



Financial Statements

Science Atlantic

August 31, 2023

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Independent Practitioner's Review Engagement Report

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To the Members of
[Science Atlantic](#)

We have reviewed the accompanying financial statements of Science Atlantic that comprise the statement of financial position as at August 31, 2023, and the statements of operations and changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's responsibility for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Practitioner's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express a conclusion on the accompanying financial statements based on our review. We conducted our review in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements, which require us to comply with relevant ethical requirements.

A review of financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements is a limited assurance engagement. The practitioner performs procedures, primarily consisting of making inquiries of management and others within the entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures, and evaluates the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in extent than, and vary in nature from, those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Conclusion

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Science Atlantic as at August 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Antigonish, Canada
November 9, 2023

Grant Thornton LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

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Statements of Operations and Changes in Net Assets

Year ended August 31	2023	2022
Revenues		
Membership fees	\$ 177,125	\$ 163,985
Employment grants	77,929	65,438
Investment income	6,897	3,936
Donations	4,900	9,203
Conference income	1,714	725
Miscellaneous income	<u>242</u>	<u>11,689</u>
	<u>268,807</u>	<u>254,976</u>
Expenditures		
Division programs	2,422	1,028
Insurance	764	764
Office	7,705	11,089
Professional fees	17,727	19,523
Student awards	6,525	5,900
Travel	1,550	1,019
Wages and benefits	<u>209,796</u>	<u>218,997</u>
	<u>246,489</u>	<u>258,320</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures from operations	22,318	(3,344)
Other income (item)		
Adjustment of investment to market value	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(15,853)</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>\$ 22,313</u>	<u>\$ (19,197)</u>
Net assets, beginning of year		
	\$ 100,319	\$ 119,516
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	<u>22,313</u>	<u>(19,197)</u>
Net assets, end of year	<u>\$ 122,632</u>	<u>\$ 100,319</u>

See accompanying notes to the financial statements.


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Statement of Financial Position

August 31	2023	2022
Assets		
Current		
Cash	\$ 128,688	\$ 64,700
Receivables	56,505	41,731
Prepays	<u>8,723</u>	<u>466</u>
	193,916	106,897
Investments, at market value	<u>123,280</u>	<u>120,381</u>
	<u>\$ 317,196</u>	<u>\$ 227,278</u>
Liabilities		
Current		
Payables and accruals	\$ 108,481	\$ 56,296
Division funds	80,840	69,224
Deferred revenue	<u>3,804</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>193,125</u>	<u>125,520</u>
Fund balances		
Restricted for W. J. Blundon		
Lecture Fund (note 4)	1,439	1,439
Net assets	<u>122,632</u>	<u>100,319</u>
	<u>124,071</u>	<u>101,758</u>
	<u>\$ 317,196</u>	<u>\$ 227,278</u>

On behalf of the Board

Charles Macdonald Member
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Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended August 31

2023

2022

Increase (decrease) in cash

Operating

Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	\$ 22,313	\$ (19,197)
Adjustment of investments to market value	<u>(2,533)</u>	<u>15,886</u>

	19,780	(3,311)
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Change in non-cash working capital items

Receivables	(14,774)	22,505
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Prepays	(8,257)	(20)
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Payables and accruals	52,185	(82,117)
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Division funds	11,616	(2,108)
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Deferred revenue	<u>3,804</u>	<u>-</u>
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	<u>64,354</u>	<u>(65,051)</u>
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Investing

Purchase of investments, at market value	(457)	(3,116)
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Proceeds on sale of investments, at market value	<u>91</u>	<u>-</u>
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	<u>(366)</u>	<u>(3,116)</u>
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Increase (decrease) in cash

	63,988	(68,167)
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Cash

Beginning of year	<u>64,700</u>	<u>132,867</u>
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End of year	<u>\$ 128,688</u>	<u>\$ 64,700</u>
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See accompanying notes to the financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements

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1. Nature of operations

Science Atlantic is a non-profit charitable organization composed of scientists, universities and other institutions in Atlantic Canada. The mission of Science Atlantic is to advance post-secondary science education and research in Atlantic Canada by, providing opportunities that foster and enrich students, supporting and inspiring researchers, educators, and the broader scientific community, and using their collective voice to address important regional issues.

2. Summary of significant accounting policies

The Organization applies the Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Basis of presentation

Science Atlantic has prepared these financial statements in accordance with the Canadian Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations, (ASNPO).

