# MERIDIAN ACADEMY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS JUNE 30, 2010

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We have reviewed the accompanying statements of financial position of Meridian Academy (a nonprofit organization) as of June 30, 2010 and 2009 and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of Meridian Academy.

A review consists principally of inquiries of organization personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the generally accepted accounting principles.

Certified Public Accountants

Russell, Brien & Co. LLP

November 22, 2010

# MERIDIAN ACADEMY STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS OF JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009

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	ASSETS	
	2010	2009
Current Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 155,939	\$ 187,061
Accounts receivable	11,791	4,666
Total current assets	167,730	191,727
Fixed Assets, (net)	38,156	45,227
Other Assets		
Investments	32,397	31,504
Prepaid Salaries and Wages	30	<del></del>
Total other assets	32,427	31,504
Total assets	<u>\$ 238,313</u>	\$ 268,458
LIA	ABILITIES	
Current Liabilities		
Deferred tuition	\$ 80,191	\$ 158,987
Total current liabilities	80,191	158,987
Long-term Liabilities		
Deferred tuition	10,000	10,000
Total long-term liabilities	10,000	10,000
Total liabilities	90,191	168,987
NE	T ASSETS	
Net Assets		
Unrestricted net assets	148,122	99,471
Total net assets	148,122	99,471
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 238,313</u>	\$ 268,458

# MERIDIAN ACADEMY STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009

	2010	2009
Support and Revenue		
Tuition income	\$ 725,064	\$ 664,940
Less: Financial aid	(220,500)	(195,245)
Net tuition	504,564	469,695
Contributions and grants	32,486	37,735
Admission application fees	1,040	795
Bank interest and investment income	1,165	(134)
Student material fees	3,678	11,957
Events	4,045	(208)
Miscellaneous revenue	250	1,995
Total operating revenue and support	547,228	521,835
Expenses		
Program expenses	465,355	419,749
Administration expenses	33,222	52,538
Fund raising expense	-	295
Total expenses	498,577	472,582
Change in net assets	48,651	49,253
Net assets, beginning of the year	99,471	50,218
Net assets, end of the year	<u>\$ 148,122</u>	\$ 99,471

# MERIDIAN ACADEMY STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009

	201	0	2009
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Tuition income	\$ 41	8,643 \$	562,280
Contributions	3	32,486	37,735
Interest and dividend income		272	86
Miscellaneous revenue		9,013	16,093
Salaries and wages	(29	98,908)	(222,817)
Employee benefits and deferred tuition	(4	6,878)	(124,958)
Payments to other suppliers	(13	9,417)	(131,078)
Net cash provided by operating activities	(2	4,789)	137,341
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of equipment and software	(	6,333)	(32,740)
Purchase of investments		<del></del> _	(30,000)
Net cash provided by investing activities	(	6,333)	(62,740)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(3	1,122)	74,601
Beginning cash and cash equivalents	18	7,061	112,460
Ending cash and cash equivalents	<u>\$ 15</u>	5,939 \$_	187,061

# MERIDIAN ACADEMY STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2010 AND 2009

		2010	 2009
Increase (decrease) in net assets	\$	48,651	\$ 49,253
Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets			
to net cash provided by operating activities:			
Depreciation		13,405	9,313
Realized and unrealized (gains) losses		(894)	220
(Increase) decrease in operating assets:			
Accounts receivable		(7,125)	982
Prepaid Salaries and Wages		(30)	-
Increase (decrease) in operating liabilities:			
Accrued expenses		-	(16,030)
Deferred tuition		(78,796)	 93,603
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$</u>	(24,789)	\$ 137,341

# MERIDIAN ACADEMY STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES JUNE 30, 2010

		Program Expense		ministrative Expenses	Fund Raising Expenses		Total
Salaries and wages	\$	292,997	\$	5,881	\$ -	\$	298,878
Benefits		17,080		•	~		17,080
Payrol! taxes		23,447		4,165	_		27,612
Payroll expenses		_		153	_		153
Admission expenses		2,033		-	-		2,033
Bad debt expense		-		-	-		-
Bank fees & Credit Card Fees		-		319	<i>-</i>		319
Conferences and meetings		-		4,189	-		4,189
Depreciation		13,405		-	-		13,405
Development contracts		-		-	-		-
Dues and license fees		-		1,663	-		1,663
Field trips		15,460		-	-		15,460
Filing fees		-		-	-		-
Food and entertainment		1,239		-	•		1,239
Health Education Consultant		-		900	-		900
Hiring costs		-		954	-		954
Library Expense		1,040		-	. <del>-</del>		1,040
Insurance		-		3,858	-		3,858
Miscellaneous		_		352	-		352
Rent		67,000		-	-		67,000
Shipping	•	-		614	-		614
Software		-		1,073	-		1,073
Student T Passes		(80)			-		(80)
Student text charges		2,382			-		2,382
Supplies		15,472		6,951	-		22,423
Utilities		11,020			-		11,020
Extracurricular Sports		1,700			-		1,700
College Guidance		1,160			~		1,160
Telephone and internet		<u> </u>		2,150	<del>-</del>		2,150
Total expenses	\$	465,355	<u>\$</u>	33,222	<u> -</u>	<u>\$</u>	498,577

