

2. Loans Receivable

Loans are receivable from various Aboriginal business ventures with various maturity dates not exceeding November 30, 2019. At March 31, 2014 there were 25 loans outstanding (23 in 2013). Interest rates range from 4.5 - 7% (2013 - 4.5 - 7%).

| | Loans Receivable | Allowance for Impairment | Net 2014 | Net 2013 |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Non-repayable loan fund | \$ 235,766 | \$ 104,737 | \$ 131,029 | \$ 132,474 |
| Youth entrepreneur fund | - | - | - | - |
| Disabled entrepreneur Investment fund | 189,329 | 17,609 | 171,720 | 225,762 |
| Equity investment | 198,530 | 2,253 | 196,277 | 225,663 |
| | 28,643 | - | 28,643 | 28,643 |
| | <u>\$ 652,268</u> | <u>\$ 124,599</u> | <u>\$ 527,669</u> | <u>\$ 612,542</u> |

3. Accounts Payable

There were no government remittances included in accounts payable at March 31, 2014.

4. Deferred Revenue

| | 2014 | 2013 |
|---------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Deferred revenue, opening | \$ 26,016 | \$ - |
| Deferred Recognized | 25,207 | 26,016 |
| | <u>(26,016)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| Deferred revenue, ending | <u>\$ 25,207</u> | <u>\$ 26,016</u> |

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation Notes to Financial Statements

March 31, 2014

5. Repayable Investment Funds

Investment funds are repayable to Western Economic Diversification Canada (WD) as follows:

| | <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Youth entrepreneur fund | \$ - | \$ - |
| Disabled entrepreneur fund | 86,798 | 27,741 |
| Repayable loan fund | 57,205 | 16,341 |
| | <u>\$ 144,003</u> | <u>\$ 44,082</u> |

The lesser of the uncommitted cash balance remaining or the original principle balance shall be repaid to WD at the request of the Minister.

6. Economic Dependence

The company receives a major portion of its revenues pursuant to a funding arrangement with Western Economic Diversification Canada.

7. Related Party Transactions

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation is related to Dakota Ojibway Tribal Council (DOTC) as their board of directors is appointed by the same group of Chief and Councils that appoint the Council of Chiefs that control DOTC. Administration fees were paid to DOTC in year for payroll services in the amount \$6,304 (2013 - \$6,582).

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation

Notes to Financial Statements

March 31, 2014

8. Financial Risk Management

There have been no substantive changes in the entity's exposure to financial instrument risks. The board monitors the financial statements including its financial instruments on a regular basis to determine if there any increases or changes in its risk.

The principal financial instruments used by the entity, from which financial risk arises, are as follows: cash, accounts receivable, loans receivable, and accounts payable.

Market Risk

Market risk is the risk the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Market risk comprises three types of risk: interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk and other price risk.

Interest rate risk is the risk that fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in market interest rates. The long-term investments of the entity are exposed to interest rate risk.

Foreign exchange risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate due to changes in foreign exchange rates. The entity is not exposed to foreign exchange risk.

Other price risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices, other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk. The entity is not exposed to other price risk.

Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the entity will encounter difficulty in having available sufficient funds to meet its commitments. It is the entity's policy to ensure that it will have sufficient cash and short term investments to allow it to meet its liabilities when they come due.

Credit Risk

Credit risk arises principally from receivables. The entity's receivables are the result of loans to small businesses. The credit risk is high. It is the entity's policy to assess the collectibility of the loans on a regular basis to appropriately account for uncollectible amounts.

9. Prior Year's Figures

The prior years figures have been adjusted to conform with current year presentation standards.



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Auditor's Comments on Supplementary Financial Information

To the Directors of
Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation

We have audited the financial statements of Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2014 and the statements of operations, fund balances and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and have issued our report thereon dated June 9, 2014 which contained a qualified opinion on those financial statements. The audit was performed to form an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The following schedules are presented for the purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the financial statements. Such supplementary information is the responsibility of management and was derived from the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements.

The supplementary information has been subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such supplementary information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Chartered Accountants

Brandon, Manitoba
June 9, 2014

**Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Operations - Operations
(Unaudited)**

| For the year ended March 31 | 2014 | | 2013 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Budget | Actual | Actual |
| Revenue | | | |
| Western Economic Diversification | \$ 302,483 | \$ 302,483 | \$ 302,483 |
| Recovery - other | - | 1,823 | 750 |
| Administration fees | 879 | 212 | 840 |
| Application fee | - | 125 | 225 |
| Summer Career Placement | 4,358 | 4,358 | 2,940 |
| Interest | 600 | 684 | 623 |
| | 308,320 | 309,685 | 307,861 |
| Expenditures, per schedule | 308,320 | 310,341 | 307,644 |
| Surplus (deficit) for year | \$ - | \$ (656) | \$ 217 |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Schedule of Expenditures - Operations
(Unaudited)

