Financial Statements of

St. Jerome's University
Waterloo, Ontario

Year ended April 30, 2008

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Statement of Management Responsibility

Management of St. Jerome’s University is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements including the notes thereto.

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles recommended by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants. Management believes the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the University's financial position as at April 30, 2008 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

In fulfilling its responsibilities and recognizing the limits inherent in all systems, management has developed and maintains a system of internal control designed to provide reasonable assurance that University assets are safeguarded from loss and that the accounting records are a reliable basis for the preparation of financial statements.

The Board of Governors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements. The Board carries out this responsibility principally through its Audit Committee.

The Audit Committee is appointed by the Board and its members are not officers or employees of the University. The Committee meets periodically with management, as well as the external auditors, to discuss internal controls over the financial reporting process, auditing matters and financial reporting issues to satisfy itself that each party is properly discharging its responsibilities and to review the financial statements and the external auditors' report. The Committee reports its findings to the Board for consideration when approving the financial statements for issuance. The Committee also considers, for approval by the Board, the engagement or reappointment of the external auditors.

Financial statements for the year ended April 30, 2008 have been audited by KPMG LLP. The auditors' report outlines the scope of their audit and their opinion on the presentation of the information included in the financial statements.

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AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Governors of St. Jerome's University

We have audited the statement of financial position of St. Jerome's University as at April 30, 2008 and the statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the University's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the University as at April 30, 2008 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

KPMG LLP

Chartered Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Waterloo, Canada
July 24, 2008

ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY

Statement of Financial Position

April 30, 2008, with comparative figures for 2007

		2008		2007
Assets				
Current assets:				
Cash	$	1,669,740	$	2,149,181
Accounts receivable (note 4)		912,847		804,453
Inventory		3,628		2,645
Prepaid expenses		31,388		39,422
Current portion of long-term receivable		-		5,000
Total current assets		2,617,603		3,000,701
Investments (note 5)		16,218,326		15,259,753
Capital assets (note 6)		7,908,353		7,562,701
	$	26,744,282	$	25,823,155
Liabilities, Deferred Contributions and Net Assets				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	$	338,954	$	412,557
Current portion of capital lease obligation (note 7)		24,281		22,590
Total current liabilities		363,235		435,147
Capital lease obligation (note 7)		250,455		274,736
Accrued employee future benefit obligations (note 8)		2,252,507		2,165,079
Deferred contributions (note 9)		376,947		365,059
Deferred capital contributions (note 10)		443,684		482,679
Total liabilities and deferred contributions		3,686,828		3,722,700
Net assets:				
Unrestricted net assets		8,952,901		8,737,053
Internally restricted net assets (note 11)		1,000,000		1,000,000
Invested in capital assets (note 6)		7,334,904		6,965,951
Endowments (note 12)		5,769,649		5,397,451
		23,057,454		22,100,455
	$	26,744,282	$	25,823,155

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

On behalf of the Board of Governors:

Ms. Dorothee Retterath
Chair of the Board

Dr. David B. Perrin
President of the University

ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY

Statement of Operations

Year ended April 30, 2008, with comparative figures for 2007

	2008	2007
Revenue:		
Government grants, unrestricted	$ 4,008,222	$ 3,757,272
Government grants, restricted	507,056	741,442
Academic fees	4,097,846	3,678,686
Sales and services (ancillary operations)	2,749,925	2,624,155
Investment income, unrestricted (note 5)	584,852	733,746
Investment income, restricted	101,464	112,428
Donations, unrestricted	325,744	353,014
Donations, restricted	138,209	35,521
Other income	513,221	436,177
Research grant	97,349	110,819
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	42,868	44,725
	13,166,756	12,627,985
Expenses:		
Salaries and wages	5,667,305	5,426,805
Employee benefits	1,129,381	1,104,006
Supplies and other expenses	433,458	503,870
Advertising and promotional expenses	154,348	168,577
Travel	92,651	104,121
Entertainment	86,624	84,387
Professional development and training	184,301	122,039
Legal, audit and insurance	86,501	60,488
Scholarships and bursaries	303,527	274,548
Memberships	23,037	19,623
Externally contracted services	1,103,714	1,032,757
Utilities	369,587	391,206
Renovations, maintenance and equipment	784,743	657,172
Administration fee paid to University of Waterloo	988,917	960,307
Amortization of capital assets	586,244	558,298
	11,994,338	11,468,204
Excess of revenue over expenses	$ 1,172,418	$ 1,159,781

