Consolidated Financial Statements (With Supplementary Information) and Independent Auditor's Report

December 31, 2017 and 2016

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Independent Auditor's Report

To the Board of Trustees Sea Research Foundation, Inc. and Mystic Entertainment Company

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of Sea Research Foundation, Inc. (a nonprofit entity) and Mystic Entertainment Company (a wholly-owned for profit subsidiary of Sea Research Foundation, Inc.), which comprise the consolidated statements of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the related consolidated statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the years 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 consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated 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 these consolidated financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free from material misstatement. The financial statements of Mystic Entertainment Company were not audited in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated 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 entity'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 consolidated 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 consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Sea Research Foundation, Inc. and Mystic Entertainment Company as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, and the changes in their net assets and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Report on Consolidating Information

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the 2017 consolidated financial statements as a whole. The consolidating information on pages 24 and 25 is presented for purposes of additional analysis of the 2017 consolidated financial statements rather than to present the financial position and results of operations of the individual companies, and is not a required part of the 2017 consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2017 consolidated financial statements. The consolidating information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the 2017 consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the 2017 consolidated financial statements or to the 2017 consolidated financial statements or to the 2017 consolidated financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the consolidating information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the 2017 consolidated financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 8, 2018, on our consideration of Sea Research Foundation, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of Sea Research's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering Sea Research Foundation, Inc.'s internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Hartford, Connecticut

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June 8, 2018

Consolidated Statements of Financial Position December 31, 2017 and 2016

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Consolidated Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2017 (with Comparative Totals for the Year Ended December 31, 2016)

	Unrestricted	Temporarily restricted	Total			
	net assets	net assets	2017	2016		
Sea Research Foundation activities						
Revenue from operations						
Admissions	\$ 11,470,641	\$ -	\$ 11,470,641	\$ 11,678,709		
Memberships	1,892,229	-	1,892,229	1,920,469		
Program income	1,418,765	-	1,418,765	1,473,862		
Interest and dividends	18,105	-	18,105	13,089		
Realized loss on investments	-	-	-	(2,192)		
Grants and contracts - operations	3,008,559	-	3,008,559	3,073,944		
Grants and contracts - capital	34,900	-	34,900	980,000		
Contributions	1,321,521	214,007	1,535,528	1,057,532		
Management fees and other revenue	310,489	-	310,489	309,936		
Auxiliary operations	2,415,866	-	2,415,866	2,408,462		
Net assets released from restriction	757,269	(757,269)				
Total	22,648,344	(543,262)	22,105,082	22,913,811		
Operating costs and expenses						
Exhibits and husbandry	9,624,263	-	9,624,263	9,248,234		
Education and research	4,941,371	-	4,941,371	4,855,476		
Visitor services	1,766,755	-	1,766,755	1,625,512		
General and administrative	3,724,346	-	3,724,346	3,442,941		
Development	1,177,687	-	1,177,687	1,561,703		
Marketing	1,951,099	-	1,951,099	1,900,501		
Auxiliary operations	450,237	-	450,237	456,933		
Ocean Exploration Center	903,202		903,202	1,108,311		
Total	24,538,960		24,538,960	24,199,611		
Deficiency from Foundation operations	(1,890,616)	(543,262)	(2,433,878)	(1,285,800)		
Non-operating revenue and expenses						
Settlement revenue	_	_	_	653,213		
Other income	-	_	-	108,921		
Change in interest rate swap agreement	177,332	_	177,332	200,434		
Unrealized gains on investments	13,492		13,492	9,493		
Change in net assets from Foundation activities	(1,699,792)	(543,262)	(2,243,054)	(313,739)		
Mystic Entertainment activities						
Operating revenue	2,884,874	-	2,884,874	3,106,533		
Cost of goods sold	(1,392,600)		(1,392,600)	(1,470,965)		
Net revenue	1,492,274	-	1,492,274	1,635,568		
Operating expenses	(1,323,175)		(1,323,175)	(1,267,448)		
Income from MEC activities	169,099		169,099	368,120		
Change in net assets	(1,539,859)	(543,262)	(2,083,121)	54,381		
Net assets, beginning	15,654,537	1,476,157	17,130,694	17,076,313		
Net assets, end	\$ 14,114,678	\$ 932,895	\$ 15,047,573	\$ 17,130,694		

