Frenship Independent School District



Annual Investment Report

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Introduction

Introduction

Investments in the State of Texas are governed by Section 2256 of the Texas Government Code. All investments made by the District shall comply with the Public Funds Investment Act and all federal, state, and local statutes and regulations.

- 1. Investment policies should include the methods used to monitor the market price.
- 2. Policy wording should include a statement that transactions must be settled on a delivery versus payment basis with the exception of investment pools and mutual funds.
- 3. The Board of Trustees must act upon an annual review of the District's investment policy and strategies.
- 4. Training is required of the chief financial officer and the investment officers. Ten hours of training is required every two years.
- 5. A qualified representative of sellers of investments must sign that the District's investment policies have been reviewed.
- 6. The Board of Trustees must review and adopt a list of brokers used.
- Quarterly investment reports must be in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and must include accrued interest.
- 8. A formal annual review of the quarterly reports by an independent auditor is necessary except for investment in pools, money market mutual funds or depository bank investments.

Frenship ISD Investment Policy

The District's investment policy is CDA (Local). The policy requires an annual reporting of investment activity.

The District's policy requires focus on safety, liquidity, and diversity. Investments are made in a manner that ensures the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio. The District's investments are sufficiently liquid to meet anticipated cash flow needs. Investments are diversified to reduce the risk of any one investment type. Internal controls exist to protect against losses of public funds arising from fraud, employee error, and misrepresentation by a third party.

Investment strategy is applied to each major fund type. Primary objectives for operating funds are safety, investment liquidity and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements. The Debt Service fund and Capital Projects funds have longer thresholds for investing due to the nature of the cash flow requirements. Investments for these funds may exceed one year.

Day to day investments are managed by the Director of Business Services and the Coordinator of Accounting. The Chief Financial Officer oversees the investment function of the District and presents monthly reports to the Board of Trustees. The Director of Business Services and the Coordinator of Accounting have maintained the appropriate training requirements.

Copies of CDA (Local) and CDA (Legal) are on the following pages. No changes are recommended to these policies at this time.

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OTHER REVENUES INVESTMENTS

CDA (LOCAL)

The Superintendent or other person designated by Board resolution shall serve as the investment officer of the District, shall recommend appropriate legally authorized and adequately secured investments, and shall invest District funds as directed by the Board and in accordance with the District's written investment policy and generally accepted accounting procedures. All investment transactions except investment pool funds and mutual funds shall be executed on a delivery versus payment basis.

APPROVED INVESTMENT INSTRUMENTS

From those investments authorized by law and described further in CDA(LEGAL), the Board shall permit investment of District funds in only the following investment types, consistent with the strategies and maturities defined in this policy:

- 1. Obligations of, or guaranteed by, governmental entities as permitted by Government Code 2256.009.
- 2. Certificates of deposit and share certificates as permitted by Government Code 2256.010.
- 3. Fully collateralized repurchase agreements permitted by Government Code 2256.011.
- 4. A securities lending program as permitted by Government Code 2256.0115.
- 5. Banker's acceptances as permitted by Government Code 2256.012.
- 6. Commercial paper as permitted by Government Code 2256.013.
- 7. No-load money market mutual funds and no-load mutual funds as permitted by Government Code 2256.014.
- 8. A guaranteed investment contract as an investment vehicle for bond proceeds, provided it meets the criteria and eligibility requirements established by Government Code 2256.015.

Public funds investment pools, with a continuous rating no lower than AAA or AAA-m rating by at least one nationally recognized rating service, as permitted by Government Code 2256.016.

SAFETY AND INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT The main goal of the investment program is to ensure its safety and maximize financial returns within current market conditions in accordance with this policy. Investments shall be made in a manner that ensures the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio, and offsets during a 12-month period any market price losses resulting from interest-rate fluctuations by income received from the balance of the portfolio. No individual investment transaction shall be undertaken that jeopardizes the total capital position of the overall portfolio.

LIQUIDITY AND MATURITY

Any internally created pool fund group of the District shall have a maximum dollar weighted maturity of 180 days. The maximum allowable stated maturity of any other individual investment owned by the District shall not exceed one year from the time of purchase. The Board may specifically authorize a longer maturity for a given investment, within legal limits.

The District's investment portfolio shall have sufficient liquidity to meet anticipated cash flow requirements.

COLLATERAL

Collateral shall be required on all deposits, certificates of deposit and repurchase agreements. The level of collateral shall be at least equal to 102 percent of the aggregate market value of the deposit or investment including accrued interest, less an amount insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or its successor. Collateral shall be reviewed monthly for time and demand deposits and daily for repurchase agreements to assure that the market value of the securities pledged equals or exceeds the related deposit or investment balance.

Collateral requirements shall be in accordance with Chapter 2256 and 2257 of the Government Code. Collateral underlying repurchase agreements is limited to direct obligations of the United States or its agencies or instrumentalities. The District shall not accept surety bonds as collateral.

