### **Audited Financial Statements**

# The Women's Institute for Secondary Education and Research International, Inc.

December 31, 2019

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#### **Certified Public Accountant and Consultant**

#### Independent Auditor's Report

Board of Directors and Management The Women's Institute for Secondary Education and Research (WISER) International, Inc. Durham, North Carolina

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Women's Institute for Secondary Education and Research International, Inc. (the Organization) (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

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

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP); this includes 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.

#### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Organization's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Organization as of December 31, 2019, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Mark S. Danes, CPA, PLLC June 23, 2020

# The Women's Institute for Secondary Education and Research (WISER) International, Inc. Statement of Financial Position

December 31, 2019

Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 207,842
Short-term investments	5,142
Promises to give	51,677
Prepaid expenses	3,235
Total assets	\$ 267,896
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Accounts payable	\$ 381
Accrued payroll liabilities	10,475
Total liabilities	10,856
Net Assets	
Without donor restrictions	188,040
With donor restrictions	69,000
Total net assets	257,040
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 267,896

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# The Women's Institute for Secondary Education and Research (WISER) International, Inc. Statement of Activities

For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

Without donor restrictions	
Revenue and gains	
Contributions	\$ 571,159
Program service fees	95,987
Special events, net	10,115
Return on investments	30
Other income	944
Total revenue and gains	 678,235
Net assets released from restrictions	 65,212
Total revenue, gains and reclassifications	743,447
Expenses and Losses	
Program services	
Secondary school	449,108
Community Outreach	59,182
Research	26,230
Management and general	73,914
Fundraising	 88,413
Total expenses and losses	696,847
Change in net assets without donor restrictions	46,600
With donor restrictions	
Contributions	69,000
Net assets released from restrictions	(65,212)
Change in net assets with donor restrictions	3,788
Change in net assets	50,388
Beginning net assets	 206,652

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

Ending net assets

257,040

### The Women's Institute for Secondary Education and Research (WISER) International, Inc. Statement of Functional Expenses For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

								Total						
	Se	condary	Coı	nmunity			]	Program	Ma	nagement				
		School	O	utreach	F	Research	Services and General		and General Fundraising Tota		ıl Fundraising		Total	
Grants to others	\$	380,763	\$	41,048	\$	-	\$	421,811	\$	-	\$	-	\$	421,811
Salaries and benefits		13,881		12,045		18,712		44,638		36,202		65,359		146,199
Travel and lodging		45,472		5,168		5,168		55,808		1,609		3,753		61,170
Payroll taxes		1,981		921		2,350		5,252		6,445		8,676		20,373
Meetings and conferences		-		-		-		-		10,344		2,497		12,841
Legal and accounting fees		-		-		-		-		10,591		-		10,591
Insurance		414		-		-		414		6,088		-		6,502
Research project		5,932		-		-		5,932		-		-		5,932
Other contracted services		373		-		-		373		1,893		1,770		4,036
Office expenses		292		-		-		292		512		2,972		3,776
Fundraising technology		-		-		-		-		230		920		1,150
Thank you gifts		-		-		-		-		_		520		520
Licenses and fees		-		-		-		-		-		510		510
Advertising		-		-		-		-		-		130		130
Information technology		-		-		-		-		-		18		18
Miscellaneous		<u> </u>		<u> </u>		_		<u> </u>		_		1,288		1,288
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	\$	449,108	\$	59,182	\$	26,230	\$	534,520	\$	73,914	\$	88,413	\$	696,847

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

# The Women's Institute for Secondary Education and Research (WISER) International, Inc. Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended December 31, 2019

Cash Flows From Operating Activities		
Change in net assets	\$	50,388
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net cash		
provided by (used in) operating activities		
Donated investments		(5,142)
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Promises to give		(33,809)
Prepaid expenses		6,005
Accounts payable		311
Accrued payroll liabilities		9,367
Total adjustments		(23,268)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		27,120
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		180,722
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$	207,842
Supplemental Disclosures		
Cash paid for interest	_\$	
Cash paid for taxes	\$	-

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2019

#### Note 1 - Nature of Activities

The Women's Institute for Secondary Education and Research (WISER) International, Inc. (the Organization) is a nonprofit entity organized under the laws of the State of North Carolina in 2010 to work with girls to transcend poverty, HIV(AIDS), and gender violence. It does this by creating and funding programs that empower girls in rural Kenya, primarily but not limited to, the WISER NGO (an independent nongovernmental organization incorporated in Kenya) and WISER Secondary School.

The Organization is exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. However, income from certain activities not directly related to the Organization's tax-exempt purpose, if present, may be subject to taxation as unrelated business income. In addition, the Organization qualifies for the charitable contribution deduction under Section 170(b)(1)(A) and has been classified as an organization other than a private foundation under Section 509(a)(2).

#### Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### Estimates

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

#### Financial Statement Presentation

The Organization reports information regarding its financial position and activities according to the following net asset classifications:

Net assets without donor restrictions: Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Organization. These net assets may be used at the discretion of the Organization's management and the Board of Directors.