Consolidated Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Unrestricted net assets	Temporarily restricted net assets	Total 2016
Sea Research Foundation activities	Het assets	Het assets	2010
Revenue from operations			
Admissions	\$ 11,678,709	\$ -	\$ 11,678,709
Memberships	1,920,469	-	1,920,469
Program income	1,473,862	-	1,473,862
Interest and dividends	13,089	-	13,089
Realized loss on investments	(2,192)	_	(2,192)
Grants and contracts - operations	3,073,944	_	3,073,944
Grants and contracts - capital	-	980.000	980,000
Contributions	960,427	97,105	1,057,532
Management fees and other revenue	309,936	-	309,936
Auxiliary operations	2,408,462	-	2,408,462
Net assets released from restriction	587,200	(587,200)	
Total	22,423,906	489,905	22,913,811
Operating costs and expenses			
Exhibits and husbandry	9,248,234	-	9,248,234
Education and research	4,855,476	-	4,855,476
Visitor services	1,625,512	-	1,625,512
General and administrative	3,442,941	-	3,442,941
Development	1,561,703	_	1,561,703
Marketing	1,900,501	_	1,900,501
Auxiliary operations	456,933	_	456,933
Ocean Exploration Center	1,108,311		1,108,311
Total	24,199,611		24,199,611
Deficiency from Foundation operations	(1,775,705)	489,905	(1,285,800)
Non-operating revenue and expenses			
Settlement revenue	653,213		050.040
		-	653,213
Other Income	108,921	-	108,921
Change in interest rate swap agreement	200,434	-	200,434
Unrealized gains on investments	9,493		9,493
Change in net assets from Foundation activities	(803,644)	489,905	(313,739)
Mystic Entertainment activities			
Operating revenue	3,106,533	-	3,106,533
Cost of goods sold	(1,470,965)		(1,470,965)
Net revenue	1,635,568	-	1,635,568
Operating expenses	(1,267,448)		(1,267,448)
Income from MEC activities	368,120	-	368,120
Change in net assets	(435,524)	489,905	54,381
Net assets, beginning	16,090,061	986,252	17,076,313
Net assets, end	\$ 15,654,537	\$ 1,476,157	\$ 17,130,694

Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses Year Ended December 31, 2017

	Exhibits and husbandry	Education and research	Visitor services	General and administrative	Development	Marketing	Auxiliary operations	Ocean Exploration Center	Total
					<u> </u>				
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 5,481,701	\$ 1,429,739	\$ 1,074,214	\$ 1,825,012	\$ 540,342	\$ 752,351	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,103,359
Travel	104,299	45,897	4,211	189,411	14,438	18,402	307	-	376,965
Utilities	558,057	488,300	55,806	125,564	27,903	27,903	69,757	41,854	1,395,144
General insurance	126,705	110,867	15,838	31,409	9,503	9,503	-	12,671	316,496
Supplies	93,553	10,209	39,612	65,495	19,812	1,334	-	-	230,015
Service contracts	274,359	6,797	87,360	-	-	-	106	-	368,622
Depreciation and amortization	1,444,310	372,770	-	216,668	-	-	-	773,561	2,807,309
Telephone	83,087	5,182	1,558	12,684	1,509	3,744	-	-	107,764
Dues and subscriptions	26,299	26,032	-	269,829	8,290	33,479	-	-	363,929
Bank and investment fees	184	-	326,450	14,146	-	-	-	-	340,780
Professional services	93,861	100,500	52,500	615,326	137,900	37,650	-	-	1,037,737
Interest expense	225,347	187,789	75,116	164,738	15,023	22,535	37,558	75,116	803,222
Vehicle operation	19,760	16,467	-	131,489	-	-	-	-	167,716
Property and other taxes	-	-	-	11,766	-	-	-	-	11,766
Advertising and promotions	1,264	51	12,516	1,000	362,001	1,030,423	-	-	1,407,255
Uniforms	233	-	6,834	997	-	-	-	-	8,064
Repairs and maintenance	130,123	4,739	-	1,410	-	-	236	-	136,508
Research expenses	88,026	4,139	-	-	15,511	-	-	-	107,676
Animal costs	370,157	8,812	-	-	-	-	-	-	378,969
Brine and chemicals	171,660	4,136	-	-	-	-	-	-	175,796
Education program	212,479	2,112,707	-	-	16,927	-	342,273	-	2,684,386
Membership program	-	-	14,080	-	-	116	-	-	14,196
Volunteer programs	25,547	-	-	10,443	-	-	-	-	35,990
Computer development	20,763	60	660	3,955	-	3,996	-	-	29,434
Offsite warehouse	21,590	2,064	-	2,060	-	-	-	-	25,714
Expedition expense	7,293	-	-	-	-	2,181	-	-	9,474
Other	43,606	4,114		30,944	8,528	7,482			94,674
Total	\$ 9,624,263	\$ 4,941,371	\$ 1,766,755	\$ 3,724,346	\$ 1,177,687	\$ 1,951,099	\$ 450,237	\$ 903,202	\$ 24,538,960