DIVERSITY

The investment portfolio shall be diversified in terms of investment instruments, maturity scheduling, and financial institutions to reduce risk of loss resulting from overconcentration of assets in a specific class of investments, specific maturity, or specific issuer.

MONITORING MARKET PRICES

The investment officer shall monitor the investment portfolio and shall keep the Board informed of significant declines in the market value of the District's investment portfolio. Information sources may include financial/investment publications and electronic media, available software for tracking investments, depository banks, commercial or investment banks, financial advisors, and representatives/advisors of investment pools or money market funds. Monitoring shall be done monthly or more often as economic conditions warrant by using appropriate reports, indices, or benchmarks for the type of investment.

MONITORING RATING CHANGES

In accordance with Government Code 2256.005(b), the investment officer shall develop a procedure to monitor changes in investment

ratings and to liquidate investments that do not maintain satisfactory ratings.

FUNDS / STRATEGIES

Investments of the following fund categories shall be consistent with this policy and in accordance with the strategy defined below.

OPERATING FUNDS

Investment strategies for operating funds (including any commingled pools containing operating funds) shall have as their primary objectives safety, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements. Maturities longer than one year are authorized provided legal limits are not exceeded.

AGENCY FUNDS

Investment strategies for agency funds shall have as their objectives safety, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements.

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Investment strategies for debt service funds shall have as their objective sufficient investment liquidity to timely meet debt service payment obligations in accordance with provisions in the bond documents. Maturities longer than one year are authorized provided legal limits are not exceeded.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Investment strategies for capital project funds shall have as their objective sufficient investment liquidity to timely meet capital project obligations. Maturities longer than one year are authorized provided legal limits are not exceeded.

INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS

Investment strategies for internal service funds shall have as their primary objectives safety, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements. Maturities longer than one year are authorized as long as legal limits are not exceeded.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Investment strategies for special revenue funds shall have as their primary objectives safety, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements. Maturities longer than one year are authorized provided legal limits are not exceeded.

ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Investment strategies for enterprise funds shall have as their primary objectives safety, investment liquidity, and maturity sufficient to meet anticipated cash flow requirements. Investment in a public funds investment pool is also permitted even though individual securities held by the pool have maturities greater than one year, as long as the weighted average maturity of the pool remains within legal limits.

SAFEKEEPING AND CUSTODY

The cash, collateral, and investments of the District shall be held by an independent third party with whom the District has a current custodial agreement. The District shall retain clearly marked receipts providing proof of the District's ownership or the District may delegate to an investment pool the authority to hold legal title as custodian of investments purchased with District funds.

BROKERS / DEALERS

Prior to handling investments on behalf of the District, brokers/dealers must submit required written documents in accordance with law. [See SELLERS OF INVESTMENTS, CDA(LEGAL)] Representatives of brokers/dealers shall be registered with the Texas State Securities Board and must have membership in the Securities Investor Protection Corporation (SIPC), and be in good standing with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

SOLICITING BIDS FOR CD'S

In order to get the best return on its investments, the District may solicit bids for certificates of deposit in writing, by telephone, or electronically, or by a combination of these methods.

INTEREST RATE RISK

To reduce exposure to changes in interest rates that could adversely affect the value of investments, the District shall use final and weighted average maturity limits and diversification.

The District shall monitor interest rate risk using weighted average maturity and specific identification.

INTERNAL CONTROLS

A system of internal controls shall be established and documented in writing and must include specific procedures designating who has authority to withdraw funds. Also, they shall be designed to protect against losses of public funds arising from fraud, employee error, misrepresentation by third parties, unanticipated changes in financial markets, or imprudent actions by employees and officers of the District. Controls deemed most important shall include:

- 1. Separation of transaction authority from accounting and recordkeeping and electronic transfer of funds.
- 2. Avoidance of collusion.
- Custodial safekeeping.
- 4. Clear delegation of authority.
- 5. Written confirmation of telephone transactions.
- 6. Documentation of dealer questionnaires, quotations and bids, evaluations, transactions, and rationale.
- 7. Avoidance of bearer-form securities.

These controls shall be reviewed by the District's independent auditing firm.

PORTFOLIO REPORT

In addition to the quarterly report required by law and signed by the District's investment officer, a comprehensive report on the investment program and activity shall be presented annually to the Board.

All investments made by the District shall comply with the Public Funds Investment Act (Texas Government Code Chapter 2256, Subchapter A) and all federal, state, and local statutes, rules or regulations. *Gov't Code 2256.026*

WRITTEN POLICIES

Investments shall be made in accordance with written policies approved by the Board. The investment policies must primarily emphasize safety of principal and liquidity and must address investment diversification, yield, and maturity and the quality and capability of investment management. The policies must include:

- 1. A list of the types of authorized investments in which the District's funds may be invested;
- 2. The maximum allowable stated maturity of any individual investment owned by the District;
- 3. For pooled fund groups, the maximum dollar-weighted average maturity allowed based on the stated maturity date of the portfolio;
- 4. Methods to monitor the market price of investments acquired with public funds:
- 5. A requirement for settlement of all transactions, except investment pool funds and mutual funds, on a delivery versus payment basis; and
- 6. Procedures to monitor rating changes in investments acquired with public funds and the liquidation of such investments consistent with the provisions of Government Code 2256.021 [see LOSS OF REQUIRED RATING, below].

