# FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY RATTLER BOOSTERS, INCORPORATED

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# FAMU RATTLER BOOSTERS, INC. FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024, AND JUNE 30, 2023

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#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors Florida A&M University Rattler Boosters, Inc.

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Florida A&M University Rattler Boosters, Inc. (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of net position as of June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2023, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net position of the Florida A&M University Rattler Boosters as of June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2023, and in its revenues, expenses, and changes in net position and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Florida A&M University Rattler Boosters and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Florida A&M University Rattler Boosters' ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

#### Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 Florida A&M Rattler Boosters' internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered
  in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about Florida A&M University
  Rattler Boosters' ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period
  of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### Grayson Accounting & Consulting, P.A.

Tallahassee, Florida October 11, 2024

For the Years Ended June 30, 2024, and 2023

The management's discussion and analysis provide an overview of the financial position and activities of the FAMU Rattler Booster, Inc. ("Rattler Boosters") for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023. This overview is required by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 35, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for Public Colleges and Universities. It should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and notes to financial statements for the Rattler Boosters which follow this section.

#### OVERVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Rattler Boosters' financial report includes three basic financial statements: the Statement of Net Position; the Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position; and the Statement of Cash Flows. These financial statements are prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles promulgated by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB). The financial statements focus on the financial condition of the Rattler Boosters, the results of operations, and cash flows of the Rattler Boosters as a whole. The accrual basis of accounting is used for presentation which is similar to most private-sector companies.

The Statement of Net Position presents the financial position of the Rattler Boosters at the end of the fiscal year and includes all of the assets and liabilities of the Rattler Boosters. The change in net position – the difference between assets and liabilities – is one indicator of the current financial position of the Rattler Boosters; however, other non-financial factors, such as the national and international economy must also be considered when assessing the overall health of the Rattler Boosters. The differences in net position that occur over time indicate whether the overall financial condition of the Rattler Boosters has improved or worsened. Assets and liabilities are reported at cost, approximating fair value, with the exception of investments, which are reported at fair value, and capital assets, which are stated at the historical cost less accumulated depreciation.

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position presents the revenue and expense activity for the Rattler Boosters, categorized as operating and non-operating. Revenues and expenses are recognized when earned or incurred, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The Statement of Cash Flows provides information about the Rattler Boosters' financial results by reporting the major sources and uses of cash and cash equivalents. This statement assists in evaluating the Rattler Boosters' ability to generate net cash flows, its ability to meet its financial obligations as they come due and its need for external financing.

For the Years Ended June 30, 2024, and 2023

#### REPORTING ENTITY

Florida A & M University Rattler Boosters, Inc. ("Rattler Boosters") is a non-profit organization that provides financial support to the student-athletes representing Florida A&M University. The Rattler Boosters seeks to enrich the educational experience of each student-athlete by generating substantial financial contributions through annual Rattler Booster memberships. These contributions significantly lead to the growth and stability of the Athletics Program.

#### FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

The assets for the Rattler Boosters totaled \$298,283 as of June 30, 2024, which reflects a decrease of \$1,306 or .44%, from the 2022-2023 fiscal year. This decrease was primarily attributed to an increase in operating expenses and contributions to the athletic department of Florida A&M University. Liabilities for the Rattler Boosters did not change and remain at zero. Total ending net position decreased by \$1,306 or .44%, for a year-end balance of \$298,283.

The Rattler Boosters operating revenues totaled \$147,782 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, representing a \$63,910 or 76% increase from 2022-2023. Operating expenses totaled \$122,212 for the 2023-2024 fiscal year resulting in a 148% increase over 2022-2023. Net non-operating revenues (expenses) for the 2022-2023 fiscal year totaled (\$69,123) which is an increased non-operating expense of \$39,910 or 137% increase from the 2022-2023 fiscal year. This increase in non-operating expenses was attributed to an increase in contributions to the athletic department of Florida A&M University.

#### **BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS**

The Rattler Boosters' budgeted amount of revenues for the fiscal year 2023-2024 was \$136,912. The actual amount of revenues was \$190,029 which represents a favorable variance of \$53,117 or 39% compared to projected revenues for the fiscal year. The favorable variance is attributed to exceeding the goals for collecting dues pledges and contributions.