Consolidated Statement of Functional Expenses Year Ended December 31, 2016

	Exhibits and husbandry	Education and research	Visitor services	General and administrative	Development	Marketing	Auxiliary operations	Ocean Exploration Center	Total
Salaries and employee benefits	\$ 5,199,103	\$ 1,387,170	\$ 947,038	\$ 1,568,947	\$ 761,414	\$ 709,527	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,573,199
Travel	77,896	34,226	1,637	205,246	8,387	16,440	-	-	343,832
Utilities	604,039	528,534	60,404	135,909	30,202	30,202	75,505	45,303	1,510,098
General insurance	151,530	132,589	18,941	37,883	11,365	11,365	-	15,153	378,826
Supplies	81,905	29,252	30,978	43,099	44,431	3,079	-	-	232,744
Service contracts	236,411	7,191	23,864	-	-	1,560	-	-	269,026
Depreciation and amortization	1,436,101	384,309	-	150,202	-	-	-	990,241	2,960,853
Telephone	74,377	4,843	2,231	15,640	3,614	4,045	-	-	104,750
Dues and subscriptions	41,021	27,455	963	173,091	20,704	15,549	-	-	278,783
Bank and investment fees	245	-	405,127	9,921	2,955	-	-	-	418,248
Professional services	41,563	310,569	52,188	557,287	357,027	49,068	-	-	1,367,702
Interest expense	172,843	144,036	57,614	338,922	11,523	17,284	28,807	57,614	828,643
Vehicle operation	19,075	15,493	-	128,026	-	-	-	-	162,594
Property and other taxes	-	-	-	13,590	-	-	-	-	13,590
Advertising and promotions	6,515	600	11,079	-	265,003	1,034,706	-	-	1,317,903
Uniforms	14,570	1,150	7,700	1	-	-	-	-	23,421
Repairs and maintenance	97,783	1,298	-	-	-	-	689	-	99,770
Research expenses	89,915	4,716	-	-	34,183	-	-	-	128,814
Animal costs	429,883	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	429,883
Brine and chemicals	155,952	3,103	-	-	-	-	-	-	159,055
Education program	196,824	1,835,343	-	(200)	9,559	-	351,932	-	2,393,458
Membership program	-	-	1,095	-	-	-	-	-	1,095
Volunteer programs	20,544	-	-	9,544	-	-	-	-	30,088
Computer development	33,148	895	1,103	4,703	-	5,074	-	-	44,923
Offsite warehouse	19,151	2,037	-	1,737	-	-	-	-	22,925
Expedition expense	12,878	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,878
Other	34,962	667	3,550	49,393	1,336	2,602		-	92,510
Total	\$ 9,248,234	\$ 4,855,476	\$ 1,625,512	\$ 3,442,941	\$ 1,561,703	\$ 1,900,501	\$ 456,933	\$ 1,108,311	\$ 24,199,611

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows Years Ended December 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016
Cash flows from operating activities		
Change in net assets	\$ (2,083,121)	\$ 54,381
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net		
cash provided by operating activities	0.000.500	0.000.000
Depreciation and amortization	2,826,536	2,993,530
Capitalized financing costs	52,066	52,066
Bad debts	-	(55,060)
Unrealized and realized gain on investments	(13,492)	(7,301)
Pledge discount	(1,720)	(3,057)
Loss on disposal of property and equipment	9,166	-
Change in interest swap agreement	(177,332)	(200,435)
(Increase) decrease in		
Accounts receivable	9,240	152,453
Pledges receivable	317,336	(189,266)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	19,509	29,713
Grants and contributions receivable	(128,121)	21,416
(Decrease) increase in	,	
Accounts payable	895,731	(548,364)
Accrued expenses	55,325	256,399
Arbitration settlement	-	(1,077,000)
Deferred compensation	53,334	(., ,)
Deferred revenue and unearned membership fees	269,762	(69,155)
Net cash provided by operating activities	2,104,219	1,410,320
Cash flows from investing activities		
Property and equipment additions	(1,011,319)	(1,003,379)
Construction in progress additions	(543,445)	
Sale (purchase) of investments	737	(1,696)
Net cash used in investing activities	(1,554,027)	(1,084,793)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Principal payments on notes payable	(207,377)	(195,958)
Borrowings on line of credit	500,000	150,000
Payments on capital leases	(68,196)	(45,935)
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Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	224,427	(91,893)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	774,619	233,634
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning	1,323,610	1,089,976
Cash and cash equivalents, end	\$ 2,098,229	\$ 1,323,610
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information		
Interest paid	\$ 753,740	\$ 779,151
Non-cash investing and financing activities Purchase of equipment through capital lease obligation	\$ 11,996	\$ 22,811

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Note 1 - Summary of significant accounting policies

Business activity

Sea Research Foundation, Inc. (the "Foundation") is a tax-exempt, nonstock, not-for-profit corporation. The Foundation consists of an operating aquarium located in Mystic, Connecticut. The Foundation exists for the purpose of educating the general public in the marine sciences by providing classes, field trips and exhibits. Members of the staff also engage in research related to the interaction of animals and plants with aquatic environments. The Foundation is financed primarily by the receipts of admissions and membership revenue, and grant and contract revenues.

Mystic Entertainment Company and Subsidiary (collectivity referred to as "MEC") is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Foundation. MEC currently has one operating subsidiary, Ocean Blue Catering, LLC ("OBC"), which offers on and off-site catering services and the Penguin Café food service at the aquarium. Under an agreement, the Foundation earns annual base consideration of \$230,000 in varying monthly payments and supplemental consideration (based on fees stated in the agreement) for each catered event at the aquarium.

All organizations are referred to collectively as "SRF".

Basis of presentation

The accompanying consolidated financial statements are presented on the accrual basis of accounting. The Foundation's net assets and revenues, expenses, gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, net assets and changes therein are classified as follows:

Unrestricted net assets - Net assets not subject to donor-imposed stipulations.

Temporarily restricted net assets - Net assets subject to either donor-imposed stipulations or by operation of law that may or will be met by actions of the Foundation and/or the passage of time.