Gov't Code 2256.005(b)

ANNUAL REVIEW

The Board shall review its investment policy and investment strategies not less than annually. The Board shall adopt a written instrument stating that it has reviewed the investment policy and investment strategies and that the written instrument so adopted shall record any changes made to either the investment policy or investment strategies. *Gov't Code 2256.005(e)*

ANNUAL AUDIT

The District shall perform a compliance audit of management controls on investments and adherence to the District's established investment policies. The compliance audit shall be performed in conjunction with the annual financial audit. *Gov't Code* 2256.005(m)

INVESTMENT STRATEGIES

As part of the investment policy, the Board shall adopt a separate written investment strategy for each of the funds or group of funds under the Board's control. Each investment strategy must describe the investment objectives for the particular fund under the following priorities in order of importance:

- 1. Understanding of the suitability of the investment to the financial requirements of the District;
- 2. Preservation and safety of principal;
- 3. Liquidity;
- 4. Marketability of the investment if the investment needs to be liquidated before maturity;
- 5. Diversification of the investment portfolio; and
- 6. Yield.

Gov't Code 2256.005(d)

INVESTMENT OFFICER

The District shall designate one or more officers or employees as investment officer(s) to be responsible for the investment of its funds. If the District has contracted with another investing entity to invest its funds, the investment officer of the other investing entity is considered to be the investment officer of the contracting Board's District. In the administration of the duties of an investment officer, the person designated as investment officer shall exercise the judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances that a prudent person would exercise in the management of the person's own affairs, but the Board retains the ultimate responsibility as fiduciaries of the assets of the District. Unless authorized by law, a person may not deposit, withdraw, transfer, or manage in any other manner the funds of the investing entity. Authority granted to a person to invest the District's funds is effective until rescinded by the District or until termination of the person's employment by the District, or for an investment management firm, until the expiration of the contract with the District. Gov't Code 2256.005(f)

A District or investment officer may use the District's employees or the services of a contractor of the District to aid the investment officer in the execution of the officer's duties under Government Code, Chapter 2256. *Gov't Code 2256.003(c)*

INVESTMENT TRAINING INITIAL Within 12 months after taking office or assuming duties, the treasurer or chief financial officer and the investment officer of the District shall attend at least one training session from an independent source approved either by the Board or by a designated investment committee advising the investment officer. This initial training must contain at least ten hours of instruction relating to their respective responsibilities under the Public Funds Investment Act. *Gov't Code 2256.008(a)*

ONGOING

The treasurer or chief financial officer and the investment officer must also attend an investment training session not less than once in a two-year period that begins on the first day of the District's fiscal year and consists of the two consecutive fiscal years after that date, and receive not less than ten hours of instruction relating to investment responsibilities under the Public Funds Investment Act from an independent source approved by the Board or a designated investment committee advising the investment officer. If the District has contracted with another investing entity to invest the District's funds, this training requirement may be satisfied by having a Board officer attend four hours of appropriate instruction in a two-year period that begins on the first day of the District's fiscal year and consists of the two consecutive fiscal years after that date. Gov't Code 2256.008(a)–(b)

Investment training shall include education in investment controls, security risks, strategy risks, market risks, diversification of investment portfolio, and compliance with the Government Code, Chapter 2256. *Gov't Code 2256.008(c)*

STANDARD OF CARE

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under prevailing circumstances that a person of prudence, discretion, and intelligence would exercise in the management of his or her own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of capital and the probable income to be derived. Investments shall be governed by the following objectives in order of priority:

- 1. Preservation and safety of principal;
- 2. Liquidity; and
- 3. Yield.

In determining whether an investment officer has exercised prudence with respect to an investment decision, the following shall be taken into consideration:

- 1. The investment of all funds, rather than the prudence of a single investment, over which the officer had responsibility.
- 2. Whether the investment decision was consistent with the Board's written investment policy.

Gov't Code 2256.006

PERSONAL INTEREST

A District investment officer who has a personal business relationship with a business organization offering to engage in an investment transaction with the District shall file a statement disclosing that personal business interest. An investment officer who is related within the second degree by affinity or consanguinity, as determined by Government Code Chapter 573, to an individual seeking to sell an investment to the investment

officer's District shall file a statement disclosing that relationship. A required statement must be filed with the Board and with the Texas Ethics Commission. For purposes of this policy, an investment officer has a personal business relationship with a business organization if:

- 1. The investment officer owns ten percent or more of the voting stock or shares of the business organization or owns \$5,000 or more of the fair market value of the business organization:
- Funds received by the investment officer from the business organization exceed ten percent of the investment officer's gross income for the previous year; or
- The investment officer has acquired from the business organization during the previous year investments with a book value of \$2,500 or more for the personal account of the investment officer.