# MERIDIAN ACADEMY STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES JUNE 30, 2009

		Program Expense	ministrative Expenses	Fund Raising Expenses	 Total
Salaries and wages	\$	253,969	\$ 24,375	\$ -	\$ 278,344
Benefits		23,601	2,265	-	25,866
Payroll taxes		20,069	1,926	-	21,995
Payroll expenses		-	2,106	-	2,106
Admission expenses		3,434	-	-	3,434
Bad debt expense		446	-	-	446
Bank fees & Credit Card Fees		-	15	-	15
Conferences and meetings		-	4,446	-	4,446
Depreciation		9,313		-	9,313
Development contracts		-	-	295	295
Dues and license fees		-	4,515	-	4,515
Field trips		9,223	-	-	9,223
Filing fees		· <u>-</u>	125	-	125
Food and entertainment		2,044	-	-	2,044
Health Education Consultant		•	1,200	-	1,200
Hiring costs		-	415	-	415
Library Expense		282	-	-	282
Insurance		-	2,863	-	2,863
Miscellaneous		-	800	-	800
Rent		62,565	-	-	62,565
Shipping		-	504	-	504
Software		-	227	-	227
Student T Passes		(480)	-	_	(480)
Student text charges		7,377	-	•	7,377
Supplies		23,135	5,192	-	28,327
Utilities		4,771	-	-	4,771
Telephone and internet		<u>-</u>	1,564		 1,564
Total expenses	<u>\$</u>	419,749	\$ 52,538	295	\$ 472,582

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Meridian Academy (the "Academy"), a nonprofit, independent day school in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, was founded in 2004. The Academy offers education to grade six through grade twelve. The Academy is an urban, independent, college preparatory school that mentors students in a small, vibrant community to become creative, questioning, analytical learners and thoughtful, involved citizens. Our curriculum incorporates the best practices from both progressive and traditional schooling, encouraging students to embrace the joys and challenges of lifelong discovery. The Academy is for students who want to become experienced problem-solvers with leadership skills; who want to propose and carry out original projects; and who want to understand the connections between the different ideas that they study and the world in which we live.

The Academy is exempt from corporate taxes under IRC Section 501(c)(3) and has been classified by the Internal Revenue Service as other than a private foundation. Management believes the tax exempt status will be maintained in the future.

A summary of the significant accounting policies are described below to enhance the usefulness of the financial statements to the reader.

#### - Net Assets

Financial statement presentation follows the recommendations of the Financial Accounting Standards Board in its Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) No. 958, Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities. Under ASC No. 958, the Academy is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to three classes of net assets: unrestricted net assets, temporarily restricted net assets, and permanently restricted net assets. As of June 30, 2010, all assets held were unrestricted.

Net assets, revenues, expenses, and gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions.

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

Temporarily restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations or regulatory restrictions that may or will be met by actions of the School and/or the passage of time. At year end, there were no temporarily restricted net assets.

Permanently restricted net assets - Net assets subject to donor-imposed stipulations that they be maintained permanently by the School. At year end, there were no permanently restricted net assets.

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### - Revenues and Expenses

Revenues 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.

#### - Contributions

Contributions, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as revenues in the period received. Conditional promises to give are not recognized until they become unconditional; that is, at the time when the conditions on which they depend are substantially met. Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at their estimated fair value.

#### - Donated Services

No amounts have been reflected in the financial statements for donated services. The Academy generally pays for services requiring specific expertise. However, many individuals volunteer their time and perform a variety of tasks that assist the Academy with specific activities. The amounts for volunteer services are not included in the financial statements because they do not meet the necessary criteria.

#### - Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### - Functional Allocation of Expenses

Expenses by function have been allocated among programs and supporting services classifications on the basis of estimates made by the Academy's management.

#### - Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash equivalents include time deposits and certificates of deposit. The Academy maintains at financial institutions cash and cash equivalents which may exceed federally insured amounts at times.

#### Note 1 - Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (continued)

#### Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable include student accounts receivable and other receivables. Student accounts receivable represent amounts due for tuition, fees, and other miscellaneous charges. The School extends unsecured credit to students and parents in connection with their studies. Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. The School provides for losses on accounts receivable through a provision for bad debt expense and adjustment to a valuation allowance based on payment history. It is the School's policy to charge off uncollectible accounts receivable when management determines the receivable will not be collected.

#### - Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Assets of \$500 or more with a useful life of one year or more are capitalized. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets on the straight-line basis, with one-half year taken in the first and last years. Depreciation lives range from 3 to 7 years.

#### - Reclassifications

Certain accounts in the prior year financial statements have been reclassified for comparative purposes to conform to the presentation in the current financial statements.