Permanently restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations or by operation of law that they will be maintained permanently by the Foundation. Generally, the donors of these assets permit the Foundation to use all or part of the income earned and capital gains, if any, on related investments for general or specific purposes. There were no permanently restricted net assets as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

All intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.

The operations of MEC are presented in a separate section of the consolidated statements of activities and its accumulated earnings are included in unrestricted net assets.

Revenue recognition

Revenues relating to admission and program income are recognized when services are provided. These are reported as increases in unrestricted net assets unless use of the related assets is limited by donor-imposed restrictions. Expenses are reported as decreases in unrestricted net assets. Gains and losses on investments and other assets or liabilities, if any, are reported as increases or decreases in unrestricted net assets unless their use is restricted by explicit donor stipulation or by law. Expirations of temporary restrictions of net assets (i.e., the donor-stipulated purpose has been fulfilled and/or the stipulated time period has elapsed) are reported as

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reclassifications between the applicable classes of net assets. Donor-restricted contributions whose restrictions are met in the same reporting period have been reported as unrestricted support in the consolidated statements of activities.

Contributions, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as revenues in the period received. Promises to give that are scheduled to be received after the statement of financial position date, or which are restricted by the donor to a specific purpose which has not been met as of the financial position date, are shown as increases in temporarily restricted net assets. This revenue is reclassified to unrestricted net assets when the time or purpose restrictions are met.

Grants that are identified as exchange transactions are recognized when eligible grant costs are incurred. Receivables are recognized to the extent costs have been incurred but not reimbursed. Deferred revenue represents grant advances and other revenue which exceeds eligible costs incurred. Grants require the fulfillment of certain conditions as set forth in the instrument of the grant. Failure to fulfill the conditions could result in the return of funds to grantors. The Foundation is also awarded grant awards that have not yet been earned for financial reporting purposes.

Revenue from the sale of memberships at the Foundation is reported over the life of each membership. Such fees are considered to be earned on a pro-rata basis, and the unearned portion is recorded in deferred revenue.

Revenue from MEC activities including on and off-site catering services and the Penguin Café food service at the aquarium are recognized as services are performed. Revenues are presented net of membership, employee and volunteer discounts.

Cash and cash equivalents

SRF considers all highly liquid investments purchased with a maturity of three months or less when acquired to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 were \$263,775 and \$231,206, respectively.

Allowances for receivables

Allowances for accounts and pledges receivable are determined by management based on an assessment of their collectability. Management considers past history, current economic conditions and overall viability of the third party. Receivables are written off only when management believes amounts will not be collected. Receivables are considered past due based on invoice date or pledge date.

Investments

Investments are stated at their current fair value and reflect any gain or loss in the consolidated statements of activities. Nonmonetary investments received as gifts are immediately sold and recorded at the realized value. Investments are generally expected to be held for long-term purposes and are, therefore, classified as noncurrent assets.

Construction in progress

Construction in progress is recorded at cost as projects are in process. Depreciation is recorded when construction is substantially complete and the assets are placed in service. All current projects are expected to be completed during 2018.

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Property and equipment

Property and equipment purchased are stated at cost. Costs of major renewals and betterments that extend the life of an asset are capitalized. SRF depreciates its property and equipment utilizing the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Estimated lives
Building	30-50 years
Building improvements	5-10 years
Leasehold improvements	3-10 years
Furniture and fixtures	3-10 years

The animal collection on exhibition is not being depreciated. Animals with a cost greater than \$5,000 are capitalized. Purchases of all other animals are charged to expense as incurred. The capitalized cost of an animal no longer at the aquarium is charged to expense in the year of departure.

Amortization of leasehold improvements is calculated using the shorter of the lease term or the useful life of the asset.

Debt issuance costs

Debt issuance costs, net of accumulated amortization, are reported as a direct deduction from the face amount of the debt to which such costs relate. Amortization of debt issuance costs is reported as a component of interest expense and is computed using an imputed interest rate on the related loan.

Income taxes

The Internal Revenue Service classified the Foundation as a publicly supported foundation, as defined in Section 509(a)(2), and not as a private foundation. The Foundation will continue to be classified as a publicly supported foundation as long as it continues to meet the statutory requirements. Contributions to the Foundation are generally tax deductible under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code. During the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Foundation paid no unrelated business income taxes.

Income tax expenses associated with MEC operations includes federal and state taxes currently payable and deferred taxes. MEC provides for deferred taxes on temporary differences arising from assets and liabilities whose bases are different for financial reporting and income tax purposes.

SRF and MEC have no unrecognized tax benefits as of December 31, 2017 and 2016. SRF's and MEC's federal and state tax returns prior to calendar year 2014 are closed and management continually evaluates expiring statutes of limitations, audits, proposed settlements, changes in tax law and new authoritative rulings.

SRF and MEC recognize interest and penalties associated with any tax matters as part of the change in net assets and include accrued interest and penalties with the related tax liability in the consolidated statements of financial position.

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Donated services

A number of volunteers donate their time to the Foundation's efforts. No amounts have been reflected in the consolidated financial statements for donated services since services generally do not require specialized skills.