Gov't Code 2256.005(i)

QUARTERLY REPORTS

Not less than quarterly, the investment officer shall prepare and submit to the Board a written report of investment transactions for all funds covered by the Public Funds Investment Act. This report shall be presented to the Board and the Superintendent not less than quarterly, within a reasonable time after the end of the period. The report must:

- 1. Contain a detailed description of the investment position of the District on the date of the report.
- 2. Be prepared jointly and signed by all District investment officers.
- 3. Contain a summary statement for each pooled fund group (i.e., each internally created fund in which one or more accounts are combined for investing purposes) that states the:
 - a. Beginning market value for the reporting period;
 - b. Ending market value for the period; and
 - Fully accrued interest for the reporting period.
- 4. State the book value and market value of each separately invested asset at the end of the reporting period by the type of asset and fund type invested.
- 5. State the maturity date of each separately invested asset that has a maturity date.
- 6. State the account or fund or pooled group fund in the District for which each individual investment was acquired.

7. State the compliance of the investment portfolio of the District as it relates to the District's investment strategy expressed in the District's investment policy and relevant provisions of Government Code, Chapter 2256.

If the District invests in other than money market mutual funds, investment pools or accounts offered by its depository bank in the form of certificates of deposit, or money market accounts or similar accounts, the reports shall be formally reviewed at least annually by an independent auditor, and the result of the review shall be reported to the Board by that auditor.

Gov't Code 2256.023

SELECTION OF BROKER

The Board or a designated investment committee, shall, at least annually, review, revise, and adopt a list of qualified brokers that are authorized to engage in investment transactions with the District. *Gov't Code 2256.025*

AUTHORIZED INVESTMENTS

The Board may purchase, sell, and invest its funds and funds under its control in investments described below, in compliance with its adopted investment policies and according to the standard of care set out in this policy. Investments may be made directly by the Board or by a nonprofit corporation acting on behalf of the Board or an investment pool acting on behalf of two or more local governments, state agencies, or a combination of the two. *Gov't Code 2256.003(a)*

In the exercise of these powers, the Board may contract with an investment management firm registered under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. Section 80b-1 et seq.) or with the State Securities Board to provide for the investment and management of its public funds or other funds under its control. A contract made for such purpose may not be for a term longer than two years. A renewal or extension of the contract must be made by the Board by order, ordinance, or resolution. *Gov't Code* 2256.003(b)

The following investments are authorized:

1. Obligations, including letters of credit, of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities; direct obligations of the state of Texas or its agencies and instrumentalities; collateralized mortgage obligations directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality of the United States, the underlying security for which is guaranteed by an agency or instrumentality of the United States; other obligations, the principal and interest of which are unconditionally guaranteed or insured by, or backed by the full faith and credit of, the state of Texas, the United States, or their respective agencies and instrumentalities, including obligations that are fully guaranteed or insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance

Corporation (FDIC) or by the explicit full faith and credit of the United States; obligations of states, agencies, counties, cities, and other political subdivisions of any state rated as to investment quality by a nationally recognized investment rating firm not less than A or its equivalent; and bonds issued, assumed, or guaranteed by the state of Israel. *Gov't Code* 2256.009(a)

The following investments are not authorized:

- Obligations whose payment represents the coupon payments on the outstanding principal balance of the underlying mortgage-backed security collateral and pays no principal.
- b. Obligations whose payment represents the principal stream of cash flow from the underlying mortgage-backed security collateral and bears no interest.
- c. Collateralized mortgage obligations that have a stated final maturity date of greater than ten years.
- d. Collateralized mortgage obligations the interest rate of which is determined by an index that adjusts opposite to the changes in a market index.

Gov't Code 2256.009(b)

2. Certificates of deposit or share certificates issued by a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in Texas that is guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or its successor or the National Credit Union Share Insurance Fund or its successor and is secured by obligations described in item 1 above, including mortgage-backed securities directly issued by a federal agency or instrumentality that have a market value of not less than the principal amount of the certificates (but excluding those mortgage-backed securities described in Section 2256.009[b]) or secured in any other manner and amount provided by law for the deposits of the investing entity. Gov't Code 2256.010(a)

In addition to the authority to invest funds in certificates of deposit under the previous section, an investment in certificates of deposit made in accordance with the following conditions is an authorized investment under Government Code 2256.010:

a. The funds are invested by the District through a broker that has its main office or a branch office in this state and is selected from a list adopted by the District as required by Government Code 2256.025, or a depository institution that has its main office or a branch office in this state and that is selected by the District;

- b. The broker or depository institution selected by the District arranges for the deposit of the funds in certificates of deposit in one or more federally insured depository institutions, wherever located, for the account of the District;
- The full amount of the principal and accrued interest of each of the certificates of deposit is insured by the United States or an instrumentality of the United States; and
- d. The District appoints the depository institution selected by the District, an entity described by Government Code 2257.041(d), or a clearing broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and operating pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-3 (17 C.F.R. Section 240.15c3-3) as custodian for the District with respect to the certificates of deposit issued for the account of the District entity.