Net assets with donor restrictions: Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by actions of the Organization or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions, if any, are permanent in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

#### Cash and Cash Equivalents

As a general rule, the Organization considers all highly liquid investments available for current use with an initial maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2019

Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Investments

The Organization's policy is to sell all donated stock upon receipt. Short-term investments on the statement of financial position represent mutual funds donated to the Organization that were still held at December 31, 2019. They were subsequently sold in February 2020.

#### Fair Value Measurements

U.S. GAAP specifies a hierarchy of valuation techniques. The following summarizes the fair value hierarchy: Level 1 Inputs—Unadjusted quoted market prices for identical assets and liabilities in an active market that the Organization has the ability to access. Level 2 Inputs—Inputs, other than the quoted prices in active markets that are observable either directly or indirectly. Level 3 Inputs—Inputs based on prices or valuation techniques that are both unobservable and significant to the overall fair value measurements.

All investments of the Organization are considered to be Level 1 assets. The Organization had no Level 2 or 3 assets or liabilities for the year presented.

#### Promises to Give and Revenue Recognition

All promises to give were collected shortly after year-end. Donor-restricted support is reported as an increase in net assets without donor restrictions if the restrictions expire in the year in which the support is recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires (that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished), net assets are reclassified and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restrictions.

The Organization's only contract for educational programming (i.e. program service fees) is a single performance obligation that is satisfied over time. Therefore, the resulting revenue is recognized ratably over the service period of approximately nine weeks during the summer. See below for more details about the Duke Engage/Kenya program.

#### **Uncertain Tax Positions**

The Organization has appropriate support for any tax positions taken, and as such, does not have any uncertain tax positions that are material to the financial statements. It should be noted that the prior three tax years remain subject to examination by various tax jurisdictions.

#### General Expenditures

The Organization considers the costs related to its normal activities to be general expenditures unless such costs are limited by the donors for specified, restricted purposes. Accordingly, the related resources for the latter have been excluded in the quantitative information detailing the financial assets available to meet general expenditures within one year.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

December 31, 2019

#### Note 2 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

#### Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing program and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities and functional expenses. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the program and supporting services benefited. Such allocations are determined by management on an equitable basis.

The allocation of salaries, other compensation and employee benefits are based on time and effort studies of staff members. The remaining categories on the statement of functional expenses are allocated based on approximate direct usage.

#### **Donated Services**

A number of volunteers have donated substantial amounts of time toward the program and supporting activities of the Organization. Management estimates that it received approximately 1,100 hours of volunteer time for the year ended December 31, 2019. No amount has been reflected in the accompanying financial statements for these donated services because they do not meet the requirements for measurement under U.S. GAAP.

#### Note 3 - Restricted Net Assets

Net assets with donor restrictions at December 31, 2019 were as follows:

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One Sky Giving	\$ 37,000	
Preston-Werner Foundation	20,000	
Purpose restricted:		
Supplies	10,200	
STEM	1,800	
	\$ 69,000	

Net assets released from net assets with donor restrictions are as follows for the year ended December 31, 2019:

#### Satisfaction of purpose restrictions:

Dining for Women	\$ 45,212
WISER Alumni	 20,000
	\$ 65,212

#### Notes to Financial Statements

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#### Note 4 - Related Party Transactions

The Board Chair of the Organization is also the Board Chair of WISER NGO, which is the primary recipient of the grants awarded by the Organization in 2019. The amount paid to WISER NGO for the year ended December 31, 2019 was \$407,511.

The Board Chair also receives compensation from the Organization in her capacity as the program coordinator of the Duke Engage/Kenya program. She is an employee of Duke University, which funds the program through the Organization, and she receives wages from the Organization for her leadership of the program. Compensation for the Chair's leadership of the Duke Engage program for the year ended December 31, 2020 was \$23,508.

It is not unusual for members of the Board of Directors to make contributions to the Organization. Management does not believe that the amounts involved are significant enough to warrant further disclosure.

#### Note 5 - Availability and Liquidity

The following represents the Organization's financial assets at December 31, 2019:

Financial assets at year end:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	207,842
Short-term investments		5,142
Promises to give		51,677
Total financial asset	s	264,661
Less amounts not available to be used within one year:		
Board-designated net assets		69,000
Less net assets with time restrictions to be		
met in less than a year		(57,000)
		12,000
Financial assets available to meet general		
expenditures over the next twelve months	\$	252,661

The Organization's goal is generally to maintain financial assets to meet 90 days of operating expenses (i.e. \$69,000).

As part of the Organization's liquidity management plan, cash in excess of daily requirements is invested in a savings account that may be drawn upon, if necessary, to meet unexpected liquidity needs or in the event of financial distress.

#### Notes to Financial Statements

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#### Note 6 - Conditional Grants

Conditional grants to the Organization at December 31, 2019 consist of \$75,000 from one grantor that is contingent on future activities of the Organization in 2020. No amount has been reflected in the accompanying statement of activities for this conditional grant.

#### Note 7 - Subsequent Events

In accordance with U.S. GAAP, the Organization has evaluated all events subsequent to the statement of financial position date of December 31, 2019 through June 23, 2020, which is the date these financial statements were available to be issued, and has determined that there are no subsequent events that require disclosure.