Endowment and spending policy

The Foundation has investment and spending policies for endowment assets that attempt to provide a reasonably predictable stream of funding for activities supported by its endowment while seeking to maintain the purchasing power of the endowment assets. Endowment assets include only Board-designated funds.

Under this policy, as approved by the Board of Trustees, the endowment assets are invested in accordance with sound investment practices that emphasize long-term investment fundamentals. It is recognized that short-term market fluctuations may cause variations in account performance.

To satisfy its long-term rate of return objectives, the Foundation relies on a total return strategy in which investment returns are achieved through both capital appreciation (realized and unrealized) and current yield (interest and dividends).

The Foundation can prudently invest for total return (income and gain) in any mix of investment vehicles considering general economic conditions, the possible effect of inflation or deflation, the role that each investment or course of action plays within the overall investment portfolio, the expected total return from income and the appreciation of investments, and the needs of the Foundation and the endowment funds to make distributions and to preserve capital to achieve its long-term return objectives within prudent risk constraints.

Annually, the Board of Trustee will determine the distribution of funds from the endowment.

Advertising

SRF expenses the cost of advertising the first time advertising takes place. Total advertising expense for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$903,224 and \$907,196, respectively.

Interest rate swap

SRF uses an interest rate swap contract as a cash flow hedge to eliminate the cash flow exposure of interest rate movements on its debt. The obligation under the interest rate swap is recorded at fair value. The change in value of the obligation under the interest rate swap has been included in non-operating activity on the accompanying consolidated statements of activities. SRF documents its risk management strategy at the inception of and during the term of the hedge. SRF's interest rate risk management strategy is to stabilize cash flow requirements by maintaining an interest rate swap contract to convert from variable-rate debt to a fixed rate.

Financial instruments

The carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, grants and contributions receivable, pledges receivable, accounts payable, accrued expenses and notes payable as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are believed to approximate fair value based on their maturities and current market conditions.

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Functional allocation of expenses

The Foundation's costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the consolidated statements of activities. These costs include direct and indirect costs that have been allocated, on a consistent basis, among the program and supporting services benefited.

Use of estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Reclassifications

Certain amounts in the 2016 consolidated financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the 2017 presentation.

Subsequent events

SRF has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through June 8, 2018, which is the date the consolidated financial statements were available to be issued.

Note 2 - Concentration of credit risk

Financial instruments which potentially subject SRF to concentrations of credit risk consist primarily of cash and cash equivalents, investments and receivables. SRF maintains its cash with high-credit quality financial institutions. At times, such amounts may exceed federally insured limits.

The Foundation invests in various debt and equity securities. These investment securities are recorded at fair value, which can fluctuate because of interest rates, reinvestment, credit and other risks depending on the nature of the specific investment. Therefore, it is at least reasonably possible that these factors will result in changes in the value of the Foundation's investments, which could materially affect amounts reported in the financial statements.

The contributors to SRF are individuals, corporations and foundations primarily in the State of Connecticut. Concentrations of credit risk with respect to grants receivable are limited to contractual agreements with various federal and state agencies.

Note 3 - Fair value measurements

SRF values its financial assets and liabilities based on 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 order to increase consistency and comparability in fair value measurements, a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes observable and unobservable inputs is used to measure fair value into three broad levels, which are described below:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets that are accessible at the measurement date for identical assets or liabilities. The fair value hierarchy gives the highest priority to Level 1 inputs.
- Level 2 Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in inactive markets; or model-derived valuations in which all

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significant inputs are observable or can be derived principally from or corroborated with observable market data.

Level 3 Unobservable inputs are used when little or no market data is available. The fair value hierarchy gives the lowest priority to Level 3 inputs.

In determining fair value, SRF utilizes valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs to the extent possible as well as considers counterparty credit risk in its assessment of fair value.

Financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value at December 31, 2017 are classified in the table below in one of the three categories described above:

	2017							
	Level 1			Level 2	Level 3		Total	
Assets								
Mutual funds								
Money market funds	\$	175,187	\$	-	\$	-	\$	175,187
Fixed income funds		43,567		-		-		43,567
Equity mutual funds		116,885		-		-		116,885
Corporate bonds		-		102,207		-		102,207
Common stocks								
Services		7,449		-		-		7,449
Total assets, at fair value	\$	343,088	\$	102,207	\$	-	\$	445,295
Liabilities								
Interest rate swap	\$		\$	407,378	\$	-	\$	407,378

Financial assets and liabilities carried at fair value at December 31, 2016 are classified in the table below in one of the three categories described above:

	2016							
	Level 1			Level 2		Level 3		Total
Assets								
Mutual funds								
Money market funds	\$	175,368	\$	-	\$	-	\$	175,368
Fixed income funds		29,954		-		-		29,954
Equity mutual funds		111,308		-		-		111,308
Corporate bonds		-		109,488		-		109,488
Common stocks								
Services		6,422		-		-		6,422
Total assets, at fair value	\$	323,052	\$	109,488	\$	-	\$	432,540
Liabilities								
Interest rate swap	\$		\$	584,710	\$		\$	584,710

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Investments in common stocks and mutual funds are valued using market prices on active markets (Level 1). Level 1 instrument valuations are obtained from real time quotes for transactions in active exchange markets involving identical assets.