Gov't Code 2256.010(b)

The investment policies may provide that bids for certificates of deposit be solicited orally, in writing, electronically, or in any combination of those methods. *Gov't Code 2256.005(c)*

- Fully collateralized repurchase agreements that have a 3. defined termination date; are secured by a combination of cash and obligations of the United States or its agencies and instrumentalities; require the securities being purchased by the District or cash held by the District to be pledged to the District, held in the District's name, and deposited with the District or a third party selected and approved by the District. and are placed through a primary government securities dealer, as defined by the Federal Reserve or a financial institution doing business in Texas. The term of any reverse security repurchase agreement may not exceed 90 days after the date the reverse security repurchase agreement is delivered. Money received by the District under the terms of a reverse security repurchase agreement shall be used to acquire additional authorized investments, but the term of the authorized investments acquired must mature not later than the expiration date stated in the reverse security repurchase agreement. Gov't Code 2256.011
- 4. A securities lending program if:
 - a. The value of securities loaned is not less than 100 percent collateralized, including accrued income, and the loan allows for termination at any time;
 - b. The loan is secured by:

- (1) Pledged securities described by Government Code 2256.009;
- (2) Pledged irrevocable letters of credit issued by a bank that is organized and existing under the laws of the United States or any other state and continuously rated by at least one nationally recognized investment rating firm at not less than A or its equivalent; or
- (3) Cash invested in accordance with Government Code 2256.009, 2256.013, 2256.014, or 2256.016;
- c. The terms of the loan require that the securities being held as collateral be pledged to the investing entity, held in the investing entity's name, and deposited at the time the investment is made with the entity or with a third party selected by or approved by the investing entity; and
- d. The loan is placed through a primary government securities dealer or a financial institution doing business in this state.

An agreement to lend securities under a securities lending program must have a term of one year or less.

Gov't Code 2256.0115

- Banker's acceptance, with a stated maturity of 270 days or fewer from the date of issuance that will be liquidated in full at maturity, which is eligible for collateral for borrowing from a Federal Reserve Bank, and is accepted by a bank meeting the requirements of Government Code 2256.012(4). Gov't Code 2256.012
- 6. Commercial paper that has a stated maturity of 270 days or fewer from the date of issuance and is rated not less than A-1 or P-1 or an equivalent rating by at least two nationally recognized credit rating agencies or by one nationally recognized credit rating agency provided the commercial paper is fully secured by an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a bank organized and existing under United States law or the law of any state. Gov't Code 2256.013
- 7. No-load money market mutual funds that:
 - a. Are registered with and regulated by the Securities and Exchange Commission;
 - Provide the District with a prospectus and other information required by the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78a et seq.) or the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-1 et seq.);

- Have a dollar-weighted average stated maturity of 90 days or fewer; and
- d. Include in their investment objectives the maintenance of a stable net asset value of \$1 for each share.

However, investments in no-load money market mutual funds shall be limited to the percentages authorized by Government Code 2256.014(c).

8. No-load mutual funds that:

- a. Are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission;
- b. Have an average weighted maturity of less than two years;
- Are invested exclusively in obligations approved by Government Code Chapter 2256, Subchapter A, regarding authorized investments (Public Funds Investment Act);
- d. Are continuously rated by at least one nationally recognized investment rating firm of not less than AAA or its equivalent; and
- e. Conform to the requirements in Government Code 2256.016(b) and (c) relating to the eligibility of investment pools to receive and invest funds of investing entities.

Investments in no-load mutual funds shall be limited to the percentages authorized by Government Code 2256.014(c). In addition, the District may not invest any portion of bond proceeds, reserves, and funds held for debt service, in no-load mutual funds described in this item.

Gov't Code 2256.014

- 9. A guaranteed investment contract, as an investment vehicle for bond proceeds, if the guaranteed investment contract:
 - a. Has a defined termination date.
 - Is secured by obligations described by Government Code 2256.009(a)(1), excluding those obligations described by Section 2256.009(b), in an amount at least equal to the amount of bond proceeds invested under the contract.
 - c. Is pledged to the District and deposited with the District or with a third party selected and approved by the District.

Bond proceeds, other than bond proceeds representing reserves and funds maintained for debt service purposes, may not be invested in a guaranteed investment contract with a term longer than five years from the date of issuance of the bonds.