#### Note 2 - Operating Lease

The Meridian School signed a lease to rent classroom space beginning June 21, 2008 through June 20, 2011. Details of scheduled base payments are as follows:

Year Ending

6/30/2011 Thereafter	85,00				
Total	\$	85,000			

#### Note 3 - Fixed Assets

Investment in fixed assets and accumulated depreciation expressed on the statement of financial position comprise the following categories:

Note 3 - Fixed Assets (continued)

2010	<u></u>	Cost	cumulated preciation		Net Value
Leasehold Improvements Computers, peripherals, and software Furniture and fixtures	\$	6,574 40,933 22,538	\$ (3,199) (22,318) (6,372)	<b>\$</b>	3,375 18,615 16,166
Total	\$	70,045	\$ (31,889)	\$	38,156

Depreciation expense for the years 2010 and 2009 was \$13,405 and \$9,313, respectively.

2009	Cost		cumulated epreciation	Net Value	
Leasehold Improvement	\$	6,354	\$ (1,059)	\$	5,295
Computers, peripherals, and software Furniture and fixtures		36,405 20,954	(14,208) (3,218)		22,197 17,736
Total	\$	63,713	\$ (18,485)	\$	45,228

#### Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements

The School adopted Accounting Standards Codification No. 820, Fair Value Measurements (formerly SFAS No. 157) as of July 1, 2009, which among other matters, requires enhanced disclosures about "instruments that are measured and reported at fair value.

ASC No. 820 establishes a hierarchal disclosure framework which prioritizes and ranks the level of market price used in measuring instruments at fair value. Market price is affected by a number of factors, including the type of instrument and the characteristics specific to the instrument. Instruments with readily available quoted prices or for which fair value can be measured for actively quoted prices generally will have a higher degree of market price observability and a lesser degree of judgment used in measuring fair value. The implementation of ASC No. 820 had no impact on reported amounts.

Instruments measured and reported at fair value are classified and disclosed in one of the following categories:

Level 1 - Quoted prices are available in active markets for identical instruments as of the reporting date. The type of instruments included in Level 1 include listed equity and debt securities publicly traded on a Stock Exchange.

#### Note 4 - Fair Value Measurements (Continued)

Level 2 - Pricing inputs are other than quoted prices in active markets, which are either directly or indirectly observable as of the reporting date, and fair value is determined through the use of models or other valuation methodologies. Instruments which are generally included in this category include less liquid and restricted equity securities and over-the-counter derivatives including corporate bonds and loans, public company equity securities with legal restrictions and interest rate swap contracts.

Level 3 - Pricing inputs are unobservable for the instrument and include situations where there is little, if any, market activity for the instrument. The inputs into the determination of fair value require signicant management judgment or estimation. Instruments that are included in this category generally include investments in privately held portfolio companies, promissory notes to privately held companies, and interests in other investment partnerships.

In some instances, the inputs to measure fair value may fall into different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such instances, an instrument's level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to the fair value measurement.

The valuation of the School's investments by the above fair value hierarchy consisted of the following at June 30, 2010:

	 Level 1	Level 2 Level 3		3	Total		
Assets	 						
Investments	\$ 32,397	\$ 	\$	-	\$	32,397	
	\$ 32,397	\$ -	\$		\$	32,397	

Fair value of financial instruments for which the School did not elect the fair value option are listed below. The fair values of such instruments have been derived, in part, by management's assumptions, the estimated amount and timing of future cash flows and estimated discount rates. Different assumptions could significantly affect these estimates presented below. In addition, the estimates are only indicative of the value of the individual financial instruments and should not be considered an indication of the fair value of the School.

Carrying amount approximates fair value for the following financial instruments:

Cash and cash equivalents
Student accounts receivable
Accounts payable and accrued expenses
Deferred tuition

#### Note 5 - Investments

Investments at fair market value are comprised of the following:

Equities	\$	32,270
Money market funds		127
Totał	\$	32,397
Investment return for the year ended June 30, 2010 is computed	as follo	ws:
Dividends Unrealized gains/(losses)	\$	13 1,061
Total long-term investment return		1,074
Interest on short-term investments		91
Total investment return		1,165
Investment return designated for current operations	\$	1,165
Investment return in excess of amounts designated for current operations	\$	<u>-</u>

#### Note 6 - Employee Retirement Plan

The Organization maintains a defined contribution retirement plan covering all employees after a specified period of service. Eligible employees may contribute a portion of their annual compensation. The Organization offers a matching contribution of up to 6% of an employee's annual compensation. The Organization's contribution amounted to \$810 and \$0 for the years ended June 30, 2010 and 2009 respectively.

#### Note 7 - Subsequent Events

There were no subsequent events that required adjustments to or disclosures in the financial statements as of June 30, 2010. Subsequent events were evaluated through November 22, 2010 with the Treasurer, which is the date the School issued the financial statements.