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY

Statement of Changes in Net Assets

Year ended April 30, 2008, with comparative figures for 2007

	Unrestricted	Internally restricted	Invested in capital assets	Endowments	Total 2008	Total 2007
Net assets, beginning of year	$ 8,737,053	$ 1,000,000	$ 6,965,951	$ 5,397,451	$ 22,100,455	$ 20,436,908
Change in accounting policy (note 2)	425,031	-	-	163,819	588,850	-
Adjusted opening balance	9,162,084	1,000,000	6,965,951	5,561,270	22,689,305	20,436,908
Excess of revenue over expenses for the year	1,715,794	-	(543,376)	-	1,172,418	1,159,781
Change in investment in capital assets (note 6)	(912,329)	-	912,329	-	-	-
Capital preservation of endowments (note 5)	-	-	-	74,540	74,540	-
Endowment contributions	-	-	-	445,513	445,513	503,766
Unrealized losses on available-for-sale financial assets arising during the year	(1,012,648)	-	-	(311,674)	(1,324,322)	-
Net assets, end of year	$ 8,952,901	$ 1,000,000	$ 7,334,904	$ 5,769,649	$ 23,057,454	$ 22,100,455
Accumulated unrealized losses on available-for-sale financial assets	$ (587,617)	$ -	$ -	$ (147,855)	$ (735,472)	$ -

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

ST. JEROME'S UNIVERSITY

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended April 30, 2008 with comparative figures for 2007

	2008	2007
Operating activities:		
Excess of revenue over expenses	$ 1,172,418	$ 1,159,781
Add non-cash items:		
Amortization of capital assets	586,244	558,298
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	(42,868)	(44,725)
Net change in non-cash working capital balances related to operations:		
Accounts receivable	(103,394)	(156,835)
Prepaid expenses	8,034	25,028
Inventory	(983)	(56)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	(73,603)	(178,786)
	1,545,848	1,362,705
Investing activities:		
Purchasing of investments, net	(1,694,045)	(715,640)
Purchasing of capital assets (note 6)	(795,129)	(731,598)
Purchasing of capital assets, work in progress (note 6)	(136,767)	(104,895)
	(2,625,941)	(1,552,133)
Financing activities:		
Reduction in long-term debt	-	(15,225)
Change in lease obligation	(22,590)	297,326
Increase in accrued employee future benefit obligations	87,428	129,364
Deferred donations for restricted purposes, net	(1,392)	8,503
Deferred research income, net	36,741	(631)
Deferred investment income for restricted purposes, net	(23,461)	45,125
Restricted contributions received for capital purposes, expended and not expended (note 10)	3,985	1,462
Deferred donations for capital purposes returned (note 10)	(112)	-
Endowment preservation	74,540	-
Endowment contributions	445,513	503,766
	600,652	969,690
Increase (decrease) in cash	(479,441)	780,262
Cash, beginning of year	2,149,181	1,368,919
Cash, end of year	$ 1,669,740	$ 2,149,181

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

1. Description:

St. Jerome's University (the "University") is a public Roman Catholic post-secondary institution incorporated in 1865 and given university status in 1959 with subsequent amendments in 1986, 1996 and 2000 under the laws of the Province of Ontario. It has been federated with the University of Waterloo since 1960. It is dedicated to providing an undergraduate post-secondary education in the Faculties of Arts and Mathematics and to conducting research and community service.

These financial statements reflect the assets, liabilities, net assets, revenue, expenses and other transactions of all of the operations of the University. Accordingly, these financial statements include the academic, administrative and other operating expenditures funded by fees, grants, donations and other general revenue; restricted purpose endowment and non-endowment funds; and the ancillary operations, such as residences, food services, conferences and parking.