To be eligible as an authorized investment:

- d. The Board must specifically authorize guaranteed investment contracts as eligible investments in the order, ordinance, or resolution authorizing the issuance of bonds.
- e. The District must receive bids from at least three separate providers with no material financial interest in the bonds from which proceeds were received.
- f. The District must purchase the highest yielding guaranteed investment contract for which a qualifying bid is received.
- g. The price of the guaranteed investment contract must take into account the reasonably expected drawdown schedule for the bond proceeds to be invested.
- h. The provider must certify the administrative costs reasonably expected to be paid to third parties in connection with the guaranteed investment contract.

Gov't Code 2256.015

- A public funds investment pool meeting the requirements of Government Code 2256.016 and 2256.019, if the Board authorizes the investment in the particular pool by resolution. Gov't Code 2256.016, .019
- 11. "Corporate bond" means a senior secured debt obligation issued by a domestic business entity and rated not lower than "AA-" or the equivalent by a nationally recognized investment rating firm. The term does not include a debt obligation that on conversion would result in the holder becoming a stockholder or shareholder in the entity, or any affiliate or subsidiary of the entity, that issued the debt obligation, or is an unsecured debt obligation. Gov't Code 2256.0204(a)

A district that qualifies as an issuer as defined by Government Code 1371.001 [see CCF] may purchase, sell, and invest its funds and funds under its control in corporate bonds that, at the time of purchase, are rated by a nationally recognized investment rating firm "AA-" or the equivalent and have a stated final maturity that is not later than the third anniversary of the date the corporate bonds were purchased. *Gov't Code* 2256.0204(b)–(c)

The District is not authorized to:

- Invest in the aggregate more than 15 percent of its monthly average fund balance, excluding bond proceeds, reserves, and other funds held for the payment of debt service, in corporate bonds; or
- b. Invest more than 25 percent of the funds invested in corporate bonds in any one domestic business entity, including subsidiaries and affiliates of the entity.

Gov't Code 2256.0204(d)

The District may purchase, sell, and invest its funds and funds under its control in corporate bonds if the Board:

- a. Amends its investment policy to authorize corporate bonds as an eligible investment;
- Adopts procedures to provide for monitoring rating changes in corporate bonds acquired with public funds, and liquidating the investment in corporate bonds; and
- c. Identifies the funds eligible to be invested in corporate bonds.

Gov't Code 2256.0204(e)

The District investment officer, acting on behalf of the District, shall sell corporate bonds in which the District has invested its funds not later than the seventh day after the date a nationally recognized investment rating firm:

- d. Issues a release that places the corporate bonds or the domestic business entity that issued the corporate bonds on negative credit watch or the equivalent, if the corporate bonds are rated "AA-" or the equivalent at the time the release is issued; or
- e. Changes the rating on the corporate bonds to a rating lower than "AA-" or the equivalent.

Gov't Code 2256.0204(f)

Corporate bonds are not an eligible investment for a public funds investment pool. *Gov't Code 2256.0204(g)*

CHANGE IN LAW

The District is not required to liquidate investments that were authorized investments at the time of purchase. *Gov't Code* 2256.017

LOSS OF REQUIRED RATING

An investment that requires a minimum rating does not qualify as an authorized investment during the period the investment does not have the minimum rating. The District shall take all prudent measures that are consistent with its investment policy to liquidate an investment that does not have the minimum rating. Gov't Code 2256.021

SELLERS OF INVESTMENTS

A written copy of the investment policy shall be presented to any person offering to engage in an investment transaction with the District or to an investment management firm under contract with the District to invest or manage the District's investment portfolio. For purposes of this section, a business organization includes investment pools and an investment management firm under contract with the District to invest or manage the District's investment portfolio. The qualified representative of the business organization offering to engage in an investment transaction with the District shall execute a written instrument in a form acceptable to the District and the business organization substantially to the effect that the business organization has:

- 1. Received and thoroughly reviewed the District investment policy; and
- Acknowledged that the business organization has implemented reasonable procedures and controls in an effort to preclude investment transactions conducted between the District and the organization that are not authorized by the District's policy, except to the extent that this authorization is dependent on an analysis of the makeup of the District's entire portfolio or requires an interpretation of subjective investment standards.

The investment officer may not acquire or otherwise obtain any authorized investment described in the District's investment policy from a person who has not delivered to the District the instrument described above.