The Rattler Boosters budgeted amount of expenses for fiscal year 2023-2024 was \$136,912. The actual amount of expenses was \$191,335 which represents an unfavorable variance of \$54,423 or 40% compared to projected expenses for the fiscal year. This unfavorable variance is attributed to an increase of annual kickoff expenses and contributions to the athletic department of Florida A&M University.

For the Years Ended June 30, 2024, and 2023

Overall, the Rattler Boosters exceeded the budgeted revenue goals by \$53,117, but due to the increase in expenses of \$54,423 the net result is a decrease in net position of \$1,306 for the fiscal year.

#### ECONOMIC CONDITIONS AND OUTLOOK

Florida A&M University and the FAMU Foundation are expected to support the Rattler Boosters at levels consistent with the current year.

#### CONDENSED FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Condensed Statement of Net Position June 30:

<u>ASSETS</u>	2024	2023
Current assets Noncurrent assets	85,941 212,342	134,869 164,720
Total assets	298,283	299,589
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Current liabilities Noncurrent liabilities Total Liabilities	- - -	- - -
NET POSITION		
Total net position	298,283	299,589

For the Years Ended June 30, 2024, and 2023

Condensed Statement of Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position – June 30:

	2024	2023
Operating revenue		
Total operating revenues Total operating expenses	142,022 116,452	78,112 43,434
Operating income	25,570	34,678
Net nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(69,123)	(29,213)
Contributions from donors for permanent endowments	42,247	27,518
Increase (decrease) in net position	(1,306)	32,982
Net position, beginning of year	299,589	266,606
Net position, end of year	298,283	299,588

#### FAMU RATTLER BOOSTERS, INC. STATEMENT OF NET POSITION JUNE 30,

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<u>ASSETS</u>		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	79,474	131,822
Funds held and invested by the Florida A&M University Foundation, Inc.	,	•
on behalf of the FAMU Rattler Boosters, Inc., current portion	2,654	3,046
Life memberships receivable, current portion, net	3,813	
Total current assets	85,941	134,869
Noncurrent assets		
Funds held and invested by the Florida A&M University Foundation, Inc.		
on behalf of the FAMU Rattler Boosters, Inc., noncurrent portion	209,358	164,720
Life memberships receivable, less current portion, net	2,984	
Total noncurrent assets	212,342	164,720
Total assets	298,283	299,589
<u>LIABILITIES</u>		
Current liabilities		
Noncurrent liabilities		
Total Liabilities		
NET POSITION		
Restricted for permanent endowments - nonexpendable	187,258	154,856
Unrestricted	111,025	144,733
Total net position	298,283	299,589

#### FAMU RATTLER BOOSTERS, INC. STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENSE, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30,

	2024	2023
Operating revenue		
Contributions	90,961	61,189
Membership dues	25,499	13,845
Other Income	25,562	3,078
Total operating revenues	142,022	78,112
Operating expenses		
Administrative Charges	2,091	1,868
Bad Debt Expense	5,455	
Bank Fees	1,794	2,413
Charitable Contributions	2,460	-
Contract Services	3,500	3,500
Entertainment and Dinners	32,693	2,800
Facilities and Equipment Rental	23,890	17,163
Legal and Accounting	7,100	6,600
Materials and Supplies	24,954	5,761
Printing and Mailing	932	570
Software	5,113	1,632
Travel	6,470	1,128
Total operating expenses	116,452	43,434
Operating income	25,570	34,678
Nonoperating revenues (expenses)		
Contributions to the Florida A&M University athletic department Allocation of earnings from Life Membership endowment at the Florida	(87,239)	(37,717)
A&M University Foundation, Inc.	18,116	8,505
Net nonoperating revenues (expenses)	(69,123)	(29,213)
Income (loss) before contributions for permanent endowments	(43,553)	5,464
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Contributions from donors for permanent endowments	42,247	27,518
Increase (decrease) in net position	(1,306)	32,982
Net position, beginning of year	299,589	266,606
Net position, end of year	298,283	299,589