| For the year ended March 31 | 2014 | | 2013 |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | Budget | Actual | Actual |
| Administration | \$ 6,713 | \$ 6,304 | \$ 6,582 |
| Advertising | 2,320 | 2,270 | 2,000 |
| Application processing | - | 41 | 86 |
| Audit | 6,928 | 7,629 | 5,528 |
| Bank charges | - | 25 | - |
| Benefits | 26,667 | 26,708 | 29,184 |
| Board - travel/meetings | 13,200 | 12,043 | 10,095 |
| Computer maintenance | 7,400 | 6,460 | 1,644 |
| Dues and subscriptions | 4,507 | 3,985 | 4,125 |
| Equipment lease | 1,560 | 1,616 | 1,605 |
| Equipment purchase | 4,804 | 4,804 | - |
| GST | 118 | - | - |
| Insurance | 2,290 | 2,479 | 1,218 |
| Legal | 500 | - | 1,474 |
| Office supplies | 5,000 | 5,170 | 4,354 |
| Photocopy | 5,000 | 3,832 | 3,554 |
| Postage | 500 | 355 | 221 |
| Rent | 18,624 | 18,630 | 18,630 |
| Telephone / fax | 6,040 | 5,762 | 5,096 |
| Travel | 15,884 | 17,763 | 10,746 |
| Wages | 175,265 | 178,424 | 199,180 |
| Workshops, seminars, training | 5,000 | 6,041 | 2,322 |
| | \$ 308,320 | \$ 310,341 | \$ 307,644 |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Operations - Special Projects
(Unaudited)**

| For the year ended March 31 | 2014 | | 2013 |
|------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | Budget | Actual | Actual |
| Revenue | | | |
| Vision Quest | \$ 84,562 | \$ 84,562 | \$ 85,000 |
| Vision Quest reimbursements | 1,253 | 1,253 | 2,326 |
| A.B.S.N. / E.D.P. | 2,500 | 2,500 | - |
| A.A.N.D.C. | 18,328 | 18,328 | 4,700 |
| N.A.C.C.A. training | 10,000 | 12,580 | 13,434 |
| | <u>116,643</u> | <u>119,223</u> | <u>105,460</u> |
| Expenses | | | |
| A.A.N.D.C. | 18,328 | 18,328 | 4,700 |
| A.B.S.N. / E.D.P. | 2,500 | 2,500 | - |
| N.A.C.C.A. training | 10,000 | 12,580 | 13,434 |
| Vision Quest | 84,562 | 84,562 | 85,000 |
| Vision Quest special expense | 1,253 | 1,253 | 2,326 |
| | <u>116,643</u> | <u>119,223</u> | <u>105,460</u> |
| Surplus for year | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$ -</u> |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Operations - Non-Repayable Loan Fund
(Unaudited)

| <u>For the year ended March 31</u> | <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Revenue | | |
| Bank and short term investment interest | \$ 2,035 | \$ 2,287 |
| Loan interest - cash | <u>5,073</u> | <u>4,233</u> |
| | <u>7,108</u> | <u>6,520</u> |
| Expenses | | |
| Bad debts | <u>20</u> | <u>799</u> |
| Surplus for year | <u>\$ 7,088</u> | <u>\$ 5,721</u> |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Operations - Repayable Investment Fund
(Unaudited)**

| For the year ended March 31 | 2014 | 2013 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Revenue | | |
| Interest | \$ 363 | \$ 1,398 |
| Loan interest - cash | 11,077 | 3,248 |
| Repayable to Western Diversification | <u>(40,864)</u> | <u>58,659</u> |
| | <u>(29,424)</u> | <u>63,305</u> |
| Expenses | | |
| Bank interest | - | (88) |
| Bad debts (recovery) | <u>(38)</u> | <u>-</u> |
| | <u>(38)</u> | <u>(88)</u> |
| Surplus (deficit) for year | \$ (29,386) | \$ 63,393 |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Operations - Youth Entrepreneur Fund
(Unaudited)

| For the year ended March 31 | 2014 | 2013 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Revenue | | |
| Interest | \$ - | \$ 148 |
| Loan interest - cash | - | 403 |
| Repayable to Western Diversification | - | <u>88,317</u> |
| | - | <u>88,868</u> |
| Surplus for year | \$ - | \$ 88,868 |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation
Statement of Operations - Disabled Entrepreneur Fund
(Unaudited)**

| For the year ended March 31 | 2014 | 2013 |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Revenue | | |
| Interest | \$ 441 | \$ 361 |
| Loan interest | 6,682 | 10,624 |
| Recoveries | - | 49 |
| Repayable to Western Diversification | <u>(59,056)</u> | <u>22,333</u> |
| | <u>(51,933)</u> | <u>33,367</u> |
| Expenses | | |
| Bad debts (recovery) | <u>2,110</u> | <u>165</u> |
| Surplus (deficit) for year | \$ (54,043) | \$ 33,202 |

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for Financial Reporting

The accompanying financial statements of Dakota Ojibway Community Futures Development Corporation and all the information in this annual report are the responsibility of management and have been approved by the Chairman on behalf of the Board of Directors.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. Financial statements are not precise since they include certain amounts based on estimates and judgments. When alternative accounting methods exist, management has chosen those it deems most appropriate in the circumstances, in order to ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly, in all material respects.

The organization maintains systems of internal accounting and administrative controls of high quality, consistent with reasonable cost. Such systems are designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial information is relevant, reliable and accurate and the organization's assets are appropriately accounted for and adequately safeguarded.

The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the statements.

The Board of Directors reviews and approves the organization's financial statements. The Board of Directors meets periodically with management, as well as the external auditors, to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting process, auditing matters and financial reporting issues, to satisfy themselves that each party is properly discharging their responsibilities, and to review the annual report, the financial statements and the external auditor's report. The Board of Directors also considers the engagement of the external auditors.

The financial statements have been audited by BDO Canada LLP in accordance with accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations on behalf of the members. BDO Canada LLP have full and free access to the Board of Directors.

Chairman _____