Gov't Code 2256.005(k)-(I)

DONATIONS

A gift, devise, or bequest made to provide college scholarships for District graduates may be invested by the Board as provided in Property Code 117.004, unless otherwise specifically provided by the terms of the gift, devise, or bequest. *Education Code 45.107*

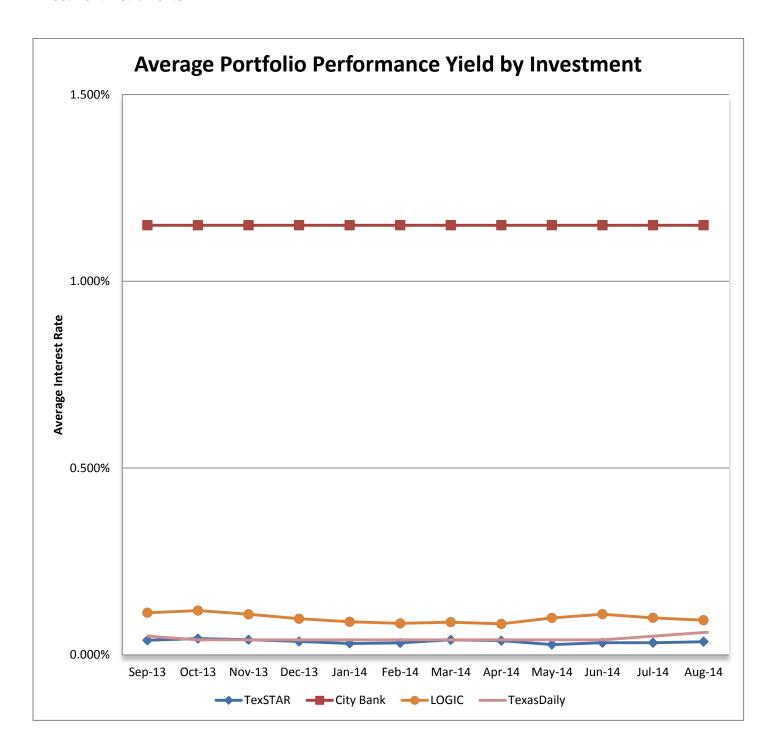
Investments donated to the District for a particular purpose or under terms of use specified by the donor are not subject to the requirements of Government Code Chapter 2256, Subchapter A. *Gov't Code 2256.004(b)*

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

The District may use electronic means to transfer or invest all funds collected or controlled by the District. *Gov't Code 2256.051*

Portfolio Performance

The following chart compares the portfolio's average interest rates for each month of 2013-2014 for each of the investment instruments.



Portfolio Composition

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As of August 31, 2014, the District's investment portfolio consisted of the following investment instruments:

City Bank

Originally called First State Bank of Morton, City Bank was founded by five men with a vision in a small West Texas town on August 2, 1941. The bank was initially capitalized with \$129,335.48 and grew its deposits to over two million dollars in the subsequent five years. By the end of 1994, the City Bank family of banks, including Morton, Whiteface, Levelland and Lubbock, had total assets of \$200 million.

City Bank continues to act as the depository for all funds of the Frenship Independent School District. The depository agreement was bid out in April 2013 and City Bank was awarded the 2-year contract. This contract is eligible for 2 two-year extensions, as long as both sides agree to the extension.

Currently the District maintains two types of accounts at City Bank - money market accounts and NOW accounts. On August 31, 2014 the Depository money market account and the NOW account both provide 1.14%. As of August 31, 2014 City Bank pledges almost \$13 million to cover the District's deposited assets.

TexSTAR

Created in 2002, the Texas Short Term Asset Reserve Fund ("TexSTAR") is a local government investment pool organized under the authority of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791, Texas Government Code, and the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256, Texas Government Code. TexSTAR was created by contract among its participating governmental units and is governed by a board of directors. J. P. Morgan Investment Management, Inc. and First Southwest Asset Management act as co-administrators.

TexSTAR's purpose is to offer a safe, efficient, and liquid investment alternative to local governments in the State of Texas so that they may benefit from and realize a higher investment return by utilizing economies of scale and professional investment expertise. It is the policy of TexSTAR to invest pooled assets in a manner which will provide for preservation and safety of principal and competitive investment returns while meeting the daily liquidity needs of the participants. Specifically, the primary investment objectives of TexSTAR in order of priority are:

- Preservation of capital and protection of principal,
- Safety of funds and investments,
- Maintenance of sufficient liquidity.
- Diversification to avoid unreasonable or avoidable risk, and
- Yield.

This investment objective establishes investment strategies, policies, and procedures intended to assure that the objectives are met.

LOGIC

Local Government Investment Cooperative ("LOGIC") was organized in conformity with the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, and operates under the Public Funds Investment Act, Chapter 2256 of the Texas Government Code. LOGIC's governing body is a six-member Board of Directors. J. P. Morgan Investment Management, Inc. and First Southwest Investment Management, Inc. serve as co-administrators.

LOGIC is an AAA rated investment program tailored to the investment needs of local governments with the state of Texas. LOGIC maintains 3 primary goals for investing public funds:

- Safety,
- Liquidity, and
- Yield.