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash, balances with banks and other financial institutions, net of overdraft.

Investments

Investments are recorded at market value.

Revenue and expenditures

Major revenue and expenditure items are recorded on an accrual basis.

Certain sources of revenue including donations and other fundraising projects are recorded on a cash basis. Donated goods and services are only receipted and reported in the accounts when the fair value can be reasonably estimated and they are used in the normal course of the Organization's operations.

Financial instruments

The Organization considers any contract creating a financial asset, liability or equity instrument as a financial instrument, except in certain limited circumstances. The Organization accounts for the following as financial instruments:

- cash and cash equivalents
- receivables
- payables
- division funds

A financial asset or liability is recognized when the Organization becomes party to contractual provisions of the instrument.

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2. Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial instruments (continued)

Measurement

Financial assets or liabilities obtained in arm's length transactions are initially measured at their fair value. In the case of a financial asset or liability not being subsequently measured at fair value, the initial fair value will be adjusted for financing fees and transaction costs that are directly attributable to its origination, acquisition, issuance or assumption.

The organization subsequently measures all of its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value and investments in equity instruments that are not quoted in an active market, which are measured at cost less any reduction for impairment. Changes in fair value are recognized in the statement of operations.

The Organization removes financial liabilities, or a portion of, when the obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Financial assets measured at cost are tested for impairment when there are indicators of impairment. Previously recognized impairment losses are reversed to the extent of the improvement provided the asset is not carried at an amount, at the date of the reversal, greater than the amount that would have been the carrying amount had no impairment loss been recognized previously. The amounts of any write-downs or reversals are recognized in net income.

Use of estimates

In preparing the Organization's financial statements, management is required to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and reported amounts of revenue and expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

3. Division funds

The organization provides funding to divisions focused on academic areas. Each division generates funds and incurs expenditures as part of the fulfillment of its mandate. The additional activities are not included in these financial statements. Funds held for each academic division are as follows:

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3. Division funds (continued)

	<u>Balance August 31, 2022</u>	<u>Funds received</u>	<u>Funds disbursed</u>	<u>Balance August 31, 2023</u>
Aquaculture & Fisheries	\$ 2,323	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,323
Biology	644	-	-	644
Chemistry	6,955	-	(2,150)	4,805
AFB Conference	5,240	4,023	(2,263)	7,000
Computer Science	7,000	225	(225)	7,000
Earth Science	7,000	7,862	(2,576)	12,286
Environment	4,510	260	(260)	4,510
Math & Statistics Division	7,000	175	(175)	7,000
Physics & Astronomy	5,873	3,713	(86)	9,500
Psychology	6,524	2,364	-	8,888
Nutrition	4,544	2,558	(712)	6,390
PayPal Account	2,842	-	(2,842)	-
Special Projects Fund	<u>8,769</u>	<u>1,725</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,494</u>
	<u>\$ 69,224</u>	<u>\$ 22,905</u>	<u>\$ (11,289)</u>	<u>\$ 80,840</u>

4. Restricted funds

The W. J. Blundon Lecture Fund was established by the Mathematics and Statistics division to honour the late W. J. Blundon. Any revenue or direct contributions related to the fund are recognized as direct increases to the fund rather than revenue, and any award or expenses from the fund are recognized as a direct reduction of the fund rather than expenses. There was minimal activity during the current year. Awards are made from the fund at the discretion of the Mathematics and Statistics division.

5. Division programs

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Speaker Tours	<u>\$ 2,422</u>	<u>\$ 1,028</u>

6. Financial instruments

The organization's policy for managing significant risk includes an infrastructure of policies, procedures and oversight designed to reduce the risks identified to an appropriate threshold. The Board of directors is provided with timely and relevant reports on the management of significant risks. Significant risks managed by the organization include liquidity, market and credit risks.

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6. Financial instruments (continued)

(a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. The organization's main credit risk relates to its accounts receivable. The entity provides credit in the normal course of its operations. In the opinion of the organization the credit risk exposure is low and not material.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Organization will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The Organization is exposed to this risk mainly in respect of its division funds, and accounts payable.

The organization reduces its exposure to liquidity risk by ensuring that it documents when authorized payments become due. In the opinion of management, the liquidity risk exposure to the organization is low and is not material.

(c) Market risk

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

Price risk relates to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes of market prices of securities held. There is no significant change in exposure from the prior year.