The University is a charitable organization and, as such, is exempt from income taxes under the Income Tax Act (Canada).

2. Change in accounting policy:

Effective May 1, 2007, St. Jerome's adopted the new Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants ("CICA") Handbook Section 3855 "Financial Instruments - Recognition and Measurement". Under the new standard, all financial instruments are initially recorded on the statement of financial position at fair value. They are subsequently valued at fair value or amortized cost depending on the classification selected for the financial instrument. Financial assets are classified as either "held-for-trading", "held-to-maturity", "available-for-sale" or "loans and receivables" and financial liabilities are classified as either "held-for-trading" or "other liabilities". Financial assets and liabilities classified as held-for-trading are measured at fair value with change in fair value recorded in the statement of operations. Financial assets classified as held-to-maturity or loans and receivables and financial liabilities classified as other liabilities are subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method. Available-for-sale financial assets that have a quoted market price in an active market are measured at fair value with the change in fair value recorded in changes in fund balances. Such gains or losses are reclassified to the statement of operations when the related financial asset is disposed of or when the decline in value is considered to be other-than-temporary.

The change in the accounting policy is treated retroactively, without restatement of comparative figures as required under the standard. The effect on the opening net assets at May 1, 2007 is an increase of $588,850, which resulted from an increase in the previous carrying value of investments to their fair value.

2. Change in accounting policy (continued):

St. Jerome's has classified its financial instruments as follows:

- Cash and short-term deposits are classified as held-for-trading.
- Accounts receivable are classified as loans and receivables.
- Investments are classified as available-for-sale.
- Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are classified as other liabilities.
- St. Jerome's has elected to use trade date accounting for regular-way purchases and sales of financial assets.

3. Significant accounting policies:

The financial statements have been prepared by management in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles applied within the framework of the accounting policies summarized below:

(a) Inventory valuations:

Supplies and other inventories are carried at the lower of cost and replacement cost, with cost determined on a first-in first-out basis.

(b) Investments:

The University's investment portfolio comprises a number of different securities carrying a variety of terms and conditions. Debt securities pay interest monthly, semi-annually or annually at a fixed rate. Fair market values are based on quoted market prices of the securities.

Investments are accounted for at market value. Discounts and premiums are amortized over the life of the investment and recorded as income or expense annually.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(c) Capital assets:

Purchased capital assets are recorded at cost. Contributions of capital assets are recorded at fair market value at the date of contribution. Capitalized assets are amortized on a straight-line basis using the following years of expected life:

Asset	Rate
Land improvements	1 to 40 years
Buildings	40 years
Building improvements	1 to 40 years
Equipment and furnishings	5 to 10 years
Computer equipment and software	5 years
Library books	7 years
Equipment under capital lease	10 years

Work-in-progress is not amortized in the current period. The art collection is recorded at cost.

(d) Pension expense and obligations:

The University participates in the University of Waterloo registered pension plan, which is a registered multi-employer defined benefit pension plan. The plan is accounted for following the standards for defined contribution plans as allowed under Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

(e) Other post-employment benefit obligations:

Post-employment benefits for extended health care, life insurance and unregistered non-contributory defined benefit private payroll pension commitments related to the employees' current service are accounted for on an accrual basis. The expense is actuarially determined using the projected benefit method estimating the usage frequency and the cost of services covered and management's best estimates of salary escalation and other factors.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(f) Deferred capital contributions:

Deferred capital contributions represent the unamortized amount of donations received for the purchase of capital assets. The amortization of deferred capital contributions is recorded as revenue in the statement of operations.

(g) Revenue recognition:

The University follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions, which include donations, government grants and investment revenue. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Contributions externally restricted for purposes other than endowment are deferred and recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are recognized. Spendable endowment investment revenues are deferred and recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are recognized. Endowment contributions are recognized as a direct increase in net assets in the period in which they are received. Student fees are recognized as revenue when courses and seminars are held. Sales and services revenue is recognized at the point of sale or when the service has been provided.