TexasTERM Local Government Investment Pool

TexasTERM is a portfolio of the Pool with multiple series which is organized according to the Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code, and the PFIA. Administrative and investment services for TexasTERM are provided by PFM Asset Management LLC, under agreement with the Pool's advisory Board acting on behalf of the Pool participants. By pooling the funds of many governmental entities TexasTERM seeks to provide the following benefits to participants:

- Safety
- Liquidity
- Convenience
- Professional Management
- Higher Potential Yield
- Accounting, Safekeeping and Separate Accounts

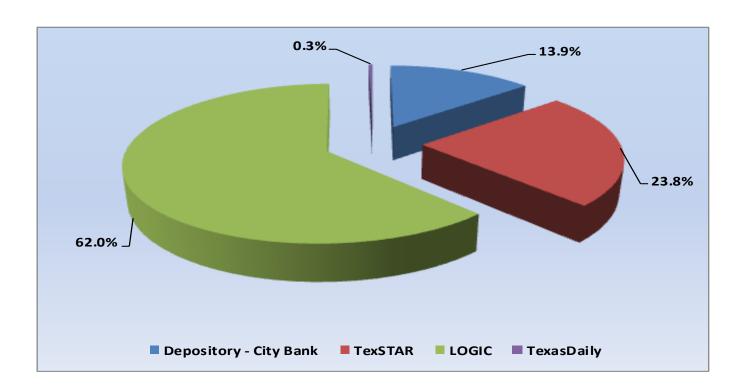
Currently, TexasTERM offers participants two investment portfolio options:

- TexasTERM is fixed rate, fixed term portfolio option rated AAAf by Standard and Poor's Corporation.
 Participants may lock in a fixed rate for a term of 60 to 365 days.
- TexasDaily is a money market portfolio with daily liquidity that is rated AAAm by Standard and Poor's.

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Investments by Type As of 8/31/2014

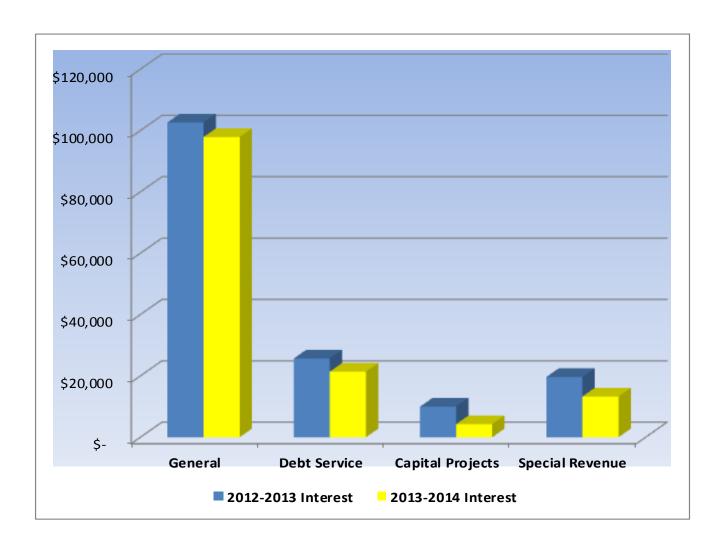
Fund Type	Market Value		Percentage	
Depository - City Bank	\$	10,839,669.20	13.9%	
TexSTAR		18,478,843.34	23.8%	
LOGIC		48,209,430.18	62.0%	
TexasDaily		265,894.05	0.3%	
Total	\$	77,793,836.77	100%	



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Investment Earnings by Fund

FUND NAME	2012-2013 Interest		2013-2014 Interest	
General	\$	102,616	\$	97,880
Debt Service	\$	25,659	\$	21,396
Capital Projects	\$	9,970	\$	4,273
Special Revenue	\$	19,636	\$	13,295
Totals	\$	157,881	\$	136,844



Recommendations

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1. Since pool rates continue to remain at historically low rates, the District will continue to maximize the use of City Bank's NOW account (\$13 million secured) for the Local, Sinking, Activity, Employee Benefit, and Food Service Fund Accounts. This account provides a rate of 1.14% versus approximately 0.10% for investment pools.

Several governmental fund manager advisers recommend increased emphasis on safety and liquidity – even more than the recommended for public fund investing. With the uncertainty in short-term rates, these advisers say that safety and security are much more important than chasing a few additional basis points among investment pools or CD rates.

The District will follow this safety recommendation. We do not plan to chase basis points in the current investing environment.

2. Government Code, Chapter 2256 requires investment officers to receive instruction relating to investment responsibilities under the Public Funds Investment Act from an independent source approved by the Board or a designated investment committee advising the investment officer, as provided for in the District's investment policy. We recommend the following providers for investment training:

Texas Association of School Administrators (TASA)

Texas Association of School Boards (TASB)

Texas Association of School Business Officials (TASBO) and its local affiliates

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

Texas Society of Certified Public Accountants and its approved providers

Regional Education Service Centers

First Southwest Company

MBIA

First Public, LLC

Government Treasurers' Organization of Texas

Compliance Certification

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We hereby certify that the annual investment report represents the investment position of the District as of August 31, 2014 and that all investments were purchased in compliance with the District's investment strategy as expressed in the District's investment policy, CDA (LOCAL), and with the relevant provisions of law.

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Chief Financial Officer

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