The corporate bonds and the fair value of the interest rate swap is determined using observable market inputs such as current interest rates and considers nonperformance risk of SRF and that of its counterparty (Level 2).

The preceding is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets and liabilities at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodology used at December 31, 2017 and 2016.

SRF's policy is to recognize transfers in and transfers out of levels as of the actual date of the event or change in circumstances that cause the transfer. There were no transfers in or out of the respective levels during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Note 4 - Investments

The following is a summary of investments, by type, as of December 31, 2017 and 2016:

		20		2016				
		Market		Cost		Market		Cost
Money market funds	\$	175,187	\$	175,187	\$	175,368	\$	175,368
Fixed income funds		30,568		31,321		29,954		31,350
Equity mutual funds		116,885		113,903		111,308		104,767
Corporate bonds		115,206		104,970		109,488		105,198
Common stocks		7,449		6,422		6,422		6,422
	\$	445,295	\$	431,803	\$	432,540	\$	423,105

Note 5 - Property and equipment

A summary of property and equipment at December 31, 2017 is as follows:

	Foundation	MEC		Total
Land and improvements Building and improvements, including	\$ 4,183,323	\$	-	\$ 4,183,323
leasehold improvements	53,687,889		34,796	53,722,685
Equipment, furniture and animals	39,632,475		331,944	39,964,419
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	97,503,687 (68,874,107)		366,740 (312,747)	97,870,427 (69,186,854)
Net property and equipment	\$ 28,629,580	\$	53,993	\$ 28,683,573

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A summary of property and equipment at December 31, 2016 is as follows:

	Foundation	MEC	Total
Land and improvements Building and improvements, including	\$ 4,170,411	\$ -	\$ 4,170,411
leasehold improvements	53,502,740	40,539	53,543,279
Equipment, furniture and animals	38,812,539	332,928	39,145,467
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	96,485,690 (66,066,798)	373,467 (296,399)	96,859,157 (66,363,197)
Net property and equipment	\$ 30,418,892	\$ 77,068	\$ 30,495,960

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Company incurred costs associated with various capital projects totaling \$1,113,483 and \$570,038, respectively, which have not been placed into service. Upon completion, these projects will be placed into service and depreciated over their applicable estimated useful lives.

Note 6 - Notes payable

SRF has a credit facility with various banks and other financial institutions. Webster Bank is the administrative agent. The term loan and line of credit have a first priority interest on real estate located in Mystic, Connecticut and substantially all personal property, intellectual property of SRF and pledge of subsidiary shares. The note payable has a second priority interest on real estate located in Mystic, Connecticut and substantially all personal property.

SRF has a \$2,000,000 revolving line of credit. The line matures October 2018 and accrues interest at the prime rate plus 1% as determined by Webster Bank or LIBOR rate plus 3% (in total 5.50% or 4.36% at December 31, 2017). The line has a mandatory 30-day clean up period from August 1 to September 30 in each calendar year. The balance outstanding as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$1,200,000 and \$700,000, respectively.

On May 10, 2018, SRF entered into a Waiver and Fifth Amendment Agreement amending the fixed charge coverage ratio calculation and waiving past financial covenants in default.

Total interest expense for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$803,222 and \$776,577, respectively, for debt and capital leases.

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Long-term debt outstanding at December 31, 2017 and 2016 is as follows:

	2017	2016
SRF has a term loan payable with a variable interest rate of LIBOR plus 3% (4.36% at December 31, 2017) and adjusted through an interest swap agreement (see Note 7) maturing in December 2023. Monthly payments of principal are based on a 30-year amortization averaging \$10,920. Unamortized debt issuance cost were \$312,394 and \$364,459 as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Debt issuance costs are being amortized using an imputed interest rate of 4.19%. The loan agreement requires the maintenance of certain financial covenants.	\$ 9,188,206	\$ 9,344,176
SRF has a note payable with an interest rate of 5% maturing in December 2023. Monthly payments including principal and interest are \$16,105.	2,808,902	2,860,308
Less current maturities Less unamortized debt issuance costs	11,997,108 (219,462) (312,394)	12,204,484 (207,376) (364,459)
Total	\$ 11,465,252	\$ 11,632,649

Future maturities of long-term debt in each of the five years subsequent to 2017 and thereafter are as follows:

2018	\$	219,462
2019		233,118
2020		246,712
2021		261,103
2022		276,338
Thereafter		10,760,375
		11,997,108
Less deferred financing		(312,394)
	\$ ^	11,684,714

Note 7 - Interest rate swap agreement

SRF has an interest rate swap agreement to reduce the impact of changes in interest rates on its floating rate term loan. At December 31, 2017 and 2016, the interest rate swap agreement had a notional amount of \$9,750,000. That agreement effectively changes SRF's interest rate exposure on its floating rate to a fixed rate of 5.95%. The interest rate swap agreement matures on December 16, 2023. The carrying value of the liability at December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$407,378 and \$584,710, respectively, which is its fair value. SRF is exposed to credit loss in the event of

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nonperformance by the counterparty to the interest rate swap agreement. However, SRF does not anticipate nonperformance by the counterparty.