The University recognizes all revenue when it is realized or realizable and earned. The University considers revenue realized or realizable and earned when it has persuasive evidence of an arrangement, the product has been delivered or the services have been provided to the customer, the amount is fixed or determinable and collectibility is reasonably assured.

(h) Contributed services:

Volunteers contribute an indeterminable number of hours per year. Because of the difficulty of determining their fair value, contributed services are not recognized in these financial statements.

3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

(i) Use of estimates:

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the period. In determining estimates, the University relies on assumptions regarding applicable industry performance and prospects, as well as general business and economic conditions that prevail and are expected to prevail. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Estimates are reviewed on a regular basis and, as adjustments become necessary, they are reported in income in the periods in which they become known. The assets and liabilities which require management to make significant estimates and assumptions in determining carrying values include accounts receivable, capital assets, accrued liabilities, accrued employee future benefit obligations, and deferred contributions.

4. Accounts receivable:

	2008	2007
Accounts receivable	$ 417,404	$ 342,130
Accrued interest receivable	122,767	182,826
Accrued tuition receivable	372,676	279,497
	$ 912,847	$ 804,453

5. Investments:

(a) Endowment investments consist of the following:

		2008		2007
		(market)		(cost)
Government of Canada bonds and Treasury bonds with interest varying between 3.75% and 5.25%, maturing between 2008 and 2013	$	695,549	$	-
Provincial and Municipal bonds with interest varying between 3.75% and 6.75%, maturing between 2009 and 2016		1,182,315		1,821,906
Corporate bonds and debentures with interest varying between 4.34% and 10.80%, maturing between 2010 and 2015		1,380,494		3,654,688
Canadian equities		1,138,580		-
Non-Canadian equities		2,221,579		-
Total value	$	6,618,517	$	5,476,594
Market value	$	6,618,517	$	5,640,413
Cost over market value (market value over cost)		147,855		(163,819)

(b) Non-endowment investments consist of the following:

		2008		2007
		(market)		(cost)
Government of Canada bonds with interest varying between 3.0% and 5.5%, maturing between 2008 and 2012	$	231,909	$	303,271
Provincial and Municipal bonds with interest varying between 4.30% and 6.75%, maturing between 2008 and 2016		2,317,584		1,741,807
Corporate bonds and debentures with interest varying between 4.35% and 7.9%, maturing between 2009 and 2016		1,803,527		5,246,692
Canadian equities		777,807		1,430,702
Non-Canadian equities		3,912,414		598,503
TD Asset Management Inc. indexed mutual funds/CIBC Mellon		556,568		462,184
Total value	$	9,599,809	$	9,783,159
Market value	$	9,599,809	$	10,208,190
Cost over market value (market value over cost)		587,617		(425,031)

5. Investments (continued):

(c) Total investments:

	2008 (market)	2007 (cost)
Total investments for endowments	$ 6,618,517	$ 5,476,594
Total investments for non-endowments	9,599,809	9,783,159
	$ 16,218,326	$ 15,259,753

(d) Investment income recorded in the statement of operations is calculated as follows:

	2008	2007
Total investment income earned	$ 740,239	$ 891,299
Income related to deferred restricted endowed funds	(80,847)	(157,553)
Income related to preservation of endowed funds	(74,540)	-
	$ 584,852	$ 733,746

6. Capital assets:

			2008	2007
	Cost	Accumulated amortization	Net book value	Net book value
Land	$ 50,825	$ -	$ 50,825	$ 50,825
Land improvements	648,606	324,141	324,465	360,983
Buildings	7,089,731	3,082,893	4,006,838	3,485,508
Building improvements	3,138,186	1,362,639	1,775,547	1,842,131
Equipment and furnishing	3,203,918	2,449,124	754,794	777,855
Computer equipment and software	748,530	745,854	2,676	20,832
Library books	1,637,006	1,446,855	190,151	203,981
Art collection	382,080	-	382,080	382,080
Work in progress	136,767	-	136,767	121,185
Property under capital lease: Equipment	331,118	46,908	284,210	317,321
	$ 17,366,767	$ 9,458,414	$ 7,908,353	$ 7,562,701

