

Council of Trustees Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education Slippery Rock, Pennsylvania

We have audited the financial statements of the business-type activities and the aggregate discretely presented component units of Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania of the State System of Higher Education (the University), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2025, and have issued our report thereon dated October 29, 2025. We did not audit the financial statements of the aggregate discretely presented component units, which statements reflect 100% of the total assets and 100% of the total net assets as of June 30, 2025, and 100% of the revenues of the aggregate discretely presented component units for the year then ended. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose reports have been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the aggregate discretely presented component units, is based on the reports of the other auditors. We have previously communicated to you information about our responsibilities under auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit in our Statement of Work dated May 12, 2025. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant audit findings or issues *Qualitative aspects of accounting practices*

Accounting policies

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the University are described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

As described in Note 2, the entity changed accounting policies related to Compensated Absences by adopting Statement of Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB Statement) No. 101, Compensated Absences, in 2025. The entity also adopted GASB Statement 102, Certain Risk Disclosures, in 2025. The cumulative effect of the accounting change as of the beginning of the year was reported in the current year Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.

We noted no transactions entered into by the entity during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. There were no accounting estimates affecting the financial statements which were particularly sensitive or required substantial judgements by management.

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Financial statement disclosures

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. There were no particularly sensitive financial statement disclosures.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Significant unusual transactions

We identified no significant unusual transactions.

Difficulties encountered in performing the audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Uncorrected misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has determined that the effects of uncorrected misstatements are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. The following summarizes uncorrected misstatements of the financial statements: The University's beginning net position as of July 1, 2024 is overstated, and the change in net position for the year ended June 30, 2025, is understated by approximately \$454,000 due to the University electing to pass through the prior year impact of GASB 101 adoption in the current fiscal year.

Corrected misstatements

Management did not identify, and we did not notify them of any financial statement misstatements detected as a result of audit procedures.

Disagreements with management

For purposes of this communication, a disagreement with management is a disagreement on a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditors' report. No such disagreements arose during our audit.

Circumstances that affect the form and content of the auditors' report

As previously communicated to you, the report was modified to emphasize that the financial statements reflect only financial position, changes in financial position, and where applicable, cash flows, of Slippery Rock University, and not the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education.

Management representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated October 29, 2025.

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Management consultations with other independent accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the entity's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditors' opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Significant issues discussed with management prior to engagement

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to engagement as the entity's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our engagement.

Other audit findings or issues

We have provided a separate communication to you dated October 29, 2025, communicating internal control related matters identified during the audit.

Audits of group financial statements

We noted no matters related to the group audit that we consider to be significant to the responsibilities of those charged with governance of the group.

Quality of component auditor's work

There were no instances in which our evaluation of the work of a component auditor gave rise to a concern about the quality of that auditor's work.

Limitations on the group audit

There were no restrictions on our access to information of components or other limitations on the group audit.

Required supplementary information

With respect to the required supplementary information (RSI) accompanying the financial statements, we made certain inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the RSI, including whether the RSI has been measured and presented in accordance with prescribed guidelines, whether the methods of measurement and preparation have been changed from the prior period and the reasons for any such changes, and whether there were any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the RSI. We compared the RSI for consistency with management's responses to the foregoing inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge obtained during the audit of the basic financial statements. Because these limited procedures do not provide sufficient evidence, we did not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI.

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This communication is intended solely for the information and use of the Council of Trustees and management of the University and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania October 29, 2025