Note 8 - Endowment

The Foundation's endowment includes all board designated endowment funds, which are included in unrestricted net assets on the accompanying consolidated statements of financial position. As required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, net assets associated with endowment funds are classified and reported based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions. There are no donor-restricted endowment funds as of December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Changes in endowment net assets for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was as follows:

	2017		2016	
Board designated endowment net, assets beginning Investment fees Net realized and unrealized (loss) gain	\$	188,134 (860) (95)	\$	189,305 (1,511) 340
Board designated endowment net assets, end	\$	187,179	\$	188,134

Note 9 - Temporarily restricted net assets

Temporarily restricted net assets as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 are comprised of the following:

	2017		2016	
Time or use restricted				
Research and Education Center	\$	398,322	\$	870,298
Various aquarium projects and programs		310,854		260,095
Time restrictions		223,719		345,764
				_
Total temporarily restricted	\$	932,895	\$	1,476,157

Net assets were released from donor restrictions by incurring expenses satisfying the restricted purposes, lapse of time restrictions or by occurrence of other events specified by donors as follows:

	 2017	 2016
Mystic Aquarium Purpose and time restrictions accomplished	\$ 757,269	\$ 587,200
Total	\$ 757,269	\$ 587,200

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Note 10 - Operating lease obligations

SRF leases certain real estate, vehicles and office equipment under operating leases, which expire at various times through March 2022. The Foundation's total rental expense under these leases was \$243,267 and \$247,632 for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively.

Future commitments under operating leases are as follows:

2018	\$ 168,637
2019	159,299
2020	140,659
2021	23,958
2022	 1,150
	\$ 493,703

Note 11 - Capital lease obligations

The Foundation entered into lease agreements for various equipment during 2017 and 2016. These obligations are treated as capital leases and have been recorded in the accompanying consolidated financial statements at the present value of future minimum lease payments.

The capitalized cost of \$276,369 and \$261,374, respectively, less accumulated amortization of \$139,744 and \$85,786, is included in property and equipment as of December 31, 2017 and 2016, respectively. Amortization expense for this equipment for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$53,957 and \$51,258, respectively.

Future commitments under capital leases are as follows:

2018	\$ 67,317
2019	48,264
2020	6,369
2021	2,649
Total payments Less interest portion	 124,599 (9,023)
Less current portion	115,576 (61,001)
Long-term portion	\$ 54,575

Note 12 - Retirement plan

The Foundation has a defined contribution plan (the "Plan") available to all eligible employees who have completed one year of service and who are at least twenty-one years of age. Each year, participants may contribute up to 50% of pretax annual compensation, as defined in the Plan. The Plan provides for discretionary matching contributions determined each year by the Foundation.

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The Foundation elected a discretionary matching contribution equal to 25% of elective deferrals, up to a maximum contribution equal to 2% of compensation.

Although additional profit sharing amounts may be contributed at the option of the Foundation's Board of Trustees, there was no such profit sharing contributions for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016. The Foundation's total contributions to the Plan during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were \$66,244 and \$51,761, respectively.

In addition to the pension plan described above, the Foundation also has non-qualified deferred compensation plans for certain employees. Contributions for the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 were \$41,188 and \$28,483, respectively, and are included in salaries and employee benefits in the consolidated statements of functional expenses. As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, the Foundation recorded an asset of \$207,080 and \$153,789, respectively, and a liability of \$260,414 and \$153,789, respectively.

Note 13 - Income taxes

MEC's deferred tax asset results from federal and state net operating loss carryforwards of approximately \$1,079,000 and \$920,000, respectively, as of December 31, 2017 and 2016. At this time, management has determined that it is more likely than not that all of the deferred tax asset will not be utilized in future years. Therefore, a valuation allowance has been established for the entire tax asset.

MEC's total deferred tax assets at December 31, 2017 and 2016 are as follows:

	 2017		2016	
Total deferred tax asset Less valuation allowance	\$ 118,696 (118,696)	\$	200,098 (200,098)	
Net deferred tax assets	\$ 	\$		

Note 14 - Pledges receivable

As of December 31, 2017 and 2016, unconditional pledges receivable are expected to be realized in the following periods:

	2017		2016	
In one year or less In one to five years Less discount	\$ 225,275 334,892 (27,832)	\$	597,797 271,667 (21,513)	
Total	\$ 532,335	\$	847,951	

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Amounts are shown in the consolidated statements of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016 as follows:

	2017	2016	
Current Long-term	\$ 225,275 307,060	\$	597,797 250,154
Total	\$ 532,335	\$	847,951

Pledges expected to be received in more than one year have been discounted using a discount rate of 5.25% at December 31, 2017 and 2016.

Note 15 - Rental income

The Foundation leases certain retail space to an unrelated party that manages a gift shop consistent with the Foundation's mission. The lease expires on June 30, 2021 and requires an annual base minimum rental of \$500,000. Additional lease income is received based on a percentage (33%) of monthly gross receipts in excess of \$50,000. Total lease income recognized during the years ended December 31, 2017 and 2016 was \$1,011,803 and \$933,338, respectively. Such amounts are included in auxiliary operations in the consolidated statements of activities.