#### FAMU RATTLER BOOSTERS, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30,

	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash received from members and contributors Cash payments for services and to vendors	135,226 (116,452)	83,872 (49,194)
Net cash provided by operating activities	18,774	34,678
Cash flows from noncapital financing activities		
Reciepts from contributors for permanent endowments Contributions to the Florida A&M University athletic department Transfer to Restricted	42,247 (87,239) -	27,670 (37,717) -
Net cash provided by noncapital financing activities	(44,992)	(10,047)
Cash flows from investing activities		
Investment of funds held and invested by the Florida A&M Foundation, Inc. on behalf of FAMU Rattler Boosters, Inc. Allocation of earnings from endowments at the Florida A&M University Foundation	(44,245) 18,116	(29,407) 8,505
Net cash provided by investing activities	(26,129)	(20,902)
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(52,347)	3,728
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, beginning of the year	131,821	128,093
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, end of the year	79,474	131,821
Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided /(used) by operating activities		
Operating income	25,570	34,678
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:  Depreciation  Changes in current assets and liabilities	- (6.706)	-
Pledges Receivable	(6,796)	
Net cash provided by operating activities	18,774	34,678

#### 1. NATURE OF THE ORGANIZATION

Florida A & M University Rattler Boosters, Inc. ("Rattler Boosters") is a non-profit organization that provides financial support to the student-athletes representing Florida A&M University (University). The Rattler Boosters seeks to enrich the educational experience of each student-athlete by generating substantial financial contributions through annual Rattler Booster memberships. These contributions significantly lend to the growth and stability of the Athletics Program.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

As a component unit of the University, the Rattler Boosters prepares its financial statements according to the provisions of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 35, Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for Public Colleges and Universities. This Statement establishes accounting and financial reporting standards for public colleges and universities within the financial reporting guidelines of GASB Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements-and Management's Discussion and Analysis-for State and Local Governments. These standards require public institutions to present management's discussion and analysis (MD&A), basic financial statements, and notes to the financial statements, and required supplementary information other than MD&A.

The standards require the classification of net position into three components defined as follows:

- Net investment in capital assets This component of net position consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets. If there are significant unspent related debt proceeds at year-end, the portion of the debt attributable to the unspent proceeds is not included in the calculation of net investment in capital assets. Rather, that portion of the debt is included in the same net position component as the unspent proceeds.
- Restricted for permanent endowments This component represents the net position of the Rattler Boosters which is restricted by constraints placed on the use by external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations. The Rattler Boosters had restricted net position of \$187,258 and \$154,856 as of June 30, 2024, and 2023, respectively.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

• Unrestricted – This component of net position consists of net position that does not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets".

#### Reporting Entity

In defining the Rattler Boosters for financial reporting purposes, management has applied the requirements of Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement (GASB) No. 14, the Financial Reporting Entity and GASB No. 61, the Financial Reporting Entity, Omnibus. These statements establish the basis for the reporting entity and whether it is considered a component unit of another entity. The Rattler Boosters would be a component unit of another entity if it is financially accountable to that unit. Financial accountability occurs when an entity appoints a voting majority of the board of the potential component unit and (1) is able to impose its will on the potential component unit and/or (2) is fiscally dependent and is in a relationship of financial benefit or burden with the potential component unit. An entity would also be considered financially accountable if the potential component unit is fiscally dependent and there is a financial benefit or burden relationship, regardless of whether the entity appoints the voting majority of the potential component unit's board. The Rattler Boosters is a direct support organization of the University and has met all of the financial accountability criteria necessary to be considered a component unit of the University.

The Florida legislature passed and the governor signed into law Chapter 2018-004, Laws of Florida, a provision that changed Section 1004.28, Florida Statutes, which addresses university direct support organizations. With this change, the University Board of Trustees will have to approve all DSO board members, and the University will now have control of the board of the DSO. Management has evaluated this change and is reporting the financial statements of the Rattler Boosters under the GASB model.

#### Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The Rattler Boosters is presented as a component unit of the University. The financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Revenues, expenses, income, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

#### Budget

As set forth in the bylaws of the articles of organization, the Rattler Boosters adopts an annual budget for all revenues and expenses which the Board of Directors approves. This budget must then be approved by the President of the University and sent to the University Board of Trustees for review and final approval.

#### Revenue Recognition

Life memberships are recognized as revenue committed and unpaid memberships are recorded as life memberships receivable net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. Annual memberships are recognized as revenue when received.

#### Investments

The Rattler Boosters' long-term investments are reported at fair value using quoted market prices of other fair value techniques, including net asset value, as required by GASB Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Valuation.

The following are required risk disclosures applicable to the Rattler Boosters' investments:

*Credit Risk* — Credit risk exists when there is a possibility that the issuer or other counterparty to an investment may be unable to fulfill its obligations. The Rattler Boosters' investments are held by the Florida A&M University Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") and follows the policies of the Foundation with regards to credit risk.

Concentration of Credit Risk – The Rattler Boosters maintains a cash account with a financial institution that qualifies as a public depository pursuant to Chapter 280, Florida Statutes. A qualified public depository has a branch office(s) authorized to receive deposits in Florida, maintains FDIC deposit insurance, meets the specific statutory requirements of Section 280.17, Florida Statutes, and has been approved by the Florida Treasury's Bureau of Collateral Management to accept public funds for deposit. When public deposits are made in accordance with Chapter 280, no public depositor shall be liable for any loss thereof. Any losses to public depositors are satisfied first through any applicable deposit insurance, and then through the sale of collateral pledged or deposited by the defaulting depository. When necessary, assessments may also be made against other qualified public depositories of the same type as the depository in default.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Custodial Credit Risk — Custodial credit risk exists when, in the event of a bank failure, the Rattler Boosters' deposits may not be returned to it. The Rattler Boosters' policy in regards to custodial credit risk is to maintain deposits in qualified public depositories pursuant to Chapter 280, Florida Statutes, and, accordingly, are entirely insured by federal depository insurance or collateralized pursuant to the Florida Security for Public Deposits Act. The Rattler Boosters' investments are held by the Foundation and follow the policies of the Foundation in regards to custodial credit risk.

*Interest Rate Risk* — Interest rate risk exists when there is a possibility that changes in interest rates could adversely affect an investment's fair value. The Rattler Boosters' investments are held by the Foundation and follows the policies of the Foundation with regards to interest rate risk.

#### Income Taxes

The Rattler Boosters is a nonprofit corporation which is generally exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3). Activities which constitute a trade or business, that are regularly carried on and not substantially related to the Rattler Boosters exempt purpose, may be considered unrelated business income activities under Section 511(a) of the Internal Revenue Code and subject to income tax. The Rattler Boosters had no unrelated business income tax expense for the years ended June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2023, respectively.

#### Operating Revenues and Expenses

The Statement of Revenues, Expenses and Changes in Net Position distinguishes between operating and non-operating revenues. For this purpose, operating revenues, such as dues and memberships, result from exchange transactions associated with the principle activities of the Rattler Boosters. Exchange transactions are those in which each party to the transaction receives or gives up essentially equal values. In-kind contributions from the University are considered operating revenues as they directly offset certain operating expenses. Operating expenses include the cost of membership services and administration. Non-operating revenues arise from exchange transactions not associated with the Rattler Boosters principle activities, such as contributions and investment income.

#### Management Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities

#### 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### Recent Accounting Pronouncements

The GASB has issued new accounting guidance or modifications to, or interpretations of, existing accounting guidance. The Rattler Boosters has considered the new unadopted guidance and does not believe that any other new or modified guidance will have a material impact on the Rattler Boosters' reported financial position or activities in the near term.

#### 3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash and cash equivalents include all monies in banks and highly liquid investments with maturity dates of less than three months. The Rattler Boosters maintains its cash accounts with the Foundation. There were no uninsured amounts as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Cash balances were \$79,474 and \$131,822 as of June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

#### 4. LIFE MEMBERSHIP ENDOWMENT HELD BY FAMU FOUNDATION

The Rattler Roosters established the Life Membership Endowment to provide support for general operations and financial stability of the organization. The endowment is administered and invested by the Foundation. As of June 30, 2024, and 2023, endowment balances totaled \$212,012 and \$167,767, respectively.