The increase in net book value of capital assets is due to the following:

	2008	2007
Balance, beginning of year	$ 7,562,701	$ 7,284,506
Purchases of work in progress	136,767	104,895
Work in progress capitalized	(121,185)	-
Purchase of capital assets funded by deferred capital contributions (note 10)	3,985	1,262
Purchase of capital assets internally funded	912,329	730,336
Amortization of capital assets	(586,244)	(558,298)
Balance, end of year	$ 7,908,353	$ 7,562,701

The investment in capital assets consists of the following:

	2008	2007
Capital assets	$ 7,908,353	$ 7,562,701
Less capital assets in work in progress	(136,767)	(121,185)
Less amounts financed by deferred capital contributions	(443,684)	(482,679)
Add unspent deferred capital contributions	7,002	7,114
Balance, end of year	$ 7,334,904	$ 6,965,951

7. Capital lease obligation:

The University has financed certain telephone equipment by entering into a capital leasing arrangement expiring in November 2016. Capital lease repayments are due as follows:

2009	$ 43,373
2010	43,373
2011	43,373
2012	43,373
2013	43,373
2014 and thereafter	151,809
	368,674
Less interest included in above	93,938
Net lease obligation	274,736
Less current portion	24,281
Capital lease obligation	$ 250,455

Interest of $20,783, calculated at a rate of 7.24%, relating to capital lease obligations has been included in interest expense.

8. Accrued employee future benefit obligations:

	2008	2007
Unregistered post-employment non-pension accrued benefit obligation	$ 1,660,143	$ 1,534,580
Unregistered defined benefit private payroll pension obligation	592,364	630,499
	$ 2,252,507	$ 2,165,079

The University maintains an unregistered non-contributory defined benefit private payroll pension plan and post-employment non-pension benefits for most of its employees.

The unregistered non-contributory defined benefit private payroll pension plan fund will increase annually by charging the employee benefits line of the statement of operations. The first unregistered pension plan payment was made on July 1, 2002.

The accrued benefit obligations were determined by independent actuaries as at April 30, 2008.

8. Accrued employee future benefit obligations (continued):

The benefits paid to or for employees in the University's future benefit plans are as follows:

	2008	2007
	Pension benefit plans	Pension benefit plans
Registered plan (University of Waterloo multi-employer plan)	$ 510,397	$ 504,859
Unregistered plans	44,000	43,496

The expense for the University's current and future benefit plans is as follows:

	2008		2007	
	Pension benefit plans	Other benefit plans	Pension benefit plans	Other benefit plans
Registered plan (University of Waterloo multi-employer plan)	$ 448,158	$ -	$ 386,976	$ -
Unregistered plans	13,032	335,635	77,508	314,329

The significant actuarial assumptions adopted in measuring the University's accrued benefit obligation are as follows:

	2008		2007	
	Pension benefit plans	Other benefit plans	Pension benefit plans	Other benefit plans
Discount rate	6.0	6.0	5.25	5.25
Rate of compensation increase	4.5	-	4.5	-
Rate of inflation	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

For measurement purposes, a 8.5% annual rate of increase in the per capita cost of covered health care benefits was assumed for 2008. The rate of increase was assumed to gradually decrease to 5.0% in 2014 and remain at that level thereafter.