Note 16 - Arbitration settlement

The Foundation shared common board members with the JASON Project ("JASON") through February 2015. Through various contracts, the Foundation provided educational, technology, consulting, accounting and management services to JASON. On February 10, 2015, the agreement to manage JASON ended and management responsibility of JASON was transferred to an unrelated third party. On August 11, 2016, SRF entered into a settlement agreement and mutual release with JASON for a net amount of \$1,077,000. This amount was accrued at December 31, 2015 and was paid during 2016.



Consolidating Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2017

	Mystic Entertainment		Sea Research		Eliminating			
		Company		undation, Inc.		entries	С	onsolidated
<u>Assets</u>								
Current assets					_		_	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	29,453	\$	2,068,776	\$	-	\$	2,098,229
Grants and contributions receivable		-		352,174		-		352,174
Accounts receivable		14,887		179,532		_		194,419
Intercompany receivable (payable)		1,089,517		(1,089,517)		-		-
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		8,803		296,384		-		305,187
Pledges receivable, current portion				225,275				225,275
Total current assets Noncurrent assets Pledges receivable, net of discount and		1,142,660		2,032,624		-		3,175,284
current portion		_		307,060		_		307,060
Deferred compensation assets		_		207,080		_ _		207,080
Investments		_		1,425,481		(980,186)		445,295
Construction in progress		_		1,113,483		-		1,113,483
Property and equipment, net of								, ,
accumulated depreciation		53,993		28,629,580		-		28,683,573
	\$	1,196,653	\$	33,715,308	\$	(980,186)	\$	33,931,775
Liabilities and Net Assets					-			
Current liabilities								
Accounts payable	\$	37,286	\$	2,486,510	\$	_	\$	2,523,796
Line of credit	•	_	·	1,200,000	·	_	·	1,200,000
Notes payable, current portion		_		219,462		_		219,462
Deferred revenue and unearned membership		59,938		1,704,990		_		1,764,928
Accrued expenses		119,243		808,153		_		927,396
Capital lease obligations, current portion		-		61,001		-		61,001
Total current liabilities		216,467		6,480,116		-		6,696,583
Long-term liabilities Notes payable, net of current portion				11,465,252				11,465,252
Interest rate swap agreement liability		-		407,378		-		407,378
Deferred compensation		_		260,414		_		260,414
Capital lease obligation, long-term		- -		54,575		<u>-</u>		54,575
Total long-term liabilities				12,187,619				12,187,619
ŭ		216,467		18,667,735				18,884,202
Total liabilities		210,407		10,007,733				10,004,202
Net assets						(0.00 (0.0)		
Unrestricted		980,186		14,114,678		(980,186)		14,114,678
Temporarily restricted				932,895				932,895
Total net assets		980,186		15,047,573		(980,186)		15,047,573
	\$	1,196,653	\$	33,715,308	\$	(980,186)	\$	33,931,775

Consolidating Statement of Activities Year Ended December 31, 2017

	Mystic			
	Entertainment	Sea Research	Eliminating	
	Company	Foundation, Inc.	entries	Consolidated
Sea Research Foundation activities				
Revenue from operations				
Admissions	\$ -	\$ 11,470,641	\$ -	\$ 11,470,641
Memberships	-	1,892,229	-	1,892,229
Program income	-	1,418,765	-	1,418,765
Interest and dividends	-	18,105	-	18,105
Grants and contracts - operations	-	3,008,559	-	3,008,559
Grants and contracts - capital	-	34,900	-	34,900
Contributions	-	1,535,528	-	1,535,528
Management fees and other revenue	-	310,489	-	310,489
Auxiliary operations		2,662,673	(246,807)	2,415,866
Total	-	22,351,889	(246,807)	22,105,082
Operating costs and expenses		22.042.064	(242.240)	24 724 654
before depreciation	-	22,043,861	(312,210)	21,731,651
Income from Foundation				
operations before depreciation	-	308,028	65,403	373,431
Depreciation		2,807,309		2,807,309
Deficiency from Foundation operations	-	(2,499,281)	65,403	(2,433,878)
Non-operating revenues and expenses:				
Equity earnings and adjustment on subsidiary	-	225,336	(225,336)	-
Change in interest swap agreement	-	177,332	-	177,332
Unrealized gain on investments	-	13,492	-	13,492
Income (deficiency) from Foundation activities		(2,083,121)	(159,933)	(2,243,054)
Mystic Entertainment activities				
Operating revenue	3,197,084	_	(312,210)	2,884,874
Cost of goods sold	(1,392,600)	-	-	(1,392,600)
Net revenue	1,804,484		(312,210)	1,492,274
Operating expenses	(1,569,982)	_	246,807	(1,323,175)
Income from MEC activities	234,502		(65,403)	169,099
Non-operating income/expense	,_ ,			,
Loss on disposal of assets	(9,166)		-	(9,166)
Net income	225,336		(65,403)	159,933
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Change in net assets	225,336	(2,083,121)	(225,336)	(2,083,121)
Net assets, beginning	754,850	17,130,694	(754,850)	17,130,694
Net assets, end	\$ 980,186	\$ 15,047,573	\$ (980,186)	\$ 15,047,573