#### 5. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The Rattler Boosters, through an agreement with the Foundation, invests its surplus funds in the long-term investment portfolio of the Foundation with the intent of achieving the highest possible return. The Foundation diversifies its investments among various financial instruments and asset categories and uses multiple investment strategies and investment managers. Key decisions in this regard are made by the Foundation's Investment Committee, which has oversight responsibility for the Foundation's investment program. The Foundation's

The Investment Committee identifies appropriate asset categories for investments, determines the allocation of assets to each category, and approves the investment strategies employed.

#### 5. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The Rattler Boosters prepares its financial statements according to the provisions of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 72, Fair Value Measurement and Application. This statement addresses accounting and financial reporting issues related to fair value measurements. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date.

In determining the fair value, the Foundation uses various methods including market, income and cost approaches. Based on these approaches, the Foundation often utilizes certain assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability, including assumptions about risk and the risks inherent in the inputs to the valuation technique. These inputs can be readily observable, market corroborated or generally unobservable inputs. The Foundation uses valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. Based on observability of the inputs used in the valuation techniques, the Foundation is required to provide the following information according to the fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy ranks the quality and reliability of the information used to determine fair values.

The Rattler Boosters categorizes its fair value measurements within the fair value hierarchy established by generally accepted accounting principles. The hierarchy is based on the valuation inputs used to measure the fair value of the asset and are disclosed in one of the following three categories:

- Level 1 inputs are quoted prices in active markets for identical assets;
- Level 2 inputs are observable, either directly or indirectly, such as quoted prices for similar assets, quoted prices in markets that are not active, or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the same term of the asset;
- Level 3 inputs are significant unobservable inputs. The Rattler Boosters has no investments valued using level 3 inputs.

All transfers between fair value hierarchy levels are recognized by the Foundation at the end of each reporting period. In certain cases, the inputs used to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, an investment's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgment and considers factors specific to the investment. The inputs or methodology used for

#### 5. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

valuing financial instruments are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investment in those instruments.

The following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for instruments measured at fair value:

Corporate stocks and commingled funds (equities and fixed income) — Valued at quoted market prices, which for commingled funds represents the net asset value of shares held by the Foundation at year end.

*Mutual Funds/Short-term investments* – Valued at quoted market prices, which for commingled funds represents the net asset value of shares held by the Foundation at year end.

Corporate bonds and government issues (domestic and foreign) – Investments classified as Level 1 are based on quoted market prices from independent pricing vendors.

Investments classified as Level 2 are based upon independent pricing models or other model- based valuation techniques, such as the present value of the stream of expected cash flows adjusted for the security's credit rating and other factors. Other factors may include items, such as credit loss assumptions.

*Hedge Funds and Real Estate Funds* – Valued at the net asset value of the units held by the Foundation at year end, as reported by the investment manager.

*Limited Partnerships* – Investments in limited partnerships for which there is no readily determinable fair value are classified as Level 3, as the valuation is based on significant unobservable inputs. To estimate fair value, the Foundation uses the net asset value of the limited partnerships.

Real Estate Property – Valued at cost plus improvements and allocated 15% to fixed assets and 85% to investments. To provide net operating income that is sufficient to cover the cost of preventive maintenance, capital improvements, operating reserves, and the educational activities that the donor specified when the property was donated. The Foundation's risk with respect to this property is mitigated by the Foundation's general liability insurance, and property and casualty insurance, as well as the insurance provided by tenants pursuant to lease agreements.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Foundation believes its valuation methods are appropriate and

#### 5. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The Rattler Boosters' proportionate share of the Foundation's investments by level, within the fair value hierarchy as of June 30, 2024, and 2023, is summarized as follows:

Description	Quoted Prices on Active Markets for Idential Assets (Level 1)	Significant Observable Inputs (Level 2)	* Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total
June 30, 2024				
Common Stocks	102,423	-	-	102,423
Commingled Funds	-	10,141	-	10,141
Corporate Bonds	9,283	-	-	9,283
U.S. Government Securities	3,042	3,577	-	6,618
Real Estate Property	-	1,707	-	1,707
	-	17,871	-	17,871
Cash/Money Market Funds	2,625	-	-	2,625
Accrued Interest/Unsettled Transactions	75	-	<del>-</del>	75
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	117,449	33,296	-	150,745
Investments measured at net asset value			61,267	61,267
Total Investments at fair value	117,449	33,296	61,267	212,012

<sup>\*</sup>In accordance with GASB 72 certain investments that were measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy.

#### 5. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

Description	Quoted Prices on Active Markets for Idential Assets (Level 1)	Significant Observable Inputs (Level 2)	* Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	Total
June 30, 2023				
Common Stocks	72,449	2,630	-	75,079
Commingled Funds	3,813	8,750	-	12,563
Corporate Bonds	855	-	-	855
U.S. Government Securities	8,493	3,309	-	11,802
Real Estate Property	-	1,565	-	1,565
	-	11,495	-	11,495
Cash/Money Market Funds	12,292	-	-	12,292
Accrued Interest/Unsettled Transactions	(5,731)	<u> </u>		(5,731)
Total assets in the fair value hierarchy	92,173	27,749	-	119,922
Investments measured at net asset value			47,845	47,845
Total Investments at fair value	92,173	27,749	47,845	167,767

<sup>\*</sup>In accordance with GASB 72 certain investments that were measured at NAV per share (or its equivalent) have not been classified in the fair value hierarchy.

The following is a description of the significant investment strategies of each major category of investments that calculate net asset value per share and are not in an active market (Level 3 measurements):

Hedge Funds, Fund of Funds and Limited Partnership Funds- To provide capital appreciation and generate high returns at reduced risk through aggressively managed portfolio of investments using advanced investment strategies.

Real Estate Funds – To provide capital appreciation and generate high returns through a professionally managed private Real Estate Investment Trust portfolio that approximates the investment risks and returns for private commercial real estate.

Real Estate Property – To provide net operating income that is sufficient to cover the cost of preventive maintenance, capital improvements, operating reserves, and the educational activities that the donor specified when the property was donated. The Foundation's risk with respect to this property is mitigated by the Foundation's general liability insurance, and property and casualty insurance, as well as the insurance provided by tenants pursuant to lease agreements.

While these financial instruments may contain varying degrees of risk, the Foundation's risk with respect to such transactions is limited to its capital balance in each investment. The financial statements of the investees are audited annually by independent auditors.

### 5. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The following table discloses all investments whose value is calculated using NAV (or its equivalent), as a practical expedient for funds held at June 30, 2023.

	Net Asset Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Notice Period
Fixed Income			1	
Private Credit	7,218		Daily	2 days
	-			
Equities	-			
Domestic equities	11,360		Quarterly	$45  \mathrm{days}$
International equities	10,141		Monthly	5 days
	-	-		
<u>Limited Partnerships</u>	-			
Venture Capital	8,327	1,155	Duration of Partnership	N/A
Private equity	11,615	3,770	Duration of Partnershi	N/A
Private credit	4,757	3,505	Duration of Partnership	N/A
Real estate fund	3,104	613	Duration of Partnershi	N/A
Hedge fund	32,731	-	Monthly/Quarterly	45 - 90 days
Total investments at				
June 20, 2024	89,253	9,044		

	Net Asset Value	Unfunded Commitments	Redemption Frequency	Redemption Notice Period
Commingled funds	-			
Domestic equities	8,713		Quarterly	45 days
International equities	8,750		Monthly	$5~\mathrm{days}$
	-	-		
Limited Partnerships	-			
Venture Capital	6,815	1,220	Duration of Partnership	N/A
Private equity	8,011	4,529	Duration of Partnership	N/A
Private credit	4,095	3,577	Duration of Partnership	N/A
Real estate fund	1,757	1,444	Duration of Partnership	N/A
Hedge fund	28,521	-	Monthly/Quarterly	45 - 90 days
Total investments at June 20, 2024	66,662	10,770		