8. Accrued employee future benefit obligations (continued):

Other information about the University's current and future defined benefit plans is as follows:

	2008		2007	
	Pension benefit plans	Other benefit plans	Pension benefit plans	Other benefit plans
Employer contribution to registered plan (University of Waterloo multi-employer plan)	$ 448,158	$ -	$ 386,976	$ -
Employer contribution to unregistered plans	24,679	210,072	23,108	211,457

9. Deferred contributions:

Deferred contributions represent unspent externally restricted grants, investment income and donations for research and other restricted purposes. The changes in the deferred contribution balance are as follows:

	2008	2007
Balance, beginning of year	$ 365,059	$ 312,063
Amount recognized as revenue during the year	(337,022)	(308,768)
Amount received relating to future years	348,910	361,764
Balance, end of year	$ 376,947	$ 365,059

10. Deferred capital contributions:

The changes in the deferred capital contributions balance are as follows:

	2008	2007
Balance, beginning of year	$ 482,679	$ 525,942
Less amortization of deferred capital contributions	(42,868)	(44,725)
Less contributions spent for capital purposes	(112)	-
Add contributions received and expended for capital purposes	3,985	1,262
Add contributions received for capital purposes not expended	-	200
Balance, end of year	$ 443,684	$ 482,679

11. Internally restricted net assets:

	2008	2007
Major renovations	$ 1,000,000	$ 1,000,000

Internally restricted net assets are amounts available for spending at the discretion of the Board of Governors. Major renovations reflects monies transferred from the unrestricted net assets and are intended to be used by the University to assist in financing any extraordinary University renovation that cannot be funded by donations or by the current operating budget.

12. Endowments:

Contributions restricted for endowments consist of restricted donations received by the University and donations internally designated by the Board of Governors, in the exercise of its discretion. The endowment principal is required to be maintained intact. The investment income generated from endowments must be used in accordance with the various purposes established by donors or the Board of Governors. The University ensures, as part of its fiduciary responsibilities, that all funds received with a restricted purpose are expended for the purpose for which they were provided.

University policy has been established with the objective of protecting the real value of the endowments by limiting the amount of income available for spending and requiring the reinvestment of an amount of the earned income equal to the average percentage change (last 12 months) in the consumer price index for Canada prepared by Statistics Canada. This preservation of capital is $74,540 for 2008 (2007 - $102,976).

External donations are recorded as a direct increase of endowments.

12. Endowments (continued):

Contributions restricted for endowments consist of the following:

	2008	2007
Ignatian	$ 12,884	$ 12,714
Devlin	30,482	30,068
Faculty position, English	22,131	21,631
M.A. in Catholic Thought and Life	818,725	801,692
J. Wintermeyer lecture	51,557	49,887
T. Dease lecture	29,680	29,292
Scarborough Mission	27,517	27,155
Catholic board lecture	12,920	12,749
Todd Earl spirit award	6,930	6,171
John Sweeney lecture	6,561	6,477
Quantum Computations Research	4,624	4,041
M. Higgins Lecture	22,655	21,276
Spalding	61,296	60,500
Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund Bursaries Phase I	969,553	955,793
Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund Bursaries Phase II	211,332	208,333
Ontario Trust Student Support	890,086	493,299
Scholarship/bursaries	2,738,571	2,656,373
Contributions at cost	$ 5,917,504	$ 5,397,451
Unrealized gain (loss)	(147,855)	163,819
Contributions at market value	$ 5,769,649	$ 5,561,270

12. Endowments (continued):

The Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund Phase I consists of the following:

	2008	2007
Endowment Funds Phase I		
Balance, beginning of year	$ 955,793	$ 936,956
Investment income re Capital Preservation	13,760	18,837
Balance, end of year (A)	$ 969,553	$ 955,793
Expendable Funds Phase I		
Balance, beginning of year	$ 28,833	$ 31,801
Investment income	13,365	28,982
Bursaries awarded (total number: 2008 - 13; 2007 - 35)	(13,900)	(31,950)
Balance, end of year (B)	$ 28,298	$ 28,833
Endowment total based on book value (A+B)	$ 997,851	$ 984,626

The market value of the endowed funds of $997,851, related to the Ontario Student Opportunity Trust Fund Phase I as at April 30, 2008, was $966,169 (2007 - $1,014,079).

13. Financial instruments:

Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities:

The carrying amounts of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate the respective fair value due to the short period to maturity of those instruments.

Investments are recorded at fair value.

14. Comparative figures:

Certain 2007 comparative figures have been reclassified to conform with the financial statement presentation adopted for the current year.