#### 5. INVESTMENTS AND FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The table below sets forth a summary of changes in the fair value of the Foundation's Level 3 assets for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2024, and 2023:

	Commingled		
	Funds and	Real Estate and	
	Limited	Real Estate	
	<u>Partnerships</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Balance June 30, 2022	28,259	8,221	36,481
Sales	(10,711)	(7,443)	(18,154)
Purchases	$23,\!515$	843	24,358
Net realized and unrealized gains (los	(935)	135	(800)
Transfer in from Level 2	5,961	-	5,961
Balance June 30, 2023	46,088	1,757	47,845
Sales	(445)	(195)	(641)
Purchases	11,225	1,185	12,410
Net realized and unrealized gains (los	3,202	268	3,470
Transfers in/(out) from Level 1	(5,256)	990	(4,266)
Balance at June 30, 2024	57,172	4,094	61,267

#### 6. PROMISES TO GIVE

Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected within one (1) year are recorded at net realizable value. Unconditional promises to give that are expected to be collected in future years are recorded at the present value of their estimated future cash flows. The discounts on those amounts are computed using the risk-free interest rates applicable to the years in which the promises are received. Amortization of discounts is included in contribution revenue. Conditional promises to give are not included as support until the conditions are substantially met.

Unconditional promises to give as of June 30, 2024, consist of:

Subscribing Life Memberships	12,358
Less: Unamortized discount	106
Subtotal	12,252
Less: Allowance for uncollectibles	5,455
Net Conditional promises to give	6,797
Amount due in:	
Less than one (1) year	6,933
One to five (5) years	5,425
Total	12,358

There were no unconditional promises to give as of June 30, 2023, as the total receivable amount was deemed uncollectible.

#### 7. LIQUIDITY OF CURRENT ASSETS

The Organization's endowment funds consist of donor restricted lifetime memberships to be permanently invested in the fund. Life membership receivables are unconditional promises to give as a result of installment payments on life memberships, therefore once received it is not available for general expenditure.

The Organization's financial assets available within one-year of June 30, 2024, for general expenditure are as follows:

Cash and Cash Equivalents

\$ 79,474

The organization relies predominantly on cash and cash equivalents as its general expenditures, liabilities, and other obligations come due.

#### 8. CASH HELD IN TRUST

FAMU Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation"), an related entity, holds funds in trust for the Rattler Boosters for collections made on behalf of the Rattler Boosters. In the current fiscal year, members of the Rattler Boosters made payments for member's contribution and payment into the members' lifetime endowment fund. The members' lifetime endowment fund is permanently restricted.

The balance of the endowment fund at June 30, 2024 and 2023 was \$212,012 and \$167,767, respectively and is classified as net position, restricted for permanent endowments on the Statement of Net Position.

#### 9. SUPPORT TO ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, the Rattler Boosters provided direct support of \$87,239 and \$37,717 respectively. The support included amounts paid to or on behalf of FAMU's athletic department.

#### 10. MEMBERS' ENDOWMENT FUND

The Rattler Boosters have a lifetime membership endowment fund. Each member has the option to pay \$750 into the fund. The members' lifetime endowment fund is permanently restricted, and the earnings are temporarily restricted for the payment of future membership dues and members' expenses. The balance of the

endowment fund at June 30, 2024 and June 30, 2023 was \$212,012 and \$167,767, respectively.

#### 11. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Subsequent events are events or transactions that occur after the statement of financial position date but before the financial statements are issued. We have evaluated subsequent events through the issuance date of the audit report, October 11, 2024, and there were no subsequent events to be disclosed.

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#### INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

#### Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Directors of Florida A&M University Rattler Boosters, Inc.

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Florida A&M University Rattler Boosters, Inc., (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of net position as of June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2023, and the related statements of revenues, expenses, and changes in net position, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated October 11, 2024.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the FAMU Rattler Boosters' internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the FAMU Rattler Boosters' internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the FAMU Rattler Boosters' financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the organization's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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Tallahassee, Florida October 11, 2024